

## **Tualatin Valley Council (TVC) 2016-09-26**

Meeting was held at Old Spaghetti Factory, 18925 NW Tanasbourne Drive, Hillsboro, OR 97124 The meeting started about 7:00 and adjourned about 8:20. http://www.tualatinvalleycouncil.org

# Attendees: Delegates:

Columbia River Dancers: Dale & Nancy Smith

Eager Beavers: Kay Rogers, Nan Overall (Nan absent)

Hayshakers: Kathy Worthington, Sylvia Davis (Sylvia absent)

Hoedowners: Mike Duyck, Debra Welch (Debra absent)

Mix N Mingles: Patricia Billings, Janelle Janicke (Janelle absent)

R Square D: Mary McDaniel, Mary Pope (Mary absent)

Sunset Promenaders: Janice Sminia, Janice Blomquist (Janice B. absent)

Toe Draggers: Tom Gray, Diana Gray

Tri Squares: Adolf Eppich (absent), Frank Collett

Tualatin Timber Squares William Alexander (absent)
Valley Squares: Bea Cook, Vicki Fotheringham
Wave Steppers: Bob Allen, Carolyn Hindman

#### Officers, Elected & Appointed:

President: Dale Brabham Vice-President: Kathy Roberts

Treasurer: Carolene Siebert Secretary: Andis Garuts

State Delegate: Jim Rogers Sunshine Chair: Janice Sminia

Past-President of the TVC: Gary Clark

Insurance Chair: Kay Rogers

Chairman 2016 Summer Festival: Kay Rogers President of OFSRDC: Marilyn Schmit (absent)

Caller & Cuer Advisor: Daryl & Yvonne Clendenin (both absent)

Oregon Federation Youth Advisor: Kathy Roberts

TVC Webmaster: Tim Roberts OFN Area Editor: Ferrous Steinka (absent)

#### **Visitors Attending:**

Janienne Alexander (Tualatin Timber Squares)

Joyce Clark (Sunset Promenaders)

Lane Clem (Eager Beavers)

Skip Napier (Albuquerque, NM)

Nanette Shepherd (Tigard, OR)

Tom Sminia (Sunset Promenaders)

Dale Worthington (Hayshakers)

## **TVC Officer Reports:**

**Previous Council meeting** minutes approved as written.

**President's report**: (Dale Brabham)

Welcome guests, delegates, and officers of the TVC.

Recent items in the news are causing concern to be expressed over the safety of youth in square dancing. Tonight Kay and Kathy will cover what is being done to address this issue by the OFSRDC. It is important for those of us not directly affected to consider what we can do. Some of us are at a loss at even what to think of it. How should we react? Here are three things we can do. First, we can, as leaders in square dance, is to show sensitivity to the people and clubs affected. We can privately acknowledge and validate their feelings of loss and hurt. We must console our friends. Second, it is no small gesture for us to visit the club and just dance with them. Please visit. And third, in spite of what has happened, we must continue to believe that square dance is generally a wholesome and safe activity. [How else can we promote square dance and invite people to learn to square dance?] If we collectively do these three things we can begin to repair the damage that has been done.

I am grateful to the OFSRDC for stepping up to the challenge of this troubling situation. It would be easy for us to become disheartened and downcast, as there is no positive spin or up side to what has happened. Sill, it is good to know that the leadership is taking action. Let us do our part. Let us remain positive in spirit and respond by our continued, enthusiastic support for square dance.

On a positive note, we will also hear tonight about very successful anniversary dances. This is gratifying to the leadership of the TVC and especially the clubs; and we look forward to your continued support of anniversary and special TVC dances.

Dale Brabham

#### **Vice President's report**: (Kathy Roberts)

Upcoming TVC Dances:

TVC New Years Eve Dance. December 31. 2016. Odd Fellows Hall, Hillsboro. Caller and Cuer: Daryl and Yvonne Clendenin. New schedule: 9 p.m to Midnight. Since this dance will be without dinner, should we reduce the price of this event to a standard dance and have the Delegates, Officers and dancers bring a dessert item? If we don't, then should the TVC buy cheesecake, or a similar item for this dance? Board voted on this. The majority voted to set the price to \$7/each ticket. Another thing: Since we have a local caller for this dance, there is no need to charge a higher fee. Theme for food will be "open" dessert and finger food theme. Noisemakers? Poppers? We should keep them plain and simple. Each club Delegate will be given ten tickets at the next Meeting to sell at their clubs. More may be available. We will make sure that the cost of the tickets will be enough to cover the caller, cuer and hall costs.

