



Tualatin Valley Council (TVC) 2014 08-25

Called to order about 7:00 at the
Pizza Caboose at 185th and Sunset Highway
<http://www.tualatinvalleycouncil.org>

Attendees:

Delegates:

Eager Beavers: Naomi Coorengel, Nan Overall
Hayshakers: Sylvia Davis, Kathy Worthington
Hoedowners: Bev Aldrich
Mix N Mingles: Janelle Janicke
R Square D: absent
Sunset Promenaders: Lalani Radford
Toe Draggers: Jim & Pat Olson
Tri Squares: Dale Brabham
Valley Squares: Andis Garuts, Bill Calder
Wave Steppers: Bob Allen

Officers, Elected & Appointed:

President: Gary Clark	Vice-President: Dale Brabham
Treasurer: Lane Clem	Secretary: Tom Sminia
State Delegate: Kathy Roberts	Sunshine: Dorothy Sullivan
Past President: Kay Rogers	OFN Area Editor: absent but emailed report
Caller Advisor: Daryl Clendenin	Cuer Advisor: Yvonne Clendenin

Visitors:

Janice Sminia, Ray Sullivan, Joyce Clark (Sunset Promenaders); Dale Worthington (Hayshakers); Mark Janicke (Mix 'N Mingle); Jim Rogers (Eager Beavers).

Officer Reports:

President's report: (Gary Clark)

I hope all of you are having a good summer so far. There have been many square dances to go to along with many festivals. There is also a good weekend of dancing coming up this weekend in Portland. Dance A-Rama is a National event so go to it and enjoy many callers and cuers along with dancers from all over the Nation.

As fall approaches some of the clubs will be starting lessons. I hope you have been doing a lot of advertising for class members. Remember the TVC will reimburse you for class advertising expense. Those of you who start classes in January beginning planning now for a great class.

The agenda is short on Old Business or New Business. I hope you delegates and officers might have some concerns or ideas to bring up at that time in the agenda. As September approaches it's like a new season for square dancing. Let's all get out and visit other clubs either as individuals or as a club visitation. Bringing enough

dancers to get a banner is always a good thing to encourage a visitation back to your club.

Our next TVC sponsored dance is the Hahn Barn Dance. Come out to help do some clean up for that dance and then plan on bringing a pot luck dish to the picnic around the pond before the dance. It will be a great evening to have fun with friends.

Again, support your club, the TVC dances and have fun.

Vice Presidents report: (Dale Brabham)

Upcoming events:

- September 28th, 2014 (Hahn Barn Dance, Sunday)
 - We will have sign up sheet at the next meeting for volunteers to help on the Hahn Potluck Picnic at the Pond and Dance in the Barn. We will need people to clean and set up before on Saturday 27th and then on the 28th to help on the door and also to clean up after. More volunteers we get the easier and quicker we get done. There is dry camping if you wish to camp overnight.
- October 31st, 2014 (5th Friday Round Dance Party)
 - Halloween Dance at the Tigard Grange with Ken Pratt as the MC Cuer with Cuers from the floor.
- November 29th 2014 (fifth Saturday)
 - Mainstream dance at the Aloha Grange with the Wild Cards calling and Helen Halley cueing.
- December 31st 2014 (Wednesday)
 - New Year's Eve Dance with Scott Zinser calling and Molly Combs cueing.
- July 29-31, 2016 State Summer Festival, Seaside
- If you are wondering about next year, so am I. If you have any suggestions for a fifth Saturday dances, please let us know. You can email me at dbrabham@mac.com with your suggestions.

Treasurer report: (Lane Clem) Lane handed out financial reports but since we have not had an event there were only minor changes. The present balance is \$13,035.67 at the end of July. One item was the Aloha Grange refunded the deposit they had asked the TVC to pay. Another item was paying Tom \$49.22 for the supplies used in producing the TVC 2014-2015 Directories. Lane needs to collect for the State Directories if can pay tonight that is good, if not tonight I am not going to be at the next meeting so please mail me a check for the ordered directories. Lane's address is 15495 NW Oak Hills Drive, Beaverton, OR 97006.

Lane will not be at the Hahn picnic and dance, so we need some volunteers to take care of the door including the split the pot, and calculate the information for attendance. Lane will take care of all the signs and sign-in sheets, etc. Gary will have the check books so he will be able to take care caller and cuer pay. Bill Calder volunteered to do these things and we will help support Bill at the dance.

