

Tualatin Valley Council DELEGATE MEETING March 23, 2009

Called to order at: 7:30PM Attendees: Officers:

Veleta Mullen, Pres.; Judy Schnase, Vice Pres.; Donna Byars, Treas.; Pat Young, Co-Sec.; Mike Duyck, State Delegate; Bonnie Deneke, Past Pres.; OFN Area Editor, Bill Young; Harold Kleve, Caller Advisor; Dorothy Sullivan, Sunshine Chairman; Tom Sminia, Website Chairman

Delegates:

Nell Killebrew and Mike McMullen, Coast Swingers; Cynthia Ekberg and Bill Young, Eager Beavers; Tanya Hoffmann, Fireballs; Mike Duyck, Hoedowners; Tom Dymowski, Mix 'N Mingle; Ray Sullivan and Joyce Clark, Sunset Promenaders; Lonnie and Linda Sycks, R Square D's; Pat Young, Toe Draggers; Carole Petranek, Tri Squares; Lois Oswald, Valley Squares

Visitors: Janice Sminia, Sunset Promenaders; Ferrous and Karen Steinka, Hoedowners

Secretaries' Report: Janelle Janicke and Pat Young

Please send any corrections to jj4reliv@hotmail.com or patriciajyoung@yahoo.com
Do not forget to email your reports to both Janelle and Pat sometime during the week before the meeting date OR directly after the meeting.

•Please note that items in RED are for ACTION NEEDED.

•Minutes were corrected to show that the Sunset Promenaders volunteered to help with the Hillsboro 4th of July Parade, not sponsor it. Minutes were approved with corrections.

Treasurer's Report, Donna Byars:

• We paid \$138.80 to reimburse Valley Squares and Toe Draggers for advertising square dance lessons. •.Account balances: Checking \$1,440.19; Cash \$30.00; CD \$10,206.66; Youth Fund \$200.00. Total Assets: \$11,876.85.

•.TVC Dues are \$30.00 per club, except Eager Beavers which is \$50.00. They are due on or before the April 27th TVC meeting. Fill out your club directory information form on the State website: www.squaredance.gen.or.us. Please print a copy for the treasuer.

TVC State Delegate, Mike Dyuck: For area Council reports see the full text of the meeting at www.squaredance.gen.or.us/Minutes/Minutes2008-07.html

• We need your new club officers registered on the State web site and your check for annual dues and OFN When & Where turned in to the TVC treasurer (checks made out to **Tualatin Valley Council**), The dues include: \$3.00 state dues, \$7.00 council dues, \$10.00 OFN "When & Where" listing for each dance night in a month. Copies of the Club Directory Information form are needed: one for the TVC treasurer, one for the TVC president and secretary to share, and, if you do not register online at the State web site, two copies for the State Delegate. It is a good time to verify what is on the State web site for your club.

Alternate TVC State Delegate, Gary Clark

•No report.

President's Report, Veleta Mullen:

• I would like to take this opportunity to thank all of our current elected officers and appointed officers for the great work they have been doing this past year. I came into this office as a real "green horn" and, how each of you has taken your responsibilities to the highest level, has been an enormous help for me and for the Council. I cannot thank each of you separately but I so appreciate Donna continuing as Treasurer and Judy continuing as Vice President. Pat and Janelle have done a fantastic job getting the minutes out

quickly and accurately. I am sure that Carol and Mary will soon be up to speed but they have big shoes to fill. Pat, I particularly want to thank you for giving us all the important dance and event dates for all the clubs in the Council. Mike has been making those trips to the State meetings for us and keeping us in the eye of the state officers and Bill Young has done a super job getting the Square Dance lessons and agenda in front of the public with many different versions of advertising. Bonnie, I am so glad you will still be "past-Pres." as I rely on you greatly. I am confident that with the continued support of Gary, and Tom, and Harold and Barbara--a great year is coming. Please give as much training as possible to our new officers before they take over their new responsibilities. Let's make the Tualatin Valley Council the strongest in the state.

Vice-President, Judy Schnase:

The TVC's New Dancers Dance is Sunday, March 29th at the IOOF Hall in Hillsboro from 2:00-4:00 PM with Ed Craig calling and Connie Clark cueing. The Sunset Promenaders are hosting.
The next TVC Fifth Saturday dance, "Here Comes Summer", will be May 30th at Kinton Grange with Craig Abercrombie calling and Bev Flint cueing.