March 5, 2017: Special dance with caller Gary Shoemake. Yvonne Clendenin was asked to cue. Sunset Presbyterian Church in Beaverton. 2-4:30 p.m. A decision will be made at a later time regarding the cost of admission to this event. Presale tickets will be available. April 29, 2017 dance. No additional information.

Sept. 16-17, 2017. OR Federation State Meeting and Dance. Kinton Grange. The Kinton Grange will be open for attendees with RVs from Friday until Monday that weekend. Dry camping. Gates will be open on Friday. Registration forms for RV attendees will be available. Further information later.

Tri-Council Dance (2016). October 29. New location: Hazel Dell Grange in Vancouver. Pre-rounds: 7:30. MS with every third tip Plus from 8 to 10:30 p.m. Callers: Front Porch Trio (Jim Hattrick, Craig Abercrombie and Adam Christman). Size of the hall may be an issue; this will be discussed later.

TVC New Year's Eve Dance (2017): Do we want to go outside the TVC for callers for this dance? This will be decided later. A request was made for statistics on whether attendance was better with national callers. Please let Kathy R. know if you have a special caller in mind for this dance.

A BIG thanks to everyone for the huge response to the TVC anniversary dance visitations. At the Toe Draggers, there were 6 TVC clubs, one PAC club and one Mid-Willamette club. 106 dancers total. Tri-Squares: About 6 TVC clubs, one PAC and one Mid-Willamette club. Delegates, please thank your dancers for participating in these visitations. Next TVC Visitation: Sunset Promenaders Anniversary Dance.

Future TVC Meeting location: Future meetings will continue to be held at the Old Spaghetti Factory in Tanasbourne.

TVC Meeting in January 2017 will be our annual Presidents Potluck at the Hillsboro IOOF Hall. Potluck will be at 6 p.m.; meeting at 7. Please invite your current Presidents, Vice Presidents and Past Presidents to this.

Upcoming special events:

R Square D Oktoberfest starting on September 30.

Toe Draggers Are You Man Enough to Wear Pink Dance in October

Seaside Sashay at the Seaside Convention Center in October

Oregon Mid-Winter Festival in Albany, with Hunter Keller and Mike Seastrom.

Oregon Summer Festival in Salem on July 14-16.

Treasurer's report: (Carolene Siebert)

August 31, 2016:

Checking \$3,934.02
Savings \$10,583.39
Cashbox \$30.00
Total Assets \$14.547.41

Included in the Total Assets is \$967.00 TVC received from the Susan Corbett Gift Fund in July, 2016.

Respectfully Submitted, Carolene Siebert

**Secretary report:** (Andis Garuts) No report.

**State Delegates report:** (Jim Rogers) (Kay Rogers delivered the report)

Marilyn Schmit was installed as the new president.

The Summer Festival gave the federation a check for \$1,286 as their share of the profit. The TVC share is divided between the 76 club members who registered in advance. That gives them \$16 rebate for each person registered.

We have your new directories to distribute here.

Your insurance paperwork has been distributed. Please see that it gets the attention it deserves. Keep track of who you give them to, as I am here. If you read the cover letter you should not have problems. But if you do, let me know. Also, please fill in ALL of the information in the Enrollment Form. This includes all of the addresses of your dance locations.

There was a committee appointed to discuss all the ways a background check should be done in order to insure the safety of the youth in our organization. I believe Kathy has something to say about this.

Please do not gossip on Facebook, Twitter, etc. regarding the recent items in the news. We do not need the publicity.

#### **PAC report:** (Kathy Roberts)

We really need a volunteer for Alternate State Delegate that attends the PAC meetings. Notes from last week's PAC meeting:

Caller and Cuer Advisors Scott Zinser and Tami Helms noted that Caller and Cuer contracts should not be sent by e-mail since they are blank, and they do not have signatures. The contracts should be completed and mailed or handed directly to the callers and cuers. Two copies should be made; one for the caller or cuer and one for the PAC. Contracts should include information about what happens if the dance is cancelled, and how much lead time is needed for clubs to notify the callers and cuers of the cancellations. Contracts should also include information about what to do if double booking occurs. The contract wording from Callerlab will be investigated next month on the Caller and Cuer contracts. The wording will be brought back to the PAC and TVC.

