

# RRVA News

Red River Valley Square and Round Dance Association

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## May – June 2016



# Special Dance Schedule

Square Dance Land

812 Travis, Wichita Falls, TX

<b>DATE</b>	<b>CLUB</b>	<b>PLACE</b>	<b>CALLER</b>
May 7	Annual Presidents Ball	SDL 7:30	RRVCA Callers
June 16-19	State Festival	Waco, TX	
June 22-26	National Square Dance Festival	Des Moines, Iowa	



# District Callers

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# May

## BIRTHDAYS

Judy Whittaker

Less Edgar

Gene Moore

Tommy Jo Epley

Terry Beaver

Stephanie Ross

Chesta Owens

Brenda Beaver

Tom Cleary

Anne Dawes

Pat Coad

## ANNIVERSARIES

Earl & Ernestine Brock

Jim & Carol Hansard

Daniel & Philicia Scott

# June

## Birthdays

Robert Wilkinson

Lee Humphrey

Peggy Edgars

Jerry Bohannon

Charlotte Smith

D' Bramlett

Chuck Forester

Kevin Connors

Jim McMillion

June Lemmon

Terry Kirkland

## Anniversaries

Jim & Rene Murphy

Dennis & Helen Graf

Walt & Marilyn Clements

Carroll & Susan Trotter

Robert & Lynne Shinpaugh

Peyton & Jeanette Ramey

Less & Peggy Edgars

# From the Desk of the Presidents

May- June 2016

Welcome to spring in North Texas. This has been an unusual season with rain and cool weather. Of course, we know that the cool weather will not last as June approaches. But we will take what we get.

Two of our clubs have hosted lessons and added members to their club rosters. Welcome the new members of the Wichita Wranglers and those of the Wichita Solos. We love to see our clubs getting new dancers and helping us grow the world of square dancing.

Speaking of square dancing, we have had many great, fun dances in RRVA clubs all winter. Some were themed and others were just plain fun. April 30 was our Annual Pioneer Dinner and Dance with Jerry Stover doing the calling. We had a great attendance which helped with the annual fund-raising. Thanks to the club for donating the baskets for the Silent Auction. I believe our members enjoyed the “Gardening Basket”, the “Money Jar”, the “Lunch Around Town”, and the “Date Night Basket”. Great ideas shared for us to bid on.

Now for news that does not bring us joy but does bring a strong sense of appreciation for the years given to RRVA clubs by Robert and Pam Walker, our beloved caller and his taw. Thanks to both of you for your dedication to square dancing through the many years. The Retirement Dinner and dance were very nice and gave RRVA dancer an opportunity to show their appreciation. Thanks to the Swinging Stars and the Levis and Lace for hosting this tribute to the Walkers. Now that summer is approaching, it’s time to pack your dancing shoes, square dance outfits, petticoats, and don’t forget those pettipants and head to Waco for the 55th State Festival. “Waco is the Scene in 2016” is where all the fun takes place June 16-19. Make plans also to attend the National Square Dance Festival June 22-26 in Des Moines, Iowa. Come join in all the festivities. Remember we will be hosts for ***2017 Dancing the Halls in Wichita Falls.***

June 11 we will be installing our new RRVA officers for 2016-2017. Watch the calendar for more details.

We would like to thank each of you who have supported us in our position as Presidents of RRVA for the past two years. You have been an invaluable help through it all. We look forward to dancing with each of you in the coming year. Thanks!

Looking forward to seeing YOU in a square!

Yellow Rocks to all.

Wayne and Linda Salmon

# Levis & Lace

Wow, how the days and months do fly by – apparently, March and April totally escaped me, but I’m going to fall back on the fact that we’ve just been too busy with square dancing and square dancing activities to remember ‘everything’.

In February we celebrated our 39<sup>th</sup> anniversary remembering some of the years- gone-by, especially the “He-Haw Days” with President Wadley coming up with some great decorations!

In April, Robert Walker called his last dance for us as our regular caller. We had a last-dance cake for Robert and Pam, and Audrey Bee presented them with a ‘dancing-squares’ quilt she had quilted herself. In addition, the Levis and Lace partnered with the Swinging Stars to honor Robert and Pam when he performed at his last regular caller dance on April 23. Levis and Lace members helping with the details of the celebration were Barbara Standley, Yvonne and Tom Cleary, Jim and Chesta Owens, Carolyn Graves, Brenda and Bob Hardy, and Sandra Whatley. Many former square dancers attended and added a special flair to the occasion. Ten squares of dancers participated in the grand march.

