



Texas Round Dance Teachers Association

From the President

Tricia Morley and Dennis Artz

Hello everyone, we hope we find all of you in good health and doing well. As we write, Christmas and the New Year are only a couple of weeks away. The years seem to go by fast these days. We hope everyone has a very Merry Christmas and a safe New Year.

We know there will be some nice New Year's Eve dances this year. We encourage our cuers and dancers to attend these events in order to support our activity. There will be a dance at Swingtime in Fort Worth on New Year's Eve and also the Bluebonnet Squares at Klein United Methodist Church in the Houston area on New Year's Eve. There will be plenty of Round and Square dancing at these dances and a great way to bring in the New Year.

The end of the year also means the annual South Texas Round Dance Teachers Association Festival is upon us. The Festival will again be held in La Grange on Friday and Saturday, February 21st and 22nd. Everyone should plan on attending as this will be a very nice weekend of dancing. We have excellent cuers/instructors lined up and I think there will be something for everyone at the teaches. Of course we encourage the new dancers to attend. This event is a perfect opportunity for new dancers to see what a round dance weekend is all about at a level that they can enjoy and learn from. Let's have a great turnout for this weekend!

Tricia and I wish everyone a safe holiday season and if we don't get a chance to see you before, we will see you in La Grange.

*Tricia & Dennis
President, TRDTA*



TRDTA Board Elections

As Vice President of TRDTA, we were given the dubious honor of Election Chairman for the upcoming TRDTA Elections. These elections will be held during our annual meeting at the TRDTA Festival on 21-22 February, in La Grange, TX. I will not be establishing a Nominating Committee, due to the limited number of members we presently have in the Association. At the present time we have three board members willing to continue their service for the upcoming year. These are JL and Linda Pelton, Treasurer, Trish Morley and Dennis Artz, President, and us, Vice President. This does not mean that there cannot be more nominations for any position on the board. The positions we will be electing are President, Vice President, and Treasurer. The Secretary position is an appointed position.

If you are interested in holding one of these positions, or if you know of someone who would be interested in holding a position, please send me their name so it can be placed on the ballot. We will be closing all nominations on 20 February 2024. This will allow us time to construct a ballot for voting at the Festival. If there is more than one person running for a position, we will need a paper ballot to be passed out to those present at the meeting. We believe that the above date will give everyone ample time to make nominations. If you have any questions or comments, please let us know.

Take care and see you in La Grange.
Bob & Kay "Ski's" Kurczewski
TRDTA Vice President



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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.

Newsletter Editor Needed

Hi everyone. I took over doing the newsletter in June 2018, so I have been doing it for over six years. It's time to pass the torch to someone else. It's not a particularly hard job; I am just tired of doing it. Hopefully someone else will step up and volunteer.

Cuing News a-Round Texas

Newsletters are published approximately three to four times a year.

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 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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Our normal classes taught in Glenwood and also at an intermediate/advanced class in Bossier City included some older dances that seem to always be on dance programs.

- A Little Crush, Ph 5, FT, Johnson
- Best Day, Ph 5, WCS, Worlock
- Dancing At Washington Square, Ph 4, FT/JV, Robertson
- Donde Estas Yolanda, Ph 4, MB, Parker
- Don't Close Your Eyes, Ph 5, BL, Tubbs
- Excuse My French, Ph 4, FT, Hicks
- Flowers, Ph 4, CH, Hicks
- Hallelujah FT, Ph 4, FT, Preskitt
- Hero, Ph 6, BL, Garza
- Higher, Ph 6, TG, Preskitt
- I Call Your Name, Ph 6, WCS/JV, Goss
- I Will Wait For You, Ph 4, FT, Preskitt
- Isn't It Romantic, Ph 4, FT, Preskitt
- Legends Of The Fall, Ph 4, WZ, Gloodt
- Papillon, Ph 6, WZ, Lamberty
- Rich in Love, Ph 6, FT, Goss
- Run Through Fire, Ph 4, RB, Boaz
- Senorita Tango, Ph 4, TG, Rumble
- Sleeping Child, Ph 4, RB, Boaz
- Solitaire, Ph 5, BL, Goss
- Tu Me 6, Ph 6, RB, Preskitt



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Don't forget the 2025 National Square Dance Festival will be held in nearby Shreveport, Louisiana, and will include many teaches and clinics in three different level halls, as well as evening programmed dancing from phase 2-6 each night. The deadline to be registered for those who wish to cue or teach is December 31, so please if you haven't registered yet, make sure to do so by year end.

