

John - Check the V-P's report. Is this an area where we might be more supportive of the Council?

MIAMI VALLEY DANCE COUNCIL MEETING

MARCH 11, 1997

MICHAEL SOLOMON PAVILION

CALLED TO ORDER: 7:00 p.m.

OPENING: Bob DeRegnaucourt, president, opened the meeting by asking George Heinz, vice-president, to lead the council in the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

MINUTES: The minutes of the January 14 meeting were presented for approval. Don Stiles moved for approval. William Fisher seconded. Minutes were approved as written.

TREASURER'S REPORT: Mary Tomlinson stated that the report was for January and February of 1997. Disbursements totaled \$1,509.21. Total receipts were \$3281.87. As of March 1 the checking account balance was \$1,772.66. With the president's permission Mary has made the following changes in the council's funds. The three CD's have shown no growth for at least the past two years. The reason for this is that the interest from the CD's and the savings account has gone into the checking account. By allowing the CD's to grow with interest, the \$30,000 CD is now worth \$30,813.23; the \$10,000 CD is worth \$10,718; and the \$5,000 CD, which came do, was cashed in and repurchased for \$5,532.85. The two larger CD's will continue to grow at 6% interest. The savings account has been closed out. \$3,000 of that was put into the checking account and \$532.85 added to the \$5,000 CD when it was repurchased. The interest from the \$5,000 CD will flow into the checking account. At this time the council's net worth is \$48,836.74. Harley Allen moved to accept the Treasurer's report. Randy West seconded. Treasurer's report was approved as presented.

CLUB TIME:

Kitty Hawk Squares, Harley Allen -- April 6 from 5-9:00 p.m. this club will sponsor a square dance with Joe Chiles and his live band along with the Good Ole Boys.

Roasa E-Z Rounds, Dorothy Roasa--March 12 a bus trip to Hillsboro to dance with Marshall Flippo is still open. See Dorothy after the meeting.

Miami Valley Singles, Jean Aills--This group will dance April 5, 7:30-11:00 p.m. at their regular location, Polk Grove Church, with Josh Frank calling. All raids welcome. Sunday, April 27, 2:00-6:00 p.m. will be a Tri-State Singles dance.

Washington 2X4's, Randy West-- May 15 dance at the pavilion canceled due to dance at Hara Arena. March 29 combo dance with Bill Wallace and Dorothy Roasa. April 5 Chuck Marlow will be calling and there will be rounds also. April 19 will be Alumnae-Grad night with Bill Bumgardner. All students throughout the valley can dance free. May 3 no dance due to the state convention. May 17 will be Amateur nite with Randy West calling. Anyone in attendance may try their hand at calling. The next combo dance will be done by Dayton 8's and Ken Roberts.

Twin Base Squares, Jane Brockman--April 27 will be Grad night at the pavilion. The club that has the most students and members present will receive a trophy. March 19 John and Gay Chevalier will call a St. Patrick's Day dance. April 2 Bob Jones will call and April 16 will be pie night with George Wiseman and Dorothy Roasa. There will be a special dance with Jack Pladdys, Sam Dunn, and Stuart Lewis on rounds. April 30 Pam Court will call and on May 7 Homer Magnet.

Lewisburg Promenaders, Bernice Montag--In early December a costume called "Short People Outfit" was borrowed from Bea Lawrence to be returned in mid-December. If anyone knows anything about this costume please call Bea at 937-996-6031.

Gem City Squares, Virgil Samborsky-- All dances begin at 7:30 but Stuart Lewis usually has rounds between 7:00 and 7:30 p.m. March 16 was a St. Patrick's Day dance. April 20 will be a Baby Food dance with non-perishable baby food as the entrance fee. May 17 will be a Mystery Trip. There are some bus seats available. See Mary Tomlinson. Also May 18 will be a Mexican Fiesta Dance.

Cardinal Squares, Henry VIII-- Henry explained that Good Friday was the reason for no dance on March 28.

Super Bee Squares, Dick Gregg-- Dick announced that Jack Pladdys will call on April 16. Effective January 1 there is a caller change for the club as Ken Thompson has retired after 27 years of calling. In Sept. Dick Winkler will do the lesson classes and workshops on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays, and Jack Pladdys will call on the 1st and 5th Wed. with guest callers on the 3rd Wed.

Dayton Square Dance club, Marianne Jackson-- April 18 there will be a special with B.D. Gordy and raids are accepted. There are no pre-rounds at this time.

Clinton County Squares, Dick Fleishman--April 17 will feature Jim Erbaugh, retired club caller, who is coming from Florida to do this dance, and April 19 will be an All Nighter.

Curli Q's, Jim Ferrer-- reminded the council about their big Medical Center benefit March 15. May 17 will feature Sam Dunn; April 19, Dave Crew; and June 21, Cindy Whitaker, a national caller, and this dance will be casual dress.

Hospitality Squares, Sally Brown--June 24 regular dance will be held at Shawnee Park in downtown Xenia.

Shooting Stars, Jeannette -- announced a St. Patrick's Day dance March 15 with Jack Pladdys as a Hi-Lo dance.