The PAC has two trailers for rental. The Web Site for the trailers is being worked on. Rental fees will be \$50 per rental, and a \$100 refundable reservation fee.

No information available yet for the Starlight Parade in June.

The PAC is very impressed by the TVC Anniversary Dance visitations, so the PAC is considering doing its own Anniversary Dance visitations in the near future.

The PAC is still doing Burgerville Fund Raisers. If your club is in not-so-great financial shape, this may be an option. Clubs may need a Food Handler's Card from their governing agencies to participate.

#### **OFSRDC Publicity and Education Report**: (Kathy Roberts)

The OSFRDC Facebook Page has 196 members. It's great to see the information, flyers, special dances, etc. that is being posted on this page. When you comment on that post, it will return to the top of the page.

I am writing an article on how to convert your Word files (or other files) into PDF of JPEG files. When finished, a link will be provided to a Google Docs file of the article.

616 people have been getting e-mail notices notifying them that the next issue of the OFN has come out. There were 2000 hits on last month's OFN online.

#### **OFSRDC Youth Report**: (Kathy Roberts)

50 to 60 youth participated at the Oregon State Fair Dance in September. Callers Janienne Alexander and Jonny Roberts did a fantastic job. At least 100 were in the audience.

The 2016 Continuing Education Scholarship Award was given to Thomas Buchheit of the Silver Knights.

Karyn Buchheit will continue the Youth Scholarship program. Please contact her. Address is in the new State Directory.

Flyers are available for the Silver Knights 24-hour Workshop.

The Silver Knights will also have a fundraising dance on November 6 from 2 to 5 p.m.

At the last Federation meeting, a motion was made for the purpose of allowing the Federation to find a reputable agency for doing background checks on callers and cuers. The motion was made on the floor was to discuss this issue. There will be a Committee with three Officers and a Delegate. They will do research in what is involved in doing a background check. Then the Committee will then present this information and the plan of action at the next Federation Meeting in January. The actual motion will be voted on then. Please let Kathy R. know of your opinions and concerns regarding these background checks, and they will be taken to the next Federation Meeting.

#### Past TVC President report: (Gary Clark)

I would like to thank all of the Delegates who motivate your clubs to attend the Anniversary Dances of the clubs in the Council. It's also good to see that sometimes clubs outside of the Council visit. That proves some clubs are visiting outside the council and get return visits, usually to pick up a banner.

Another big Thanks goes out to Kathy Roberts for the Facebook postings she started for your club flyers. Others have stepped up as well and are posting. This is an excellent way to get the news out there in social media. It is being used clear across the state and if you are not on Facebook or the On Line OFN you should be.

Thanks again for all the good things that are happening in the Council and may your fall classes go well.

Gary Clark

Past President

OFSRDC President's report: (Marilyn Schmit) Absent, and no report.

#### **Sunshine report**: (Janice Sminia)

Card was sent to Ray Sullivan (Sunset Promenaders); his brother passed away. Dale Worthington (Hayshakers) thanked the TVC for the card that was sent to him.

#### **OFN Area Editor Report:** (Ferrous Steinka, absent)

We need an OFN reporter for the Toe Draggers. Pat Olson, who did a wonderful job for years, is now club secretary and does not have the time. Ferrous

Caller & Cuer Advisors report: (Daryl & Yvonne Clendenin) Both absent, and no report.

Webmaster report: (Tim Roberts) No report.

## **Old Business:**

We STILL need an Alternate State Delegate for the TVC.

## **New Business:**

No new business.

## **Club Delegate Reports:**

Columbia River Dancers: (Dale & Nancy Smith, Delegates)

Club dances 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Saturdays year round at Hazel Dell Grange, 7509 NE Hazel Dell Ave., Vancouver, WA 98665. The times 7 to 8 Plus dance, 8-10 Mainstream dance with Jim Hattrick as club caller and cuer. <a href="http://www.ColumbiaRiverDancers.org">http://www.ColumbiaRiverDancers.org</a>

Summer was very busy for our club, and particularly this last month. We had our first ever clothing resale on August 26th, and it was organized and managed by 5 club members, 3 of whom are brand new dancers. It was a big success! Thank you to the many generous people who contributed some very nice clothing.

