

MVFD DECEMBER, 1980 NEWSLETTER

This will serve as your official notification of the annual meeting on January 11, 1981 at 3 o'clock (request dancing at 2:30).

We have had two proposals for changes in the Rules and Regulations of January 9, 1977. The first one was submitted by Ed Anderson on January 10, 1980 but because it did not comply with the time requirement, it was not considered at the January, 1980 general membership meeting. Ed did not feel it was necessary to present it at a special meeting. His initial proposal dealt with dropping the membership requirement for accomplished folk dancers. He felt that required instructions were unnecessary for them, and that dropping this requirement would simplify the problem we face with accomplished folk dancers who want to come into the club.

He now feels that we should not require club-sponsored instructions for anyone. Ed feels that those who don't know folkdancing will want to avail themselves to the instructions anyway, but that mandated instructions held from 7 - 8:00 P.M. are unfair for those unable to attend. He would like to drop the requirement for instructions, thereby eliminating the need for a special rule for those who can't attend, and for accomplished folk dancers. He therefore proposed on December 4, 1980 that we simply delete the section under "Membership" which states "and participation concurrent in club-sponsored instructions."

The second proposal was submitted on December 2, 1980 by Jeanne Gulden. Jeanne's recommendation is the addition of the following sentence to the membership clause:

"If an experienced and accomplished folk dancer requests membership, the Council, by unanimous vote, can substitute the requirement of attending twenty (20) regular programs instead of the participation in twenty (20) club-sponsored instruction sessions."

Please think about these two proposals and be prepared to act upon them at our annual meeting.

In addition to these proposed changes in Rules and Regulations, the following individuals will be leaving council, and you will have to elect two people to replace them: Jeanne Gulden and Carole Pappas

Our New Year's Eve party will be held at the I.O.O.F. Hall at Fifth and La Belle Streets beginning at 9 P.M. The program committee will be in charge of request dancing, and a sheet is available for your requests. Ralph and Teresa Guess are chairing everything else. Please help them out when they ask you to. The party will be free for our members, and \$3.00 for associate members and guests. B.Y.O.B.

We were very sorry to hear that one of our past members is now deceased. Wayne Cheek died recently after suffering many months from a severe stroke. We extend our condolences to Gladys.

As you already know, we are having Dennis Boxell for our Spring, 1981 workshop. It will be held March 21-22, 1981. Louise Van Vliet is chairing this event. Bea Montross has agreed to conduct our Fall, 1981 workshop. Ann Ballinger will chair that workshop.

Hope to see all of you at our New Year's Eve party. Wear your dancing shoes.

*Carole Pappas*

Carole Pappas, Chairman