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# North Texas Camping Squares Newsletter

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## WHAT'S UP...FROM THE PRES!

For those that missed our August campout...you picked the wrong one to miss! It was SO MUCH FUN!! Choctaw has a beautiful RV park. It is well maintained and the staff is always gracious (plus, a great pool!). We had nine rigs attending and while the temps were a little on the warm side, we had a bit of cloud cover that helped make it quite manageable.

Danny and Debi Blagg led the pack this month with Danny sporting his new "Casino Caller" shirts and a new speaker system. It has great sound quality and nicely filled that large room. He pulled out a few "golden oldies records" from his vault and those seemed to be the favorite dances of the night. He even reminded us of how to do a curli que (I think I remember that from my 1<sup>st</sup> set of lessons back in the 70's). It was a fun evening!

Saturday pot luck was, as always, scrumptious. Our club never seems to suffer from lack of good food and that held true here too...except...we didn't have any desserts at pot luck. Pitiful, isn't it? Insert sad face here! That may have had something to do with our ice cream social following later that afternoon. It was AMAZING! We had 6 different kinds of homemade, frozen goodness. Bob & Carley brought in a freezer full of an orange flavored confection that made your mouth water for more. Think orange sherbet on steroids. Nikki & Joey fixed up one that tasted just like chocolate covered strawberries. No other description needed... chocolate. strawberry. YUMMO! Steve & Judy (our guests) had a container filled with Pioneer Women's recipe for peanut butter cup. Soooo rich & creamy you wanted to lick the bowl. I happen to have a hubs that loves Circus Cookies so I whipped up a batch of Vanilla Circus Cookie IC. It was mighty tasty. A favorite of my kiddos (both big & small). Me??? I'm an Oreo girl. Debi & Danny came through for me and served up a "Cookies & Cream" that literally melted in your mouth! Heaven! She does have a secret ingredient but you'll have to get that info from her (hint: I think it comes from Morocco). Tommy & JoAn furnished what JoAn called "Chocolate, but not like other chocolates." Hmmm. She melted Milky Way bars (the ones Tommy didn't eat) into her cream. OH!! MY!! GOODNESS!! On top of all of that, we had "fixin's." Cookies, almonds, sprinkles, toppings, the list goes on... Carley even made homemade fried pies! Cherry AND apple. Such a shame we didn't have any desserts at pot luck, isn't it? We finished off the afternoon with our 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Cornhole Tournament. Our champs? Bob & Carley Tassan. Woo Hoo! What a fun afternoon! By the way, if you need Cornhole lessons for our 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Cornhole Tournament...see Barbara Braddock, she's a ringer!

Believe it or not, we did manage to have a dance on Saturday evening. We laughed and cut up and broke down a few squares but the fellowship was unequaled!!

Sunday breakfast was prepared by Chef Wright and Chef Egan and was a total success. They prepared sausage, eggs, hash browns, grilled veggies and all the extras for burritos. We all showed

up at 8:00 to eat then went straight to our devotional time with Tommy leading and Danny providing the music. It was the perfect ending to our time at Choctaw.

September 21-23 takes us to All American RV in Corsicana to join HOT for the TSCS campout. Hope to see you there.

We will head back to Corsicana October 12-14 for our camping weekend. Feel free to wear your Halloween costume to the dance on Friday evening then be ready for a scary movie on Saturday afternoon.

Blessings!!



**LABOR DAY**



Charles & Laura

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*Labor Day*, an annual celebration of workers and their achievements, originated during one of American labor history's most dismal chapters.

In the late 1800s, at the height of the Industrial Revolution in the United States, the average American worked 12-hour days and seven-day weeks in order to eke out a basic living. Despite restrictions in some states, children as young as 5 or 6 toiled in mills, factories and mines across the country, earning a fraction of their adult counterparts' wages.

People of all ages, particularly the very poor and recent immigrants, often faced extremely unsafe working conditions, with insufficient access to fresh air, sanitary facilities and breaks.

As manufacturing increasingly supplanted agriculture as the wellspring of American employment, labor unions, which had first appeared in the late 18th century, grew more prominent and vocal. They began organizing strikes and rallies to protest poor conditions and compel employers to renegotiate hours and pay.

Many of these events turned violent during this period, including the infamous Haymarket Riot of 1886, in which several Chicago policemen and workers were killed. Others gave rise to longstanding traditions: On September 5, 1882, 10,000 workers took unpaid time off to march from City Hall to Union Square in New York City, holding the first Labor Day parade in U.S. history.

The idea of a "workingmen's holiday," celebrated on the first Monday in September, caught on in other industrial centers across the country, and many states passed legislation recognizing it. Congress would not legalize the holiday until 12 years later, when a watershed moment in American labor history brought workers' rights squarely into the public's view. On May 11, 1894, employees of the Pullman Palace Car Company in Chicago went on strike to protest wage cuts and the firing of union representatives.

On June 26, the American Railroad Union, led by Eugene V. Debs, called for a boycott of all Pullman railway cars, crippling railroad traffic nationwide. To break the strike, the federal government dispatched troops to Chicago, unleashing a wave of riots that resulted in the deaths of more than a dozen workers.

In the wake of this massive unrest and in an attempt to repair ties with American workers, Congress passed an act making Labor Day a legal holiday in the District of Columbia and the territories. More than a century later, the true founder of Labor Day has yet to be identified.

Many credit Peter J. McGuire, cofounder of the American Federation of Labor, while others have suggested that Matthew Maguire, a secretary of the Central Labor Union, first proposed the holiday.

