



## **Tualatin Valley Council (TVC) 2026-06-22**

Meeting was held at the Aloha Grange

The meeting started about 7:00 and adjourned about 8:30

<http://www.tualatinvalleycouncil.org>

### **Attendees:**

#### **Delegates:**

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| Columbia River Dancers: | Dale Smith, Nick Johnson (both absent)  |
| Eager Beavers:          | Tom Sminia, Susan Gillespie             |
| Hayshakers:             | Kathy Liebowitz (absent)                |
| Hoedowners:             | Mike Duyck, Carolene Siebert            |
| Mix'n'Mingle:           | Rick and Robin Faltersack (both absent) |
| Oak Hills Squares       | Marie Clem (acting)                     |
| R Square D:             | Chris Poole (absent)                    |
| Sunset Promenaders:     | Janet Cason                             |
| Tri Squares:            | Charles McAuley, Barbara Huie           |
| Wave Steppers:          | Max and Lynda Sherman (both absent)     |

#### **Officers, Elected & Appointed:**

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| President: Sally Duyck                                  |                                   |
| Assistant to the President: Donna Swanson               |                                   |
| Vice-President: Judy Schnase                            |                                   |
| Treasurer: Bonni Lesser                                 | Secretary: Andis Garuts           |
| State Delegate: Marie Clem                              |                                   |
| Past-President of the TVC: Dale Brabham                 | PAC Representative: Erin Kalmbach |
| Oregon Federation Youth Advisor: Kathy Roberts (absent) |                                   |
| Caller Advisor: Darrell Kalmbach (absent)               |                                   |
| Cuer Advisor: Randy Lewis (absent) and Tami Helms       |                                   |
| TVC Webmaster: Tim Roberts (absent)                     | OFN Area Editor: Ferrous Steinka  |

#### **Visitors Attending:**

Laura Irvan (Valley Squares)  
Janice Sminia (Sunset Promenaders)  
Karen Steinka (Eager Beavers)

### **TVC Officer Reports:**

**Previous Council meeting** minutes approved as written

**President's report:** (Sally Duyck) No report.

**Vice President's report:** (Judy Schnase)

Discussion of TVC Dances for 2027:

Jan. 30: no dance scheduled

Tri Council Dance on May 29. Ferrous motioned for the TVC to hold the Tri Council Dance on May 29, 2027.

July 31. Possibly outdoors. TVC will be hosting.

Oct. 30. To be announced.

New Year's Eve (Dec. 31) At the Aloha Grange.

**Treasurer's report:** (Bonni Lesser) No report. Actuals for last fiscal year were \$39 profit.

**Secretary report:** (Andis Garuts)

Officers and Delegates: I received very few Officer and Club reports this time. If you have a report, please submit a written version to [garuts2001@yahoo.com](mailto:garuts2001@yahoo.com) before each Meeting starts. Please check current and previous Minutes for when the next TVC Meeting(s) will be held. Thank you.

**State Delegates report:** (Marie Clem)

Report from State Meeting on June 7:

**Mid Winter Festival, 2027:** Some changes to format are planned. Since most lessons are anticipated to be completed by Mid Winter due to the new levels introduced by Callerlab, instead of a New Dancer Hall, we will have a "relaxed" mainstream hall for those dancers who would benefit from a slower pace, less people and standard applications. Encourage your new dancers to attend the Relaxed Mainstream Hall if they are intimidated or overwhelmed by the Mainstream Hall. Also, the resale clothing is moving to the Vendor Hall. There are many reasons for this change including better utilization of the vendor hall, removing excess noise from the Round Dance Hall and putting the resale clothing space where the majority of their customers already are.

**The 2027 Summer Festival** committee has been formed, headed by Cece and Sarge Glidewell.

The committee will be making club visitations to promote the festival. A contract has been signed with Blanchet School in Salem, and the featured caller and cuer are David & Dawn Mee of Anaheim, CA. A new option will be for line dancing as part of the program.

**Federation News:** Sadly, since the last state meeting one Oregon club has folded and two others have combined.

**State Directories:** 35 Directories for the next year were ordered for TVC at the meeting, after consulting with the TVC and individual clubs.

