

## **Tualatin Valley Council (TVC)**

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# May 24, 2010

Called to order at: 7:30PM

## Attendees: Officers:

Veleta Mullen and Judy Schnase (Pres.); Judy Schnase and Debra Welch (V. Pres.); Donna Byars and Laloni Radford (Treas.); Mary T. Withers (Sec.); Veleta Mullen and Bonnie Deneke (Past Pres.); Mike Duyck (State Delegate); Gary Clark (Alt. State Delegate & Finance Chair); Dorothy Sullivan (Sunshine Chairman); Tom Sminia (Parliamentarian and Website Chairman); Harold Kleve (Caller Advisor); George Clark (Cuer Advisor); Ferrous Steinka (OFN Area Editor); Tony Haskins (PAC Delegate to TVC)

## **Delegates:**

Nell Killebrew (Coast Swingers); Michael McMullen (Coast Swingers); Naomi Coorengel (Eager Beavers); Ferrous Steinka (Eager Beavers); Karen Steinka (Hoedowners); David Krause (Hoedowners); Patty Bonney (Mix 'N Mingle); Linda Sycks (R Square D); Lonnie Sycks (R Square D); Joyce Clark (Sunset Promenaders); Ray Sullivan (Sunset Promenaders); Amanda Roberts (Toe Draggers); Vida Eppich (Tri Squares); Karen Martiny (Valley Squares);

Dorothy Reed (Valley Squares)

## **Visitors:**

Loretta Flint (Toe Draggers); Janice Sminia (Sunset Promenaders); Dale Stobbe (Toe Draggers)

Note: The Newly Elected 2010-2011 Officers assumed their positions after the Officer/Committee Reports and Old Business. The "Attendance" information reflects this information.

| Who Is Responsible?  | Announcements, Decisions, Motions, or Needed Action   | Date              |
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| All  | Minutes Corrections and New Reports. Send corrections of the minutes and your new meeting report for the June meeting to Mary T. Withers <a href="mailto:john.mary.withers@gmail.com">john.mary.withers@gmail.com</a> .   | Before<br>June 28 |
| All  | Demo for 115 Year Old Celebration. Contact Tony Haskins <a href="mailto:ynot50@netzero.net">ynot50@netzero.net</a> (503-674-0204) if you are interested in dancing at a demo on the 17 <sup>th</sup> of July for a 115 year old organization located at 4834 N. Lombard St. in North Portland at the Odd Fellow/Rebecca Hall (St. Johns area). (For more info, read section under "Announcements".  | ASAP              |
| Club Presidents<br>And<br>Judy Schnase                           | National & International Square Dance Directory. Go to the following website < <a href="https://www.nsddirectory.com/">www.nsddirectory.com/</a> > and log in with the following six-digit subscription number 09 0106 and enter your club/council's information.   | ASAP              |
| Club Presidents<br>& Sylvia Davis                                | Oregon Federation of Square and Round Dance Clubs Website. Go to the following website <a href="www.squaredance.gen.or.us">www.squaredance.gen.or.us</a> and click on the section under "Membership Forms" entitled "Club Info Form". Fill out the form accurately using information for the 2010-2011 year, listing officers, delegates, caller, dances, special dances, # of members, etc Electronically send one copy to Sylvia Davis <a href="mailto:smdavis@pacifier.com">smdavis@pacifier.com</a> (503 – 325-8109). | ASAP              |
| Toe Draggers and<br>Tri Square<br>Presidents<br>& Laloni Radford | <b>State Dues.</b> Give \$30 check, made out to TVC, to Laloni Radford, TVC Treasurer, to pay for Council Dues (\$7.00), State Dues (\$3.00) and When & Where Dues (\$20 for clubs holding 2 dances a month).   | ASAP              |

