

OREGON FEDERATION OF SQUARE & ROUND DANCE CLUBS

MINUTES OF MEETING
May 17, 1998
UMPQUA COUNCIL - BUCKEROO BARN
ROSEBURG

Meeting brought to order by President Bob Bosch at 9:00 AM.

ROLL CALL Recording Secretary Jodene Hughes

Officers:

All present. Nancy Cobb substituting for Lola & Tony Robello (Corresponding Secretary) and Ken & Nancy Carson substituting for Don & Karel Morris (Historian).

Delegates:

All present. Ronnie Wiser substituting for Shirle & George

Gierloff (Mid-Willamette Council), Nancy Carson

substituting for Karel & Don Morris (South Coast Council) and Jim & Sharon Schaedler substituting for Virginia & Hal

Meyers (Central Oregon).

Committee Chairs:

All present. Bonnie Berry substituting for Dorothy & Charlie Daggett (1998 Summer Festival), Jim & Sharon Schaedler substituting for Doug & LaDauna Hartzell (2001 Summer Festival), Elaine & Bill Funk substituting for Jay & Bonnie Stimler (ORDTA) and Elaine & Bill Funk substituting for Barbara & Larry Schaumberg (Round Dance Screening).

Goodwill Ambassadors:

All present except. Jack & Rosemary Williams, Benjamin

& Penny Brown and Dick & Marge Pentecost.

INVOCATION Immediate Past President Lee Ashwill

FLAG SALUTE 1st Vice President Dave Cameron

MINUTES were approved as mailed with corrections.

PRESIDENT Bob & Carolyn Bosch

I have a package that contains the ballots for the new State Officers. I wish to call on these people to count those ballots; Carolyn Bosch, Betty Cameron and Zola Jones.

I received a plaque from Fairview, that I have handed to Mr. Ashwill, who is the Chairman. Mr. Ashwill would you please comment on this.

Lee Ashwill - Our final Fairview Dance was a very, very good time for me, and I hope the dancers had a good time. We received a plaque from Fairview and it reads:

Dedicated to the Oregon Jederation of Square and Kound Dancers in grateful appreciation for 31 years of generous support to the people of Jairview Training Center, Salem, Oregon. April 5, 1998.

I will get this to the Historian, even though Ken Carson does not know that he is the Historian and he will get it back to Don Morris.

1ST VICE PRESIDENT Dave & Betty Cameron

I would just like to thank all the state people who came down to the Willamette High School in Eugene, Oregon to the Teen Festival. There were about 1000 people who attended including the teens and it was a great experience. If you have never attended a Teen Festival you should try to attend one someday.

1998 MID-WINTER FESTIVAL - Leonard Snodgrass

If the success of a festival is measured by the smiling faces on the dance floor, Midwinter '98 was a big success. I saw many smiles and people in every hall having fun dancing and visiting with friends. Many times dancers came to me and said how much they were enjoying being there. There were a number of people who said they did not see any problems at the festival and said that if there were, we took care of them so quickly they did not show. I too felt that way. Most of the problems that did arise were taken care of in a manner that allowed them to be undetected and dancing went on without being disrupted.

There were several changes made this year. The most significant being the elimination on the line for registering RV's. Budgetary cuts were made in the areas of badges, material for dresses, first aid, callers and the singles after party. A different type of sound system was used and was quite successful in most of the halls. All the featured callers and cuer were together for the first tip both nights, with all halls closed during that time.

The attendance this year was 2,583 dancers bringing in a profit of \$1,512.15, split two ways gives the Emerald Empire Area \$756.07 and the Oregon Federation \$756.08.

1999 MID-WINTER FESTIVAL - Gary & Betty Willoughby

Plans for the 1999 Festival are progressing without any problems. All Committees are filled, and those individuals who have responsibilities at this time are working diligently to complete their tasks.

Badges and ribbons have been ordered and will be distributed at our June meeting. Ribbons will be available at Summer Festival in LaGrande.

As an incentive to pre-register, we plan to draw names from those who register prior to October 31st. The winners will receive gifts which we hope to have donated by local businesses.

Last summer a decision was made to eliminate the child care facility at the Festival. the number of parents who utilized the facility at the 1998 festival has allowed us to "rethink" that decision. We are pleased to announce that Child Care will again be available in 1999. We will, however, request a nominal donation from the parents to help defray the costs.

We have explored ways to cut costs in other areas, hopefully without any impact on dancing and having fun, the only true objectives of the Festival.

We expect to have a solid weather forecast as we approach Festival time. Until then, all we can ask is that you all come and "DANCE" - RAIN OR SHINE IN '99.

We expected to have the Randal Award packets available for you at the State Meeting, they are not here and will be mailed to you within the next week or so. So please delegates, when you receive them, make sure they get to the clubs so we can have that information back by the 1st of September.

1998 SUMMER FESTIVAL - Dorothy & Charlie Daggett (Given by Bonnie Berry)

We are just about a month away and everything is pretty well in place. We have some games planned for 11 AM to Noon. There is information over there on the table regarding the Suitcase Race. They will be teams of four and the winning team will receive tickets to 1999 Summer Festival.

We are doing child care. We plan to have an updated schedule at the door when you get there. If anyone would like to put a business card ad on the program, please give Dorothy a call. We are doing a sewing clinic. We have a lady there in LaGrande who is going to do a packet that will be strip quilting. We will have sewing machines available for those of

you who want to continue after her demonstration. The packets will be sold for \$5.00. If you do not want to go to the class she will sell you the packets.

We are going to have a BBQ on Saturday from 11 AM to 6 PM. We are not doing pre-tickets for that. You will just line up and pay for your food at the time you eat.

The only thing I have is on the RV's and motels. The RV's with hook-ups are pretty well taken, but they do have dry camping available. Howard Johnson still has rooms available at this time. We have three new motels. Accommodations are somewhat better this time.

If you have any questions, please call!

1999 SUMMER FESTIVAL - Shan & Mick McKinney

Trails end dance to be hosted by the Tualatin Valley Council will be held the evening of July 8, 1999.

Summer Festival dancing will begin July 9, 1999 with casual dancing in the afternoon.

Summer Festival evening events require regular square dance attire and well as Saturday day events.

Friday, July 9, 1999 will include our featured callers, Ray Brendsey & Steve Eklund & featuring cuers Jack & Judy Dushay from Spokane, WA. (Spelling of names may not be correct - do no print without contacting Summer Festival 1999)

Saturday will include our featured callers and Oregon/Pacific Northwest callers & cuers.

Sunday will be casual attire for dancing. State meeting to be held at the facility.

RV parking (dry camping only) at Tigard High School. List of motel/hotel & RV park locations will be available at LaGrande.

Yellow rock tee shirts will be available for sale in LaGrande. We are ready for the Yellow Rock Round up kick off in LaGrande. Come to the Saturday night after party.

Copies of Summer Festival 1999 - Notes/minutes are being provided to First Vice President and to the chairman of upcoming Summer Festivals. The more information we share allows us all to be more responsive to our dancers requests. Copies of the notes/minutes will come under separate cover.

2000 SUMMER FESTIVAL - George & Lorene Griffith

I am assuming Shan took most of my time so I will make this short.