The **Membership Chairman** asked that councils submit Oregon State membership dues by July 1. TVC has paid their dues – thank you, Bonni.

The **Insurance Chairman** reminded us that members in any club that folds have 30 days to join another club to maintain their USDA Insurance for 2026.

**Education Chair** Kathy Roberts is planning an Education Seminar during Mid-Winter, helping clubs be compliant with annual requirements including filling out the correct forms by their due dates. She will also give suggestions on duties for each club officer. Tim Roberts and Lane Clem will help with the seminar. If any of your clubs need help promoting their clubs or have questions about what the Federation can do to help them, please contact Kathy.

**Round Dance Chair** reported that ORDTA will be hosting a Round Dance weekend on August 21 & 22 in Springfield. They will have multi-phase round dancing and workshops. The flyer is in the OFN and on FaceBook.

**State Fair Dancing** Chair Marilyn Schmit will accept names for anyone wanting to dance at the fair until the end of August. September 1st will be Mainstream, 3rd Rounds, and 5th Youth.

**PAC report:** (Erin Kalmbach)

PAC is still looking for a president. Tami, as VP, is filling in at the moment.

Next PAC dance is on July 31 with Darrell and Tami. The theme is Beach Boogie and will be at Oak Grove CC. Pre-rounds 7, plus 7:15, mainstream 7:30

PAC is helping B&Bs with a booth in Oregon City on July 25 to promote square dancing and will have a flier with all the club info about fall lessons to hand out.

The State Meeting is on Sept. 19-20 at the Abernethy Grange in Oregon City. The dance will be Sat. the 19. Everyone is invited. Dan Preedy and Randy Dibble will be the callers. Tami Helms and Julie Stiers will be the cuers.

**Cuer Advisor Report:** (Randy Lewis) (absent)  
Portland Area Council has selected July 2026 OROM

Dance: "A Doo-Wah Ditty"  
Artist: Alex Germains  
Music: Ditty Mambo  
Album: VOL.38 The Best of Ballroom Music  
or Close Harmony Capers  
Rhythm: Two Step  
phase: 2 Time 2:20 / Sug speed 40 RPM (-11.1 %)  
Choreo: Casey & Sharon Parker

You Tube  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=NYCOU1EO3qM>

Cue Sheet  
[https://www.danceroundoutyourlife.com/CuesheetsDL2/A%20Doo-Wah%20Ditty%2C%20Parker%2C%20S%26C\\_Two%20Step\\_2.pdf](https://www.danceroundoutyourlife.com/CuesheetsDL2/A%20Doo-Wah%20Ditty%2C%20Parker%2C%20S%26C_Two%20Step_2.pdf)

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Randy Lewis

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

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

**Past TVC President report:** (Dale Brabham)

Please send in your nominations for the next TVC Recognition Award.

We need those who can serve in the Nominating Committee. Please e-mail Dale.

**OFN Area Editor Report:** (Ferrous Steinka)

Once again, the TVC achieved 100% club reporting thanks to your TVC club reporters. Since my last report there have been several changes to the OFN reporting family. I want to extend my thanks to Carolene Siebert who faithfully reported for the Valley Squares for many years. Sarah Richmond has assumed the role of reporting for the Hoedowners, replacing Krystal Laas who had a 12 year run as OFN reporter. And lastly, Kathy Liebowitz who is replacing Craig Holt, has begun reporting for the Hayshakers. Kathy joins Sarah and Lindie Noonan as club Presidents who also report to the OFN.

Tim Roberts, OFN Editor, is always looking for pictures to publish in the OFN. Send high resolution photos and/or a story about your club gathering, beach trip, picnic, mystery trip, etc. Send your contributions to OFN Editor, Tim Roberts, [timr@4roberts.us](mailto:timr@4roberts.us).

Any club member may submit an article to the OFN. Usually these are of general interest and have something to do with dancing. An article may include pictures but does not have to. A completed article may be sent to Tim, given to their club reporter, or sent to me via email. We will make sure that it gets to the OFN Editor. This can generate interest in your club and possibly result in a few more visitors.