On 9/10, we were dark so that our club could participate in the flash mob at the Washington State Fair in Puyallup. We heard there were almost 700 dancers present, and we definitely broke the World Record for the largest Square Dance Flash Mob. Afterwards, we headed to Olympia where we visited the Do Si Do Club at Lac A Do Hall and the River City Riders also performed. It was a very long but fun day. Then, on 9/24, since the Grange was reserved for a clogging event, we visited R Square D and had a great time dancing to Craig Abercrombie and Al Frazier.

Our lights will be back on in October, but only for our first dance, on Oct. 8, with Darrell Kalmbach calling and Dorothy Lowder cueing. We will be dark again the weekend of the Seaside Sashay so our club can join the party at the beach.

November will be a lot of fun -- our first dance, on 11/12, will be a "Beatles Dance," and our 2nd dance on 11/26, which is the Saturday after Thanksgiving, will be our first annual "Turkey Burn-off Dance." We're excited to have National Caller DAN NORDBYE call and Julie Stiers cue this dance, and hope for a large turnout.

Nancy Smith

**Eager Beavers:** (Kay Rogers & Nan Overall, Delegates) (Nan absent)
Club dances plus every Monday afternoon, 1:00 to 3:00 PM, at the Sunset Presbyterian
Church (14986 NW Cornell Rd., Beaverton, OR), which features an air conditioner and
excellent wood floor. On holidays we dance at the Aloha Grange (the corner of 185<sup>th</sup> and TV
Hwy). Daryl and Yvonne Clendenin are the caller and cuer on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> Mondays; Darrell
Kalmbach calling and Joyce Hooper cueing on 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays; Jim Hattrick is the Caller
and Cuer 3<sup>rd</sup> Mondays each month. Dance starts with 15 minutes of intermediate pre-rounds.
For information call 503-645-2414; http://www.eagerbeavers.info

The Beavers have completed their lessons, with 11 students graduating. New Dance times are 1pm-3pm. The first 15 minutes will be rounds.

The club picnic on August 10 was a lot of fun with food and games. We are planning a beach trip for next year as it did not work out right for this year.

**Hayshakers:** (Kathy Worthington, Sylvia Davis, Delegates) (Sylvia absent)
Hayshakers are now dancing the 1st Friday's from 6:30 pm. Harvey Hunsucker caller & cuer.
Dance is at the Pacific Grange, 90475 Hwy 101, Cullaby Lake, at Warrenton, OR. Be sure to call first to make sure we have enough people for a dance. 503.325.8109, 503.861.2726, 503.325.2100. http://www.hayshakers.org

At our last dance we had 2 squares.

**Hoedowners:** (Debra Welch (absent), Mike Duyck, 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 8:00-10:00. Our format is informal and friendly. http://www.hoedowners.info

The Hoedowners will have their "Octoberfest" dance on October 8<sup>th</sup> at the Aloha Grange. This could be a square dance with a real Bavarian influence. Bring out your lederhosen.

We will be dark on October 22<sup>nd</sup> for the Seaside Sashay. Hope to see you there! November 12 will be our 9<sup>th</sup> Annual Turkey Toss Dance with birds donated from the club.

The Hoedowners have had the first class for Mainstream on September 21<sup>st</sup>. We had five squares on the floor with many supporting "angels" dancing but we still need more students. Two of our squares were made up of trained dancers learning alternate positions. We are long in women students. Class is still open for new dancers until the September 28<sup>th</sup> class.

Mike Duyck, Hoedowners

Mix N Mingle: (Janelle Janicke (absent), Patricia Billings, Delegates)

Club dances Plus at the Winona Grange (8340 Seneca Street, Tualatin, OR) on 1st and 3rd Saturdays. Pre-Rounds begin at 7:00 PM (Levels 4 & 5), 7:30 PM (Levels 2 & 3) and Plus from 8:00 – 10:30 PM with level 2-4 Rounds. The door donation is \$5 for members and \$6 for non-members. Randy Dibble is our club Caller and Jeanine Norden our club Cuer. <a href="https://www.mixandminglesquares.org">www.mixandminglesquares.org</a>

Mix and Mingle are having a visitation to the newest TVC club, Tualatin Timber Squares, on Sept. 28 to welcome them to the council. All are welcome to join us that Wed. Evening. The more the merrier.