TVC Past President, Bonnie Deneke:

•See New Business

TVC Delegate to PAC/Evergreen Councils, (no one appointed): (Following report is from Tony

Haskins, PAC delegate to TVC): •No report.

Parliamentarian: Bill Cook

• No report.

OFN Area Editor, Bill Young:

Club Reports for publication in the May OFN are due by March 31st. Please remind your Club Reporter.
My contact at the Oregonian Washington County Weekly insert was transferred last month so the publicity I had hoped for was not printed. There may still be a small item in this Thursday's paper but I cannot be sure. I'll be looking for a new contact. The Argus came through with an article about our March 29th dance in its March 13th edition.

Sunshine, Dorothy Sullivan:

• Cards have been sent to: Loretta Flint, Toe Draggers, had pneumonia; Joyce Clark, Sunset Promenaders, had four stints inserted to fix blockage problems; Bea Cook, Valley Squares, has not been feeling well and test are being run; Sally Duyck, Hoedowners, chipped the bone in her ankle; Dan Bloomer's wife, Mary, passed away; he was the past caller for the 4-N-8ers; Pat Faires, R Square D's, had four-way bypass surgery.

• Copies of club rosters with names and addresses for **Mix** '**N Mingles and Fireballs** are still needed by Dorothy so she will be able to send out cards when needed. Email address: <u>sewnthings@verizon.net</u> or 14983 NW Eberly Rd, Banks, OR 97106.

Caller Advisor, Harold Kleve:

• No report.

Cuer Advisor, Barbara Schaumburg

• No report.

Website Chairman, Tom Sminia

• No Report

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Old Business

Finance Committee Report, Gary Clark:

•No report.

Nominating Committee, Bonnie Deneke:

•For the 2009-2010 year which starts in May 2009, we have the following nominees:

- President Veleta Mullin
- Vice President Judy Schnase
- Co Secretary Carol Petranek
- Co Secretary Mary Withers
- Treasurer Donna Byars
- State Delegate Mike Duyck
- Alt. St. Delegate Gary Clark

•Pat Young made a motion to elect the slate as presented; the motion was seconded by Bonnie Deneke and passed unanimously.

Hillsboro 4th of July Parade, Judy Schnase:

Portland Area Council's trailer will be used in the Parade. They do not charge for using it but they require that the truck and driver have a million dollars of liability insurance. Tony Haskin already has the insurance and has volunteered his truck and is willing to pickup, return and drive the truck for the parade.
Donna Byars will prepare the registration and pay the fee to participate in the parade.

•Anyone willing to serve on a committee to prepare for the Parade should contact Judy Schnase or Veleta Mullen.

•Amanda Roberts was interested in helping with the Parade; Judy Schnase will contact her.

New Business

"The new delegates for the 2009-2010 year should accompany the current delegates to the April meeting, so they can be introduced. New officers will be installed at the May meeting. Those officers leaving the board should pass on their notebooks to the new person taking their position."

• Please bring your lesson information to the May meeting, so that our secretary can compile that information to be given out for the 4th of July parade. These write-ups of the lessons are a great marketing tool and can be used at square dance demonstrations and for other means of advertising.

• The executive committee will be meeting soon to plan for the next year. If anyone has an idea for dance themes for next year, please let Veleta or Judy know.

Club Delegate Reports

Coast Swingers:

Dance the 2nd and 4th Saturday in Garibaldi. Pre rounds at 7:00 pm; Mainstream 7:30-9:30. Dress is "Coast Casual". Feel free to come in your travel clothes (coast casual). <u>www.coastswingers.com</u>

• We surprised some dancers at our last dance as they had come to support and dance to Janet Shannon. Janet had to work on that Saturday and asked Mark Wheeler to call for her and sent recorded rounds for the dance. Dancers would say as they came in the door, "That doesn't look like Janet". It was Mark's first full dance away from the Country Capers. He did a great job, even though at times we were not dancing what he was calling. We were doing inventive moves, as usual; lots of fun.

•The 28th of March, George Clark will call and cue for the Coast Swingers. It should be another interesting good time.

