



**Tualatin Valley Council
DELEGATE MEETING
February 23, 2009**

Called to order at: 7:30PM

Attendees:

Officers:

Judy Schnase, Vice Pres.; Donna Byars, Treas.; Pat Young, Co-Sec.; Mike Duyck, State Delegate; Gary Clark, Alt St Delegate; Bonnie Deneke, Past Pres.; Dorothy Sullivan, Sunshine Chairman; Tom Sminia, Website Chairman

Delegates:

Nell Killebrew, Coast Swingers; Cynthia Ekberg, Eager Beavers; Tanya Hoffmann, Fireballs; Lewis and Wava Dutton, Hillsboro Hoedown; Tom Dymowski, Mix 'N Mingle; Lonnie and Linda Sycks, R Square D; Ray Sullivan, Sunset Promenaders; Pat Young, Toe Draggers; Carole Petranek, Tri Squares; Bill Cook, Valley Squares

Visitors: Janice Sminia, Sunset Promenaders; Paul and Dianne Cap; Sierra Hoffmann; Tony Haskins, PAC delegate to TVC

Secretaries' Report: Janelle Janicke and Pat Young

Please send any corrections to jj4reliv@hotmail.com or patriciajyoung@yahoo.com

•Do not forget to email your reports to both Janelle and Pat sometime during the week before the meeting date OR directly after the meeting.

•Minutes were corrected to show that Bea Cook from Valley Squares and Dewayne Petrowsky from Hoedowners were both in attendance. Minutes were approved with corrections.

Treasurer's Report, Donna Byars:

•On January 26th, the TVC paid \$214.10 to reimburse the Fireballs, R Square D, and Hoedowners for advertising square dance lessons.

•Account balances: Cash \$30.00; Checking \$1,644.49; CD's \$10,000.00; Youth Fund \$200.00. Total assets: \$11,874.49

TVC State Delegate, Mike Dyuck: For area Council reports see the full text of the meeting at www.squaredance.gen.or.us/Minutes/Minutes2008-07.html

•Mid Winter Festival 2010 tickets are available.

Alternate TVC State Delegate, Gary Clark

•No report.

President's Report, Veleta Mullen:

• No report

Vice-President, Judy Schnase:

• No report

TVC Past President, Bonnie Deneke:

• Veleta has asked me to explain the voting procedures for the TVC clubs, as she is under the weather. All clubs are to vote for their new officers for the coming year either in March or April 2009. That information is to be printed on the club information form found at <http://www.squaredance.gen.or.us/> under the quick index. Fill the form out and bring a copy to the TVC meeting in April. We will make copies of that form for our council directory, and then Mike will take the clubs' forms to the state meeting May 16 and 17 in Klamath Falls.

•If there is a situation that does not fit the form, please write the correct information in by hand. As an example, the council sometimes has two secretaries, so the information about one of the secretaries has to be written in by hand.

•Delegates, please stress to your presidents that the delegate information should be correct. Many times in the past people have been put down as delegates who do not want to be delegates. Each club is allowed two delegates.

TVC Delegate to PAC/Evergreen Councils, (no one appointed): (Following report is from Tony Haskins, PAC delegate to TVC):

- The PAC Nominating Committee submitted the following slate: Tony Haskins, President; Vern France, Vice-President; Enid Wheeler, Treasurer; Annadale Rooper, Secretary; Al Wolf, State Delegate; Ann Skoe, Alternate State Delegate. The vote will be taken at the April PAC meeting. Officers are installed in June at the Annual PAC picnic at North Clackamas Park.
- The Tri Council Dance had 245 attendees with 30+ squares; it was a great success. \$150.00 was raised to help the Keith Miles family.
- Oak Grove Community Center where the PAC dances, is having air conditioning installed.
- Al Wolf and Tony will be meeting with Eric Marcuse at the State Fair office in March to finalize dancing on the “Spirit of America” stage at the State Fair this summer. Dates and times will/should be available in May. Stay tuned.
- The next PAC 5th Friday Dance will be May 29th. This is a Subscription OFN Dance with Terry Halley calling and Jeanine Norden cueing.
- Next PAC meeting will be on March 16th.

Parliamentarian: Bill Cook

- No report.

