



# Texas Round Dance Teachers Association

## From the President

By the time you read, this our 2022 Festival will be history, but at the time of writing it is still a few days away. We want, of course, to thank everyone who was involved in the planning, preparing, and working to set up the festival, as well as the clinicians who taught, and the cuers who performed during the evening. And finally, we thank all the dancers who came and danced with us. I hope I got to see many of you during the festival.

I also want to remind everyone we'll be having our TRDTA Business Meeting to plan next year's festival at 7:00 pm, Sunday, March 20th. Another important topic that we'll be discussing at the meeting is Membership. We've waived the membership dues the past several years, however this has resulted in our membership rolls becoming a unverified. Therefore, we will discuss how do we ensure our membership rolls are current and do our bylaws allow us to waive or change the dues with a bylaw amendment.

We want to welcome our new member, Stash Tosio, who has recently moved to Tomball from Kansas. He has already attended and cued at the TRDTA festival and we're glad to have him.

*Ron and Pat Plouch*



## Membership in TRDTA

Membership on the TRDTA website reflects all currently active members.

To become a member of TRDTA,  
please send an email indicating your interest in membership to:  
Linda Pelton at [peltondances@gmail.com](mailto:peltondances@gmail.com)

The membership form on the TRDTA website is a editable PDF.  
You can complete the form and then send it by email.

Receiving the quarterly newsletter by email is one of the benefits of your membership.

## Festival Reports

Festival reports can include festivals in the surrounding states if a good number of Texas dancers attend the festival or if clinicians are TRDTA members.

## TRDTA Festival – La Grange

By Linda and JL Pelton

The TRDTA Festival was held February 25-26th with approximately 30 couples attending. It was so nice to see so many dancers on the floor after these last several years. This year, continuing the format of last year's successful West Coast Swing clinic and teach, the focus was Tango.

The morning started off with a teach of the Phase 3 Rumba, Senorita, written by Cherie and Patrick Cox. Tricia Morley and Dennis Artz taught this nice little entry-level Rumba and did a very nice job of both teaching and demoing the dance at the evening dance. After the Rumba teach, Karen Gloodt with able assistance from Steve Davis taught the Tango clinic reviewing the various easier Tango



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figures in the dance to be taught in the afternoon. Ed with his bum shoulder was assisting from the sidelines.

After lunch Kay and Bob Kurczewski did an excellent job teaching Black Tie Tango, a Phase 4 Tango by Brent and Judy Moore. The dance was very well received by the attendees.

During the evening dances cuers included: JL and Linda Pelton, Tammy and Marvin Lee, Lucy and Jerry Pate, Ron and Pat Plouch, Tricia Morley and Dennis Artz, Karen and Ed Gloodt, and Kay and Bob Kurczewski.

A highlight this year was the colorful printed shoe bags given to all attendees during intermission. The usual ice cream cups made their appearance too and many dancers enlivened the after party at the hotel after the dance.

### Cuing News a-Round Texas

News a-Round Texas includes all information from cuer members about their lessons and club received by the newsletter deadline. Newsletters are published approximately four times a year in March, June, September, and December.

If you are interested in attending a club in Texas, please contact the cuer for the most up-to-date information on venue and nights dancing. Many clubs might be closed on the date you want to visit as venues change and unexpected closures happen, or someone is simply not teaching that month. See the TRDTA website at [www.trdta.org](http://www.trdta.org) for the directory information which includes the telephone numbers of all the TRDTA cuers. Email addresses in this newsletter are hot links on each cuer's name.

#### Fred and Linda Ayres – Longview, TX

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We are continuing classes for a small group of Intermediate/advanced dancers on Tuesday evenings.

#### Basic/Intermediate Class – Tuesday Nights – Longview

- Cuando Me Enamoro, 4 RB, Gloodt
- For a Moment, 4 BL, Molitoris
- Jesse IV, 4 WZ, Gloodt
- Legends of The Fall, 4WZ, Gloodt
- Thoroughly Modern Millie, 4 QS, Preskitt
- You Decorated My Life, 4 BL, Gloodt

#### Phase 4-6 Class – now Tuesday Nights – Longview

This class has moved to later on Tuesdays since there are no beginner dancers. Much of January to early February was spent preparing for the Houston Festival.

