

# **Tualatin Valley Council (TVC)**

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# COUNCIL MEETING Nov 22, 2010 Called to order at: 7:30PM

Attendees: Officers:

Judy Schnase (Pres.); Debra Welch (V. Pres.); Lalani Radford (Treas.); Mary T. Withers (Sec.); Veleta Mullen (Past Pres.); Mike Duyck (State Delegate); Dorothy Sullivan (Sunshine Chairman); Tom Sminia (Parliamentarian)

# **Delegates:**

Nell Killebrew (Coast Swingers); Michael McMullen (Coast Swingers); Linda Sycks (R Square D); Lonnie Sycks (R Square D); Joyce Clark (Sunset Promenaders); Janice Sminia (Sunset Promenaders); Ray Sullivan (Sunset Promenaders)

Visitors: Carolene Ginocchio (Valley Squares); Bill Siebert (Valley Squares); Ray Sullivan (Sunset Promenaders);

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Who Is Responsible?	Announcements, Decisions, Motions, or Needed Action	Date
All	<b>Minutes Corrections and New Reports.</b> Send corrections of the minutes and your new meeting report for the January meeting to Mary T. Withers <a href="mailto:john.mary.withers@gmail.com">john.mary.withers@gmail.com</a> .	Before Jan 24, 2011
All	December TVC Meeting. TVC will not hold a meeting in December.	
All	January TVC President's Meeting and 2010 Recognition Award Announcement. Delegates are to invite their club members and past presidents to the Jan 24th TVC President's Potluck and Meeting held at Hillsboro's Odd Fellows hall. The potluck begins at 6:30 PM and the meeting begins at 7:30. Judy Schnase (TVC President) will be announcing the 2010 TVC Recognition Award recipient.	Before Jan 24, 2011
All	Veleta Mullen's Phone Number: Make a note in your directories that Veleta's phone number has changed to 503-819-7229 (cell).	
Delegates Club Members	<b>TVC Financial Plan.</b> Discuss with club members the suggestions made by the Finance Committee to increase revenue and reduce expenses (see section under "Standing Committee Reports – Finance". Be prepared to discuss the pros and cons of these suggestions at the Jan 24 <sup>th</sup> meeting.	Before Jan 24, 2011
Mary T. Withers Hayshakers	<b>Hayshakers.</b> Mary T. will contact the Hayshakers to let them know they were unanimously accepted as TVC members, request a copy of their constitution and ask which member(s) will serve as delegates. Their contacts will be added to the TVC email distribution list.	Before Jan 24 2011
Delegates and/or Club Treasurers Lalani Radford	Tax Filings By Clubs and TVC Council. Tell/Email Bill Rooper (OFOSARDC financial advisor and TVC Past Treasurer) that your club has filed a tax report <a href="mailto:baroop@charter.net">baroop@charter.net</a> . This will provide Bill with information about our council's tax status and assist with IRS compliance.	ASAP
All	<b>IRS Compliance Seminar at Mid-Winter.</b> Each club should delegate the club member, who is responsible for IRS compliance, to attend a mid-winter seminar regarding IRS compliance.	
Delegates	Save The Date - July 14 <sup>th</sup> - 2012 Summer Dance. The State has reconsidered having a 2012 Summer Festival. The state had originally cancelled the 2012 Summer Festival, in order to encourage more dancers	

