



Tualatin Valley Council (TVC)

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COUNCIL MEETING

January 25, 2010

Called to order at: 7:30PM

Attendees:

Officers:

Veleta Mullen (Pres.); Judy Schnase (Vice. Pres.); Donna Byars (Treas.); Carole Petranek (Co-Sec.); Mary T. Withers (Co-Sec.); Bonnie Deneke (Past Pres.); Mike Duyck (State Delegate); Gary Clark (Alt. State Delegate & Finance Chair); Dorothy Sullivan (Sunshine Chairman); Tom Sminia (Parliamentarian and Website Chairman); Harold Kleve (Caller Advisor); George Clark (Cuer Advisor); Tony Haskins (PAC Delegate to TVC)

Delegates:

Nell Killebrew (Coast Swingers); Michael McMullen (Coast Swingers); Cynthia Ekberg (Eager Beavers); Debra Welch (Hoedowners); Linda Sycks (R Square D); Lonnie Sycks (R Square D); Joyce Clark (Sunset Promenaders); Ray Sullivan (Sunset Promenaders); Amanda Roberts (Toe Draggers); Dale Stobbe (Toe Draggers); Rex Williams (Tri Squares); Dorothy Reed (Valley Squares); Mike Tindall (Valley Squares)

Visitors:

Nan Bushell (Eager Beavers); Ruth Canby (Sunset Promenaders); Nancy Clark (Eager Beavers); Claire Enloe (Sunset Promenaders/Eager Beavers); Barbara Kleve (Sunset Promenaders/Eager Beavers); Laloni Radford (Sunset Promenaders); Adrienne Roberts (guest); Ann Staatz (guest); Janice Sminia (Sunset Promenaders); Bill Young (Sunset Promenaders/Eager Beavers); Ed Warmoth (River City);

Action Items		
Who Is Responsible?	Announcements, Decisions, Motions, or Needed Action	Date
All	Minutes Corrections and New Reports. Send corrections of the minutes and your new meeting report for the February meeting to Mary T. Withers john.mary.withers@gmail.com .	Before 2/22/10
Delegates	State Fair Square Dancing. If a club wants to participate in this event, contact Tony Haskins (503-674-0204). It occurs last weekend in August and first weekend in September.	
OFN Reporters Ferrous Steinka	OFN March Reports. Due to Ferrous Steinka by February 1 st .	2/1/10
Delegates/Pres.	Award Announcement. Let club members know that the recipient of the <i>2009 TVC Recognition Award</i> went to Bill Young.	
Delegates Tony Haskins Evergreen Rep	Tri-Council Christmas Dinner. Should this tradition continue? This question was raised because attendance was poor. Let Judy Schnase know of your club/council response.	
Delegates Judy Schnase	New Year's Eve Dance. If clubs have suggestions for this dance, (Theme? Food? Cost? Host?) contact Judy Schnase.	
Tom Sminia Gary Clark Veleta Mullen	Hosting Agreement Form. Tom Sminia and Gary Clark will rework the form. No report. Veleta Mullen will return this meeting's motion to the floor at the February meeting, in an effort to accept the form.	2/22/10
Delegates	Star Light Parade – June 5. The River City Dancers are the lead Trailer this year in the Star Light Parade. If you want to Dance on the 2 nd trailer, call Ed and Jolene Cummings at the River City Dancers.	
Delegates	4th of July Parade - 7/3/10 (Saturday). Ask club members if they would like to participate in this parade and let Judy Schnase know.	

