

# RED RIVER ROVERS



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## CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON *by Grace*

As a repeat of last year's location for the Christmas luncheon, Prairie House Restaurant in Crossroads, Texas played host to the annual celebration. There were 28 couples there plus Campbell's granddaughter Karisa and Kathy Crater, making a total of 58 people. The arrangement of the tables was so much better than we had last year, making it much easier to line up for the wonderful food that was served and made it better for everyone to watch the excitement while the gift exchange was going on.

After lunch was served, Billy Idell did a tremendous job introducing the officers that have served during the 2010 year and then he lined up the officers elected for 2011 for installation. Billy has wit in his presentations

and it was a very enjoyable time.

As has been the past several years, the gift exchange was headed by Norma Hamel who keeps everyone adhering to the rules of the exchange. It was a fun time and everyone received nice gifts (that were not supposed to cost more than \$20.00 each.)

2010 has been a year that so many members have suffered from diseases and illnesses and we lost two members Leo Rollins and Dwight Crater. It was so good to have Dee and Duane Holloway joining us since Duane has been unable to be around people for the whole year. It was also good to see Kathy Crater with us again. We all cherish the

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*Charles and Marcia Souter our newest members.*

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memories of good times that we have had with those we have lost in the nine years of the RRR existence.

As is the custom of the chapter, the outgoing officers acted as hosts for the luncheon and included Gillilands, Mabrys, Longpres, Bennetts, Wells, Holloways, Newbys, McCollums and Campbells. Donna Bennett and Kathy Mabry did the decorations for the tables and there was a drawing for the many hand-made items that Donna had made. Everyone there was given one of her pieces. Mike and Donna Bennett did a fantastic job in making arrangements with the restaurant for the good time we had there. LuAnn Marchison donated a turkey that she had made (so much time and effort went in it) and the lucky winners for that were Charles and Marcia Souter who are our newest members. With Darrell Gilliland completing two years as President of the chapter, he gave a small loaf of "beef stick" to each couple. It is his way of saying thank you to all for the support given him to keep this chapter a fun organization while enjoying the lifestyle of our motor homes.

There is no doubt in our minds that the coming year under the direction of Jim Guess and his group of officers will continue as a fun-loving family of friends that we have made through our association with the Red River Rovers.

Have a joyous Christmas as we end this year, a happy, safe

New Year celebration and we look forward to meeting as a group again next year in March at the Choctaw RV Park in Durant, Oklahoma.

By the way.....  
Oklahoma University beat the Nebraska Cornhuskers the evening our luncheon was over.

Go Sooners!

## ATTENDEES

GradyBass/Judy Lewis  
Mike and Donna Bennett  
Ken and Barbara Blackshear  
Snoopy and Susan Campbell  
and Karisa  
Kathy Crater  
Ken and Joyce Daugherty  
Darrell and Grace Gilliland  
Ben and Hazel Grahamn  
Doug and Joyce Gregory  
Jim and June Guess  
Ron and Carol Hall  
Ray and Norma Hamel  
Duane and Dee Holloway  
Billy and Jeannette Idell  
Robert and Rita Landrum  
Don and Gladys Longpre  
Gary and Kathy Mabry  
Ernest and LuAnn Marchisin  
Jim and Pat McCollum  
J R and Fran Monk  
Dennis and Erika Moore  
Jerry and Shirley Nelson  
Frank and Jan Newby  
Charles and Marcia Souter  
Estel and Connie Tucker  
Jim Bob and Pam Walker  
Robert and Judy Watts  
Ray and Connie Wells  
Ed and Jean Wright

## 2011 RALLY SCHEDULE

### March 10 -13

Choctaw Casino KOA  
Durant, OK.

### March 14 - 17

FMCA International Convention  
Perry GA

### April 21 - 24

Texas Motor Speedway  
Denton, TX.

### May 3 - 8

Guadalupe River RV Resort  
Kerrville, TX.

### June 9 - 12

Choctaw Co Historical Society  
Hugo, OK.

### August 10 - 13

FMCA International Convention  
Madison, Wisconsin

### September 22 - 25

Coyote Ranch Resort  
Wichita Falls, TX.