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	to attend the national conference that will take place in Spokane, Washington on June 27-30, 2012. However, after reconsideration and with the state's approval, Kay Rogers, with the help of the Eager Beavers and Hoedowners, are considering holding a special dance at the Seaside Convention Center on the July 14 - 15 <sup>th</sup> weekend – just 2 weeks following the national convention. The event entitled, "It's Not Just Another Weekend At The Beach" will be a combination of dancing and scheduled social activities. Daryl Clendenin has tentatively agreed to be a featured caller and is hopeful that The Crew will be asked to call as well. All plans at this point are tentative and subject to change.				
All	<b>Hayshakers Join TVC.</b> Welcome the Hayshakers as they have just joined the Tualatin Valley Council.				
Delegates	<b>State Directory.</b> Check your club's information in the State Directory and notify Vivian Fairburn so that she can correct the errors in the OFN.				
Delegates	Youth Dancers. Send Kathy Roberts the number and ages of the kids dancing in your club.				
Delegates	Youth Scholarships. Encourage your club to set out a scholarship donation jar at all of the dances				
Judy Schnase	Suggested Agenda Items for January 24, 2011 Meeting. (1) Hayshakers. (2) 2012 "It's Not Just Another Weekend At The Beach Dance".				

# **CORRECTION/ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES**

The October 25, 2010 minutes were approved.

# **OFFICER REPORTS**

President's Report: Judy Schnase

No report.

<u>Secretary Report:</u> Mary T. Withers No report.

**Treasurer's Report:** Lalani Radford

# TVC Account Balances as of 11/22/10

BE	GINNING BALANCE	911.59
IN	COME	406.00
TC	TAL EXPENSES	324.97
EN	IDING BALANCE	992.62
Su	ımmary	
Ca	ish Box	30.00
Ch	necking	992.62
Sa	vings	9,549.58
To	tal	10,572.20

<u>Vice-President Report:</u> Debra Welch All 2011 Dance contracts will go out this week. The Dance Committee is having a meeting to finalize

plans for the dances and to make suggestions.

# TVC State Delegate: Kathy Roberts in place of Mike Duyck/Gary Clark Mid-Winter

- The following is an edited version of the discussion. The Oregon Federation's minutes are placed on their website.
- **Mid Winter** There are only about 200 people registered for Mid Winter. They should have about 600 registered at this time.
- **OFSRDC Youth Scholarships** Two different kinds available for youth square dancers.
  - The first scholarship is a continuing education scholarship.
    - Our Oregon State Federation has a \$500 scholarship for graduating high school seniors or college freshman. Deadline is May 1, 2011.
    - Information is on the Federation website: <a href="http://www.squaredance.gen.or.us/ScholarshipApp.php">http://www.squaredance.gen.or.us/ScholarshipApp.php</a>.
    - Currently, all of the educational scholarship funds have been from donations from our dancers
    - Scholarship Dance will be planned for April or May and would like to work with a council to sponsor this dance.
      - Delegates, please ask your councils if you would like to host a Scholarship Dance and let Kathy know.
    - TVC was acknowledged for their continuing support of the scholarship fundraising
    - Encourage all clubs to set out a scholarship donation jar at all of the dances
  - The second scholarship is a scholarship to help youth attend or participate in federated events such as Mid-Winter and Summer Festivals.
    - If you have a student that needs assistance, contact Kathy with a brief reason why they need assistance.
  - USDA offers a \$1000 Scholarship towards continuing education. Rules and eligibility are on their website at: <a href="http://www.usda.org/info.htm">http://www.usda.org/info.htm</a>. The deadline for this scholarship is February 1, 2011.

TVC Past President: Veleta Mullen

I am pulling together a Nomination Committee.

**OFN Area Editor:** Ferrous Steinka

No report.

Caller Advisor: K.C. Curtis

No report.

**Cuer Advisor:** Connie Clark

No report.

#### STANDING COMMITTEE REPORTS

# Finance Chair: Gary Clark

The Finance Committee met on Monday, 1 November 2010. Members present were Gary Clark, Michael McMullen, and Lalani Radford; guests present were Judy Schnase, Debra Welch and Joyce Clark. Joyce volunteered to serve as secretary for this meeting.

The committee agreed we need to think outside the box, remind all dancers that all council dances are

Special Dances and should be attended by the majority of dancers in the Council, no club should schedule ANY event over a Council Dance as the Council does not schedule any event over a Club dance and every 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday is a scheduled TVC dance unless they conflict with a State event such as Mid-Winter Festival.

