

# Triangle Squares Newsletter November 2022

## Triangles Calendar

**November 4:** 7-9  
Regular Club  
Dance in Denton

Hospitality:  
Kitchen: Judy T  
Greeter: Becky  
Mystery Walk:  
Vicky

**November 18:**  
**Friendship Dance  
at Swingtime with  
T-Square  
Gadabouts  
(see included  
information)**

**November 8, 15,  
22, 29** Lessons

**December  
16:Club  
Christmas Party**

**January 10—  
Lessons Start**

## Words from Our President

It is a beautiful day today. Fall is upon us with cool breeze and the changing of the leaves on the trees, truly God's paintbrush is at work with the beautiful colors.

As many of you know I am an election poll worker. Today I was assigned as a door greeter. Basically, I ask the voter to be prepared to present their voter registration card and have their photo Identification ready. I meet so many people and sometimes we strike up a conversation while they wait. One gentleman asks if I knew what the meaning of "don't throw out the baby with the bathwater". I had heard the phrase in the past but had no idea of its meaning. The older gentleman began to explain that in the old days farming and ranching families were extremely large. Saturday night was bath night, so that they would be nice and clean for Sunday morning church services. Back then boiling enough hot water was a big chore so they would prepare just one big wash tub of hot water. The first persons to bath would be grandpa and grandma followed by dad and mother. Then came the kids and finally the baby. As you can imagine, the water would be quite dirty by that time. Momma was cautioned- "don't throw out the baby with the bathwater". And so the saying caught on and is now used for other situations as well.

The big Roundup weekend was outstanding with over 26 squares for the Saturday evening dance. And now the next big event for the triangles will be the Turkey Shoot Dance with our club and the T Squares Gadabouts on November 18 at Swingtime Center. Our club is charged with bringing the snacks so let's bring some munchies. It's going to be great fun. There will be carpooling available with more details to come!

Take time to make your voice heard at the polls. It is also time to start thinking about being a Triangle Squares officers. See the included article.

Dale and Ms. Carol Chegwidden

Triangle Squares, The North Star of NorTex  
[trianglesquaresdanceclub.com](http://trianglesquaresdanceclub.com)



Happy Birthday to  
Melba!



Thank you to all  
who invited folks to  
lessons and to  
those who have  
been “angel-ing”.  
The new dancers  
appreciate you!

**Change of Dates:**

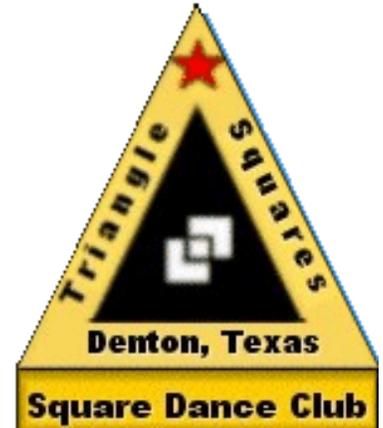
The next set of  
lessons will begin  
~~December 6.~~

January 10.

Who do you know  
that might enjoy  
dancing?

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE MEMBERS AND  
OFFICER CANDIDATES NEEDED**

According to the club bylaws, a nominating committee is formed every fall to recruit a slate of officer candidates to be voted on by the club in January. The nominating committee is to consist of two board members and three club members. Dale and Kathy will be the board member representatives on the committee. Please let Dale know if you would like to serve on the nominating committee or as an officer. The nominating committee will meet only once or twice during the next few months.



