

OREGON FEDERATION OF SQUARE DANCE CLUBS  
January 19, 1975, Ashland Oregon  
MINUTES

Meeting was called to order at 10:a.m. by President Tommy Thompson at Helman School , with Rogue Siskiyou Area as hosts. Invocation was given by Larry Lauderdale, followed by Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag. President Tommy Thompson thanked the area for the beautiful dance, beautiful arrangements - beautiful breakfast and beautiful people who came to the dance. Neal Richardson, Principal of facility was introduced by Marge Holthus. Plates for all delegates and officers were painted by Dee Sorenson. President of Rogue Siskiyou Area George Winterfeld was thanked also. The roll was called by the Recording Secretary and all officers and delegates were present except Goodwill Ambassadors, the Eastern Oregon delegate and the Three Valley delegate. The business portion of the minutes of the last meeting were read. One correction was made. Under New Business : To show that motion was made and passed to have committee appointed to study and report on holding state meetings four times a year. The President appointed Shirley Lee to chair such a committee. The minutes were approved as corrected.

PAST PRESIDENT GEORGE GRUCHALLA introduced his wife Bernice. George called attention to the fact that Tommy had not introduced his wife. This was a 25¢ fine. Fine was paid to Treasurer. George, as Chairman of Nominating Committee reported quite a few names have been turned in.

FIRST VICE-PRESIDENT GRAHAM WOOD introduced his wife Nedra. Thanked area for all round program.

SECOND VICE-PRESIDENT CLYDE STEELE JR introduced his fiance Mary Harris. Thanked the area for dance and favors on table. There are quite a few state directories still out and requests that area delegates (Representatives) take this back to area. Send checks to Rae Scofield for directories sold and whatever is left bring to May meeting.

TREASURER RAE SCOFIELD thanked area and introduced her husband Ray. The General Fund Balance on hand January 19, 1975 \$2,811.14, OFN Fund Balance \$3,857.78. Insurance Fund Balance \$1,106.91. Total working Capital January 19, 1975 \$7,775.83. Savings Account Balance including interest, \$5,075.43. On loan to Central Oregon Area \$1,000.00. Profit to date on cook books January 19, 1975 \$882.79. Detailed Financial Report given all officers and delegates.

RECORDING SECRETARY BEVY CLARK introduced her husband Jay.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY ANN LAUDERDALE thanked area and introduced her husband Larry.



MEMBERSHIP CHAIRMAN CHUCK MC DONALD thanked area for good dance and hospitality. At present time in Oregon there are 157 paid up clubs in 13 areas. It was called to the attention of the delegates, to be taken back to their respective Area Secretary that each area secretary should send a check once a year, preferably right after July 1st. to the membership chairman for all the clubs in their area.

PARLIAMENTARIAN BUDDY RANDALL introduced his wife, Nancy. Buddy remarked that this is the first area ever to provide small chairs and tables for breakfast. Buddy reported that the old floor is being sold sheet by sheet. There will be a brand new floor at Bend.

STATE REPORTER CLIFF ROBINSON thanked area for wonderful dance. Wife, Lilly remained at motel to finish sewing for Sewing Sessions on Monday for the Portland Area Council.

TREASURER RAE SCOFIELD : A motion was made and passed at the Summer Festival that letters would be sent to all holders of floor shares. \$10.00 shares to be paid back. Its been 6 months since the meeting and she would like a guide line to follow. Larry Lauderdale made a motion to send out the letters and ask what to do with the shares. Motion Seconded, Passed.

HISTORIAN JACK BRINSON introduced his wife Ilene and thanked the area. He requested that areas send in pictures and news paper articles for the history books.

PUBLICITY CHAIRMAN VERNE MC KNIGHT introduced his wife Ruth. Thanked the area. Verne reported on renewed interest in the commemorative stamp. They would like delegates to get petitions signed by March 1st and send to them and they would forward the lists to Washington D.C. Country Western Radio Stations around the State are advertising square dance classes.

Jay Clark , Portland Area, reported on sale of American Square Dance Badge to further national stamp.

Verne reported on the Fairview Dance to be held April 6, 1975, 2 to 5 pm. Donations will be used for a recreation center equipment.

BY-LAWS COMMITTEE SHIRLEY LEE introduced her husband. Shirley Lee presented three plans for four State Federation meetings per year. Details given, written report attached. Committee recommended adoption of Plan B, providing for meetings to be held in months of February, May, August, November.

