

Tualatin Valley Council (TVC) 2016-01-25

Meeting was held at Hillsboro IOOF Hall, 267 E. Main St. Hillsboro, OR 97123 Potluck Dinner started at 6:00 pm The meeting started about 7:00 and adjourned about 8:30. <u>http://www.tualatinvalleycouncil.org</u>

Attendees:

Delegates: Attendees:

Columbia River Dancers:	Dale & Nancy Smith
Eager Beavers:	Nan Overall
Hayshakers:	Kathy Worthington, Sylvia Davis
Hoedowners:	Debra Welch, Mike Duyck
Mix N Mingles:	Patty Bonney
R Square D:	Marv Pope, Mary McDaniel
Sunset Promenaders:	Janice Sminia, Donna Evers
Toe Draggers:	Kathy Roberts
Tri Squares:	Dale Brabham, Adolf Eppich
Valley Squares:	Bill Calder
Wave Steppers:	Carolyn Hindman, Bob Allen

Officers, Elected & Appointed, Attendees:

President: Gary ClarkVice-President: Dale BrabhamTreasurer: Lane ClemSecretary: Tom SminiaState Delegate: Kathy WorthingtonSunshine Chair: Dorothy SullivanPast-President of the TVC, Insurance Chair:AbsentChairman 2016 Summer Festival, President of OFSRDC: Kay Rogers, but sent a reportCaller & Cuer Advisors:Daryl Clendenin & Yvonne ClendeninOregon Federation Youth Advisor:Kathy RobertsTVC Webmaster: (also Federation Webmaster, Parliamentarian, and Oregon Federation NewsEditor, etc.)

Visitors Attending:

Ray Sullivan, Joyce Clark, President Gary & Bette Hahn, Judy Schnase (Sunset Promenaders); Marie Clem (Eager Beavers); President Sharon Tefelske (Valley Squares); Linda Brabham, Vida Eppich, President Gloria Davis (Tri-Squares); Dale Worthington (Hayshakers) Amanda Roberts (Toe Draggers); Joanne Switzer (Hoedowners & Eager Beavers).

TVC Officer Reports:

President's report: (Gary Clark)

Thanks to all who made the 2015 New Year's Eve Dance a success. You all came through and it was a good night of dancing. It was a good way to bring in the New Year. Later on the agenda we will plan for the 2016 New Year's Eve Dance.

Let's all support our next 5th Saturday TVC Dance on April 30th with Jim Hattrick calling and Ken Pratt cueing. Please post the flyer on your club's bulletin board.

Thanks to all who came out tonight and for the good Pot Luck. Welcome all of you current and past Presidents.

Enjoy Mid-Winter and most of all have FUN.

Vice President's report: (Dale Brabham)

The New Year's Eve Dinner Dance turned out to be a big success, which loosely means a lot of people showed up and had fun while we (the TVC) made money (or at least did not lose money). Many thanks goes to the leadership for tireless efforts to make this dance happen. But a very special thanks goes out to Gary & Joyce and Janice & Tom for preparing the delicious food. Thanks to Debbie and Debra for providing and setting up decorations that created an Italian theme. Thanks to Nan and Marie for helping Lane at the door. Nan demonstrated an uncanny knack for selling split-the-pot tickets. Thanks to the many kind people that brought desserts and to those who pitched in and helped with transition and clean-up.

There were, however, some tense moments when the leadership had concerns about potential shortage in attendance. We are considering how this dance should continue in the future. It has been a tradition and always successful, so we want to build on that. We are already at this time planning for the next New Year's Eve dinner dance and need your feedback. If we contract a national caller, we need continued commitment from the TVC delegates to promote and make the dance successful. Changes in format can be considered too. Please send me your ideas on what you want for this dance.

Our next dance is the **Spring Fling on April 30th** at the Aloha Grange. Jim Hattrick is calling and Ken Pratt is cueing. Please find flyers for this dance in your packets and promote. Additional printed flyers are available.

Our annual Hahn Barn Dance is set for August 21, a Sunday. Terry Haley will call, and Julie Stiers will cue.