- A Hard Day's Night, 4, FT, Ayres
- Capone, 5, FT, Armstrong
- Cuando Me Cha, 5, CH, Preskitt
- Fur Elise, 4, WZ, Rumble
- Hallelujah Foxtrot, 4, FT, Preskitt
- Last Night Cha, 5, CH, Worlock



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- Make Love To Me, 4, WCS, Gloodt
- On Days Like These, 6, BL, Preskitt
- Somewhere in Time, 6, BL, Finch/Hicks
- Sugarcane, 5, WZ, Vogt
- Summer of 42, 5, MX/BL, Hicks

### Advanced Class – Wednesday Nights – Bossier City, LA

We have also been doing teaching in Bossier City, LA with their advanced group through January on:

- Hallelujah Foxtrot, 4, FT, Preskitt
- Make Love To Me, 4, WCS, Gloodt
- Stay, 5 WZ, Preskitt
- Sugarcane, 5, WZ, Vogt

*Fred and Linda*

### Karen and Ed Gloodt – Ardmore, OK

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Carousel Club #386

First, I want to thank JL and Linda Pelton and Christine and Theron Hixson for filling in for us at Rainbow Rounds in December after Ed has his reverse shoulder surgery. I also want to thank Steve Davis, a Harvest Holiday member, for helping me teach one week in December. The 4th Wednesday in December was the annual Christmas party.

We met regularly in January, but the club had to cancel the first and last dances in February because of the ice storms. We had a Valentine's Dance, so there was just one evening with teaches.

December through February teaches and reviews included:

- Hallelujah Foxtrot (Preskitt) 4 FT
- Only One Time (Preskitt) 5 RB
- Heartbreak Hotel (Parker) 4 WCS
- Lasso the Moon (Chadd) 4 WZ
- Make Love to Me (Gloodt) 4 WCS
- On Days Like These (Preskitt) 6 BL
- Symphony (Slater) 6 FT
- The Girl from Ipanema (Preskitt) 5 FT

Late this afternoon, the one armed bandit (AKA Ed) got approved to resume therapy. They had an opening, so he actually started this afternoon

I especially want to thank Steve Davis for coming to La Grange to help me do the Tango clinic. We hope that the dancers enjoyed Black Tie Tango. It is a great dance, and it appears on many dance programs.

Hopefully, we will be back on the dance floor before too long, maybe by ICBDA!

*Karen and Ed*



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## Christine and Theron Hixson – Garland, TX

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Carousel Club #342

### Lessons – Monday – Basic Lessons – Garland, TX

We're about to finish Jive lessons and will be starting Bolero lessons on March 6 on Monday nights at Granger Recreation Center in Garland. We will continue the format of spending an hour of instruction on the focus rhythm (Bolero) and the rest of the time we will just dance waltz, two-step, cha/rumba and jive for floor time in those rhythms. This format has also allowed time for review and addition of new figures in the basic rhythms being danced.

### Ramblin' Rounds – Tuesdays – Phases 3-4-5 – Garland, TX

- Jumpin' the Jetty, 4 JV, Johnson
- Pontoon West Coast, 5 WCS, Ayres
- Nocturne, 3 WZ, Yamashita
- Never, 4 FT/JV, Parker
- Legends IV, 4 FT, McKenrick

### Ramblin' Rounds – Wednesday – Phases 4-5-6 – Dallas, TX

- Havana, 6 CH, Goss
- Come Flying With Me, 4 WZ, Schmidt
- Stay, 5 WZ, Preskitt
- Dancing with a Stranger, 5 WCS, Goss
- Blues in '42, 4 TG, Garza

*Christine and Theron Hixson*

## George and Pamela Hurd – Gilmer, TX

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Can't believe the 2021/2022 Season is coming to a close! Only a month left, but we are already busily planning next season! There is still time to come dance with us! Take a look at our Mesa website for all the upcoming activities and plan your visit now! <http://rounddancing.azphx.com/index.html>

Looking forward to seeing some of you at the many summer events. If you want to add something on the International front for a really nice junket, we are planning a joint event with Randy and Marie Preskitt in Karlskrona, Sweden. Just think about it! Otherwise see you on the dance floor somewhere soon!