Motion was made by Al Westphal, Lincoln Tillamook Area to adopt Plan B, It was seconded by Glen Pfefferkorn, Mid Willamette Area. Motion Passed. The By-Laws Committee also proposed changes in officers duties and standing committees as set forth in their written report. Motion made and passed to accept the proposed changes. The President directed the By-Laws Committee to prepare necessary amendments to be sent to the Clubs for their vote.



OREGON FEDERATION NEWS CHAIRMAN ERNIE HOLTHUS introduced his wife Marge, Ernie requested that all ads should show name of town where dance is to be held. Sunset Area will soon take over publication of the OFN. Ruth and Mick Nogle were introduced as the new Chairman.

1975 MID-WINTER FESTIVAL CHAIRMAN NAT DICIANNA, introduced his wife Irene. Thanked Area. Introduced Co-Chairman Larry and Ann Lauderdale. Bob Fisk - Dave Abbott callers; Charlie and Bettye Proctor Round Dance Instructors.

1975 SUMMER FESTIVAL CHAIRMAN BOB RODIN introduced his wife Doris. Bob reported that 218 sheets for new floor at Bend have already been purchased and more sheets will be purchased as pre registrations come in.

#### DELEGATES REPORTS: (State Area Representatives )

CENTRAL AREA - Alternate Ray Murray introduced his wife Dorothy and thanked the area and the extra good food. Reported lots of good dancing in area, callers have been giving lessons since Fall. 17 squares at Jamboree. 85 new dancers came out to new class of Bachelor Beaus at Bend. Everyone getting ready for Summer Festival with much enthusiasm.

EASTERN OREGON, Absent, but Ann Lauderdale read their report: Sent regrets for not getting to meeting at Ashland due to bad weather. All four clubs in area have graduated new dancer classes. signed: Ben Wright, delegate

EMERALD EMPIRE Larry Lauderdale, introduced Co-Chairman John and Bev Nasholm for 1976 Mid Winter Festival. Reported on plans for that festival.

INTERSTATE HIGHLANDERS Leonard Scott introduced his wife Donna. Reported that the area is coming along pretty good, getting somewhat organized. Had a successful area dance.

LINCOLN-TILLAMOOK Al Westphal introduced his wife Fran. Reported that one club is almost going in-active at this time but there is a new group starting in Cloverdale under the instruction of Ron Blevin. They had 8 square of new dancers to start with. Toledo 49-ers and Wagoneers have classes going. Toledo 49-ers having classes under the Adult Education Program. Also had OFN subscription dance.

MID-WILLAMETTE Glen Pfefferkorn reported on Country Music Fair, two recording stars David Frazell and Buddy Allen - 10 live music bands from Salem Corvallis and Albany, from noon to 10 'o clock. During break time there was square dancing. Hope to get more square dancing to the live music in the future. Salem area also goes thru Adult Education Program for new dancers classes. Many advantages, no charge for use of school and free advertising.

PORTLAND AREA Bob Inglis, introduced his wife Dorothy, introduced alternate delegate Rex & Janie Frey, and introduced Ed & Mary Warmoth. Bob Reported that attendance at classes have been up in area. Bob introduced Ed Warmoth, Chairman of National Convention Bid Committee for the Portland Area. Ed stated that information regarding the proposed National Convention bid had been sent to all officers and delegates and that he would try to answer any questions. He requested that the Oregon Federation support the Portland Area in bidding for the 1979 National Convention. ( June 28-29-30 ) He discussed the bid procedure, outlined facilities proposed to be used and reviewed the tentative budget. A number of questions were asked and answered by Ed and other Portland Area Council dancers present.

Motion made by Portland Area and seconded by Mid-Willamette Area that the Oregon Federation support the Portland Area Councils bid for the 1979 National Convention. Motion carried.

It was suggested that all Oregon dancers at the Kansas City Convention this year go to the bid session and support the bid.

ROGUE-SIS-Q Bill Sorenson introduced his wife Dee and welcomed all to the area. He reported that a holiday dance resulted in a large number of gifts for Fairview.

SOUTH COAST AREA Vern Lingard introduced his wife Evelyn. He said the next State Meeting is expected to be in Brookings.

SUNSET AREA Ruth Nogle introduced her husband Mick. Advised that a new club is active, the Trojan Twirlers from Goble.

TEEN AREA Tricia Williams introduced her husband Jim and stated that the Teen Council is working for another Muscular Dystrophy Benefit Dance for this year.