We haven't had a Festival meeting since Mid-Winter. We are gathering information for the program and organization. We now have a full executive board that I am very pleased with. So that is a step in the right direction.

By the September meeting I hope to have a report of considerable programs.

2001 SUMMER FESTIVAL - Doug & LaDauna Hartzell (Given by Jim Schaedler)

Officers elected for 2001 Summer Festival:

Chairman:

Doug & LaDauna Hartzell

Vice-Chairman

Dale & Liz Anderson

Vice-Chairman

Jim & Sharon Schaedler

Secretary:

Carol Fontaine

Treasurer:

Sandy & Terry Hild

We have had several meetings and we are really excited about this. The reason being, we have a new fairgrounds, which is actually a convention and expo center. The center will have parking for 400 full RV hookups. Room for many other ones. We will have three air-conditioned dance floors, huge banquet facilities for 1100 and ample meeting rooms. We are really excited about this exposition center in Redmond. It will be great dancing and it will be a great enhancement for square dancing in general. We are going to get right on the ball. One of the things we are going to do is try to figure out a way to get all the clubs to go dark in Oregon. We are not sure how to do that, but we are going to try. We would like everyone to attended Summer and Winter Festivals and we think there is a way to accomplish that. At the meeting yesterday we got some good advice and I really appreciate that. We have some plans and the facility is capable of TV satellite transmissions. We are looking to get some real recognition for the state of Oregon from this Festival and we are really excited. We will have some flyers out at 1998 Summer Festival.

Committee lists were handed out to local club delegates to be taken back and discussed with their clubs.

Later this summer or early fall, there will be a meeting held with the officers to begin planning a time frame etc. on some of the more pertinent committees needed as soon as possible.

2002 SUMMER FESTIVAL - Lee & Barbie Ashwill

Due to the fact that we are 4 years out, there have not been to many accomplishments at this time. We in the process of searching for a theme for this Festival and we have issued a challenge to Doug up in Central Oregon that we would like some friendly competition with Central Oregon and he assures me he will come up with something.

OREGON FEDERATION NEWS - David & Brenda Wamsley

Since our last report, the OFN has acquired a new phone/plain paper fax machine and a new scanner for the computer. We are still having problems with the printer but should have that corrected in the next week. Everything else is running smoothly.

We recently had a request from the When and Where editors that they wish to resign their position and devote their full attention to their newly elected position of Delegates to the State Federation from the Mid-Willamette Area Council. We are currently in search of a replacement for them. They did volunteer to stay with the job until a replacement could be found and trained.

The June issue of the magazine is dedicated to the youth movement and the Summer Festival. A hundred copies of the June issue will be used for dispersal at the National Convention in Charlotte in June.

The change in the copy deadline from the 5th to the 10th of the month seems to agree with most of those people we have talked to. Due to job conflicts, we will not be able to attend Summer Festival or the next State Meeting in LaGrande.

Our office will be closed from the 23rd of June to the 9th of July, so we can attend the National Convention.

2ND VICE PRESIDENT- Larry & Carol Reetz

The last 4 months Carol and I have had the opportunity to visit a number of the clubs in the area, from the coast to north and south. No, we have not gotten to Central Oregon, we will try to get there this summer, as long as you behave yourselves. After last night I am beginning to wonder about you. If this is the caliber we have to put up with in 2001, we all need to be in Central Oregon then. We have had a really good time getting out and meeting people and dancing. The more we get out, the more we find out the square dancing is alive and well, round dancing is doing well and clogging is really going well. We had a fantastic time Friday night with the Misty Valley Cloggers in Eugene. We had a square dance clogging night and it went great. We had between five squares on the floor and we must of had 50 - 60 people out there at one time. It was a great evening.

RECORDING SECRETARY - Jodene & Dave Hughes

Dave and I and a small group of Braids and Braves went on a visitation to Elgin the first part of this month and we had an absolutely great time. There were people from LaGrande, Milton-Freewater and Baker City. They made us feel so welcome. But there was one person who found out that I was a state officer and came to me with something that disturbed me greatly. She said she had been wanted to write an article in the OFN or tell someone of her experience at Mid-Winter this year. She proceeded to tell me that she was taking her turn at the Summer Festival table and she spoke to someone at Mid-Winter about signing up to come to Summer Festival in La Grande and that person simple told her that it was to far to go. I tried to assure her that this was not the feelings of the majority of people over here on our side of the mountain so to speak. She said she felt better now that she had talked to someone.

Let me tell you, if any of you think it is too far to go, you are wrong. We left mid-morning and came back the following morning and we did just fine. Some of the others got to enjoy the area a little longer than we did, but it was not that bad at all. If our visitation to Elgin is any sample of what Summer Festival will be like and you don't go it will be your loss. They are a great bunch of people and they need our support. After all isn't that what Square Dancing and Square Dancers are all about, dancing and supporting one another.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY - Lola & Tony Robello (Nancy Cobb reporting)

Cards sent out from January 25, 1998 to May 17, 1998

Rick Ewing Get Well ???????

3960 W Van Glisen

West Richland, WA 99352

Bea Smith Get Well Knee Replacement

23470 SWW Grahams Ferry Rd

Sherwood, OR 97140

Kathy Crull Get Well Foot Surgery

2905 NW Saltzman Rd Portland, OR 97229

Neal Jones Get Well Back Surgery

18861 NW Greenmountain Rd

Banks, OR 97106

Karel Morris 3373 Brussels North Bend, OR 97459	Get Well	Breast Cancer
Carwin Wooley 100 SE 47th Ave Portland, OR 97215	Get Well	Fractured Hip
George Zaiger 5911 Independance Ave Klamath Falls, OR 97603	Thinking of You	Lung Cancer
Art McElroy & Family 317 N Atwater Monmouth, OR 97361	Sympathy	Valeria Passed Away
Ash Vernholm 10523 NE Knott Portland, OR 97220	Sympathy	Ann Passed Away
Virginia Silver 4400 SW Cobb Lake Oswego, OR 97035	Sympathy	???????
Ken Trowbridge 333 Laurel Central Point, OR 97502	Sympathy	Wife Becky Killed In Auto Accident
Rex Anderson Rt. 1 Box 1090 Pendleton, OR 97801	Sympathy	Loss of Cousin
John Morris 55 NE Village Square Ave #11 Gresham, OR 97217	Sympathy	Mother Passed Away
Harland & Kaylene Helgerson 1730 N Skoffield Portland, OR 97217	Sympathy	Mother & Aunt Passed Away
Jack & Diana Pettibone 6036 SW Idaho St Portland, OR 97221	Sympathy	Grandaughter Killed at Beach

Bertha Krieg 14604 NE 74th Vancouver, WA 98682 Sympathy

Husband Ralph Had Massive Heart Attack

I have a card here for Karel Morris please make sure you sign it. Thank You!!

TREASURER - Mick & Shan McKinney

Financial reports are completed for April 1998.

Current Certificate of deposits are: Available upon request from the Treasurer.

I have been having problems with both Bank of America and Key Bank getting the interest transferred from the certificates to the money market accounts. At this time, I believe they are all corrected.

I am looking forward to working with the new Treasure elect.

MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

I am happy to report that Pioneers and Petticoats have completed their requirements and are now members of the Oregon Federation of Square and Round Dance Clubs. This brings our membership to 121 Clubs.

I am working with a club in the Mid-Willamette Area so hopefully I will have another new club to present to the Federation at the June State Meeting.

I have eight of the thirteen councils with fully completed membership forms at this time. I will be in close contact with the remaining council delegates to complete this process rapidly.

As you may remember at the January State Meeting I reported that I had filled in the Tax Identification Number and the Non-Profit Verification on each of the club and council forms. It seems that taking a little bit of time in January to do this has expedited the process for everyone concerned. I would recommend that future Membership Chairman continue this process.

Club name change from: Ages Square Dance Club to Archer Glen Eagle Squares

INSURANCE CHAIRMAN - Bill & Elaine Funk

There were three inquires and two deaths. One heart attack and one car accident on the way to the dance. The hear attack was not accepted by the insurance company as it was a pre-existing condition. The car accident is in the paper work stages by the party involved.

Our fax machine has not worked properly no matter what I have done, so we are looking into purchasing a new one for our reports.

Every delegate has been given a request of clubs regarding insurance coverage. These should be given to each of your clubs secretaries.

PAST PRESIDENT - Lee & Barbie Ashwill

I am pleased to report that there were 160 square and round dancers present for the 31st and final Fairview Benefit Dance on April 5, 1998. Seven of the thirteen councils were represented. Contributions totaled \$2,145.62. Expenses were \$176.68. This leaves \$2,103.94 spendable funds for Fairview. I would like to thank all the dancers, clubs, and councils that supported this activity. I really believe that we went out on a very high note. I would also like to extend our thanks and appreciation to Les & Paula Seeley, Jim & Judy Hattrick, Dale & Betty Roberson, Bill & Tami Helms, Charlotte & Bill Jeskey, and Ray & Virginia Walz for contributing their time and talents as callers and cuers.

I would like to publicly thank Dick Click. I was told that North Willamette Callers & Cuers Association were scheduling a special dance on that day. They called Dick and they did not have that dance and deferred to Fairview and we appreciate that very much Dick.

PARLIAMENTARIN - Joe Maxwell & Ronnie Wiser

I would like to thank the Council for a great dinner and dance last night. You have a great hall.

PUBLICITY/STATE REPORTER - Skip Napier & Glenna Getz

Federation Calendar and Publicity Forms: We continue to assemble a Federation Calendar and we have included another copy of the form in your packet. Thanks to all of you who have contributed and please continue to submit your events. This information is not only for the use of our dancers, but also being sent to the various Square Dance magazines, such as American Square Dance to be used in the Vacation"99" section, we received this information to late for the '98 issue. National Square Dance Directory, under the state of Oregon. The Web page is up an running at www.draw.org./sdflyer see you on the web.

Federation 888 Number: The eight hundred number (1-888-637-7321) is being used.

Reporter for OFN Column: The column is fun to do every month. We need something special from you, the Federation Delegates, Officers and members of the Federation. That is "feedback", how else can one better serve the group without it. We depend on each of you for information. Subjects of particular interest to us are youth activities, ideas for lessons, silly/fun things, and special events. We hope everyone enjoyed, the Divorce notice in the latest OFN.

Promotion: As you know by now, we are involved with the Summer Festival's of "98" and "99", you have had to endure the parade at Mid-Winter of '99. The threat of the cow pie treat in June, plus the display of (2) unusual forms we refer to as "ROK" and ROKETTE", the unofficial '99 Summer Festival mascots. Which by the way we need the return of ROK, at the start of Summer Festival in La Grande. As of the 3rd of May, there were just over 11,000 dancers registered for the convention being held in Charlotte NC., Oregon has 84 registered. Oregon Federation Dinner is planned, the evening of 25th of June at 6:30 PM at the 30th Addition Restaurant in Charlotte R.S.V.P.. If you plan to attend, contact us by 15 th of June. We are in the planning stage of state wide advertisement, for beginning square dance's in the fall & winter. We need the information on the flyer A.S.A.P..

Our Travels: Since the last state meeting we have had the opportunity to visit the following club's and special events. The Oaky Doaks, B & B's, Rocken Renegades, Hillsboro Hoedown, North Willamette Caller & Cuers, Squaws And Paws, 4-N-8er's, and contrary to popular opinion we had a great time at IWW, fun was had at Youth Dance sponsored by TVC/PAC, supported by Evergreen and Mid-Willamette Councils, we enjoyed our visit to the Renegade Ponies first dance, the Blossom Dance hosted by the Wy'East Whirlers, Golden Squares pie night, TVC's Round Dance party and last but not least the last annual Fairview benefit dance hosted by past President Lee & Barbi Ashwill, great job, what a way to close out an era.

FINANCIAL ADVISOR - Don Reed

The Treasurer and Financial Advisor, Oregon Federation, each need a copy of the Summer Festival final financial report for audit and tax purposes.

Delegates should urge their Councils to check for current nonprofit registration with Oregon Corporation Division. It will be important for new officers in their clubs.

EDUCATION CHAIRMAN - Buzz & Kathy Buczkowski

Kathy and I traveled down to Arizona in February. Our first stop was Yuma where we visited with Ray and Betty Jones. We danced to several well known callers and met a number of Oregon dancers. A good time was had by all.

We then drove to Mesa and stayed at Mesa Regal RV Park. Who should I bump into one day at the park mail boxes but Nancy Carson. Ken and Nancy have a park model there. We really enjoyed visiting with them. Our reason for going to Mesa was to see Major League Spring baseball games and dance to national callers. We saw 12 ball games and danced 12 times to 7 different callers. Yes, we did have fun! At one dance I met Ed Foote and had the pleasure of having a nice conversation with him and told him I had his article 11 "Tips for Better Dancing" printed in our O.F.N. Another pleasant surprise was going to a dance at Apache Junction called by Les Seeley. We enjoyed meeting people from all parts of the U.S. and Canada, both in Yuma and Mesa. Many were curious about Oregon and we encouraged them to visit our beautiful state and square dance with us. We advertised our Summer Festival at every RV park we danced at and some were hopeful about visiting in Oregon this summer.

I have submitted my third handout entitled "Square Dancing Should be a Circle" to the area reps. I encourage them to share this information with their respective clubs.

I'm busy working on our presentation on "The Art of Communication" at Summer Festival on Saturday from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m.. We hope to see you there and please bring club members along with you.

HISTORIAN REPORT - Don & Karel Morris (Given by Ken Carson)

The 1997 picture album is finished and the 1998 album is up-to-date.

I plan to have the latest award plaques on display at Summer Festival along with the state albums for 1996, 1997 and 1998.

BMI/ASCAP COORDINATOR'S REPORT - Ralph & Linda Lambert

Everything is current with both BMI and ASCAP.

If you need to have evidence that a caller or cuer is currently licensed with BMI/ASCAP you can ask to see their license. It should say that it is current through a particular date. If they are currently licensed they will be able to provide that information for you.