- A Quiet Night In (Gibson) FT 5
- Begin to Color Me (Read) WZ 6
- Besame Mucho (Rumble) RB 5
- Big, Blonde and Beautiful (Goss) WCS 5
- Blues in 42 (Garza) TB 4
- Chicago (Preskitt) QS 4
- Don't Bother Me Mosquito (Hurd) MB 5
- El Gringo (Goss) PD 5
- Evergreen Rumba (Preskitt) RB 6
- Fine by Me (Garza) WCS 6
- Havana (Goss) CH 6



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- I'll Never Love Again (Hicks) STS 5
- Jumpin' the Jetty (Johnson) JV 4
- Lay Down Beside Me (Johnson) WZ 5
- London is London (Worlock) FT 6
- Longing to Kiss You (Worlock) WZ 5
- Mr. Aladdin, Sir (Easterday) QS 4
- Nothing at All (Johnson) BL 6
- One Call Away (Goss) RB 5
- Only One Time (Preskitt) RB 5
- Only Time (Worlock) BL 6
- Return to My Hawaii (Worlock) STS 6
- Serenantella (Shibata) TG 5
- She Bangs (Hurd) CH 5
- Solitaire (Goss) BL 5
- Stay (Preskitt) WZ 5
- Sugarcane (Vogt) WZ 5
- Tango the Night Away (Worlock) TG 6
- Te Quiero (Worlock) RB 4
- That's What You Are (Johnson) STS 5
- The Carousel Waltz (Hicks) WZ 6
- The Colors of Autumn (Hurd) WZ 6
- The Impossible Dream (Hicks) HCW 6
- Wedding Planner (Garza) TG 4
- Wyoming Lullaby (Palmquist) WZ 5
- You Raise Me Up (Read) STS 6
- Your Touch (Johnson) RB 5

*George and Pamela*

**Gloria Jackson – Beaumont, TX**

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Dances taught over the last quarter include:

- A Night Like This, 5 CH/RB, Worlock
- Adeline, 6 STS, Shibata
- Chicago, 4 QS, Preskitt
- Dancing With A Stranger, 5 WCS, Goss
- My Paris is You, 5 FT, Goss
- Only You Foxtrot, 4 FT, Rotscheid
- Theme From Frozen, 6 WZ, Worlock

Be safe and stay healthy,

*Gloria Jackson*



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### Kay and Bob Kurczewski – Liberty Hill, TX

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Wow, what a great weekend in La Grange hosted by the Texas Round Dance Teachers Association (TRDTA). There was super cueing and dancing along with great teaches. For those of you that missed the weekend, you might want to go to the TRDTA website to pick up a flyer and get your registration in for the next TRDTA festival in 2023. We are planning to have an even bigger and better dance next year in La Grange.

Since the last newsletter, after a short break during the holiday, we have been teaching and reviewing dances for the different up-coming festivals. These were the Houston Round Dance Festival and our own TRDTA Festival. In the future we will be working on the Dance Program for the Oklahoma Round Dance Association Festival (ORDA) in Ardmore, OK, once that program is published.

We went to the ORDA festival last year and thoroughly enjoyed ourselves. The dancing program and facilities are some of the best you could ask for. Of course, being in Oklahoma we were left with fond memories of the weekend with over \$7,600 worth of damage to our vehicle, and we were one of the lucky ones. There were many that were left with larger damage than we had. It was just one of those freak weather happenings, but in spite of it everyone enjoyed the dancing and social activities. This could have happened to us at home so we don't blame Oklahoma!

Our teaches/reviews were:

- Rainbow Connection (4W) Childers
- Scheherazade IV (4W) Gloodt
- My Heart Will Go On (4B) Vogt
- A Better Place (5R) Johnson
- Forrest Gump (5W) Moore
- The Girl From Ipanema (5F) Preskitt. Sugar Cane (5W) Vogt
- Don't Let The Sun Catch You Crying (5) Preskitt
- Cuando Me Cha (5C) Preskitt
- Mi Amante (5B) B&K Nelson
- Perfidia in Brazil (5R) Hurd
- A Wink and A Smile (5F) Rumble
- Dancing With You (4F) Blackford
- A Mess of Blues (4J) Gloodt
- No Walls (4W) Worlock
- Adeline (6B) Shibata
- Beat of Your Heart (5STS) Preskitt
- Me and My Sister (4W) Read
- Dancing at Washington Square (4Mul) Robertson
- Memory Rumba (3R) Molitoris
- Sleeping Beauty (5B) Moore
- Le Vie En Rose (3F) Molitoros

As part of the teaching staff for the TRDTA Festival, we taught Black Tie Tango, a Phase 4 Tango, by Brent and Judy Moore.