UMPQUA AREA Howard Rahn introduced his wife Georgene and the area President Ron and Lorna Quimby. He reported on recent special activities in the area.

OFN Binders reported as being available on request to delegates wanting them.

#### NEW BUSINESS:

Portland Area <sup>suggested</sup> that no new "Round Dance of the Month" be selected during the summer months and that a previous dance be reviewed instead. It was suggested that "Our Christmas Waltz" be designated the Round of the Month for December every year. To be taken back to Areas and voted on at next meeting.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted  
Recording Secretary,  
*Bevy Clark*  
Bevy Clark



Oregon Federation of Square Dance Clubs

Financial Statement: Sept 18, 1974 to Jan 19, 1975

Rae Scofield, Treasurer

General Fund:

Balance on Hand Sept 18, 1974 (1536.13)

Receipts:

Initiation & Club dues	64.00	
Directories	262.40	
Decals	12.00	
Cookbooks	399.80	
OFN Binders	216.00	
Floor (sale of sheets)	1032.00	
Festivals	3397.84	
Loans Repaid Idaho	2000.00	
Summer	500.00	
Postage (cookbooks)	<u>6.25</u>	7890.29

Expenditures:

Cookbooks	2.25	
Postage Supplies	85.70	
Directories	14.60	
Travel/Motel (double board)	425.76	
Breakfast	65.60	
Phone	26.06	
Badges (new board)	82.00	
Floor shares paid	840.00	
Trf to savings	2000.00	
Misc	<u>1.05</u>	<u>3543.02</u>

Balance on Hand General Fund Jan 19, 1975

2811.14

Insurance Fund: Onhand Sept 18, 1974 (218.09)

Receipts: Summer Festival 1335.00

Expense: Surety Bond 10.00

Balance on Hand January 19, 1975

1106.9



# Oregon Federation News Fund

Balance on Hand Jan 19, 1975 3857.78

## Receipts

W/W	42.00	
Advertising	1849.77	
Subscriptions	2091.70	
Misc	<u>1.05</u>	3984.52

## Expenditures

Postage & Supplies	123.31	
Printing	3733.76	
Mailing	153.52	
Phone	22.47	
Misc	<u>15.50</u>	4048.56

Balance on Hand May 17, 1975 3793.74

Total Working Capital May 17, 1975 8413.32

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## Savings Account

Balance Jan 19, 1975 5075.43

Interest 3/31/75

Balance May 17, 1975

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On loan Central Oregon Area 1000.00

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Total Sales Cookbooks 5/17/75 5157.91

Cost to date 4147.87

Profit to Date 1010.04

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Floor shares paid 5/17/75 198

Floor shares donated 61

Returned unclaimed 8

Still no instructions from 49

316

No other outstanding bills



Suggested plans for four State Federation Meetings per year

Plan A	Plan B	Plan C
January	February *	March
April	May	June *
July *	August	September
October	November	December

\* Meeting could be but need not be included with the Summer or Mid-Winter Festivals, depending upon the wishes of the host area.

The committee recommends the adoption of Plan B for the following reasons:

1. No meeting in December or January. These are the two months most likely to have extreme weather conditions. Also holiday month.
2. Election would remain in May. Installation would be in August. Would remain nearest to our present plan.
3. February meeting would likely be 2 weeks after Mid-Winter Festival rather than 2 weeks ahead as is now. Better weather.
4. With 13 areas in state meetings will not always be in same area at same time of year. i.e. Lincoln-Tillamook has hosted 4 meetings in January in a row.

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No changes are required in State Constitution.

State By-Laws would need to be Changed in Article VI State Executive Board Meetings and in Article VII. These are date changes only to be made after Plan of Months is adopted.

Article VIII of the By-Laws says we need to have a majority vote of the Executive Board and a written vote by the member clubs. The committee suggests the Executive Board vote be taken at the January State meeting, then the By-Laws re-written to change the dates, and the vote sent out to the member clubs along with the ballots. This would save a mailing. They could then be counted at the May meeting and the plan would go into effect July 1, 1975--the start of a new fiscal year.

Submitted by

Shirley Lee, Chr.  
Ruth Nogle  
LaNola Bacon

Plan to change  
Duties of 1st and 2nd Vice Presidents

Suggested By-Law Changes:

Article 1	Sec 2	1st Vice-President
	Add:	a member of the Festival Boards
Article 1	Sec 3	2nd Vice-President
	Delete:	Member of the Festival Board
	Add:	Coordinate and handle the publishing of the club directories. (This was covered in P & P but not in By-Laws)

These changes need to be made to even the responsibilities of the  
1st and 2nd Vice-Presidents.

