

# Harvest Holiday 2006

## Let's Dance

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From the Chair – How time flies!! Only five months to Festival Week! If you haven't already registered, be sure to do it soon so you will have an opportunity to vote on the dances for the program, as well as get a price break for early registration. And when you make your hotel reservation, be sure to tell them you are attending the Harvest Holiday Festival. Make your plans now to attend our week-long pre-festival events, culminating in the Festival Weekend with guest instructors Kenji & Nobuko Shibata. We are planning a fantastic time and look forward to seeing YOU there.

### Report on April 9 2006 Fun Dance

48 dancers came out to enjoy our April Dance. Cuers were: Donna & Jack Jones (Host), Bob & Patsy Heath, Christine & Theron Hixson, and Ron & Marilou Webb.

Ralph & Mollie O'Neil greeted the dancers as they arrived, Tom & Rosa Dulin and Sharon Hamner were in charge of refreshments, and Leo & Lorraine Gonya sold the raffle tickets. Arlene Wallace won the shawl crocheted and donated by Patsy Heath, Marilou Webb won the Easter basket made by Lorraine Gonya; and Creig Moore won the Flashlight set donated by Larry & Aleece Collaore.

Dances cued were: No Walls, Amapola, I'll See You in my Dreams, And I Love You So, Boogie Time, Sing Along Mambo, Let's Dance, Boulavogue, Pop Goes the Movies, Carnival, Lover's Dance, I'm Alive, El Reloj, Sway 4 Me, Riviere de Lune, This is the Life, That Happy Feeling, Colours Rumba, All That Jazz, Secret Smile, Lisbon Antigua, The Sun the Sea & the Sky, A Wink & A Smile, You Drive me Crazy, Can't Help Falling in Love with You, You Raise Me Up, Orient Express Foxtrot, How do You Like Me Now, Laurann, A Letter to You, I Could Write a Book, Sugar Sugar, A Whole New World, Dedication, Jack is Back, Maria Elena, and Jurame.

### Report on Mini-Fest – April 30 2006

Kudos to Ken & June Gartlir and their committees for their hard work to make our 2006 Mini-Fest a resounding success. A total of 74 dancers attended. Teaches in the afternoon were *Begin the Beguine* (classic), taught by Jack von der Heide, assisted by Elizabeth Solomon (Anne von der Heide was recuperating from shoulder surgery), *Till Then* taught by Christine & Theron Hixson, and *Adagio IV* taught by Bob & Patsy Heath.

The hall was brightly decorated by Aleece Collamore and her decorating committee. Ken and June greeted the dancers as they arrived. Finger foods and cookies were provided by the Harvest Holiday members, and Linda Holder was refreshment chair for the day making sure everything was running smoothly in the food and drink department. Ken MacKay and Linda Holder sold raffle tickets for a silk flower arrangement made and donated by Aleece Collamore (won by Christine Hixson), thermal serving set donated by Leota Porter (won by Dick Foeshner), foldable BBQ light donated by Phyllis Weisheit (won

by John Porter), and crocheted dance cape donated by Patsy Heath (won by Liz Solomon).

Cuers for the evening program were Bob Heath, Ken MacKay, Jack von der Heide, and Christine Hixson. The programmed dances were: Footloose, Carolea Moon, Little Bit of Your Love, Amafidia, Lara's Theme, Sway 4 Me, Spinning Wheel, If I could Bottle it Up, Tango Manita; Milika, The Poet, I Wanna Quickstep, Rachel's Song, Non Dimenticar; Midnight in Moscow, Yellow Polka Dot Bikini, White Sport Coat, Vaya Con Dios, Woodchoppers Ball, All I Ask if You, The One You Love, Numero Cinco, Hello Mary Lou, Boogie Time Jive, Amanda, I'm Alive, El Reloj, Any Dream Foxtrot.

Again, MANY THANKS to all the Harvest Holiday Members for their work in making the Mini-Fest such a success.

### Report on May 21 2006 Fun Dance

Our May Sunday Fun Dance is always held the third Sunday because Mothers' Day is the second Sunday. Hosts were Christine & Theron Hixson, ably assisted by Bob & Patsy Heath and Donna & Jack Jones.

Nona and Max Meinen warmly greeted the approximately 40 dancers attending the dance. Bob Hopper, Sharon Hamner and Arlene Wallace took care of the coffee and refreshments, and Jan and Chris Farabaugh sold the raffle tickets. Lucky winners were Ken MacKay (candle set donated by Evelyn Smiles), Linda Holder (oil lamp donated by Phyllis & Leroy Weisheit), Mollie O'Neil (Three-in-One game donated by Steve & Melanie Porter), and Christine Hixson (picture by Patrick Hallahan).

Dances cued were: Maria Elena, Carnival, The Sun the Sea & the Sky, You Drive me Crazy, I'm Confessin, You Raise me Up, Come to Me, West Coast Swingin', Years May Come, No Walls, El Reloj, Sway 4 Me, Adagio IV, All I Ask of You, Orient Express Foxtrot, Colours Rumba, Hooked on Swing, Boogie Time, Amapola, Let's Dance, Smoke Gets in Your Eyes, Only Love Bolero, I'm Still Me, I'm Dreaming, I Do I Do I Do, How Do you Like Me Now, Laurann, Boom Boom, I'm Alive, Foxtrot in Frisco, Sunflower, Lovely Lady, Perfidia Rumba, Marilyn Marilyn, A Wink & A Smile, See you in My Dreams, Just Another Woman in Love, Molly McGuire's Waltz.