Our May 6 dance will be called by Tim Tanner and Jim Howard of Oklahoma City is scheduled to call for us on June 3. A committee is working to schedule other guest callers. Our July dance has been cancelled due to the close proximity to the July 4 holidays.

The Levis and Lace has plans also to participate in the annual RRVA Pioneer Dance fundraiser scheduled for Saturday, April 30 beginning with a barbeque dinner. Our treasurer, Walt Clements, is again chairing the event. Our basket contribution for the silent auction is a “gardening basket” and is loaded with great stuff!

We love having Marilyn Clements back at the hall and feeling better, even though she isn’t able to dance yet after foot surgery and the complications which followed it. Thank you to all who continue to ask about Jerry who’s doing well but continuing to regain his strength.

And, our hearts go out to Janie and other family and friends of Buddy Davis who passed away on April 18. Buddy and Janie were fast becoming an integral part of our square dance world and Buddy will be greatly missed.

Sandra and Jerry Whatley

# Swinging Stars

We've had a great Spring this year with lots of fine moisture. Hope you had the good fortune to enjoy some of this glorious moisture, as I do recall its absence during the past 5 or so years. We have indeed been blessed. Also, hope you've managed to be missed by any passing thunder boomers. They are particularly nasty during this time of year.

Before everyone rushes off on our Summer break, we'd like to take a moment to thank the current slate of officers who have helped with the 'Stars throughout the past dance year: President: Jim & Chesta Owens; 1st VP: Tom & Yvonne Cleary; 2nd VP: Robert Fenoglio and Cindy Day; Treasures: Jim & Judy McMillion and Secretary: Terry & Eleanor McCurrin. Great work indeed. . Also, we'd like to thank not only our elected officers, but also, our appointed officers: Photographer/Historian: Terry & Brenda Beaver; Parliamentarian: Jim McMillion; Telephone Chairwomen; Ina Roark and Betty Jones, Chaplain: Jimmy & Charlotte Smith, and Reporter Kim Peterson; along with all the members for supporting us during our term of office for the past two years. Thaaaaank Youuuu!

In addition, I'd like to AGAIN thank the new slate of leaders for stepping forward (or at least did not step backward...grin) to serve as officers of the Stars for the upcoming 2016-2017 year. These folks are: President: Tom & Yvonne Cleary; 1st VP: Stephen & Rosa San Miguel; 2nd VP: Karen Reed; Treasures: Ina Roark and Secretary: Betty Jones

We heard that many folks ventured out of the area for some fun dancing, up across the Red" in Lawton and toward the Metro-Plex with the "fun-bunch" from Decatur. We also hope you had a chance to join in on the fun of recent, 2nd and 4th Saturday 'Stars dances: the verdant "St Paddy's Day Dance" a festive "Easter Dance" and the "Happy Trails" dance, celebrating Robert and Pam's 45 years of calling in the Square Dance world.

We are now in the business of finding another caller. The search committee has worked hard to find us the best that are available. Try and dance with them each time a visit is scheduled so you will know which caller you want to become part of our square dance club. No one can take Robert's place but one can make their own place as time goes by.

Although our “official” club dance season goes from September thru April, fear not as plans and being lined up for more events with which to participate. Be sure to bend-an-ear for future ‘Stars events. A big one coming up is our barbeque social at Robert and Pam Walker’s ranch on May 15th. We always have a wonderful time with lots of laughter and good food.

Once again, as always, Jim & Chesta did a GREAT job for scheduling our recent ‘Stars social dinners for B-Day’s and Anniversaries: El Chico, El Felix, Jason’s Deli and Rafter J BBQ -were really tasty. The fellowship was grand also. Chesta is always looking for new places to go to so if you have a favorite spot or know of a new place in town give her a holler or our new presidents, Tom and Yvonne.

Another big thanks goes to all of the folks that helped Chesta & Jim entice and gather names for future New Dancers at the Home and Garden Show and the Henrietta Turkey Fest events. Continued growth is the lifeblood of our favorite avocation. Also, a big thanks goes out to those who helped at the ‘Stars mid-April cleaning of the Hall.