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This would need to be voted on by the Executive Board and then  
sent to the clubs for a vote with the ballots.

Many changes would then need to be made in the Practices and Procedures  
to cover both the change in meeting dates and the change in duties.  
However, this needs to be done anyway to include the change in  
Officer Reimbursement recently voted and also the change in the amount  
that can be loaned to a Festival Board. Therefore, we would suggest a  
complete rewriting of the Practices and Procedures if these By-Law  
changes were adopted. The Constitution and By-Laws could be reprinted  
as Revised at the same time.

Submitted by

Shirley Lee  
Ruth Nogle  
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## *Square and Folk Dance Federation of Washington, Inc.*

Address Reply to Writer at

State Meeting  
Everett, Wash.  
January 11, 1975

The meeting was called to order at 10:05 A.M. by President Harold Parker at Cascade High School, with the flag salute led by Vice President Don Blanchard, followed by an opening prayer given by Cecil Wiltse.

Mt. Baker Council President Earl & Ann Ross welcomed everyone and thanked them for coming and hoped they all had a nice time.

President Harold asked for additions or corrections to the minutes, corrections were misspelled names and correcting wording on Page 4 under college co-ordinator.

Bob Johnson moved we dispense with the reading of the minutes and approve as corrected. Seconded by Chick Smith -- Carried.

Roll call was taken with Chuck Sauve sitting in as delegate from Central area for Don Jorgenson.

TREASURER: Ray Cobb gave the financial report.

September 9, 1974 thru December 31, 1974

Total cash on hand 9/9/74

Receipts

Expenditures

\$6,228.90

8,412.81

5,942.16

Total cash on hand 12/31/74

\$8,699.55

Complete report filed with these minutes.

CORRESPONDENCE: None

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Ed Middlesworth and all the committee people left to pick the slate of officers to run for state.

PROMOTION: Al Goelzer read a copy of the letter sent to 41 Chamber of Commerce through out the state with directories, hoping that it might help answer inquires about square dancing in the areas.

Letters were also sent to Council Presidents promoting the purchase of the place mats by the councils for local speical dances, square dance week, or other special functions where they could be put in smaller restaurants. More with new business;

FOOTNOTES: Bob Johnson had all workers stand. Bob was pleased to report there be no raise in rates for now, due to the good work of our treasurer and efficiency and all the breaks from our printer.

Bob stressed the importance of work done among the dancers, advertising in Footnotes, patronizing advertisers.

Bob introduced Glen & Marcia Stinson who hadn't been there in some time, also Mary & Sterling McKenzie, who give alot of time

FOOTNOTES TREASURER: Bob Bush gave the financial report.  
September 13, 1974 -- January 8, 1975

Beginning Cash Balance	\$4,465.70
Receipts	1,851.13
Expenditures	<u>3,505.10</u>
Cash on Hand	\$2,811.73

Complete report on file with these minutes.

Bob then introduced Glen , and he told of the very clever way they think they have found to get away from any problems pertaining to delivery, buy an addressograph and plate makers, very carefully and sneaky move it into Sterling & Mary McKenzie's basement and your problems should all be over! They hope- there has been so much mix up that they really hope this will help, but if you do not get your magazine check with your mailman. Be sure to send your change of address to the P.O. box and it will be made. Bob Johnson stated that starting with the March issue the deadline will be the 10th. of the month for submitting news to him and it will be enforced. News sent direct will be returned to the area reporter, news sent late will be returned to the area reporter to revise if necessary and resent. The objective of the magazine is to reach as many of the dancers as possible.

FESTIVAL CO-ORDINATOR: Don Blanchard turned things over to the general chairman Bob Bush. Bob read the report of several of the committee people that were not able to attend, and the report is filed with these minutes. He did ask Promotion chairman Bob & Audrey Orr for a report, they asked for flyers to dances so they could possibly get people to attend and advertise. They had forgotten the banner but will remember it for special dances. Bob asked everyone please wear your ribbons that is the best ad of all. Ways & Means still have the terry cloth purses for the woman and the towels for the man.

Houseing: Don Doescher says the motels in Richland are filling real fast, there are still motels outside available. Everything is being handled through housing with good cooperation from all the motels. Trailer spaces are available for 200 self-contained trailers, there are 2 dumping stations in Richland one right across the street from Carmichael Park where the trailers will be.

