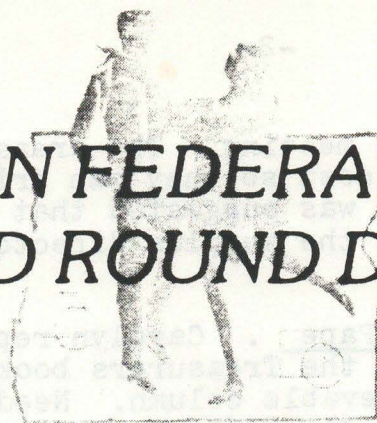


OREGON FEDERATION OF SQUARE AND ROUND DANCE CLUBS



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Minutes of State Meeting held Jan. 27, 1985
Mid-Winter Festival, Eugene Oregon

The meeting was called to order by President, Jack Williams at 9:45 am. Invocation was given by Past President, Ed Warmoth. The flag salute was led by Second Vic-President, Bill Cook.

All officers and delegates were present except: Interstate -Highlanders Delegate, Wayne & Della Johnson; Mary & Coy Puter subsituting; Rogue Sis-Q Delegate, Frances Pence; Umpqua Delegate, Chuck & Nancy Rosebraugh; Warren & Florence Engdahl subsituting.

Goodwill Ambassadors present at this meeting were: George & Bernice Gruchalla, Verne & Ruth McKnight, Jim & Helen Cochran, Buddy & Nancy Randall, and Ed & Mary Warmoth.

Special Guests attending this meeting were: Lee & Catherine Eason, President, Washington State Federation, and Harold & Shirley Seeley, Vice-President, Washington State Federation.

Motion was made by Jack Davis that the minutes be accepted as mailed. Motion seconded and carried.

Financial Report was given by Treasurer, Carolyn Pape and is attached hereto and made a part hereof. Motion was made by Bob Yancey to accept the Treasurers Report. Motion seconded and carried.

OFFICERS REPORTS

President, Jack and Rosemary Williams announced the appointment of Darryl and Becky Jordan to the Round Dance Screening Committee. They are replacing Curt and Anita Boardman. The Jordans' address is 249 Walker Ct, Roseburg, OR 97470. Phone, 673-3580.

Past President, Ed & Mary Warmoth. Will give the Nominating Committee Report under New Business.

First Vice President, Floyd and Jill Bard. No report at this time.

Second Vice President, Bill and Bea Cook reported that he still has 280 State Directories. We need to sell these or we will lose money on them. Some Area Coucils still owe for their directories and will be recieving bills soon. Please turn in your orders for the 1985-86

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State Directories at the May meeting. The Areas will then be notified in advance of the directory cost so they can bring their checks to the September State Meeting. It was suggested that maybe some Commercial Booth people could help sell the surplus directories during Mid-Winter Festivals.

Treasurer, Carolyn and John Pape . Carolyn reported that Financial Advisor Jean Brigl worked on the Treasurers books to make things easier. We now have an accounts recievable column. Needs copies of the Insurance Policies so I know what I am dispensing the money for.

Recording Secretary, Janet Pederson sent flowers and sympathy card for the State Federation to Marty Fistenburg upon the daeth of his wife Gloria.

Corresponding Secretary, Genevieve Churchill. No report.

Membership Chairman, Jim and Boots Floyd passed out packets to Area Delegates containing new Officer forms. These forms need to be returned by the May meeting. Some clubs have been resubmitting their forms after the 3 month deadline (as stated in the By-Laws). When this happens the clubs must then file as a new club and be voted on again. We have recieved two applications from clubs who wish to join the Oregon Federation. The clubs are the Capitol Promenaders from the Mid-Willamette Area, and Mix and Mingle from the Tualatin Valley Area. Both clubs need to obtain their non-profit status. Motion made by Jim Floyd to accept both clubs as members of the Oregon Federation on subject to obtaining their non-profit status. Motion seconded and carried. Financial Advisor Jean Brigl will help update the Membership Application forms so that they include Non-Profit Status information. Jim also reported that he is in charge of the State Badge Board. Boots Floyd and Royal Greeman are reorganizing the board. 40 clubs do not have badges on the board. Delegates have the list of clubs who need to send a club badge to Jim. Needs them before Summer Festival so that the Badge Board can be put on display at the Festival.