If you have any further questions, see me during the break.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES COORDINATOR - Dave & Barbie Cooper

I would like to thank Ron and Marilyn Schmit for the idea of centering the youth at the Showcase of Ideas. It will be great to let everyone know what is happening with the youth in Oregon. The second thing I would like to mention is that we have these little frog fun badges. What they represent is that if you are wearing one of these fun badges the youth will know that you are youth friendly and that you are willing to dance with them if they should ask. Vanna White (Barbie Cooper) has these frog fun badges for sale at the cost of \$1.50, she will walk around and sell you one of these badges for those of you who don't have one.

The youth dance that was mentioned by Skip was an awesome dance and over 70 of them were youth dancers from the MWA, TVC and PAC area. It was a totally unique experience and it was like a dream come true to see that many kids from 1st grade thru 8th grade on the same dance floor. I really appreciate all the ones who came to support that dance

We also went to the Young Rebels first Birthday Dance, which happened to coincide with another big dance in the area. There were several people who supported the Young Rebels as well as the other dance. As of August the Young Rebels will be dancing on the 2nd and 4th Fridays of the month at St Timothy's Church in Salem, check the OFN for more information. They are a fun club and they need our support. If you are in there area please dance with them.

I was not able to attend the Teen Festival due to illness.

As our year in this job winds down, we had some big goals that we have not seen happen. We would have like to seen a youth club in every council and at this point it has not happened, but we have seen a major growth in the youth. We also wanted to have each council hold a youth dance, but if you don't have youth in your council it is hard to hold a dance. So maybe next year we can get those two goals accomplished. This will benefit square dancing for everyone.

STATE FAIR - Fran & Ray Bunch

I've been in contact with the State Fair several times and I can now tell you that we are moving. We will be dancing on the gazebo. It is located inside the yellow gate close to the 4-H building. It's just north of where people get off the tram. Its also close to where we used to dance years ago. They are not talking about tickets yet and won't even promise that we will get as many tickets as we had last year. Perhaps I will have some answers at the next State Meeting.

STATE TRAILER COORDINATOR - Jim & Avis Kincaid (Given by Ray Bunch)

We would like to suggest that the Federation write a letter of thanks to Ray & Zola Jones (Emerald Empire) for the donation of the trailer. That is going to be a real blessing because we don't have to build one now.

Last meeting you asked us to do some research on tarping the trailers. Ron Schmit got us a quote from where he works. The cost of the tarps will be \$80.11 per trailer, so the total cost would be \$160.22. This is a quote and the price does change periodically, it more or it could be less. Do you want us to purchase them now? The have been funds allocated for that purpose.

Do to a combination of things the trailer licenses have expired. We needed those trailers this weekend, so Jim went to the DMV and got trip permits for the trailers. I am not sure where the registration papers are at this time. Bob Bosch mentioned that he had them, but they were originally sent to Benjamin and Penny Brown, but they are on the way to being corrected.

Jim had a couple of suggestions. Assuming that Dave Cameron wishes Jim and Avis to continue on as Trailer Coordinator for the next year, he suggested that his address be put on the registration for mailing. That way the license renewal will come to where the trailers are located. That is strictly up to the board, but he is willing to take care of that and to take care of the address change. It is real easy for us here in Salem to make the change if we need to.

Lee Ashwill mentioned that in January the motion was made and approved by the board to investigate and purchase tarps not to exceed \$500.00. I don't believe that we need any more approval to purchase the tarps.

Our question was, we still have the trailers under cover until about November so we don't physically need the tarps other than transportation. Bob Bosch suggested that we purchase them now.

Rex Bounds wanted to know if the Square Dance license plates were available. Sandy Eddings said that they were not available.

ROUND DANCE SCREENING - Barbara & Larry Schaumberg (Given by Elaine Funk)

Things are going along well with screening. The Classic Round of the Month (March) was discussed, some guidelines have been set and as soon as it has been approved by the ORDTA committee we will send that information to you.

ORDTA - Jay & Bonnie Stimler (Given by Elaine Funk)

Jay Stimler will not being staying on as ORDTA Chairman, so we have chosen Dennis Smith to take over that position. We are in the process of getting our agenda for the coming year and everything setup.

CALLER ADVISOR - Dick Click

Dick submitted three reports:

- 1. Pacific NW Teen Square Dance Festival.
- 2. Caller Lab Convention T2000 subject & vote results.
- 3. ACA List verses Caller Lab lists in use today.

Complete report on file. Available upon request from the Recording Secretary.

ELECTION RESULTS:

President, Bob Bosch read the results.

Membership:

Sandy Eddings

Corresponding Secretary:

Marilyn Schmit

Recording Secretary:

Jodene Hughes

Treasurer:

Barbie Cooper

2nd Vice President:

Barbie Ashwill

1st Vice President:

Larry Reetz

MOTION by Lee Ashwill

I move that we destroy the ballots. Seconded by Rex Bounds. Motion carried.

OLD BUSINESS

No old business to report.

NEW BUSINESS

Larry Reetz would like all the new electees to please turn in good quality photo's for the directory. Thank you.

MOTION by Sylvia Anderson

Mr. President, I move the State Pariliamentarian write a page on Parliamentarian procedures to be used during our State meeting and they be adopted and placed in the State Practice and Procedures. Second by Tim Roberts. Roll call vote taken.

5 abstain - 5 no - 10 yes Motion carried.

Slyvia Anderson mentioned the reason she brought this motion to the floor is that we have new officers and new delegates and they might not always understand the rules we go by, so we felt it would be good if we had one or two pages that we could give them so they would have some idea how the meetings are run.

Parliamentarian recognized to speak:

In anticipation of this motion, I have here a Parliamentarian Procedures Made Easier pamphlet that will I distribute to all of you.

UMPQUA AREA COUNCIL - John Hernandez & Esther Thompson-Wood

The Buckeroo Square and Round Dance Club - schedule remains the same, except the Tuesday night advance round dance class will be "dark" from now through the summer months due to upcoming summer activities and will be resumed in September. Buckeroo Round up will be June 5, 6, and 7th at the Buckeroo Barn.

The Boots and Calico - Round Dance classes doing great on Monday nights. May 9th regular dance Jim Gadberry calling Claude Butler cueing May 23rd club meeting before dance at 6:30 P.M. Round Dance 7:30 Claude Butler, Squares at 8:00 P.M. Guest caller Lennie Ludiker from Junction City, June 13th Regular dance Jim Gadberry calling Claude cueing. June 27th Regular Dance Club Meeting before dance at 6:30.

Dancing Friends - The Dancing Friends will be joining the Buckeroo Round Dance Classes for their Round Dance Party on Tuesday, May 12, 1998 from 7:30 to 10:00 PM.

Pioneers `n' Petticoats - The dance scheduled for May 22nd has been canceled because of Memorial Day week end. Our caller Rudy Romo is gone for the summer and we will be having guest callers to help us out during his absence. We are having a demonstration dance at Pioneer Days. August 28, 1998 with numerous guest Caller and Cuers. Should be great fun. Hope to see you all there!

The Timber 8's - Are having Al and A2 classes on Wednesday nights being held at the Winchester School in Winchester from 7:00 PM to 8:00 PM followed by a Plus class from 8:00 till 10:00 with Wayne West the caller. Classes will cease in June due to the school being closed for summer, will resume in September. Birthday dance May 15th at Buckeroo Barn. Bill Helms calling and Tami Helms cueing. Having a yard sale on May 23rd.