OFN Area Editor, Bill Young:

- The individual club reports for the Club News section of the April issue of OFN should be in my hands on or before February 28th. Please send this reminder on to your Club Reporter.
- You will see in the March issue of OFN that Kathy Roberts has stepped in to take over the Toe's Club Reporter duties. Thank you Kathy!
- The Thursday Oregonian's Washington County insert may, over the next several weeks, make mention of two of our upcoming events. Look in the Recreation Calendar for an announcement of the 60th Anniversary of the Valley Squares to be celebrated by their dance on March 7th and later, our own new dancer dance on March 29th at the Hillsboro IOOF Hall. I don't think the Valley Squares need to attract dancers since I hear the event is sold out, but public recognition of the club's many years of teaching and dancing square and round dance should be a benefit to all of us in the Council.

Sunshine, Dorothy Sullivan:

- Cards have been sent to: Darlene Calder, Valley Squares, she broke her ankle. Don Cook, Sunset Promenaders, he has bronchial pneumonia. Peggy Hults, Toe Draggers, had knee surgery. Rita Smith's husband Randy passed away from cancer.
- Please send a copy of your club roster with names and addresses to Dorothy so she will be able to send out cards when needed. Email address: sewnthings@verizon.net or 14983 NW Eberly Rd, Banks, OR 97106.

Caller Advisor, Harold Kleve:

- No report.

Cuer Advisor, Barbara Schaumburg

- No report.

Website Chairman, Tom Sminia

www.tualatinvalleycouncil.org

- All club websites are linked on the TVC website by clicking on the Club name.
- Set up a “Photo Gallery” page in the website:
 - Added photos taken at the 2008 Hahn Picnic and Barn Dance.
 - Added photos from the 2008 July 4th Parade Float.
 - Added photos of the 2008 New Year’s Eve Dinner and Dance.

Old Business

Finance Committee Report, Gary Clark:

- The Finance Committee has been happy to reimburse those clubs that turned in receipts for advertising for class lessons. We had two requests tonight and with that I do believe we have paid out all requests for the year. Thanks to all for your efforts in advertising for new class members.

Nominating Committee, Bonnie Deneke:

- For the 2009-2010 year which starts in May 2009, we have the following nominees:

- President - Veleta Mullin
- Vice President - Judy Schnase
- Co - Secretary - Carol Petranek
- Co – Secretary - Mary Withers
- Treasurer - Donna Byars
- State Delegate - Mike Duyck
- Alt. St. Delegate - Gary Clark

- Carol and Mary are running as one entity for secretary. By e-mail, Joyce Clark has withdrawn her nomination to be secretary.

- We need all the club delegates and the elected officers here to vote on the nominees at the March meeting.

I also need rosters from all of the clubs so we can plan ahead for the nominating committee. Last fall when I called for these rosters, I only received them from the Fireballs and the Toe-Draggers. I have access to the rosters from Sunset Promenaders and the Eager Beavers, as I belong to both clubs. So when you make up your new rosters, please make sure I receive a copy. Thank you.

Hillsboro 4th of July Parade:

- The clubs were asked to report how their clubs felt about participating in the parade. Two clubs had negative reports, most did not have reports, and the Sunset Promenaders said they would sponsor the parade. As the parade is a good form of advertising for the clubs and council, we will continue our participation in the Parade. There has always been a good turnout of people to help decorate and dance in the parade.

- There was discussion about using the Portland Area Council’s trailer. There is not a charge but they require that the truck and driver have a million dollars of liability insurance for the day or two involved in using the trailer. Tony Haskin volunteered his truck and his willingness to pickup, return and drive the truck for the parade. He already has the insurance in place. He asked for reimbursement of the gas and mileage needed to do this. **Tony needs an official request showing the time and date from the TVC to borrow the trailer and be the driver. Tony would also like a telephone number of the contact person from TVC who is organizing the parade.**