Secretary report: (Tom Sminia) The TVC Directories are available to hand out during old business; that is about all that I have. Thank you.

State Delegates report: (Kathy Roberts)

No State meeting since the last meeting so there is no report. The State did award one \$500.00 scholarship this year to Mireya Bukite from Mid-Willamette and she is going to Chemeketa Community College and study agriculture.

As I mentioned in June there is going to be some changes in the OFN; the State committee is working a proposal of what changes we need to make; the decisions will be made at the September meeting. The proposal will probably be something like going on line to reduce the cost and yet keep the information available to dancers. Kathy is available to take suggestions to the committee working on this. One suggestion was to raise the price of the OFN, another to reduce the information down to reduce the cost. The Hoedowners would like to see a 6 month subscription for new dancers. Another idea was to not go on-line because some dancers do not have computers. By going on line the available information would be more up to date, now there is a whole month after the articles are submitted until they are published. The cost of putting the OFN or something like it on the internet would be so much less than the present printed magazine. If it goes on the web it will be done in a way that each club can print the pages. It can be setup so you can print off the section you wish; for example a list of classes and this can be so much more fresh information. The cost of printing pages is so little now. There are a lot of issues being discussed and worked on. Come to the State Meeting on September 21st in Salem and learn firsthand what is decided. Also Dale Worthington becomes our new president at the meeting.

The Youth will be dancing at the State Fair on September 1st from 11:00 to 12:00. If you want to dance to loud music and high energy with KC Curtis and Jonny Roberts calling come join us.

Past President report: (Kay Rogers)

I have a comment on the 2016 Summer Festival caller is Andy Allemao from California, and Dave Cooper will be the cuer. The rent is relatively cheap; we will be paying \$1,500 for the weekend and they do most of the facilities work for us but we will need a floor if we need more than one floor to dance on. We would pay at least a \$1,000 to put down a floor over a carpet or whatever. Many festivals around the country just dance on one floor and we can do that if we have sessions of dance of one hour each; such as Plus and Rounds one session, Mainstream and Rounds another session, etc. I would like to propose that we do the one floor setup with sessions and we need you to agree with that now so we can plan accordingly. Maybe we will take a vote at next month's meeting. Does that sound good? Then when word gets out we are doing that it will

affect our attendance one way or the other; so we need to stick with what we decide to do.

Also, at the September State meeting I will be handing out the insurance papers and we need to have someone from each club that is responsible be designated to receive these, process the papers and get them back to me done correctly.

Kay also mentioned that Dave Cooper and others will help struggling clubs to save them from failing. For example do the Wave Stepper need or want some help? Anyway if you know of a club that needs help the State does have funds and people to help if the club needs and wants some help.

OFN Area Editor Report: (Ferrous Steinka) Tom received an email from Ferrous and he was not able to attend because of other commitments. So Tom read the report and the complete report follows:

We have a new club reporter to welcome to our OFN family. Kimberlea Montoya has taken over the duties as reporter for the Sunset Promenaders, replacing interim reporters Tom and Janice Sminia. Kimberlea has already submitted her first report, a job well done.

Monthly, I send a reminder email to the club reporters, about a week before the deadline. If no report is received by the deadline, that club will not have a report in the TVC section of the Club Reports section of the OFN. The deadline for submitting a club report for the OFN is the first day of the month preceding the publication month, in this case, September 1st for the October issue.

Here is the current list of OFN reporters for the TVC clubs:

Eager Beavers - "Rachel Nettleton" <rachelnettleton@hotmail.com>

Hay Shakers - "Sylvia Davis" <s.m.davis@charter.net>

Hoedowners - "Krystal Laas" <donL66@comcast.net>

Mix 'N Mingle - "Patty Bonney" <pattybonney@hotmail.com>

R Square D - "Marie Geisler" <wmg82@hotmail.com>

"Toni Carroll" <carrollt122011@hotmail.com>

Sunset Promenaders - "Kimberlea Montoya" <ksmone@hotmail.com>

Toe Draggers - "Peggy Hults" <peggyhults43@q.com>

Tri-Squares - "Anita Woodside" <anitawoodside@aol.com>

Valley Squares - "Patt Hawthorne" <patthawthorne@hotmail.com>

Wave Steppers - "Joe Wrabek" <joe.wrabek@gmail.com>

OFN Area Editor - "Ferrous Steinka" <ferrouss@frontier.com>

Respectively submitted, Ferrous Steinka

Caller & Cuer Advisors report: (Daryl & Yvonne Clendenin)

Daryl's advice for the clubs is to start working hard now on getting your classes going. You need to get prepared for your students including doing all you can to promote your lessons and be prepared for students when they show up. Daryl is very concerned

because square dancing is dying. This is a negative comment but it is also a fact. If we do not do something about it, it will not be here for us.