Umpqua Council - Will be dancing at the fairgrounds for five days during the fair, All square dancers get in free if they are in their square dance attire.

Bob Bosch thanked the Umpqua Council for a great dance, food and friendship.

TUALATIN VALLEY COUNCIL - Tim & Kathy Roberts

The TVC sponsored a youth dance at the end of March. The dance was incredible; there were more than 200 people in attendance, from Vancouver to Salem. The energy in that room was tremendous. What made it especially exciting, in my opinion, was the large number of dancers in the 12 and under age bracket. If we can maintain the level of excitement I saw at that dance in our young dancers, I believe it will truly revitalize our activity. Plus, they'll be old enough to volunteer to help with the 2005 convention!

I asked our club delegates to report on the results of their classes, and I think the results are encouraging. The Fireballs graduated 16 students, and all 16 joined the club. The 4n8ers graduated 13 student, 5 of whom joined the club. The Toe Draggers will be graduating 14 students tonight, including my daughter, and 10 have applied to join. The Cross Trailers have 16 in their class, and had an excellent jamboree.

The Sunset Promenaders are starting their dances a 1/2 hour earlier, 7:30 pre-rounds, 8:00 dance.

The TVC elected new officers in March. I was on vacation and had to miss the meeting, and as you might expect, I was elected President. Lorraine Pryor of the Sunset Promenaders was elected Vice President, Landra Girard of the Hillsboro Hoedown was elected Secretary, Pat Young of the Cross Trailers was appointed to return as Treasurer, and filling my chair starting in September as State Delegate will be Carolyn Bosch of the RV8ers.

We have a 5th Saturday dance coming up on May 30 at the Kinton Grange in Beaverton, and I'm sure we'll see you all in La Grande at the after party for Summer Festival 98, where we'll start selling those ribbons for Summer Festival 99!

SUNSET AREA COUNCIL - Doug & June Bracher

New council members to be installed at the August meeting are: President, Arvo Wallila (Vivian); Vice President, Ken Carlstrom (Millie); Secretary, Eva Moore; Treasurer, Betty Shoop (Norm); Area Delegate, Del Niemi (Bonnie); Alt Delegate, Mac Wilcox (Pauline). Alt delegate, Max Wilcox (Pauline).

Clatskanie Promenaders - The Promenaders have been active, visiting many clubs as well as attending Mid-Winter Festival. They celebrated their 42nd anniversary. The club lessons have been workshops. They will try lessons again in Sept. Some members have been taking plus and round dance in Longview. They donated \$50.00 to Fairview. They are making plans to attend the Summer Festival in LaGrande.

Hayshakers - The two step lessons given each week by Larry and Barbara Schaumburg have been well attended. Many of the students are planning to take square Dance lessons in Sept.

The 4th Clam Digger Stomp was lots of fun--homemade clam chowder preceded. Fridays dance, Larry called along with callers from the floor. Barbara cued Friday and Saturday while Bill Helms did Saturday's calling.

April 4th was the annual club meeting and pot-luck followed by the election of Club, Council and State officers. Dues were raised to\$7.50 per person to cover the cost of monthly newsletter. The May 2nd dance was canceled so we could support the Sandpipers Loyalty Day dance in Chinook, Wash. We will be dark on the fourth of July.

SOUTH COAST AREA Karel & Don Morris (Given by Nancy Carson)

The South Coast Area has provided funds for two complete hearing enhancement systems to be shared by the area clubs.

Two clubs have changed their regular dance hours from 8:00 to 11:00 PM to the new hours of 7:30 to 10:30 PM with the first half hour dedicated to pre-rounds. Watch for these time changes in ads and OFN articles.

Sets in Order are working on ideas for a float in Coquille's upcoming "Gay 90's Celebration" in early June.

Beginner classes are graduating, or are about ready to, with no large numbers reported by any of the South Coast Area clubs.

On a more personal note, I want to thank all those who have called or sent cards and gentle hugs to me, and especially for your prayers. Being on the receiving end of this kind of attention is not what I would have chosen, but I am extremely grateful for your caring and your concern and want to say 'thank you" from both Don and myself I'm hoping to be back in the 'wonderful world of square dancing' very soon.

From a recent article in the New England Journal of Medicine, through exhaustive and intense research, it has been determined there stands to be very adverse and toxic reactions to any person undergoing chemotherapy who comes in close contact with cow pies. Due to the dire warning from this prestigious report, the South Coast Area Delegate, who is a front runner in an exciting upcoming contest, may have to respectfully withdraw from participation in the anticipated event.

ROGUE SIS-Q COUNCIL - Rex & Jeri Bounds

The Rogue Sis-Q Council held elections for new officers. It is really hard to find people willing to fill these positions. I hope all councils are not having this problem.

We used the state trailer in the Pear Blossom Parade and we would like to thank the state for the use of that trailer.

Several of the clubs have completed their square dance lessons. There was anywhere from 6 to 35 students who graduated.

The Star Promenaders Birthday Dance was the largest dance in the council with 30 squares dancing.

In the council we have had caller, cuer dances where we had square dancing, round dancing and clogging all at the same dance and there are several more planned for the future.

We want to invite all of you to come to Southern Oregon for the Boatnik Festival on May 22, 23 and 24th and to Diamond Lake on July 23, 24 and 25th.

The Oregon State Clogging Association had it's annual dance at the Square Dance Center in Springfield. It was a success, with lots of fun and an after party as well.

The council area is going to try a Regional News Letter for the clubs. This would provide the clubs with information of activities in the area and things that are happening in their club. This would benefit all the clubs and dancers in the area.

PORTLAND AREA COUNCIL - Bill & Annadale Rooper

Since Annadale and I have been playing hooky from the PAC meetings the last 3 months, this report may leave out something. If so, I apologize.

The PAC has been selling entertainment books at a profit of \$8 each. Over \$800 profit was split between the PAC and the clubs.

The Rose Festival dance will take the place of our regular fifth Friday Dance on May 29th. The Rose Festival Dance will be held at Oaks Park Pavilion and ribbons are available t \$5 each. Daryl Clendenin and Ray Walz will call and cue. I do have ribbons available if you would like to purchase one.

Plans are underway for "Down by the Graveyard" (Joint PAC/TVC) dance on October 30-31st, as well as plans for the Millennium Dance to be held December 31,1999 at the Washington Co. Fairgrounds, in conjunction with the Tualatin Valley Council. Deborah Parnell will call and Ray Walz will cue.

On March 28,1998 a joint PAC/TVC Youth Dance was held at Winona Grange and was a great success. See the OFN for details. We are proud of our youth oriented people from all over the state.

Officers for 1998-99 were elected as follows:

President

Loretta Traveller

Vice President

Tony Robello

Secretary

Norma Harrington

Treasurer

Lori Boldt

State Representative

Bill Rooper

Membership reports are nearly all in. We always have a few stragglers, but our membership chairman, Tony Robello is doing his usual outstanding job of working with the clubs to smooth out the rough spots.

