



Tualatin Valley Council (TVC) 2014-11-24

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

Attendees:

Delegates:

Eager Beavers: Nan Overall.
Hayshakers: absent, traveling.
Hoedowners: Bev Aldrich.
Mix N Mingles: absent
R Square D: Tom Roberts
Sunset Promenaders: Lalani Radford
Toe Draggers: Jim & Pat Olson
Tri Squares: Dale Brabham, Adolf Eppich
Valley Squares: Andis Garuts, Bill Calder
Wave Steppers: Bob Allen, Carolyn Hindman

Officers, Elected & Appointed:

President: Gary Clark	Vice-President: Dale Brabham
Treasurer: Lane Clem	Secretary: Tom Sminia
State Delegate: Kathy Worthington	Past-President, Insurance Chair: Kay Rogers
Caller Advisor: Daryl Clendenin	Cuer Advisor: Yvonne Clendenin
PAC Delegate and Oregon Federation Youth Advisor: Kathy Roberts	
Sunshine Chair: Dorothy Sullivan	

Visitors:

Janice Sminia, Joyce Clark, Ray Sullivan (Sunset Promenaders); Linda Brabham (Tri-Squares)

Officer Reports:

President's report: (Gary Clark)

10-27-2014 TVC Meeting minutes were approved by the delegates; Lane made the motion, Bill Calder seconded and it was passed by the delegates.

I hope you all have a great upcoming Thanksgiving. We all have many blessings we can be thankful for. The exercise we get from square dancing helps us all to stay healthy. Keep those in mind who are less fortunate and practice a random act of kindness, if you are so lead. With the 3 upcoming TVC Dances in line one month after the other we appreciate all those who help out to "Make it Happen". Keep up the good work. We are a great team and by pulling together they all will be wonderful dances.

Since we won't have a TVC meeting in December, let me be the first to wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. See you all at the New Year's Eve Dance. Plan on attending the Presidents Pot Luck TVC Meeting at the IOOF Hall in Hillsboro on January 26, 2015. We will try to start eating around 6:00. Bring your current and past club Presidents and introduce them. I have the honor to present the TVC Recognition Award at this meeting so come and congratulate the recipient. See you in a square somewhere.

Vice President's report: (Dale Brabham)

The **Halloween Round Dance** was a modest success with 24 dancers from TVC clubs and 7 from outside. Special recognition to Sunset Promenaders for bringing 13 dancers. Our thanks to all who helped, especially members of Tri Squares, who decorated the hall and served.

Coming up this Saturday is our **Thanksgiving Dance** at the Aloha grange from 7:30 - 10:30. We have volunteers for most spots through the efforts of the Hoedowners. Please remember to bring snacks for your club.

Preparations are in full swing for the **New Year's Eve Dance**. Let's make a push to get the tickets sold, so we can have a head count and assurance of success. Tonight we will re-distribute the tickets according to how many more each of you can practically sell. There are still openings to volunteer to help, and as usual, please organize some desserts to bring. We have 68-tickets left to sell, this is more than half to tickets still need to be sold. Joyce and Lane will have tickets available at this Saturday's dance, and dancers can contact Joyce and Lane for tickets after that. We need to know how many are coming to the dance so we prepare the right amount of food, etc.

As reported last month the 2015 dances are scheduled and now all contracts are signed. Please find the flyer for the first one of 2015 - **Rebound Dance**, on Jan. 31. This will conclude our ambitious dance stretch of 5 TVC dances in 5 months.

There is a flyer available for the January 31st dance now; please post these and get the word out so all the dancers know about it.

