RRVA News

Red River Valley Square and Round Dance Association www.rrvsda.org



July – August 2015



Special Dance Schedule

Square Dance Land

812 Travis, Wichita Falls, TX

DATE	CLUB	PLACE	CALLER
July 26	RRVA Quarterly Meeting	SDL	
August 29	RRVA Fall Dance	SDL	Toby Thomason



July

Birthdays

Jimmy Smith

Norman Deason

Jim Murphy

Richard Morton

Huck Harper

Carroll Trotter

Darla Daily

Kayla Ward

Lou Tanner

Margaret Waller

Brenda Hardy

Mo Forester

Eddie Dunn

Marge Conklin

Louise Morton

Summer Green

Jim Gray

Anniversaries

Jim & Lee Humphrey

Richard & Louise Morton

Jimmy and Charlotte Smith

Henry & Susan Krusekopf

Tim and Lou Tanner

Eddie & Sondra Dunn

Robert & Dosha Steflik

August

Birthdays

Jerry Whatley

Wayne Salmon

Glenda Wadley

Ann Jackson Tommy Moore

Betty Weist

Sandi Scantlin

Sherry Ward

Maggie Sewell

John Carson

Anniversaries

Jim & Judy McMillion

Kim & Gail Peterson

Jerry & Tommy Jo Epley

Jim & Chesta Owens

Wayne & Ann Jackson

Robert & Pam Walker

Andy & Genny Frerich

Fred & Wanda Mount



From the Desk of the Presidents

July- August, 2015

Well, it looks like half of the year is already over according to the calendar, but RRVA is just beginning a new year since our year begins on July 1. Our officers for this new year are: Presidents-Wayne and Linda Salmon, 1st Vice Presidents -Ina Roark and Betty Jones, and 2nd Vice Presidents-Tom and Yvonne Cleary. The new secretary will be Audrey Bee, and serving as treasurer again will be Winnie Kajs. RRVA officers for 2015-2016 were installed at the Solos dance in June. We really appreciate the willingness of each of these to serve for 2015-2016.

Our annual **Pioneer Dinner/Dance** with K.O. Jeans as the caller, on May 2 was a great success thanks to all of you who bought tickets for the dinner and dance. The attendance was great! Thanks to those who helped get the meal ready and served. You are all the best!

We have a new club in our district. The Red River Callers' Association had their organization meeting in June and hosted their first Annual Callers' Ball. Lots of fun was had by all. Thanks to Robert and Pam Walker, Dee and Janice Roy, Tim and Lou Tanner, Charlie Sanders, Johnny and Jan Carroll, and Mike Bramlett for all the have planned for the future. Watch your calendar for news of the next dance. Let's all be careful out there on that floor. Sandra Ketcham Whatley is recovering from a fractured wrist/arm.

The Levi and Lace canceled their dances in June and July, due to State Festival and 4th of July, but will be back on the floor on the first Friday in August. Let's all support them since they will be a bit short on revenue because of the cancellations. Swinging Stars do not usually dance in the summer, but they did have a make-up dance in June and plan another in July. Solos had a great time in June as did the Wichita Wranglers who hosted the Decatur Eighters for a great dance. Remember we need to dance often so we don't get rusty on all those calls.

A huge thanks to all who have agreed to serve on the Appointed Committees for the new year. It takes all of you to make RRVA successful. We will be having our Quarterly Meeting in July, but I have not set the date as yet. It may be a called meeting prior to the last Sunday in July. Watch for the announcement of time and date.

Don't forget that we will be hosting the TSFSRD Presidents' Meeting the first weekend in October. I will be asking many of you to step up and help. Also each club will be asked to have a basket for a Silent Auction.

Be sure to check the RRVA website calendar each month and if you hear of a change be sure to let your fiends know.

Looking forward to seeing YOU in a square! Yellow Rocks to all. Wayne and Linda Salmon

RRVA Callers Association

They're baaaaaack! The Red River Valley Callers Association is back in action as of 5-31-15.

The current roster includes:

President Robert and Pam Walker

Vice-president Dee and Janice Roy

Secretary/Treasurer Tim and Lou Tanner

Chaplin Johnny and Jan Carroll

Mike and D' Bramlett, Charlie Sanders, Richard and Janice Covington and honorary members Les and Peggy Edgar will be joining us at future events.

Our first annual Presidents Ball was June 16th 2015. We had 6 squares for the grand march. There were also several non-dancers present. Thanks to everyone that came out to support the association and honor the outgoing club presidents. We are already looking forward to next years' presidents' ball.

The association has many ideas for future events, but none of which can be done without dancers. Your thoughts and ideas are always welcome. We look forward to providing you with many evenings of laughter, dancing and good fun in the future.

If anyone is interested in trying their hand at calling square dances or cueing round dances we would like to talk to you.

Thank you for your support.

