

Harvest Holiday News

October 2026

Note from the Chair

Hello, Harvest Holiday members and friends. We hope you are doing well. Our Regular Fun Dance for October is on October 18, the third Sunday, so that those going to the CenTex Festival October 9 - 11 can be back in town and well rested for our dance.

It's only a month until our own Harvest Holiday Festival! Our Clinicians this year are Rey and Sherry Garza, and we're looking forward to some great teaches and cueing from them.

We will have a club business meeting on October 18 at 1:00 PM preceding our dance at 2:00 PM. The primary business of the meeting will be to finalize Festival planning and make sure all necessary tasks to make the Festival run smoothly are assigned. It is important that all Harvest Holiday members be at this meeting! We're looking forward to seeing you on the 18th.

Ralph and Lucy Hamm
Chair, Harvest Holiday Festival 2026

~~~ Third Sunday ~~~

**Next Meeting and Regular Sunday Fun Dance
October 18, 2026 - Swingtime Center, Fort 18**

***** MEETING AT 1:00 P.M. *****

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

ALL REQUESTS – PH. III-VI

**IF YOU ARE REGISTERED FOR THE HARVEST HOLIDAY
FESTIVAL, BE SURE TO CAST YOUR BALLOT FOR THE
PROGRAMMED DANCES BY SUNDAY, OCTOBER 11.**

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Harvest Holiday Winter Fun Rounds

Swingtime Center, Fort Worth

January 27, 2027 - 2:00-5:30 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

Sunday Fun Dance Record – September 13, 2026

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

Attendees: 14

Door Greeters: Bill Knight

Coffee and Refreshments: Kathy Ellis, Terri Seymour, Leota Porter,
Christine Hixson

Clean up of Swingtime: Bill Knight, Ed Gloodt, Kathy Ellis, Leota Porter,
Karen Gloodt, Linda Pelton, Terri Seymour

List of Dances Cued – September 13, 2026

Christine Hixson – A Lady in Red, Fur Elise, Beat of Your Heart, Black Satin,
Candlelight, El Mismo Sol III, It Makes No Difference, Mi Amante,
Remember When IV, Living a Fantasy, Acercate, Fingers Crossed, Right
Here Waiting for You, Goodbye My Love

Karen Gloodt – Hallelujah Foxtrot, Adeline, Sleeping Beauty, Conquest of
Paradise, I Like to Lead When I Dance, Cuando Me Enamoro, Witchcraft,
You Decorated my Life

JL Pelton – Milika, Lost, Layla West Coast, Legends of the Fall, Los Rayos Del
Sol, My Heart Will Go On

Autumn Fun Rounds Dance Record – September 27, 2026

Cuers: Karen & Ed Gloodt, JL & Linda Pelton, Christine Hixson, Karen & Ed Gloodt, Chris & Maria Farabaugh, David Berling

Attendees: 22

Door Greeters: Kathy Ellis

Coffee and Refreshments: Kathy Ellis, Vanessa Nestor, Christine Hixson, Linda Pelton, Leota Porter, Terri Seymore

Clean up of Swingtime: Alex & Vanessa Neston, JL & Linda Pelton, Kathy Ellis, Bill Knight, Karen & Ed Gloodt, Christine Hixson, Leota Porter, Terri Seymour,

List of Dances Cued – September 27, 2026

JL Pelton – A Million Tomorrows WZ), Beach Party Cha (CH), Angel on my Shoulder (FT), Af en Af (TS), A Thousand Years (RB), Autumn 3 (WZ), Calendar Girl (JV), Valentine Bolero (BL), Any Dream Foxtrot (FT)

Chris Farabaugh – American Kids (TS), How'd I Wind Up in Jamaica (CH).

Chris & Maria were also the featured clinicians and taught a Phase 4 foxtrot called *The Way we Ought to Be*. It had several new figures in it for the dancers, and was a stretch for some, but Chris & Maria did a very good job of teaching it in the time allotted. Thanks, Chris & Maria.

Christine Hixson – Stars are the Windows of Heaven (WZ), Cowboy's Sweetheart (CH), Acercate Mas (4RB), Painted Tainted Rose (FT), Swan Lake III (Bolero), Heaven's Just a Sin Away (TS), Indiana Beach Swing (JV), Hopelessly Yours WZ, It's Alright (JV)

David Berling – Amigo Para Siempre (RB), Back in Baby's Arms (CH), Baby You've Got What it Takes (JV), Rainbow Connection (WZ), Donde Estes Yolanda (MB).

Karen Gloodt – What a Difference a Day Makes (RB), A Wink and A Smile III (FT), I'm Alive (CH), Kindred Spirits (BL), Scheherazade (WZ)

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 Pop Goes the Movies, 4 TS/FT/RB, Raye Someone Must Feel LAFT, 4 WZ, Collier Reviewed and danced favorites

Wednesday	
Ramblin' Rounds (Ph 4-5-6)** Wednesday, 1:30-3:30 pm Granger Rec Center, Garland	Christine and Theron Hixson Dark most of September Reviewed dances on various festival programs
Rainbow Rounds (Ph 3-4-5) ** Wednesday, 6:30-9:00 pm 6:30-7:50 pm:-Teaches & Reviews 8:00-9:00 pm – Evening Dance Swingtime Center, Fort Worth	Karen and Ed Gloodt Candlelight, 5 WZ, Goss Heaven on Earth, 4 FT, Rumble Lariat of Dreams, 5 WZ, Pelton (reviewed) Pontoon West Coast, 5 WCS, Ayres (reviewed) Colours, 4 RB, Read (reviewed)
Thursday	
Dance Arounds (Ph 3-4-5)** Thursday, 5:30-7:30 p.m. Sam Johnson Rec Center, Plano	JL and Linda Pelton Tampa Jive, 5 JV, Macuci Only A Fool, 4 FT, Ayres I Knew I Loved You, 6 BL, Ayres (reviewed)

** Indicates a Carousel Club

Carousel Clubs – Most Taught Dances – August 2026

1 Acercate Mas (Preskitt 5 Rumba)	2 Los Rayos del Sol (Moore 5 Rumba)
2 Black Tie Tango (Moore 4 Tango)	2 My World (Hicks 4 Hes/Cntr Waltz)
2 Fur Elise (Rumble 4 Waltz)	2 Only A Fool IV (Ayres 4 Foxtrot)
2 La Mentira (Hicks 4 Rumba)	2 Sunflower (Tonks 5 Jive)
2 Layla West Coast (Mee 4 WCS)	

Links to Other Festival and Dance Opportunities

Oct. 9-11, 2026 – 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.

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

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.

Info – Flyer: <https://www.trdta.org/pdfs/TRDTA-LaGrange2027-17th.pdf>

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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)

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Linda Pelton (Registration) – 972-897-6006 – peltondances@gmail.com

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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