There are some special folks that, due to health problems, we need to keep in our thoughts and prayers: R G Holland (Santa), Ruby Biggs, Jim Gray.

Also, keep Janie Davis and Jim and Judy McMillion and their families in our prayers as they seek peace with the loss of their loved ones.

Again, you folks have the good fortune of taking advantage of our many upcoming events and visitations that will be scheduled for us this coming summer. As before, for those of you who will be venturing out of the area into the mountains or the coastlines, send us a line or two to let us know what it’s like not to have to sweat out in the Summer heat.

Hope you have a GREAT Summer.

Your Swinging Star Reporter,

Kim Peterson





# Wichita Falls Solos

Summer is almost here but we have been blessed with rain this spring without the flooding so far. There has been a lot happening in square dancing this month. We have said welcome to quite a few new dancers as Wranglers and Solos graduated some new dancers. We will say farewell to Robert and Pam Walker as club callers but I have been told he will still call some. I sure hope this is true. WE have enjoyed dancing to his calling and line dancing with Pam,

The RRVA Pioneer Dinner & Dance will be over by the time you see this Newsletter. This is the major fund raiser for RRVA so hope it is well supported.

Thanks to all of you who came to the Zone and were angels for Solos' Lessons. We had 13 graduate and several joined the club. We welcome Jerry Bohannon, Rose Brown, Troy Cullar, Cassie McKee, Helen Tomanek, Gretta Veitheimer, and Jerry & Rickie Watkins to our club and Square dancing. Ninell Splawn, Ricky Robinson, and Zan Nance are welcome back to square dancing and the Solos Club.

Dee Roy did a great job calling our Anniversary Dance. Get well wishes go out to Skip Gates who had to cancel calling for us due to a broken leg. Thanks to all of you who came to the dance and supported us. We look forward to next year when we will celebrate 40 years. Thanks to Sondra & Eddie Dunn for the decorations and all of the other things they did. We appreciate all who brought food and door prizes and all who braved the weather to come out. We had visitors from Levi & Lace, Swinging stars Wichita Wranglers and RRVA Officers.

Everyone is invited to our Potluck Suppers and Workshops at 7 pm on May 3 and June 7 at Square Dance Land. For just a suggested donation of \$3 bring a dish to share with others and get some practice dancing. Our caller Dee Roy will workshop what the group needs either Mainstream or a little Plus. Hope to see you there.

The Solos' dances are at the Hall on May 21 and June 18 at 8 pm. We realize the June dance is the weekend of the State Festival but if you are not going come join us for a dance here in town. You are always welcome to our dances wearing square dance attire or casual. Our June, July and August dances are cool and casual if you desire.

It was great to see Janice Roy at our anniversary dance. Remember her in your prayers. Remember Martha Painter in your prayers. She is scheduled for a total hip replacement surgery in Dallas April 28 if she passes all her pre-op tests.

Hope to see you at the dances soon.

Barbara Standley

# Wranglers

Hi, it's me, Tommy Jo! Well, we have certainly had some rain!! Sorry for all those who got floods, but I'm just looking forward to summer thinking, "Just keep raining!"

We want to thank all who attended our Bramlettpalooza, including Mike Bramlett, who was "under the weather" for several days before the event! Thanks to Dee and Drew, also who were wonderful, as usual. We had a very successful dance and fun time thanks to all who attended!

Feel sorry for those who missed or "Black Light" dance. It was really different and fun, and hard to explain to those who didn't attend. The "lights out" dances were the first ones to fill up! Audrey furnished us with white gloves and hands were high! Don rigged the lights for us. Thanks, ya'll! We also had some yummy white snacks that glowed. Stephen and Rosa, you were great! I always wanted to get in a square with you, because you made it easier to see in the dark!

Our dance lessons were very successful. Tim and Lou did a wonderful job for us. Thank you so much! Our new members are: Doug and Linda Burton, Terry and Ginny Glassburn, Jeff and Irma Lewis, JoElla Rice, and Bob Turner. Just encourage all those who just finished lessons in all clubs to keep dancing!!

Our new officers for next year are: President, Jerry and Tommy Jo Epley, Vice President, Robert and Doshia Steflik, Treasurer, Will and Anna Marie Bogart, and Carroll and Susan Trotter secretary. Thank ya'll for accepting these offices. Glad we didn't have to listen to a bunch of mud-slinging commercials for our offices!!