We are having our regular Plus Level dances Oct 1 and Oct 15. Come join us for our Anniversary .dance Nov. 5th. There will be cake and games! Fun time for all. Those working on their Ambassador Badge and only dance mainstream are welcome to join us for a mainstream tip at no cost. Come on out and join in the fun Nov 5!! Respectfully submitted,

Janelle Janicke and Patricia Billings

R Square D: (Mary McDaniel, Marv Pope, Delegates) (Marv absent)

Dance 2nd Friday and the 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday from September thru May; June thru August dance 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday at the Kelso Senior Center (106 NW 8<sup>th</sup> Ave, Kelso, WA). We dance 7 to 8:00 Plus and 8:00 to 10:00 Mainstream and refreshments after the dance. Craig Abercrombie is the caller and Lonnie Sycks is our Cuer. Our website is <a href="www.r-square-d.info">www.r-square-d.info</a> Call 360-431-7553 or 360-636-3358 for more information.

We had our Harvest Dance last Saturday night. Real good turnout with 8 clubs represented.

Fall lessons will begin on October 19. Plus from 6:30 to 7:30; Basic 7:30-9 and MS from 9 to 9:30.

On November 3 and 4 we will run a rest stop at the milepost 58 location on I-5. Starts at 7 a.m. and ends at 8 p.m. both days.

On October 9 a party will be held for Charlotte's 90<sup>th</sup> Birthday at the Kelso Senior Center, from 5 to 7 p.m. Everyone is invited.

A demo dance is planned on November 11, at the Highlanders place from 5:30 to 6 p.m. Dinner will be provided before the dance.

Our Veterans Day Dance will be on November 11. All veterans will get free admission to this dance.

We have changed our dance format. Plus from 7 to 8 p.m.; MS with rounds from 8 to 10 p.m.

**Sunset Promenaders:** (Janice Sminia and Janice Blomquist, Delegates) (Janice B. absent) Mainstream Dance 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays. Dances starts at 7:00 with Plus dance and Intermediate Rounds, then at 8:00 until 10:00 is the Mainstream dance. Caller is Mike (Julie) Stout; Cuer is Ken (Dianne) Pratt. The Club also has a Plus dance on the 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> Thursday of the month. Dance starts at 7:00 with Intermediate Rounds and at 7:30 until 9:30 is a Plus dance with Darrell Kalmbach calling and Ken Pratt cueing, with a finger food break after. We dance in Hillsboro at the Odd Fellows Hall Upstairs on the corner of 3<sup>rd</sup> & Main Streets above LaHaies and Of Earth and Air shops. www.sunsetpromenaders.com

The Sunset Promenaders had 40 Club Members and guests enjoy the Club beach campout at the Devils Lake Resort in Lincoln City. The weather was amazing with blue skies and warm temperatures. In the evening we had a blazing campfire; we did a poker run during the day on Saturday and there was a lot of visiting and laughing, and some dancing as well.

The Club visited the Toe Draggers Anniversary Dance, where there was a full hall of dancers from all around the area. The break included many very good treats. The hall was very beautifully decorated for the festivities.

Several Sunset Promenaders visited the Tri Squares Anniversary Dance. A great dance was had by all, called by National Caller Dan Nordbye.

We are busy planning the Seaside Sashay at the Convention Center, on October 21 and 22 this year. We are looking forward to having callers Ray Brendzy from Canada and Richard Lane. Cuer will be Debbie Taylor. Last chance to fill out the registration form and mail it in, or you can pay at the door. Registration and ribbons are also available here tonight.

Our Club Cuer Ken Pratt is having Intermediate rounds workshops, including an Introduction to Jive on Sunday, 6:30 to 8 p.m. at the Hillsboro Odd Fellows Hall.

On Thursdays, October 6 and 20, are our Promenaders Plus dances with Darrell Kalmbach calling and Ken Pratt cueing. We have our Plus dances each month with Pre-

rounds at 7, and Plus from 7:30 to 9:30. On November 3, we will be having our 2<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary Dance for the Plus club. Come help us celebrate.