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|  | National Square Dance Week. National Square Dance Week is the week of September 18th. There will be dancing on the rotunda of the State Capitol at 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. Contact Barbara Tipton, State Education Chair (barbaratipton@comcast.net) to let her know how your club plans to celebrate this week.  | ASAP    |
| Club Presidents: Coast Swingers, Fireballs, Hoedowners, Mix-N-Mingle, R- Square-D, Fri Squares, and Valley Squares and TVC Council | Club/Council History. Send club and council history to The State Historians, Zola/Ray Jones <a href="mailto:rayzola@aol.com">rayzola@aol.com</a> . The clubs that have not sent their history are: Coast Swingers, Fireballs, Hoedowners, Mix-N-Mingle, R-Square-D, Tri Squares, and Valley Squares and the TVC Council.  | ASAP    |
| Tom/Janice Sminia  | <b>Demonstration dance at the Stub Stewart State Park on Saturday July 24<sup>th</sup>.</b> The Sunset Promenaders are putting on a demonstration dance at the Stub Stewart State Park on Saturday July 24 <sup>th</sup> . The park is about thirty miles from Hillsboro. This demo could be helpful for square dancing and motivate people to take lessons. If you have any questions or are going to attend, give Tom and Janice Sminia a call at: 503-848-3841 or email at: <a href="mailto:tomjan2@verizon.net">tomjan2@verizon.net</a> . | ASAP    |
| All<br>Tony Haskins  | <b>Demonstration on July 17</b> <sup>th</sup> . If you wish to participate in a square dance demo on July 17 <sup>th</sup> for a lodge that is celebrating their 115th year anniversary, contact Tony Haskins <ynot50@netzero.net>. The demo would be located at 4834 N. Lombard St. in North Portland at the Odd Fellow/Rebecca Hall (St. Johns area). See <i>Announcements</i> for more information.</ynot50@netzero.net>   | ASAP    |
| Ferrous Steinka<br>&<br>Vivian Fairburn  | <b>OFN Ad for Hahn Barn Dance (Ferrous Steinka).</b> Place half-page colored ad in OFN's July issue to advertise the <i>Hahn Barn Dance</i> .   | June    |
| All  | Club's Charitable Activities. See attachment #2 to see a list of the TVC Club's Charitable activities.  |         |
|  | Log of Club's Charitable Activities. Gary Clark will complete development of the log and send it to Mary T. Withers and Tom Sminia. Mary T. will send it out to all club presidents/delegates and Tom Sminia will place on web, so it can be easily printed. Clubs should discuss the process on how this log will be compiled on a yearly basis. Tom will put the information regarding this log in the P & Ps.  | ASAP    |
| Donna Byars<br>Judy Schanse  | <b>4<sup>th</sup> of July Parade.</b> Donna Byars will contact the Hillsboro Parade and ask to get money refunded. Judy Schnase will contact Terry Halley to let him know that the event has been cancelled.  | ASAP    |
| Donna Byars  | <b>TVC Directory.</b> Add the OFN Subscription form to the TVC Directory and make sure that the Directory covers the time period from Sept 1 through August 31.   | Sept. 1 |
| All  | Ron Silicki's Death. Ron passed away due to pancreatic cancer. His memorial service will be held at the Yakima Elks Golf Club at 318 Golf Course Road, Selah, Washington on June 8, 2010 at 2 PM. It's the first exit off Highway 82.   | June 8  |

## CORRECTION/ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES

The April 26, 2010 minutes were approved.

#### OFFICER REPORTS

#### President's Report: Veleta Mullen\_

Veleta installed the new elected officers: Lalani Radford (Treasurer), Judy Schnase (President), Debra Welch (Vice President), and Mary T. Withers (Secretary), by presenting them each with a beautifully lit candle and asking them to agree to serve the TVC.

## **Secretary Report:** Mary T. Withers

Please remember to email your reports at least one day before the meeting.

#### **Treasurer's Report**: Donna Byars

Treasurer's Report April 30, 2010 Account Balances:

Checking \$ 297.46; Cash Box \$30.00; Youth Fund \$200.00; US Bank Savings: \$10,545.96. Total Assets: \$11,073.42.

#### Vice-President Report: Judy Schnase

Thank you for being so helpful. I get to turn this office over to Debra Welch.

## TVC State Delegate: Mike Duyck

There are six motions before the State that have action delayed until the Summer Festival meeting. Most are house keeping. These are as follows:

Motion I: Correcting the dollar amounts for BMI/ASCAP fees.

**Motion 2:** Correcting the Publicity and State Reporter's P&P and other updates to the publicity area of the P&P's.

**Motion 3:** Move the reimbursement for lodging /mileage expenses from the second VP to the first VP and delete mailing of forms now available on the web site.

**Motion 4:** Change the suggestion for newly elected officers and delegates meet and discuss their positions with the former officer or delegate to learn the particulars of their positions.

**Motion 5:** Clarifications and changes to the requirements that the incoming and outgoing Executive Boards meet to discuss their positions and duties.

**Motion 6:** Streamlines the Grant Fund process to hopefully, shorten the process to complete in reasonable time with less paperwork. This will also become a year round process rather than a year long process.

Motion 2 details work on the National Square Dance Directory in Oregon. This directory provides contact information about clubs and councils. The code to update the data on line is "09-0106" on the web site "NSDDirectory.com".

These motions are to be voted on at the next State meeting at Summer Festival.

The State Historian, Zola and Ray Jones, are seeking histories for TVC and TVC clubs. The TVC clubs that have not sent in history information are Coast Swingers, Fireballs, Hoedowners, Mix-N-Mingle, R-Square-D, Tri Squares, and Valley Squares as well as TVC Council.