Our May 27th dance has been cancelled because of Memorial Day. It's too difficult to cancel Memorial Day for our dance, so there you are! Not that we would. Hope that didn't offend anybody!!!

Robert and Pam, if you're listening out there, we love you guys and will miss you. Even though we will see you at dances, we will miss that great calling and the two-step songs and the line dance leadership! Having been there a while, I think everyone deserves to retire!! Make the most of it!

As always, best wishes and congratulations for those with birthdays, anniversaries and all other wonderful happenings, and our prayers and sympathies go out to those suffering medical problems or losses. Come dance with us and you'll be glad you did!



# May 2016



	Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1		2	3 Solos Pot Luck With Workshop 7:00	4	5	6 Levi & Lace Tim Tanner 8:00	7 RRVA Presidents Ball 7:30 – 9:30
8	Mothers Day	9	10	11	12	13	14
15		16	17	18	19	20	21 Solo's Dance Dee Roy 8:00
22		23	24	25	26	27	28
29		30 Memorial Day	31				



# June 2016



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
			1	2	3 <b>Levi &amp; Lace</b> <b>Jim Howard</b> <b>8:00</b>	4 Tim Tanner Callers W/S 7:30 - 9:30
5	6	7 <b>Solos</b> <b>Pot Luck With</b> <b>Workshop</b> <b>7:00</b>	8	9 RRVA Officer Installation <u>Luby's 6:30PM</u>	10	11
12	13	14	15	16 Texas State	17 Festival	18 Weekend <b>Solo's</b> <b>Dance</b> <b>Dee Roy</b> <b>8:00</b>
19 <u>Fathers Day</u>	20	21	22 Nationals	23 Des Moines	24 Iowa Wranglers 7:30 W/S 8:00 Dance	25 Weekend
26	27	28	29	30		

Trails End

Dance

June 16, 2016



WACO  
Convention Center

100 Washington Ave.

Waco, Texas 76702



Brad Caldwell

Early Rounds 7:00 – 7:30

Squares with Rounds 7:30 – 9:30

Plus Dancing 9:30 – 10:00

After - party 10:00



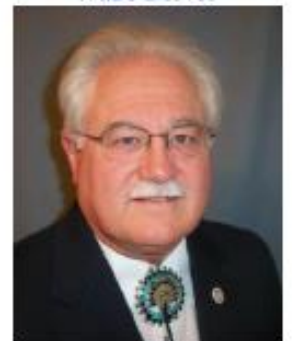
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Michele Vieira

**Caller IDOL III**

Special guest judges selected from those who attend. Who will be crowned this year's CALLER IDOL?



John Carlton



K.O. Jeanes

Stay and VOTE to SUPPORT your favorite and the TSCA Lesson Grant Fund



Wayne Weston

**Waco is the Scene for Twenty Sixteen**

# Friday Night Featured Stars



## 2016 Pre-Festival Event

Hosted by Houston Square & Round Dance Council

*SPECIAL FUN--Depict your favorite famous STAR.  
Then join in the*

### Grand Parade of the Stars

Friday Night Squares & Rounds 6 - 10pm

Waco Convention Center

June 17, 2016



Free  
Dancing Morning &  
Afternoon until  
3pm

9:30-11:30am MS, DBD  
& Advanced &  
1-3pm Plus

1 - 3pm Rounds in  
Separate Hall



Calling by: Houston Callers Association  
Cueing by: Texas Round Dance Teachers Association

Pre-Festival Chairs: Charles & Twyla Woody  
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Register at [www.squaredancetx.com](http://www.squaredancetx.com)



# RRV CALLER'S ASSOCIATION



# PRESIDENTS BALL

**Square Dance**

**Attire**

**Wranglers  
Walt & Marilyn  
Clements**

**Solos  
Barbara Standley**

**May 07, 2016**

**812 Travis Street  
7:30 Grand March**

**RRVA  
Wayne & Linda  
Salmon**

**Honoring our outgoing Club  
Presidents**

**A job well done!!!**

**Admission**

**\$ 6.00**

**Donation**

**Swinging Stars  
Jim & Chesta  
Owens**

**Levis & Lace  
Glenda Wadley**