Publicity and State Reporter, Bob and Barbara Brown. No report.

Parlimentarian, Buzz and Glenore Carrier. I have distributed to all officers and delegates copies of suggested changes to the Constitution and By-Laws of the Oregon State Federation of Square and Round dancers. The left side of the page indicates present wording of the constitution and by-laws and the right side of page indicating the proposed changes. These changes need to be looked at and discussed and if the changes are agreeable, I would suggest a motion be made to submit copies of said changes to all clubs for their approval or disapproval with the final decision to be brought back to the Oregon State Fedearation Board meeting in May at which time the delegates, as representatives of the clubs and councils could vote on said proposals. If the delegates today approve presenting suggested changes, I would see that copies are sent to all clubs. The expense for this would amount to \$37.50 for printing and \$33.00 postage for a total of \$70.50. This would be an expense not figured in our budget but I feel it would be the best way to present the material to all dancers and would expediate making the necessary changes. These changes would, according to former Parlimentarian, Bob Lohman, and Past President, Ed Warmoth, help to reduce the conflict we seem to be having with the Internal Revenue Service.

State Historian, Trudi and Lenord Rasmussen. Still need more club outfit pictures for the display for the National Square Dance Festival. Only about 1/3 of the clubs have sent photos.

Education Chairman, Ken and Eva Moore. Ken reported that this years Leadership Seminar is the 1st annual Leadership Seminar. We are hoping that some of the other areas will want to host one. Currently working with one area to perhaps host the 1986 Semianr but have not recieved a definite commitment from ^{them} ~~us~~ of yet.

Financial Advisor, Jean and Hank Brigl. No word yet on our IRS appeal. Still recieving certificates of Non-Profit Status from clubs. Have IRS 1099 Miscellaneous forms and Instruction Books for you to take today. Every club who has paid their caller over \$600.00 during the fiscal year is required to report that to the IRS on the 1099 Misc. or be subject to a \$50.00 penalty. If your caller is not reporting his income, you could probably get by by not reporting this *but you would be in violation of the law. In the event of an audit on either side, you would be subject to Penalty.*

GOODWILL AMBASSADORS REPORT

Verne and Ruth McNight We have a proposal for an EMT Organization within our Federation. (for emergency First-Aid for victims of Heart Attacks, Strokes, etc.) We have discussed this with State President and some of the Board. Our suggestions for the Director would be Al Westphal as he has much experience as an EMT.

DELEGATES REPORTS

Blue Mountains Area, George and Dory Fleshman. Winter is square dancing time and we've had a lot of winter and a lot of square dancing. Our last council meeting in December was hampered by a blizzard but all but one club was able to participate. Beginner lessons are proceeding according to schedule with a Council Beginners Jamboree to be held in April in LaGrande. A group of 44 dancers will be traveling by bus to attend the Silver State Festival in Reno in May.

Central Oregon Area, Bob and Jeanne Yancey. Summer Festival report will be given later.

Eastern Oregon Area, Ralph and Pegge Wallace. All clubs are "dancing" right along. Our area new dancers will be enjoying 2 jamborees in Feb. at Milton-Freewater and Hermiston. Pendleton will host the next Area Council meeting and dance at the end of March which will feature a beginners jamboree. Pendleton Rocket Squares are holding a fund raising night with a Spaghetti Feed and auction (along with a dance) in Feb. Hermiston Square Knots have invited beginners to a couple of dances and activities already and it has met with great success. Soon they will be attending once a month until May graduation. The Square Knots also are hosting an "Alumni Potluck and Dance" to get "dropouts" back in the program. Plus lessons are being held in Hermiston on the 1st and 3rd Sundays. All clubs are involved in dancing for nursing homes, schools, and Civic Groups. Round dance programs are going quite well, several clubs have beginning basics and rounds of the months.

Emerald Empire Area, Dan and Linda Bowser. We hope everyone enjoyed the Mid-Winter Festivals 25th Anniversary. The committee wants to thank all the dancers that came to the Festival and made it a success. The Area sponsors a Fifth Friday Plus Dance. Our last dance we had Marty Firstenberg call. We gave all proceeds from the dance to Marty in memory of Gloria.

This year the Area started an Area Calendar which covers two months at a time. See you all at "Cascades Jubilee". Since we are the Chairmans of the 1986 Winter Festival, we hope to see you back in Eugene next year.