Delegates	TVC's April Showers New Dancer Dance and Benefit. Post flyer (see attachment #2)	
Delegates	<p>Club Vote. Currently there is a conflict between TVC's <i>Constitution</i> and TVC's <i>Practices and Procedures</i>. Delegates should discuss the 3 following proposals and indicate which proposal they prefer and report the outcome at the February meeting.</p> <p>Proposal 1. Do nothing, which would mean the <i>Constitution</i> trumps the <i>P&Ps</i> concerning the conflict between the two documents. The list of people that can vote would be as follows as copied from the TVC <i>Constitution</i>:</p> <p>"Article 5. Organization</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This organization shall be administered by a council composed of two delegates from each member club. Each delegate to have one full vote. 2. There shall be an executive board consisting of the elected and appointed officers and standing committee chairpersons. Each officer and standing committee chairperson shall have one full vote, said vote to be cast by the elected or appointed official. The spouse will vote only in the absence of the elected or appointed official. 3. Only delegates and executive board members may vote at delegate meetings." 	Before 2/22/10
	<p>Proposal 2. Change the <i>Practices and Procedures</i> to be the same wording as the <i>Constitution</i>. The present wording is the following as found on page 2 of the <i>Practices and Procedures</i>:</p> <p>"4. Voting</p> <p>The elected officers (president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, state delegate, alternate state delegate, past president) and the club delegates are the only attendees who are permitted to make motions, vote on motions, and vote in elections. Each club is permitted two delegates, and thus two votes. If a club has a delegate couple and an alternate delegate couple, each COUPLE is permitted one vote. A husband and wife are NOT permitted two votes, unless both individuals have specifically been names delegates. Substitute delegates are only permitted with the written permission of the (delegate's) club president."</p>	
	<p>Proposal 3. Change the <i>Constitution</i> wording to read similar to the <i>Practices and Procedures</i> and eliminate the conflict in voting rules. This wording change would possibly be the following:</p> <p>"Article 5 Organization</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. This organization shall be administered by a council composed of two delegates from each member club. Each delegate to have one full vote. 2. There shall be an executive board consisting of the elected officers including president, vice-president, secretary, treasurer, state delegate, alternate state delegate, past president. Each officer shall have one full vote, said vote to be cast by the elected official. The spouse will vote only in the absence of the elected official. Only delegates and executive board members may vote at delegate meetings." 	

CORRECTION/ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

The November 23, 2009 minutes were approved.

OFFICER REPORTS

President's Report: Veleta Mullen_

I want everyone to know what wonderful people we have in this thing called Square Dancing.

So many people stepped up to help with the New Year's Dance and it is certainly appreciated. However, we also need to have people who are willing to serve as Delegates and Officers for the TVC. If you are asked to be a candidate for an office; please really think it over and try to find a way to be on the ballot. The nominating committee has thought long and hard about who would be the best candidates and you should feel honored to be considered. I knew nothing about this position when I was asked to be a candidate but it has been a wonderful opportunity from which I have enjoyed and received many benefits. Hope to see your name on the ballot soon.

Secretary Report: Carole Petranek and Mary T. Withers
No report.

Treasurer's Report: Donna Byars

- Account Balances: Checking \$ 1,276.67; Cash Box \$30.00; Youth Fund \$200.00;
- US Bank Savings: \$10,543.56. Total Assets: \$12,050.23.
- Dances: Graveyard Stomp: Net \$ -80.92. TVC Banner to Sunset Promenaders.
- 2009 New Year's Eve: Net \$671.14 119 attended.

Vice-President Report: Judy Schnase

- **Tri-Council Christmas Dinner:** 49 attended. (18 PAC, 10 Evergreen, 21 TVC) Should we continue this tradition?
- **New Years Eve Dance.** Thanks to everyone who helped.
- **List of TVC Future Events.** (See "Future TVC Events" section for more information)

TVC State Delegate: Mike Duyck
No report.

Alt State Delegate: Gary Clark
No report.

TVC Past President: Bonnie Deneke
No report.

OFN Area Editor: Ferrous Steinka
I have only received two reports from R Square D and Mix N Mingle. The reports for the March issue are due to me by February 1st.

Caller Advisor: Harold Kleve
No report.

Cuer Advisor: George Clark
No report.

STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

Finance Chair: Gary Clark
Gary has reworked a *Hosting Agreement* form designed to specify and delineate responsibilities. Tom Sminia made a motion to accept the form and it was seconded. A discussion revealed that the form continues to need more editing. The motion was tabled until next month.

Sunshine Chair: Dorothy Sullivan
The following people received Sunshine notes:

- Lila Jones because Otis passed away. (Sunset Promenaders).
- Janice Sminia because her aunt passed away. (Sunset Promenaders).
- Dale Tack fell and fractured his hip. (Sunset Promenaders).
- Nan Bushnel wasn't dancing because of dizziness. (Eager Beavers).
- Jim Steele's (caller) Sunshine Card was returned because of an incorrect address.

Parliamentarian: Tom Sminia

Item 1:

As parliamentarian I am asking that you decide which proposal you wish so we will have a clear understanding next month of who can vote on the election of TVC Officers for next year. The Club Delegates are the only people that can vote on any Constitution changes. You should have received the proposals in your email a couple of times in an effort to help you make an informed decision.

Thank you.

Item 2:

After reviewing the Tualatin Valley Council's Constitution, Bylaws, Practices, and Procedures documents, I feel the TVC needs to review and probably update and revise what we have now to better help all of the TVC especially the officers in their planning and tasks during the year.