### Special Thanks With Hugs – From Leota

Porter – Besides appreciation for our attendees & cuers: Special thanks with hugs go out to all those of you who have: (1) donated items for the Harvest Holiday Raffle Prize drawing at the monthly Fun Dances, as well as those for the Fun Dance II and Mini-Fest and/or (2) volunteered to assist at the Raffle Prize Ticket sales at each event. Too, any additional donations or assistance with ticket sales is greatly welcomed and appreciated. Please contact: Leota Porter 972) 660-3556. Thanks, again!

CASUL Comments – Submitted by John Porter  
CASUL sponsored the annual Memorial Day Square Dance this year which continues to be a well

attended dance each year. Harvest Holiday along with other Swingtime clubs provided chips, cookies and a door prizes for the dance. [CASUL owns and operates Swingtime Center in Fort Worth.]

Dancer News

Note from Ron & Marilou Webb – As many of you already know, Ron has been diagnosed with 6th Cranial Nerve Palsy which causes Double Vision. No known cause has been determined yet, but he will see a Neuro-Ophthalmologist at UTSW Medical School on Monday the 19th of June. Hopefully, we will gain some insight into the cause, and can start on the solution.

During the testing for the Double Vision, an MRI revealed an "Acoustic Neuroma", which is a benign Tumor that grows on the nerve leading from the Brain Stem to the Inner Ear, that controls balance and hearing. Although these tumors are rare, they are the most frequent type of brain tumor. These are typically very slow growing tumors but we have

decided to go to Johns Hopkins Hospital on July 25-27 for evaluation and recommendations on what to do that would be best for us and our lifestyle. In the meantime, we are requesting your prayers.

On June 22, Marilou and I leave for a 12 day Alaskan Cruise/Tour to celebrate our 50th wedding anniversary... so, not all is doom and gloom :) We will keep all of you in our thoughts as we visit the land of never ending light.

Happy Dancing,  
Ron & Marilou

In Memoriam

We were saddened to learn of the passing of two of our Harvest Holiday friends: **Bob Ahten** – passed away in his sleep on April 23. Bob and Barb were Co-Chairs of Harvest Holiday in 2004 before moving Arizona. **Don Gillespie** of Amarillo passed away on June 4 following a valiant fight with cancer. Don and Dolores were long-time attendees of our Festival.

Harvest Holiday Club Reports (Recent Teaches)

<b>Dance, Dance, Dance</b> (Phase 4-5-6-) Thursday, 7:00-9:00 pm Timber Ridge Recreation Center, North Dallas	<b>Ron* and Marilou Webb</b> A Whole New World; Come to Me; Memory Rumba (taught by Glen & Helen Arceneaux); I Feel Like a Woman; A Wink and a Smile; Au Revoir; Big Spender; La Barca; Nice and Easy; Until Now; With You I'm Born Again; You Drive Me Crazy
<b>Merry Rounders</b> (Phase 4-5-6-) Arlington Senior Center	<b>Jack and Donna* Jones</b> Nice and Easy; La Barca; Come to Me; A Wink and a Smile; You Drive Me Crazy; A Whole New World
<b>Rainbow Rounds</b> (Phase 3-4-5) Wednesday, 7:00-9:15 pm Swingtime Center, Fort Worth	<b>Bob* and Patsy Heath</b> No Walls; Colours Rumba; I'm Alive; El Reloj; Foxtrot in Frisco; Adagio IV. We also spent several weeks reviewing Hooked On Swing. Also dancing Dark Waltz.
<b>Ramblin' Rounds</b> (Phase -3-4+) Bradfield Recreation Center, 1146 Castle Dr., Garland	<b>Theron and Christine* Hixson</b> West Coast Swingin', Blueberry Hill, reviewed Laurann
<b>Ramblin' Rounds</b> (Phase -4-5-6) Churchill Recreation Center, Dallas	<b>Theron and Christine* Hixson</b> Come to Me, Memory Rumba, Human Thing to Do

National Carousel Committee Report  
Current Popular Dances – Published June 2006

1. Carnival	IV	Rumble	6. And I Love You So	V	Childers
2. Dark Waltz	VI	Vogt	6. I Could Write a Book	VI	Rumble
3. Human Thing to Do	VI	Sheridan	6. Stier Tango	VI	Worlock
4. Boom Boom	V	Rumble	6. You Drive Me Crazy	V	Rumble
5. My Heart Will Go On	IV	Vogt	6. You Raise Me Up	VI	Read

IMPORTANT UPCOMING HARVEST HOLIDAY EVENTS

All to be held at Swingtime Center, Anglin Drive, Fort Worth

- July 9 – 2:00 pm. – Sunday Fun Dance – Hosts: Donna & Jack Jones
- August 13 – 1:15 pm – Harvest Holiday Quarterly Meeting
- August 13 – 2:00 pm – Sunday Fun Dance – Hosts: Bob & Patsy Heath
- Election of 2007 Chair to take place during afternoon Dance

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