Interstate-Highlanders Area, Mary and Coy Puter. Wayne and Della Johnson were unable to attend this meeting so we are substituting for them. Our Area is providing a wide range of programs for dancers of all levels. The Tule Twirlers have a party night the First Saturday of each month and will have their Spring Fling on March 23rd. The Tule Twirlers also have an A-1 class with introduction to A-2 on Wednesdays. The beginner class on Tuesdays is preceded by a Round Dance class. The Warner Whirlers of Alturas will have their annual Presidents Ball on Feb. 23rd with Earl Rich and their Spring Dance April 27th and will host the Interstate-Highlanders on that date. Squares and Rounds are taught on Monday nights in Alturas. The KC's Potato Festival was a big success and we wish to thank all for your support. The KC's have started A-1 classes on Wed. nights in addition to their beginners class on Thurs. Advanced dancing workshops on Mon. and round dance classes on Sun. afternoon. They have also set aside one Friday each month for their regular party night dances. The beginners square and round dance classes have been progressing very well and the percentage of drop-outs has been small. It is our hope that in the coming year that we can work out a closer working relationship between all of the clubs in our area.

Lincoln-Tillamook Area, Norm and Vivian Anderson. An area meeting and dance in January with the Sunset Squares showed that square and round dancing is doing well in this area and promises good things for 1985. All four clubs had dancers and callers present. Would you believe three full-time callers and two part-time callers in a council our size? Plans were made for an active year in the Lincoln-Tillamook Area. The area dances seem to do so well and our plans are to have such special project dances as an OFN subscription dance, a caller appreciation dance, and other get togethers. Three clubs in the area have classes going and all clubs report active visitations to other dance groups. Our coastal clubs have miles to go to get with other dancers, but we do the driving and keep smiling: travel is a way of life for us beach residents. As far as news details within the clubs, the Sunset Squares report good success with their Sunday afternoon dances (2nd and 4th Sundays); the Toledo 49ers have set up quarterly potlucks and meetings prior to the dance, plus quarterly visitations and also practice some plus dancing at each dance; the Buoys and Gulls are happy dancing to Jim and Jessie Gibson but are looking for a new dance site; the Wagoneers are having many good socials and have an overnight mystery trip planned (their Christmas dinner and dance was a real success). Lincoln-Tillamook participated well in the Mid-Winter Festival--all clubs had dancers in attendance. For the future, let us just say that if any of you like to come to the coast, keep an eye on the ads in the OFN as Lincoln-Tillamook will be having many dances in the coming year and all of its clubs like visitors.

Mid-Willamette Area, Harold and Faye Bressler. All new dancer classes are progressing on schedule. The clubs are hosting new dancers at their club dances. The New Dancer Jamboree is scheduled for March 17th at the Senior Center in Salem from 2-5pm. Plans are almost completed for the Stan Burdick Seminar to be held at the Willamette University campus in Salem.

Portland Area, Jack and Bobbie Davis. Plans are all set for the Spring Fling Dance at the David Douglas Highschool March 29-30. This dance is co-sponsored by the North Willamette Callers and Cuers Ass., Evergreen Council(Vancouver), Tualatin Valley Council, and the Portland Area Council. 22 callers and 14 cuers are donating their time and talents for this dance. You all come. We will again be involved with the marathon dance for the Benefit of Crippled Children. More information on this later. The Rose Festival dance is June 14th. The hall, callers, and cuers are all under contract. More on this dance later.

Rogue Sis-Q Area, Frances Pence . Absent. No report.

South Coast Area, Kathryn and Eugene Ash. Not much to be reported from the Area. Christmas and New Years dances were held. Classes in all clubs are going fine. Same as usual problem-we need local callers from the area. New square dance center is called Driftwood Square Dance Center and is used everyday.

Sunset Area, Dick and Dottie Sorenson. Since last meeting the Clatskanie Promenaders had a very successful Halloween Costume dance, Family Thanksgiving get together and family Christmas dinner and dance. Beginner classes in square and round dancing and plus dancing once a month (Fridays) are in progress. We are working toward a planned Mystery Trip in May. The Astoria Hayshaker lessons are going well with about 1½ squares. We will probably graduate in March. We are having a planning dance April 27th in conjunction with the Astoria Crab Feed and Seafood Festival. The Hayshakers have enjoyed the Mid-Winter Festival and wish to thank everyone for a great time. Our Area is planning a benefit dance for Fairview on March 29th at Wickup Grange-East of Astoria, 13 miles right off Hwy 30.