Take care and hope to see some of you in Ardmore to support the ORDA Festival with the Wayne and Barbara Blackford.

*Kay and Bob "Ski's" Kurczewski*



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**Tammy and Marvin Lee – Friendswood, TX**

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### **GCR Beginner Waltz Lessons – Mondays, 7:00pm – 8:30pm**

Gulf Coast Rounds is offering Beginner Waltz lessons in Tomball on Mondays from 7:00–8:30 starting March 7, 2022. Contact Tammy Lee for more information.

### **Gulf Coast Rounds - Phase 2-4, Houston – Wednesday afternoons, 1:00 to 3:00PM**

Reviewed / taught the following dances:

- Angel Jive, IV JV, Seuer
- Cuando Me Enamoro, IV RB, Gloodt
- Heartbreak Hotel, 3 WCS, Parker
- If You Wanna Be My Lover, IV CH, Lawson
- Moon Dance With You, III FT/JV, Scott
- Small Planes, 4 WCS, Goss
- The Alligator Stroll, 4 WCS, Gloodt
- The Spinning Wheel, IV WZ, Smith

### **Gulf Coast Rounds - Phase 3-5, Houston – Thursdays 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM**

We reviewed or taught the following dances:

- Perfect IV, 4 STS, Pratt
- Better Place, V RB, Johnson
- Supermarket Flowers, IV STS, Lee
- All That Jazz, 4 FT, Sechrist
- Beat of Your Heart, 5 ST, Preskitt
- Candlelight, 5 Waltz, Goss
- Fields of Gold '20, 5 RB, Dawson
- Me and My Sister, 4 WZ, Read
- Memories, 4 RB, Hilpert/Pohl
- Small Planes, 4 WCS, Goss
- Solitaire, V BL, Goss
- Sugarcane, 5 WZ, Vogt

Valentine's weekend 2022, Tammy and Marvin taught their latest choreography, "I'll Go Loving You" a Phase IV Cha, at the February Frenzy, a Square and Round Dance Festival in Port Lavaca, TX.

*Tammy and Marvin*

**Tricia Morley and Dennis Artz – La Grange, TX**

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### **Tuesday – La Grange – Randolph Center – 5:45-7:00 pm.**

December we finished our basic Waltz class in La Grange. We taught:

- Edelweiss
- Mission Bell
- Tips of My Fingers



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### **Wednesday – Bastrop – Senior Center – 7-9 pm**

(in partnership with the City of Bastrop Recreation Program)

We finished the year with Slow Two Step classes teaching:

- Wonderful Rain
- Girl Crush

In January we started an easy Cha Cha class at both the Bastrop and La Grange locations. We have taught:

- Montego Bay
- Beach Party Cha
- Tulsa Cha 3
- Almost Jamaica

### **Thursday – Hey Lollies – Central Houston**

We are now teaching on Thursdays at the Hey Lollies 5-7 pm in central Houston. This is the largest square dance club in Texas. We started with an Easy Rumba class. So far they can dance:

- South of Santa Fe
- Venus 3

We presented a teach at the TRDTA Festival weekend in La Grange, Seniorita 3+2 Rumba by Cox.

*Tricia and Dennis*

### **JL and Linda Pelton – Dallas, TX**

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Carousel Club #385

### **Dance Arouds – Thursdays Evenings – 5:30 to 8:00 p.m. – Plano, TX**

Where has this quarter gone? Part of the answer is Christmas, but here we are at the end of February. Like the Ed and Karen Gloodt, Dance Arouds was shut down for two dance nights in February due to the ice and cold weather.