Respectfully submitted

Ferrous Steinka

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

## **Old Business:**

**Quarterly meetings:** We discussed this at our Board-only Meeting in May. Those clubs who responded agreed that the TVC should switch to quarterly meetings. Possible Meeting dates in 2027: Feb. 22, March 22, June 28, Sept. 27, Nov. 22. Discussion about the issues regarding this, particularly about flyer distribution. TVC By-laws will need to be changed to allow quarterly Meetings. It also has to be decided whether the Meetings will be in person or via Zoom.

Judy Schnase motioned that the TVC switch to quarterly Meetings; Mike Duyck seconded. Motion passed.

The next TVC Meeting will be held on Monday, July 27, 2026, at the Aloha Grange.

## **New Business:**

**Randall Award:** The OFSRDC is requiring that the suggestions for the Randall Award be submitted by July 15. Please fill out your ballots and submit by this date.

**TVC Directories:** The 2026-2027 TVC Directories have been completed and ordered.

**Reimbursement for class advertising expenses for TVC clubs:** The TVC reimburses an amount up to a maximum of \$200 for class advertising expenses per club, per year, on a need basis. This is a one-time reimbursement, each year, for each club. Discussion on whether to keep it at a maximum of \$200/year, per club, or to lower the maximum.

## **Club Delegate Reports:**

**Columbia River Dancers:** *(Dale Smith and Nick Johnson, Delegates) (both absent)*

*Club dances 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays year round at the Manor Grange, 17901 NE 72<sup>nd</sup> Ave., Battle Ground, WA 98604. The times 7 to 8 Plus dance, 8-10 Mainstream dance with Daryl Clendenin as club caller and cuer. <http://www.ColumbiaRiverDancers.org>*

No report.

**Eager Beavers:** (Tom Sminia and Susan Gillespie, Delegates)

*The Club dances every Monday afternoon from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. at the Aloha Grange, at 185th and TV Highway. Darrell Kalmbach is our caller and our cuers are Tami Helms on the 1st, 3rd & 5th, and Lane Clem - 2nd & 4th Mondays. Door donation is \$7.00. For additional information, call 503-645-2414 or visit our website at <https://eagerbeavers.info>*

The Eager Beavers are happy to announce we have a second TVC Delegate now. Her name is Sunsan Gillespie and she is volunteering to work with the TVC as a Delegate.

The club plus lessons are complete and the graduates are now dancing with the club. Darrell Kalmbach used the new Plus list of dance moves; including the new moves that are to be effective in September. Additionally, Darrell now has a 15-minute workshop at the beginning of each dance. This is helpful for the club dancers for the new moves and also, he is reviewing some of the old plus and mainstream moves too.

The Club now has 46 members, we have seen an increase in people that like to dance during the day.

On June 29, the club is having a special dinner after the dance at Prime Time. The Eager Beavers plan a special dinner on fifth Mondays; it is a relaxed social time away from the dance floor.

The Eager Beavers voted in favor of TVC going to quarterly meetings instead of the monthly schedule.

Eager Beavers dance every Monday, 1:00 TO 3:00 PM at the Aloha Grange. If you dance Plus level and are available on Mondays between 1:00 and 3:00 please feel free to come and dance with Eager Beavers at Aloha Grange, TV Highway and 185<sup>th</sup>, we have a lot of fun dancing, and we appreciate guests dancing with us.

Tom Sminia, and Susan Gillespie: TVC Delegates from Eager Beavers.

**Hayshakers:** (Kathy Liebowitz, Delegate) (absent)

*Hayshakers are now dancing on Sundays at 5:00 p.m. Potluck on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays. 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>

**We kicked off our summer square dancing season with a great evening of dancing and laughter as Michael Kious brought his calling talents to the Oregon Coast. Then Mother Nature threw us a curveball! An unusual burst of summer heat arrived, and many dancers chose to stay cool, causing us to miss an evening with Terry Halley at the microphone.**

With Father's Day falling on June 21, our dancers took another well-deserved break to celebrate the special fathers, grandfathers, and father figures in their lives.

Now it's time to lace up those dancing shoes once again! We'll be back on the floor on June 28 with our very own Mark Wheeler doing the calling. After the dancing wraps up, we'll gather for one of our famous potlucks—always a favorite part of the evening. Bring your appetite, your favorite dish, and your best smile. We can't wait to see everyone back in the square!