Eager Beavers:

Dance easy plus in the Elsie Stuhr Center (which features an air conditioner and excellent wood floor) every Monday afternoon, 1:15 to 3:15 PM. On holidays they dance at the Beaverton Community Center (5th and Hall Blvd.). George Clark is the caller/cuer, Jim Hattrick is the caller/cuer every third Monday. Dance starts with 15 minutes of pre-rounds. <u>www.mysite.verizon.net/ferrouss/eagerbeavers.htm</u>

• The January census revealed that eighty-one dancers now claim the Beavers as either their primary or secondary club. A large number of us dance with other PAC, TVC or private square dance clubs and have joined the Beavers because we are seniors, like to dance Plus and enjoy the weekly daytime format for our dance.

• On April 6 the Beavers elect officers for 2009-10 and they will be seated on May 4. Among them will be a new TVC Delegate to join Cynthia Ekberg and the odds-on favorite for that post is Ferrous Steinka.

• A special treat will be available to our visitors on Monday, March 30. Being a fifth Monday, our Dine-Out Chairperson Carole Petranek has arranged for us to meet at the Buffet Palace, 12570 SW Center, Beaverton, following our regular dance. For you seniors, the early price (up to 3:15 pm) for the buffet is just \$5. That and the low door charge to dance makes for a fun and inexpensive start to your week. Join us.

Fireballs:

Dance the 2nd Friday and 4th Saturday at the Scappoose Senior Center. Craig Abercrombie calls on Fridays and guest callers on Saturdays. Pre-rounds @ 7:30, Mainstream from 8:00 to 10:30 (11:00 if dancers are willing). With one Plus tip at the beginning of break. For more information contact Barbara Baer at 503-556-0068. www.freewebs.com/fireballsclub

Our Friday dance on April 10th will be our Pie Auction Dance called and cued by Craig Abercrombie. Bring your checkbooks; we always have a good selection of pies to auction off. Our Saturday dance on April 25th is our 34th Anniversary Dance and will be called by KC Curtis and cued by Ron Woolcock.
Remember, all of our Friday night dances are casual!

Hoedowners:

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. On the 2nd Saturday we have plus from 7:30-8:00. The 4th Saturday is pre-rounds from 7:30-8:00. Mainstream is from 8-10. Plus tip from 10-10:15 then break. Our format is informal and friendly. <u>www.hillsborohoedown.com</u>.

• The Hoedowners are collecting visitation flags at a good pace. We collected another from Tri Squares on March 20th. We have five visitations on tap for April and two for May.

• March 28th will be our Top Ten Dance. Come join us to see which songs were selected for this all singing call dance.

- April 11th is "Tax Survivors Dance".
- On April 25th we will have the "Fun Badge Shuffle" dance. (It is suggested that dancers wear wacky clothes.)
- May 9th will be "Mom and Apple Pie" dance.
- May 23 is "Red, White & Blue" dance and the Hoedowners do this right.
- Our new slate of officers is being completed at this time with elections in April.
- We are out and about with much fun to be had.

Mix 'N Mingle:

Dance, Plus at the Winona Grange 1st & 3rd Saturdays. Pre-rounds Level 4&5 at 7:30 PM, Level 2&3 at 8:00 PM and squares at 8:30-11:00 PM. \$4 per person at the dance for members, \$5 for non-members. For additional information call Sue (503-245-3659) or Lindi (503-282-4414).

• We had another great fun dance on March 7th with Darrell Kalmbach calling and Jeanine Norden cueing. They both did a great job as usual which made for a fun time for all!

• The March 21, dance Randy Dibble did the calling with his great challenging, mixing up positions in the squares; thus, making it a real challenge for all. In addition, Gene Noble complemented the evening with his cueing, including some wonderful high level rounds. Plus, His lovely wife was in attendance enjoying Gene's cueing. We all had a great time and welcome other dances to visit us and share our good times.

• Our next dance will be on April 4 with Darrell Kalmbach doing the calling and Ken Pratt doing the cueing.

• Then, on April 18, Randy Dibble will do the calling and Jeanine Norden will do the cueing

R Square D:

Dance 1st Saturday and 3rd Friday at the Longview Square Dance Center. Pre rounds start at 7:30 PM with mainstream from 8:00 to 10:00 PM and refreshments after the dance. We have quest callers and Lonnie Sycks is our cuer. Call 360-431-7553 or 360-636-3358 for more information.

•March 20^{th} we had our first New Dancers Dance and there were 6 squares on the floor.