Tualatin Valley Area, Ed and Janet Shepherd. While new dancer classes are down from last year, we are having lots of fun in our New Dancer Jamborees. Our Area is awaiting and working toward the 4 council Spring Fling to be held at David Douglas Highschool, March 29-30, 1985. There will be RV parking, clothing stores, besides good dancing. Many activities are being planned between now and Summer Festival. I'll have more at May meeting.

Umpqua Area, Warren and Florence Engdahl. We are substituting for Chuck and Nancy Rosebraugh. Chuck is in Virginia at a 3 month long FBI Training School. On March 29th the Timber 8's will have their regular Friday night Plus dancing workshop dance. Our Area will hold a 5th Saturday dance on March 30th at the Buckeroo Barn. Denny Lantz will be calling. The council will have a State Festival meeting on March 31st at 1pm at the Douglas County Museum Auditorium in Roseburg. Anyone in the State Federation interested in our planning for the 1987 State Summer Festival is invited to attend. It looks like there will be no square dancing at the Douglas County Fair this year. They have torn up the black-top floor area, which was put down for the square dancers many years ago.

OLD BUSINESS

State Insurance, Buddy Randall. We have recieved no bids on our Insurance Program. There has not been much response. Recieved a letter from the Fred S. James Company and they are not interested in presenting a bid this year. The Eugene Insurance Agency is still interested in serving us again

this year. It is still too early for them to provide any quotes for the Insurance Premium. They will give a quote in March. Renewal notices will be sent out around April 1st. There was discussion as to whether we might need a special board meeting to act upon the Insurance Premium quote. Motion made by Bob Yancey that the President, Treasurer, and Chairman of the Insurance Committee be authorized as a Committee of 3 to negotiate a proposal for the upcoming Insurance Program and if any sort of vote or confirmation is needed than it shall be done by mail to the members of the Executive Board. Motion seconded and carried.

Oregon Federation News, Lucille Barnes ^{and Floyd Burt} Currently looking for a new Editor to take over in September. POOF met Saturday night to discuss the OFN and the selection of a new Editor. Two names brought up but not yet confirmed. Talked about the possibility of a co-editor and also the possibility of having an understudy during the second year of the Editors reign who would then take over as Editor at the end of the second year. Both names are very qualified persons and are Past Officers in the State Federation which is a requirement. Will try to confirm the two names that we have so they can be announced and voted on at the May meeting. Postage rate will be going up in February and would like the Federation to raise the subscription price. Floyd and Lucille will meet to discuss this and also the financial status of the OFN. We are still spending alot more money than we are taking in. Discussed more under New Business.

1985 Mid-Winter Festival, Leon and Pat Houle. Approx. 4,450 dancers were in attendance. 2,000 pre-registrations made it easier on us. Over 260 RVs were here. Extra hook-up boxes were put up. Some money has been donated to help to defray the expense of doing this. Leon thanked everyone for attending. Heard nice comments on the callers and cuers. We will have a check to present to you at the May meeting for your share of the profits. President Jack Williams thanked Leon and his committee for all their work and a standing ovation was given to them. Dan and Linda Bowser will be Chairmans of the 1986 Mid-Winter.

1985 Summer Festival, Bob and Jeanne Yancey. Caller questionnaires have been mailed to all Oregon callers. Should get answers back soon. Jack Williams was named Publicity Chairman and Bob Yancey will be chairman for Program and Program Advertising. Good response from Bend businesses. Obtained a large generator from Pacific Northwest Bell for our outdoor lighting. A work party will bring our outside flooring up to par on Feb. 2, 1985. 6 commercial businesses have rented space thus far. We are palnning a pre-festival orientation dance to check the sound and acquaint all Centaral Oregon dancers with the campus. We are still finalizing our "Top of Mt. Bachelor Dance" and the exhibition dances. We need a report from the Area delegates who took flyers, ribbons, and reciept book at the September meeting. Our next meeting will be Feb. 19th. "If it can't be done in Central Oregon, it can't be done."