Our clubs need to be certain the data on the State web site for each club is up to date and current for our club officers and special dances. Note that the special dances need to be those for the year 2010 and 2011 until the next directory is issued. It was pointed out that Sunset Promenaders had not updated the dances and they now show previously held 2010 dances. The clubs need to send one copy of the updates to Sylvia Davis, Membership, to confirm their information has been updated (not the four copies of former years). This can be done electronically (e-mail). We also need to finalize our payments to the State for each club's "where and when" in the OFN. This payment goes to Sylvia Davis, Membership, and is made out to "Oregon State Square Dance Association".

A definition of youth for the State dances: Between the ages of 5 and 17 years at the time of the convention.

The Winter Festival returned \$6,614.04 to the State and also the sponsoring clubs this year.

The summer festival has 190 registered to date. The featured callers are Marshall Flippo and Daryl Clendenin. Kay and Jum Rogers are the chairmen.

Larry & Carol Reetz and Roger & Linda Putzler are chairman for the winter festival in 2011. Mike Duyck has ribbons and application forms.

Tony Haskins is chairman for 2011 summer festival and is arranging and organizing for this. There will be t-shirts at Pendleton for the 2011 summer festival at \$10.

Two new clubs were voted into the association at this meeting. They are:

- Heads to the Center, part of PAC. They dance at the Milwaukie Grange every Thursday. They have about 20 members.
- Rhondevous, part of Rogue Sis-q. They are an advanced round dance and squares club meeting at the Josephine Co. Fairgrounds, Grants Pass, on Friday nights.

National Square Dance week is the week of September 18<sup>th</sup>. There will be dancing on the rotunda of the State Capitol at 2:00 pm to 4:00 pm. The State education chairman would like to be notified of each council and clubs activities for National Square Dance week.

TVC Council, Tri Squares, Eager Beavers and Hoedowners, are scheduled to dance at the State Fair on August 27<sup>th</sup> from 11:30 am to 2:00 pm. The contact is Ferrous Steinka for this date.

Chuck Garner was granted \$380 to assist with a caller's college class July 4<sup>th</sup> to the 8<sup>th</sup>. He is being supported by his council in this also.

It was a good meeting and a fun dance with the Charlie Brown Squares being the host club. Maggie and Bill Robson were there on Sunday to help with the State meeting. This is the club of our past State president, John and Glory Guches. It was held at the Josephine Co. Fairgrounds, Grants Pass, Oregon on May 22<sup>nd</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup>.

#### Alt State Delegate: Gary Clark

No report.

#### TVC Past President: Bonnie Deneke

It has been the custom of the TVC to have a New Dancer Dance in the springtime every year on a Sunday afternoon. During the last ten years, there has been at least three times that I know of that these dances were not well-attended. It seems to me that the council has three choices:

- Continue the Sunday afternoon New Dancer Dances that may or my not be well attended.
- Have the New Dancer Dances on a fifth Saturday evening. In reality this would be a regular TVC fifth Saturday dance only called at the new dancer level.
- The TVC could stop having New Dancer Dances as the clubs all have a jamboree for their new students.

This issue was tabled until the Vice President and her Events Committee can make a recommendation.

#### **OFN Area Editor:** Ferrous Steinka

The second reminder for the club reports for the December OFN has been sent to the club reporters. The deadline for the July report to me is June 1st.

I have received three of the nine reports from Mix 'N Mingle, Sunset Promenaders and Valley Squares.

Monthly, I send two reminder e-mails to the club reporters, one two weeks and another one week before the deadline. If no report is received by the deadline, the club will not have a report in the TVC section of the Club Reports in the OFN.

Clubs are reminded that Vivian is looking for articles written by club members and submitted to her for publication in the OFN.

## Caller Advisor: Harold Kleve

This is my last TVC meeting. I'm not sure when the Council started – maybe 30 years ago. I have served TVC in various capacities; I've served as Caller Advisor for 15 of the last 20 years. My wife and I are moving down to the Woodburn area in a couple of months. I will still be calling for the Sunset Promenaders.

#### **Cuer Advisor:** George Clark

This is my last meeting. I was involved with TVC when it first began. But I would like to say, "Everyone have fun!!!"

#### STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

#### Finance Chair: Gary Clark

Tom Sminia and Gary Clark have developed a log to keep track of each club's annual charitable activities. Gary credits Tom Sminia for his work on this project. The due date of this log will be decided later

and the information will be placed in the P & Ps and sent out to clubs as a reminder. It was suggested that this log be placed on the web, so it can be easily printed off. For those clubs who donate can goods, you can either indicate the weight of your goods or estimate the monetary value by using the value of \$3.50 per pound. Clubs should determine their process for keeping this information.

## Sunshine Chair: Dorothy Sullivan

The following people received Sunshine notes:

- Paul Swenson broke his arm/wrist (Eager Beavers).
- Laloni Radford because of her surgery (Sunset Promendaders).

Parliamentarian: Tom Sminia

No report.

Website Chair: Tom Sminia www.tualatinvalleycouncil.org

No report.

