



**OREGON FEDERATION OF SQUARE & ROUND DANCE CLUBS
MINUTES OF THE MEETING DATED SEPTEMBER 16, 2001
HOSTED BY TUALATIN VALLEY COUNCIL AT KINTON GRANGE, KINTON, OREGON**

President Barbi Ashwill (Lee) brought the September 16, 2001, meeting of the Federation of Square & Round Clubs to order at 9:05 a.m. at Kinton Grange, Kinton, Oregon. All present held hands for a moment of silence to honor the victims, their families, the many volunteers and the nation in the aftermath of the terrorist attack on the World Trade Center and the Pentagon on Tuesday, September 11, 2001.

Roll call was taken by Recording Secretary Nancy Cobb as follows:

Officers: First Vice President Linda Lambert (Ralph), Second Vice President Kay Rogers (Jim), Recording Secretary Nancy Cobb, Corresponding Secretary Marilyn Schmit (Ron), Membership Clara Kilbourne (Frank), Treasurer Don Reed (Elizabeth), Past President Larry Reetz (Carol).

Appointed Officers: Financial Advisor Gary Willoughby (Betty), Parliamentarian Tim Roberts (Kathy), Historian Don Morris (Karel), State Publicity/Reporter Ed Warmoth (Mary), Education Chairman Lola Robello (Tony).

Delegates: Blue Mountain - Bonnie Berry (Don), Central Oregon - Virginia Meyers (Hal), Eastern Oregon - Lorene Griffith (George), Emerald Empire - Angie Barta (Alan Prichard), Interstate Highlanders - Cathy Pochatko (Ron), Lincoln-Tillamook - Buzz Buczkowski (Kathy), Mid-Willamette - Harriet Livingston, Portland - Bill Rooper (Annadale), Rogue Sis-Q - Rex Bounds (Jeri), South Coast - Karel Morris (Don), Sunset - Sylvia Davis, Tualatin Valley - Carolyn Bosch (Bob), and Umpqua - John Hernandez (Esther Thompson-Wood).

Committee Chairs: 2001 Summer Festival - Barbie Cooper in the absence of Doug & LaDauna Hartzell; 2002 Mid-Winter Festival - Larry & Carol Reetz; 2002 Summer Festival - Lee & Barbi Ashwill; 2003 Mid-Winter Festival - Gary & Betty Willoughby; 2003 Summer Festival - Dave & Jodene Hughes; 2004 Summer Festival - Barbara & Larry Schaumburg; Insurance - Jim Rogers (Kay), BMI/ASCAP - Ralph Lambert (Linda); Youth Activities Coordinator - Ann Skoe (Roger); State Fair - Fran Bunch (Ray), ORDTA - Dennis Smith (Elaine); Round Dance Screening - Barbara Schaumburg (Larry); Caller Advisor - Roger Putzler (Linda); and OFN Editor - Dave & Jodene Hughes.

Active Goodwill Ambassadors: Tim & Kathy Roberts; Ray & Betty Jones; and Don & Karel Morris. Absent. Dick & Marge Pentecost and Benjamin & Penny Brown.

Past President Larry Reetz gave the invocation. First Vice President Linda Lambert led the Pledge of Allegiance.

MINUTES. Linda Lambert noted that the July 15, 2001, minutes should reflect that Cathy and Ron Pochatko (rather than Ron and Cathy) were appointed to the nominating committee as Cathy is the delegate. Bill Rooper moved to approve the minutes of the July 15, 2001, meeting as corrected, seconded by Larry Reetz. Motion was voted on and approved unanimously.

PRESIDENT'S REPORT. President Barbi Ashwill stated the meeting was being recorded. She thanked the Tualatin Valley Council for hosting the meeting and for the wonderful potluck. She welcomed out-of-state guests Pat and Don Wiggins and Sharon Punteney.

FIRST VICE PRESIDENT'S REPORT. First Vice President Linda Lambert said she was very happy to be here with everyone, noting she had missed attending the Summer Festival and State Meeting. She thanked Ralph for filling in for her. She also thanked everyone who sent cards and made phone calls following her recent surgery, and was happy that the doctor says she can start dancing again by November 1st. She reported she had spent a great deal of her spare time getting ready for the start of the new Federation Year and extended her appreciation to those who willingly accepted the offer of a position to help the Federation for the upcoming year. In August, she and Ralph participated in an opportunity to take square dancing to a church group during their annual outdoor services, which was a wonderful experience, and attended the Blitz dance held on the State Capitol steps. They also traveled to Eugene to cue the Emerald Empire Area 5th Friday night dance (Written Report Submitted).

2001 SUMMER FESTIVAL. In the absence of Doug and LaDauna Hartzell who are on a cruise, Barbie Cooper reported the 2001 Summer Festival had been very profitable, grossing \$8,169.47, stating that a check in the amount of \$4,996.72 had been presented to the Federation. There were 775 dancers in attendance, and they received lots of positive feedback (Written report with detailed profit and loss report submitted).

2002 MID-WINTER FESTIVAL. Larry Reetz encouraged everyone to purchase ribbons for the 2002 Mid-Winter Festival. They are making plans to include youth, including a special after-party on ice from 10:00 p.m. to midnight. They are still working on the child care issue, and would ensure its provided.

2002 SUMMER FESTIVAL. Lee Ashwill reported plans for Summer Festival 2002 continue to move forward, including a few new and exciting ideas. It is hoped that all Oregon dancers will attend this Festival and enjoy the outstanding calling and cueing, the great food, the "Special Event", and the fellowship of the dancing offered. For those who register before January 31, 2002, there will be an opportunity to win a 2 day - 2 night trip to Las Vegas, including air fare and lodging. 2002 Summer Festival has a web site (www.sailintosummer.com), which will answer most questions. He and Barbi thanked Jay & Bonnie Stimler for donating the Las Vegas trip and Bonnie Stimler for establishing the Web Site. There are plenty of RV spots (over 100 have electricity and water), at a cost of \$12.00 per night. There is a dump station on site and each RV is authorized one "free" use of the dump station. Additional uses will cost \$5.00. The Plus and the Round Dance Halls will have wooden floors, and the Mainstream Hall will have a smooth concrete floor. Lee reviewed the dance schedule, noting Friday afternoon will be a casual dance and Sunday will start with a "Heavenly Hoedown." There are plans for some additional outdoor entertainment which is planned for a time when all dance halls are closed, because every dancer will want to watch! Registration forms are available today with ribbons. Lee invited everyone to attend the 2002 Summer Festival after party at 2002 Mid-Winter Festival.