Below is a table of the TVC Dances through 2015:

Day:	DATE:	TIME:	THEME:	VENUE:	CALLER:	CUER:
Saturday	11/29/2014	7:30 - 10:30	Thanksgiving Dance	Aloha Grange	Wild Cards	Helen Halley
Wednesday	12/31/2014	7:30-12:15	New Year's Eve	IOOF Hall	Scott Zinzer	Molly Combs
Saturday	1/31/2015	7:30 -10:30	Mid-Winter Rebound	Kinton Grange	Darrel Kalmbach	Deb Combs
Saturday	5/30/2015	7:30 - 10:30	Spring Fling	Hillsboro Odd F.	Jim Hattrick	Tami Helms
Saturday	8/29/2015	6:30 - 10:00	Picnic & Barn Dance	Hahn Farm	Daryl Clendenin	Yvonne Clendenin
Hahn Picnic and Barn Dance times: 6:30 Picnic, 7:30 Pre-Rounds, Mainstream Dance from 8:00 to 10:00 with Plus tip every third tip including Intermediate Rounds.						
Saturday	10/31/2015	Tri Council dance hosted by PAC		N/A	N/A	N/A
Thursday	12/31/2015	7:30 - 12:15	New Year's Eve	Hillsboro Odd F.	Doug Davis	Randy Lewis

New Year's Eve times: Dinner at 7:30, Pre Rounds at 8:30 to 9:00, Mainstream Dance from 9:00 until 12:15; with Plus tip every 3rd tip including Intermediate Rounds.

Treasurer report: (Lane Clem)

I distributed the financial report and there is not a lot to comment on this month. The report details the Round Dance Party function.

The \$50 class expense is noted and was approved last meeting for the newspaper ad involving the PAC and TVC clubs concerning club lessons.

Checking balance is now \$1,310. We still have \$487 in fabric to be sold; it is being held by Kathy Roberts and is all cut ready to be sold to you to fabricate your 2016 Summer Festival promotional outfit. And we also have \$750 being held for a deposit to Seaside for the upcoming Summer Festival and this will be there until 2016.

All the delegates are receiving the IRS paperwork that each club needs to fill out including 1099 forms the club needs to fill out for anyone the club paid more than \$600 for the year. These packets need to get to the club treasurer so they will be able to fill them out. If you need more forms for some reason Lane will get them for you; you cannot make copies of these forms.

Secretary report: (Tom Sminia) No report.

State Delegates report: (Kathy Worthington) absent; in Florida and no report.

PAC Delegate report: (Report by Gary Clark for Kathy Roberts)

I attended the November 17th PAC meeting in Kathy Roberts place. They meet in the Oak Grove Community Center.

I have many PAC club flyers that were placed in front of me where I sat. If you are interested in any feel free to look at them.

Keith Miles, President had an agenda that was followed. There 5th Friday Dance in October on Halloween had 5 squares and showed a profit of \$44.00. The treasurer's report showed a healthy checking account balance. Under old business there was some discussion about Officer attendance at dances as they were to bring food for this dance. Only 5 officers showed up. I was asked how the TVC handles our Council dances and I said in the past one or two clubs were assigned to host the dances and that has worked for decorating, set up, food and clean up. I also mentioned about the attendance banner at TVC dances. I was thanked for this information.

I read the TVC report as well as the Youth Report written by Kathy Roberts.

The PAC needs chairpersons for the Star Light Parade, Web Master and summer picnic. Council planned events will be January 30th, 2015, May 29th, 2015 (Starlight Parade), July 31, 2015 and October 30th, 2015 (Tri-Council Dance)

A lot of discussion was had around the October 30th, 2015 Tri-Council Dance. The new venue that is being looked at is the Gresham, Cedarville Lodge. Keith is looking for a National Caller and one local caller and perhaps Molly Combs as the cuer. This lodge has an hourly rate for rent and a 4 hour maximum is being looked at with enough time for set up and clean up.

The PAC will have a Christmas Dinner Party on the 15th at a restaurant for \$12. In June they will have a Council Picnic and go dark for meetings in July & August.

State Youth Activities Report: (Kathy Roberts)

If you know of any kids that are graduating this year and are members of a square dance club there are \$1,000-scholarships available and they should be applying to the USDA right now.. The deadline for applying is January 31st. The Oregon scholarship deadline is May 1st for \$500.

Also if you have any kids that need monetary help going to Mid-Winter Festival Kathy has funds available to help, this includes kids taking lessons.

We have a real good youth program set up for the Festival. Jonny Roberts is the youth caller and we have a special old fashion party with a lot of things to do besides dancing.

Generally speaking, Kathy needs a one line statement from the club about a kid in need and she can help monetarily on various square dance activities. This includes kids that are home schooled, etc. Just let her know and she will work on it, because if you get the kids to go the parents will follow.