We noted that the TVC has spent more money every year for the past 4 years than they have received. All agreed that we should set a minimum bank balance of \$7,500 which would allow the basic TVC activities to continue for 3 years but at that time would require a drastic cut in TVC spending or increase in income if we wanted to continue as a Council.

The ideas we suggest to stop the drain to the TVC treasury and allow us to more to support our TVC clubs follow:

# Suggestions for increasing revenue:

- Increase attendance at all TVC dances.
  - This could be accomplished mainly through the efforts of the club delegates by asking each club to use a combination calling and/or computer reminders of upcoming dances and a renewed attempt to encourage all TVC dancers to attend the dances.
- Coffee Stop or other fund raising activities.
   Of course, this would have to be supported by TVC members, not just the officers to do whatever work is necessary to hold a successful fund raiser.
- Increase the door fee at TVC dances.
- Consider what our votes do to bottom line financially before we decide to spend any money.
- Hold a special dance with a National or out of the area popular caller.
   This dance could be scheduled over a 5<sup>th</sup> weekend or on a 4<sup>th</sup> Friday since the committee did not think any TVC club held regular dances on a 4<sup>th</sup> Friday.
- Reduce the amount reimbursed for Club's class advertising. This committee realized that we could not change the amount reimbursed for this budget period but do recommend that the amount be reduced to \$150 for the next fiscal year which begins in June 2011.
- Sell more ads for the TVC directory to offset the cost of publishing the directory.
- Charge a nominal fee for the TVC directory, perhaps \$1.00.

# Suggestions for reducing expenses:

Reduce printing costs.

Our printing costs have far exceeded the budgeted amount. Ways to reduce this may be to send out more e-mail information in the form of flyers, meeting agendas, Treasurer's reports and other reports and asking the recipients to print their own copies.

Use colored paper with black only ink for flyers that must be printed since colored ink copies are much more expensive.

- E-mail more print less.
  - This suggestion is really part of the prior suggestion.
- Reduce ad size in the OFN.
  - The committee did not believe that a half or full page ad in the OFN was not any more effective than a quarter page ad. With this in mind, the suggestion was to use smaller ads which are more affordable.
- Reduce the <u>minimum</u> pay on the Caller and Cuer contracts. This would make no difference to the Caller and Cuer if we all do our jobs and come to the dances, but it would reduce the TVC's risk of losing money at dances that are not well attended.

Distribute information and flyers in a file box at each meeting. Supply a file box with each club having a folder where others would put their flyers each month. Delegates would have the responsibility to take the contents of their file to their club and display the flyers plus report to their club all TVC activities and news. The committee understands that many of the delegates are doing a good job, this would just make it easier for clubs to get their flyers distributed to all the delegates.

It was noted that there are only 4 fifth Saturdays in both 2011 and 2012 so unless we find ways to increase income and/or reduce expenses the TVC could soon run out of funds if we continue with the financial drain of the last four years.

These suggestions are being made to begin a conversation and find a solution so the TVC can continue to support our area clubs and promote square dancing.

# Sunshine Chair: Dorothy Sullivan

The following people received Sunshine notes:

- Nan Bushell because she had bronchial pneumonia (Eager Beaver)
- Casey Curtis because his father passed away (Toe Dragger, Caller)
- Carol Dinsmore for her fractured hip (Tri Squares)
- Ann Marie Fisher for kidney stones (Sunset Promenaders)
- Bob Kratz for shoulder surgery (Coast Swingers)
- Larry Schaumburg because he has cancer (Hayshakers)
- Bill Siebert because he had pneumonia (Valley Squares)
- Walt Thompson because his wife passed away (R Square D)
- Ed Warmouth for his knee replacement (Eager Beavers)
- Bill Young because he is still on chemotherapy (Sunset Promenaders)

#### Parliamentarian: Tom Sminia

The Practices and Procedure document states the TVC President is to appoint a nominating committee in October or November for next year election of officers.