#### REPORTS FROM COURTESY POSITIONS

## PAC Delegate to the TVC: Tony Haskins

What a great time the Checkerboard Squares had on our mystery trip. We took off and ended up dancing with the Sunset Promenaders. I'm so'oooo glad all those 'old' people remembered we were coming.(joke-joke). The caller and cuer did a fine job. Harold!! Was that you?? Barbara celebrated her birthday – Happy belated Birthday again to Barbara Kleve. The cake was delicious. Barbara is very beautiful and gracious. She was a great catch, Harold!!

We started over on 82th Avenue. Seems like everyone starts there? Anyway, we went down to Oregon City and then into Canby. We then took the 6 car Ferry across the river and followed the back roads to Willsonville. There we hooked up with the I-5 and headed to Salem where we took an hour tour of the Bush House and Gardens. What an interesting place to visit. (I remember grandpa and grandma had a bunch of old stuff like that – they finally sold it at a yard sale. Now they say its worth a lot of money.) We left the Bush House and went to some Iris Gardens. We then went into Neuberg and had dinner at Sheri's Restaurant. We then left there and followed the road (Back way) to Hillsboro and the IOOF Hall. THANK YOU ALL VERY MUCH FOR MAKING US FEEL WELCOME!!! We all love your Banner.....

Mary Fulton from the Happy Hoppers has contacted me about the Expo and Bridge Pedal again this year. It will be August 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup>. The 8<sup>th</sup> is when they will do the run. More will come on this.

Education Chairperson, Barbara Tipton, is asking councils and clubs to celebrate Square Dance Week in September. She would like to have all clubs dance on the 18<sup>th</sup> between 2-4pm in the public's view. She is trying to get a group to dance at the capital in Salem and wants the governor to proclaim Square Dancing as the State Dance again.

PAC agrees with the TVC and Evergreen that the Tri-Council Christmas Dinner should be cancelled and substituted with an annual picnic. TVC has received PAC's invitation to attend the Picnic on June 21st at the North Clackamas Park. It's a potluck and will start at 6-6:30pm. The eating area is covered. Bring a dish and your eating utensils with cups. We will supply coffee and accessories. The address is 5440 SE Kellogg Creek Drive just off Hwy 224. That's exit 13 off I-205. Go to light and turn left and watch for sign on right side of road.

The square dance trailer is ready to roll for the Star Light Parade on June 5<sup>th</sup>. We have decided to rent the trailer to the Rosetown Ramblers who would like to use it in their parade on the 20<sup>th</sup> of June.

Tom Gay discussed plans for the PAC sponsored Star Spangled Memorial Weekend Dance. Johnny Preston and Randy Dibble are featured callers and Jeanine Norden and Tami Helms are the featured cuers. This Festival will be held at the Milwaukie Community Center out on 42th and Jackson in Milwaukie. This is where the River City Dancers kick up their heels.

Janet Bellcoff reported on the 61st NSDC in Spokane. Committees are preparing for the Pre-Convention in March 2011.

Please Register for Summer Festival in Pendleton. It's coming up soon. Don't forget to take in the Saturday (After Hours Party). Les Seeley, Daryl Clendinen and the Fiddle Grass Band will perform with callers from the floor. It's a non-stop event. The PAC will start advertising our summer festival at that time. Quilt raffles, T-shirt sales, promotions – all kinds of good stuff will be out for your entertainment.

2011 Summer Festival had its committee meeting on the 20th. Dixie Read showed off her Quilt. What a beautiful job she did (with my direction) in making the quilt. She worked her fingers to the bone. Bill and

Annadale Rooper are putting together a raffle for *Dinner on the Stern Wheeler* up the Columbia. Nice!! Tours for OMSI and its Submarine is in the works. The Silver Spinners (Wheel chair club) has expressed an interest in doing a demo for us. The USO show is in the works – Oh, Yea! and Square Dancing is on the venue. Fun, Food, and Friends! That's what it's all about.

The Happy Rock'rs are disbanding the end of September 2010. They will join the Oaky Doaks.

State Fair schedules are out to the party's interested in dancing at that venue. There has already been one change regarding Mid-Willamette Valley Dancers. Otherwise we're just waiting on Sara Dupree to contact me with more information and directions.

Heads to the Center is our newest club. I would like to welcome their PAC delegate Scott Philips.

The Rosetown Ramblers have expressed an interest in joining also.

The Tumbleweed are moving and will be dancing at the I00F Hall at 10282 SE Main in Milwaukie, Oregon, starting on June 4<sup>th</sup>. Please come and visit and help them break in their new hall. They will be doing rounds from 11:30 to 12pm and rounds from 12pm to 2pm. Break is from 2-2:30pm.

The next PAC meeting is on June 21st at 6:30pm at the North Clackamas Park.

