

North Texas Camping Squares Newsletter

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WHAT'S UP...FROM THE PRES!

First, we must wish everyone a very Happy New Year which includes only the best wishes and blessings for the days that follow! We hope that you all had the opportunity to share the holidays with loved ones who help create those lasting memories.

For sure everyone had a great time visiting, eating and exchanging gifts last month at our Annual Christmas Party. Thanks again to Terry and Sandy Alderson for hosting us in their home. What a cute couple Danny & Debi made in their Elf outfits. And when everyone was done with multiple trips to the Pot Luck table we all sat down for the always fun gift exchange. This year, a bit different with "pass left-right-left-right – choose – etc." And was Butch ever pleased with the purse she managed to hang on to with her name on it!



And new on our calendar this year is our 1st Annual Chili Cook-Off in February. The Cook-Off rules are simple: 1) homemade chili only (no cans, lol); 2) present your chili at 11:00 am before Saturday's Pot Luck for impartial judging; 3) judges decisions are final; 4) sample every entry during the Pot Luck at noon; 5) awards will be presented at the Pot Luck. Please bring salads, sides, and desserts to support the chili meal. For those who are not fond of Texas-style chili, we'd ask that you bring a dish of your choosing as an alternative.

Here's a quick reminder about our trip in July to Red River, NM. July 13th. We'll be attending the BBQ Dinner and Texas Play in Palo Duro Canyon – so far Toby & Judy have expressed interest – if you're interested please let us know ASAP so we can get a block of tickets and sit together. We're planning on camping in Clayton, NM Saturday night before heading into Red River on Sunday. We'll dance at the Community Center July 16th – 18th to Toby and we will update you on our plans for afterward should anyone want to come along.

Just a reminder that we will be electing a full slate of officers in May. Please carefully consider taking one of the positions and support our club. Positions to be voted on include President, 1st Vice President, 2nd Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. If you have any questions about the duties of any of the offices, please ask the incumbent officer and they'll be glad to help. A new set of officers will bring fresh ideas and fun events for everyone's enjoyment.

This month we'll be heading to American RV Park in Corsicana where Ray Stenger will be once again trying his best to keep us in line. Let's keep our fingers crossed for a pleasant weekend without freezing our pipes.

Worth thinking about: "A New Year's resolution is something that goes in one year and out the other."

Take care,
Bob & Carly Tassan

Sunshine Corner



I know that no news is good news, but I know some of you have some stories to tell about Christmas or New Year's and you lost my email address!!! My email address is on the first page of this newsletter (HINT HINT). So, I will enlighten you with my tale of Christmas.

Of course, I didn't get much help from Bruce (his back/hip problem is still hanging on), but I got all my Christmas decorations up - inside and out (except for lights on the house). I had to make stockings for all three dogs (Penny already had one, and so did Bruce and I, but I couldn't find them)!! My brother, his wife and one of their sons came up from Sugar Land on Saturday (23rd). Sunday, I put my brother to work setting up my new computer. (He retired from State Farm - he was their computer Guru - and I always call him if I have a problem or question.) Took him half the day to save stuff off the old computer and transfer it to the new one. Anyway - it's fixed and we're liking it (got a 27" screen, too - good for old eyes). By this time Bruce is starting to say he's getting sick (cold). [I should have listened to him and stopped drinking from the same water glass earlier.] Since it was cold weather, we had Mexican food for Christmas Eve dinner (YUMM). I think I forgot to mention that my brother has an 85-pound lab mix named "BEAR" and his son has a beagle/hound dog looking mutt that's named "DUKE" that weighs 65 pounds and we have three dogs, Penny, Sophie and Stella (their 3 total weights add up to 70 pounds) and a really tiny back yard with lots of sweet gum balls in the yard!!! Christmas day was outstanding - weather-wise and otherwise. We did ban the dogs from the living room and opening of presents because 5 dogs and 5 people in a room with breakable "things" is not compatible!! The usual turkey and dressing and all the trimmings were on the menu for later in the day. After dinner we all just sat around and groaned about how full we were. On Tuesday, my brother and his family headed back to Sugar Land. I talked to him when he got home and he said he was getting Bruce's cold. By the next day, I had it - Thank you very much Bruce for the lovely Christmas present!! Well here it is a week later and I'm still coughing, stopped up and headachy (we couldn't even go to our annual New Year Eve's party). But I will live and 2018 can only get better!!

Now don't you wish you had sent me some news so you didn't have to listen to the ramblings of a crazy lady?!?!?



2018 Calendar of Events

January 19-20

American RV
Corsicana

February 9-10

N. Texas Airstream Community
Hillsboro

March 2-3 – TSFSRD

Washington County Fairgrounds
Brenham

April 20-21

Texan RV Park
Athens

May 11-12

Coffee Creek
Santo

Happy Birthday

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Cheryl McDonell – 15th

Loretta Vick – 16th

Laura Wright – 31st



Happy Anniversary

None

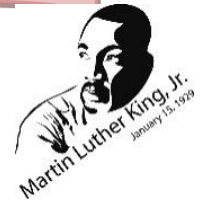
Important Dates to Remember in January

1st – New Year's Day

2nd – Full Moon

15th – MLK Day

31st – Full Moon



DUES are due!

Send \$126 to:

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You only need to fill out a new form if you have any information changes from last year. Call Terry or Bob for a new form or if you have any questions.

January 19-20 - Campout Information

<u>Friday</u>	Arriving (if you didn't come Thursday)
AM	Fun Activities (golf/shopping/sightseeing/sleeping)
PM	Afternoon Free
7:00 PM	Early Rounds
7:30 PM	Square Dance (casual attire)
9:30 PM	Games Following Dance
<u>Saturday</u>	
9:30 A.M.	Board Meeting
12:00 Noon	Pot Luck Lunch with General Membership Meeting to Follow
7:00 PM	Early Rounds
7:30 PM	Square Dance (square dance attire)
9:30 PM	Games Following Dance
<u>Sunday</u>	
8:29 AM	Devotional with Breakfast to Follow
11:00 AM (ish)	Break Camp - Homeward Bound

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