Treasurer's report: (Lane Clem)

Lane distributed the financial reports and reminder the Delegates that the **Club needs to fill a 1099** form by January 31st and send to the IRS for anyone you paid \$600 or more in 2015. The report is in the new format using "Quick Books" and this will be handed off to the next Treasurer in May. We had a profit of \$157.11 from the New Year's Eve Dinner and Dance. Included in the report is a summary of the 2016 Summer Festival as of this date. We are going to promote and sell tickets, etc. at the Mid-Winter Festival so we should be looking good after this as we are about to break even now. Lane had put together packets of ribbons and other information for the Mid-Winter Festival and these are available for anyone that would volunteer to work at selling these items at Mid-Winter.

Secretary report: (Tom Sminia) No report.

State Delegates report: (Kathy Worthington) There has not been a State meeting so there is no report, but Dale Worthington has something to ask. Dale is asking us to consider being nominated for a State Federation office such as: First Vice President (which then becomes President), Second Vice President, Secretary, and Membership Chairman. Anyone considering volunteering for this please contact Dale or Lane.

PAC report: (Kathy Roberts)

The PAC's January, 5th Friday dance has been canceled for Midwinter.

Oregon Federation Youth (Coordinator Kathy Roberts)

Remember to encourage your square dancing high school seniors and college freshmen to check out scholarship opportunities.

If you are taking kids with you to midwinter be sure to check out the youth program. They have a lot of fun activities planned including pizza and dancing in Abby's pizza. Contact Kathy if you have any questions at: <u>kathy@4roberts.us</u>

2016 Summer Festival (Chairman, Kay Rogers) Kay was unable to make it to the meeting but emailed a report, and the following report was read by Tom Sminia at the meeting.

Mid-Winter will be a big push for our Summer Festival including the TVC manning a registration table there. The "Crew" will be our callers for the after party on Saturday night. Please wear your outfits if you have them for the parade of states and or the after party.

Lane and Marie are our registration chairmen. He has a presentation regarding the packets he has made up. The main thing we are in need of now is registrations. After expenses are met, the profit is determined by the number of people registered. My plan for the profit after the split with the State Federation is to determine the dollars divided by the number of TVC federated dancers registered. The dollars will go to each federated club the dancers belong to.

I have these Live Lively stickers to sell for \$1 per sheet. Please use them on all your stuff. We also have some fabric still available for anyone that wants some at \$10 a yard.

Andy Allemao is a very popular southern California caller and will be our festival caller. The exhibition group Heritage Dancers are from his area and are coming to support Andy and do an exhibition for us on Friday and Saturday nights. Also, we all love Dave Cooper and he will be our featured cuer. Some of our other great Oregon callers and cuers will also be on the program, thanks to the talents and energy of Daryl Clendenin.

Mark your calendars and plan to attend. We get a 15% discount at the Inn at Seaside and the River Inn. Tell them you are with the square dancers to get the discount. Make sure to get your reservations early. There will be a one day for \$20 at the door available.

Sunshine report: (Dorothy Sullivan)

TVC sent cards to:

- Carson Bailey (Sunset Promenaders) his wife, Cathy, passed away.
- Jim Hattrick (Eager Beavers) had a stroke, but is doing very well now.
- Clare Enloe (Eager Beavers) passed away from cancer.
- Lalani Radford (Sunset Promenaders) was ill but is doing better now.
- Ryan Kelly (Columbia River Dancers) was in an accident and died.
- Rex Williams (Eager Beavers) his wife died.

Kay Rogers also told us that Jim injured his hand requiring 16-stiches and will also require surgery.

OFN Area Editor report: (Ferrous Steinka) absent, but sent an email listing the OFN reporters for each Club in the Council.

List of TVC reporters that write the OFN articles each month:

- Nick Johnson, Columbia River Dancers
- Rachel Nettleton, Eager Beavers
- Sylvia Davis, Hay Shakers
- Krytsal Laas, Hoedowners
- Patty Bonney, Mix 'N Mingles
- Marie Geisler, R Square D
- Toni Carroll, R Square D
- Tom & Janice Sminia, Sunset Promenaders
- Pat Olson, Toe Draggers
- Leslie Woodland, Tri-Squares
- Patt Hawthorne, Valley Squares
- Joe Wrabek, Wave Steppers
- Ferrous Steinka, OFN Area Editor

Thank you reporters for your articles for the Oregon Federated News now on Federation the website.