Mark Wheeler will be doing our next 5<sup>th</sup> Friday dance on July 30<sup>th</sup>. I hear Elvis will be making an appearance. Stay tuned for more on this later.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

## July 3<sup>rd</sup>/4th Hillsboro Parade: Debra Welch

Debra Welch and George Clark and others believe that parades and other special functions should be the responsibility of the clubs rather than TVC. Rather, TVC should support any club that chooses to participate in these events, as they serve the goal of recruiting square dance students/members. Michael McMullen stressed that clubs in a given area could join together to participate in these events and stressed that clubs should choose events that occur close to when the club classes begin.

Motion: TVC will not sponsor a float in the Hillsboro 4th of July Parade this year. The motion passed.

It was further suggested that any club can plan an activity on their own and ask for support from TVC.

Donna Byars will contact the Hillsboro Parade and ask to get money refunded. Judy Schnase will contact Terry Halley to let him know the event has been cancelled.

#### Tri-Council Christmas Dinner: Veleta Mullen

Tony Haskins sent a letter to TVC indicating that PAT and Evergreen agree that the Christmas dinner should be cancelled and substituted with a summer picnic. PAC invited the councils to the June 21st, 2010 annual picnic. The picnic is located at North Clackamas Park, 5440 SE Kellogg Creek Drive, Milwaukie, Oregon and is a potluck. You'll need to bring plates, forks, spoons, knives and drinking cups for coffee and water. Directions: Off of 224. Take 205 South to Exit 13 (Milwaukie Express Way). Go to light off 205 and take a left.

#### President's Potluck Dinner Meeting. Veleta Mullen

Joyce Clark and Vida Eppich indicated that the President's Potluck and Meeting is a very valuable event and a good way to learn about TVC. The Coast Swingers suggested that it was an important event but requested that it be held on Sunday rather than on Monday because they could not attend on Mondays.

- Motion: Continue to hold the President's Potluck Dinner Meeting on Monday in the month of January. Nine voted "yes" and two voted "no". The motion passed.
- Motion: Award the Recognition Award at the President's Potluck Dinner Meeting or a TVC Dance.
   Members decided to award the recognition at a TVC dance.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

#### President Appoints Officers. Judy Schnase

The following people have agreed to serve as an appointed officer:

Ferrous Steinka: OFN Editor Dorothy Sullivan: Sunshine Chair

Lalani Radford, Michael Duyck, Gary Clark: Finance Committee

K.C. Curtis. Caller advisor Parliamentarian: Tom Sminia

#### OFN Ad for Hahn Barn Dance. Ferrous Steinka

Since the Hahn Dance is a subscription dance, Vivian Fairburn will pay \$35.00 toward a half page colored ad. TVC will pay the rest. The ad should go in the July issue.

#### Tri-Council Dance. Debra Welch

After talking with Tri-Council representatives, TVC should hold this year's 5<sup>th</sup> Weekend Tri-Council Dance on Saturday, rather than Friday. Members suggested the dance occur on April 30· 2011.

#### TVC Directories. Mary T. Withers

Mary T. wondered if members would like to have the TVC Directory should be published in two forms: on the TVC website and in printed form. Mary T. indicated that some of her club members do not use the directory and wondered if other club members had the same experience. If that were the case, then fewer forms could be printed. A discussion indicated that the members found the printed Directory very important. George Clark suggested that an OFN Subscription form be added to the Directory.

Motion: Continue to have a printed copy of the TVC Directory and reassess the number of copies that need to be printed. The motion passed. It was further suggested that an OFN subscription form be added. It was also suggested that the Directory represent the dates Sept. 1 through August 31st.

#### **Future TVC Events**

### 5/29/10 (Saturday): TVC's "Here Comes Summer" 5th Saturday Dance.

Hosted by the Toe Draggers and held at the Kenton grange.. 7:30 Pre-Rounds and 8:00 Mainstream. Caller: The Wild Cards; Cuer: Bev Flint. Door donation: \$5. Experienced clothing sale.

**7/31/10 (Saturday): TVC's** "Hahn Barn Dance and Potluck". Held at the Hahn Farm, 37280 NW Hahn Road, Banks, OR. Michael McMullen calling and Ruth Canby cueing. Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$2 for youths and a family maximum of \$14. Since this is a "subscription dance", dance admission will be free for one person with a newly renewed or new subscription. Be sure to bring your favorite potluck dinner/dessert to share! Dress is country casual. Potluck: 5:30 PM, Pre-Rounds: 6:30 PM, Mainstream 7:00 – 9:00 PM.

#### 10/30/2010 (Saturday): 2010 Tri-Council Dance.

Hosted by Evergreen Council. Featuring The Crew (Randy Dibble, Darrell Clendenin, Les Seeley and Jim Hattrick). Pre-rounds will begin at 7:30 and square dancing from 8:00 – 11:00 PM. This is a mainstream dance with every third tip a PLUS dance. Costumes are optional.

12/31/10 (Friday): TVC's New Year's Eve Dance. (Details to follow.)