Fred and Linda

Karen and Ed Gloodt – Ardmore, OK

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Carousel Club #386

August teaches:

- Cuando Me Enamoro (Gloodt) 4 RB
- Dance My Dreams (Skis) 5 WZ
- Isn't It Romantic (Preskitt) 4 RB
- It's All Right (Pelton) 4 FT
- My Foolish Heart (Preskitt) 4 BL
- Right Here Waiting for You (Preskitt) 5 RB

September teaches:

- Boogie Time (Gloodt) 4 JV
- Don't Be Mean (Kammerer) 4 FT
- Hit Me With a Hot Note (Goss) 5 WCS
- Sleeping Beauty (Moore) 5 BL

October teaches:

- Close Every Door (Heath) 4 WZ
- Get It On (Lewis/Olson) 5 WCS
- Hola Amor (Goss/Figwer) 5 BL
- Wolves in the Night (Collins) 4 WZ

November/December Teaches:

- Make You Feel My Love (Preskitt) 5 WZ
- I Will Wait 4 You (Preskitt) 4 FT
- Scheherazade (Gloodt) 4 WZ
- Out of Africa (Shibata) 4 WZ
- Black Satin (Gloodt) 4 JV

Rainbow Rounds is hosting the New Year's Dance at Swingtime Center in Fort Worth. See swingtimecenter.com for directions to the hall if you haven't been here before. We'd love to have everyone join us. Callers are Mike Bramlett and Ken Burke and I will be cuing. Early rounds begin at 7:00.

Karen and Ed



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Christine and Theron Hixson – Garland, TX

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

- Lawdy Jive, 3 JV, Krug
- Emerald Hop, 3 TS/QS, Philson
- Smoke Gets in Your Eyes, 3 FT, Rust
- A Warm Summer Day, 3 JV, Armstrong
- La Incondicional, 3 BL, Gloodt
- Just You and Me, 4 FT/JV, Buck
- Run Through Fire, 4 RB, Boaz
- Slow Walk, 4 WCS, Wulf
- Hopelessly Yours, 3 WZ, Davenport
- Giddy Up, 4 CH, Lobato

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

- Snowfall, 6 WZ, Johnson
- Mama Mia, 6 CH, Linden/Kaszny
- Dance the Night, 4 CH, Ayres
- Best Day, 5 WCS, Worlock
- Run Through Fire, 4 RB, Boaz
- Tu Me 6, 6 RB, Preskitt
- I Will Wait for You, 4 FT, Preskitt
- Canadian Man, 5 FT, Gibson
- La Mer Bolero, 6 BL, Preskitt
- Make You Feel My Love, 5 WZ, Preskitt

Christine and Theron Hixson

George and Pamela Hurd – Gilmer, TX

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All's well here, just rushed as usual! Trying to get everything done before we leave on vacation in the morning. I think this is everything we've taught.