LINCOLN -TILLAMOOK COUNCIL - Ray & Betty Jones

Winter is over, Spring arrived and summer is coming and square and round dancing are in full swing along the coast.

All four active clubs in the area now have their new dancers out and dancing and it is really nice to see their smiling faces when the square is over and they can say "We made it!"

The Cheddar Squares, the plus club that used to dance in the Tillamook area, has officially quit. They closed their books and sent the money to the area they still had in the bank as their Constitution and by-laws directed. The area will use the money to help clubs in the area promote square dancing as needed.

The Toledo 49ers had a decorated pick up and dancers walking in the Loyalty Day parade in Newport May 9th, they are making preparations for next year when they "Go for the Gold" as the club turns 50. They also celebrated their birthday that night and had a great dance that was alot of fun.

The Waldport Sunset Squares will have their birthday dance the 23rd of this month, with the Sea Twirlers and Coast Swingers dancing regular dances the rest of this month.

The Waldport Sunset Squares, Toledo 49ers and Sea Twirlers will be dancing at the state fair again this year as we had a great time dancing there last year. Betty and I have recruited Buzz and Kathy Buczkowski to help us promote the Summer Festival, we are not fond of cow pie. We did not tell them that they get to share the pie if we lose they have been doing a good job and we wouldn't want to discourage them.

The area purchased 72 of the static cling square dance signs and have sold approximately 15 already, we feel it is worth a try to see if it will help recruit new dancers and give traveling dancer a number to call for information.

INTERSTATE HIGHLANDERS - Helen & Don Schreiner

The TuleTwirlers hosted another very successful "Old Fashioned Hoe-Down" on April 26th. Seven callers and four cuers shared the "spotlight" for an afternoon of fun and dancing. The dancing was followed by a spaghetti feed. Nineteen squares of dancers were in attendance. The Tule Twirlers plan to make this an annual event.

All four area clubs will be graduating their new dancers classes during the next few weeks.

The Happy Huggers will be going dark for the rest of the summer after their party night on June 13th. However they will be hosting the Interstate Highlanders Council meeting and dance on August 29th with Tony Nevison calling and Marian Cook cueing.

The K. C.'s will be dark on the 20th of June so that our dancers can attend the Summer Festival. They will hold their party night on the following Saturday, June 27th.

The next Interstate Highlanders Council meeting and dance will be held on May 30th and be hosted by the Tall Town Travelers. The dance will be held at the Memorial Hall in Lakeview. George and Patty Hermann will be calling and cueing.

EMERALD EMPIRE COUNCIL - Ray & Betty Jones

Emerald Empire Area Council met at the square dance center May 15, 1998. Meeting and dance was hosted by Misty Valley Cloggers.

Tenderfoot Teens gave a report on the 49th annual Northwest Teen Festival held in Eugene in April. Approximately 300 dancers were in attendance, with many from Canada, and one group flew in from Alaska. May local dancers volunteered as assistants. Seventy two people were judges! Richard Finch noted that the attendees were very please with the facilities and management of the event. It is possible this event will return to Eugene in three or four years.

Volunteers from area clubs are needed for the annual Benefit Dance to be held on may 30th at the Emerald Dance Center. Proceeds will be donated to Looking Glass Station Seven, of Lane County.

State President, Bob Bosch and wife Carolyn were in attendance, and gave a report on the State Fairview Dance.

Clubs were asked to poll dancers for a list of Oregon callers they would like to have call at Mid-Winter Festival, and return results to Larry Ritz as soon as possible.

Aaron Gibbens presented results of the ballots for new area council officers to take office in September. Election of officers was voted on with the following persons elected:

President - Gary Willoughby
Vice President - Sharon Greenman
Treasurer - Don Reed
Secretary - Marilyn Howard
Delegate - Carol Reetz

Area council voted to purchase ads for one month on three lane transit district busses during the month of August 1998. Adds are to be 30 by 144 inches, designed to promote fall square dance lessons in the area.

Nicole Finch announced that Tender Foot Teens are seeking a new caller, and hope to be active during the coming year, with an estimated membership of thirty dancers. Area president, Larry Reetz encouraged them to come to the area council for support and help if they needed it.

EASTERN OREGON COUNCIL - Rex & Sylvia Anderson

Hermiston Square Knots have started square dance lessons. They are getting ready for Hat Rock Dance the first part of June. It is an outdoor dance and you could combine it with going to the Summer Festival in LaGrande.

Rocket Squares of Pendleton has no report.

Ione Grand Squares Lessons have not finished as of yet. They are going dark now for the summer and will start dancing and finish the lessons this fall. They had a good turn out for their Anniversary Dance.

Carolyn Ewing's father passed away earlier this month.

CENTRAL OREGON COUNCIL - Virginia & Hal Meyers (Given by Jim & Sharon Schaedler)

The Sagebrush Shufflers 28th Annual Birthday Dance kicked off the birthday celebration season in Central Oregon with a great dance called by Dale Roberson, who called their first Birthday Dance, and cued by Kitty Fox. Eleven squares enjoyed the wonderful atmosphere typified by this Club. Miss Kitty is cueing round dancing at Ochoco West Club House on Monday night. The Shufflers sponsored a Benefit Dance for Terry & Kara Surface who lost their belongings in a house fire.

The Highlake Swingers graduated six new dancers at their dance on April 25th and had a great time initiating them into the fun of square dancing! The Club will be traveling as a group to a number of dances throughout the State, commencing with a tour of Eastern Oregon on June 13th. Two couples drove to Salem for the Fairview Dance on April 5th. The Club's 10th annual Birthday Dance, held on May 10th, was well attended and everyone enjoyed meeting the charter members during the dance. Les Seeley called a great dance and Ray Walz cued. The Highlake Swingers' "Cowboy Dance" will be held at the Crescent Community Center on May 23rd.

The Red Rock Squares' "Spring Fling" dance was a great success; with Brian Dalgliesh calling and Miss Kitty cueing. The mystery trip on May 2nd was well attended and everyone had a good time. A "Western Hoedown" in the Howard Mayfield building at the Deschutes Co. Fairgrounds will be the theme for the birthday dance on June 5th with Randy Dibble calling and Kitty Fox cueing. The Red Rocks will be participating in the Shanniko "Pioneer Days" parade on June 27th and are looking forward to being awarded first prize, of course! New officers have been elected for the coming year and are already hard at work... and at lay. Nineteen Red Rocks joined the Steens Mountain Twirlers as their secondary club to represent the Twirlers at the Council and Roundup level.

The Swinging Mountaineers Plus Club graduated thirteen new dancers. Ron Bliven incorporated dbd into the regular dance moves rather than waiting until the regular moves had been taught, which was well received by the new dancers. New officers have been elected for the coming year. The "Mexican Fiesta" Birthday Dance was a huge success with 14 squares on the floor enjoying Daryl Clendenin's calling and Ron Noble's cueing. Dinner preceding the dance was tasty, which added to the evening's festivities.