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Levis & Lace

THE LEVIS AND LACE EXTEND A HUGE WELCOME BACK TO THE DANCE FLOOR BY ANNA MARIE AND WILL BOGART! WHAT A GREAT EXAMPLE THEY SET FOR ALL OF US IN ENTHUSIASM AND ATTITUDE.

WE ALSO WELCOME THE EPLEYS BACK TO THE LAND OF THE FREE (AND HOPE IT STAYS THAT WAY). THE BEES WILL ALSO SOON BE RETURNING FROM NEW YORK AND THE CLEMENTS IN EARLY JULY FROM ALASKA AND CANADA. ENJOYING HER CLASS'S 50TH IN ATLANTA, GA ARE BRENDA AND BOB HARDY. THEY'LL ALSO TAKE SOME TIME TO GO TO THE "EVENING IN PARIS DANCE" ALONG WITH THE CLEMENTS, THE WHATLEYS AND MAYBE THE CLEARYS, THE STEFLIKS AND THE SCOTTS (LABOR DAY WEEKEND). IT'S NOT TOO LATE TO PLAN TO GO.

PHELICA AND DANIEL RECENTLY RETURNED FROM THE 2ND ANNUAL OMAHA, NEBRASKA MEMORIAL DANCE WHERE THEY DANCED TO SOME GREAT

CALLERS FROM THE NORTH, DID SOME SIGHTSEEING AND STOOD ON A BRIDGE WITH ONE FOOT IN IOWA AND ONE FOOT IN NEBRASKA. THEY ALSO PLAN TO ATTEND THE ROUTE 66 DANCE IN ELK CITY, OKLAHOMA WHERE I'VE WANTED TO GO FOR YEARS. OH WELL, MAYBE NEXT YEAR WHEN I'M DANCING WITHOUT A BROKEN WRIST!

THOSE LEVIS AND LACE MEMBERS WHOM I KNOW WENT TO THE STATE FESTIVAL IN WACO ARE THE SALMONS, THE CLEARYS, THE HARDY'S, AND THE TANNERS. THEY REPORTED THAT IT WAS A SUPER FESTIVAL.

NOTICE TO ALL LEVIS AND LACE MEMBERS - PLEASE CALL ME WITH NEWS OF WHERE YOU'VE BEEN OR PLAN TO GO AND OTHER MOMENTOUS EVENTS IN YOUR LIFE.

AS YOU KNOW, THE LEVIS AND LACE HAVE CANCELLED OUR JULY DANCE BECAUSE OF THE CLOSE PROXIMITY TO JULY 4TH. HOWEVER WE'LL BE BACK DANCIN' AND KICKING UP OUR HEELS ON AUGUST 7TH WITH SKIP GATES!

YA'LL COME,

SANDRA

Swinging Stars

We hope you're Summer's gotten off with great start. There's lots of dancing, locally and within a short distance's ride. Also, the weather's helped out by holding back the Dog Days of Summer... (grin). June has seemed more like early May than in years past. No complainin' mind you, just commenting. Much better than last year, that's for certain. If you've made plans to head off to the beaches or the mountains we definitely want to hear about it. Send us a line or an email and we'll pass the word along.

First, I'd like to take a moment to welcome a new member to the 'Stars family: Betty Jones. She joined while at Robert and Pam's social and we are so delighted. She always seemed like she was part of us. Be sure to give her a BIG Yellow Rock next time you see her.

Special thanks to Robert and Pam for their fine hospitality with the invitation to the 'Stars to their ranch for their Social. A grand time indeed, with fishing, 4 wheelers ridding, washers playin', poker, 42, much socializing and fine food. The Walkers have a little bit of heaven on earth, don't ya know. We are SOOOOOO lucky to have such fine folks as Robert and Pam as members in our club!

We'd like to take a moment to thank all those who helped make 2014/2015 such a fun dance year. Robert Fenoglio and Cindy Day received the "Above and Beyond" award for all their extra hard work all year. Also, thanks to the new officers for 2015/2016 year: Presidents-Jim and Chesta Owens, Vice-Presidents – Tom and Yvonne Cleary, Second Vice-Presidents – Robert Fenoglio and Cindy Day, Treasurers – Jim and Judy McMillion and Secretary – Terry & Eleanor McCurrin. Fine folks indeed.

Our 'Stars Presidents, Chesta and Jim have some great plans lined up for 'Stars Summer off-season. The upcoming events are: dancing July 11 at SDL; visitation to Vernon for their "Christmas in July" dance on July 25; and another dance with Robert and Pam at SDL on August 8. To be announced is a pot luck at the hall for our potential students. Be sure to keep up with your Monthly Activity card for others. Also, if you've got any other special activities in mind, give them a holler.

The 'Stars had a good time at the RRVA Caller Association's President's Dance. It was all great fun, especially good for new dancers to hear the many differing tones and voices. Look forward to more of the same in the future. Thanks fellahs.