Submitted by Kathy Liebowitz

**Hoedowners:** (Mike Duyck and Carolene Siebert, Delegates)

*Dance the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays at the Aloha Grange on the corner of 185<sup>th</sup> and TV Hwy. Guest callers. The Cuer is Randy Lewis. Mainstream and maybe Plus from 7 to 9:30 p.m. Rounds vary.*

<http://www.hoedowners.info>

June 27 Hot Dogs for FATHER'S DAY

Michael Kious calling and Randy Lewis cueing.

July 11 Beach Ball

Michael Kious calling and Connie Clark cueing.

July 25 Wild Wild West  
Michael Kiouss calling and Randy Lewis cueing.

August 8 Knobby Knees  
Michael Kiouss calling and Randy Lewis cueing.

August 22 Hawaii Luau  
Michael Kiouss calling and Randy Lewis cueing.

We are having fun through the summer with a little dress-up and party.  
Hoedowner delegates,  
Carolene Siebert & Mike Duyck

**Mix'n'Mingle:** *(Rick and Robin Faltersack, Delegates) (both absent)*

*Club dances Plus at the Winona Grange (8340 Seneca Street, Tualatin, OR) on 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays. Pre-Rounds begin at 7:30 PM and Plus & Rounds from 8:00 – 10:30 PM. The door donation is \$6 for members and \$7 for non-members. Randy Dibble is our club Caller. Guest Cuers.*  
No report.

**Oak Hills Squares:** *(Marie Clem, Acting Delegate)*

*Oak Hills Squares meet on Monday evenings at the Oak Hills Recreation Center on 153<sup>rd</sup> and Oak Hills Drive (2400 NW 153<sup>rd</sup> Avenue, Beaverton). Summer hours are 6:30 to 8:30. Mark Wheeler calling mainstream with some guest callers, Lane Clem cuer 2 times a month. [www.oakhillsquares.com](http://www.oakhillsquares.com)*

**Our new board was installed: Hilary Barrett President, Dee Rice Vice President, Linda Duffy Secretary, Marie Clem Treasurer, Lynne Fonner OFN Reporter.**

We were very disappointed to have to postpone our Anniversary Dance on June 15. Our club policy is to cancel a dance when temperatures are forecasted to be over 90 degrees, and it reached 97 degrees in Oak Hills that day. The dance is rescheduled for June 29, and we are hoping to see many of our dancing friends joining us then.

We plan to dance most Mondays during the summer, but will be dark on July 6, August 31, and September 7. Some guest callers are scheduled: Terry Halley on June 8, Renee Ruud on June 22, Melissa James on July 20, and Thomas Buchheit on August 10. Lane Clem will be cueing twice a month.

We have some themed dances planned for this summer. Happy Birthday America on June 29 (wear red, white and blue); Beach theme on July 13, and Western theme on August 24 when we plan an 'End of Summer' picnic.

**R Square D:** *(Chris Poole, Delegate)*

*We dance the 2nd Friday and 4th Saturday from September through May and the 2nd and 4th Wednesday from June through August. Mainstream and rounds with Plus every 3<sup>rd</sup> tip from 7:00 to 9:30. The venue is Kelso Senior Center (106 NW 8th Ave, Kelso, WA) and Craig Abercrombie is our Caller. Visit our website at [www.r-square-d.info](http://www.r-square-d.info) for more information.*

No report.



**Sunset Promenaders:** (Janet Cason, Delegate)

*Mainstream Dances 1st & 3rd Saturdays. Dance starts at 7:00 with mixed level Rounds, and then 7:30-9:30 Mainstream dance with mixed level Round dances, and a Plus tip at the end. Darrell Kalmbach calling and Tami Helms cueing. The Club also has Plus dances on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Thursdays. These dances start at 7:00 with Intermediate Rounds, and then the Plus dance from 7:30-9:30 with mixed level Round dances. Darrell and Tami also call and cue the Plus dances. The Club dances at the Hillsboro Odd Fellows Hall at 267 E. Main St. More information call (503) 640-3383 or visit [www.sunsetpromenaders.com](http://www.sunsetpromenaders.com)*

**Our club mainstream dances are 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays** with Pre-Rounds at 7pm & the dance at 7:30-9:30 with refreshments following.