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

Daryl got a call from probably one of the top international callers the other day and this caller will be coming through the area first Sunday in March of 2017 which is the 5th, and he would like to have a dance. He asked Daryl if he would setup a dance for this caller. Later after the call **Daryl thought maybe the TVC would like to sponsor the dance with Gary as the caller. Has anyone heard of Gary Shoemake? They don't get any better than Gary Shoemake, and Daryl thinks his name alone will bring square dancers. What we discussed as terms would be 80% after the hall rent. So, Daryl talked to him this morning and suggested that maybe the TVC would be interested in doing the dance, and he asked if that would be the same deal and Daryl said that would depend on the TVC to negotiate that with him.**

Also, Daryl talked to Jim Hattrick and he is doing very well and Daryl thinks he will be back calling soon. The doctors have implanted a recorder in Jim to determine the health of his heart, whether he is having A-fib, or what is going on that may be causing Jim a health problem. He is planning on teaching his class tonight, hopefully he won't have any problems. Craig Abercrombie and Mark Wheeler will be there in case he needs help.

Yvonne mentioned that the Round of the month is a two-step "Love you too much", she has the music, the cues and will be using it soon.

Webmaster report: (Tim Roberts) No report.

Old Business:

As usual, we always recommend you have Club visitations, especially for other Club's Anniversary Dances.

The New Year's Eve Dinner and Dance the percentage attendance banner has been calculated with 2 people from the Braves and Braves, 2 from the Buzzin' Bees, 3 independents, 6% Wave Steppers, Tri Squares 14%, Eager Beavers 18%, Toe Draggers 21%, Valley Squares 23%, Hoedowners 25%, Sunset Promenaders 36% and the winner of the TVC Dance Attendance Banner.

Report concerning the TV Square Dance Promotion "Out and About with Drew Carney", on January 6th 2016, 5:00 to 7:00 am, at the Aloha Grange.

It all started with an email on Nov 24, 2015 to <u>newsdesk@kgw.com</u> Subject: For Drew Carney – Square Dancing Lessons.

Drew called me about a month later and suggested the date of Jan 6, 2016.

I put the word out by email to all TVC clubs and the PAC secretary. The response was good and we expected at least 3 squares.

On the morning of January 6th we ended up with four squares and a few spares made up of dancers from Eager Beavers, Happy Hoppers, Hoedowners, Oaky Doaks, Rosetown Ramblers, Silver Knights, Sunset Promenaders, Toe Draggers, and Valley Squares. It was a very lively group. There was more than a full square of teenagers, mostly from the Silver Knights from Silverton. Janienne States Alexander, a new caller acted as the spokesperson and Drew Carney's teacher/dance partner. She and Drew danced with her daughter and Jeff Knapp. Drew picked it up quickly and the four of them danced enthusiastically for the camera.

Drew joined with Chuck Garner on the stage for a short time. He took some notes and called a few moves. The dancers cheered him on then voted to have Chuck back as their caller.

Over all it was an enjoyable two hours of dancing. Drew Carney made the show fun with his upbeat personality and flamboyant dance moves.

The Channel 8 TV spots looked great and hopefully, created additional interest in square dancing. Reported by: Bill Calder, Valley Squares

There was a general discussion about square dance lessons in which it was mentioned that this year seems to be a sparse number of students and some talk about using the "A B C Program which has a three step one night stand type dances geared for now dances to introduce them to the simple moves of square dance. Then, if the people like this, have them join a regular square dance lesson group for the real thing.

New Business:

Lane and Ferrous have been working on updating a document for the TVC delegates and officers. This document is meant to be a guide for the delegates and officers to follow in performing their TVC tasks. This is not a new document, this is a revision of a document and it is an important document in explaining the jobs we as volunteers should be doing. This document has been sent out on January 26th to all the TVC officers and delegates and we hope you will read this and come to the next meeting, February 22nd, with any questions, concerns, or suggestions you have. After discussion the intent is we will vote on this revision to either accept, or reject the document. The real hope is that we can work together using these guides in the future to build a better square dance community.

Next item to discuss is the **Annual TVC New Year's Eve** event. We as a council want to insure that what we have been doing is what we want to do or should we change this event. We have all kinds of options to consider. We have been having a full meal prior to the dance and desserts later during the dance. Also, the cooks for the last few years have been the same people and they want to pass this on to other people. So as an action item, go back to your club and discuss this with your members and come back with some fresh ideas. In the last few years this dance attendance has declined, where this was one of our biggest dances, and now it not. There is more competition on this New Year's Eve date now than before and it seems some of the dancers are preferring a Plus dance. We need to know what kind of caller you want, what foods you wish, what times you prefer, etc. **Please consider this as an action item**.