•We visited Square & Circle's Smelt Dippers Ball on the 21st and to our surprise they didn't have smelt pie for dessert. So we had to settle for fruit and cream pies (which were wonderful). April 4th is our Anniversary so come help us celebrate 56 years of dancing and fun.

•Lessons are coming along nicely and we will have another New Dancers Dance on April 17th.

•April 1st and 2nd will be one of our fund raiser for the year which is the Toutle rest area coffee stop.

•We are also making plans for Octoberfest which is the first weekend in October.

Sunset Promenaders:

Dance on the 1st & 3rd Saturdays in Hillsboro at the Odd Fellows Hall upstairs, One block N. of the Max line. On the 2nd Saturday we have MS workshop at 7:30 and dance starts at 8:00; on the fourth Saturday we start at 7:30 for a half hour of pre-rounds. Their caller is Harold Kleve and their cuer is Ruth Canby. Located next to the Max line. www.sunsetpromenaders.com

• The Sunset Promenaders have been busy in the past month with a Class Graduation, an impromptu birthday bash for our beloved cuer, Ruth Canby, and visitations to the Valley Squares and Astoria Hayshakers along with our own dances. We are looking forward to the opportunity to visit clubs we haven't been able to visit in the past since we will be changing our dance nights in April.

• Our final 4th Saturday dance is coming up this weekend, the Hillbilly Hoedown. I'm sure there will be some bib overalls, missing teeth and unkempt dancers showing up trying their best to release their inner hillbilly.

• Beginning our new schedule in April, we kick off April 4th with our April Fools Dance, but we aren't foolin' that the FIRST and THIRD Saturdays is when we will be dancing from now on. Then Harold and Ruth will lift our spirits with mostly spiritual offerings at our Gospel Hoedown on April 18th.

Traditionally one of our biggest dances of the year is our Fiesta Dance on May 2nd featuring all singing calls and wonderful south of the border food.

• If you haven't been able to join us in the past, be sure to mark your calendars for the first and third Saturdays and plan to attend a Sunset Promenader dance, we are proud to be known for our friendliness and as some of the best cooks in the square dance world. Our potlucks during our dance break will be all the proof you'll need.

Toe Draggers:

Dance at the Kinton Grange on the 1st & 3rd Fridays. Their Caller is K.C. Curtis; Cuer is Bev Flint. First Friday dances will have pre-rounds at 7:30. Third Friday dances start at 7:30 with a Plus learning experience. Last Tip Plus. <u>www.toedraggers.org</u>

• The Toe Draggers held their Mad Hatter Dance and if you came without a hat you may have been given a crazy one to wear.

- The Toe Draggers have 11 square dance students and 16 round dance students. We are bringing our class to the TVC New Dancer Jamboree next Sunday.
- The Toe Draggers had a very successful New Dancer Jamboree with 107 dancers attending, including two squares of young people. Kathy & Tim Roberts's children, Jonny and Amanda organized the young people into two squares and they were teaching them some of the fun moves.
- Our next dances are April 3rd which will be at the IOOF Hall in Hillsboro, as Kinton Grange will be having their bazaar; and on April 17th is our Hobo Train Dance; wear your engineer hat or your hobo clothes and come join the fun.
- The Toes turned \$3.88 into the State Delegate for the Youth Scholarship Fund.

Tri Squares:

Dance on the first Saturday and third Friday of each month, except July and August at the Tigard Grange in Tigard. The first Saturday we use guest callers and cuers. The third Friday Jim Hattrick is our caller and cuer. We dance Plus from 7:30 to 8:00pm and mainstream from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m., with one plus tip at 10:00. A social break starts at 10:00. <u>www.trisquares.com</u>

• Tri Squares had two great dances in March along with electing new officers. Incoming president is Mark Schnetsky; Vice President is Frank Collett; Secretary Marguerite Morin; and Treasurer Carol Roos. TVC delegate #1 is vacant; TVC delegate #2 is Vida Eppich. They are already in office.

• Our April dances start on Saturday, April 4th, April Showers, with Daryl Clendenin calling and Yvonne cueing.

• Friday, April 17th, is our IRS blues dance with Jim Hattrick calling and cueing.

• Sunday, April 19th is our New Dancers Jamboree with Terry Halley calling and Doug Hatch cueing.

• We are helping our grange on Saturday, April 25 as they celebrate the 135th anniversary of the grange. We'll support them from 1-2 by dancing; all dancers are welcome. The festivities start at noon with a chicken dinner.

