



Tualatin Valley Council (TVC) 2019-11-25

Meeting was held at Old Spaghetti Factory,
18925 NW Tanasbourne Drive, Hillsboro, OR 97124
The meeting started about 7:00 and adjourned about 7:50
<http://www.tualatinvalleycouncil.org>

Attendees:

Delegates:

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 (both absent)
Oak Hills Squares	Marie Clem
R Square D:	Mary McDaniel, Marv Pope (Marv absent)
Sunset Promenaders:	Steve LeBlanc (absent), Dan Browning
Toe Draggers:	Linda Curtis
Tri Squares:	Judy Groom, Deb Mandeville (Deb absent)
Valley River Dancers:	Jan Amerson, Perrin Damon (both absent)
Valley Squares:	Julie Cooper, Dorothy Reed
Wave Steppers:	Bob Allen

Officers, Elected & Appointed:

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

Visitors Attending:

Garrett Hoerer (Valley Squares)
Candy St. Clair (Sunset Promenaders)
Carolene Siebert (Valley Squares)
Leonard Snodgrass (Cuer)
Julie Stiers (Cuer)

TVC Officer Reports:

Previous Council meeting minutes approved as written.

President's report: (Mike St. Clair)

We welcome our new Columbia River Dancers Delegate, Gary Furguson.
We also welcome Julie Stiers.

Vice President's report: (Judy Schnase)

I expect to see everyone at our next TVC Dance on November 30. Aloha Grange. Mike Stout calling, Julie Stout cueing. Potluck. Keep it simple (finger foods, snacks, etc.)

There are some TVC dances in 2020 that do not have co-hosts: the Hahn Barn Dance on August 29; and the Halloween Dance on October 31. Please let me know if you would like to co-host these dances.

The Tri-Council Dance is coming up on May 30. Kinton Grange. Toe Draggers co-hosting. K.C. Curtis calling and Bev Flint cueing. I am wondering what you would think about having three callers at this dance, and several cuers. Please let me know. The TVC is hosting this dance. Discussion and vote. It is a quorum.

Treasurer's report: (Tom Sminia)

The TVC is up to date on our financial details as far as known.

One item I would like to remind you delegates about is the policy the TVC has of paying for club square dance lessons promotion expenses up to \$200 per year. Please document your expenses with receipts and present those to me. This should be done before June. We will not cover things like meals and meetings but will cover things like ads in papers, flyers, yard signs, business cards, etc. As a Council we should decide if we want to continue or change this policy of paying clubs for square dance lesson promotion so that it will be written into the minutes for future use.

Since there was no TVC event this period the financial report only has a few cents of interest earned in the last month, and nothing else, so I did not put together a written report.

It is my intention to not volunteer to be the TVC Treasurer next year which starts June 1st, 2020. I have started to train a replacement who has volunteered to be a future TVC Treasurer and her name is Tammy LeBlanc. It is nice to see someone willing to volunteer and be trained ahead of time. Of course it is up to the Delegates to elect her during the next election. Thank you, Tammy.

Since we have a dance scheduled for Saturday, November 30, there will be a financial report next meeting.

Are there any questions?

Thank you,

Tom Sminia, TVC Treasurer

Secretary report: (Andis Garuts) No report.

State Delegates report: (Josie Rosenbury)

No official report, except:

I am not through with insurance yet. Marilyn kicked back a bunch of the insurance packets, and I think that in hindsight, I am looking at this and I did not understand what I was getting into with this insurance. I can tell that I am not the only one. If I do this next year, I will do this differently.

What happens is that there are a couple of weird problems. You get your roster from Marilyn, and from the packet that is handed out, you go through it and when names are added to it, that means that they were not covered by insurance last year. So that means that for 2019 they have to pay for 2019 and 2020 at once, and that happens now. And then you don't just pay for them. At the time that they join your club, that is the time that you go to the Federation's Web site and put their names in. Then they would form a new roster and that person would have already been paid for at the time that they joined your club during the current year.

