



Tualatin Valley Council (TVC) 2020-02-24

Meeting was held at Old Spaghetti Factory,
18925 NW Tanasbourne Drive, Hillsboro, OR 97124
The meeting started about 7:00 and adjourned about 7:45
<http://www.tualatinvalleycouncil.org>

Attendees:

Delegates:

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| Columbia River Dancers: | Gary and Judi Furguson (Judi absent) |
| Eager Beavers: | Leslie Tallman, John Semm |
| Hayshakers: | Judy Martin, Ken Marifke |
| Hoedowners: | Mike Duyck, Doug Morgan |
| Mix N Mingles: | Rick and Robin Faltersack |
| Oak Hills Squares | Marie Clem |
| R Square D: | Mary McDaniel, Marv Pope (both absent) |
| Sunset Promenaders: | Steve LeBlanc, Dan Browning (Dan absent) |
| Toe Draggers: | Linda Curtis |
| Tri Squares: | Judy Groom (absent), Deb Mandeville |
| Valley River Dancers: | Jan Amerson, Perrin Damon |
| Valley Squares: | Julie Cooper, Dorothy Reed |
| Wave Steppers: | Bob Allen (absent) |

Officers, Elected & Appointed:

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| President: Mike St. Clair | Vice-President: Judy Schnase (absent) |
| Treasurer: Tom Sminia | Secretary: Andis Garuts |
| State Delegate: Josie Rosenbury (absent) | Sunshine Chair: Tammy LeBlanc |
| Past-President of the TVC: Dale Brabham | PAC Representative: Erin Kalmbach |
| Oregon Federation Youth Advisor: Kathy Roberts (absent) | |
| Alternate State Delegate: Deb Mandeville | |
| Caller Advisor: K.C. Curtis | Cuer Advisor: Randy Lewis (absent) |
| TVC Webmaster: Tim Roberts (absent) | OFN Area Editor: Ferrous Steinka (absent) |

Visitors Attending:

Garrett Hoerer (Valley Squares)
Candy St. Clair (Sunset Promenaders)
Janice Sminia (Sunset Promenaders)

TVC Officer Reports:

Previous Council meeting minutes approved as written.

President's report: (Mike St. Clair) No report.

Vice President's report: (Judy Schnase) (absent) (Mike St. Clair presented the report)

We need to take a look at our TVC dance attendance. The bottom line is that we need your support at these dances. We offer to each and every club in the TVC up to \$200 each year for each club's advertising expenses, and the TVC needs a way to recover those expenses. Delegates, please talk to your clubs about attending these dances, so that we can have the funds to keep helping to support your clubs' lessons.

At our last Meeting, we talked about possibly changing the schedule of our New Year's Eve dance (see 1/27/2020 Minutes). Delegates, if you brought this up with your clubs, we would like to hear your feedback about this. The decision of the time of this dance should be made soon.

Treasurer's report: (Tom Sminia)

You will find a full Treasurer's Report in the flyer box.

Our financial results for February show all bills and no income, including \$605.45 to clubs for lesson promotion. This left the checkbook with only \$361.39, so I transferred \$1,000 from the TVC savings to the checkbook so we would be able to pay for the caller, cuer and hall at the February 29th dance this coming Saturday. This leaves the savings account with \$7,586.56 and the checking account with \$1,361.39.

Please tell your clubs to come to our dances to help out on our financial situation.

We are working on training Tammy LeBlanc to be the Treasurer for the next fiscal year which starts June 1st this year.

Any questions?

Secretary report: (Andis Garuts) No report.

State Delegates report: (Josie Rosenbury) (absent) (Deb Mandeville presented the report)

From the 1/26/2020 OFSRDC Meeting:

The National Committee is putting on the National Convention in Spokane, and they want you to urge your members to sign up online.

The 2021 Summer Festival will be held at the Albany Fairgrounds, but much discussion was held around having enough space. The Committee recommended the Santiam building only, which is a single room, and it was felt that competing music noises was going to be a detraction. The vote was postponed until April to investigate renting more space.

The 2021 Mid Winter Festival will be on January 22-24 at the Albany Fairgrounds. 701 dancers were preregistered at the time of this Meeting.

Tim Keck is currently updating club registration and the registration page site. All clubs are current with their 301(c) status, 1895 dancers are currently insured. Please send new dancer registrations in as soon as possible.

Nominations are needed for First Vice President.

All grants were approved for caller schools and promotion of square dancing.