The officers to be nominated include:

- President
- Vice-President
- Secretary
- Treasurer
- TVC Delegate to the State
- Two (2) TVC Alternates to the State

We have not had a second alternate area delegate for years but these offices are mentioned in the TVC Constitution and the By-Laws.

The requirement for two alternate delegates is stated in the constitution in Article 4.)

In the TVC By-Laws, section 6 states:

Section 6 Alternate Delegate On and Two (revised September 1995)

The alternate delegate # one shall attend State Federation meetings in the absence of the area delegate, and attend the Portland Area Council meetings. The alternate delegate # two shall represent the Tualatin Valley Council at other area council meetings or caller and cuer meetings designated by the Tualatin Valley Council. Both alternate delegates, both one and two, shall assist the area delegate when state meetings are held in this area.

Website Chair: Mark Bendickson www.tualatinvalleycouncil.org

No report.

# **REPORTS FROM COURTESY POSITIONS**

# PAC Delegate to the TVC: Tony Haskins

The PAC has made a couple of changes regarding its Officers. Bill Rooper from the Swap & Swing (The Dalles) is now the PAC Treasurer. Enid Wheeler (who was the Treasurer) is now our Area Editor. A big thank you goes out to both of them for stepping up and filling these positions.

The PAC Christmas Dinner will be held on Dec. 20<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm. This will be at the Spaghetti Factory behind Target. Go west on Sunnyside Road to 93<sup>rd</sup> and turn left. Everyone is welcome to join us.

PAC Clubs, which include the Checkerboard Squares; Country Capers; and some River City Dancers, danced in front of the Public Television cameras on Saturday at 5pm. This was located at 829 NE 8<sup>th</sup>, in Gresham and done in the Metro East Media Building. Mark Wheeler from the Country Capers called the event. Everyone had a great time. It will be broadcasted at a later date. I will try to let you know when and what time.

Cynthia Ekberg has done an outstanding job again this year selling those Entertainment Books. There has been quite a few sold. We are waiting on a final count. Cynthia, I thank you, Leslie thanks you, and we all thank you....Good job!!

The Tri-Council Dance went extremely well with a head count of 306 people according to Rex & Jean Tolstrup. This event was called by the Crew and Jim Hatttrick cued. Many costumes were worn including the TVC President Judy. She was all decked out in that witch's costume. (Joke) Raffle basket winners were Shirley Enstead, Randy Amundson, Collen Sawyer, Lucy Lee, John Poole, Louis Robinett and Oted Olinger. Rex and Jean Tolstrup was presented the Bob Kendell Award for 2010. Great job you guys and congratulations to everyone. There was 93 Evergreen Dancers, 80 TVC Dancers and 75 PAC Dancers. 61 people did not indicate their clubs.

The 2011 Summer Festival is in full swing. Get registered early. We have lots of bills to pay and we need the money. We have 2011 T-shirts, raffles for the handmade quilt and the dinner boat cruise up the Columbia. We will also have tours to OMSI and the Blue Back Submarine on both Friday July 8<sup>th</sup> and Saturday July 9<sup>th</sup> starting at 1pm. The cost is \$15.50 per person. We will have transportation to and from the school for this event. This will coincide with the USO Show Saturday night. Again, this is theater style seating in the High School Auditorium. There is seating for 500 people. Tickets are being printed and will be ready for sale in January. This event is also open to the public and the cost is \$5.00 per person. Children under 12 years old are free.

The Country Capers, with the Checkerboards Past President and some Grange Members, have been painting downstairs at the Rockwood Grange. The ceiling is pure white with a flat white on 2 ½ walls; deep sky blue on 1 ½ walls. The post throughout the structure is a light blue/gray matching the Blue Carpets. Other remolding is scheduled for after the holidays. It will also be decorated to the hilt for all the Christmas Parties scheduled in December.