Here is an interesting problem: If somebody joins your club right now, or in December, you pay for the whole year for that person AND the next year in advance. This could be an issue for the Valley River Dancers; they have Mainstream graduation next week. Another kind of problem is that the callers, cuers and their spouses must be covered. So the only way around that is if they belong to the Capital Callers and Cuers Association, or the Cascade Callers and Cuers, they are covered. The northern clubs used to have something, but they no longer have that. So a club there has to cover the callers, cuers and their spouses, unless they are in a primary club somewhere else and they are being

covered. So their names should all be on their roster, and if they have an asterisk after their name, somebody else is picking them up. That became an issue this year.

PAC report: (Erin Kalmbach) No report.

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

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

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

Caller Advisor report: (K.C. Curtis)

I would like to encourage all clubs to support the new dancer Jamborees. The Jamborees are the first experience that new dancers actually participate in an organized multi club dance. They need to see that most of us know each other and that we love to dance together. The social aspect of Square Dancing is reinforced.

A good idea is to meet somewhere for dinner first or arrange to go out for ice cream or coffee afterwards and continue the party. Offer to give the new dancers a ride. We want them to feel like they are worth it and are welcome.

It may also serve your clubs to include the new dancers in regular dances as soon as possible. Have the caller call a few tips at class level and then at mainstream level and let them see what they will be dancing like in a short while.

Some of the clubs have had a very good turn out of new dancers and some have not. Every new dancer has the potential to be an important part of the club and taking a future leadership role. Every new dancer is important.

We cannot survive with out new people coming in to sustain us. This is one small way that might help for our future.

K.C. Curtis

Caller Advisor

Sunshine report: (Tammy LeBlanc) (absent) (Janice Sminia presented the report.)

Thank you to all the Delegates who have provided me with a current roster.

Cards have been sent out to Grace Phares with Eager Beavers, Denise Ackerman with Sunset Promenaders, Dale Stobe with Toe Draggers, Harlan and Bev Flint with Toe Draggers.

Jim Rogers unexpectedly passed away. A sympathy card will be sent to Kay Rogers.

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

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

Old Business:

Julie Stiers: I just wanted to find out what you all have decided about the **Alzheimer's Benefit Dance**, and what Erin might have found out the PAC if they are in on it again. Do you want to do baskets again? Will Evergreen Council be involved? Should this be a three-council dance? What date should it be held on? Did the Delegates ask the clubs their opinion on this?

Judy Schnase motioned to hold the Alzheimer's Benefit Dance on June 7 (tentative date); a second was made. Motion passed.

Who do we want to donate to? Alzheimer's Association or Rex and Ruth Layton Aging and Alzheimers Disease Center at OHSU?

Judy Schnase motioned to donate to the Alzheimer's Association; Mary McDaniel seconded. Motion passed.

TVC refunds to clubs for **advertising** for their square dance lessons: (see Treasurer's Report above) Discussion.

Bob Allen motioned to keep our current method of reimbursing \$200 for advertising for their square dance lessons; Judy Schnase seconded. Motion passed. Tom will be asked to write up in our TVC documents our current method of reimbursement; it is not written anywhere in our documents.

New Business:

Next TVC Meeting: The TVC decided not to hold a Meeting in December. The next Meeting will be our President's Potluck and Meeting at the IOOF Hall in Hillsboro, on Monday, January 27.

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>

We have our regular dances on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays. Plus at 7 p.m.; Mainstream at from 8 To 9:30; social period after the dance.

A lady at our club is having her 70th birthday party on Sunday, December 15, and she is inviting everyone to come. Free food. Jim Hattrick calling. She is a budding writer, she will be signing a book that she just got published.