2003 MID-WINTER FESTIVAL. Gary Willoughby said 2003 Mid-Winter Festival committee is working to obtain contracts with callers and cuers, and have a contract back for caller Tim Mariner and cuers Judy and Steve Storm. They are working on costume packages, all other details and are looking forward to 2002 Mid-Winter, at which time they hope to have flyers ready for 2003 Mid-Winter.

2003 SUMMER FESTIVAL. Dave Hughes reported Tillamook Cheese's new factory is up and running in Pendleton! Due to a lot of input from dancers, they have decided to have plus dancing outside in the evening. All plans are progressing very well. He said the "cow" will be back and invited all to attend - the place to be in 2003, Pendleton.

2004 SUMMER FESTIVAL. Linda welcomed Barbara Schaumburg back (after illness). Barbara responded it was a pleasure to be back and although she had been a "nervous wreck" cueing last night's dance, everyone made her feel so welcome that she had a good time. She said there wasn't much to report the 2004 Summer Festival since they have already have caller and cuer contracts.

OREGON FEDERATION NEWS. Dave Hughes sadly submitted he and Jodene's resignation as OFN editors due to a change in Dave's work schedule. They are looking for replacement editors and Dave asked interested persons to contact either he or Linda Lambert. He reported the increase in advertising rates had not hurt the magazine financially. Although advertising was less during the summer, September had picked back up. Although the sandwich board sign for OFN subscriptions at the Summer Festival was almost as successful as having a fixed table, he recommended returning to a fixed table location for future festivals. He reminded everyone that OFN gift certificates were available. He apologized for difficulties with his computer e-mail, and asked everyone to keep trying. He also said they had extra OFN's for anyone who would like to give them out at new dancer classes and the three-month \$3.00 subscription rate was still in effect. Linda and the whole Federation thanked Dave and Jodene for the wonderful job they have done for the magazine over the last year.

SECOND VICE PRESIDENT REPORT. Second Vice President Kay Rogers said she hoped everyone had a good time at last night's dance. She commended Loretta Flint for providing the wonderful food at the potluck and the cinnamon rolls for this morning's meeting. Kay said she had expense forms available if anyone needed one, and asked anyone who hadn't turned in an expense form who needed reimbursement, to do so as soon as possible; and reminded everyone the form can be downloaded from the web site at www.squaredance.gen.or.us. State Directories are now available at \$1.85 each. She suggested the price next year be increased to \$2.00 because costs are increasing. She suggested everyone take extras back for students. In her written report, she asked delegates to be sure the directory information forms are completed and to call presidents to request information for missing clubs in their area for next year. She and Jim haven't been doing much traveling since Summer Festival because they've been working on the directory, but they hope to change that (Written report submitted).

RECORDING SECRETARY REPORT. Nancy Cobb thanked Tualatin Valley for a wonderful potluck and apologized for not attending the dance, as she took the opportunity to visit her mother who lives in a care home. She said since Summer Festival she had participated in the Blitz Day activities in Roseburg, which were very successful. Lessons have started for the Buckeroos, with a good class, one member who was recruited during Blitz Day activities. She asked those who could to please e-mail reports directly to her, as it saves a great deal of typing time and thanked those who had already done so.

CORRESPONDING SECRETARY REPORT. Marilyn Schmit reported she had updated the mailing and e-mail list for Nancy and Tim Roberts. She inventoried the name badge bars in stock and will place an order for needed bars. She advised new Board members that agendas, minutes, and expense sheets can be downloaded from the Federation's web page at www.squaredance.gen.or.us. She asked anyone who can't download from the web page to let her know so she can mail agendas and expense sheets for the November meeting in Coquille. She reminded everyone that agenda items need to be submitted to Linda Lambert by October 7, so the agenda can be published and mailed 30 days in advance of the November meeting.

Cards have been sent to the following people: Sympathy Don Newburn (loss of brother); Marie Towe

(loss of husband); Family of Jerry Bradley; Carol Reetz (loss of father); and Barbie Cooper (temporary loss of use of leg). Get Well: Doug Wilken (cataract surgery); Bill Young (cancer); Sherrie Miller (cancer); Ernie Powell (heart problems); Beth Barnes (liver transplant); Casey Payseno (holes in heart); Carolyn Bosch (concussion); Linda Bergerson (surgery); Paul Franklin (double bypass); and Jessie Gibson (broken elbow). Thinking of You: Ron Noble (illness of brother/death of sister-in-law); Don Newburn (illness of brother); and Linda Lambert (for getting along well with walker for knee surgery).

SHOWCASE OF IDEAS REPORT. Marilyn reported that they asked the committee chair of the St. Paul Showcase of Ideas if there were any restrictions in the Standard Operating Procedures of the National Square Dance Convention that would prevent the Oregon Federation and the 54th National Convention from combining their displays in the Showcase. A reply was received stating there was no restriction. Marilyn said they would be asking for five tables for the St. Paul Showcase and plan to combine the Federation and the 54th National Convention displays. Part of the display will include pictures from the Square Dance Blitz weekend. She noted she had received some photos, had some of her own to add and asked everyone to provide photos to her at their earliest convenience, and to be sure to include the location and names of the people in the pictures.

UNITED SQUARE DANCERS OF AMERICA (USDA) REPORT. Marilyn had turned over all the USDA Secretary records to the new Secretary in California. The USDA Prescription Discount cards should be available soon and Marilyn received a copy of the letter to the Affiliate President that goes with the cards. The winter meeting will be held in North Las Vegas at the Fiesta Casino Hotel, the weekend before Mid-Winter, which Marilyn will attend. USDA will be requesting eight tables for the Showcase of Ideas and she asked for them to be located near the Oregon display. Her next project for USDA will be updating the Historian boxes.