The Rockwood Grange had election of Officers and everyone remained in their position including the Master Tony Haskins. We will have our annual Christmas Party on Friday December 17<sup>th</sup> at 5:30pm. The address is 18303 SE Stark Street in Portland, Oregon. It is a potluck. The Rockwood Grange has donated \$300.00 for gifts for the kids that come with their guardians. There will be 2 turkeys, and 2 hams. (I could make a great joke out of the line). Mr. and Mrs. Santa Claus will be there, dressed for the occasion. They are retired Mult. Co. Under Sheriff, Tom Slyter and his wife Barbara. They have done this for the last 5 years. If you have grandkids and/or children that would appreciate this event, please come and join us. Call or e-mail me with the ages, gender and count so we know how to buy for them. The Country Capers, Checkerboard Squares and Grange members will attend. Come even if you

don't have grandchildren. We would enjoy your company.

Let's have fun this Christmas and enjoy what the Good LORD has given us. Let us not forget the meaning of Christmas. Drive carefully, the kids are out and the roads are slick. Buy those Mid-Winter Ribbons while their hot and don't forget the PAC Summer Festival.

#### **OLD BUSINESS**

- 1. TVC Schedule of Events (Debra Welch)
  - 12/31/10 (Friday): TVC's "New Year's Eve That Old Black Magic Dinner and Dance". Featuring Harold Cleve and K.C. Curtis as Callers and Norm Yoder as Cuer. Theme: Black and White. Dinner: Pot Roast. Held at Hillsboro's IOOF Hall. Price: \$12.00. Everyone bring a dessert.
  - 1/28-30/11 (Friday Saturday): Oregon Mid-Winter's 'Lil Bit O'Heaven'. Held at Linn County Fair & Expo, Albany, Oregon. Featuring Joe Saltel (Pharr, Texas) as Caller and Pat/Joe Hilton (Baldwin Missouri) as Cuer.
  - 4/30/11 (Saturday): *Tri-Council* 5<sup>th</sup> Saturday Dance "Dancing In The Rain". Hosted by Tualatin Valley Council. Featuring Randy Dibble (Caller) and Jackie Gale (Cuer).
  - 7/30/11 (Saturday): TVC's "Hahn Barn Dance and Potluck". Featuring Roger Putzler (Caller) and Randy Lewis (Cuer). Held at the Hahn Farm, 37280 NW Hahn Road, Banks, OR. Tickets are \$5 for adults, \$2 for youth and a family maximum of \$14. This is a subscription dance; admission will be free for one person with a newly renewed or new subscription. 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.
  - 10/29/11 (Saturday): Seaside Sashay. Held at the Seaside Civic & Convention Center.
  - 12/31/11 (Saturday): TVC's New Year's Eve Dance. Featuring Daryl Clendenin (Caller) and Bev Flint (Cuer).
  - 7/8-10/11 (Friday Saturday): "Rose Promenade" Summer Festival. Held at Reynolds High School in Troutdale, Oregon (1698 SW Cherry Park Road, Troutdale, OR 97060). Featured are national caller, Deborah Carroll-Jones (Arlington, Texas) and Sharon/Casey Parker (Manteca, CA). On Saturday night, there will be a USO Show on Saturday night and a teen dance exhibit Saturday afternoon. Pre-Registration costs are as follows: Adult full Festival ticket (3 days): \$35.00; Adult Saturday: \$25.00; Youth Full Festival (3 days): \$15.00; Youth Saturday \$10.00. RV Dry Parking: \$10 per night. Purchase a ribbon through your club or make checks payable to 2011 Summer Festival, PO Box 582, The Dalles, OR 97058.

#### 2. Hayshakers TVC Membership (Gary Clark)

A motion was made and seconded to accept the Hayshaker's request to join TVC. The motion passed unanimously.

#### **NEW BUSINESS**

# **December Meeting** (Tom Sminia)

A motion was made and unanimously passed to place a statement in the P & Ps that TVC will not hold a December meeting.

