

Harvest Holiday News

December 2024

Note from the 2025 Incoming Chair

Hello to all Harvest Holiday Members. We are honored to be your Harvest Holiday Chair for 2025! We look forward to working with all of you through the year.

On behalf of the club, we extend a huge thanks to Bill Knight and Kathy Ellis for serving as Chair for the past three years, as well as 2016. They worked tirelessly over that time to keep the Harvest Holiday organization alive and well and providing the wonderful round dancing opportunities we all enjoy so much.

Thanks to all who attended our 64th Harvest Holiday Festival November 8th through 10th, 2024. We were fortunate to have Randy and Marie Preskitt as our clinicians. Their teaching and choreography are the best! Thanks to all Harvest Holiday members – your hard work made the Festival run smoothly so that all who attended had an enjoyable experience.

Our annual Christmas Fun Dance is this coming Sunday, December 8. Admission is free for all guests, so spread the word to all your round dance friends. Dances will be all request, Phases 3 thru 6.

Ralph and Lucy Hamm
Chair, Harvest Holiday Festival 2025

**Many Blessings, Merry Christmas,
and
Happy Holidays to All**



Peace  *On Earth*



Next Regular Sunday Fun Dance
December 8, 2024 - Swingtime Center, Fort Worth

***** MERRY CHRISTMAS – FREE DANCE FOR ALL *****

*** * DANCE FROM 2:00 TO 5:00 P.M.* ***

ALL REQUESTS – PH. III-VI

**** MARK YOUR CALENDARS ****

Harvest Holiday Winter Fun Rounds
Swingtime Center, Fort Worth

January 26, 2025, 2:00-5:00 p.m.

PH. II-IV All Request Rounds

Cued by Area Cuers

Info: JL & Linda Pelton - 972.822.1926 or
peltondances@gmail.com or www.harvestholiday.com

2024 Harvest Holiday Festival Report

We had another successful festival this year with Randy & Marie Preskitt as the clinicians. They taught their two recently choreographed dances which were very well received: – *La Mer Bolero* (6 BL, Preskitt) and *Make You Feel My Love* (5 WZ, Preskitt). As always, the Preskitts did an excellent job teaching, and the dancers thoroughly enjoyed the dances and the learning experience.

This was the first year in its history that the Festival was not held on Thanksgiving Weekend, and it is planned to continue to have it on the second weekend of November each year. This year, with this change, we gained some

fresh faces, and we anticipate attracting more new dancers in the future. Swingtime Center is a very nice facility with a floating wood floor and plenty of parking space. We have the facility booked ahead for approximately five years for the second weekend of November, so mark your calendars to come and join us.

Next year the Festival date is November 7-9, 2025, and we're looking forward to another great weekend with Bill and Carol Goss as the featured clinicians.

Sunday Fun Dance Record – November 24, 2024

Cuers: Karen & Ed Gloodt (Hosts), Christine Hixson, JL & Linda Pelton

Attendees: 17

Door Greeters: Bill Knight and Kathy Ellis

Coffee and Refreshments: Kathy Ellis and Terri Seymour

Clean up of Swingtime: Alex & Vanessa Nestor, JL & Linda Pelton, Christine Hixson, Bill Knight, Kathy Ellis

List of Dances Cued – November 24, 2024

Karen Gloodt – Make You Feel My Love, I Will Wait for You, Right Here Waiting for You, The Girl from Ipanema, Kindred Spirits, Legends of the Fall, Tu Me 6, It's All Right, Black Satin, Sleeping Beauty, In Times Like These, Mi Vida, Scheherazade, Beat of Your Heart, Mi Amante, The Last Blues Song

Christine Hixson – My Foolish Heart IV, Let's Get Away from It All, La Mer Bolero, Never, Silence of the World, Fields of Gold '20, Alligator Stroll, Candlelight, Moves Like Jagger, Hot Rhumba 4 You, Orient Express Foxtrot, Goodbye, Don't Close Your Eyes

JL Pelton – A Guy is a Guy, Loving You Rumba, Fur Elise, Carnival, Angel on My Shoulder, You Make My Pants WTGUAD, Colours, Conquest of Paradise