TREASURER'S REPORT. Don Reed said he had distributed a financial report for everyone. He needed the new officers' signatures on the bank cards today. Don moved that the immediate Past President of the Oregon Federation of Square and Round Dance Clubs be authorized to sign Federation checks, effective as soon as new signature cards are signed and presented to the Federation bank. Buzz Buczkowski seconded the motion. Don said if the motion passes, it would change the second sentence of Section V-9, Item #4 of the Federation Practices and Procedures to read as follows: "The Treasurer, President, First Vice President and immediate Past President are the only officers allowed to sign checks." He explained that all Federation checks must be signed by two officers. Since officers are scattered throughout the state, it's sometimes difficult to get the second signature. Motion was voted on and carried unanimously.

MEMBERSHIP REPORT. Clara Kilbourne thanked the Tualatin Valley Council for a wonderful potluck and dance. She and Frank are looking forward to a new year and new faces. She wants to be of assistance in assuring that all clubs stay in compliance with the Federation, noting delegates are responsible for keeping the Federation informed of any and all changes with a club in their area. Any changes during the calendar year of September 2001 through August 2002, should be reported to the Federation (for instance, new officers or address), so they can be noted in the minutes and printed in the OFN. She reminded delegates that if a club changed its corporation statement, Federal 501C corporation status or Constitution for any reason, that information needs to be submitted to the appropriate agencies, or the consequence can be loss of non-profit status. Please keep the Federation informed of changes also. Clara reported all clubs are now in compliance. (Written Report Submitted). Upon questioning by Barbi, there are 105 federated clubs in Oregon. Barbi asked that in the future either the Membership or Insurance Chair report the number of federated clubs at the November Federation meeting. Clara confirmed she would do so.

INSURANCE REPORT. Jim Rogers said insurance forms and instructions had been distributed to all delegates. He said if everyone does as good a job next year as was done this year, everything should be fine. He asked delegates to please make sure the clubs fill the forms out completely and return

them to the delegates with their checks by October 15th and that delegates should return them to him before the November meeting. Please send any insurance forms completed early to him. (Written Report Submitted).

PAST PRESIDENT'S REPORT. Larry Reetz said the changes to the procedure for the Randall Award had been distributed in a letter to all delegates. He reminded everyone that there were still three weeks to submit nominations to the Immediate Past President Barbi Ashwill. He noted that even being nominated was a great honor and that there were many deserving individuals to be recognized. He and Carol haven't been dancing much since Summer Festival.

PARLIAMENTARIAN'S REPORT. Tim Roberts said there were no Practices & Procedures changes from the July meeting. He enjoyed serving as Parliamentarian and asked everyone to give Larry the same support and appreciation that was given to him (Written Report Submitted).

PUBLICITY/STATE REPORTER. Ed Warmoth said he had planned to go to the 40th Anniversary of the United States Peace Corps that was to be celebrated on the Capitol Mall in Washington, DC. However, that celebration was postponed until next spring or summer. He reminded everyone of the POOF Reunion this afternoon being hosted by Genevieve Churchill in Portland. Ed thanked everyone for cooperating on Square Dance Week and noted working with the Robellos was enjoyable. Four Area Councils (Portland, Tualatin Valley, Sunset Empire, and Interstate Highlanders) had local projects to attract new dancers and claimed reimbursement from the State Cooperative Advertising Fund. As approved at the May 6, 2001, meeting, each Council was allotted up to \$300 matching money, with a cutoff date of January 15, 2002, for submitting reimbursement requests. Ed said this would be his final State Meeting as Publicity and State Reporter and that Jill Bard would be his replacement. He and Mary will continue to be available to share their experience and enthusiasm wherever it might be useful. However, they will be volunteering as Education Chairman for the 2005 National Square Dance Convention. They have enjoyed being part of the State Federation team and thank all for their friendship and partnership. He noted Jill is from Eugene and has publicity experience with the Mid-Winter Festival and other activities. Her address is 2000 River Loop #1, Eugene, 97402 (Phone 541-688-4172). The 1-800 number will remain the same but will now ring at the Bard home, rather than the Warmoth home!

FINANCIAL ADVISOR'S REPORT. Gary Willoughby reported he had received the Federation audit for the 1999-2000 fiscal year, which was conducted by Mick McKinney. The overall report is satisfactory, and includes a financial statement and balance sheet. There were 73 payments supported by documentation, with some minor issues within the documentation. Those issues (including documentation without approval, documentation in pencil and lack of corresponding receipts) are basically housekeeping items which will be corrected. Review of the bank statements confirms the Federation had \$100,000 in ten CD's, each maturing incrementally throughout the year. The petty cash checks written during the year were backed up by receipts. Mick recommended that all advances be changed to an asset account to ensure tracking (Written Audit Report Submitted).

EDUCATION ADVISOR'S REPORT. Lola Robello reported 875 dancers participated at 2:00 p.m. on Blitz Day, August 18, 2001. She thanked participants for making it a successful day. She's preparing a Square Dance Week book, which will contain photographs and newspaper articles (passed around a sample prepared by Virginia Meyers), which will be used for the Showcase of Ideas. She asked that everyone share information. Although it came too late, KGON in Portland would have been interested in reporting Blitz Day activities; Lola felt they would be interested in next year's activities, and provided the reporter's telephone number to her replacement. She concluded by thanking everyone again and saying how proud she was to have been a part of Square Dance Week's comeback. Ed Warmoth said in the past National Square Dance Week had been in September; Oregon purposefully planned its Square Dance Week for August in order to avoid conflict with lessons. In response to his question, it was the consensus of the Federation that August would be the best month for Square Dance Week. Barbi said that revitalizing Square Dance Week was one of her presidential goals and she was proud of

everyone's efforts. It was marvelous that every single area council participated and presented a united effort. She reminded everyone that Benjamin and Penny Brown donated a one year subscription of the OFN to be used for a prize for Square Dance Week. It was decided that a name should be drawn from among the 24 youth dancing that day and the name drawn at last night's dance was Jessie Wibbles, a Canby Cloverleaf (Written Report Submitted).