The Bachelor Beauts' 35th annual Birthday "Luau" was a wonderful success with 14 squares on the floor dancing to Dan Preedy's calling and Ron Noble's cueing. Dan & Ron's interaction with the crowd really created an enthusiastic, happy attitude. A group of our new dancers attended and did very well. The Kenwood School Gym was decorated in a beautiful manner, thanks to the decoration chairman, Hal Meyers, who made most of the props for the event. 22 new dancers graduated on May 12th and out of that group the Club has gained 18 new members. Ron Bliven has been the class instructor and has been very appreciative of the Angels' devotion to this group, as have the Bachelor Beauts.

The Steens Mountain Twirlers have been working on their Birthday Dance, which will be held on September 19th, together with the State Federation meeting, which will be held the following day. Barb Wines has been coordinating the efforts, along with great help from State President Bob Bosch. The dance and State meeting will be held at the Harney County Fairgrounds. Packets will be available at the State Meeting in June.

I have a little note here that says "If Summer Festival '99 wants to get their chicken back they need to bid on that chicken at the Summer Festival in LaGrande" so before you blame anyone for that I know that it will be in LaGrande and the proceeds of that sale will go to '98 Summer Festival.

Shan McKinney wanted to know what they were up to. The last words she heard whispered in her ear were Chicken Fricassee, now what does that tell you. I am not to trusting of this group at all. Your right Lee, once it goes over the mountain, you never see it again. Anything with feathers I think gets abused. We will be there to bid for whatever is left. It better be perfect! It just better be perfect!

BLUE MOUNTAIN COUNCIL - Ray & Ginger Fenn

We need the Chairman's Trophy and the Wood Award Trophy, which will be presented at our Summer Festival.

We also have a challenge for the delegates. Skip will present that challenge. We need teams for the Suitcase Race and we figure we can get one team out of this body. It calls 4 members on this team. The ideal team would be 2 ladies and 2 gentlemen. I need volunteers please. The Oregon Federation Team will consist of Bob Bosch, Ray Jones (Emerald Empire), Betty Cameron and Jodene Hughes. We also need a volunteer from each council. Central Oregon, Emerald Empire, Tualatin Valley, Mid-Willamette,

Lincoln-Tillamook and New State Elected Officers will complete the teams. Sandy Eddings will be the captain of the new elected officers. PAC, Eastern Oregon, Interstate Highlanders will be alternate teams.

We are almost ready, are you? It seems dancers that are coming from some of the areas, are not pre-registering, so their area delegate will have to eat their pie. They must remember, each member of the losing council must share in this fabulous feed. There will be pie enough for everyone. Our cows will attest to that. Maybe Skip & Glenna have a different perspective but this is my interpretation.

Pre-registrations are still low. At this point we have a total of 389. Not too good. We need over 600 dancers to break even. So latch onto a neighbor & bring them to LaGrande

A reminder to the Tualatin Valley Council. Please be prepared to take all the Summer Festival signs back with you. Transportation will probably require a pick-up, as one of the signs measures 4 X 8.

Due to a shortage of workers, we may ask for some assistance from Federation officers if it is necessary.

I have handed out rules for the suitcase race. Please distribute these to your club members so they can get their teams together. Tony Worchol & Jeanette Wilson & their crew have made this an activity that will be enjoyable & fun for all.

Our next Council meeting will be held at Milton Freewater on Friday, May 29, 1998.

GOODWILL AMBASSADORS

JACK & ROSEMARY WILLIAMS

No report.

KEN & NANCY CARSON

I think I need to ad to Buzz's report regarding their visit to our park. I was at the Post Office, we have a Post Office inside our park, and this fellow walked up to me and said I think I know you from somewhere. He went on to say you look very familiar to me, and I said, I have heard this line before, then it dawned on him who I was. We had a really good time with them down there. I want to say it is really great to be back in the Umpqua area, Ken and I started here more or less. We started dancing and we were the delegates to the state for the Umpqua Area for four or five years. So this is a real treat for us to be here.

We saw lots of our good friends here last night. We are back from the rainy cool south back to the rainier, cooler north. I don't know where we are going to next. We need to find some warmth. At one time we had 12 Oregon square dancers on our patio for a potluck and 2 Iowa square dancers. We had a grand old time visiting and playing games. We play cards and do lots of eating, like good square dancers do.

We did dance to the antics of Daryl Clenndenin and Jerry Junk several times and our resident caller Dan Norby. We took alot of Oregon Summer Festival flyers with us and we gave a bunch to the Clenndenin's, they are really good to put them out at their dances and publicizing the Oregon festival. We also, in our park we have lots of square dancers from all over and we gave them flyers as well.

We are glad to be back home, we enjoyed our spring campout with the Skyloft Squares on May 1st and we camped at the Rogue River at Gold Beach. We are planning to be at Summer Festival.

BENJAMIN & PENNY BROWN

Lola, Thank you for turning in our "verbal" report in January. Good Job!

Since the last state meeting, we have been traveling the U.S. and Baja California Mexico) having a GREAT time. We even went on the Honies Trail (ask Ray or Zola Jones, from Eugene, to explain)!

We were back to Oregon in April for one week for Benjamin to see the doctor. When Benjamin asked his doctor, a urologist, what he had been doing, he answered, "Oh, just looking up old friends." He has quite a sense of humor. He gave us his blessings to go "on the road" again for four months so we left the rain immediately. We will be back in August. Speaking of blessings we want to send our prayers to those with health challenges and let them know we are thinking of them.

When we left April 16th, our first stop was the Escapees Escapade on Route 66 in Victorville, California. This is a week long conference on full time RV'ing with seminars in such subjects as "How to live in a Sardine Can", "Diesels for Dummies", Domicile, E-mail, and many craft classes. We "volunteered" to help and they immediately put us on the parking crew. What an experience! We directed traffic and assisted in the parking of 1320 RVs in 4 hours. The Escapees call the parking crew the AWESOME parking crew and the definitely were awesome. Some of you may remember Ernie and Maureen Blinkhorn, caller couple from Oregon, they were there and we were fortunate enough to visit with them. He often calls and teaches square dancing during the Escapees class sessions.

We talk to everyone we meet about the benefits, friendships and joys of square dancing. When they ask us what our license plate YLO ROK (Yellowrock) means, we demonstrate how to Yellowrock your corner and Yellowrock your partner. We ALWAYS receive a positive response.

We currently are in Grand Junction, CO, for the month of May. We have a temporary Phone number which is 970-255-8458 and we would love to hear from you. Also, E-mail is bfbrown@msn.com and we respond to all e-mail whenever we have a phone connection.

We wish we could be at Roseburg to congratulate the newly elected officers. We look forward to hearing who they are.

P.S. Jodene, we really appreciate the work you are doing and the complete minutes we receive.

Our mailing address is: 200 Rainbow Dr. Apt. # 10168, Livingston, TX 77351

TIM & KATHY ROBERTS

We went on an interesting mystery trip with the Toe Draggers. We started from rural Washington County, just past our grange, and headed entirely across Portland to the famous Multnomah Falls and danced a tip at the lodge. We climbed on the bus again and turned back to Portland, eventually ending up at the End Of The Oregon Trail Interpretive Center in Oregon City, where we did a tip under the covered wagon. From there, it was a short trip to the Abernathy Grange where we danced with the Happy Rock'rs. One of the Toe Draggers was particular sneaky that night; if the Happy Rock'rs aren't quite sure where their banner went, I believe I can help solve that mystery.