Another item for the agenda is the **Star Light Parade**. This is a PAC event and they would like some help on this.

2015 TVC Outstanding Contribution Recognition Award:

This award started in 1994 and each year the TVC President chooses some couple or individual that has been an outstanding contributor to square dancing activity. This following is the presentation made by TVC President Gary Clark to award Lane and Marie Clem for 2015 award.

Lane and Marie love square dancing but it took a few classes to get them involved. The first class they took was in the late 1980's and after they graduated life's business got in the way and they never joined a club. They took time out from their busy schedule and took another class in the 90's and didn't join a club. Then when Lane retired in 2008 they took their final square dance class with the Valley Squares and joined.

They immediately became involved and Marie became Secretary and Lane Treasurer of the Valley Squares. During this time Marie was in charge of re-writing the by-laws and the Practices and Procedures for the Valley Squares.

After they learned Plus they joined the Eager Beavers. They were instrumental in obtaining the Sunset Presbyterian Church gym for the Eager Beavers' dance site. Marie is the current Vice President of the Eager Beavers

Lane has been the Treasurer for the TVC for the past 3 years. I can tell you, he can have a report to me on who wins the attendance banner before a dance is half over. He will have the financial report on a dance done by the next day.

He has helped re-write the TVC by-laws and Constitution, the P & P's and just recently the Delegates Introduction to TVC document.

Lane is currently in a 2-year term as Treasurer of the State Federation.

With all of this I, Gary Clark, President of the Tualatin Valley Council presents you, Lane &Marie Clem, this TVC Recognition Award plaque for you to keep for 2015 year and these bars for
your badges.Congratulations to Lane & Marie Clem



Next item on the agenda is the <u>nomination of officers</u> for the next year's term which starting in May. We need candidates for all but the President as Dale Brabham is moving up to that from Vice-President. So, TVC needs nominations for vice-president, treasurer, secretary, and State Delegate (these TVC officers take over the office in May, except the State Delegate which takes office at the September State Federation meeting).

Club Delegate Reports:

Columbia River Dancers: (Dale & Nancy Smith Delegates)

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. <u>http://www.ColumbiaRiverDancers.org</u>

We made it! Columbia River Dancers is 1 year old, and what a ride it's been -- like a roller coaster, and the excitement and sometimes fear, and it just doesn't stop.

We've moved from the YMCA to the Hazel Dell Grange. We won't have air conditioning anymore, but we've learned that you can't always count on it anyway!

We've also changed our lesson day not just once, but twice this year, and it's still only January. As you may know, Jim Hattrick suffered a stroke at our first lesson that we held at the Grange, so it was a group of square dancers that quickly reacted to get emergency medical aid. He's doing much better now, and is even able to call part of a dance. But we needed to make some quick adjustments. So our lessons will now be held on **Tuesdays** which was when Jim had originally planned to hold his Tuesday "Plus and a Little Bit More" dances. And instead of Jim calling our dance last Saturday, we hired The King himself, Elvis! Well... Mark Wheeler. Jim showed up as well and called several tips. He never fails to amaze us.

Our first dance in February will be the 13th and Craig Abercrombie will be calling and cueing. (At least that's the plan for now.)

We hope to have Jim back and calling on February 27th, the fourth Saturday of the month. And then on <u>March 12th Adam Christman</u> from Spokane will be calling our first <u>anniversary dance</u>. (We know the TVC directory says our anniversary dance is scheduled for February 26 of 2106, but we thought we'd have it a bit sooner than 90 years from now). We hope you will join us as we celebrate our very first birthday! Nancy

Eager Beavers: (Naomi Coorengel & 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). Daryl and Yvonne Clendenin are 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 Mondays each month. Dance starts with 15 minutes of easy pre-rounds. For information call 503-645-2414; <u>http://www.eagerbeavers.info</u>

Beavers will have their "Valentine Dance". February 8th they will crown the "King and Queen of the Dance". Come and enjoy this special dance.

Feb 15th Plus classes will start from noon to 1:30 pm, then keeping them for our dance and having them practice what they have learn until 1:30. Then we will go into the regular Plus dance to 3:15.

On February 27th we are having a visitation to the Hoedowners Anniversary Dance. On the 5th Monday the Club goes out to eat after the dance.

The Eager Beavers are having their **Anniversary Dance** on April 24th at the Hillsboro IOOF Hall.