HISTORIAN'S REPORT. Don Morris said this would be his final report as Historian and he had turned over a pickup load of boxes to Jay and Bonnie Stimler in Salem. He reminded everyone that the Historian needs everyone's pictures and articles to complete state albums. He thanked everyone for their co-operation over the past five years. Barbi thanked Don for taking such good care of the Federation's precious records. (Written Report Submitted).

COMMITTEE REPORTS

BMI/ASCAP REPORT. Ralph Lambert said he is waiting for reports and a check from the 2001 Summer Festival for BMI/ASCAP. Once they are received, everything will be current with both organizations.

YOUTH ACTIVITIES COORDINATOR'S REPORT. Ann Skoe said the Canby Cloverleaves Square Dance Club participated in Blitz Day at the Clackamas County Fair on its entertainment stage. During their performance, everyone watched every move (even quit eating!). It was a great experience.

Ann noted that the Canby Cloverleaves are blessed to have an outpouring of support from adult square dancers around the state. Because this support is in such abundance and their club is so small, it was suggested that this enthusiasm be used to create other teen clubs. The Canby Cloverleaves would love to exchange visitations with other Oregon and SW Washington teen clubs. The Pacific Northwest Teen Square Dance festival is held one weekend a year, usually in the Vancouver, BC, area, making it a full day's drive each way, with about ten clubs represented. The British Columbia clubs tend to get together regularly throughout the year, but the Oregon club is so far away, the one trip is a major effort. As Youth Activities Advisor, Ann proposed that each Area Council consider starting a teen club, planning the start-up during this year with the goal of starting lessons next fall. Ann said she had started two successful clubs and would share her methods with anyone interested (Written Report Submitted). Barbi was supportive of Ann's suggestion and thought perhaps Ann could present her ideas at a future education seminar.

STATE FAIR COORDINATOR'S REPORT. Fran Bunch reported the "Ain't No Place I'd Rather Be" State Fair began on August 23, 2001, and ran through September 3, 2001. Square dancing was held on the Gazebo again and there were good crowds every time there was square dancing. The Fair did not inform Fran about dance times until it was too late for an ad to be in the OFN, although the Fair had Fran turn in her schedule by July 17, 2001. The Fair then published dancing times when she didn't have dancers scheduled. So there were lots of questions about why dancing wasn't taking place. Fran said she started with 23 times to dance this year and had ten clubs dance eleven times. There were 283 dancers signed up to dance, which is down 100 from last year. It was suggested that there be dancing in two hour slots all day on a Saturday or Sunday and only dance one day. Although that sounds good, it would not gain more dance time as only five or six clubs could dance in a day. Fran had not been able to talk to her State Fair contact person about the idea so wasn't sure if they would be willing to try it. This year there was a "Win A Free Lesson" form with a place for name, address and phone numbers, which was handed out to spectators. 29 forms were returned for Mid-Willamette, nine to Portland, eight to Tualatin Valley, two to Central Oregon and two to Vancouver, which Fran hoped were followed up on. There was good feedback about dancing from 2:00 to 4:00 in the afternoon and 7:00 to 9:00 in the evening - the dancers, callers and cuers seemed to feel this was a much better schedule. Fran read a letter to the State Fair into the record thanking them for allowing dancing and asking about the confusion on times (Written Report Submitted, including letter to State Fair).

Barbi thanked Fran for all her efforts. Fran said it had been especially frustrating this year as she had so much extra coordinating to do. In response to Barbi, Fran agreed it could be helpful to send a letter out to the dancers rather than advertise dance times and include only a small ad in the OFN. Fran also said she had given the editors a thank you letter to participating dancers for publication in the OFN.

Ed Warmoth suggested the Federation Board might consider whether it wants to continue dancing at the State Fair, and weighing the benefit dancers derive versus the cost. He also suggested this matter be added as an agenda topic. Fran pointed out that the sound alone costs \$250.00. Barbi thought the topic would be discussed in the future and asked everyone to solicit opinions from dancers statewide.

ORDTA REPORT. Dennis Smith invited everyone to attend the next ORDTA meeting on October 27, 2001, at 10:00 a.m. at the Springfield Dance Center.

ROUND DANCE SCREENING. Barbara Schaumburg thanked Lee and Barbi for appointing her as chair of the Round Dance Screening Committee and Linda and Ralph for asking her to continue. The Round of the Month for October 2001 is Pretty Bubble Waltz, written by Dorothy Sanders; it's a Phase II + 1 waltz (the plus 1 is a hover),- chosen by the Umpqua Area Council. The Round of the Month for November is Playmate, also written by Dorothy Sanders; it's a Phase II two step, chosen by the Blue Mountain Area Council. Post cards, certificates and e-mail notifications have been sent out, as well as cue sheets to the Promenade Shop and OFN.

CALLER ADVISER'S REPORT. Roger Putzler distributed a release regarding changes made during Callerlab Mainstream and Plus Program Biennial Review. The Federation has designated Callerlab programs for use at State Festivals. After a complicated process, the Mainstream Committee voted to add no new figures, but to remove Eight Chain Thru, Fan the Top, and Spin Change Thru. The Plus Program Committee considered removing five figures, which it didn't do, but did add all three of the removed Mainstream figures to the Plus Program. The new Mainstream and Plus Programs showing the changes are attached to his report (Written Report Submitted). He asked to be excused following Installation of Officers and to have Linda seated in his place. Barbi had no objection. In response to Barbi, Roger explained that at State Festivals, National Conventions and America West Conventions, representatives do call frequency counts, which are analyzed and used to determine which figures are regularly used. He pointed out that Oregon and Washington are two of the only states that have a strong mainstream program, and in most of the rest of the United States, the entry level is a soft plus program, meaning not all mainstream or plus figures are called, with a tendency to call the more popular figures. So frequency counts reflect figures not being used. He felt that at the next review in two years, it would be recommended that Eight Chain Thru and Spin Chain Thru be removed from the program. However, he agreed that the Federation could make recommendations to the Mainstream and Plus Program Committees when items are up for review. Barbi asked that the Federation be kept advised. Don Wiggins said that Callerlab suggested a twenty week lesson program and that's why some figures have been removed.