- Best Day (Worlock) WCS 5
- Boulavogue (Lamberty) WZ 6
- Giddy Up (Lobato) CH 4
- Hide Your Love Away (Goss) HCW 5
- Higher (Preskitt) TG 6
- It's All Right 4 (Pelton) FT 4
- Jack is Back (Worlock) MB 5
- Mirror Image (Hicks) BL 4
- My Guy III (Hagawara) MX 3
- Run Through Fire (Boaz) RB 4



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- Snowfall (Johnson) WZ 6
- Somewhere in Time (Nolen) WZ 4
- Tango After Dark (Davis) TG 4

George and Pamela

Gloria Jackson – Beaumont, TX

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Dances taught include:

- Beauty and the Beast, BL 4+2, Kincaid
- Cheek to Cheek, FT 4, Chadd
- Christmas Bride, WZ 4, Rotscheid
- Eternity, BL 6, Shibata
- Forever Love, WZ 5, Blackford
- Havana IV, CH 4, Ayres
- It's All Right 4, FT 4, Pelton
- La Gloria, BL 6, Moore
- Patricia Quatro, CH 4, Hickman
- Psicofonia, TG 6, Davenport
- Remember When, S2S 5, Worlock
- Speak Softly Love, RB 6, Worlock
- Tu Me 6, RB 6, Preskitt

Gloria Jackson

Kay and Bob Kurczewski – Liberty Hill, TX

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Carousel Club #340

Liberty Hill, Texas

The Ski's had a very busy summer and fall filled with dancing and traveling. It was a blessing to be able to do what we want to, when we want to. No slowing us down regarding our travels.

August saw us preparing cue sheets for future festivals starting in September. This put our Round Dancing activity here on a vacation status. The first dance was the "Dixie Round Dance Council" Dance in Chattanooga, TN. There we taught our dance from ICBDA "Dance My Dreams". After a super weekend there, we were on our way to Fontana Dam, for a week of teaching and cueing with Curt and Tammy Worlock, at the fall session of "Accent on Rounds." It was a terrific week, and the area was just breathtaking. If you ever want to go for a fun time dancing in beautiful scenery you should seriously consider this an ideal vacation spot.

Upon returning home from Fontana Dam, it was time to prepare for one of our tours to Europe. We call this our northern tour which goes to Belgium, Luxembourg, France, The Netherlands and northern Germany. What a great trip with super travelers. The highlight for us was visiting all five of the Normandy Beaches and seeing friends and relatives while over there. Since I have discovered that there is no age restrictions on renting vehicles in Germany, we are looking at going back to Europe for another southern tour this fall. I am also trying to convince Kay to do one of my "fly-by-the-seat-of-my-pants" tours in late summer to Poland.



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Once we were back home, we headed to Conroe, TX, to cue and teach at the “Houston Hoedown.” What a super weekend with Dee Dee Dougherty calling. The folks in Houston sure know how to put on a super festival.

After the festival it was home and to once again start up our dance program. Our main objective was to prepare for the “Harvest Holiday Festival” in Ft. Worth at the Swingtime Dance Center. What a fun-filled weekend with the Preskitts. We are looking forward to next year’s festival.

That brings us full circle to December with our Round Dance program continuing. We hope to see many of you at our annual TRDTA Festival on February 21 & 22. Do not forget that the “Houston Round Dance Festival” will be held two weeks prior to that and is also in La Grange.

Teaches

- Business Of Love (Kurczewski 5 FT)
- Dance My Dreams (Kurczewski 5 WZ)
- Sleeping Child (Hilton 4 RB)
- Bilitis '23 (Hixson 5 BL)
- The Old Man (Kurczewski 6 S2S)
- A Lady In Red (Moore 4 BL)
- A Thousand Years (Armstrong 4 RB)
- At The Bus Stop (Kurczewski 5 WZ)
- My Heart Will Go On (Vogt 4 BL)
- Sam’s New Pants (Finch 4 FT)
- Solitude City (Gibson 4 FT)
- Satisfy My Soul (Kurczewski 4 BL)
- Excuse My French (Hicks 4 FT)
- I Will Wait 4 You (Preskitt 4 FT)
- Make You Feel My Love (Preskitt 5 WZ)
- Mi Amante (Nelson KB 5 BL)
- Beat of Your Heart (Preskitt 5 S2S)

Take care and have a Very Merry Christmas and a Safe and Healthy New Year.
Kay and Bob “Ski’s” Kurczewski

Tammy and Marvin Lee – Friendswood, TX Gulf Coast Rounds

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CCR Bayland – Phase 2-4, Houston, Wednesdays – 1:00 to 3:00PM

In September, Tammy and Marvin cued the 39th FunStiToot weekend in LaGrange. I taught Blowin’ Smoke, 4 CH, Ahart, which was well-liked and was requested at a local Festival I cued a few weeks later.