Kathy Roberts will post the link for the OFSRDC's Facebook page in the OFN. She also teaches a class by request in using social media to promote your clubs.

Tim Keck requested information about whether grants can be given for equipment for callers and cuers. There was a long discussion about callers and cuers having their own liability insurance or a license to use intellectual property, and where it can be obtained. Clubs hiring an outside caller or cuer for a dance need to request this information before signing a contract. The caller or cuer should have a card with dates on it from BMI or ASCAP. These licenses are good internationally. The gray area in this rule is when a licensed person stops and starts the music for an unlicensed guest caller or cuer. This situation should be avoided whenever possible, as clubs can be fined as well as the unlicensed person.

The idea was entertained about having two-year terms at the club and council levels for board positions. This would promote a more stable leadership and time to train replacements.

There were 50 youth at Mid Winter this year.

Teen models are needed for the National Convention's fashion show. They also need fashions for the models to wear. If you are willing to sew a dress, shirt or skirt, please contact Kathy Roberts.
Deb Mandeville

I would like to remind everyone now that we are into a new year that as our students graduate mainstream and join our clubs, this is the time to log into the Federation website and add each of their names individually to the club listing and send payment of \$4.85 for each to the Insurance Chairman

(Marilyn Schmidt) to cover their 2020 insurance. When you add your members on the Federation website Marilyn is automatically sent an updated roster for your club, and she will be awaiting your payment. When received, she will forward your club a new roster. Insurance is based on a calendar year unlike our club memberships. Taking care to pay for members as they join the club (or come back after a break renewing their membership) is the preferred way this should be handled, and then when we work on 2021 insurance in the fall there is less to reconcile about 2020. I am also told that this applies not only to your member list, but also to any new cuers, callers, their partners or people we want to add this year as honorary or non-dues paying. These people also need to have insurance paid for them by their primary club (even if they do not dance if there is some possibility they will show up at one of our dances). Appreciate it if delegates could please pass this information to the person in their club handling insurance.

Josie

PAC report: (Erin Kalmbach)

PAC wants to thank all the TVC dancers that came to our 5th Friday dance in January. It was so nice seeing old and friends and a full floor!!!

Our next dance is May 29 with "Girls Night Out" at the Oak Grove Community Club. That's Sandy Harris, Charlotte Jeskey, and Jackie Gale. Hope to see you there.

PAC will have election of officers next month.

OFSRDC Publicity and Education Report: (Kathy Roberts) (absent) No report.

OFSRDC Youth Report: (Kathy Roberts) (absent) No report.

Past TVC President report: (Dale Brabham) No report.

Sunshine report: (Tammy LeBlanc) No report.

OFN Area Editor Report: (Ferrous Steinka) (absent) No report.

Webmaster report: (Tim Roberts) (absent) No report.

Old Business:

Second Nominations for 2020-2021 TVC offices:

President: Mike St. Clair

Vice President: Steve LeBlanc, Jan Amerson

Secretary: Andis Garuts

Treasurer: Tammy LeBlanc

State Delegate: Josie Rosenbury

Alternate State Delegate: Deb Mandeville

Elections will be in March; terms begin in May.

New Business:

No new business.

Club Delegate Reports:

Columbia River Dancers: *(Gary and Judi Furguson, Delegates) (Judi absent)*

Club dances 2nd and 4th Saturdays year round at Hazel Dell Grange, 7509 NE Hazel Dell Ave., Vancouver, WA 98665. The times 7 to 8 Plus dance, 8-10 Mainstream dance with Jim Hattrick as club caller and cuer. <http://www.ColumbiaRiverDancers.org>

Jim Hattrick is back, and we have our Tuesday night lessons starting at 6 p.m. with round dancing, followed at 7 p.m. with Basic square dance lessons and at 8 p.m. with Mainstream lessons. Our two-step lessons will be ending soon.

Our 5th Anniversary Dance will be on March 14! Adam Christman will be calling.

Eager Beavers: *(John Semm and Leslie Tallman, Delegates)*

The Club dances Plus every Monday afternoon, 1:00 to 3:00 p.m., at the Aloha Grange, 3425 SW 185th Ave, Aloha, OR 97006, on the corner of 185th and TV Hwy.. We dance in air conditioned comfort on an excellent wood floor. Door donation is \$4. Daryl Clendenin, caller/cuer on 1st and 5th Mondays, Jim Hattrick, caller/cuer on 3rd Monday, and Darrell Kalmbach and Joyce Hooper, caller/cuer on 2nd and 4th Mondays. For additional information call 503-645-2414.