Due to this complex and comprehensive update a committee has been formed. The committee members are Ferrous Steinka, Gary Clark, Mary T. Withers, Tim Roberts, and Chairman Tom Sminia.

These documents are meant to outline the purpose of the organization and to guide, aid, and control what people do within the TVC. As members and officers participate within the TVC there is a need to have a guide to make them effective in doing their tasks and to reduce conflicts within the organization.

As the committee works on this project, the committee asks all of the TVC to express ideas and point out any problem areas so solutions can be incorporated within the documents.

Some of the problems that have been noticed include conflicts between the constitution and the practices and procedures. Other items of interest would be to add a "Table of Contents" that would make it easier to find specific information within the documents. A more comprehensive "TVC Council Calendar" needs to be added to help in the planning and reduce surprises during the year. We have already setup a "revisions list" that will list the date the change happened, change from, change to, purpose of the change, and the name of the person making the motion.

The committee will work on the documents for the TVC but the results will not be a perfect set of documents but hopefully a smoother set of guidelines to help all.

Website Chair: Tom Sminia www.tualatinvalleycouncil.org

No report.

REPORTS FROM COURTESY POSITIONS

PAC Delegate to the TVC: Tony Haskins

Good evening everyone and please let me say "Happy New Year" to each of you.

The PAC had its meeting on Jan. 18th at the Oak Grove Community Center. This meeting's agenda included:

1. 2010 Summer Festival – Registration
2. Memorial Weekend Dance Festival (old business)
3. Diamond Lake Festival
4. Carson Camp-Out (last year for this event)

We talked about the request from Lee Ashwill regarding charities, benefits that the club have done, also noted request from Zola Jones about having the clubs send her some history.

USA West will be held in Longview, WA, August 18th, 19th, and 20th. 2010. Theme is "Cascade Promenade".

The PAC will host its Annual Picnic this year at the North Clackamas Park on June 14th at 6:30pm. Everyone is welcome. Don't forget, it's a Potluck and bring your own plates, cups, and utensils.

The PAC Clubs have approved of holding a Benefit Dance for Jim Steele on April 30th. The Oak Grove Community Center has donated the rent for this cause and Mike Kious has donated his time along with Tami Helms. There will be surprises from the floor. Half of Split the Pot will also be contributed.

The PAC and the 2011 Summer Festival Committee held a combined meeting involving the Club Delegates and the Club Presidents. (My way of making sure the Right Hand knows what the Left Hand is doing.) The clubs have stepped up and taken control of most committees regarding the Festival. Major committees are in full swing with committee chairs and PIC's.

Les Seeley is our host for the PAC's *After Hours Party* in Pendleton on Saturday, July 17th. I can't reveal, "What's up?" but I can say "Folk's, this is going to be the greatest show. There is going to be entertainment everywhere!!!"

The River City Dancers are the lead Trailer this year in the Star Light Parade. This is on June 5th – at dusk!! Want to Dance? Call Ed and Jolene Cummings at the River City Dancers and let them know.

The State Fair Square Dancing is up and running already this year. I have 2 clubs already requesting to dance. If any TVC club wants to participate, please let me know ASAP. It's the last weekend in August and first weekend in September.

The next PAC meeting is February 15th at 7:30pm at the Oak Grove Community Center. The next PAC 5th Friday Dance will be on April 30th, 2010. (Donation dance for Jim Steele)

OLD BUSINESS

TVC Officers. (Bonnie Deneke)

I would like to get two nominees for each office. Nominations for TVC officers can be made from the floor at TVC meetings in January and February. We will vote for the TVC officers in March. Each club has two delegates and substitutes are permitted with the written permission of the Club president. Both delegates from each club should be present at every TVC meeting; otherwise, your club is being short-sided by not using all of their voting power. It is very crucial that all voting members be at the March meeting. Since there is more than one nomination for one of the offices thus far, we will have a secret paper ballot.

The slates of officers for the 2010-2011 year for the Tualatin Valley Council (TVC) that we have so far are:

President	Judy Schnase, Sunset Promenaders
Vice President	Carole Petranek, Tri Squares
Treasurer	Donna Byars, Valley Squares <i>(Donna has been the TVC Treasurer for the past four years.)</i>
Treasurer	Lalani Radford, Sunset Promenaders <i>(Lalani is currently the Treasurer for the Sunset Promenaders. Lalani is an Accountant and has her own accounting business. Lalani and her husband Vince own and operate Pro-Line Construction based in Banks, Oregon. Lalani has been square dancing off and on since 1966.)</i>
Secretary	Mary T. Withers, Hoedowners
State Delegate	Mike Duyck, Hoedowners *
Alternate State Delegate	Gary Clark, Sunset Promenaders *

* The term of office for the State and Alternate State Delegate starts in September, 2010, and the other officers start their term at the TVC meeting in May, 2010.