Eager Beavers: *(John Semm and Leslie Tallman, Delegates)*
Club dances plus every Monday afternoon, 1:00 to 3:00 PM, at the Sunset Presbyterian Church (14986 NW Cornell Rd., Beaverton, OR), which features an air conditioner and excellent wood floor. On holidays we dance at the Aloha Grange (the corner of 185th and TV Hwy). Daryl Clendenin is the caller and cuer on the 1st and 5th Mondays; Darrell Kalmbach calling and Joyce Hooper cueing on 2nd and 4th Mondays; Jim Hattrick is the Caller and Cuer 3rd Monday each month. Dance includes easy and intermediate rounds between tips. For information call 503-645-2414;

<http://www.eagerbeavers.info>

Beginning with our first dance in December, on December 2nd, we will begin our dances with squares at 1:00 (a change from beginning our dance with Phase 3 and 4 rounds). Every third set of rounds will be a Phase 3 or 4. Announcements will be at 2:30, followed by one last tip for the day. We hope this new schedule will encourage dancers who don't usually do the more advanced rounds to come at 1:00 for the squares. We welcome feedback regarding this new schedule from our members and visitors.

Plus lessons will begin on February 10th at 12:00 p.m., with our three excellent callers instructing. Come join us for plus lessons or a little brush up on your plus. We have a great time.

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>

There will be Hayshakers Dance Friday November 29 from 7:00 PM to 9:00 PM at the Pacific Grange with Mark Wheeler calling

Square dance lesson is going on Sunday at 3:00 PM.

Mark Wheeler will welcome new student on January 12. First 3 lesson are free and then \$2.00 per person, per lesson.

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>

December 14th will be Soup night with bread and soup on the menu. You'll have several flavors to sample and enjoy. Bring a toy for the toy drive.

Join us December 15th for our new dancers Jamboree. 1:00 to 3:00 pm at Aloha Grange. Come meet our new dancers and new dancers from other clubs.

Its Pajama Party on December 28th at the Aloha Grange. No "in the buff" dancing allowed!

January 11th, New Years' Resolution Dance. Resolve not to miss this dance and maintain all of your improvements for the year.

Hoedowners will be dark on January 25th as we will all be at Mid-Winter Festival.

Doug, Krystal and Mike

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

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

No report.

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 8:30 Mainstream Singing calls and Rounds. Lane Clem is our Caller and Cuer.

Our Guy Fawkes Dance was great fun. Guy was there, sort of, collecting pennies, he was there in effigy. We saved the fireworks until after the dance, but we wore Britain's colors, fortunately they are also red, white and blue. There were many traditional English treats, cucumber sandwiches, English flap jacks.

We dance every Monday from 6:30 to 8:30, except on the first Mondays of each month when we dance until 9. These are our theme dances with open break. All singing calls.

We had a demo dance and lesson last Saturday, including the Virginia Reel, at the LDS church adult singles group. There were about 80 people there, mostly between the ages of 30 and 50.

Our class will graduate on December 9.

Our Ugly Sweater Dance will be held on December 2.

We will be dark on December 30.

We will be co-hosting the TVC Dance on November 30 at the Aloha Grange.

R Square D: *(Mary McDaniel and Marv Pope, Delegates) (Marv 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.

We have Plus lessons and workshops until December 11. We will be then starting lessons on January 8, from January through May. The first two weeks are free; after that, \$5/person. They will be on Wednesday nights from 6:30 to 9:30. Craig Abercrombie instructing. We could use angels.

We may be holding two-step lessons, either in January or February.

Our next dance will be our Toy Dance on December 13. Everybody brings a toy for donation. We will be dark the rest of the month.

On December 16 we will be having our Christmas Party.

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

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 Ken Pratt 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

Promenaders Plus, 1st, 3rd, 5th Thursdays. Intermediate rounds 6:30-7:30 pm. Plus Dance 7:30-9:30 p.m.

Sunset Promenaders Christmas Dance, Dec. 7th. Pre Rounds 6:30- 7:30 p.m., Mainstream 7:30- 9:30.

Sunset Promenaders Classes starting January 5th! Every Sunday.