1/29/11 (Saturday): TVC's 5th Saturday Dance. (Details to follow.)

4/30/11 (Saturday): Tri-Council 5th Saturday Dance. (Details to follow.)

7/30/11 (Saturday): TVC's 5th Saturday Dance. (Details to follow.)

#### **CLUB DELEGATE REPORTS**

**Coast Swingers:** (Nell Killebrew and Michael McMullen, Delegates)

Dance the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> 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). Our Club Caller is Michael McMullen, our associate caller is Janet Shannon, and we also dance to guest callers and guest cuers. <a href="https://www.coastswingers.com/">www.coastswingers.com/</a>

"What a swell party it was..." to quote Cole Porter. Over 50 dancers helped us celebrate our 19th anniversary on May 8th. Guest callers, Harold Kleve – Sunset Promenaders, and Mark Wheeler – Country Capers, joined our featured caller Janet Shannon – Country Capers and Coast Swingers, and cuer Connie Clark – Valley Squares, in putting the dancers through their paces. We had visitors from the Bachelor and Bachelorettes, Country Capers, Hoedowners, Rosetown Ramblers, Sunset Promenaders, and Valley Squares. The Country Capers and Sunset Promenaders each brought enough dancers to steal a banner from our club. Thank you to everyone who made the trip to the Oregon Coast and helped us celebrate our club's 19th birthday.

Our Rummage Sale, April 30<sup>th</sup> and May 1<sup>st</sup> was a success. After expenses we netted \$230.90. We are making plans now for our fall rummage sale.

Bruce Lowther and Doug Hatch called and cued a fun dance for us on May 22<sup>nd</sup>. Nineteen dancers including visitors from the Hayshakers, Astoria, and the Timber Twirlers, Albany and two independents from Arizona had a good time.

We invite you to come join us on June 12<sup>th</sup> for our "Happy Summer Days Dance". Our club caller, Michael McMullen, and Jackie Gale from the Braids and Braves, McMinnville, and the Valley River Dancers, Newberg, will be our caller/cuer team for the evening. Ed and Sammy Craig will be calling and cueing for our "Dads Rock Dance" on June 26<sup>th</sup>. We are expecting a visitation from the Valley Squares at this dance. We are planning on dancing in the Tillamook Dairy Days parade the morning of June 26<sup>th</sup>. If you are on the coast for the weekend we would love to have some of you join us on the float.

As always we welcome all dancers, including class members and recent graduates and love dancing with the new kids on the block as well as reminiscing with old friends. So please come join us on the Central Oregon Coast.

Visit our website, <u>www.coastswingers.com</u>, for the latest information.

## **Eager Beavers:** (Ferrous Steinka and Naomi Coorengel, Delegates)

Dance easy plus in the Elsie Stuhr Center in Beaverton (which features an air conditioner and excellent wood floor) every Monday afternoon, 1:15 to 3:15 PM. On holidays we dance at the Aloha Grange (the corner of 185<sup>th</sup> 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/

On May 3<sup>rd</sup> the Eager Beavers inducted our new officers during our monthly club meeting. Our outgoing president of two years, Rachel Nettleton, was thanked for her service and incoming Chief Dam Builder, Sylvia Duncan, was charged with the responsibilities of the office. Our other elected or continuing officers are: Carole Petranek, Vice President; Marguerite Morin, Secretary; Mary Johnson, Treasurer; and Naomi Coorengel, TVC Delegate.

Our Plus lessons are winding down with our last class of the year being Wednesday.

Recently a square of Eager Beavers, with the help of caller David Trout, performed before an appreciative audience at Edgewood Downs. This is one of several community service activities the Beavers do each year.

#### **Hoedowners:** (Karen Steinka and David Krause, Delegates)

Dance the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays at the Aloha Grange on the corner of 185<sup>th</sup> 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 4<sup>th</sup> 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. <a href="https://www.hoedowners.info/">http://www.hoedowners.info/</a>

Our Hoedowners' dance on May 22nd was a big one! We had 15 squares with 6 of them being a mystery trip visitation from the Dudes and Dolls, Lynnwood, WA., Just north of Seattle. We had a wonderful potluck dinner before the dance that was enjoyed by all that came early.

We elected new officers. President Bart and Debra Welsh, VP Sally & Mike Duyck, Secretary Brian Woodward, Treasurer Mark Bendickson, and David Krause is our new TVC delegate.

We have our beach trip coming up the first weekend of June in Manzanita. We are looking forward to it. The large house we are staying in is huge, right on the beach, and has a room big enough to square dance in.

Come join us June 12th for our *Strawberries and Cream* dance. We always have plenty of delicious berries and shortcake. June 26th will be our *Banana Split* dance. Hope to see you there.