Come to dance with the Beavers on Mondays at the Sunset Presbyterian Church 14986 NW Cornell. Hope to see you. Nan

Hayshakers: (Kathy Worthington and Sylvia Davis)

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Hayshakers are now dancing the 1st Friday's from 6:30 pm. Harvey Hunsucker 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. <u>http://www.hayshakers.org</u>

Since our last report, the Hayshakers club tried to have lessons but the weather wouldn't cooperate so we had to cancel the classes. We are looking at some other time in the spring. With the help of the Wave Steppers we have been having dances but call first as we move the date around. Kathy

Hoedowners: (Debra Welch, 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 Yvonne Clendenin. 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. <u>http://www.hoedowners.info</u>

Mike introduced visitor Joanne Switzer who he has known for about 40-years; she is a member of the Hoedowners and Eager Beavers but she does not dance but we are working on that.

In February we hope to see you on the 13th for our "Queen of Hearts" dance.

On February 27th is our **66th Anniversary Dance!!** "Where were you in February 1950"? We'll be serving a chicken dinner at 6:15, 7-9 pm Mainstream with Plus from 9:10-10pm. Daryl & Yvonne Clendenin will call and cue at the Aloha Grange on 185th and TV Hwy. Mike

Mix N Mingle: (Patty Bonney and 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. The door donation is \$5 for members and \$6 for non-members. Randy Dibble is our club Caller and Jeanine Norden our club Cuer. <u>www.mixandminglesquares.org</u>

Due to changes that arise, dancers should double check our website as to the caller and cuer, and for changes due to weather conditions. www.mixandminglesquares.org

R Square D: (Mary McDaniel, Marv Pope)

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 <u>www.r-square-d.info</u> Call 360-431-7553 or 360-636-3358 for more information.

We were host to the Washington State Federation this month for their meetings, we put on a great Breakfast for about 40 people with pancakes, eggs, and sausage. We had a Luncheon on Saturday the16th and held a Friday night dance with 8-squares at the Rose Valley Grange.

Saturday night dance with 9-squares and was hosted by Ruff and Ruffles at the Grange in Kelso, with a great turn out of the clubs and dancers from around the state. This is preparing for the pg. 8

Washington State Summer Festival in June 2016. The Club was very proud of what we did, and thankful for the good turnout of dancers.

The Club also is in the process of having an election of our club officers.

Our next dance is February 12th and it is our "Sweethearts Dance".

We are also donating a Basket to the Mid-Winter Festival in Albany so have been very busy this last month. Mary

Sunset Promenaders: (Janice Sminia and Donna Evers, Delegates)

Mainstream 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.

The Club also has a Plus dance on the 1st, 3rd, and 5th Thursday of the month. Dance starts at 7:00 with Intermediate Rounds and at 7:30 until 9:30 is a Plus dance with Darrell Kalmbach calling and Ken Pratt cueing, with a finger food break after.

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. <u>www.sunsetpromenaders.com</u>

Happy New Year everyone, the Sunset Promenaders wish the best for all you dancers this year, 2016.

In December and January the Club had a couple of Mainstream dances and a couple of Plus dances both months. The Club is doing well but could use some more visitors at our dances, so Clubs and dancers please do more visitations now that the holidays are over. By the way, we have three Tri-Square, and several more. Our Plus dances are on 1st, 3rd, and 5th Thursdays and our Mainstream dances are on the 1st and 3rd Saturdays. The Plus dance has Intermediate Rounds from 7:00 until 7:30 and Plus dance from 7:30 until 9:30. The Mainstream dances have Intermediate round dances from 7:30 until 8:00, and the mainstream dance from 8:00 until 10:00. Our callers are Mike Stout for Mainstream, Darrell Kalmbach for Plus and Ken Pratt for cueing. So come visit us sometime soon.

Our next dances are February 4th Plus dance, February 6th is a Mainstream dance, February 18th is a Plus dance, and February 20th is a Mainstream dance with the theme of "Presidents Dance".

We now have mainstream square dance lessons running with a small class on Sundays from 4:00 until 6:00. We have now had three lessons so we are no longer taking more new students unless they have prior experience.

We are also doing a dance and workshop of Phase 3 & 4 Round Dances with several rhythms on Sunday afternoons also from 6:30 until 8:00.