On October 1, the Sunset Promenaders will be having their 32<sup>nd</sup> Anniversary. We will be dancing to National Caller Dan Preedy from Spokane. Mainstream with every 3<sup>rd</sup> tip Plus, and Ken Pratt will be the cuer. The evening format will start at 6:30 with a full dinner meal, featuring pulled pork and Donna's famous dinner rolls. Pre-rounds at 7:30; MS dance from 8 to 10 with dessert break to follow.

On October 15 the Sunset Promenaders will be having Guest Caller Craig Abercrombie and Guest Cuer Lonnie Sycks.

Janice Sminia

#### **Toe Draggers:** (Tom and Diana Gray, Delegates)

Dance at the Kinton Grange on the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday 7:30-8:00 Pre-Rounds, 8:00 to 10:00 Mainstream (3<sup>rd</sup> tip Plus) and on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday 7:30-8:00 Plus, 8:00 to 10:00 Mainstream with the last tip Plus. Caller is K.C. Curtis; and Cuer is Bev Flint. Kinton Grange is at 19015 SW Scholls Ferry Rd., Beaverton, 97007. <a href="https://www.toedraggers.org">www.toedraggers.org</a>

Our first dance on Oct 7th doesn't have a special theme. And neither does our second dance on Oct 21<sup>st</sup>, which is at the Odd Fellows Hall in Hillsboro.

We only had 7 students at our first square dance lesson for this year on September 14<sup>th</sup>. However, we are hoping to have more students join us at our second and final open lesson on September 21<sup>st.</sup> At any rate we have more folks who have told us they would be there.

Our cancer fund raising dance is right around the corner now, on October 9<sup>th</sup>. Our "Are You Man Enough to Wear Pink" proceeds will be donated to Breast Cancer Research at OHSU Knight Cancer Institute. As in years past, as well as having the dance, there will also be baskets of treasures raffled off. The Kinton Grange members will also be involved with our fundraiser this year.

Kinton Grange, our dance home also has a second fundraiser coming up. It is a Sausage & Kraut feast to be held on Sunday, October 30<sup>th</sup> from noon to 4:00 PM. Submitted by Diana Gray

#### Tri Squares: (Adolf Eppich (absent) and Frank Collett, Delegates)

We dance on the second Saturday and fourth Friday of each month at the historic Tigard Grange in Tigard. Terry Halley is our club Caller with Sandra Pinon Cueing. We dance from September to June. We are dark in July and August. Hearing enhancement devices are available. We round dance from 7:30 – 7:45, dance Plus from 7:45 to 8:00 and Mainstream from 8:00 to 10:00 p.m.; the 4th tip will be PLUS. Refreshments are served at 10:00. <a href="https://www.trisquares.com">www.trisquares.com</a>

Thanks to all the TVC Clubs that supported our Anniversary Dance. We had over 90 dancers. We enjoyed the calling of Dan Nordbye from Arizona, and also the cuing of Sandra Pinion. It's great to have a hall full of dancers.

Our waltz and square dance lessons are off to a good start.

A reminder, the Tri Squares are dancing on our new schedule. We are dancing the second Saturday and the fourth Friday of each month.

**Tualatin Timber Squares:** (William Alexander, Delegate) (absent) (Janienne Alexander delivered the report)

We dance on the second and fourth Wednesday nights each month, year-round, at the Winona Grange, 8340 Seneca Street, Tualatin, OR. These are Mainstream dances, starting at 7 p.m. and ending at 9 p.m. Refreshments are downstairs during each dance. Caller: Janienne Alexander. Other callers from the floor are welcome. www.tualatindance.com

The Tualatin Timber Squares dance every 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesdays each month, from 7 to 9 p.m..

This past summer we went to the Oregon State Fair and the Washington State Fair for their Flash Mob. Our dancers have been all over visiting your clubs. We have arranged in our club to have the Banner Bandits, so everybody be on the alert, we will be stealing your banners.

We graduated 3 students from our second class this year, so that means that most of our club consists of new dancers. They still are learning the ropes with the square dance community, so we would love for you to come out and support them and help them have a great time with the club.

Our Christmas Dance is coming up; it is our Christmas Ugly Sweater or Skirt Dance. Prizes will be awarded for the "ugliest" sweater or skirt. Some of the prizes will be tickets to World of Speed.

Courtney Sewell from New Mexico came in and did a tip at our last dance. She is a young caller who has been able to call with many national callers in many parts of the country.