#### **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 our club cuer is Connie Clark. We also dance to guest callers and guest cuers. www.coastswingers.com

On 13 November, our club caller, Michael McMullen, called a fun workshop and dance for a small, dedicated square of Coast Swingers. Although Michael had planned to workshop the Ocean Wave rule during the evening, at the dancers request he work-shopped Walk and Dodge and Scoot Back. Calls that Michael refers to as "Innies and Outies" calls, as the dance action depends on if you are facing into or out of your box of 4 dancers.

Weather permitting; we are planning a visitation to the Hoedowners on 27 November. Since our dance hall is not available Thanksgiving Saturday, this is one of the few times we can visit a club that dances on the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday.

Our Christmas Party is scheduled for Saturday 11 December and will feature our associate caller, Janet Shannon. The festivities start at 5:30 with a Potluck dinner followed by a gift exchange and continue with dancing from 7:00 to 9:30. If you wish to participate in the gift exchange, please bring a gender-neutral gift, value under \$5.00. We are praying for good weather on the 11<sup>th</sup> as our Christmas Party has been cancelled the past two years due to snow in the Coast Range passes.

Tickets for the Wade Driver dances on 12 March 2011 are available now. Wade will be calling a Plus dance in the afternoon and a Mainstream dance in the evening. Connie Clark will be the cuer for both dances. This is Wade's only scheduled appearance in Oregon and S.W. Washington in 2011.

We will be dark the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday in December, Christmas Day; and January, Mid-Winter Festival.

As always attire is coast casual and we're only a 90-minute drive from the Beaverton/Hillsboro area.

**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

The Beavers celebrated seven birthdays at their once-a-month meeting on Nov 1<sup>st</sup>. The birthday people brought great desserts to share.

More than 20 dancers attended the fifth Saturday Tri-County Dance in October at the Vancouver Square Dance Center. The Crew called. Twenty-five squares were on the floor, as counted by a TVC representative. Others counted 30! Lots of fun!!!!

Dancers from the Eager Beavers attended the Royal Romp the first weekend in Nov. at the Clark County Square Dance Center in Vancouver, Washington.

Beaver members who didn't go to the Romp, made an official visitation to the Valley Squares on Sat. Nov 6<sup>th</sup>. George Clark called with help from callers from the floor. Great desserts of home made pies, plus other goodies were available at break.

Beavers danced with Plus Knights. George Clark called a tip providing laughter for all the dancers. Norm Yoder put the Plus dancers through some fancy moves. Randy Lewis cued some 2 Step moves that were new to some of the dancers.

# **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. Pre-Plus and Intermediate Rounds will be called from 7:00-8:00 and Mainstream from 8-10. Our format is informal and friendly. http://www.hoedowners.info

Our *Third Annual Turkey Toss* dance was well attended and a great time for all. We took a break from dancing at 9 p.m. to try our luck at winning a Thanksgiving turkey. Sixteen lucky tickets were drawn to compete.....eight happy winners took home turkeys. Special thanks to those Hoedowners who donated turkeys.

We had a visitation to Valley Squares on November 20th to help welcome their new caller Chuck Garner. Daryl Clendenin and Norm Yoder helped out by calling a few tips. It was a fun dance. Our best wishes to Chuck Garner.

Come dance with us on November 27th. Also, remember our *New Dancers Jamboree* is on Sunday December 5th from 3 to 5 PM.

On December 11th we will be having our lasagna dinner dance, "It's A Wonderful Life", with dinner starting 6:15 to 6:30. Bring a new toy for needy children.

Happy Thanksgiving to all.

#### 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.mixandminglesquares.org

M'nMs will be holding our annual canned food dance December 18th. We are hoping to have the stage piled high with food for those in need. We WILL be dancing New Year's Day.