54TH NATIONAL SQUARE DANCE CONVENTION. Lee Ashwill (Barbi) thanked Tualatin Valley Council for their hospitality and especially thanked caller Darrell Newell for a great dance last night. Lee reported plans are underway to host the 54th National Square Dance Convention in June 2005. The "Pre-Convention," which Oregon is required to host 15 months prior to the Convention, will be held in Portland from March 17 - 20, 2004. This event is the responsibility of Assistant General Chairman Gary & Betty Willoughby and will culminate with a Saturday night dance for which admission is "FREE" if you have registered for the Convention. Lee announced the following appointments as Chairmen:

Assistant General Chairman: Gary & Betty Willoughby
Secretary: Marcia & Leonard Snodgrass
Computer Coordinator: Tim & Kathy Roberts

Business Chairman: Mick & Shan McKinney
Education Chairman: Ed & Mary Warmoth
Program Chairman: Sandy & Chuck Eddings
Publicity Chairman: Don & Pat Wiggins
Registration & Housing Chairman: Kay & Jim Rogers
Services Chairman: Bob & Carolyn Bosch
Social & Special Events Chairman: Larry & Carol Reetz

There are plenty of jobs available for everyone and anyone who would like to volunteer should contact Lee or Barbi or any of the Chairmen. The Chairmen are listed in the September issue of the OFN, as well as the subcommittees of their committees. Each Chairman has copies of volunteer sheets, and Lee asked that everyone sign-up for a committee. There is a meeting with the National Executive Committee advisors next week, which is open to all dancers (Written Report Submitted)..

OREGON DANCE MUSEUM: Bonnie Stimler (Jay) responded to Barbi by saying they plan on the designation for the museum to be the Oregon Square Dance Museum, noting that encompassed round dancing, clogging and contra. She hoped to have feedback from the delegates about the proposal for starting the museum. In response to Lee, Bonnie said she would submit a letter to the OFN explaining the museum would represent all forms of dancing.

DELEGATE MEETING REPORT. Carolyn Bosch said that Kathy Roberts had made all the gifts for the officers and delegates, the fall colors representing the season and the dried apple decorations representing the area apple orchards, and the raffia ribbon representing area hay crops (the gift was a candle in a decorated clay flower pot). She thanked Barbara Schaumburg for cuing last night's dance and Darrell for calling a wonderful dance.

OLD BUSINESS: Nancy Cobb reported she had been advised that Home Schooled children did not require a PE accreditation, unless they wanted to obtain a diploma from the local high school and that school requires a PE credit. She had talked to a local home schooling parent, who was interested in having square dancing advertised in their local newsletter. She had also e-mailed a state employee to get more information, but had not heard back and, because of last week's events, had not followed up with a telephone call. She hoped to have more information at the November meeting.

BARBI'S PARTING COMMENTS: Barbi thanked Lee for all his support and understanding during the last year, saying she couldn't have done the job without him. She distributed Certificates of Appreciation to officers and delegates. She felt her goals had mostly been achieved, thanks to the Board's cooperation and teamwork. She thanked everyone for a wonderful year.

GOODWILL AMBASSADOR APPOINTMENT: Barbi said that although she would be sad to lose Tim and Kathy Roberts on the Board of Acting Goodwill Ambassadors, it was her privilege to appoint Ray and Zola Jones as Goodwill Ambassadors. She reviewed their square dancing history and presented Ray and Zola with their badges.

BREAK. 10:45 TO 11:08 p.m.

INSTALLATION OF OFFICERS: The meeting was turned over to Fran Bunch, representing the Independence Wagon Wheelers. Fran introduced incoming President Linda Lambert's father Bob Neuschwander, her sister Vikki Clark and her niece Heather Clark, saying she was delighted they could all attend the installation today. She said the Independence Wagon Wheelers were honored to have the task of installing the officers and delegates of the Federation Board, saying without their volunteer efforts to take care of the "nuts and bolts" of the organization, square dancing would not be where it is today. Flowers were presented to all officers and delegates (and to Linda's family members) as well as hugs and kisses of appreciation for all that will be done.

She introduced and then swore in the following delegates: Bonnie (Don) Berry, Blue Mountain; Virginia (Hal) Meyers, Central Oregon; Lorene (George) Griffith, Eastern Oregon; Angie Barta, Emerald Empire; Cathy (Ron) Pochatko, Interstate Highlanders; Kathy (Buzz) Buczkowski, Lincoln-Tillamook; Dianne (Toby) Beard, Mid-Willamette; Bill (Annadale) Rooper, Portland; Rex (Jeri) Bounds, Rogue Sis-Q; Karel (Don) Morris, South Coast; Sylvia Davis, Sunset Empire; Tim (Kathy) Roberts, Tualatin Valley; and John Hernandez, Umpqua.

Fran introduced and swore in the following appointed officers: Ann Skoe, Youth Coordinator; Bonnie (Jay) Stimler, Historian; Larry (Carol) Reetz, Parliamentarian; Gary (Betty) Willoughby, Financial Advisor; Barbara (Larry) Schaumburg, Round Dance Screening; Ralph (Linda) Lambert, BMI/ASCAP; Roger (Linda) Putzler, Caller Advisor; Dave (Kathy) Krause, Education; Dave and Jodene Hughes, OFN Editors; and Jill (Floyd) Bard, Publicity/State Reporter.

Fran then Introduced and swore in the following elected officers: Clara (Frank) Kilbourne, Membership; Barbi (Lee) Ashwill, Past President; Kay (Jim) Rogers, First Vice President; Carolyn (Bob) Bosch, Second Vice President; Nancy Cobb, Recording Secretary; Marilyn (Ron) Schmit, Corresponding Secretary; and Don (Elizabeth) Reed, Treasurer.

Fran explained President Linda's installation theme would be Christmas in September, because Christmas is her favorite holiday, which she celebrates all year long, complete with a decorated tree and gifts. Gifts (and stories) were presented to her by Roger and Linda Putzler, Larry Reetz, Barbara Lewis, the Wagon Wheelers, Shirle Gierloff, Fran Bunch, and a gavel from Ralph. Fran then swore Linda into office.

Fran introduced and recognized the Active Goodwill Ambassadors who were present: Ray and Zola Jones; Ray and Betty Jones; and Don and Karel Morris.