Dallas-Fort Worth Area Dance Club Reports

Tuesday	
<p>Ramblin' Rounds (Ph 3-4-5) ** Tuesday, 7:00-9:00 pm Granger Rec Center, Garland</p>	<p>Christine and Theron Hixson Slow Walk, 4 WCS, Wulf Hopelessly Yours, 3 WZ, Davenport Just You & Me, 4 FT/JV, Buck</p>
Wednesday	
<p>Ramblin' Rounds (Ph 4-5-6) ** Wednesday, 1:30-3:30 pm Granger Rec Center, Garland</p>	<p>Christine and Theron Hixson La Mer Bolero, 6 BL, Preskitt Make You Feel My Love, 5 WZ, Preskitt Reviewing dances for Harvest Holiday Festival</p>
<p>Rainbow Rounds (Ph 3-4-5) ** Wednesday, 6:00-9:00 pm Swingtime Center, Fort Worth</p>	<p>Karen and Ed Gloodt Scheherazade IV, 4 WZ, Gloodt Out of Africa, 4 WZ, Shibata I Will Wait 4 You, 4 FT, Preskitt Make You Feel My Love, 5 WZ, Preskitt</p>
Thursday	
<p>Dance Arounds (Ph 3-4-5) ** Thursday, 5:45-8:45 p.m. Sam Johnson Rec Center, Plano</p>	<p>JL and Linda Pelton La Mer Bolero, 6 BL, Preskitt Dedication, 4 WZ, Rumble The Sun the Sea The Sky, 5 WZ, Bradt I Will Wait for You, 4 FT, Preskitt</p>

** Indicates a Carousel Club

Carousel Clubs – Most Taught Dances – October 2024

1 Run Through Fire (Boaz 4 RB)	5 Canadian Man (Gibson 5 FT)
2 Higher (Preskitt 6 TG)	5 Carrickfergus (6 STS Preskitt)
3 Tu Me 6, Preskitt 6 RB)	5 Drive My Car (Goss 5 CH)
4 Best Day (Worlock 5 WCS)	5 Excuse My French (Hicks 4 FT)
4 Hero (Garza 6 BL)	5 Jack is Back (Worlock 5 MB)
5 A Thousand Years (4 RB Armstrong)	5 Kicking Off Your Shoes (Lobato 5 RB)

5 Lost Loves (Sperry 5 BL)

5 Mad World (Dawson 6 RB)

Carousel Clubs – Most Taught Dances – November 2024

1 I Will Wait 4 You (Preskitt 4 FT)

4 Giddy Up (Lobato 4 CH)

2. Make You Feel My Love (Preskitt 5 WZ)

4 I Call Your Name (Goss 5 WCS/JV)

3 Psicofonia 4 (Davenport 4 TG)

4. Run Through Fire (Boaz 4 RB)

3. Shine On (Hicks 6 WZ)

4 Snowfall (Johnson 6 WZ)

4. Best Day (Worlock 5 WCS)

4 Somewhere in Time (Nolen 4 WZ)

Local Lessons and Other Dance Opportunities

Rainbow Rounds – Continuing Lessons – 4-5 Catch-Up Teaches

Karen and Ed Gloodt

- **Wednesday nights** – 6:00-6:45 p.m. – Swingtime Center
Phase 5 catch-up teaches and reviews, partner required. Anyone is welcome to join. Evening program from 7-9 remains the same.

Beyond Basic Rounds – Continuing Lessons – Plano - Wednesday Afternoons

JL & Linda Pelton

- **Wednesday afternoons** – 1:30 to 3:30 p.m.
Sam Johnson Recreation Center, 401 W 16th Street, Plano, TX 75075
Info: call Linda at 972-897-6006, or email peltondances@gmail.com

Links to Other Festival and Dance Opportunities

December 31, 2024 – Swingtime Center, 5100 SE Loop 820, Fort Worth, Texas

Rainbow Rounds NYE Square & Round Dance

Featuring Gloodt on rounds, Bramlett and Burke on squares

Info: McCrary – 214-455-1716; or Gloodt – 580-226-0445

January 19-20, 2024 – Bossier City, LA – Phase II-V, Promenade Hall, 5400 Benton Drive

34th Annual January Jewel – Featuring Paul & Linda Robinson

Info: Ron Feightner – ronfeightner@hotmail.com; 503.830-2925

Flyer: <https://www.icbda.com/wp-content/pdf/danceflyers/2025JanuaryJewel.pdf>

February 7-8, 2025 – La Grange, Texas – Randolph Rec. Center, 653 E. Pearl Street

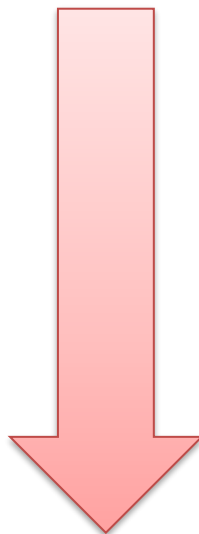
Houston Round Dance Festival, Phase III-VI – Teaches Ph. IV-V - featuring Tom Hicks

Info: Linda Robinson: 918.640.9831; pldance@yahoo.com.