NEW BUSINESS

New Year's Eve Dance. (Judy Schnase) I would like you to ask your club members what suggestions they have for the New Year's Eve Dance. Theme? Food? Cost? George Clark and other TVC members suggested that TVC set a calendar a year in advance in order to obtain callers/cuers.

4th of July Parade. (Harold Cleve) Are we going to participate in Hillsboro's 4th of July Parade (July 3rd)? Get caller now. Tony Haskins will provide the trailer.

Benefit Dance. (Veleta Mullen) Veleta suggested that TVC's April 18th *New Dancer Dance* could serve as a benefit dance; dancers would be requested to donate non-perishable food items for the Washington County Food Bank.

Ambassador Badge Opportunity. (Mary T. Withers) The Hoedowners requested that the 4th of July Parade serve as a way to receive an Ambassador Badge signature, in order to encourage participation at the parade. Members reached consensus by showing no interest in this idea, as it would decrease participation in other TVC events, a major way TVC receives funds. It was suggested that dangles be given as a way to encourage participation in the 4th of July Parade.

TVC Award Banner. (Veleta Mullen) The Sunset Promenaders had the largest number of participants at the New Year's Eve Dance.

TVC's 2009 Recognition Award. (Veleta Mullen)

It is my pleasure to announce the winner of the *2009 TVC Recognition Award*. Just to review, I would like to read the past recipients:

Last year 2008--Paul and Diane Capp	2000--Ted & Pat Young
2007--Ray & Dorothy Sullivan	1999--Mick & Shan McKinney
2006--Bill & Bea Cook	1998--Tom & Janice Sminia
2005--Jim & Kay Rogers	1997--Loretta Flint
2004--Gary & Joyce Clark	1996--David & Kathy Krause
2003--Tim & Kathy Roberts	1995--Lloyd & Colleen Coventry
2002--Harold & Barbara Kleve	1994--Otis & Lila Jones
2001--Lee & Perky Kilbourn	

The recipient this year is someone who has worked diligently to make more people aware of the great spirit and health in square dancing. He has put the events of all the clubs to the forefront to make us all look as good as we feel. This year's recipient is Bill Young.

Bill started square dancing in June of 2004---that is when he met Claire Enloe on Match.com. Claire introduced him to square dancing and he started lessons with the Sunset Promenaders with Harold Kleve. Once he got the taste of a do-si-do and an Ocean Wave there was no stopping him. Bill had been an attorney in Forest Grove for almost 50 years and the freedom and rhythm of dancing made him feel terrific. Bill never missed a Mid-Winter or the Nationals here in Portland.

Bill served as the OFN Area Editor for TVC putting articles in the different area newspapers to advertise upcoming special dances and classes being held. He worked on getting Square Dancing noticed as a health program in the Health Fair held in Portland. This past year he was diagnosed with cancer so he took a leave of absense to fight the problem as chemo made him tired and weak. The best news is that he has recently been dancing some with the Eager Beavers.

So Bill, will you step up here and receive this plaque. As you know from the list of those who have come before you, we expect you to be dancing with us for along time. Thank you for the service you have given to TVC and all of Square Dancing.

Future TVC Events

4/18/10 (Sunday): **TVC's "New Dancer Jamboree and Benefit"**.

Hosted by the Tri Squares and held at the Tigard Grange. 2:30 – 4:30 PM; Ed Craig calling and Jackie Gale cueing. Dancers are encourage to donate non-perishable food items for the "Washington County Food Bank".

5/29/10 (Saturday): **TVC's 'Here Comes Summer' 5th Saturday Dance.**

7/31/10 (Saturday): **TVC's Hahn Barn Dance.**

October 30, 2010: TVC's 5th Saturday Dance cancelled because of Tri-Council Dance (see below)

10/30/2010 (Saturday): **2010 Tri-Council Dance.**

Hosted by Evergreen Council. Featuring The Crew (Randy Dibble, Darrell Clendenin, Les Seeley and Jim Hattrick). Pre-rounds will begin at 7:30 and square dancing from 8:00 – 11:00 PM. This is a mainstream dance with every third tip a PLUS dance. Costumes are optional.