From September to December, 2024, we reviewed and/or taught the following dances:

- Patricia, 2 TS, Walkinshaw / Goss
- Legends of the Fall, 4 WZ, Gloodt
- Why Don’t We Just Jive, 4 JV, Sturgis
- Blowin’ Smoke, 4CH, Ahart



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GCR Cypress – Phase 3-5, Cypress, Thursdays – 11:00AM to 1:00PM

In October, we joined several other Gulf Coast Round dancers at Centex weekend in LaGrange, TX. The Preskitts were the featured clinicians. Their picture figure demonstration and explanation was particularly interesting to me.

From September to December, 2024, we reviewed and/or taught most of the following dances with special focus on Centex Festival:

- Photograph, 4RB, Mee
- Forrest Gump, 5 WZ, Moore
- What Chu Got, 5 CH, Lewis/Olson
- Hit Me With A Hot Note, 5 WC, Goss
- Hey, 4 RB, Preskitts
- Norwegian Wood, 5 WZ, Goss
- Perfidia in Brazil, 5 RB, Hurd
- Don't Let The Sun Catch You Crying, V BL, Preskitt
- Sugarcane, 5 WZ, Vogt
- Mi Amante, 5 BL, Nelson
- Tu Me, 6 BL, Preskitts
- I Will Wait 4 You, 4 RB, Preskitts
- My Guy III, 3 MX, Hagiwara
- Giddy Up 4 CH, Lobato

Tammy and Marvin

Editor's Note: *Tammy filled in for Lucy Pate when Lucy unexpectedly became ill before the Nortex Roundup Dance the 7th of December at Swingtime Center. We understand Tammy was on the road from south Texas at 5:30 in the morning to cue and to help Jerry teach at the dance. At the Harvest Holiday Fun Dance, the 8th of December, we heard lots of good comments from dancers who attended Roundup.*

Tricia Morley and Dennis Artz – La Grange, TX

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Step 'N Style Rounds

Dances taught over the past five months:

- A Lady In Red (Moore 4 BL)
- Autumn (Kenny 4 WZ)
- Beauty and the Beast (Kincaid 5 BL)
- Better Place (Johnson 5 RB)
- Capone (Armstrong 5 FT)
- Colours (Read 4 RB)
- Don't Let The Sun Catch You Crying (Preskitt 5 BL)
- Follow Me (Pointer 4 RB)
- Forrest Gump (Moore 5 WZ)
- Four Walls (Buck 4 WZ)
- Gardenia Tango (Parker 4 TG)



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- Hey Daddy Cha (Johnson 5 CH)
- I Will Wait 4 You (Preskitt 4 FT)
- I'm Alive (Renauld 4 CH)
- I'm Not The Only One (Boaz 4 RB)
- Isn't It Romantic 4 (Preskitt 4 FT)
- La Tangosita (Hicks 4 TG)
- Last Night Cha (Worlock 5 CH)
- Los Reyes del Sol (Moore 5 RB)
- Loving You Rumba (Foral 4 RB)
- Margaritaville (Bovard 4 RB)
- Mi Vida (Read 4 RB)
- My Heart Will Go On (Vogt 4 BL)
- Nightingale (Goss 5 FT)
- Out Of Africa (Shibata 4 WZ)
- Psicofonia 4 (Davenport 4 TG)
- Right Hear Waiting For You 4 (Vogt 4 FT/JV)
- Run Through Fire (Boaz 4 RB)
- Sleeping Beauty (Moore 5 BL)
- Sleeping Child (Hilton 4 RB)
- Take My Love, Take Me (Davenport 4 FT)
- Uptown Funk (Gibson 5 CH)
- What Chu Got (Lewis/Olson 5 CH)
- Witchcraft IV (Slater 4 FT)

Most recently we have been concentrating heavily on Phase 3 and 4 Jive and Tango figures.