Labor Day is still celebrated in cities and towns across the United States with parades, picnics, barbecues, fireworks displays and other public gatherings. For many Americans, particularly children and young adults, it represents the end of the summer and the start of the back-to-school season.



## Sunshine Corner

(This picture missed the deadline for the August Newsletter, but it made this one – you two love birds!!)



“What happens in Red River stays in Red River”.  
Except when it shows up in the Camping Squares newsletter.



You can't go back and change the beginning, but you can start where you are and change the ending. ~ C.S. Lewis

## 2018 Calendar of Events

September 21-22 – TSCS (HOT)

American RV  
Corsicana

October 12-13

American RV  
Corsicana

November 9-10 – 49<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance

Destiny RV Resort  
Denton

December 9 – NO DANCE

Christmas Party

## 2019 Calendar of Events

January 11-12

American RV  
Corsicana

February 8-9

Bedrock RV Park  
Grand Saline

March 15-16 – TSCS

Oakdale RV  
Glen Rose

April 12-13

NT Airstream  
Hillsboro

May 10-11

Coffee Creek  
Santo



## Happy Birthday

Pam Seeley – 1<sup>st</sup>

Bob Tassan – 7<sup>th</sup>



## Happy Anniversary

Charles & Laura Wright - 6<sup>th</sup>

Art & Karen Uher - 10<sup>th</sup>

Terry & Sandy Alderson - 28<sup>th</sup>

Grover & Barbara Braddock - 29<sup>th</sup>



Important Dates to Remember in  
September`

5<sup>th</sup> – Labor Day

9<sup>th</sup> – Grandparents Day

19<sup>th</sup> – Talk like a Pirate Day

21<sup>st</sup> – International Day of Peace

22<sup>nd</sup> – 1<sup>st</sup> Day of Autumn



## Arrr!

**International  
Talk Like a Pirate Day  
September 19**

## THE STATISTICS ARE STAGGERING

The year is **1910**, over one hundred years ago. What a difference a century makes! Here are some statistics for the Year 1910: (applies to the USA)

- The average life expectancy for men was 47 years.
- Fuel for this car was sold in drug stores only.
- Only 14 percent of the homes had a bathtub.
- Only 8 percent of the homes had a telephone.
- There were only 8,000 cars and only 144 miles of paved roads.
- The maximum speed limit in most cities was 10 mph.
- The tallest structure in the world was the Eiffel Tower!
- The average US wage in 1910 was 22 cents per hour.
- The average US worker made between \$200 and \$400 per year.
- A competent accountant could expect to earn \$2000 per year,
- A dentist \$2,500 per year, a veterinarian between \$1,500 and \$4,000 per year.
- More than 95 percent of all births took place at HOME.
- Ninety percent of all Doctors had NO COLLEGE EDUCATION! Instead, they attended so-called medical schools, many of which were condemned in the press AND the government as 'substandard.'
- Sugar cost four cents a pound.
- Eggs were fourteen cents a dozen.
- Coffee was fifteen cents a pound.
- Most women only washed their hair once a month and used Borax or egg yolks for shampoo.
- There was no such thing as under arm deodorant or tooth paste.
- Canada passed a law that prohibited poor people from entering into their country for any reason.
- The five leading causes of death were:
  1. Pneumonia and influenza
  2. Tuberculosis
  3. Diarrhea
  4. Heart disease
  5. Stroke
- The American flag had 45 stars.
- The population of Las Vegas Nevada was only 30!
- Crossword puzzles, canned beer, and iced tea hadn't been invented yet
- There was no Mother's Day or Father's Day.
- Two out of every 10 adults couldn't read or write and only 6 percent of all Americans had graduated from high school.
- Eighteen percent of households had at least one full-time servant or domestic help.
- There were about 230 reported murders in the ENTIRE U.S.A.!

**Try to imagine what it may be like in another 100 years**

# Holy Guacamole

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This will be NACHO AVERAGE CAMPOUT.

There will be no time for siestas!!  
START making plans now to attend

Texas State Camping Squares

Annual Fall Campout

hosted by

Heart of Texas Camping Squares

September 21-23, 2018

American RV

4345 West Hwy 31

Corsicana, TX 75110

**Saturday, September 22, 2018**

**8:00AM** Coffee and Donuts

**8:00AM-10:00AM** Flea Market/Rummage Sale

**NOON POTLUCK LUNCH**

(bring your favorite Mexican dish)

**1:11PMish** (immediately after lunch) TSCS Fall Meeting

**2:30PM-3:30PM** Card Bingo

**3:30PM-4:30PM** Painting

(\$5 for canvas board)

**4:30PM-5:30PM PLUS** Workshop

**6:30PM** SALSA Contest Entries Due

**7:00PM** Early Rounds/Lines

**7:30PM-9:30PM DANCE** (Mainstream with announced PL

**9:30PM** After Party

(Karaoke fun for all)

If you're ever camping close to Waco, drop in on the HOT Camping Squares. Here's their new flyer for up-coming dances.



**COMING SOON...**

# HEART OF TEXAS CAMPING SQUARES

## Square Dance & Line Dance



2nd & 4th Saturdays  
Beginning October 27, 2018

Allemande Hall  
106 Westlake Dr.



Waco (Woodway), TX 76712

Workshop 7:00 - 7:30 p.m.  
Dance 7:30 - 9:30 p.m.  
Donation: \$5

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