<http://www.eagerbeavers.info>

The Club dances every Monday afternoon, with plus lessons from 12:00-1:15 p.m. The regular dance (plus with a mix of rounds) then follows until 3:00 p.m. Admission is just \$4.00 for both class and the dance, so please join us for both fun sessions. Beginning with our dance on March 1st, we will be dancing at our new home: Aloha Grange on 185th and TV Hwy. Same great callers and cuers: Daryl Clendenin, caller/cuer on 1st and 5th Mondays, Jim Hattrick, caller/cuer on 3rd Monday, and Darrell Kalmbach and Joyce Hooper, caller/cuer on 2nd and 4th Mondays. For additional information call 503-645-2414. <http://www.eagerbeavers.info>.

Our plus class is in full swing. Although it is small in number, it is huge in enthusiasm. Everyone, class, club members and visitors, are having a great time.

Our Valentine's Dance was February 17th. A new king and queen, John Semm and Nancy Clark, were crowned by last year's royalty, Chet Wolter and Carolyn Hindman. It was a fun dance.

The "Green Team" (consisting of Eager Beavers and Hoedowners) has been making visitations to advertise our Summer Festival and sell ribbons. Look for them wherever you dance. They will have ribbons available for purchase.

Leslie and John

Hayshakers: *(Judy Martin and Ken Marifke, Delegates)*

Hayshakers are now dancing the 3rd and 5th Fridays from 7:00 to 9:30 p.m. Mark Wheeler caller & cuer. Dance is at the Pacific Grange, 90475 Hwy 101, Cullaby Lake, at Warrenton, OR. Be sure to call first to make sure we have enough people for a dance. 503.325.8109, 503.861.2726, 503.325.2100.

<http://www.hayshakers.org>

Hayshakers lessons are currently going on.

Their Anniversary Dance will be on Friday, May 15, with Jim Hattrick and Mark Wheeler.

Hoedowners: *(Doug Morgan and Mike Duyck, Delegates)*

Dance the 2nd and 4th Saturdays at the Aloha Grange on the corner of 185th and TV Hwy. Our Caller is Daryl Clendenin. The Cuer is Randy Lewis. Pre-Plus and Intermediate Rounds will be called from 7:00-8:00 and Mainstream from 8:00-10:00. Our format is informal and friendly.

<http://www.hoedowners.info>

March 14th will be the Hoedowners fabulous "Mr. Potato Head" dance with baked potatoes and fixin's after the dance. Sour cream will be in ample supply for this.

March 28th is "Sports Night" for team activities at Hoedowners. Maybe team colors or team jerseys are in order?

Hoedowners are helping the Valley Squares with their Mainstream class on Tuesdays and will be attending other club anniversaries this spring.

Mix N Mingle: *(Rick and Robin Faltersack, Delegates)*

Club dances Plus at the Winona Grange (8340 Seneca Street, Tualatin, OR) on 1st and 3rd Saturdays. Pre-Rounds begin at 7:30 PM and Plus & Rounds from 8:00 – 10:30 PM. The door donation is \$5 for members and \$6 for non-members. Randy Dibble is our club Caller and Jeanine Norden our club Cuer. www.mixandminglesquares.org

We will be dark on the first Saturday in March, our next dance will be on March 21.

Please attend the TVC Dance on February 29, co-hosted with Mix'n'Mingle.

Oak Hills Squares: *(Marie Clem. Delegate)*

Oak Hills Squares meet on Monday evenings at the Oak Hills Recreation Center on 153rd and Oak Hills Drive (2400 NW 153rd Avenue, Beaverton). 6:30 to 7:30 Class (start dates -Sept and February) 7:30 to 8:30 Mainstream (6:30 to 8:30 when no classes running). 1st Monday of each month from 7:30 to 9 Mainstream Singing calls and Rounds. Lane Clem is our Caller and Cuer on the 1st, 2nd and 4th Mondays; Renee Ruud is our Caller on the 3rd and 5th Mondays. Taped cues on those days.

<http://myplace.frontier.com/~ferrouss/OakHillsSDC.htm>

On February 3rd, we held our Ground Hog Day Dance, where 'ground hog' (sausages) were part of the refreshments. Our caller went through the first tip twice, but when he said, "Good morning, Oak Hills Squares" the dancers caught on to the reference to the movie "Ground Hog Day," and enjoyed a good laugh.