1985 Fairview Dance, Vern and Mae Meyer. Flyers here today. Please promote in your area. Dance is one week later this year due to Easter being the 1st Sunday. Project Possible is near completion. A pre-view Open House will be on Jan. 30th from 1-4pm.

National Festival Fashion Show Corresponding Secretary sent a letter to all clubs asking for participants. Had no response from this letter.

National Folk Dance Committee Jack recieved a letter from Mac and Mary McClure, Chairman of the National Folk Dance Committee asking if we still in favor of square dancing becoming the National Folk Dance. There was a general concensus among the areas that we are still in favor of this. Jack will write to the McClures stating our decision.

Statue of Liberty, Norm and Vivian Anderson. Certificates of recognition were sent out in January to all clubs and individuals who turned in more than \$;5.00. If you have not recieved one, talk to Carolyn Pape. A copy of the State Federation certificate will be given to the State Historian for the history books.

State Leadership Seminar, Janet Pederson . Delegates have packets with ne registration flyers. No registrations have been recieved yet. RV space will be also available at the State Fairgrounds. Will send price information on this soon o area delegates. Chumaree Inn will offer free shuttle to Willamette. Information about this motel in your packet. Other motel with special rates are: Executive Inn, \$32.00 t tax/Single, \$38.00 plus tax/double; Western 6 motel, \$19.95 plus tax/Single, \$22.95 plus tax/Double. Ads will be in Feb., Mar., and April OFNs. Please promote in Area Councils. Still loking for ideas for Stan to discuss. Marty Firstenburg has resigned from our committee. We are currently looking for a square dancer to host Stan in their home. I am accepting registartions today.

Ruth McNight has 2 Get Well cards circulating around the room. One is for Nancy Randall and the other is for Shirley Parrott. Both have been ill.

Jack Davis thanked Jean Prigl for coming to the Portland Area Council recently. We appreciate the fact that we can call upon State Officers to help us out with a variety of things.

Meeting adjourned for coffee break at 11:10.

Meeting called to order by President Jack Williams at 11:25.

NEW BUSINESS

Nominating Committee Report, Ed Warmoth announced the following slate of nominees for the 1985-86 officer year:

- President-- Floyd & Jill Bard, Emerald Empire Area
- 1st Vice-President-- Bill & Bea Cook, Tualatin Valley Area
Jim & Boots Floyd, Emerald Empire Area
- 2nd Vice-President-- Bob & Barbara Brown, Mid-Willamette Area
Ed & Janet Shepherd, Tualatin Valley Area
- Treasurer-- Carolyn & John Pape, Emerald Empire Area
Janet & Ed Shepherd, Tualatin Valley Area
- Corresponding Secretary-- Genevieve Churchill, Portland Area
Nancy & Ken Carson, Umpqua Area
- Recording Secretary-- Janet Pederson, Mid-Willamette Area
Kathleen & Vince ^{Gault}, Mid-Willamette Area
- Membership Chairman-- Phil & Eileen Chadwick, Tualatin Valley Area
Judy Cedergreen, Tualatin Valley Area

Ruth McNight commented about the fact there are not to be more than 4 candidates from one Area Council. By-laws state that each council may nominate 4 dancers but lists no limits as to the number that may run from each council. Only recieved one application prior to the Mid-Winter

Festival. Picked up the balance during the Festival. Nominees only represent 5 Area Councils. Will need to find one more candidate for President by March 15th.

Jack Williams recieved a letter from Tualatin Valley Council President, Wallace Blackburn regarding the dancing at the State Fair each year. He expressed the concerns that his council has about the way the dancing at the State Fair is organized. Jack submitted a copy of that letter to State Fair Dance Chairman, Harold and Faye Eressler prior to this meeting. Jack read a copy of the letter that Harold & Faye wrote to Wallace Blackburn in answer to the letter that Jack recieved. Much discussion followed. No further response has been recieved from Mr. Blackburn.

Jack Williams recieved a letter from Portland Area Council President, Ernie Powell regarding tax exemption coverage request from square dancers building a new square dance building in Portland Area. Jack forwarded the letter on to Financial Advisor, Jean Brigl. They wanted tax exemption coverage under the Portland Area Council. This would mean that Portland Area Council would have to have complete control over the building to keep themselves clear with the IRS. Jean felt that Portland Area Council should have no part of this but it would be their decision to make.