# **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. www.r-square-d.info

R Square D lessons ended November 17th but we start a new set of basic and mainstream lessons on Wednesday December 1st. We will be dancing November 27th but will be dark December 25th. December 10th will be our Christmas Dance and Toy Drive which we donate to Salvation Army. On November 13th 7 of us traveled up to Olympia Do Si Do's stopping at the Oyster House for dinner. Also in November we attended Square & Circles farewell dance. What a crowd and a great dance. There were 12 and 3/4s squares. If only we could get that many at every dance. Our next travel will be to Cougar Squares Thankful Christmas Dance December 4th. We also have an overnight travel planned up to Bonnie Lads and Lassies. We want to wish everyone a Happy Thanksgiving! And safe travel.

# **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. <a href="www.sunsetpromenaders.com">www.sunsetpromenaders.com</a>

November has been great, we honored all present and past soldiers who have served our country at our Veterans Dance. Chuck Garner and Ken Pratt joined Harold and Ruth on stage for our dancing pleasure. Our "Thanks for Giving" dance garnered boxes and bags of non-perishable food which has already been donated to the local food bank.

In December our dances will continue the drive to collect non-perishable food all to be donated to our local food bank so it is not too late to attend and bring your donation.

December 4<sup>th</sup> will be our Apple Dance with Gospel music. So join us and see what our cooks come up with besides Apple pie. Ken Pratt will be sharing the cueing duties with Ruth as he tries out to become the Sunset Promenader Cuer.

Be sure to mark your calendars for our New Dancer Jamboree which is scheduled for December 12<sup>th</sup>, a Sunday at 2:00 pm.

You all probably know our Cuer, Ruth Canby has resigned as our cuer as of the end of this year. We hope you can all come to our Christmas dance on December 18<sup>th</sup> where we will honor Ruth for her 25 years as our cuer. We will have a money tree for Ruth to thank her for being our one and only best cuer for all 25 years. Many cuers have agreed to come to help honor Ruth and wish her well. This dance will also feature all singing calls giving us more chances to round dance to all the Cuers that attend.

In January, we have only one dance on January 15<sup>th</sup> with Lonnie Sycks trying out to be our Club Cuer. We hope to introduce our new Club Cuer at our February dances.

# **Toe Draggers:** (Janelle Janicke and Jim Steele)

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>

Janelle Janicke will be replacing Amanda Roberts as TVC Delegate. Unfortunately, Janelle is sick tonight and due to the weather, Jim and Bonnie are staying home.

Our club needs 3 more New Year's Eve dance tickets. We have sold all that we had. We also need 6 signs which we will get from Tri-Squares. Arrangements have been made.

There were 988 dinners sold at the Kinton Grange Turkey dinner. We ran out of food at 2:30pm and so closed early.

Nov dances were food drive dances. Thank you everyone for contributing. Nov 28th. Members will be decorating the grange for Christmas. Dec 3rd. Twas the week before Christmas bring Toy for Toy Drive Dec. 11th-Visitation to R Square D Jan 9th-Sunday Lessons Begin 3:00-4:00 Square Dance Lessons with KC 4:30-6:00 Round Dance Lessons with Bev Feb. 11th and 12th-Winter Retreat in Lincoln City

Rose Town Travelers have contact us regarding visiting our club in the future.

# Tri Squares: (Vida Eppich and Carol Roos, Delegates)

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 p.m., with one plus tip at 10:00. A social break

starts at 10:00. www.trisquares.com

The Tri-Squares board met at the Eppich home at 7:00 pm October 26, 2010. The lesson committee concluded that the class was progressing successfully, with over 20 students and lots of enthusiasm. Our New Dancer's Jamboree will be held on Fri. Dec. 17(8-10 pm) at the Tigard Grange. This is also a regularly scheduled club dance and mainstream dancers are all invited as well as any other club's dance class which has reached the level 50.

We hosted a silent Auction at our Nov. 6th dance, with Jim Hattrick calling and cueing. Over 200\$ was raised. More than 50 entertainment books have been sold with 7 left to sell. Our Nov. 19th ""Potato Harvest" dance with Terry Halley calling and Jackie Gale cueing attracted three squares and was alot of fun.