### September 28 - October 2

Six-State Area Rally  
Hutchinson, KS

### October 13 - 16

Choctaw Casino KOA  
Durant, OK.

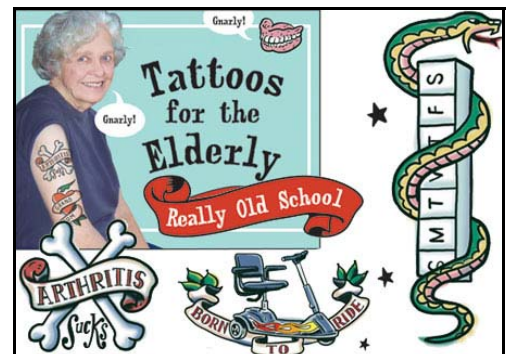
### November 3 - 6

Canton Market Place  
Canton, TX.

### December 3

Christmas Luncheon TBA

Mark you calendar for our  
first rally of 2011.



Get that Tattoo - and feel young again!

## TRAVELING WITH PETS by Charles Souter

Since so many of the Red River Rovers travel with pets, I would like to share with you a couple of things we do because of the pets being with us.

We keep their medical/shot records in the RV... that way we will always have them with us if needed. Of course, this might not work if your rig is stored away from home.

When we plan to be at a location, such as the recent rally at Weatherford, TX, we go to the site below and get a map of the area.

<http://www.mapquest.com/>

When you call up a map of the area you will be spending time you will note a blank at the top of the page where you can search for goods, services.

We type in Veterinary Clinics and it gives up a list of each Vet clinic, where it is on the map, the phone number, address, and in many cases the

hours they are open.... we print the page and keep in their medical records folder. That way if there is a problem we do not have to waste time trying to locate a Vet Clinic.

Another consideration for traveling with pets in HOT weather... power failures. Once we were at an FMCA Rally in Redmond many years ago and it was very hot... we did have electrical power provided by generators, which allowed us to run one air conditioning unit and keep the rig half way comfortable and safe for the pets.

We were going on a six hour tour and worried that if the power should fail for any reason the heat would be dangerous for the pets we were leaving inside so we asked our neighbor, who was not going on the tour, to go in the coach and start the generator should

there be a power failure.

There have been times we have seen power failures during very hot periods even in full service rv parks and having someone start the generator and keep the A/C units running gave us peace of mind if we were away for several hours.

### 2011 MEMBERSHIP

**We have a few members who have not yet paid their 2011 chapter dues. We would like to remind you that our bylaws state that the due date for the coming years annual dues are October 1<sup>st</sup>. If not paid by January 1<sup>st</sup>, membership is cancelled. Dues are \$24.00 each year and can be paid by mailing your check, payable to Red River Rovers, to: Curtis Buchhorn, 7903 S Ballantrae, McKinney, TX 75070.**



*JR Monk takes his turn in choosing a gift at the Gift Exchange.*

## JANUARY & FEBRUARY ANNIVERSARIES

Ben & Hazel Graham  
Ernie & LuAnn Marchisin  
Jim and Pat McCollum

Duane & Dee Holloway  
Robert & Rita Landrum  
Don & Gladys Longpre

## JANUARY AND FEBRUARY BIRTHDAYS

Grady Bass  
Carol Hall  
Ron Hall  
Duane Holloway  
Ernie Marchisin  
Dennis Moore  
Jan Newby  
Gordon Peardon

Sue Bartl  
Mary Jane Clark  
Linda Copeland  
Kathy Crater  
Kenneth Daugherty  
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June opening her selection.



Quote of the Day: "Somebody finally gave Hazel the bird".



Members enjoy a great lunch.

## President's Message

*Our Christmas luncheon was great, food well prepared, and the gift exchange was fun for all. Everyone enjoyed visiting before saying their goodbyes until next year.*

*Thanks to all of the 2010 officers for their hard work to make the Christmas luncheon a great event.*

*June and I thank each of you for your support. We are looking forward to another great year with the RRR.*

*We wish each of you a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.*

*Jim Guess*

## HAPPY HOLIDAYS!

## TRAVEL SAFELY