New Business

TVC Recognition Award for 2008 - Paul and Dianne Cap

•This years recipient could be described as first of all an "idea" man. With the aid of his wife he would therefore plan and institute wonderful ideas to promote Square Dancing. In the beginning Paul and Dianne Cap resisted even learning square dancing even though Dianne's father had been a caller. After having their neighbors, Tom and Janice Sminia, "nag" them for about 5 years to come learn to square dance; they reluctantly signed up for lessons even though Paul knew he would hate it. He was "Hooked" after the first lesson and continued for another 15 years, going from Mainstream to Plus and now in Advanced. Paul and Dianne were the most active couple in the 4-N-8ers Club with enthusiastic leadership and Ideas such as getting Tony Oxendine to put on a couple of dances. No one thought it would work, but Paul was right and they were very successful. Paul was president and Dianne secretary of their club for several years. Paul was known to put large ads for his business in the OFN mainly just to help support the OFN. Paul has been the TVC Delegate to the Oregon State Federation where he brought suggestions for changes that would make the Federation stronger and he made great inroads on getting the State involved with helping promote Square Dancing to all the clubs. Paul and Dianne willingly worked on the TVC floats for the July 4th parade and they have attended both the Portland and San Antonio national conventions. It is with great sadness that the club he worked so hard to promote had to fold this year, but we have not seen the end of the dedication to square dancing this couple has. We are pleased to have them in our Council and will be excited to see what new "ideas" Paul and Dianne will next contribute.

Club Delegate Reports

Coast Swingers:

Dance the 2nd and 4th Saturday in Garibaldi. Pre rounds at 7:00 pm; Mainstream 7:30-9:30. Dress is "Coast Casual". Feel free to come in your travel clothes (coast casual). www.coastswingers.com

- We had a great visitation from the Country Capers for Valentine's. They came to support their caller and brought new dancers.
- Our class is going well with 10 classmates including 2 teens.
- Plans are in the works for a garage sale the first weekend of April.
- The club had a good samaritan recently: Nell received a call from Connie Clark asking for our President's phone number. Ed Craig and Sammie were to call and cue for us, but had a flat tire about five miles before Tillamook and, to make matters worse, the spare was flat. They did not have club phone numbers with them. Sammie flagged down a car, which happened to be a Sheriff. He gracefully put Ed and Sammie in his car and got them to the dance in Garibaldi on time. The club put a nice write-up in the paper to thank the Sheriff.

Eager Beavers:

Dance easy plus in the Elsie Stuhr Center (which features an air conditioner and excellent wood floor) every Monday afternoon, 1:15 to 3:15 PM. On holidays they dance at the Beaverton Community Center (5th and Hall Blvd.). George Clark is the caller/cuer, Jim Hattrick is the caller/cuer every third Monday. Dance starts with 15 minutes of pre-rounds. www.mysite.verizon.net/ferrouss/eagerbeavers.htm

- Calling upon the Gods and Goddesses of Love to look down upon us for the day, the Eager Beavers held our annual Valentine's Day Love Fest on February 9th. The party included great dancing, lots of holiday cookies and culminated with the crowning of the King and Queen of Hearts, who were determined by a lively game of Hot Potato. Those quick-handed souls NOT left holding the spuds are our monarchs for the coming year, King Joe Dimeo and Queen Edna Nickell. Long may they reign!

- Also on that date, we showed our love for the young dancers in the square dance community and collected \$13.50 to donate to the Youth Scholarship Fund.
- Thursday night, February 19th found nineteen Eager Beavers enjoying themselves on our visitation to the Plus Knights in Hillsboro, where our members Norm and Marcie Yoder always put on a great evening of dancing fun.
- Our next dancing event will be a demonstration dance at the Edgewood Downs Retirement center on March 25th. After our performance, the staff has even promised to treat us to a BBQ luncheon.
- Coming up for the Beavers will be our Anniversary Dance on Sunday, April 26th. This will be one of two Mainstream dances we offer on a day that accommodates more folks' schedules. A great opportunity for those earning their Ambassador bar to dance with us!

Fireballs:

Dance the 2nd Friday and 4th Saturday at the Senior Center in Scappoose. Craig Abercrombie calls on Fridays and guest callers on Saturdays. Pre-rounds @ 7:30, Mainstream from 8:00 to 10:30 (11:00 if dancers are willing). With one Plus tip at the beginning of break. www.freewebs.com/fireballsclub

- Our Friday dance on March 13th will be our Lucky Irish Dance called by Craig Abercrombie and cued by Debbie Combs. Our Saturday dance on March 28th will be our 50's Dance and will be called by Harvey Hunsucker and cued by Lonnie Sycks.
- Remember, all of our Friday night dances are casual!
- For more information on club activities please contact Barbara Baer at 503-556-0068.

Hoedowners:

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 Yvonne Clendenin. On the 2nd Saturday we have plus from 7:30-8:00. The 4th Saturday is pre-rounds from 7:30-8:00. Mainstream is from 8-10. Plus tip from 10-10:15 then break. Our format is informal and friendly. www.hillsborohoedown.com.