Past President Report: (Kay Rogers) absent and no report.

(Gary) Part of Kay's job as Past President is to get volunteers to run for the TVC slate of officers for next year which starts in May. We need at least a Vice President, and a Secretary. Lane has said he would go another year as Treasurer and Dale is volunteering to run for President. Then of course there are the appointed officers to get this TVC to function. As Delegates you are qualified with your experience to take on these jobs and you know people in your clubs that can do this stuff too; please help us keep the TVC going and help us make it even better.

Sunshine Chair Report: (Dorothy Sullivan)

Email information received about Jim Hatrick:

Here is today's update from Judy Hatrick.

Jim has a little set back; his white blood count was elevated so they did a cat scan which showed he has several small pockets of infection. The P.A. said if it doesn't clear up they may have to go back in to clean it out. As you can imagine, his spirits plummeted.

Please keep the prayers coming.

Judy Hatrick

Dorothy reports the following:

Nancy Clark had her gallbladder removed (Eager Beaver)

Ken & Dianne Pratt (Sunset Promenaders) were injured in a car accident.

Janice Sminia fell and hurt her back at a dance but is now healing and feeling better.

(Note: if anyone gets injured at a dance they need to go to the Federation website and fill out an accident form for the liability insurance company even if they don't think they will need it.)

Webmaster for the new OFN: (Tim Roberts) Comments by Gary: Tim is busy setting up the website for the Oregon Federated News, the square dance newsletter, and he has posted the December edition on the internet now and it is available to anyone who wishes to see and read it. The work is still in the formative state but it is looking really good at this time.

One example of the positive impact, Tom Sminia commented he sent in a new flyer to Tim and the flyer was on the website the next day! This is so different from waiting 4 to 6-weeks for things to happen when we waited for the printed version to be published and mailed out to us. This is real progress.

OFN Area Editor Report: (Ferrous Steinka) No report

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

Daryl and Yvonne visited with Jim Hatrick in the hospital this morning and Jim has several pocket of infection in the area of his intestine problem that the doctors operated on last week. They are treating this with medicine at this point and if that does not work they will have to operate on him again. This is not good news.

We have a few flyers for a benefit dance for Jim and it will be Sunday December 21st from 2 until 5 pm at the Milwaukie Community Center.

At the Hoedowners Club they put out a donation pot and plus they decided to give the club's half of split the pot. The fellow that won the pot also put his half in the donation and it totaled out to be about \$185. This will help Jim for the dances he is going to miss in the next months.

Old Business:

The Wave Steppers brought back the attendance banner they got about a year ago and we had lost track of the banner and wondered where it was. Now we have it back and we are going to use it this Saturday for the club with the most percentage of their club at a TVC dance. It is a contest to see who has the best turnout for a TVC dance and we want to encourage this. So comment was made about a small club seems to have an advantage in getting a higher percentage but his still seems to be a good measure. One suggestion was to make the club that has the banner ineligible to win the banner the next dance and that seemed to make sense.

Gary mentioned that the Oregonian paper ad is coming out on "Black Friday" this week and we are hoping that Carolene will have a problem answering all the calls about square dance lessons. Adolf commented on their club good fortune of having their newspaper publishing a good article about their club including a schedule of our classes and the timing was good to help them gain students; the club received triple the number they normally would have and it stayed high for about a month. The newspaper really helped them promote their lessons, and it double the class size. The point being see if you can use your local newspaper, it can make a difference. Gary mentioned that the clubs can get up to \$200 from the TVC for money spent to promote square dance lessons each year, including banners, ads, etc.

New Business:

Gary mentioned that we need to continue promoting on going on visitations to clubs and anniversary dances. If you go visiting clubs you will get a banner and then the club will come to your dance to get their banner back, and maybe get your banner, etc. This includes clubs in the PAC and Evergreen Councils besides the TVC.

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>

The Eager Beavers had 22-dancers go to the Hoedowners "Turkey Toss" and three of them brought turkeys home. Our next visitation will be to the Tri Squares where our Joyce Hooper will be cueing for us on December 19th.