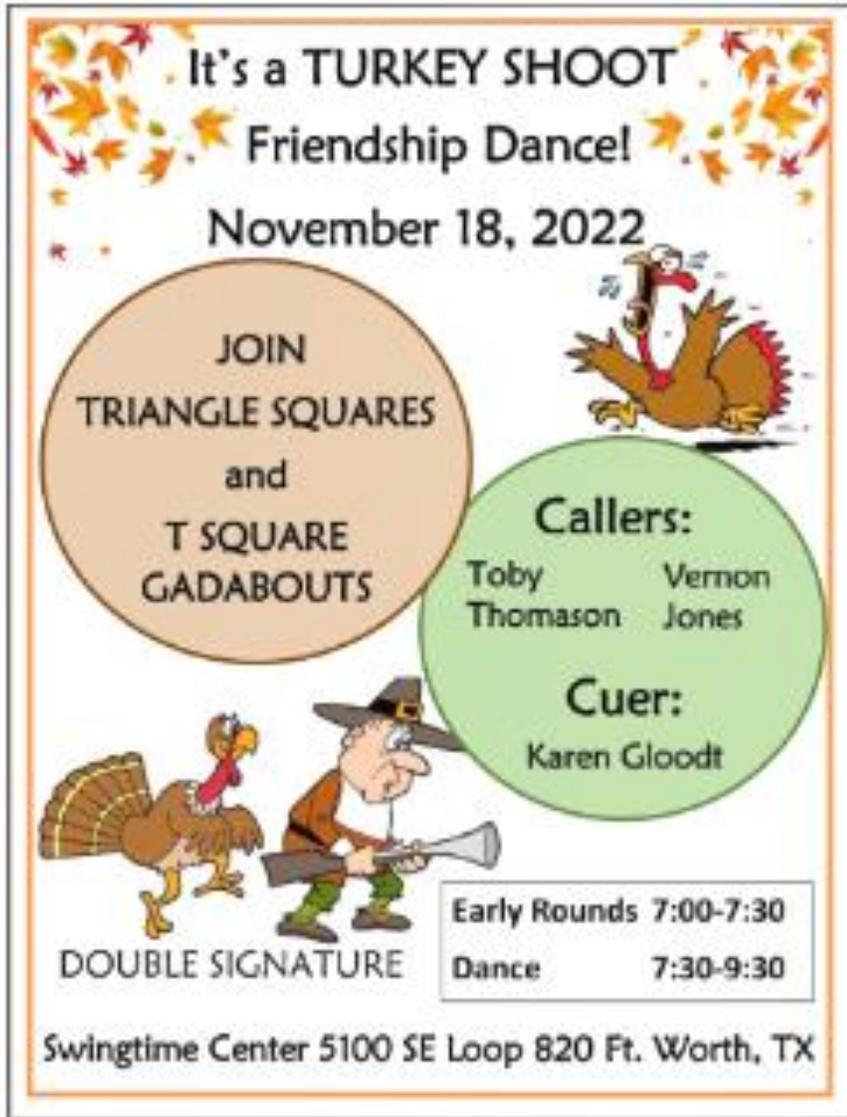
The club needs leaders as well as members to function. What do club officers do? So glad you asked! **The relevant sections of the club bylaws are included in this newsletter so you can see.** How could you best serve?

**New Demo Dance Dangle Available from Nortex**



To recognize dancers who participate in demonstration dances to promote the fun of square dancing, Nortex is offering a new dangle. By dancing at one demo, a dancer can receive the dangle and then earn additional ones for every five. You don't have to be a long-time experienced dancer, just willing to smile and show what fun dancing is to whomever is

watching. Sometimes these are at senior living facilities; sometimes at public events. NORTEX dancers are going to do their first “Flash Mob” dance in Fort Worth at Sundance Square on December 10th, at 5pm. Contact Charles Deckert, 214.808.0393 Joyce Sellers 214.543.0834 or Vince Matej 817.709.7688 to sign up for this fun event. Other Nortex demo dances will be scheduled so let them know if you are interested. In the past, Triangle Squares have done demo dances at the Frisco Roughriders game, CrossTimbers Church Festival, ValleyView Community Celebration, and various senior living centers.



Triangle Squares and T Square Gadabouts usually dance on the same nights in different places. This Turkey Shoot Friendship Dance is our first opportunity to dance together. This could become an annual event, with them coming to Denton next year.

Carpooling from Denton is being organized by Dale. Others may want to partner up from other locations as well.

Triangles are asked to bring light snacks. If possible, please come early to help with set-up. This will not be a fancy event with lots of decorations and food; just a casual, fun evening with dancers we don't often see because our regular dance nights conflict.

### Triangle Squares Anniversary Dance January 20, 2023 Preparations

Anniversary Dance Chairperson Melba Daniels has started organizing the team to make the dance a success at the Denton County Civic Center. Save the date and plan to help out as you can.