Linda thanked the Federation, specifically Fran Bunch and her committee of Wagon Wheelers. She presented a Federation gift of square dance figures to Barbi and Lee. Barbi thanked the Federation.

NEW BUSINESS.

Linda announced the item of new business relating to housing one of the State Trailers in Central Oregon had been removed from the agenda because Central Oregon had purchased a trailer, with the use of State Cooperative Advertising funds.

Tim Roberts moved that the "Area Council" section of the P&P's be modified to make the annual reprinting of the P&P's optional at the discretion of the President (this change affects Section II, Page II-2, Paragraph 3, second sentence), seconded by Carolyn Bosch. Tim explained a complete reprinting would cost approximately \$500.00, and was unnecessary since the number of updated pages was low, as was the turnover in Federation representatives. The P&P's should be turned over to succeeding officers and delegates. Question was called for, motion was voted on and carried unanimously.

Tim Roberts moved that the Federation appoint a Sergeant-At-Arms at festival meetings of the Federation (duties of the Sergeant-at-Arms shall include maintaining decorum and discipline, collecting fines, and acting as a focal point for all interruptions that may be required in Federation proceedings). Carolyn Bosch seconded. Tim felt it would be reasonable to have a designated person to contact in case an interruption is necessary at festival meeting, for instance contacting a person in attendance. He thought the "microphone person" might carry out this function. Kay Rogers said that although she would be the first to admit she didn't care for interruptions, she was unsure it would be necessary to appoint another person, but could be an additional duty for the parliamentarian. She thought it might be a good idea for all meetings, not just festivals. She suggested a sign be posted stating a meeting was

in progress and people should remain quietly seated during the meeting. Tim responded that he thought the microphone person might be effective because he/she is usually closer to the door, normally at the rear of the room, while the parliamentarian is seated furthest away from the door. Linda commented the microphone person sometimes was fairly busy. Bill Rooper was concerned if this motion passes that some of the fun at the meetings might be lost. George Griffith agreed with Bill, and acknowledged he also didn't like the distraction of people coming and going during meetings. However, there are a number of reasons why that happens, including the item of business a person might be interested in had already been discussed. He felt there would be better participation at meetings without a Sergeant-at-Arms and reminded everyone the Federation encouraged people attending meetings. He didn't agree with having a formal restriction of people coming and going. Bonnie Stimler was concerned about having too many rules and regulations, and found it more distracting to have members of the audience talking while someone has the floor. She didn't feel having a Sergeant-at-Arms would solve that problem. Zola Jones suggested someone be designated to sit by the door to keep disruptions to a minimum and help people entering find a place to sit, or open the door when people leave the room, etc. George pointed out that keeping order at a meeting was the function of the president. Linda agreed, but said as President she couldn't voice an opinion of the motion. Motion was voted on and failed.

Linda said she had been informed the fundraising presentation by Gary and Linda Danner on the agenda would not take place during the meeting.

2001-2002 BUDGET: Linda said copies of the 2001-2002 Federation Budget had been distributed. This budget was proposed at the Summer Festival meeting and the only change was to remove the \$400 line item income for USDA credit card funds. Rex Bounds moved to approve the 2001-2002 Budget, seconded by Angie Barta. Motion was voted on and carried unanimously.

E-MAIL ADDRESSES: Upon questioning by Rex Bounds, Kay Rogers said e-mail addresses for the elected officers are posted on the Federation web page, but she felt it might be a good idea to list e-mail addresses at the back of the State Directory in alphabetical order, or add them to each person's name. It would increase the cost of the State Directory. Kay said she was recommending increasing the cost of the Directory to \$2 each next year. Rex suggested adding the Federation's web page address to the Directory, which Kay thought was a great idea. Linda, at Larry's recommendation, reminded everyone that e-mail addresses circulated among members of the Federation, are for Federation business only and not to be given for use in mass e-mail mailings. It was pointed out the officer's e-mail addresses are listed on the front inside cover the OFN.

DELEGATE REPORTS

BLUE MOUNTAIN COUNCIL. Bonnie Berry reported it had been a good summer. The Muddy Frogs had a fun-filled Annual Special in August. On August 18th, they had 20 dancers at Max Square in LaGrande, during Oregon Trail Days. Their Chamber of Commerce helped with advertising the event. Alpine Twirlers had a successful Wallowa Lake Hoedown, with perfect weather, great attendance and terrific caller and cuer. The Star Promenaders used Les Seeley's plan for inviting people to lessons. They sent out 34 invitations and had nine new dancers at their first lesson, which is better than in the past. She noted that sadly Bob Nussbaumer had recently died, and that graveside services would held Tuesday, September 18, 2001 at 10:00 a.m. (Written report attached to minutes).

CENTRAL OREGON COUNCIL. Virginia Meyers said her written report had been submitted but added the Bachelor Beaus are starting round dance lessons the last week in September and square dance lessons in January. They had a petition to make square dance a national folk dance at Blitz Day and got a tremendous number of signatures. She called attention to a flyer included in everyone's packets announcing that Deborah Carroll Jones and Johnny Preston would be calling in LaPine May 3, 4 and 5, 2002. Highlights of her report included a celebration of a successful 2001 Summer Festival; the

Sagebrush Shufflers "kick-off" dance on September 8th; the Red Rocks August 18th dance at the Great American Furniture Store in Redmond and good attendance at the Deschutes County Fair; the Red Rocks and Whirl-A-Ways "un-Roundup" gathering at McKenzie Bridge August 24, 25, and 26th; the Bachelor Beaus efforts to maintain membership and good dance attendance during the summer; and the Swinging Mountaineers, Bachelor Beaus and High Lake Swingers Blitz Day dance at the Bend Mountain View Mall.

EASTERN OREGON AREA COUNCIL. Lorene Griffith reported the Lone Grand Squares will start their dance season on September 22 at the Gilliam County Fairgrounds, and will be dancing at different locations for the year; watch the When and Where in the OFN for times and places. The Hermiston Square Knots will start their dance season in October, and dance on the first and third Fridays (Written Report Submitted).