Yvonne went to the US West Convention in Pendleton and it was fun and the sound system was great thanks to Daryl and his crew who did the work.

Sunshine Person report: (Dorothy Sullivan)

Jack Fisher, Sunset Promenaders, was very ill but is fine now. -

Roy Swart, Sunset Promenaders was testing a zip line for his children when it broke. He injured his back, had surgery, and he is healing well but still has to be careful.

John Fishback, Sunset Promenaders has cancer and was in the hospital and now is in rehab.

Richard Cason, Sunset Promenaders, his mother passed away.

Old Business:

Tom distributed the 2014-2015 TVC Directories to the Delegates.

New Business:

No new business discussed at this time.

Club Delegate Reports:

Eager Beavers: (Naomi Coorengel and Nan Overall, Delegates)

Club dances easy plus every Monday afternoon, 1:15 to 3:15 PM, at the Sunset Presbyterian Church (14986 NW Cornell Rd., Portland, 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). George Clark is the Caller/Cuer; Jim Hattrick is the Caller/Cuer every third Monday. Dance starts with 15 minutes of easy pre-rounds.

<http://www.eagerbeavers.info>

Eager Beaver had their annual picnic last month at Noble Woods Park.

The club had 23 Tumbleweeds dancers visited last week and their beaver mascot disappeared.

The Eager Beavers beach trip is being cancelled because of not enough people have committed to going. They need 25 minimum and only have 14 interested in going.

Submitted by Nan

Hayshakers: (Sylvia Davis and Kathy Worthington, Delegates) *Dance 1st Saturday M/S 7:30, also Plus on 1st and 3rd Friday at 6:00, dances run from October thru May. Dance at Pacific Grange, 90475 Hwy 101, Cullaby Lake, Warrenton, OR.*

<http://www.hayshakers.org>

The Hayshakers had their annual club picnic on Sunday. We had 7 of our 10 club members there. We also had 4 past members and 2 grange members show up. We are going to dance on 6 Sept with Harvey Hunsucker calling/cueing. The salmon fishing is still going strong so come and fish during the day and then dance with us that night.

Submitted by Kathy

Hoedowners: (Bev Aldrich and Debra Welch, 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 Yvonne Clendenin. Pre-Plus and Intermediate Rounds will be called from 7:00-8:00 and Mainstream from 8-10. Our format is informal and friendly. <http://www.hoedowners.info>

Our Ice Cream Sundae dance was August 9th, with guest caller Chuck Garner and guest Cuer Julie Stiers. We had a good turnout and those Sundaes were delicious on a warm summer evening.

Our Hot August Nights dance was August 23rd. We had 47 dancers, including two couples visiting from Texas square dance clubs. They thought in Oregon they would escape the Texas heat -- surprise!

One of the couples there is an international square dance ambassadors; Jim and Betty White.

Our September 13th dance is Knobby Knees (meaning you can wear shorts) with guest caller Roger Putzler and a guest Cuer.

Our September 27th dance is Indian Summer.

Please check our website for other upcoming dances.

Hoedowners support the OFN publication, and would like our new members to receive 6 months of the OFN. What is the status of any changes to the OFN because of the loss of money this year?

Submitted by Bev Aldrich

Mix N Mingle: (Patty Bonney, & Janelle Janicke Delegates)

Club dances Plus at the Winona Grange (8340 Seneca Street, Tualatin, OR) on 1st and 3rd Saturdays. Pre-Rounds begin at 7:00 PM (Levels 4 & 5), 7:30 PM (Levels 2 & 3) and Plus from 8:00 – 10:30 PM with level 2-4 Rounds. Randy Dibble is our club Caller and Jeanine Norden our club Cuer. Donation is \$4 per person at the dance for members, \$5 for non-members. www.mixandminglesquares.org

M 'n Ms will have their Watermelon dance September 6. Weather postponed the Root Beer Float dance to October 4th.

November 1st dance is our 30th anniversary and will also be our Mainstream Trophy Dance, a good time to have your ambassador badge card signed; we are hoping for a big turnout.