Decorations: Pat Cadenhead

Door Prizes: Pam Ellis, Becky Zimmermann and Donna Miller

Kitchen: Help Needed

Greeters: Help Needed

Transporter of Supplies from the church to the center: Help Needed



# Triangle Squares Bylaws—Info about Club Officers

## ARTICLE V

### Officers and Their Election

- A. The officers shall be President, one or more Vice Presidents as needed, Secretary, Treasurer, Assistant Treasurers as needed, and Reporter.
- B. The Executive Board shall consist of the current elected officers of the Club plus the past President, who shall serve in an advisory capacity for the next term of office.
- C. The President must have been a Member in good standing for no less than two (2) years and must have held a position on the board of officers of this or another square dance club for no less than one full term. Alternately, membership in good standing for at least three (3) years may be substituted with the consent of a majority of voting members at a Club Business Meeting where nominations are being accepted.
- D. Officers shall serve for one year from their date of installation, or until their successors are duly elected and installed.
- E. Club elections for new officers shall be conducted at the January Club Business Meeting each year.
- F. The President shall, at least 60 days prior to the January Club Business Meeting, appoint a nominating committee to ensure that Members are nominated to fill all elected offices for the coming year. The nominating committee shall consist of two members of the Board and three members at large appointed by the President.
- G. A Club Business Meeting shall be called by the President at least 30 days prior to the January Business Meeting for the purpose of nominating new officers. The nominating committee shall present the recommendations at the meeting. Members may make nominations from the floor, with prior consent from the nominee, at any time before the election.
- H. Only paid up Members or Lifetime Members may be nominated for Club office.
- I. In case of vacancies occurring in any elected Club office, the remaining officers shall call a special election to fill the vacancy.

## ARTICLE VI

### Duties of the Officers

- A. The President shall:
  1. Preside at all Club meetings.
  2. Visit other clubs and extend an invitation for them to visit our Club.
  3. Make announcements and welcome visitors to our dances.
  4. Lead the grand march at home dances.
  5. Have charge of the Club banners.
  6. Be coordinator between Members and the Club Caller.
  7. Ensure that there is at least one properly certified caller at each Club dance.
  8. Appoint individuals or committees as needed to carry out the functions of the Club.
  9. Appoint an audit committee consisting of the new Treasurer and two additional Members to audit the Treasurer's records each February.
  10. Act in temporary emergencies including, but not limited to, change of hall or Club Caller. Such emergency actions, if intended to be permanent, shall be subject to a vote of the Members at a regular business meeting or at a special meeting called by the President.

11. Be a voting delegate to the North Texas Square and Round Dance Association (“NTSRDA”).
12. Appoint delegates to NTSRDA
13. Ensure that dues and insurance payments are paid to NTSRDA when due.

B. The Vice President(s) shall:

1. Assist the President in all duties.
2. Assume the responsibilities of the President when he or she is absent.
3. Ensure that all Members and visitors are welcomed at Club dances and that the atmosphere is such that all dancers may enjoy the dance.
4. Purchase supplies as needed.
5. Be responsible for hospitality at Club dances.
6. Assign responsibilities for Members to assist with hospitality functions at Club dances.

C. The Secretary shall:

1. Be responsible for all Club correspondence.
2. Keep current minutes of Club Business Meetings
3. Maintain a current mailing list of Members, including the mailing address, phone number and if applicable, email address.
4. Publish and furnish a current PDF roster to each Member at least once a year.
5. Send a card, a plant or flowers to Members who are sick or bereaved, as appropriate and as budgetary constraints will permit.

D. The Treasurer shall:

1. Take in money for dues and donations at the door.
2. Order badges.
3. Pay all bills.
4. Keep records of all money taken in and paid out.
5. Keep an organized guest register.
6. Furnish the Secretary with a list of Members in good standing six weeks after the beginning of each calendar quarter.
7. Send payment of NTSRDA dues and insurance accompanied by a current list of dues paid Members as directed by the President.

E. The Assistant Treasurer(s) shall assist the Treasurer as needed.

F. The Reporter shall:

1. Publish a Club newsletter monthly and see that each Member is given or mailed or emailed a copy at least one week prior to each regularly scheduled business meeting.
2. Publish hospitality assignments for coming dances as far in advance as is practical.
3. Report coming club activities to local media and to the Promenade.

***Photos from Dixie Chainers Dance October 1; attended by 10 Triangle Squares***



***Photos from Callers' Cavalcade and Nortex Roundup October 28 and 29***