Bob DeRegnacourt asked for approval for the following appointments: George Heinz as publicity chairman assisted by Pat Samborsky and Millie White. Emily Snider moved to approve, Jim Ferrer seconded. Appointments approved. Because Barb Collis's health has worsened, she has asked to be removed from her position as club operations chairman. Iris Maloney has been appointed to replace her. Dorothy Roasa moved to accept this appointment. Clarita Maples seconded. Approved.

VICE-PRESIDENT'S REPORT--George Heinz reported several demonstrations.

April 10, 1997--Senior Citizen Center, 105 S. Wilkinson, Dayton, 7:00 p.m.

May 10---City of Moraine, parade-10:00 a.m.; dancing-2:30 to 3:30 p.m. behind the swimming pool

May 13---Salem Mall, 6:30 p.m., dancing in the mall proper.

June 12---South East Dayton Days, Parade 7:30 at 3rd and Terry Sts.

June 14---South East Dayton Days, Dancing at Washington Park,

July 4---Americana Festival, dancing 12:00 to 2:00 p.m. at Benhams Grove, Centerville

August 30--- Montgomery County Fair, dancing in the Round House, Fair Grounds.

Pat Samborsky told council that this committee was sending out a letter to all counties in the Miami Valley serviced by the dance council explaining that this council had dancers who will demonstrate and entertain at their request. This letter will go to scout councils, churches, governing organizations, etc. in an effort to provide exposure for recreational dancing, thus creating interest and hopefully more dancers. Bob DeRegnacourt appealed for many more dancers to participate in these demonstrations instead of the same old faces. He also suggested that while square dance attire made a good appearance, casual dress would be an option so as not to overwhelm interested participants.

AWARDS PRESENTATIONS, George Heinz--A plaque was presented to the council by the city of Centerville for dancing at the festivities at Benham's Grove. 1997 HONOR ROLL COUPLE is Bob and Jean DeRegnacourt of the Gem City Squares.

TRUSTEES REPORT, Emily Snider--trustees are visiting clubs, distributing badges, and bringing back any information from the clubs to the executive committee. Bob DeRegnacourt brought up the fact that some clubs have nominated a caller or cuer and spouse as their honor couple. The executive board decided to go for a separate honor award for a caller/cuer if one or more were nominated. However, this decision by the board was incorrect. Any action such as this must come before the council. Mona Cannell stated that the callers association does not have and has never had any kind of award of their own. Dorothy Roasa said that the round dance callers group does honor its own. Sandy Lang moved and Bill Fisher seconded to have a second honor award for a caller/cuer if one or more than one is nominated by clubs as their honor roll couple. Discussion. Hands were called for. Tie vote 12--12. John Roasa asked president to break the tie. Bob waived that right.

PEGGY COLLINS, CITY LIASON-- Financially, Recreation and Parks is not doing well this year with an \$800,000 budget cut. Therefore, the dance council has been asked to take on more financial responsibility for the pavilion. Newsletter will cost around \$600 now. Eventually the council will take over all utilities. However, the city will cover any major repairs. Council will also do the yard work immediately around the pavilion.

CALLERS ASSOCIATION REPORT--Mona Cannell expressed thanks for the support given to the student dances. Callers are looking at moving the student dances back to the pavilion. March 23 a flood benefit dance was held in Covington. Those not attending can send checks for the American Red Cross to Jack Pladdys.

MEMBERSHIP -- Thirty-five signed in for tonight's meeting.

NEWSLETTER, HOTLINE---Information July to December for the fold-out is due by the end of the month. News is due the night of each meeting and no later than the 31st of each month. Officers' forms and club rosters should be in as soon as possible.

Jean Aills presented some newsletter options including yearly subscriptions, business ads, and change of format. Bob will put together a package for the next meeting.

CLUB OPERATIONS--No report, but council members were asked to sign a card for Barb Collis.

OHIO CORP-- a reminder to order license plates, and Tom Dieterle thanked everyone for cards sent to Barb during her recent illness.

M.S.P. SUPPORT COMMITTEE--John Roasa had a lengthy report relative to the comments made by Peggy Collins earlier in the meeting.

John gave each representative present a copy of the scheduling of the pavilion proposal that includes cost for member clubs based on the days the hall is used, a copy of the Committee Budgeted Expenses, and a Projected Expense Report effective July 1, 1997. See attached. Please study all hand-outs to prepare for a vote at the May 13 meeting.

Budget corrections are floor \$400 to \$430, decorations \$125 and phone bill \$329 @ year.

Support committee showed a balance on 1 Jan. 1997 of \$1,925.75.

Expenses were \$348.51. Balance as of 2 Feb. 1997 was \$1,871.14.

Discussion of the above proposals followed.

PRESIDENT'S COMMENTS--Bob DeRegnacourt referred to two handouts that explained the Dance Council Treasury projection based on the current method of operation. This shows the council running out of money by the year 2006. A second handout was the planned budget for 1997 that eliminates many expenses and would keep the council from going broke. Please study these budgets and be prepared to vote next meeting.

OLD BUSINESS-- COUNCIL INSURANCE COSTS \$992.00. Randy West moved and Barbara Allen seconded that the insurance payment per club be raised to \$30. Approved.

Don Stiles moved to adjourn. Anne Tulleners seconded. Approved.

Respectfully submitted,
Carolyn Stovall

Next Meeting; May 13, 1997