Submitted by Janelle

R Square D: (Tom Roberts, Delegate)

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). We dance 7:30 to 8:00 Plus and 8:00 to 10:00 Mainstream and refreshments after the dance. Craig Abercrombie is the caller and Lonnie Sycks is our Cuer. Our website is www.r-square-d.info Call 360-431-7553 or 360-636-3358 for more information.

No report this meeting.

Sunset Promenaders: *(Lalani Radford and Donna Evers, Delegates)*

Dance 1st & 3rd Saturdays. Dance starts at 7:30 with phase III round dances; then at 8:00 until 10:00 is our Mainstream dance with a plus tip at about 9:00, and a potluck break at 10:00. Our Caller is Mike (Julie) Stout and the Cuer is Ken (Dianne) Pratt. 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

We had a great, and hot summer: A visitation to Wave Steppers and a club picnic a few weeks ago at Noble Woods Park. We are planning and looking forward to our club camp out on Sept 11-14 in Lincoln City at Devils Lake RV Resort campgrounds.

We are starting a new dance format in Sept which means we will have a Plus Tip at 9:00. And that will allow us to have some intermediate rounds during the dance.

September 6th dance theme is Labor Day Dance

September 20th will be our "Your Favorite Sport Dance".

On Sunday September 28th we will be going to the TVC picnic and barn dance at the Hahn Farm which is also a OFN subscription dance; Subscribe for the OFN and get one person in free.

Seaside Sashay is October 24, and 25th. Please mail in your registration forms and get your ribbons. Joyce Clark is the contact on this. Submitted by Lalani

Toe Draggers: *(Jim & Pat Olson, Delegates) Dance at the Kinton Grange on the 1st Friday 7:30-8:00 Pre-Rounds, 8:00 to 10:00 Mainstream 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 Dragger's have had a busy and warm month of exciting dancing. Where has the summer gone? We'll be getting back from our club campout to Beverly Beach just in time for the TVC meeting; we had about thirty folks.

Our anniversary Dance is Sept. 5th with blackberry desserts and ice cream for everyone.

Sunday September 14th is our special dance "Are you Man Enough to Wear Pink? Dance for the Cure." There will be a variety of fun baskets to be auctioned off. All proceeds from the dance and baskets will be donated to the Susan G. Komen Fund.

Sept. 19th starts our "Adventure of Dancing Around the World" at the Kinton Grange. Travel passports will be available for everyone. Come join the festivities. Each month we'll celebrate a different country.

KC Curtis begins Plus Lessons on Sunday Sept. 21st from 2:00 P.M. to 3:30 P.M. then Bev Flint will follow with CHA lessons until 4:30 P.M. These classes will be held at the Kinton Grange.

We have sincerely enjoyed all the square dancers that have visited the Toes this summer. You all were encouraging and added special fun memories for us as a square dance community.
Respectfully Submitted Pat/Jim

Tri Squares: *(Dale Brabham and Adolf Eppich, Delegates)*

We dance on the first Saturday and third Friday of each month in the Tigard Grange at 13770SW Pacific Hwy in Tigard. Terry Halley is our club Caller with guest Cueing. We dance year around, except when the temperature exceeds 90 degrees. 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. Refreshments are served at 10:00. www.trisquares.com

Our Cuer Jackie Gale has resigned as the Tri Squares' Cuer because her husband got a job in Sweet Home and it is too far to drive to Tigard; so the club is having guest cuers for the time being.

Club is starting lessons on Sunday September 21st.

September 19th is our 16th year anniversary dance and our theme is "Sweet 16" and Jackie will be there for that. It has been 16 years since the three clubs merged to form the Tri Squares. Terry and Mike Halley will be the callers for this dance.

Our Club is looking for a cuer so if you know a cuer that interested in a club have them contact Frank Collett at phone number 503-620-7314 or email at collett@norwesters.net

The club had our picnic last Saturday at Cyber Park in Sherwood with 33 people enjoying the day. Marguerite Morin of the Eager Beavers came and showed us how to do skits and have a lot of fun.

We are starting Plus dance lessons at 2:00 on Sunday September 21st with Mainstream dance lessons following that at 3:30. We are running this at basic "B-51" level until winter and then start into Mainstream at that time; we did this last year and thought it worked successfully for us. We feel the club is not dying but actually growing because we had been able to recruit about 30 people to start lessons and get about 11 of those thru the lessons and join the club. This is all personal approach; personal invite, personal welcome when they come in the door, personal invitation to get into the square, and a personal invitation to dance when they come to a dance. We think it is that personal touch that makes it work.