- Eric Mowry and Dania Nordstrom have completed their Ambassador Plus bar in January.
- February 28th will be the "Chocoholic's Dream Dance". March 14th will be our St. Patty's "Wearing of the Green". March 28th will be our Top Ten Dance. Be sure to vote on your favorite records during February and March for this.
- Our Fall class of students has now graduated with several joining our club. We have also picked up a few other dancers. The last I heard we had 20+ new members. I have seen several new people attending our dances. We are now hoping our current membership will renew for this coming year.
- Our new officers will be elected in the near future. We don't have a list of who these will be and our nomination committee is working hard.

Mix 'N Mingle:

Dance, Plus at the Winona Grange 1st & 3rd Saturdays. Pre-rounds Level 4&5 at 7:30 PM, Level 2&3 at 8:00 PM and squares at 8:30-11:00 PM. \$4 per person at the dance for members, \$5 for non-members.

- On Sat. Feb. 21, we had a great time dancing to Randy Dibble calling plus level. Everyone was smiling and laughing all night long. We had some new plus dancers who also enjoy the antics of plus dancing. At the end of the dance, Randy called a C1 tip, which was great to watch and enjoy the moves they did. Jeanie Norden did the cueing and cued early rounds for 4 & 5 level of round dancing. What a great enjoyable job she does. What a great way to spend a Saturday night.
- On March 7th Darrell Kalmbach will do the calling and Jeanie will cue levels 4 & 5.
- On March 21st Randy Dibble will be the caller and Gene Noble will cue levels 5 & 6. What a dance this will be. I arrive for the early rounds just to watch the dancers do the level 5 & 6 dancing. What a show! Please stop by and give us a visit and you will truly enjoy the evening.

R Square D:

Dance 1st Saturday and 3rd Friday at the Longview Square Dance Center. Pre rounds start at 7:30 PM with mainstream from 8:00 to 10:00 PM and refreshments after the dance. We have quest callers and Lonnie Sycks is our cuer. Call 360-431-7553 or 360-636-3358 for more information.

- Lessons are going strong with 4 or 5 squares on the floor each night.
- We had a very busy month with five visitations. The first was to the LASDA dance on January 30th. The second to the council dance in Olympia, where one of our local couples were inducted into the Hall of Fame for Sou' Wester Council. The third was Ruff & Ruffles' Anniversary dance. The fourth was to Fireballs for the last dance called by Ed Chouinard, who was our caller for 8 years. The fifth visitation was to Hayshakers because our present caller, Craig Abercrombie, was calling there.
- In March we are planning on attending Square & Circle's Smelt Dippers Ball on Saturday March 21st.

Sunset Promenaders:

Dance on the 2nd & 4th Saturdays in Hillsboro at the Odd Fellows Hall upstairs, One block N. of the Max line. On the 2nd Saturday we have MS workshop at 7:30 and dance starts at 8:00; on the fourth Saturday we start at 7:30 for a half hour of pre-rounds. Their caller is Harold Kleve and their cuer is Ruth Canby. Located next to the Max line. www.sunsetpromenaders.com

- You are invited to our Feb. 28th Mardi Gras dance, you can come dressed up in costume if you wish.
- We are having our annual Irish Fling Dance on March 14th, serving baked potatoes with all the trimmings, complete with our pot of gold that could bring you luck.
- March 28th bring your date to our Hillbilly Hoedown dance, which will be an all singing call dance by our caller, Harold Kleve. Come join us and have a great time and enjoy our delicious potlucks.
- These will be our last dances on the second and fourth Saturdays. On April 4th, we will be changing our dance nights to the 1st and 3rd Saturdays of every month from here on out.
- On March 8th, we will be graduating our new class of 11 enthusiastic students.

Toe Draggers:

Dance at the Kinton Grange on the 1st & 3rd Fridays. Their Caller is K.C. Curtis; Cuer is Bev Flint. First Friday dances will have pre-rounds at 7:30. Third Friday dances start at 7:30 with a Plus learning experience. Last Tip Plus. www.toedraggers.org

- All those attending the Toe Draggers cruise on the Love Boat had a good time; there was a balloon drop with many prizes.
- Our lessons are going very well; we have about ten students who are having a great time.
- The Toe Draggers are having a New Dancer Jamboree on March 8th from 2:00-4:00 PM at Kinton Grange. Bring your students and come help all the new dancers have a great time.
- Our March dances are the 6th and March 20th is "wear your favorite crazy hat" and come join the fun.