Our lessons for new dancers have started, during the first hour of the dance – 6:30 to 7:30. Angels welcome

Our next theme dance will be our Mardi Gras dance on March 2. 6:30 to 7:30 is class; 7:30 to 9:00 mainstream with all singing calls and Phase 2 rounds. Refreshments available during open break. Wear your beads; masks are optional.

Our 1st Anniversary dance has a definite date and place! Sunday, June 28 at IOOF Hall. Thanks to Joyce for working us in! 2:00 pre-rounds, 2:30 to 4:30 mainstream. Cake and finger food snacks after the dance. Lane Clem and Renee Ruud calling; Connie Clark cueing. There will be two oak tree saplings, to be awarded to the club with the highest percentage in attendance, and the club with the highest number in attendance. The clubs will be recognized, and the trees planted in the Oak Hills greenway, with a plaque designating the club as the donor.

Feedback from co-sponsoring TVC dance on 11/30: OHS would like to see the TVC/Co-host contract updated; it asks co-sponsoring club president to sign to supply coffee, cover door, and many other things not really required. It should specify what is really expected; people and food. OHS people were not wanted at the door, and were asked to do kitchen duty only: water for tables, and cleanup. They would also like to have the co-sponsoring club recognized during the dance; introducing club officers, and members present, and give time for their announcements.

Feedback about TVC dance start times: OHS prefers the earlier times for TVC dances this year: 7:00 start for rounds at regular TVC dances, and for the NYE dance start rounds at 7:00, ending at 9:30.

Please join TVCs newest club any Monday night.

R Square D: (Mary McDaniel and Marv Pope, Delegates) (both absent)

Dance 2nd Friday and the 4th Saturday from September thru May; June thru August dance 2nd and 4th Wednesday at the Kelso Senior Center (106 NW 8th Ave, Kelso, WA). Plus with intermediate rounds from 7 to 8; 8 to 9:30 Mainstream/rounds with refreshments after the dance. Craig Abercrombie is the caller and Lonnie Sycks is our Cuer. Our website is www.r-square-d.info Call 360-431-7553 or 360-636-3358 for more information.

No report.

Sunset Promenaders: (Steve LeBlanc and Dan Browning, Delegates) (Dan absent)

Mainstream Dance 1st & 3rd Saturdays. Dances starts at 6:30 with Intermediate Rounds, and then 7:30-9:30 is the Mainstream dance with a Plus Tip at the end. Caller is Mike (Julie) Stout; Cuer is Ken (Diane) Pratt. The Club also has a Plus dance on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Thursday of the month. These dances starts at 7:00 with Intermediate Rounds and at 7:30-9:30 is a Plus dance with Darrell Kalmbach calling and Tami Helms cueing. We dance in Hillsboro at the Odd Fellows Hall Upstairs on the corner of 3rd & Main Streets above LaHaies. More information call 503-848-3841 or www.sunsetpromenaders.com

Our next Plus dance is on Thursday, March 5.

Our next Mainstream dance is on Saturday, March 7.

Our lessons are going well, we are in week 7. We have 14 adults and 4 youth registered.

Our New Dancers Jamboree will be on Sunday, March 15, at the IOOF Hall, from 4 to 6 p.m. It will be a B-51 dance, and there also will be an experienced clothing sale

Toe Draggers: (Linda Curtis, Delegate)

Dance at the Kinton Grange on the 1st Friday 7:30-8:00 Pre-Rounds, 8:00 to 10:00 Mainstream (3rd tip Plus) and on the 3rd Friday 7:30-8:00 Plus, 8:00 to 10:00 Mainstream with the last tip Plus. Caller is K.C. Curtis; and Cuer is Bev Flint. Kinton Grange is at 19015 SW Scholls Ferry Rd., Beaverton, 97007. www.toedraggers.org

Spring is almost here and the Toe Draggers are looking forward to all the dancing fun.

In March our regular dance will be on the 6th with Bev Flint starting Pre rounds at 7:30 and Mainstream starting at 8 p.m.

We are trying out a new theme Friday March 20th. We are calling it the March Hare dance. It is based on Alice and Wonderland and costumes will be admired! So I can't wait to see the costumes and the decorations. This dance will start with Pre Plus with K.C. at 7:30 and Mainstream at 8 p.m. See you there!

Tri Squares: (Judy Groom (absent) and Deb Mandeville, Delegates)

We dance on the second and fourth Friday of each month at the historic Tigard Grange in Tigard. Terry Halley is our club Caller with Sandra Pinion Cueing. We dance from September to June. We are dark in July and August. Hearing enhancement devices are available. We round dance from 7:30 – 7:45, dance Plus from 7:45 to 8:00 and Mainstream from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m.; the 4th tip will be PLUS. Refreshments are served at 10:00. www.trisquares.com

The Tri Squares had a successful and fun Mardi Gras Dance this month. Many thanks to all who attended.