Other dances are Saturday October 4th our "Fall Frolic"

And Friday October 17th dance is "60's Boat Fest".

Submitted by Dale

Valley Squares: *(Andis Garuts, and Bill Calder, Delegates)*

Dance 1st and 3rd Saturdays at the Aloha Grange on the corner of 185th and TV Hwy. Plus level with Intermediate and Phase Two rounds from 7-8 p.m. with Mainstream and

Phase 2 Rounds from 8-10 p.m. and refreshments at 10 p.m. with Chuck Garner Caller, Connie Clark Cuer. www.valleysquares.com.

The Valley Squares are going to have their Back to School Dance on September 6th.

Plus with Phase II-III Rounds at 7, MS with Rounds at 8, Hot Hash (maybe) at 10, then our meal afterwards. Caller: Chuck Garner, Cuer: Connie Clark. For our September 20 End of Summer Dance, the Caller will be Craig Abercrombie.

We had four dances in July and August. July 5: Picnic Party Dance. July 19: our 100 Grand Dance, where we challenged our Caller to come up with 100 calls that had the name Grand in them. Didn't quite happen, but we had fun anyway. August 2: Let's Just Dance. August 16: Dancing in the Dark. The lights were turned off in the hall and we were dancing with flashlights. These were very well attended. We had guest caller Terry Halley for that last dance in August.

We also did several visitations in the past two months. On July 18 we visited the Tri Squares; on July 25, the Valley River Dancers Dance Under the Stars, where the stars actually came out that night. On August 6 we visited the Bachelors 'n' Bachelorettes for national caller Mike Sikorsky. And on August 9: the Hoedowners, where our own Chuck Garner called and Julie Stiers cued.

We will be also having a raffle for a Civil War-themed lap quilt made by Julie Stiers.

Tickets for the raffle are available now from our VS members; they are \$1 each per ticket. The drawing will be held at our November 15 dance.

Also we are starting on either the 17th or the 23rd of September lessons titled "Mastering Mainstream and Beginning Plus Classes". These will be every Tuesday at the Aloha Grange thru December with Chuck Garner as caller and teacher.

Submitted by Andis

Wave Steppers: *(Carolyn Hindman, & Bob Allen Delegates)*

Dance 2nd Saturday April thru 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 had dances this summer and with other clubs visiting we had a good turnout, which helps us have a good time dancing. We are still meeting on Wednesday night at the Elks Club in Tillamook. Some of our newer dancers are coming along okay. In January we will try and do a class again, and hope to pick up a few more new dancers.

Our caller, Joe Wrabek, is doing well as he learns to call and the new dancers are learning to dance; a learning process for all.

We will have a dance in September and October and then we will stop until we start again in May; we are starting our planning for the coming year soon.

We really want to thank all the dancers that came down to visit us this summer. It makes our dance night fun and we hope all will be able to go away feeling they all had a good time. Thanks.

Submitted by Bob

Good of the Order:

(Kathy Roberts) Kathy is putting together a flyer for kids at the State Fair who show interest in taking Square Dance lessons and she will hand out flyer to kids on September 1st at the State Fair while the kids are dancing and this flyer will be for all the clubs in Oregon; so if your club is interested in having kids come to your lessons email her your lesson schedule and she will put it on the flyer. Also let her know what your age limits are so that can be on the flyer too.

(Dale Worthington) I am going to be the new Oregon Square Dance Federation president and I have an agenda to promote dancers to go to the festivals all over the state that the different councils have during the year; such as this weekend we are going down to the "The Beachcombers Battle Rock Festival" in Port Orford. I would like to see dancers go to festivals outside of their council. Maybe make this a vacation and go out and have fun with these other dancers. I did put a list of festivals in your folders for you to be aware of them.

(Joyce Clark) I do have ribbons for the Seaside Sashay and also a new item to mention is the River City Riders will be performing this year. Each club folder has registration forms in them and I have extra if you want to fill them out tonight.

Next TVC Meeting:

TVC's next meeting will be Monday, September 22nd at the Pizza Caboose starting at 7:00; some of us come early and have a meal before the meeting.

Respectfully edited and submitted by Tom Sminia, TVC Secretary
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