12/31/10 (Friday): **TVC's New Year's Eve Dance.**

CLUB DELEGATE REPORTS

Coast Swingers: (Nell Killebrew and Michael McMullen, Delegates)

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/

Carmen Rost, our club president, is unable to be here tonight because of Harlan's work schedule. We are fortunate that Michael McMullen, who wears many hats for the club is here tonight as both club vice-president and delegate to the TVC. Michael, along with Janet Shannon, is one of our two associate callers and is our Webmaster.

Our Christmas Dance/Party on December 12, 2009 with Janet Shannon, caller and cuer, was cancelled due to bad weather. We did dance on January 9th with Michael McMullen, caller. During the winter months, when many of our round dancers have flown south for the winter, we start with a half-hour workshop instead of pre-rounds, plus the caller will workshop calls that the floor is having problems with. We did a lot of Thars, which much needed by our little club, also, by request from the floor, same sex square-thru's, i.e. all 4 girls/boys in the middle for a square thru 3. We were dark on January 23rd in anticipation of Mid-Winter Festival.

The club will be starting our classes on February 13th with a different twist for the Tillamook area. We are trying a Blast Class approach, consisting of 5 hours of teach time and a class level dance on three Saturdays plus Thursday evening workshops. For more details on our classes visit our website, <http://www.coastswingers.com/> and click on the classes tab. There you will find links to PDF files of our class flyer and class schedule. We are hoping that this different approach will attract some students for the club.

February will put us back on schedule dancing the 2nd and 4th Saturdays of each month, our two associate callers, Michael McMullen and Janet Shannon will be calling on February 13th and 27th respectively. Check out our new website, which features a picture of the intact Cape Meares Lighthouse, which was severely vandalized on January 9th, 2010. Click on the 2010 Dances tab for to see our schedule of dances for 2010. **Please** come and visit us, we **really** need the support of our sister square dance clubs. The roads are clear almost all of the time and it's only a 1-1/2 hour drive from Hillsboro.

Eager Beavers: (Ferrous Steinka and Cynthia Ekberg, Delegates)

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 Aloha Grange (the corner of 185th and TV Hwy). George Clark is the caller/cuer; Jim Hattrick is the caller/cuer every third Monday. Dance starts with 15 minutes of pre-rounds. <http://www.eagerbeavers.info/>

Since our last report, the Eager Beavers have been busy just having a good time over the past couple of months, and we've had the pleasure of having several visitors at our dances. The holidays filled us with lots of goodies, so now we're busy dancin' 'em off again.

January 16th found us visiting the Valley Squares and enjoying not only the dancing, but all of the corny Saturday Night Live jokes, as well. Good time had by all.

We will be offering Plus lessons starting on Wednesday, March 10th from 10 AM 'til Noon. Plus steps are fun to learn and will allow one to enjoy any club's dances. Here's another opportunity to dance during the daytime!

See you at Mid Winter!

Hoedowners: (Debra Welch, Delegate)

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. <http://www.hoedowners.info/>

Hoedowners are finishing up classes March 1st and so far we have 13 new members and expect a few more.

For our upcoming dances we have our *Chocolate Dance* on the 13th. The break at the end will be utterly chocolicious. On the 27th is our *60th Anniversary Dance*. The Crew is calling. Our fabulous chicken dinner is at 6:30. Please RSVP to Debra if you plan on a visitation (503) 848-9839.

Mix 'N Mingle: (Patty Bonney, Delegate)

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. <http://www.mixandminglesquares.org/>

Mix'n Mingles haven't anything new to report for January.

R Square D: (Lonnie & Linda Sycks, Delegates)

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.

We all made it thru the holidays and were eager for more square dancing in January. Lessons seem to be getting bigger thanks to a couple from Astoria. They brought 4 students with them and everyone went home happy with comments, we will be back! We had two visitations in January, one being Ruff & Ruffles Disney Dance and the other to Checkerboard Squares. After the Disney dance I think we'd love to take a trip to Disneyland! March finds us going to Square & Circle's Smelt Dippers Ball on March 20th. If all goes well, starting in September 2010, we are considering changing the days we dance to the second Friday and the fourth Saturday. We are in too much competition with other clubs at present. This is not final yet; still have to ok it with LASDA. On a growing note, one couple from lessons has joined the club and also another couple that is coming back to dancing.