Flyer: https://paulandlindarobinson.com/PDF/2025_Houston_Flyer_Hicks.pdf

- Feb. 21-22, 2025 – La Grange, Texas – Randolph Rec. Center, 653 E. Pearl Street**
TRDTA - Texas Round Dance Teachers Association South Dance Festival - Phase II-IV
Featuring Texas cuers throughout the state teaching and cuing and teaches Saturday morning & afternoon; Phases 2-4 - Programmed dance Friday & Saturday night.
Flyer: <https://www.trdta.org/pdfs/TRDTA-LaGrange2025-15th.pdf>
- April 4-6, 2025 – Lake Murray Resort/Lodge, Ardmore, Oklahoma**
ORDA (Oklahoma Round Dance) Festival – Phase III-VI – Featuring Curt & Tammy Worlock
Info: Paul & Linda Robinson – 918.640.9831; pldance@yahoo.com.
Flyer: https://oklahomarda.com/PDF/ORDA_Flyer_2025.pdf
- July 9-12, 2025 – Springdale (Fayetteville), Arkansas**
ICBDA Convention 49 – Featuring cuers and clinicians throughout the United States
See: www.icbda.com for a flyer and more information
- Oct. 13-15, 2025 – La Grange, Texas – Randolph Rec. Center, 653 E. Pearl Street**
Centex 38th Round Dance Festival - PH. III-V – Featuring Curt & Tammy Worlock
Programmed dance Friday & Saturday night - Teaches Saturday morning and afternoon.
Includes a Sunday morning review session
Info: Linda Pelton – 972-897-6006; peltondances@gmail.com
Flyer: <https://peltondances.com/pdfs/2025-CentexFlyer.pdf>
- November 7-9, 2025 – Swingtime Center, 5100 SE Loop 820, Fort Worth, Texas**
64th Annual Harvest Holiday Festival – PH. IV-VI – Featuring Bill & Carol Goss
Info: www.harvestholiday.com See Flyer Below.

~* 2025 HARVEST HOLIDAY FLYER BELOW *~



65th Harvest Holiday Festival Phase 4-6

Friday-Sunday – November 7-9, 2025
Fort Worth, Texas



Bill and Carol Goss

Now on the
2nd Weekend in November

Swingtime Center
5100 SE Loop 820, Fort Worth, Texas

See the Harvest Holiday website at
www.harvestholiday.com
for the most up-to-date information
on host hotel and schedules for the festival

– **Registration** –

\$150 per couple until September 1, 2025 – \$180 per couple after September 1, 2025
Single registration is half of the couple rate.
Full refund if cancellation is received by October 15, 2025

For Further Information Contact

Ralph and Lucy Hamm (Chairs) – 214-308-8958 (Ralph) or 972-369-5672 (Lucy)
Ralph – rehamm45@gmail.com / Lucy – llhamm45@gmail.com
Linda Pelton (Registration) – 972-897-6006 – peltondances@gmail.com

Make checks payable to: **Harvest Holiday**
Mail to: Linda Pelton, 4032 Briarbend Rd., Dallas, TX 75287-3901

Name (Last) _____ His _____ Hers _____

Street Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Email _____

Amount enclosed: \$ _____

2024 HARVEST HOLIDAY FESTIVAL TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

Friday	Nov. 7	2:00-4:00 pm	Festival Trail-End Dance
		7:00 pm-12:00 am	Evening Ball + Die Hard
Saturday	Nov. 8	9:15 am-12:00 pm	Festival Teach
		1:30-4:00 pm	Festival Teach
		7:00 pm-12:00 am	Evening Ball + Die Easy
Sunday	Nov. 9	9:00-9:30 am	Coffee & Donuts
		9:30-11:30 am	Review of Teaches