Daryl Clendenin has been helping us by calling for the club's dance in place of Jim Hattrick who is very sick.

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>*

Dale and Kathy are in Florida and Sylvia said that she can't make the meeting, and there is no report except.

Everyone, have a wonderful holiday season. (Sylvia Davis, Kathy Worthington via email)

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>

This past weekend, November 22nd, was our annual Turkey Toss dance. Nine lucky winners went home with turkeys for their Thanksgiving dinner.

Both the Eager Beavers and the Valley Squares had official visitations to our dance, along with folks from other clubs.

We had a minor flood in the basement of our grange that day, but Donnie Laas and Larry Siemer worked hard all day to prevent any permanent damage to our newly painted basement. You're invited to one of our dances have a good time and admire our new and improved basement.

Upcoming December dances are the New Dancer Jamboree on Sunday, December 7th, from 1:30 - 3:30. Please invite your own new dancers and join us for a good time.

Our Toyland Dance is Saturday, December 13th, please bring an unwrapped toy.

Our Pajama Party Dance is Saturday, December 27th. And, yes, you can wear your pajamas.

Visitations for the Hoedowners Club are the November 29th TVC Dance; the Sunset Promenaders Dance on December 20th; and the December 31st TVC New Year's Eve Dance.

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

We will hold our annual Canned Food Dance on December 20 and hope that the stage will be bountifully decorated with the contributions to the food bank.

Patty Bonney

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.

We saluted our veterans with a rousing dance on November 14th, Thank You to our Military. Steve Noseck was our caller with a little help from Bill Lundin; Lonnie Sycks did the cueing. We had visitations from Buzzin Bees, Cougar Squares, Harbor Haylofters, Happy Hoppers and Hoedowners. Everyone marched to the music and enjoyed the evening of honoring those who serve.

The 17th of November found us gathering for our monthly meeting hosted by Charlotte and Cliff Houghtlen, thanks to them both.

On November 22nd we hosted our Thanksgiving dance, Craig Abercrombie gobbled his way through the evening and provided an enjoyable time for all. Lonnie Sykes provided additional cueing and cackling, we trotted the evening away. Visitations were from Stardust, Ruff and Ruffles and Cougar Squares.

R Square D lost a friend and dancer this month; Bill Lammi was put to rest on the 17th with many attending his service. We will miss seeing him come through our dance hall entryway. He was killed in an accident by a driver that did not see him crossing the street and hit him.

December 12th have our "Toy Dance", please bring a toy and a receipt.

Beginning lessons on January 7th.

We want to wish everyone happy Thanksgiving and a Merry Christmas.

Tom Roberts

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*

Our Lessons will start on January 4th from 4-6 pm. Send anyone you might have in our area and come and angel if you can.

Darrell Kalmbach is calling our December dances on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays. Ken Pratt will be cueing.

Promenaders want to thank everyone who have been visiting our Promenade Plus dances on 1st and 3rd Thurs. It has been so much fun. Therefore, if you dance Plus or need to brush up on your skills please come and give this a try; Darryl will make it fun for you in the squares and Ken will make the Rounds fun with Intermediates thrown in.

A thank you to everyone who donated food at our dances we took over 100-pounds to St. Vincent de Paul. We will continue to take donations in December. We visited a PAC club, Chaps & Petticoats on Friday the 21st with 10 club members and we got their banner. Great dance.

Lalani Radford

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

Our Progressive Dinner was a fun, cold 26 degree evening with great food and good friends. We have such a supportive club that always has a good time together.

Our Plus and Cha classes visited the Plus Dance mini jamboree at Sunset Promenaders, Nov. 11th in Hillsboro. Both of our classes ended yesterday.

We are collecting canned food for the month of Nov, and toys for our December dances.

England is the country we celebrate for the month of Dec. Dec. 19th we celebrate the Christmas holidays with an English "Boxing Day" celebration. Bring your passports.

January we are touring France. Come and join us for our "Topsey Turvy" festival.

Our tickets for the New Year's Eve Dance went fast. Our dancers are looking forward to dining and dancing in the New Year.