## Mix 'N Mingle: (Patty Bonney, Delegate)

Dance Plus at the Winona Grange (8340 Seneca Street, Tualatin, OR) on 1st and 3rd Saturdays. Pre-Rounds begin at 7:30 PM (Levels 4 & 5), 8:00 PM (Levels 2 & 3) and Plus from 8:30 - 11:00 PM. Randy Dibble is our club caller and Jeanine Norden our club cuer. \$4 per person at the dance for members, \$5 for non-members. http://www.mixandminglesguares.org/

Anyone wondering whether M'nMs will be dancing on a hot night can check at <a href="mailto:info@mixandminglesquares.org">info@mixandminglesquares.org</a>.

### **R Square D**: (Linda Sycks and Lonnie Sycks, Delegates)

Dance 2nd Friday and the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday 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. Craig Abercrombie is the caller and Lonnie Sycks is our cuer. Call 360-431-7553 or 360-636-3358 for more information.

This year we are not going to have a graduation for students. Instead, on June 2nd we will have a potluck first and then a free dance for all who have been to lessons this past year. Most of our snow- birds have returned which always give the club a boost. We had to improvise a little at our Cinco de Mayo dance May 1st. Our cuer was on stage for an hour and a half while waiting for the caller to arrive. Bridge work was part of the reason he was late. Had a great dance though, and everything worked out great. New officers for this year are President Dick & Sandy Sims, Vice President John Poole, Secretary Toni Carroll, and Treasurer Pat & Glenn Faires. Starting in June we will be casual this summer except for June 5<sup>th</sup>, which is the last regular dance of the season. Summer schedule is the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays from 6:00 PM to 9:00 PM (June, July, and August). 6 - 7 will be plus workshop and 7 - 9 will be mainstream. Hoping everyone has a safe and fun summer.

## Sunset Promenaders: (Joyce Clark and Ray Sullivan, Delegates)

Dance 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays. First Saturday every month at 7:30 until 8:00 is a Square Dance Workshop. The 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday every month is Pre-rounds from 7:30 until 8:00. Mainstream continues from 8:00 – 10:00 with a break at the end.Our Caller is Harold Kleve and our Cuer is Ruth Canby. We dance in Hillsboro at the Odd Fellows Hall Upstairs on the corner of 3<sup>rd</sup> & Main Streets above LaHaies and Of Earth and Air shops. www.sunsetpromenaders.com/

The Sunset Promenaders had a fantastic May, which included a dine out and trip to Garibaldi to visit the Coast Swingers. We took almost three squares of Promenaders and came away with one of their coveted lighthouse banners! We know they will be back to our hall soon to retrieve this prize! We then enjoyed the Checkerboard Squares on their Mystery Trip when they FINALLY arrived at our hall. They had traveled all afternoon with stops in many locations before arriving in Hillsboro. We will be planning a return visit to retrieve our banner in the future.

June will be a big month with two important dances at our hall. We will kick off on the June 5<sup>th</sup> with our Teddy Bear Dance, when we hope all dancers will bring a new bear to donate to the Officer Buddy Bear program in Washington County. This program provides a comforting cuddle to children in a crisis situation and we are happy to help them again this year. Our second dance in June will be to honor fathers and what better way than to feed them Strawberry Shortcake. If you like your strawberries with cake or without, whipped cream or ice cream, your favorite way will be offered at our dance. Come and enjoy one of our true northwest treats and enjoy an evening of dancing friendship in our hall. Don't forget the Stub Stewart State Park demo on July 24<sup>th</sup>; we need you to come help us out and use this opportunity to advertise you lessons starting in the fall. Call Ray Sullivan or Tom Sminia for more information.

## **Toe Draggers: (**Amanda Roberts, Delegate)

Dance at the Kinton Grange on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> 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>

Thanks to all of you for coming to our Wild West Dance last Friday.

Starting in June The Toes are going to be Casual for the Summer. Our June 18<sup>th</sup> (3rd Friday dance) is called "Name That Artist" dance. Dancers need to guess who the original singer was. In July we will be dark on the second dance of the month, to support the Summer Festival. But be sure to attend our July 2nd dance, to help us celebrate the 4<sup>th</sup> of July and our wonderful caller K.C. Curtis's birthday.

The Toes finished our lessons and we graduated 8 from Square Dance lessons and 6 from Round Dance Lessons. We gained five new dance members.

The Toes are compiling their total volunteer hours and their report should be available by next meeting.

## **Tri Squares**: (Vida Eppich, Delegate)

Dance on the first Saturday and third Friday of each month at the historic Tigard Grange in Tigard. This year we will not be dancing in July. Starting in August, Terry Halley will be our club caller. Jackie Gale will be our Friday cuer. Doug Hatch will be cueing for most of our Saturday dances. We dance Plus from 7:30 to 8:00 and Mainstream from 8:00 to 10:00, with one plus tip at 10:00. A social break starts at 10:00. www.trisquares.com/

Tri-Squares elected new officers at the annual all-club meeting on April 11, 2010; the old board members handed down their offices to the new board member at a joint dinner meeting on May 10, 2010. Our new officers are: Gordon Keeney (President), Sandra Meyers (Vice-President), Bob Petranek (Treasurer), Debra Kapfer (Secretary), and Carol Roos (TVC 2<sup>nd</sup> Delegate).

