

Harvest Holiday News

August 2026

Note from the Chair

Hello, Harvest Holiday members and friends. August is here, and the 2026 Harvest Holiday Festival is only a little over two months away. We're looking forward to another fun Festival with some great teaches from Rey and Sherry Garza. Be sure to register soon.

Our Regular Fun Dance this month is this coming Sunday, August 9. We will have a business meeting at 1:15PM preceding the dance at 2:00. The agenda includes election of officers for 2026. Harvest Holiday members, please be at Swingtime in time for the meeting at 1:15!

We look forward to seeing you on Sunday.

Ralph and Lucy Hamm

Chair, Harvest Holiday Festival 2026

Next Meeting and Regular Sunday Fun Dance August 9, 2026 - Swingtime Center, Fort Worth

***** MEETING AT 1:15 PM *****

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

ALL REQUESTS – PH. III-VI

*****MARK YOUR CALENDARS *****

Harvest Holiday Autumn Fun Rounds Swingtime Center, Fort Worth

September 27, 2026 - 2:00-5:30 p.m.

PH. II-IV All Request Rounds

includes a teach by Chris & Maria Farabaugh

Cued by Area Cuers.

Info: JL & Linda Pelton - 972.822.1926 or

peltondances@gmail.com or www.harvestholiday.com

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Sunday Fun Dance Record – July 19, 2026

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

Attendees: 13

Door Greeters: Kathy Ellis

Coffee and Refreshments: Vanessa Nestor, Kathy Ellis, Christine Hixson

Clean up of Swingtime: Vanessa and Alex Nestor, Kathy Ellis, Bill Knight,
Ed Gloodt

List of Dances Cued – July 19, 2026

JL Pelton – Fields of Gold '20, A Guy is A Guy, A Wink & A Smile 5, A Thousand Years, Best Day, Coney Island, I Knew I Loved You, Forrest Gump, After All These Years, A Lady in Red, Beat of Your Heart, Longing for Love, Conquest of Paradise, Banana Boat IV

Christine Hixson – It Must Be True, Laurann, Acecate Mas, That Old Piano IV, My Heart Will Go On, A Song with No Name, Mi Vida, Remember When IV, Hey, All About that Bass CH, Orient Express Foxtrot, Seven Lonely Days, Amistad V, Never

Karen Gloodt – Right Here Waiting for You, Cheek to Cheek, Mi Vida sin tu Amor, Legends of the Fall, Solitude City, Out of Africa, Loving You Rumba

Dallas-Fort Worth Area Dance Club Reports

Tuesday	
Ramblin' Rounds (Ph 3-4-5)** Tuesday, 7:00-9:00 pm Granger Rec Center, Garland	Christine and Theron Hixson Came to Dance, 4 CH, Lobato Moonlight Waltz, 4 WZ, Foral A Little Bit More, 4 RB, Feneis
Wednesday	
Ramblin' Rounds (Ph 4-5-6)** Wednesday, 1:30-3:30 pm Granger Rec Center, Garland	Christine and Theron Hixson Layla West Coast, 4 WCS, Mee Momentos, 5 RB, Gibson Reviewing Dances on Eureka Springs program
Rainbow Rounds (Ph 3-4-5) ** Wednesday, 6:30-9:00 pm 6:30-7:50 pm:-Teaches & Reviews	Karen and Ed Gloodt Lasso the Moon, 4 WZ, Chad Cheek to Cheek, 4 FT, Chadd

8:00-9:00 pm – Evening Dance Swingtime Center, Fort Worth	Too Early to Say Goodnight, 4 FT, Vogt A Bird Without Wings, 4 STS, Gloodt No Walls, 4 WZ, Worlock A Guy Is A Guy, 5 JV, Preskitt (reviewed) A 1000 Years, 4 RB, Armstrong (reviewed) Blueberry Hill, 5 WCS, Buck (reviewed)
Thursday	
Dance Arounds (Ph 3-4-5)** Thursday, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Sam Johnson Rec Center, Plano	JL and Linda Pelton Longing For Love, 5+2 BL, Pelton Layla West Coast, 4+1+3 WCS, Mee

** Indicates a Carousel Club

Carousel Clubs – Most Taught Dances – July 2026

1 Blue Bayou Rumba (Hicks 5 RB)
2 Can't Help Falling In Love With You (Dodge 4 STS)
2 Layla West Coast (Mee 4 WCS)

ICBDA Report – July 8-11, 2026, St. George, Utah

HALL OF FAME DANCE: A Thousand Years, 4 RB, Paula and Warwick Armstrong
FIFTEEN-YEAR AWARDS:

On Days Like These, 6 BL, Randy and Marie Preskitt
Hallelujah Waltz, 6 HCW, Kay and Joy Read
Remember When, 5+2 STS, Curt and Tammy Worlock

DISTINGUISHED SERVICE AWARD: Joe and Debbie Krivan

DANCES TAUGHT:

A Thousand Years (Jaelyn Thomas), RB IV+1, Armstrong
Another Love like Mine (Michael Bublé), BL IV+2, Buchanan
Blue Bird (Sara Bareilles), WZ III+2, Hunt
Can't Help Falling in Love with You (Elvis Presley), STS IV+1, Dodge
Consequences (DJ Maksy feat Camille Van Niekerk), WZ V+2, Hilton
Derniere Danse (The Cottage Singer), TG VI, Davenport
Holding Me (Haley Klinkhammer feat. Jordy Searcy). STS VI, Foral
I Feel like Dancing (Jason Mraz), WCS VI, Garza
I Knew I Loved You (Savage Garden), BL VI, Ayres