Cha Cha round dance classes 2- 4 p.m.

Mainstream classes 4- 6 p.m.

Intermediate Round Dance classes 6:30- 8 p.m.

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

The Toe Draggers are moving along with our lessons. We have a small class but they are a lot of fun

On Sunday, December, 1 the club will be meeting for our annual decorate the hall, with dinner after.

Friday, December 6th, we will be having a New Dancers Jamboree, this is our regularly scheduled 1st Friday dance. The dance will be at floor level and everyone can bring their new dancers and have a good time.

December 20th will be our Christmas dance and we will be enjoying beautiful Christmas music presented by K.C. and Bev. Come join us.

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

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

We continue to have our dances on the 2nd and 4th Fridays, at the Tigard Grange. Rounds are from 7:30-7:45, Plus from 7:45-8:00, and mainstream from 8:00 till 10:00, with every 4th tip Plus. Refreshments are served at 10:00.

Our December 13th dance is our "Sounds of the Season" Christmas dance, and our "Black and White Winter Wonderland Ball," is on December 27th.

In January we will only have one dance, due to the Midwinter weekend. Our dance is "Cowboy Country" on January 10th, and will be a B-51 dance. We hope you can all join us.

Valley River Dancers: (*Jan Amerson and Perrin Damon, Delegates*) (*both absent*) (*Josie Rosenbury presented the report*)

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

On December 13 we will be having our Plus dance. Rounds workshop from 6:30 to 7:30; pre-rounds from 7:30 to 8, and Plus until 10:30.

On December 27 we will be having our Christmas Dance. It is also a New dancers dance. Pre-plus at 7:30; Mainstream from 8 to 10:30. Please bring a wrapped gift, \$5 or less. We also will be having a little game. Randy Dibble calling, Sherri Clark cueing.

Our Mainstream class will be graduating tomorrow. We did something a little different for lessons: We advertised through Parks and Rec, and we had our dancers pay for the entire set of lessons up front, \$68.00/person for 12 weeks. We believe that our students are probably not quite ready for a Randy Dibble dance, so we decided to hold mandatory DBD lessons, starting on December 3, open to everyone. They will be on Tuesdays from 6:30 to 8 p.m. until the Mid-Winter Festival. \$6/person, each night.

The VRD are dark on the 4th Friday in January for Mid-Winter.

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

The VS are dark in December and January. We will resume our 3rd Saturday night dances in February. We will also be starting beginning square dance lessons at that time. They will be on Tuesday nights, 7 to 9 p.m. starting on February 4. The first two nights are free; after that, \$6/person, or \$12/couple, or \$15/family, or \$3/youth.

Wave Steppers: (*Bob Allen, Delegate*)

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 have finished up our Wednesday night dances for the year. We will start our Wednesday night dances again on January 9, 2020. We hope to get more new students in our class, if we don't, we will try to improve our existing new dancers.

Our regular Saturday night dances will start up again in March, they will go through October.

On the second Thursday in December, we will be holding our Christmas Party, with the Wave Steppers and a group of line dancers.

Good of the Order:

Josie Rosenbury: Is there a list of all of the TVC new dancer dances in one document? Please let me know.

Judy Schnase: The TVC New Year's Eve Dance will be on Tuesday, December 31, 2019, at the IOOF Hall in Hillsboro. Mainstream with every third tip Plus. Darrell Kalmbach calling, Sherri Clark cueing. Open break with finger foods, salads and desserts. \$8/person at the door. Dance begins at 8:45 p.m. with a few rounds, ends about 15 minutes after midnight on January 1, 2020. The Eager Beavers and Sunset Promenaders will be co-hosting along with the TVC. Did everyone get the flyer for this dance?

Next TVC Meeting:

Monday, January 27, at the IOOF Hall, 267 E. Main Street, Hillsboro, OR 97123. Potluck will be at 6:00; meeting at 7.

Respectfully edited and published by Andis Garuts, TVC Secretary