Looking forward to 2025. Hoping we can grow our classes and for everyone to stay active and healthy.

Tricia and Dennis

JL and Linda Pelton – Dallas, TX

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Carousel Club #385

This was the year of a long drive to the UP (Upper Peninsula of Michigan) and back again the month of August. JL and I have decided those long drives are not our cup of tea. However, we had a great time stopping off at many venues along the way. One of the highlights included the Abraham Lincoln Presidential Library in Springfield, Illinois. Wow, it's definitely a place to spend lots of time. We would plan a full day there next time we head up towards Illinois. The trip up north was for a Road Scholar trip to Mackinac Island where cars are not allowed. Everything is by horse-drawn carriage or drays. And not to be missed there is the afternoon tea at the Grand Hotel. Between the Sleeping Dunes in upper Michigan, the Shipwreck Museum in the UP, and a Pictured Rocks cruise, we had a fabulous time. There was lots more we did, but those are some of the highlights.

Once coming home I finally had my strabismus surgery (double-vision) on Halloween. I told everyone I got to get red eyes for the holiday, although they really weren't that red. I am finally without prisms in my glasses. JL would have liked it if I could have had the surgery before our August trip. I really had no good depth perception and startled a lot, especially in unfamiliar territory, so he drove the entire trip.



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

Intermediate Lessons – Wednesday Afternoons – 1:30 to 3:30 p.m. – Plano, TX

Dances taught in one or the other of our classes/clubs include:

- It's All Right 4 (Pelton) 4 FT
- Sleeping Child (Hilton) 4 RB
- Colours (Read) 4 RB
- Dark Waltz (Vogt) 6 WZ
- Even Now (Tennant, P&S) 5 RB
- I Like To Lead When I Dance (Vogt) 5 FT
- Solitude City (Gibson) 4 FT
- Hero (Garza) 6 BL
- Spending Times With Friends (Pelton) 4 ST
- Tu Me 6 (Preskitt) 6 RB
- The Sun, The Sea, and The Sky (Bradt) 5 WZ
- A Lady in Red (Moore) 4 BL
- I Will Wait For You (Preskitt) 4 FT
- Dedication (Rumble) 4 WZ
- La Mer 6 (Preskitt) 6 BL

Linda and JL

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

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year everyone!

Our Intermediate level dancers have graciously agreed to forego much instruction, in order to allow Pat and I to get some floor time!

However, we have reviewed a few dances that we haven't danced in a while:

- A Lady in Red, BO, Moore, IV
- Abundant Joy, ST, Schmidt, IV
- Amistad 4, BO, Kenny, IV
- Carnival, RB, Rumble, IV
- Coney Island IV, WZ, Gloodt, IV
- Dancing With You, FT, Blackford, IV
- Fly Me to the Moon Rumba, RB, Preskitt, IV
- Havana, CH, Ayres, IV
- Hot Rumba 4 You, RB, Vogt, IV
- It Makes No Difference, FT, Preskitt, IV
- It's Christmas, BO, Cavness, IV
- Legends of the Fall, WZ, Gloodt, IV
- Out of Africa, WZ, Shibata, IV

Our Beginning Latin Class is moving along well, covering at this point mostly Rumba and Cha, with just a touch on Bolero. Hopefully, once the holiday season is over, we'll start adding more Bolero.