Valley Squares:

Dance mainstream the 1st & 3rd Saturday, at the Aloha Grange on the corner of 185th at TV Hwy. Dances are 7:30-10 pm. Pre-rounds begin at 7:00. Hearing enhancement devices are available. Ed Craig is the caller and Connie Clark is the cuer. <u>www.valleysquares.com</u>

Oh, what a wonderful time we all had when the Valley Squares celebrated their 60th Anniversary in a big, bit way. What a great group of dancers – 160+ - filled the Aloha Grange to dance to the music of Fiddlegrass and Daryl Clendenin, Randy Dibble and Les Seeley. With cueing by Connie Clark and MC Ed Craig, our evening was complete. Lots of old friends and new ones made the evening most special.
As Bill Young said, we had a great dance last Saturday with a great group of Eager Beavers visiting; lots of great dancing.

•Our class will be joining the TVC's New Dancers Jamboree on March 29th at the Odd Fellows Hall. Our own New Dancers Jamboree will be held on April 18th, our regular dance night. The class celebrated St. Patrick's Day with a chocolate night—you cold say it was a delicious evening of lessons...the chocolate fountain overfloweth! The new class continues to make great strides...they are fast becoming expert dancers.

•Our next big dance will be the Cinco De Mayo dance scheduled for May 2nd. We have lots of special plans in motion to make this an especially fun filled evening. So dig out the old sombrero and we'll have a grand evening.

•Our club is busy putting the new slate of officers in place and we're happy to declare our slate is complete. We'll be announcing our new officers in the next month. We've had a good year, thanks to our leaders—Darlene and Bill Calder.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

- April 10-11 is the Pear Blossom Festival in Medford; with Scot and Erin Byars from California.
- April 18th is the Country Capers 53rd Anniversary dance with Mike Sikorsky calling at the Rockwood Grange; \$5.00 per person.
- April 19th a dance will be held in Ione to present the Randall Award to George and Lorene Griffith of the Eastern Oregon Council. Everyone is invited.
- April 24-25 is the "5th Annual Myrtlewood Stomp" at the Milwaukie Community Center with Doug Davis from Washington calling and Tami Helms cueing. Weekend package is \$40.00.
- May 29th is the PAC 5th Friday Subscription dance with Terry Halley and Jeanine Norden.

Good of the Order

- Ferrous Steinka has a like on the Hoedowners' website to a page names "Find A Hall". It can be found in the lower area on the first page of the Hoedowners website, <u>www.hoedwners.info</u>. It lists most of the dance sites in Oregon and Vancouver and has a map for each. He also has a link named "Where and When Oregon SD Clubs Dance". This page is similar to the "Where / When" on the Oregon Federation website and in the OFN, except his has a link to each clubs' website (that has a website) and a link to a map of their dance location.
- March 29th, TVC New Dancer Jamboree, 2:00-4:00 PM, IOOF Hall in Hillsboro; Ed Craig calling and Connie Clark cueing; hosted by Sunset Promenaders.
- April 5th, Sunday, is the Federation sponsored, HORSES Benefit from 1:00-4:00 pm at the Abiqua Country Estates in Silverton. Callers and Cuers will donate their time and talent. The Adaptive Riding Institute is really in need of donations for this worthy cause.
- May 30th, TVC 5th Saturday "Here Comes Summer" Dance at Kinton Grange with Craig Abercrombie calling and Bev Flint cueing
- July 17-19, Summer Festival 2009, Clatsop County Fairgrounds, Astoria
- August 29, TVC 5th Saturday Hahn Barn Dance
- August 28-30 and September 4-6, will be square dancing on the "Spirit of Oregon Stage" at the State Fair in Salem.
- October 31, TVC 5th Saturday Halloween Costume Dance with prizes
- December 31st, TVC New Year's Eve Dance
- January 29-31, 2010 will be the 50th Anniversary of Mid-Winter, "Golden Jubilee". Gary Shoemake will call and Bruce and Kristine Nelson will be featured round dance instructors.
- June 27-30, 2012, will be the 61st National Square Dance Convention in Spokane.

Meeting Adjourned: 8:15 PM Respectfully submitted, Janelle Janicke and Pat Young

Next Meeting: April 27, 2009, at Pizza Caboose (3276 NW 185th) next to the 7-Eleven. Dinner and socialization begins at 6:30 PM. Meeting begins at 7:30.