Registration: 1004 registered with 57 teens -11 out of state and 169 new dancers. There will be a photographer & Solo's badges.

Registration Council wise is;

Blue Mountain	--255	N.Olympic	-- 10
Central	-- 48	Northern	-- 2
C.P.S.C.	--264	Rainier	--183
Evergreen	-- 53	Sou'wester	-- 49
Mt.Baker	-- 42	Spokane	-- 54
N.Central	-- 33		

Don thanked Bob for a good report.

NATIONAL CHAIRMAN: Ken & Ginny Trimble flew to Kansas City in October for a pre-convention meeting the hospitality was outstanding and feel the whole convention will be the same. While they were in Kansas City they got to go on an hour tour through just part of the Hallmark Greeting Card Factory which was a very big honor. They saw all the facilities for dancing , one of the hotels has 3 large ballrooms with hardwood floors and one of the rooms will be for just the youth. The committee has also reserved the old airport which is now a convention center and there will be shuttle bus service. In April we go to Anaheim for the first pre-convention meeting. In December they were asked to come meet with the Oregon Federation. The Federation is meeting today to decide if they will bid for the 79 National to be held in Portland.



Over 6000 are pre-registered for Kansas City.

Thanks to Footnotes for promotional material sent to them, it is appreciated and good communications.

FARWESTERN CHAIRMAN: Ann Moroni reported that the chairman of the Festival in Pocatello has been ill and just hadn't gotten the complete report finished, but the Festival was successful.

COLLEGE CO-ORDINATOR: Chuck Sauve to go back to the correction in the minutes, Central Washington College will give credit to anyone desiring to participate in a workshop any place in the State of Washington, the workshop would have to be instructed at this time by Bob Ruff. A credit course of 15 hours over a period of time can be credited to an individual's college credit. Central wanted to have a program with several different dances including square dancing but didn't get enough interest so letters were sent to Council presidents and as many callers as could be contacted to try to contact and help some of the teachers that are trying real hard to the dancing but do not have the knowledge. Even some dancers could help with the right directions. Where Chuck has worked with the teachers and have made corrections the teachers have gracefully accepted his help. So if you know of anyone trying to teach maybe you can help. In Los Angeles schools have accepted a Bi-Centennial Square Dance activity, with Bob Ruff looking forward to a fine program. Everyone go back and talk up using these records.

PARLIAMENTARIAN: Bob Kendall no report

X.P.'s CHAIRMAN: J.V. Fletcher discussed expense of Festival co-ordinator usually up to the committee, but they would stay with someone. They have received the trophies for the McGregor award with the cost about \$2.00 which is pretty good and he will turn them over to the Vice President.

LEADERSHIP & EDUCATION: Jay Loftus the Seminar will be July 11, 12 & 13th. this year. With good advertising in Footnotes and an article in December issue by Clarence Grunert and more to come, also a nice article in American Square Dance Magazine - Preparing for a Seminar, thanks to the cooperation of Footnotes.

Facilities will be just about the same as last year, the large ball room, the dorms will be the same \$5.00 per person per day - July 1st. deadline and the college collects that. There will be no food service this year.

Trailer parking will be at the fairgrounds not much farther than the other area with grass and no charge.

Registration: Delegates have received information packets- Millie Amundson or any one on the committee will register anyone. Pre-registration pins will be available.

Panel of Speakers: Pat Feeney --Transition from lessons to Club Membership  
Jerri Williams--Teenagers in the Club  
Don Blanchard--Acquiring affective leadership  
Cecil Wiltse--Keeping the new dancer interested and retaining membership.

Bob Johnson -- The square dancer in the public image.

Stan Burdick for the main address.

Bob McNutt- Moderator.

Barbara & Herb Dennis compiled the information from the seminar and made booklets and did an outstanding job, everyone should read them.

HISTORIAN & LIBRARIAN: Hazel Sell hope the delegates will take the books like last time and she always needs more material.

FINANCE & AUDIT: Sandy Hart reported the books have been audited and are in good order.

BY-LAW CHANGE: Corresponding Secretary Lois Kanzler sent out 226 ballots- 135 were returned -- 132 for -- 2 against -- 1 no vote. Chuck Sauve moved we destroy the ballots-Arlo Evers seconded - Carried. The installation of officers reverts back to the September conclave.