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- Ascot's Rumba, RB, Kennedy, III
- Baby's Got Blue Jeans, CH, McGuire, III
- Beach Party Cha, CH, Williams, III
- Better Place, RB, Yoshika, III
- Blue on Blue, RB, Brownrigg, III
- Candida, RB, Seurer, III
- Duke of Earl, RB, Seurer, III
- Enjoy Yourself, RB, Townsend-Man, III
- Esta Rumba, RB, Barton, III
- For Your Eyes Only, RB, Ahart, III
- Grandpa (Tell Me 'Bout the Good Ol Days), RB, Kenny, III
- Guantanamera III, RB, Preskitt, III
- Here Comes Santa Clause III, RB, McKenrick, III
- Johnny Angel, RB, Molitoris, III
- Marvin Gaye, RB, Cox, III
- Millionaire Cha, CH, Croft-de Zordo, III
- Mulher de Quarenta, RB, Sa, III
- Over the Rainbow, RB, Lankuttis, III
- Pretty Blue Eyes, RB, Meyer, III
- Return to Sorrento, RB, Lucibello, III
- Rhinestone Rumba, RB, Seurer, III
- Smooth Rumba, RB, Hale, III
- South of Sante Fe Rumba, RB, Koslosky, III
- The Cowboy Rides Away, RB, Seurer, III
- Un Memento Alla, RB, Cook, III
- Welcome to New York, CH, Preskitt, III

We're looking forward to dancing with many of you at the Jewel or at TRDTA.

Hope to see You on the Floor,
Ron & Pat Plouch

Membership Report

The TRDTA website directory reflects all currently active members after dues were received through the summer. If you see any issues with the information on the TRDTA website, please contact JL Pelton to correct it.

To become a member of TRDTA,
please send \$10 per teaching unit to:
Linda Pelton, TRDTA Treasurer
4032 Briarbend Road
Dallas, TX 75287

The membership form on the TRDTA website is an editable PDF.
You can complete the form on your computer, print, and then send it with your check.
Receiving the TRDTA newsletter by email is one of the benefits of your membership.

For questions, write Linda at peltondances@gmail.com



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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.

Kay and Bob Kurczewski

- Satisfy My Soul, Kurczewski, Phase 4 Bolero (Taught at Accent on Rounds, Fontana Dam, NC)
- The Old Man, Kurczewski, Phase 6 Slow Two Step (Taught at Accent on Rounds, Fontana Dam, NC)

Future Dance Event Flyers

Flyers for these events, if available, are posted at www.trdta.org on the Dance Flyers page. Here is a direct link to the TRDTA Dance Events page 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. Festivals or weekends *must* include a round dance teaching component to be posted on the TRDTA website or in this newsletter.

- **January Jewel**, January 17-18, 2025, Shreveport, LA
Paul and Linda Robinson – Rounds only – Phase 2-4
For more information, see: <http://www.trdta.org/pdfs/2025-JanuaryJewel.pdf>
- **TRDTA South Festival**, February 21-22, 2025, La Grange, TX
TRDTA cuers – Rounds only – Phase 2-4
For more information, see: <http://www.trdta.org/pdfs/TRDTA-LaGrange2025-15th.pdf>
- **Harvest Holiday Festival**, November 7-9, 2025, Fort Worth, TX
64th Annual Harvest Holiday Festival – *Note date change and new location*
Bill and Carol Goss – Rounds only – Phases 4-6
For more information see: www.harvestholiday.com
- **Centex**, October 10-12, 2025, La Grange, TX
3yth Annual Centex Festival
Curt and Tammy Worlock – Rounds only – Phases 3-5
For more information, see the flyer at www.trdta.org/pdfs/2025-CentexFlyer.pdf

– NEWS FLASH –

Harvest Holiday Date and Location Change

Harvest Holiday has changed their venue and dates! Plan ahead to be in Fort Worth for Harvest Holiday in 2025. The festival is now being held the second weekend in November. In 2025, the dates are November 7-9. We'll be dancing on 6000 square feet of floating wood floor at Swingtime Center in Fort Worth with Bill and Carol Goss. Premier clinicians, Bill and Carol are always a delight and exceptional clinicians. Don't miss it this year.

– NEWS FLASH –