Tri Squares:

Dance on the first Saturday and third Friday of each month, except July and August at the Tigard Grange in Tigard. The first Saturday we use guest callers and cuers. The third Friday Jim Hattrick is our caller and cuer. We dance Plus from 7:30 to 8:00pm and mainstream from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m., with one plus tip at 10:00. A social break starts at 10:00. www.trisquares.com

- Sat., March 7th, is our "Spring's Coming Soon" dance with Scott Zinser calling and Doug Hatch cueing.
- Fri., March 20th, is our St Patrick's Dance with Jim Hattrick calling and cueing.
- New Dancers Dance on Sun., April 19th, from 2:00-4:00 PM with Terry Halley calling.
- We are looking for new fundraisers due to rising costs. We had a silent auction at our first dance in February and raised \$240.00.

Valley Squares:

Dance mainstream the 1st & 3rd Saturday, at the Aloha Grange on the corner of 185th at TV Hwy. Dances are 7:30-10 pm. Pre-rounds begin at 7:00. Hearing enhancement devices are available. Ed Craig is the caller and Connie Clark is the cuer. www.valleysquares.com

- Our Soup Line Dance was very successful with four different varieties of soup. Now we are looking forward to our 60th Anniversary Dance on March 7th. All the tickets have been sold.
- Our new dancers' class is going well; we have enthusiastic class members. On March 17th, we will have a special St Patrick's Day theme for the class. The 24th will be square dance attire with a resale shop.
- Watch for our Cinco de Mayo Dance in May and join us in a square.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- There will be a memorial dance for Randy Smith on March 1st from 2:00-5:00 PM at the IOOF Hall in Hillsboro, followed by a potluck.
- The "5th Annual Myrtlewood Stomp" is April 24-25 at the Milwaukie Community Center with Doug Davis from Washington calling and Tami Helms cueing. Weekend package is \$40.00.
- Ka\$h for Kid\$ college scholarships benefit dance is March 22nd at the Clark County Square Dance Center with Wade Driver calling and Dorothy Lowder cueing. Advance dance 2:00-2:30; 2:30-5:00 PM mainstream with every 3rd tip plus.
 - George and Lorene Griffith of the Eastern Oregon Council were recipients of the Randall Award. A dance will be held in Ione on April 19th to present the award. Everyone is invited.
 - "Golden Jubilee" is the theme for the 50th Anniversary of Mid-Winter January 29-31, 2010. Gary Shoemaker will call and Bruce and Kristine Nelson will be featured round dance instructors.
 - The Federation sponsored, HORSES Benefit dance is Sunday, April 5th 1:00-4:00 pm at the Abiqua Country Estates in Silverton. Callers and Cuers will donate their time and talent. The Adaptive Riding Institute is really in need of donations for this worthy cause.
 - Pear Blossom Festival in Medford is April 10-11.
 - BnB's March 18th St Patrick's Day Dance features national caller, Mike Desisto with Tami Helms cueing.
 - Valley River Dancers' 9th Anniversary, Friday, February 27th, Newberg, with Randy Dibble; 7:30-8:00 is plus; mainstream 8:00 PM.

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- March 29th, TVC New Dancer Jamboree, 2:00-4:00 PM, IOOF Hall in Hillsboro; Ed Craig calling and Connie Clark cueing; hosted by Sunset Promenaders.
- April 5th, HORSES Benefit Dance, 1:00-4:00 PM at the Abiqua Country Estates in Silverton.
- May 30th, TVC 5th Saturday "Here Comes Summer" Dance at Kinton Grange.
- July 17-19, Summer Festival 2009, Clatsop County Fairgrounds, Astoria
- August 29, TVC 5th Saturday Hahn Barn Dance
- October 31, TVC 5th Saturday Halloween Costume Dance with prizes

Meeting Adjourned: 8:30 PM
Respectfully submitted,
Janelle Janicke and Pat Young

Next Meeting: March 23, 2009, at Pizza Caboose (3276 NW 185th) next to the 7-Eleven. Dinner and socialization begins at 6:30 PM. Meeting begins at 7:30.