PARKER CUP: Cecil Wiltse, none of the other members of the committee were able to be there. No big plans to make changes. One of the changes is to see about keeping the cup in the Federation, as in the rules it states the cup is to be returned to Almon Parker.

By the May meeting they hope to have more details available.

Lunch Break:

Right after lunch Sou'wester Council presented their bid for the 1976 State Festival with the "Theme of 76" with a very clever pageant and a lot of people involved. After the presentation each officer was given a candle in the shape of the capital building made by Louise Base. Daryl Bendewald and Kal Shering from Spokane Council then showed the pictures of the facilities they had for their bid for the State Festival, they are anxious to use the old fair site.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Ed Middlesworth presented the slate picked to run;

Recording Secretary-- Lois (Don) Kanzler -- (Rainier)

Elia (Gene) Simmons-- (C.P.S.C.)

Corresponding Secretary- Britta (Elwin) Dillion (Rainier)

Hazel (Shep) Shepard (C.P.S.C.)

Treasurer

Pat (Margaret) Streamer (Blue Mountain)

Sterling (Mary) McKenzie (North Central)

Vice President

Herb (Barbara) Dennis (Rainier)

Ray (Barbara) Cobb (Central)

President

Don (Shirley) Blanchard (C.P.S.C.)

Mille (Ray) Amundson (Sou'Wester)

Congratulations to everyone running. A big thanks to those who had their names submitted.

There will be complete instructions for balloting, enclosed in the envelopes.

INSURANCE: Ed Middlesworth said there are 119 clubs within the state signed for the insurance. Any detailed questions can be answered by Ed if you write for the information.

#### AREA DELEGATES:

C.P.S.C.: Shep Shepard introduced his wife Hazel and all his delegation from the council. There have been several teen dances, they've been concentrating on the teens.

The Seafair Dance will be held at the Olympic Hotel this year, the Spanish Ballroom will be for rounds, this is in conjunction with Seafair, the Teachers & Callers will furnish the sound.

One note of sadness was the passing of Maxine Choate, Shep asked President Harold for a moment of silence, she will be greatly missed she did so much of the hand sewing, she had made table cover for "74, 75 and was working on 76 when she died so her daughters and sister did finish the job.

Everything is going along great in preparation for the Northwest Teen Festival. Interclub Relations: Phil & Kay Hall sent out questionnaires to all the clubs and got very good response. Most clubs caravan once a month without their caller, have 1 mystery caravan a year and 1 over night affair. Most clubs are doing fine, and 95% of the clubs are dancing at a 75 basics level or higher.

The council elected to reimburse the President and Area Delegate --10¢ a mile, and \$14.00 a day expenses.

March 29th.--Spring Festival- Karen & Don Newman - Chairman.

Sweethearts Round Dance Club disband.



RAINIER: Don Kanzler introduced an old classmate that recognized him at the Friday night dance, they hadn't seen each other for about 30 years, Lyle & Beryl Linland from Sequim attending their first state meeting. The Council had a successful Fall Festival and have decided to go outside the Council for a caller for the Spring Festival so they are having President Harold Parker.

Teachers & Callers are going to try promotion for Square Dancing by using billboards which will cost about \$1700 so they are going to a 5th. Friday dance in January -- 5th. Saturday in March and see how it works out.

There will be two Footnotes Dances- Feb.- 23rd. --Tacoma --April 6th.-Gorst. A lot of the clubs have had 10 level dances, the Council is getting ready for the yearly Mix & Mingle Dance.

There will be several new classes starting in January.

Two clubs had anniversaries noteworthy- 20 years for Bells & Bows and Square Steppers.

Then Don remembered to introduce his large group from the council.

Hix & Chix's had their Presidents Ball with the Presidents from different clubs and our state President doing the calling.

Harold Rich the Parker Cup winner from last year had a heart attack in December but is coming along fine, he is beginning to get out and around again.

CENTRAL: Chuck Sauve, for Don Jorganson, introduced his wife Dexter and all his delegation from the area.

They have lost 3 callers in the last year- Charlie Cook retired- Ernie Weeks just quit calling and Bud May died.

Selamona Squares have just acquired Bill Weddle who is doing a good job - the Wagon Wheelers have Dick Edwards, and the Gateswingers are still looking and using guest callers.

the Callers Association, with the Healthier Hearts Club are having a Valentine Dance, with all the donations going to heart research.

The council has been asked to participate in pre-labor day activities in Ellensburg which will be one night of square dancing, to prelude the Rodeo.

SPOKANE: Daryl Bendewald introduced the nice big group that braved the weather from the area along his wife June, to be there.