Our club lessons for mainstream and round dancing begin Jan. 4th at the Kinton Grange. Our new dancer's jamboree will be March 8th, 2015. Pat and Jim Olson

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 with Round Dances from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m. There is a Plus Dance tip around 9:15. Refreshments are served at 10:00. www.trisquares.com

We are still pursuing a full time Cuer for our dances on the first Saturday and third Friday of the month. Sandra Pinion filled in at our dance this past Friday, Nov. 22nd.

Our club made a visitation to the Oakie Doaks in Milwaukie on Friday, Nov. 15th. We had over a square in attendance and managed to bring home one of their banners.

Mainstream lessons are going well. We will finish up B51 on Sunday, Nov. 30th. It looks like we will have at least 18-students graduating from B51 level. Most of them have indicated they will continue on Jan. 4th with the balance of Mainstream lessons toward graduation 10 weeks thereafter.

Plus lessons are also going well concurrent with Mainstream on Sunday afternoons. Plus happens from 2-3 PM and Mainstream from 3:30-5:30 PM.

Our Dec. 6th first Saturday dance theme is "Home on the Range", while our Dec. 19th third Friday dance theme is "Christmas Around the World".

Dances begin at 7:30 PM with pre rounds for 15-minutes, and 15-minutes of Plus; followed by Mainstream at 8:00 PM with Rounds in between. We have a Plus tip around 9:00 PM as well. Dance ends at 10:00 PM with refreshments and meeting afterwards in the basement of the Tigard Grange Hall on Pacific Hwy. Adolf Eppich

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.

Our Tailgate Party dance on Nov. 15 was a whole lot of fun. Everyone who attended really liked our hot dog dinner before the dance. We also raffled off our Civil War quilt that evening; it went to our own Bill Calder.

Our Toy Drive/White Christmas Dance will be held on Dec. 6. Please bring a new unwrapped toy for donation. Plus w/ Ph. II-III rounds at 7, MS with rounds at 8. Chuck Garner calling, Connie Clark cueing.

On Dec. 20 we will hold our annual Christmas Dance. Join us for a night of Christmas Cheer. Chuck calling; Connie cueing.

Our Mastering Mainstream/Beginning Plus classes will be coming to a close in December. These have been very successful. Several of our students have been able to dance the Plus tips with few or no problems.

We will be starting New Dancer classes on the second Tuesday in January. These will last through May or early June. These will start at 7 p.m. every Tuesday and end at 9 p.m. If you know of anyone who would like to learn how to square dance, please let us know ahead of time.

Andis Garuts

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.

The club is dark for the winter months until next May.

We are still doing our Wednesday night dance/workshop at the Elks club in Tillamook.

The plan is to have lessons starting in January 2015. Bob Allen

Good of the Order:

The December issue of the online OFN is now available at:

<http://squaredance.gen.or.us/ofn-2014-12.html> .

If you forget that one, there is a link to the current issue in the “quick index” of the Federation’s main web site (home page of the website, near the top of the page on the left side).

Kathy Roberts suggested we have a raffle at the Hattrick Benefit Dance. We are asking the each club in the PAC, TVC, and Evergreen Council to donate a basket to use in a raffle at the dance. She made this a motion and Lane seconded, and motion carried.

Kathy also suggested the TVC put together an ornament basket, made of Christmas ornaments that dancers bring to the dance this Saturday and Kathy will put it together and this will be auctioned at the Hattrick Dance.

So Delegates please work with your club to get a basket together for the benefit dance for Jim Hattrick to be sold in the raffle at the dance on Sunday December 21st between 2 and 5-pm in Milwaukie. This is serious situation to help this family coupe with their situation.

Next TVC Meeting:

The TVC will not have a December meeting and the January meeting will be at the Hillsboro Odd Fellows Hall. The meeting will be a potluck dinner and the meeting is called The President’s Meeting. All are invited with a special invitation to all the past, present, and future Club Presidents. Another special feature of this meeting will be the presentation of the Tualatin Valley Council Recognition Award to some person or couple that have done outstanding work for square dancing. Also at that time we ask for nominations for next year’s TVC Officers, so please work at coming up with people that will volunteer to do a job for the TVC.

Respectfully edited by Tom Sminia, TVC Secretary