Tri-Squares are planning on starting lessons this fall from Terry Halley.

Tri-Squares will be dancing at the Tigard Grange to Terry Halley as caller and Doug Hatch on Saturday, June 5, 2010. Plus starts at 7:30 PM and Mainstream starts at 8:00 PM, with rounds in-between. The theme will be "Red, White and Blue". They will dance on Friday, June 18, 2010, to Jim Hattrick, same time, same place, but the theme will be "Summer At Last".

Tri-Squares will be dark this July since the July dances interfere with the 4<sup>th</sup> of July and the Summer Festival. Their summer dances will begin on August 7, 2010 and then again on Friday, August 20, 2010.

Our May dances on May 1, 2010 and May 21, 2010 were lively and enjoyable. The May 1<sup>st</sup> dance was not as well attended as hoped, due to conflicts, but the Hawaiian themed dances last Friday (May 21<sup>st</sup>) had over five squares and was well represented by club visitors.

We will be selling Entertainment books again next year as a fund raiser. We continue to explore other avenues of improving our bottom line, including raising the annual dues and getting involved in Saturday markets. Final plans will be available next month.

Our next board meeting will be held at 7:00 PM on June 7, 2010 at the Petranek's.

## Valley Squares: (Karen Martiny and Dorothy Reed, Delegates)

Dance mainstream the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday, at the Aloha Grange on the corner of 185th at TV Hwy. Dances are 7:30-10. 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>

The Valley Squares 2010 Class Graduation was Tuesday, May 11th. Dancing with balloons, brooms and paper plates and taking a "written test" were all part of the fun time we all had. Fifteen class members graduated and fourteen have become members - three of them Junior Members.

May 15th was our 61st Anniversary Dance with Ed Craig and The Wild Cards calling and Connie Clark cueing, plus cuers from the floor. Our theme was "A Hawaiian Luau"; we danced with casual dress, fun decorations and lots of "luau" food and an anniversary cake. We had visitation from the Hoedowners, Toe Draggers, Coast Swingers, Eager Beavers and Sunset Promenaders.

June 5th will be our next regular dance and June 19th our *Strawberry Dance* with Bruce Lowther co-calling with Ed Craig and Connie Clark cueing.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# Summer Festival: 7/15 – 18/2010 (Thursday/Friday/Saturday/Sunday): Oregon Summer Festival in Pendleton Oregon, entitled Back In The Saddle Again"

Held at The Pendleton Convention Center (1601 Westgate, Pendleton, OR). A free dance will take place on July 15<sup>th</sup> (Thursday); the community will be invited to dance, in hopes to interest people to begin square dancing lessons. Marshal Flippo of Texas and Daryl Clendenin are the featured callers. Ron and Georgine Woolcock, along with Susan Healea, will be the featured cuers.

#### Ron Silicki's Death. George Clark

Ron passed away due to pancreatic cancer. His memorial service will be held at the Yakima Elks Golf Club at 318 Golf Course Road, Selah, Washington on June 8, 2010 at 2 PM. It's the first exit off Highway 82.

## **Demonstration on July 17th.** Tony Haskins

Tony Haskins received a phone call from a lady who requested a square dance demo on July 17<sup>th</sup>, as she is coordinating entertainment for a 115 year celebration of their lodge. She would like to get the audience involved in the demo. Tony explained that this date is the week of the Summer Festival in Pendleton and it might be hard to get a group together. The demo would be located at 4834 N. Lombard St. in North Portland at the Odd Fellow/Rebecca Hall (St. Johns area). They have a beautiful dance floor. The lady said they use to have square dancers there all the time. If you can't make the Summer Festival, consider this demo. Let Tony know if you are interested <<u>vnot50@netzero.net</u>>.

## **Emerald Square Dance Center**. Veleta Mullen

The Center is holding a square dance on June 12, 2010 (Saturday) entitled *Live Music with Conjugal Visitors*. The Boy Scouts are having a barbeque from 6:00 – 7:30 (donation dinner). Dancing goes from 8:00 to 10:30 at \$6:00 per person. Bob Ewing is calling and Sharon Greenman is cueing. Location is 2095 Yolanda Ave., Springfield, Oregon. For more information call 541-746-7386.

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting Adjourned: 9:00 PM Respectfully submitted, Mary T. Withers

Next Meeting: The June meeting will be held on 6/28/10 at the Pizza Caboose (3276 NW 185<sup>th</sup>) next to the 7-Eleven. Dinner and socialization begins at 6:30 PM. The meeting begins at 7:30.