All the beginners classes are doing good, they've had 2 party dances with 47 squares at the first one, a month later there was 45 squares. New Years Eve they had 2 big dances, the weather was terrible but both dances were crowded. Two clubs that were in trouble at the end of last dance season have picked up so no one is having any problems.

For some time they have talked a 50 level basics club, so Bob Amsbury and Don Cochrane decided to try it and so far is working out great, there are three clubs dancing at West North Hall so they are going to rotate trying this plan. March 29th. they will have Ernie Kinney- May 5th. -- Bill Peters.

MT. BAKER: Lee Hayes introduced his wife Dee and everyone there from the council. The Fall Festival was small but a fun dance- Spring Festival will have Vaughn Parrish in Sedro Woolley a change from Bellingham.

There are a lot of classes going on the Council is sponsoring a free dance Feb. 23rd. in Marysville. Several clubs are having a second set of classes.

SOU'WESTER: Clarence Grunert introduced Venetta, their council president Carl & Wilma Downing, and all the others that took part in the skit..

New classes are going well.

They are having such good representation from the clubs to the council meetings. In the Longview-Kelso area there has been a committee set up to look into the building of a square dance hall, checking for now.

Work with the retarded is being rotated between the five clubs involved - R Square D's -- Merry Mavericks -- Lakeside Squares -- Ruff & Ruffles -- Square & Circle, including refreshments, callers and dancers and the enthusiasm of the children is so rewarding.

BLUE MOUNTAIN: Chick Smith introduced his wife Frances and all the other members of the council that got there.

All the clubs have been busy, Prairie Shufflers are graduating one class of 74 people and then starting another class January 20th. - Sagehoppers has a new class beginning Jan. 21st. they are using guest callers this year. Tri-City Teens start new classes January 19th.

Pasco Promenaders have a new caller Gene Norris, they are only having one class so will graduate them later.

There were a lot of special dances held during the holidays.

Harold offered a course to any teachers wanting to teach dancing in the schools there were 8 that signed up with 4 finishing the class. The high schools are starting to open up.

Jack Kippies the caller for the teens is working hard at it.

As a follow up to the Bob Ruff workshop, Kennewick School District has bought the records and are presenting it in the grade schools.

The Pageant committee would like to hear from people wanting to take part.

The Sewing Clinic would like to have some sewing for display.

NORTH CENTRAL: Sterling McKenzie introduced Mary and all the other brave people from the council that came along.

They have one new club to present.

They had made copies of the H J R bill pertaining to making Square Dancing the National Folk Dance, and sent to each of the clubs asking them to write about it, as they want to present it to Congress again this year.

All the classes seem to be doing fine, 3 clubs went together in a school, which saved them about \$40.00 a night.

They feel that as a result of their Bob Ruff workshop the schools are opening up to, they had Council dance in the Eastside school.

In December the Appleland Promenaders had their 26th. anniversary dance with Bob Parrish the first outside caller they have ever had, and entertainment with Daryl Bendewald, which all made for a nice evening.

At the last council meeting they voted to accept the state round dance.

Thursday April 17 in Ephrata they are having Vaughn Parrish.

EVERGREEN: John Poage, their dancers seem to support the council dances they aren't as large as other councils but have good times.

The council President is going to pick one club to chairman and take care of the whole council dance and see how that works.

All the clubs have classes and seem to be doing fine.

Since they are so close to the Oregon border the Council is paying for the ads information in the Oregon Federation News a monthly sheet.

NORTH OLYMPIC: Art Ritchie introduced his wife Joan and the other visitors that were all at state meeting for the first time.

Classes are all going well they've had 3 ten level dances.

Had Bob Parrish for the Council Dance in October.

They are teaching 9 squares of handicapped -sponsored by the Peninsula college 5 squares in Port Townsend - 4 in Port Angeles, it is a great satisfaction to do this.

Jerry Russell that founded Russell's Rustlers in Bremerton works on the paper so they had printed a nice article written by one of the new dancers with a picture and all.

NORTHERN: Arto Evers introduced Rosemary and Ruth and Howard Thomas.

They have one group of classes going and hope to start a second, but it is going slow.

They have a lot of Canadians come dance with them and are very grateful to them. At council meeting they discussed how to be able to present the round sooner or at least the same time.

Business kept Bob & Martha McNutt from coming and they were missed by everyone.



OLD BUSINESS: Harold asked that the delegates look over the brochures and literature and take with you, for the National.