Twenty five Swinging Stars (the Beavers, Griners, Owens, Hardys, San Miguels, Davis, Clearys, Salmons, Thorogoods including little Anna and Robert, Davis, Fenoglio, Day, Asbury, Reed, and Tanners) got together early June and headed off to Waco for State Festival. Lots of festive colors and fast dancin'. Tim Tanner led us in a dance outside by the bulls (statues) – had 3 squares – earned a bull badge. Anna met a young guy close to her age and had a "ball." Great fun was had by all and they came back with a lot of good war stories. Met up and danced with Ken and Susan Jarosz and Henry and Lee Harris Saturday night. They are really missed by the club and may be gone but never forgotten.

We again thank Chesta and Jim for their continued work scheduling and planning the monthly Social Dinners celebrating member birthdays and anniversaries. We LOVE to eat, don't-you-know. The selection of the Rib Crib was great choice. If you have a special place you'd like to attend, be sure to give them and call and let them know.

Frankie and Dean Nance are heading off to Tulsa for new digs. We pass along our best wishes and they were great fun in a square in days past.

Please keep these folks in your thoughts and prayers as they are dealing with serious health problems: Jim Murphy, John Carson and Sandra Whatley.

Also the following as they have recently lost members of their families: Jim & Chesta Owens.

Hope you folks are having a Grand Summer. It's a great chance to get out and visit other clubs and make new friends.

Your Swinging Star Reporter,

Kim Peterson



Wichita Falls Solos

Hello all. It looks like summer is here but we have been blessed with cooler weather this year and thank God for the rain although some have had floods. Hope none of you have experienced that.

We thank all of you that have come out to our dances and supported us. We had a good dance in June after RRVA Instillation of Officers. Please thank all of our officers; those incoming, outgoing and staying. We do appreciate all of you especially our Presidents Wayne and Linda Salmon. You can count on them to be there even if they are ill. The recycled Solo officers are President Leonard Lowry, Vice President, Barbara Standley, Secretary, Betty Jones, Treasurer, Winnie Kajs, RRVA Delegate, James Ingram and Alternate Delegate Carolyn Graves. A big yellow rock to those who served last year James Ingram, President, Sondra Dunn, Vice President, John and Sandi Scantlin, Secretary, Winnie Kajs, Treasurer, Leonard Lowry, RRVA Delegate and Pat Harmon, Alternate Delegate. While we are thanking folks thanks to all of the RRVA callers. Good luck to the recently reformed RRVA Callers Association. We enjoyed the Presidents Dance.

RRVA had a great turn out for the State Festival. We got to see Henry and Ly Harris, Ken & Susan Jarosz and other friend that used to live here. Thanks to Stephen for the picture of the group.

The Solos will be dancing this summer and dances are cool and casual if you desire. Our July Dance is Jul 18th at 8 pm and our August Dance is August 15. We will also have our Potluck Suppers and Workshops on July 7th and August 4th at 7 pm. Bring a covered dish (with food in it) and for just a suggested donation of \$3 you will have a great meal and Dee Roy will workshop both Mainstream and Plus.

The Solos welcome two new members. Marcia Williams and Joanne Roberts from Vernon have joined our club. We are so happy to have you.

Just a reminder to the Solos club dues are due so if you have not paid them see Winnie.

Get well wishes and prayers go out to Sandra Whatley who fell and broke her arm. May it heal real fast Sandra without surgery.

Thank you to Martha Painter for inviting us to her home on the 4th of July for games, eats, and watching the fireworks at Sheppard AFB. We always have a great time there.

Safe traveling to all of you that are going here and there this summer but don't forget to keep dancing.

See you in a square.

Barbara Standley



Wichita Wranglers

Hi, it's me, Tommy Jo. Well, I first of all want to thank those of you who came to our Bramlettpalooza. We really appreciate the support. Thanks to you it was very successful. We want to say thanks to our outgoing officers. We appreciate all you did for the club this year. Our new officers are Presidents-Walt and Marilyn Clemments, V. Presidents-Robert and Dosha Steflik, Treasurer-Will and Anna Marie Bogart, and Secretary-Carroll and Susan Trotter. We know they will do a wonderful job. Welcome back from the Mediterranean to the Epleys, Bees and Yreva Shirey. They enjoyed their 12 day cruise and saw many wonderful things. It really makes you realize how young our country is when you see places Jesus might have walked and buildings he might have been in. WOW! We will have our July and August dances on our usual 4th Friday, so come dance with us. Our July dance is a beach party, so we are definitely casual. Cowabunga, Dudes! Let's Dance!!



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5	6	7 Solos Pot Luck With Workshop 7:00	8	9	10	11 Make-up Swinging Stars Dance Robert Walker 8:00 WS @ 7:30
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19	20	21 Tim Tanner Caller Workshop 7:30-9:30 pm	22	23	24 Wranglers Plus @ 7:30 Mainstream @ 8:00 Mike Bramlett	25
26 RRVA Quarterly Meeting???? 2:00	27	28	29	30	31	

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