We will be having a mystery caller at our next dance on October 12. He is a national caller who will be flying in that Wednesday night and will do a tip for us.

## Valley Squares: (Bea Cook and Vicki Fotheringham, Delegates)

Dance 1st and 3rd Saturdays at the Aloha Grange on the corner of 185th and TV Hwy, year-round. Mainstream with every third tip Plus and rounds from 7 to 10 p.m. Open break with refreshments starting at 8 p.m. Guest callers, Connie Clark Cuer. <a href="www.valleysquares.com">www.valleysquares.com</a>

We started September by collecting school supplies at our September 3<sup>rd</sup> dance. We had a visitation to the Tualatin Timber Squares on September 14<sup>th</sup>.

Our tailgate barbecue dance on September 17<sup>th</sup> was a fun dance with good food and Daryl Clendenin as the guest caller.

We will be dark on our first dance in October in order to attend the Sunset Promenaders' anniversary dance. On October 15<sup>th</sup> Scott Bennett, a national caller, will call our dance (see our flier).

The dance format has changed for this fall. The hours are from 7-10pm the first and third Saturday; every third tip will be plus and Connie will cue rounds in-between. Our Mastering Mainstream classes have begun; they are held every Tuesday from 7-9pm at the Aloha Grange. The cost is \$6.00 per person and Darrel Kalmbach will teach the classes. Please come join us in Aloha!

Bea Cook, Valley Squares TVC Rep

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

Dance 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday March thru October. The dance is Mainstream, with one PLUS tip, every second tip at the Garibaldi City Hall (107 6th Street, Garibaldi, OR 97118) from 7:00 to 9:30 PM with guest Callers.

Wave Steppers celebrated our 5th year Anniversary! Yeah, we are still dancing! We had visitors which enabled us to have 2+ squares & lots of fun. A big thanks to all of you who made the trip to the Coast to help us celebrate! And also a big thank you to all of you who have supported us these past 5 years as we could not have done it without you!

We started lessons 9/21 with Joe Wrabek our Club Caller at the Tillamook Elk's Lodge. We gave a Demo Dance at Five Rivers Retirement Home and we have 2 more Demos planned.

The Club 's final dance for this year is October 8th at Garibaldi City Hall. Some of us are working on getting our TVC Ambassador Badges. So, if you haven't seen us already, we will be visiting your Club soon!

Carolyn Hindman, TVC Delegate

## **Good of the Order:**

A few reminders from Dale Brabham: All of the clubs in the TVC received checks from the Susan Corbett gift. Along with the checks you should have gotten a letter; and an e-mail was circulated around that tells where to send a thank-you card. All of the clubs are encouraged to send a thank-you card.

The Federation also wants to know what each club intends to do with the money from the Susan Corbett gift.

The President would like to receive nominations for the person(s) who have contributed to the good of square dancing. If you have any ideas of anyone, please let Dale Brabham know by e-mail.

Kay Rogers: Please let the Federation know if there are any changes to your clubs' dance schedules. Go to the Membership page on the OFSRDC's Web site and make your changes there. This can be done any time until the end of the year.

The address of Susan Corbett's estate is found in the September OFN.

Lane Clem mentioned that the TVC has up to \$200 each year to help the TVC clubs with their lessons. Please send receipts to the TVC. Also, the Federation has grant money if your club has something special that you would like to do and don't have the money. Apply to the Federation.

Dave Cooper, who is the Federation's Second Vice President, has just been appointed as Goodwill Ambassador for the Federation for the next 2 years. If your club invites him to any of your club's dances, then he will do the cueing at that dance for free. Please contact Dave.

Dale Smith mentioned that the Columbia River Dancers have a policy in place that may exclude anyone who applies for membership for cause. Reason: their members have access to their Roster, which has addresses, e-mail addresses and phone numbers. All clubs should consider having this type of policy for their clubs.

Janienne Alexander mentioned that she has set up a Meetup group for promotion of her square dance lessons. Please e-mail Janienne if your club has upcoming lessons, and she will put the information in the Meetup group. Age range: 20 to 60.

## **Next TVC Meeting:**

Monday, October 24 at 7:00 pm at the Old Spaghetti Factory, 18925 NW Tanasbourne Drive, Hillsboro, OR 97124. If you wish to eat a meal prior to the meeting, the room is available after 5:45 and you can order from the full menu.

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