**Our Promenaders Plus dances are on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Thursdays** at 7:00-7:30pm with Intermediate Rounds, 7:30-9:30 Plus Dance with refreshments following.

**For our 1<sup>st</sup> Mainstream dance in June**, we had Daryl Clendenin as our guest Caller and Tami was our cuer.

**Our June 20<sup>th</sup> Mainstream dance theme was “Spring into Summer”** with Darrell Kalmbach calling and Tami Helms cueing and it was well attended.

**We have three plus dances in July!**

Our next **Promenaders Plus dance is Thursday, July 2<sup>nd</sup>, our “Fourth of July Dance”, with ice cream sundaes served after the dance.** Darrell is calling and Tami is cueing. Intermediate pre-rounds 7 – 7:30 pm, plus with mixed-level rounds 7:30 – 9:30 pm. Join us for refreshments after the dance.

**Thursdays July 16<sup>th</sup> & July 30<sup>th</sup> will be our other Plus Dances with** Darrell Kalmbach calling & Tami Helms cueing.

**Happy 4<sup>th</sup> of July ! We will be dark to observe the holiday.**

**July 18th dance will be the only Mainstream Dance in July** and the theme is “Christmas in July”. The Caller will be Darrell Kalmbach and Tami Helms as the Cuer. Ice cream sundaes will be served after the dance.

All Club 's door donations are \$7 per person.

For current information, please see our website: <https://sunsetpromenaders.com/>.

**Tri Squares:** (Charles McAuley and Barbara Huie, Delegates)

*We dance on the second and fourth Friday of each month at the Kinton Grange, 19015 SW Scholls Ferry Road, Beaverton, 97007. 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 4<sup>th</sup> tip will be PLUS. Refreshments are served at 10:00. [www.trisquares.com](http://www.trisquares.com)*

On May 1 the Tri Squares had a visitation to the Valley Squares to support them at their final dance as a club. We had seven of our members in attendance.

Our caller Terry Halley and cuer Sandra Pinion called and cued at the following dances:

On May 8, we had our Fiesta dance.

On May 22, our dance was themed Hippy Hoedown.

On June 12 was our Stars and Stripes themed dance.

On June 24 we will have our Summertime Ice Cream Social. Terry Halley will be calling and Sandra Pinion will be cueing. This will be our last dance for the summer until September.

On June 13 we had our Mystery Trip with 23 people signed up. Two minibuses were used. The first stop was the Oregon Garden in Silverton Oregon. Most of the group went on a guided tram tour that took us throughout the different gardens. Afterwards we danced two squares in a shaded area. We then drove to a restaurant called The Home Place Restaurant also located in Silverton. Our group ended up at the Salem Square Dance Center dancing with the Independence Wagon Wheelers Square Dance Club.

Our club summer picnic will be on August 23 at Snyder Park in Sherwood.

**Wave Steppers:** *(Max and Lynda Sherman, Delegates) (both absent)*

*Wavesteppers dance every Tuesday afternoon, 4 to 6 p.m., at the Tillamook Senior Center, 316 Stillwell Avenue, Tillamook OR. We dance mainstream to Anthony Egan. The club is dark December and January. It is good idea to call to make sure we have a square. Website: [www.wavesteppers.org/](http://www.wavesteppers.org/)*  
No report.

### **Good of the Order:**

Laura Irvan: The Valley Squares have brought quite a few items for the TVC to take home.

Ferrous Steinka: We might want to think about holding TVC Meetings on days other than Mondays. Just a thought. This will be discussed at the next TVC Meeting.

Sally Duyck: At the end of a dance, when we get into a friendship circle, I have noticed that some callers fail to acknowledge their cuers there. It is a courtesy that should be followed. We might want to pay attention to this at our clubs.

### **Next TVC Meeting:**

Monday, July 27 at 7 p.m. at the Aloha Grange. Please bring refreshments.

Respectfully edited and published by Andis Garuts, TVC Secretary