Floyd Bards report on Festival audits was postponed until the May meeting.

Oregon Federation News, Floyd Bard. There is a \$600.00 deficit over a two month period (Nov.-Dec.). There is still approx. \$300.00 of outstanding receipts that still need to be collected. We've gone down approx. \$150.00 per month on the magazine. Its not a large amount to be concerned about. Postal rates will be going up on Feb. 17th approx. 20% which will mean an additional \$150.00 per month in expenses. Suggestion made to raise column inch ad from \$4.00 to \$5.00. Not recommended since ad rates were just raised in October. Recommended earlier to raise subscription rate \$1.00. This would generate approx. \$2,500.00 more in receipts per year. Jean Brigl commented that we are showing a steady decline. Motion made by Floyd Bard to raise CFN subscription rate from \$5.00 to \$6.00 per year effective April 1st, 1985. Motion seconded and carried.

Arthritis Foundation, Bob Brown. Been contacted by Don Coverdell, Development Specialist, Arthritis Foundation. Would like square dancers to do some fund raising for them. There will be a Telethon on April 28th, 1985 on Channel 49 out of Portland. During the telethon we would be given recognition for the amount of money that we could raise for them. We could have someone from the State Federation present the check. Arthritis Foundation would like to mail out information to Area Presidents. Bob asked for permission to release names and addresses of Area Presidents to the Foundation. The Telethon will be nationwide out of Nashville, Tenn. and will be shown locally out of Portland. There was a general consensus among the Board to participate in the Telethon. It was suggested that we release the Area Delegates names and addresses instead. Bob will notify the Arthritis Foundation of our decision.

By-Laws Changes, Ed warmoth and Buzz Carrier. We are acting on the changes in the by-laws as suggested by Past Parliamentarian, Bob Lohman. Ed compiled them into a simpler form. Parliamentarian Buzz Carrier asked

delegates to take them back to councils for discussion and then vote on them at our May meeting. Ed commented that these changes could be discussed today, read through at the May meeting, and then voted on at the Summer Festival meeting or read through these at this meeting and then vote in May. Discussion followed. Motion made by Harold Bressler to discuss the proposed changes in the By-Laws here and with your Area Councils, read the proposed changes at the May meeting, and then vote to amend the By-Laws at our July State Meeting. Motion seconded and carried. You will need to add the following to the proposed changes:

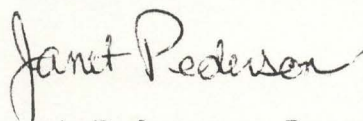
- 1) Wherever there is gender of He, it needs to be corrected to read He/She or read The Person.
- 2) Under Proposal D-Article 3, Membership, add item G-Elegibility, There shall be no discrimination against any person on the basis of race, color, creed, or religion.
- 3) Under Proposal L-Article 7, Election of Officers, add item E-President-Elect: The candidate who is elected First Vice-President each year shall automatically become President-Elect. The name of that person shall be the only one listed on the State Ballot for the office of President the following year. If in the event the President-Elect is unable to assume the office of President, the Nominating Committee shall place in nomination two names on the ballot as candidates for that office.

There were some concerns expressed about the fact that under the membership Article it states that clubs are to be tax exempt as well as non-profit. It is unlikely that all of our clubs could become tax exempt. If this statement were left in, we could lose a lot of our current members. It was suggested that there be a Saturday afternoon meeting preceding our Sunday State meeting to discuss these By-Laws. It was suggested that a Committee be appointed by the President to sort through the questions that may occur before the May meeting. Parliamentarian would be the logical choice. If councils have questions regarding the proposed changes, they are to send them to Parliamentarian Buzz Carrier, 13435 SW Beef Bend Rd., Tigard, OR 97223 by April 1st, 1985.

The next meeting will be hosted by the Central Oregon Council. Date and place to be announced later.

Motion made to adjourn the meeting. Motion seconded and carried.
Meeting adjourned at 12:30p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,



Janet Pederson, Recording Secretary

Change in State Officer Nominations--Shortly after the meeting at the Mid Winter Festival, Nominating Committee Chairman, Ed & Mary Warmoth received a letter from Janet Shepherd stating that she is resigning as a candidate for Treasurer. Ed and Janet Shepherd only wish to run for one office. A new candidate will be found to replace Janet by March 15th.