Janice introduced Sunset Promenaders President Gary Hahn, and his wife Bette, former president Ray Sullivan and his wife Dorothy, former president Judy Schnase, former President Joyce Clark, past President Gary Clark, and past president Tom Sminia. Janice

Toe Draggers: (Kathy Roberts, Delegate) 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. <u>www.toedraggers.org</u>

Kathy introduced Amanda Roberts, the Toe Draggers Vice President, she is here representing the Toe Draggers officers.

The Toes mainstream class will wrap up this Wednesday. We will be graduating 5-students and three will be joining the club.

Come and meet our new Toes at our next dance and potluck on February 5. This is our Sadie Hawkins dance and southern cookin' potluck with vittles from down south. Hope to see ya'all.

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 Sandra Pinion as our Club Cuer. We dance year around, except when the temperature exceeds 90 degrees. We Pre-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

Our next two dances are on Saturday, Feb. 6th with the theme of Happy Hearts to remind us of Valentine's Day, and Friday Feb. 19th which is our special Mardi Gras Masquerade Ball. A drawing will be held during the dance for three cash prizes: \$100 first place, \$50 second, and \$25 for third. Tickets have been sold in advance and will also be available for purchase at the dance: ticket prices are \$2 for one, \$5 for three, and \$10 for seven. If you want to buy more than that, Bob Davis our Sheriff will cut you a special deal!

We will also have door prizes for the best costume and best mask.

Terry Halley and his brother Mike will be our callers; Sandra Pinion will handle the cuing for the Round Dances. Please come and prepare to have a great time.

Round Dance lessons continue on Sundays at 2 PM - 3:15 as well as Mainstream lessons from 3:30 PM - 5:30 PM. Sandra Pinion is our instructor for Round Dance and Terry Halley is handling the Mainstream lessons.

Adolf introduced the Tri Squares President Gloria Davis. Adolf

Valley Squares: (Bea Cook 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

February 6th is our soup-er bowl dance with a soup dinner at 6:00 pm then plus at 7:00 and mainstream at 8:00 with an open break.

February 20 is our winter wonderland dance, with which we are going to try something different. At 7:00 pm we will be dancing at our class level to give them a taste of our dances. ANY students are welcome from any club to join us. It will be \$3.00 for students and they can keep dancing as long as they have been taught the calls that Chuck is calling. So, many people are excited as they are taking lessons, we are trying to offer them a place to try out what they have learned so far. 8:00pm will turn towards mainstream and 9:00 pm will be the start of plus. With an open break starting at 7:30 to 9:30pm.

March 19th, will be our **anniversary dance**. With Chuck Garner calling with Randy Dibble.

Connie Clark cueing. We will start with mainstream at 7:00 and then every third tip plus. We will have an open break starting at 8:00 pm, cost of the dance is \$7.00 per person. Reported by: Sharon Tefelske, Valley Squares Club President

Wave Steppers: (Carolyn Hindman, and Bob Allen Delegates)

Dance 2nd Saturday March 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.

WOW, here it is 2016 and Wave Steppers Square Dance Club is still providing Dancing at the North Oregon Coast! A big THANK YOU to all you Clubs & Folks for your visits & support. Without you and some very committed Club members we never would have made it!

Wave Steppers will start our 2016 dance schedule the 2nd Saturday of March 12th at Garibaldi City Hall, featuring our Club Caller Joe Wrabek. Gwen Kiel will provide line dancing between tips. We will be wearing our green and celebrating St. Patrick's Day. We love to have visitors, so head on west to the Coast and join in the fun!

In April we hope to have Jim Hattrick calling, and all the proceeds will go to Jim to help him with his health problems.

In the meantime our lessons have begun at the Tillamook Elk's Lodge on Wednesday nights from 6:00 to 8:00 pm. We have 6 new students (which is good for us).

Joe Wrabek is going to Daryl Clendenin's Callers classes. Would that be continuing education classes? :) Otherwise we are all trying to stay warm and dry.

Looking forward to Mid-Winter Festival. Hope to see you there.

Carolyn

Good of the Order:

Nomination of Officers for the TVC is coming up so help the council to fill the ballot so we can have a good election.

Thank you dancers for bringing a wonderful potluck dinner tonight, we appreciate it.

Next TVC Meeting:

Monday February 22nd at 7:00 pm at the Old Spaghetti Factory, 18925 NW Tanasbourne Drive, Hillsboro, OR 97124. If you wish to eat a meal prior to the meeting, the room is available after 5:45 and you can order from the full menu. The North East dining room is the scheduled location.

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