Layla West Coast (Eric Clapton), WCS IV+1+3, Mee
Longing for Love (Andy Fortuna's Le Tue Parole), BL V+2, Pelton
MacArthur Park (Donna Summer), Hustle V, Hicks
Momentos (Andrea Bocelli), RB V+1+1, Gibson
Nothing's Gonna Stop Us Now (Starship), CH IV+2, Shotting
Sorry (Doris Day), FT VI, Preskitt
The Lady's in Love with You (Alma Cogan), FT V+2+1, Kurczewski
Welcome to Burlesque (Boris Myagkov Big Band), TG V, Wulf

STANDBY/NOT TAUGHT:

A Little Bit More (Ross Mitchell), RB IV, Feneis
A New Day Has Come (DJ Masky), WZ 6, Hurd
Amor Te Quema (Ricky Martin), CH V+2+2, Helms/Keck
Do you Believe (The Lovin' Spoonful), JV V+0+2, Lewis
Hot Like Fire (Alan Phillips), FT IV+1, Herr
Shotgun (George Ezra), WCS V+0+3, Voelkl-Kuhn

Pre-Convention Dances – taught by Hicks and Robinson

I Just Might West Coast (Bruno Mars) WCS V+, Hicks
Risk it All Bolero (Bruno Mars), BL V, Hicks
Unchain my Heart (Joe Cocker), Cha IV+1+1, Boaz/Bingham

Sad News

CHARLES D. CROCKETT – 7/10/1955-7/13/2026 – We were saddened to learn of the recent passing of Charles Crockett after a courageous battle with cancer. He and his wife Tanya have been active in the square and round dance community for many years. In 2007 Charles began calling and cueing and, along with Tanya, launched beginner round dance classes. They formed The Round Side round dance club that danced at Swingtime until 2013. Charles called and cued for several clubs over the years, and at the time of his passing was the club caller for the Fort Worth Squares. He served as NTCA president in 2013 and 2014 and served many additional years as NTCA treasurer until his passing. He and Tanya also served in many capacities on the CASUL (Swingtime) Board. He will be deeply missed by many. Our thoughts and prayers go out to Tanya and his family. A Celebration of life will be held from 2:00-4:00 pm on September 6 at Swingtime Center in Fort Worth.

MARTHA KOSLOSKY – 7/14/1949- 7/3/2026 – Martha and husband, Ed, were round dance leaders in Bryan, Texas, for many years and cued and taught at many weekend functions, including the Texas Round Dance Association Festivals, the Paris square & round dance weekend, and other weekend festivals. Our thoughts and prayers are with Ed and family. <https://www.hillierfuneralhome.com/obituaries/Martha-Sue-Koslosky?obId=48953543>

Links to Other Festival and Dance Opportunities

August 9-13, 2026 – Best Western Inn of the Ozarks, Eureka Springs, Arkansas

Eureka Springs Round Dance Vacation – Phase III-VI - Featuring Pamela & Jeff Johnson and Curt & Tammy Worlock

Dance Sunday evening, teaches and evening dances Monday through Thursday

Info: Contact Pamela & Jeff at 218-256-1873 or rapidballroom@gmail.com

Flyer: https://www.rapidballroom.com/uploads/1/2/2/0/122096893/eureka_springs_2026_flyer.pdf.

September 11-12, 2026 – 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-Fall-Festival-2026.pdf>

Oct. 9-11, 2025 – La Grange, Texas – Randolph Rec. Center, 653 E. Pearl Street

CenTex 38th Round Dance Festival - PH. III-V – Featuring Randy & Marie Preskitt

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/2026-CentexFlyer.pdf>

November 13-15, 2026 – Swingtime Center, 5100 SE Loop 820, Fort Worth, Texas

66th ANNUAL HARVEST HOLIDAY FESTIVAL – PH. IV-VI – Featuring Rey & Sherry Garza

Info: www.harvestholiday.com See Flyer Below. **REGISTER NOW AND SAVE – DEADLINE FOR EARLY REGISTRATION IS OCTOBER 1, 2026**

January 15-16, 2027 – Bossier City, LA – Phase II-V, Promenade Hall, 5400 Benton Drive

34th Annual January Jewel – Featuring Fred & Linda Ayres

Info: Mary Glass – mmhglass@gmail.com or

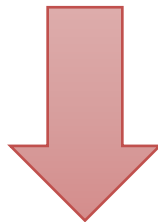
Melissa Mullins – mmullins827@gmail.com; 409.771.4443

Feb. 26-27, 2027 – La Grange, Texas – Randolph Rec. Center, 653 E. Pearl Street

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66th Harvest Holiday Festival Phase 4-6

**Friday-Sunday – November 13-15, 2026
Fort Worth, Texas**



Rey and Sherry Garza

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 October 1, 2026 – \$180 per couple after October 1, 2026
Single registration is half of the couple rate.

Full refund if cancellation is received by October 15, 2026

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

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Name (Last)	His	Hers
Street Address		
City	State	Zip Phone
Email		
Other email or phone		

2026 HARVEST HOLIDAY FESTIVAL TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

Friday	Nov. 13	2:00-4:00 pm	Festival Trail-End Dance
		7:00 pm-12:00 am	Evening Ball + Die Hard
Saturday	Nov. 14	9:30 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. 15	9:00-9:30 am	Coffee & Donuts
		9:30-11:30 am	Review of Teaches