Since Bob McNutt was not there he still wants to hear from the Councils or anyone that would be interested in putting on the Bi-Centennial Pageant.

No Business.

NEW BUSINESS: Voting on bid for 1976 Festival - 25 ballots were handed out.

Ed Middlesworth-made a motion to purchase pins for the Presidents Award. Art Ritchie seconded. After discussion it carried.

The award will not be presented every year, when the President feels someone is worthy, it will be awarded. The cost of the dye is \$75.00 - each pin would be about \$6.50.

After much discussion Ann Moroni made the motion to purchase a Presidents Award Pin in design described by Ed Middlesworth. Don Blanchard seconded. Carried. Ed will make arrangements.

Vote on 76 Festival- Sow'wester Council won the bid. Carl & Wilma Downing President accepted and introduced Lee & Katherine Eason - Chairman.

Shep Shepard moved the President appoint a committee to study raising the per diem-for milage and lodging for bonafided delegates and make recommendations at the next meeting. Art Ritchie seconded. Carried.

Clarence Grunert from Sow'wester Council asked for the third week-end of June in 1976. J.V.Fletcher moved to accept the 3rd. week-end-June 18-19. Bob Johnson seconded. Carried.

Art Ritchie brought up discussion of how round dances are chosen, it was all explained about how the dances were chosen and how much time is involved in the picking of the dances.

Sandy Hart made the motion to destroy the ballots for the 76 Festival bid. Arlo Evers seconded. Carried.

PROMOTION: Al Goelzer broke down the price of the placemats for anyone that might want to buy a supply-- 10,000-- 1.75¢ --25,000-- 1.5¢--50,000-- 1.4¢

TREASURER: Ray Cobb read the names of the new clubs -- Foxy Four's - Rainier-- Blue Grass Swingers - North Central --Willie's Round Dillie's - C.P.S.C. Al Goelzer moved we accept the clubs - Shep Shepard seconded. Carried.

Jay Loftus moved to pay the vouchers. Sterling McKenzie seconded. Carried.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY: Lois Kanzler read the letter from Rainier Council bidding for the May meeting. Ed Middlesworth moved we accept the invitation bid. Al Goelzer seconded. Carried.

Kenn Trimble made the motion to hold it the 3rd. week-end of May --17-18. Bob Johnson seconded. Carried.

GOOD OF THE ORDER:

Jay Loftus reminded everyone that Stan Burdick will be the featured speaker at the Seminar, and that some of Stan's American Square Dancer Magazine were back on the table for people to take.

Ann Moroni read articles from the State Federation By-Laws. Article 4-Section A - Part 1-Regular membership. This is open to all non-profit square, round and folk dance clubs in the State of Washington  
Definition of a non-profit club as it appears under Article 1 -- Section E.

Definition of the State By-laws:

A non-profit club as referred to in these state by-laws is one which is governed by elected officers from the club membership, or by any appointed committee of the membership, being financed by assessments of dues or fixed fees. The income is used to defray expenses of the social functions and facilities related there to. Any club where the income goes to one or more persons who make no accounting to a club membership shall not be considered a non-profit club, the determination of whether or not a club is a non-profit club is to be made by the local area council and not by the state council.

The reason for bringing this up to your attention again is due to the fact that we have teachers & callers who are paid employees of a club membership, yet are members of said club and have voting privileges, and in my opinion these clubs are no longer in non-profit bracket, perhaps it is because these persons do not know that all clubs must be non-profit to belong to the State Federation.

Grace Libby asked all the councils to please send in their nominee for the MacGregor Award.

J.V.Fletcher told about the good article about square dancing in the Trailer Life magazine.

Gene Simmons President of C.P.S. apologized for the overlapp for dates of the Spring Festivals, after the long range planning there was a slip up.

Bob Johnson had Glen Nickerson from C.P.S stand up and told about the contra class that Glen had taught and are thinking of forming a club, after the class Glen took his fee and presented it to the Lloyd Shaw Foundation. Bob also commented on the Idiot badge, and feels we do not need such a badge.

Chuck Sauve announced Central Area Dance Wednesday March 26th., with Ernie Kin

Vice President, Don Blanchard reminded people to register for the Skate Festival

President Harold thanked Mt. Baker for a good luncheon and all the facilities. He also thanked the nominating committee for a good slate of officers and to the ones that didn't get on the ballot, keep them busy.

Motion was made for adjourn;

4:45 P.M.

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