Our Christmas party will be held on Dec. 11 at 4 pm at the Newport Seafood Grill in Tigard. We expect a good crowd at our Jan. 1st New Year's Day Party. We are presently scheduling Round Dance Lessons at the Tigard Grange, to begin in January. The plans will be completed the first week of Dec. and all the clubs will be notified through e-mail. Our unsold TVC New Year's Eve Dance tickets are being returned tonite. We sold seven at this date.

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 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>

Valley Squares Nov. 6 dance "Send In/Out the Clowns" in honor of elections was fun. George Clark called with theme songs for "he's voted in, he's voted out, their tied".

Nov. 20 dance with our new caller Chuck Garner was a whopping success - the floor was jumpin'. We had 7 squares dancing and at least another square plus on the side lines (including duty members). Our theme was "Teddy Bear Dance" for Doernbecher and we collected enough teddy bears in various sizes to fill two large trash bags. Our thanks to everyone who attended to make Chuck's first dance such a success and for their generous donations of teddy bears. Hoedowners went home with a traveling banner.

Dec. 4, our next dance, is "Baby It's Cold Outside", which it is already. Dec. 18 will be "Boogie Woogie Christmas Train" with the Girls Night Out calling and cueing. We are looking forward to dancing to this new group. Come join us.

We are so very please with our new caller, Chuck Garner and his lovely Taw, Julie Stiers and look forward to a long, exciting and fun relationship with them both.

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

Veleta Mullen's Phone Number. Please make a change to your directories - 503-819-7229 (cell)

**December Meeting.** There will be no December TVC meeting.

**President's Potluck and Meeting.** Delegates are to invite their members and past presidents to the Jan 24, 2011 meeting. The Potluck will be held at 6:30 and the meeting at 7:30.

Valley Squares – April 8<sup>th</sup> (Friday) - Mike Sikorsky (Carolene Ginocchio)

Valley Squares' 62nd Anniversary Dance will be Friday, April 8, 2011 with Mike Skiorsky calling and Connie Clark Cueing at Aloha Grange. The theme is "Swingin' With Mike". We will be selling tickets,

limiting them to 160 as we do not wish to overcrowd the hall. \$10 each.

7-8 pm will be Plus and Phase III Rounds, 8-10 pm Mainstream and Rounds, open break from 8 to 9:30 pm. We will have tickets available at our December 18 dance (with the Girls Night Out calling and cueing). In January, we will visit all the TVC clubs to sell tickets before opening up sales in February to other dancers. This is going to be hot.

# 2010 New Dancer Jamboree Schedule

**Dec. 5, 2010 (Sunday): Hoedowner New Dancer Jamboree.** 3:00 – 5:00 PM; Door Donation is \$5.00 for adults, \$3.00 for youth (under 18 years), and \$16.00 maximum Family Rate. Located at Aloha Grange (3425 S.W. 185th Ave Aloha, OR 97006). "All Singing Calls". Caller is Daryl Clendenin (Level: 1-50, plus Ferris Wheel).

**Dec. 12, 2010 (Sunday): Sunset Promenader New Dancer Jamboree.** 2:00. Located at Hillsboro IOOF Hall (267 E. Main Street, Hillsboro, OR 97123). Caller is Harold Kleve. *(Level: 1-50, plus Ferris Wheel)*.

**Dec. 17, 2010 (Friday): Tri Squares**. New Dancer Jamboree at a regular dance. Located at Tigard Grange (13770 SW Pacific Highway, Tigard, OR 97223). 8:00 – 10:00 PM at Tigard Grange. Caller: Terry Halley. Christmas Songs and More. (Level 1 – 50, plus Ferris Wheel.)

#### **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting Adjourned: 8:30 PM Respectfully submitted, Mary T. Withers

Next Meeting: The January meeting will be held on January 24, 2011 at the Odd Fellows Hall in Hillsboro. Potluck and socialization begins at 6:30 PM. The meeting begins at 7:30.