EMERALD EMPIRE COUNCIL. Angie Barta said the Emerald Empire clubs had been very active during the summer, with several picnics and campouts. They advertised on local television and radio promoting new dancer lessons. The Single Trees are having a special gospel square dance on Friday, October 12 (flyers distributed) at the Emerald Square Dance Center, with Jim Hattrick calling. They used Cooperative Advertising Funds to assist in the purchase of two large banners to promote square dancing. They had about 18 squares for their Blitz Day dance at Gateway Mall, with Mike Sikorsky, Kirby Goode and Don Marshal calling. There was no dancing at the Lane County Fair, but hope to dance there next year. They are working to start a teen club (Written Report Submitted).

INTERSTATE HIGHLANDERS. Cathy Pochatko said the Interstate Highlanders Council was very busy this summer. All clubs, but the Tule Twirlers, have beginner classes starting next week. On August 18, Blitz Day activities were in conflict with open house at the air force base. However, they had six plus squares dancing, with quite a few people asking about lessons. As a result they were asked to dance at the headgates of the irrigation canals, with some families interested in taking lessons. They had a free dance at the school; although no members of the public showed up, they had a really good time and decided it was a good plan to have all the clubs and callers have a free Council dance. They shared the floor with a clogging club at the Jefferson State Mall, and now she and Ron started clogging lessons. They had the "Blue and Gray" re-enactment group come teach some old dances and are attempting to get them interested in square dancing. Cathy invited everyone to the annual Potato Festival which is October 19 and 20 (flyers distributed). She also reminded everyone of the Tule Twirlers Hoedown in April (Written Report Submitted).

LINCOLN TILLAMOOK COUNCIL. Kathy Buczkowski said the Coast Swingers just finished a class and started another on September 11th. They had a number of visitations this summer, as well as many visitors at their own dances. Sea Twirlers have been doing visitations, and are planning their Birthday Dance on September 22nd. Toledo 49ers have had fairly good attendance at their dances on the first and third Saturdays. They had great participation in all the demo dances in August, with 26 dancers at the Blitz Day dance. The 49ers will start lessons on September 9th. Charlotte Jeskey and Bob Schindler will have a Plus and a Little Bit More Dance on September 28th at Gleneden Beach Community Hall. Kathy said the 49ers joined the Newport Chamber of Commerce and, with a lot of persistence and determination from Al Brown and their club, they are finally on the front page of the entertainment section of the Newport Newspaper (Written Report Submitted).

MID-WILLAMETTE AREA COUNCIL. Dianne Beard said she was proud and happy to be a part of the Federation as the new delegate for the Mid-Willamette Area. Area Council officers will be installed on Monday. Lessons have started, but she was unsure of numbers until the next Council meeting. Names (of audience members interested in square dance lessons) submitted during State Fair dancing were mailed to area clubs. They had a successful Blitz Day dance on the State Capitol steps, with a large turnout. In coordination with Blitz Day, they had a month long advertising program. Diane thanked Bonnie Stimler for her coordination of the event. The Council is planning a Fall Festival Dance for

September 29th. The Council voted to support the Square Dance Museum proposal. The Timber Twirlers, from the Albany area, became a traveling club. There was some participation by dancers at the Polk County Fair. They had nine clubs represented at a demonstration at Woodburn. They were saddened by Jerry Bradley's death (a caller).

PORTLAND AREA COUNCIL. Bill Rooper said the Portland Area Council had been concentrating on Square Dance Week activities and preparing for new dancer classes. Both Portland Area and Tualatin Valley Councils participated in Blitz Day activities at the Jantzen Beach Mall and Peyrollaz Acres in Carson, Washington. New dancer classes started this week for various clubs, and the North Willamette Caller and Cuers Association will start lessons on October 3. PAC is compiling a "New Dancer" calendar and plans to have at least one new dancer dance a month. He had received very little comment regarding the Square Dance Museum proposed.

ROGUE SIS-Q COUNCIL. Rex Bounds thanked everyone who attended the Diamond Lake Festival in July, noting there were approximately 40 squares. They had square dancers dancing in Jacksonville, at the County Fair and at one of the malls for Blitz Day. Five clubs are starting classes this week and one club will start lessons in the spring (Written Report Submitted).

SOUTH COAST AREA COUNCIL. Karel Morris reported the South Coast Area did participate in the Blitz with 3-1/2 squares dancing in Coquille at Sturdevant Park where a citywide garage sale was being held so the dancers were very visible and colorful. The event was sponsored by Sets in Order. The South Coast Area will be hosting the next state meeting on November 10 and 11 in Coquille (a flyer was distributed).

SUNSET EMPIRE COUNCIL. Sylvia Davis reported the Coast Swingers and the Hayshakers are putting on a first Fall Festival on October 26 and 27. If it's successful, it will become an annual event. She hoped state officers would support the event if possible. Lessons started last night with 16 people attending. Sylvia's written report was submitted, including that the Clatskanie Promenaders had been busy as a traveling club, attending Summer Festival, dancing at Mt. Hood Village over Labor Day Weekend and planning their annual Ocean Park Camp Out on September 14 and 15. The Hayshakers danced in Fourth of July parades, at the Clatsop County Fair and held an annual picnic. The report concluded by inviting everyone to the Seaside Sashay on October 26 and 27, 2001.

TUALATIN VALLEY COUNCIL. Tim Roberts said the Tualatin Valley Council was generally in support of the Square Dance Museum. They were pleased with their combined efforts with the Portland Area Council for Blitz Day, with about 60 people in attendance. The Sunset Promenaders had another 30 people dancing at the North Plains Garlic Festival. The TVC provided a financial boost to the North Willamette Callers and Cuers Association in their new rolling lessons plan, and hope the plan will increase attendance at lessons and retain students that leave when smaller classes fold. The RV 8ers are holding their 25th Anniversary (and once a year) Dance on October 14 at the Sunnyside Grange. Tim expressed appreciation to Loretta Flint for the wonderful cinnamon rolls she made for this meeting and for everyone coming to his "place" for the meeting.

UMPQUA AREA COUNCIL. John Hernandez reported the Boots & Calicos were attempting a new approach by holding lessons through Umpqua Community College. The Buckeroos and Dancing Friends are co-hosting a Fifth Saturday Dance on September 29th. Buckeroos held a successful annual picnic last weekend. The Pioneer & Petticoats participated in the annual Pioneer Days Parade and received first place for a non-commercial float, with a good dance the night before. Rainbow Cloggers disbanded due to fiscal and personal problems. The Council felt the Square Dance Museum was a good idea but were concerned about the project putting a financial burden on local clubs (Written Report Submitted).