Lessons will be ending soon. Nine of our students have applied for club membership.

Our board has voted to donate lessons for two, to the St. Anthony School's silent auction hoping to promote square dance awareness to younger parents.

We have purchased a credit card reader for payment for membership, lessons and clothing sales; dances will remain cash only.

On Friday, February 28, we will be dark to attend the Valley River Dancers' Anniversary Dance.

We will be attending the Braids and Braves Anniversary Dance on Saturday, March 21, to support our Club Cuer, Sandra Pinion.

Please join us on Friday, March 27, if you enjoy music from the 1940s through the 1970s for our "Rat Pack Reflections" Dance.

On Friday, April 10, we will support the Good Neighbor's Center in Tigard, with all of the donations of household good going to them.

On Friday, April 24, we will have all Gospel and Singing Calls.

We prefer an earlier time for the TVC New Year's Eve Dance, and we would also prefer that the TVC have a dinner before the dance.

Valley River Dancers: *(Jan Amerson and Perrin Damon, Delegates)*

We dance Plus on 2nd Fridays, and Mainstream on 4th Fridays in Newberg at the Chehalem Community Center, located on the corner of 2nd and Howard Streets. We dance 'A' on 5th Saturdays at the Woodburn Senior Estates Community Club. Randy Dibble is our Caller. Ken Pratt cues 2nd Friday; Sherri Clark cues 4th Friday. www.valleyriverdancers.org

The Valley River Dancers will be observing our 21st anniversary on Friday, February 28. We'd like to thank the Tri-Squares for going dark to help us celebrate. Randy Dibble is calling, Sherri Clark is cueing. Birthday flyers are in your folders.

Please let your advanced dancers know that we have a fifth Saturday Advanced Dance from 7:00-9:00 at The Estates Auditorium in Woodburn, Randy Dibble calling.

On March 13 we welcome George Hermann as the guest caller for our Plus Dance. Julie Stiers will be cueing. Randy will be back for our March 27 Hippie Dance with Sherri Clark cueing. Rumors are that there will be prizes for best costumes.

In April, we go back to our regular 2nd and 4th Friday schedule with one interesting development... April 24th is our Wild, Wild West dance and four of our ladies will be away. Please help us to spread the word for solo dancers to pay us a visit that night so the guys don't have to dance together!

We promised to let you know how our Facebook ad performed. Fortunately we got lots of views and a few likes, but no new students. We are still holding Mainstream lessons on Tuesday nights because the Braids and Braves brought four of their students to gain more practice. These newbies are moving along nicely, so we decided to offer PLUS LESSONS starting Tuesday, March 24, from 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. We have heard there is a lot of demand for plus right now, so please be sure to let your dancers know of this unique off-season opportunity.

Valley Squares: *(Julie Cooper and Dorothy Reed, Delegates)*

Dance 3rd Saturdays at the Aloha Grange on the corner of 185th and TV Hwy, year-round. Mainstream at class level with rounds from 7 to 8:30 p.m. Plus with rounds from 8:30 to 9:30 p.m., dances will end around 9:30 p.m.. Open break with refreshments starting at 8 p.m. Guest callers, Connie Clark Cuer. www.valleysquares.com

Our next dance is on March 21 with Mark Wheeler and a Rock and Roll theme. Connie cueing. Classes are going great with around 20 students so far.

Wave Steppers: *(Bob Allen, Delegate) (absent)*

Dance 2nd Saturday March through October. The dance is Mainstream, with one PLUS tip, every second tip at the Garibaldi City Hall (107 6th Street, Garibaldi, OR 97118) from 7:00 to 9:30 PM with guest Callers.

We were dark from December through February.

Lessons will be starting on March 11 at the Elks Club in Tillamook.

Our first dance this year will be on March 14 at City Hall in Garibaldi.

Good of the Order:

Please attend the Valley River Dancers' Anniversary Dance on Friday and the TVC Dance on Saturday.

Next TVC Meeting:

Monday, March 23, at 7:00 p.m. at the Old Spaghetti Factory, 18925 NW Tanasbourne Drive, Hillsboro, OR 97124. If you wish to eat a meal prior to the meeting, the room is available after 5:45 and you can order from the full menu.

Respectfully edited and published by Andis Garuts, TVC Secretary