Our daughter, Amanda, graduates from mainstream tonight and joins our dancing community. Because of her, we're doing a lot more dancing. We went to the fabulous youth dance in Tualatin at the end of February, and we hit the wonderful Renegade Ponies dance in McMinnville earlier in May. Having Amanda dance makes things harder; it means I can't sit down any more, and Kathy hardly gets to dance at all!

DICK & MARGE PENTECOST

January 24: Swap & Swing New Dancer square dance - free - new dancers invited. Good time!! Dick/Marge - Caller/Cuer

January 30, 31, February 1st: Flew down to Asilomar Conference Grounds, Pacific Grove, CA to a plus weekend with Frank Lane, Marshall Flippo, Ron Johnson-Contra and Bill/Martha Buck-Rounds. We were the only dancers-(ambassadors) from Oregon and were welcomed as such.

- February 13: Swap and Swing Black Cat dance with new dancers attending. Good attendance and good time!! Dick/Marge Caller/Cuer
- February 20: Hermiston Square Knots Plus dance Rick Ewing/Caller Marge/ Cuer
- February 27: Columbia Gorge Plus George Hermann/Caller Marge/Cuer
- March 7: Bachelor Beauts Bend, OR Mainstream dance with Plus every third tip Dick/Marge Caller/Cuer
- March 13: Attended Swap and Swing Graduation Dance Bill/Neva Reid Caller/Cuer
- March 14: lone Grand Squares Rock Creek, Western theme Dick/Marge Caller/Cuer Good time!!
- March 20: Hermiston Square Knots Plus dance Rick Ewing/Caller Marge/ Cuer
- March 27: Columbia Gorge Plus Les Seeley/Caller Marge/Cuer
- March 28: Swap and Swing 49th Anniversary Dance George Hermann/Caller Neva Reid/Cuer. This dance was attended by 3 squares of Country Cutups besides other Gorge clubs great dance
- April 4: WyEast Whirlers MS dance We were asked to fill in for Caller and Cuer not able to attend. Dick/Marge Caller/Cuer
- April 10: Swap and Swing MS dance Loren/Cindy Marberry Caller/Cuer
- April 11: Attended Braids and Brave MS dance McMinnville George Hermann/Caller Jodene Hughes/Cuer We were asked to guest call/cue. We were treated most cordially.
- April 17: Hermiston Square Knots Plus dance Rick Ewing/Caller Marge/Cuer
- April 18: Attended WyEast Annual Blossom Festival Hood River Jim Hattrick/Caller Lee Mauroni/Cuer
- April 24: Columbia Gorge Plus Craig Abercrombie/Caller Marge/Cuer
- April 25: High Lake Swingers LaPine, OR Graduation Dance Ron Bliven/Caller Marge/Cuer. This was a great graduation celebration.
- May 8: Attended Swinging Mountaineers Special Mexican Fiesta Dance with Daryl Clendenin/Caller Ron Noble/Cuer Redmond, Oregon

May 16: Bachelor Beauts MS dance-Bend, OR Ron Bliven/Caller Marge/Cuer

It goes without saying that we enjoyed dancing at ALL of the dances named on the dates given. Besides attending the above named dances, we went to Yakima, WA on several Mondays to attend the Plus workshop conducted by Orvin Logan, caller. Also we taught a BASIC ROUND DANCE CLASS in Condon, OR for members and friends of the lone Grand Squares for nearly ten weeks on Sunday afternoons.

We are sorry to miss this state meeting - but we will attend the summer festival in LaGrande - and will personally report at that meeting.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Carolyn Bosch - Kits are still available for the Oregon Costume Kit. The cost is \$15.50 per kit. If you do not pick one up today there will be mailing charges as well. (\$19.50)

Sandy Eddings - First of all I would like to thank all the councils and members and clubs that voted for me for Membership. I am honored to be on the Federation Board. Second I would like to purpose that if the area councils would like a square dance plate sign I would be willing to make them. I would also be asking the Federation for repayment. We can get about 4 signs out of a 4 x 8 piece of plywood and for 13 councils we would need about 3 boards at the cost of about \$50.00. If that is acceptable I could have them done by Summer Festival. Bob Bosch said to take it out of Skip's budget!! (Ha!)

Central Oregon has two special dance coming up. First, the Red Rock Birthday Dance, with Randy Dibble at the Deschutes County Fairgrounds on June 5th. There is RV parking on the grass with electricity for \$8.00 per night. Second, is a Plus Weekend on July 4th with Les Seeley and Dave Corelus calling and Lloyd & Joyce Goode cueing. It will be a two day weekend also with RV parking for \$8.00.

Dave Hughes - Promoted '98 Summer Festival with the T-Shirt. The T-Shirt had spent the winter in Idaho and contrary to Nancy Carson, it wanted to come to the cold, wet side of the mountains. So it has been going around with us to dances. We told the T-Shirt that we would be taking it to the state meeting and it grudgingly agreed to come. I would like Bob Bosch to please sign the back of the T-Shirt. Thank you very much.

Clara Kilbourne - (Where & When Editors) We are asking to resign. Please let the new Where & When Editor know of any changes of moves, time changes and etc. This is important because our issue is month ahead and all changes need to be done by the 5th of the previous month.

I would also like to let you know that the MWA donated \$200.00 to our youth dancers.

Carolyn Bosch - I would just like to thank Frank & Clara, they have a done a wonderful job on the Where & When. Please be understanding with the new editor for the Where & When.

Marilyn Schmit - I was fortunate enough to attend the Washington State Federation Meeting. I have news that the Clark County Fairgrounds will be having a Grand Re-Opening Dance on May 30th, it is a Homecoming Dance at the Clark County Fairgrounds and they are encouraging everyone to where clothing that you wore to your respective High School Homecomings. The new building is the same floor design, but it looks much bigger than the old building before it fell into itself.

Dave Cooper - About four years ago I sat in awe of this board. I was a new dancer at that time, but in the motel last night I found out they are just like us, no, worse than us actually. Anyway I feel that Skip Napier should eat a cowpie if Summer Festival has 700 dancers. Thank you to all of you who purchased the frog fun badges, we do not have any left at this time.

Skip Napier - There is a state advertising form to fill out. We need that information as soon as possible. The invitation to dinner at Charlotte is for everyone that represents Oregon.

Leonard Snodgrass - Are there any rules regarding banner stealing. Skip Napier, Glenna Getz and Ron Schmit will look into this matter.

Ron Schmit - presented Skip Napier with a T -Shirt.

Bob Bosch - It is my understanding that back at the Nationals they are only allowing one square from each state in the parade of state on Saturday evening. Those of you going please put your name in a hat and we will draw the names. I feel it is important that not just the officers do this, but everyone have a opportunity to do this. We need one more couple for the outdoor parade.

Shan McKinney - The Treasurer has given me a very important job, so if you want to get out of here you better quit squawking and line up behind me and I will give you your checks. But no more squawking.

Motion by Nancy Carson

I move that we adjourn. Seconded. Motion carried.

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MEETING ADJOURNED AT NOON!!!!

Respectfully Submitted,

Jodene Hughes,

Recording Secretary

Metton by Nancy Barson