ACTIVE GOODWILL AMBASSADOR REPORTS

DICK AND MARGE PENTECOST: Marilyn Schmit said Dick and Marge's report would be turned in to Nancy. Highlights included attending Summer Festival, Portland Area Council meetings, Columbia

Gorge Plus, River City Dancers (Marge cuing), Circle 8 Ranch dancing at Cle-Elum, Diamond Lake Square Dance Festival, practicing with the Fort Dalles Riders, and attending a picnic reunion of callers, cuers and dancers. An attached note advised they could not attend the meeting as they were just returning from a trip in the San Juan Islands.

RAY AND BETTY JONES. Betty said their written report was submitted and commented that Zola asked her for instructions on being a Goodwill Ambassador. Betty told her just to keep doing what she and Ray had been doing, as they already are good Ambassadors. She said they feel like a Chamber of Commerce for the Federation and enjoy attending festivals and representing Oregon. Highlights of their report included attending Summer Festival in Redmond, Labor Day weekend in Port Orford, where they visited the Cape Blanco Lighthouse, Port Orford and Bandon, participating in several 49'rs Demo Dances including one in Newport on August 18th, plans to winter again in Arizona, an invitation to the Yuma Festival on February 8, 9 and 10th. 2002 and congratulations to Zola and Ray Jones on their well deserved appointment as new Goodwill Ambassadors

DON AND KAREL MORRIS. Karel reported they had not been dancing much since the last Federation meeting, because they determined their house needed a new roof. They hired someone to do the job to keep Don off the roof, but when the job was completely finished, there were a few leftover bundles of shingles that could be returned to the supplier. In loading those bundles into the pickup, Don's back went out. He moved about somewhat gingerly for quite some time, but is pretty well recovered now. They also had an enjoyable visit with Jim and Jessie Gibson over Labor Day weekend. Jessie had fallen off her bike and broken her elbow, so they, too, were a bit out of commission. They visited and potlucked with some of the Spinning Antlers from Corvallis who were in town for Saints'N'Aints Coastal Fanta-Sea. They are looking forward to seeing all the Federation officers and delegates in Coquille for the November State Meeting. (Written Report Submitted).

BENJAMIN AND PENNY BROWN. Marilyn read Benjamin and Penny Brown's report. Highlights included being at Gettysburg National Battlefield on September 11, noting it was eerie to be so close to the terrorist attacks. They are enjoyed traveling across the United States. After the National Convention, they went to Chippewa Falls, Wisconsin, for an Escapees FUN DAYS, then to the Upper Michigan Peninsula and traveling in August around Michigan. They are now in Elkhart, Indiana, which is Amish country, and are travelling on to Lewisburg, West Virginia, for an Escapees Eastern Escapade.

RAY AND ZOLA JONES. Ray said as they travel around they read flyers about Oregon events, but many of them don't include the city and state or the level of dance, which are very important details. Zola thanked the Federation for the honor and said as they travel they will do their best to get the word about Oregon dancing and the friendliness and hospitality of Oregon dancers.

GOOD OF THE ORDER

Linda thanked the Tualatin Valley for a wonderful weekend and the great weather.

Marilyn said she had extra USDA Founders Memorial Youth Scholarship applications if anyone needs one. They are due by February 1 to the USDA Youth Chair.

Kay Rogers reminded everyone there are State Directories for sale and everyone should buy extras for area clubs, Chambers of Commerce, newspapers, new dancers, etc.

Lola Robello said she has fun badges available for the Blitz, which can be ordered from Carolyn Bosch. She asked everyone to forward photos and articles about the local activities for Square Dance Week.

Lee thanked Kay for the new Directories, with its neutral colors. However, there is a correction on page 3, that the State Meeting will be June 9, rather than July 12, 2002. Also, Dave asked him to report the Red Rocks voted to contribute \$100 to the American Red Cross to support relief efforts in New York, Washington, DC, and Pennsylvania and will donate all profits from their first dance on October 1, 2001. They challenge every club in the state to meet or beat that contribution.

Ann Skoe she has been using business cards for recruiting instead of flyers.

Bonnie Stimler reported the Braves and Braids had decided to donate the proceeds of their next dance to Disaster Relief in New York.

Barbi thanked Floyd and Jill Bard for getting the newest Goodwill Ambassadors to this meeting.

Harriet Livingston announced there would be a celebration of life for Jerry Bradley on September 30 at the Salem Square Dance Center.

Don Wiggins thanked everyone for the hospitality and said he enjoyed meeting everyone.

Marilyn noted that part of the Showcase of Ideas display was set up and encouraged everyone to take a look. It includes the photos of people who danced for over 40 years.

Lee said there is a block of 25 rooms for the St. Paul National Convention and to check with Barbi and him if you are interested.

Linda reminded everyone that it takes about 50 handouts to supply everyone attending Federation meetings. Bill Rooper added that if those handouts are intended for area clubs, to be sure to bring sufficient copies to supply the clubs. Linda suggested using the State Directory to count up the number of clubs for each Council. She asked that any motions being presented for consideration at a Federation meeting be supplied to her at least 30 days prior to the meeting (40 days would be better). The only exception would be the May and June state meetings, 2002, which should be submitted at least one week prior to the meeting.

Harriet Livingston had heard that Providence Health Care had an event that included square dancing.

Bonnie Berry said there are 105 clubs in Oregon in response to an earlier question.

Linda thanked her family for coming to installation, all of who had come some distance.

She commented that everyone was aware of the recent tragedy in New York, Washington, DC, and Pennsylvania, noting that through our square dance world and other activities (fraternal organizations, churches), we are truly global families and the chances are extremely good (or bad) that we have lost members from those global families during this last week that we don't even know about. She asked that as we opened the meeting, we close the meeting by standing, joining hands and reaffirming our circle. Larry Reetz closed with a prayer.

ADJOURN. 12:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Nancy Cobb, Recording Secretary