Here are the dances we have worked on a Dance Arouds in the last quarter. We did have a few weeks off for Christmas, and a few just party night dances. Linda also has had a damaged “wing” as JL calls my left arm, so we haven’t had as many teaches this quarter.

Most of you might have noticed Linda was dancing with Tango hold in a lot of dances at the TRDTA festival this past weekend. Because of the Tango teach, she found out that the tango hold didn’t bother her arm like the normal Waltz hold.

Dances taught this quarter included:

- Only One Time, 5 RB, Preskitt
- Hallelujah Foxtrot, 4 FT, Preskitt
- All That Jazz, 5 FT, Sechrist
- Fields of Gold ‘20, 5 RB, Dawson
- Better Place, 5 RB, Johnson (Reviewed)
- Mi Amante, 5 BL, Nelson (Reviewed)

Happy dancing

*Linda and JL*



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**Ron and Pat Plouch – San Antonio, TX**

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### **Ronde Rounds – Sunday afternoons from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. – San Antonio area**

A lot happens in three months. We got to attend the Houston Round Dance Festival and see many of you. Unfortunately Tom Hicks was unable to make it to the festival, but we were pleasantly surprised to have Curt Warlock along with Linda Robinson teach his two dances: West Coast Memories and Summer of 42. Both were fun dances, but I doubt we'll be teaching them to our Phase II-IV dancers anytime soon.

We've started our Rumba and Cha Cha classes and were pleased to have four couples at our initial class. Unfortunately, we're down to one couple and two ladies who are currently without dance partners. We're early in the dance class, however, and have only completed one dance as of the date of this writing:

- Blue-on-Blue, III, RB, Brownrigg

Our intermediate dancers have looked at Foxtrot and some older dances where they still want to knock the rough edges off. These include:

- Exactly Like You, IV FT, Slater
- Dancing With You, IV FT, Blackford
- A Lady In Red, IV BL, Moore
- Legends of the Fall, IV WZ, Glodt

Hope to see you around.

*Ron and Pat*

## New Choreography by TRDTA Members

If the information was included by the choreographers, the new choreography includes an active link so you can download the cuesheets from various websites. Otherwise, please search Roundalab's Index of Rounds for the cuesheet or contact the choreographer.

### **Tammy and Marvin Lee**

- I'll Go Loving You (CH 4+2+1)

### **JL and Linda Pelton**

- You've Got Soul (FT 5+2)

## Future Dance Event Flyers

Flyers for these events, if available, are posted at [www.trdta.org](http://www.trdta.org) on the Dance Flyers page. Here is a direct link to the TRDTA Dance Events page [www.trdta.org/upcomingevents.html](http://www.trdta.org/upcomingevents.html) to download the flyers.

Send any flyers you have that you want posted to JL Pelton at [peltondances@gmail.com](mailto:peltondances@gmail.com). Festivals or weekends *must* include a round dance teaching component to be posted on the TRDTA website or in this newsletter.



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- **ORDA (Oklahoma Round Dance Association) Festival**, April 1-3, 2022, Ardmore, OK  
Barbara and Wayne Blackford– Rounds only – Phase 2-6  
For more information, see [www.paulandlindarobinson.com](http://www.paulandlindarobinson.com)
- **Rockport Rounds**, April 22-24, 2022, Lagoons RV Park, Rockport, TX  
Tammy and Marvin Lee – Rounds only – Phase 2-4
- **Centex**, October 7-9, 2022, La Grange, TX  
35th Annual Centex Festival, Phase 3-5  
Randy and Marie Preskitt – Rounds only – Phases 3-5  
For more information, see the flyer at [www.trdta.org/upcomingevents.html](http://www.trdta.org/upcomingevents.html)
- **Harvest Holiday Festival**  
62nd Annual Harvest Holiday Festival, November 25-27, 2022, Dallas, TX  
Debby and Tim Vogt – Rounds only – Phases 4-6  
For more information see: [www.harvestholiday.com](http://www.harvestholiday.com)
- **TRDTA South Festival**, February 24-25, 2023, La Grange, TX  
TRDTA cuers – Rounds only – Phase 2-4  
For more information, see: <http://www.trdta.org/pdfs/TRDTA-13th-LaGrange-2023.pdf>