Sunset Promenaders: (Joyce Clark and Ray Sullivan, Delegates)

Dance 1st & 3rd Saturdays. First Saturday every month at 7:30 until 8:00 is a Square Dance Workshop. The 3rd Saturday every month is Pre-rounds from 7:30 until 8:00. Our Caller is Harold Kleve and our Cuer is Ruth Canby. We dance in Hillsboro at the Odd Fellows Hall Upstairs on the corner of 3rd & Main Streets above LaHaies and Of Earth and Air shops.
www.sunsetpromenaders.com/

The Sunset Promenaders received very sad news on December 27th. Otis Jones, a charter member had passed away unexpectedly. His wife Lila asked Gary and I to take charge of planning a Celebration of Life Service, luncheon and free square dance on January 17th, so we got busy. The Promenaders, as usual, jumped right in to host the day. It turned out to be a great tribute to Otis and Lila with about 235 people in attendance. I thank all of you who were able to attend and especially thank those who helped out by bringing food to share.

You could hear Dixieland Music rocking our hall on January 2nd, which turned out to be a real crowd pleaser. Then the Otis Jones Life Celebration dance packed the hall and reminded us of how important all our square dance friends are. Our Wild West Dance featuring all the chili and cornbread you could eat was a huge success with a visitation from the Toe Draggers and other visitors as well.

February dances should be fun; we will have the *Be My Valentine* dance on February 6th and then on February 20th will be our *President's Birthday Dance*. I cannot tell a lie, you will find some cherry pie being served for this dance.

We don't like to talk about dances that are too far in the future, but coming up in March is our *25th Annual Irish Fling*. Mark your calendars and plan to attend on March 20th when we will feature authentic Irish baked potatoes, our special pot of gold drawing and the famous Calling and Cueing of Harold O'Kleve and Ruth O'Canby. Hope to see you there!

Toe Draggers: (Amanda Roberts, Delegate)

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/

Square dancing lessons started. We had 8 students the first week and 14 the second week. We had 12 round dance students the first week and 9 the second week.

February 5th - Next dance - KC is doing Volcano and it is the first dance of the month to celebrate my 21st Birthday. March 7- New Dancers Jamboree with a Silent Auction and Raffle. We will also have an experienced clothing sale.

Jonny is in Grease at Tualatin HS on February 5, 6, 12, 13 at 7:00 and then the 14th at 2:00.

Tri Squares: (Rex Williams, Delegate)

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 Hatrick 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/

On Feb 6th we have the *8-Ball Dance* and our *Sweetheart Dance* on February 19th. We will be holding Mainstream Workshops on the 4 Sundays in February. 2:30 – 4:30. Tigard Halley Calling and Cueing. Held at Tigard Grange (13770 Pacific Hwy, Tigard, OR). \$5.00 each person.

Valley Squares: (Dorothy Reed, Delegate)

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/

As we began the New Year, our *New Dancer* classes started on Tuesday, January 5th. We welcome Sammy, our Vice President, who is taking the lead during Carolene's absence.

For our Dec. 19th dance, we had K C Curtis co-calling with Ed Craig. The January 16th dance was a great dance - "Saturday Night Live" - with lots of fun with all the jokes. George Clark co-called with Ed Craig. Our next great dance on Saturday February 20th will feature the young and talented Jonny Roberts, co-calling with Ed Craig.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Jim Steele Benefit Dances. (Sandy and Chuck Eddings)

My husband Chuck and myself have taken on the task of co-ordinating councils in the state to schedule a Benefit Dance or some type of donation for Jim Steele and family. Some of you may not have heard, but Jim is battling Myasthenia Gravis, which is a disease that affects the nerves and muscles in the head. He is doing much better now, but still will need our prayers and love for a long time until complete recovery. We would like to see every council in the state make a monetary donation thru a benefit dance or some other type of fund raiser to help Jim and his family get thru this time of trouble. My husband and myself will be the contact people for this, and we can be reached at chsaneddings@comcast.net, or 541-570-1553. The PAC council will be having a benefit dancer on April 30, 2010, and the Whirl-A-Ways club will be holding a benefit dance on April 24, 2010. We will have a donation jar at the Mid-Winter Festival, and clubs might put one out at dances. Thank you for all the help you give.

July 21-24, 2010 - Diamond Lake Square Dance Festival.

Pre-registration \$30.00 per person by July 1st.

ADJOURNMENT

Meeting Adjourned: 9:09 PM

Respectfully submitted,

Carole Petranek and Mary T. Withers

Next Meeting: The February meeting will be held on 2/22/10 at the Pizza Caboose (3276 NW 185th) next to the 7-Eleven. Dinner and socialization begins at 6:30 PM. The meeting begins at 7:30.