

1998

HONOR COUPLE NOMINATION

NOMINATING CLUB Miami Valley Folk Dance Club

NAME OF COUPLE Dorothy Santi

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NUMBER OF YEARS DANCING 23

CLUB POSITIONS HELD Chairperson for Refreshment committee

COUNCIL POSITIONS HELD--ELECTED AND APPOINTED _____

STATE CORP. POSITIONS HELD _____

STATE CONVENTIONS ATTENDED _____

NATIONAL CONVENTIONS ATTENDED _____

NUMBER OF CLUBS (MEMBER) (3) MVFD, Yugoslav Club and Golden Squares

BACKGROUND Dottie became involved with folk dancing 23 years ago after reading an advertisement proclaiming "no partners needed." Dancing then became a great part of her life and she has continued to be involved over these 23 years. She was greatly involved with the teaching of folk dancing to the Girl Scouts and worked at many gatherings, state and local, in the teaching of dances to the Girl Scouts. Dottie has served the MVFD club faithfully over these years, as head of the Refreshment Committee. This meant she had to see that we had refreshments on the last Thursday nights of each month the club was dancing. We are very proud to say that refreshments were served on every one of these occasions. She has allowed us the usage of her home for our Annual New Year's Eve Party providing ample room for dancing and celebration. Dottie is a valuable asset to our Club and we wish to honor her as our Honor Roll nominee for 1998.

(NOTE: Additional information and write up to follow)

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND WRITE-UP—ATTACH SHEETS AS NEEDED.

Miami Valley Folk Dancers nomination for honor dancer

The Miami Valley Folk Dancers are pleased to nominate **Dot Santi** as the honor dancer of the year. Dot has been a mainstay of the MVFD for many years and can always be counted on when work needs to be done. She is a talented costumer, doll maker, writer, furniture maker, and cook. She is originally from Maine and initially moved to Dayton during the Second World War to serve as a WAC at Wright Field. It was there that she answered a call when more girls were needed for a dancing class and met her future husband. Dot has been active in a variety of dance groups beside the Miami Valley Folk Dancers. She has been involved in contra dancing and has danced with the Yugoslav Club of Dayton and Golden Squares.

Dot was an girl scout leader for 8 years. During that time she was the main person in her neighborhood teaching the scouts folk dancing and preparing them to dance in the first great girl scout festival. Over one thousand girls participated at U.D.

Dottie has not only been active as a dancer but has played a key role in the ongoing operation of the Miami Valley Folk Dancers. She has been responsible for making folk costumes and dolls for many of the dancers and their family members. This has included blouses, shirts, wedding dresses, and dirndls. For many years, she has facilitated the preparation of dinners and snacks for our weekly programs, workshops, and special programs. Each year our group ends out the old year at her house for an evening of dance, cards, ping-pong, pool, and eating at our New Year's Eve party.



Miami Valley Folk Dancers

Dayton, Ohio

1998

HONOR ROLL DANCER

In recognition of her many contributions
to MVFD and dance in the Dayton area
the *Miami Valley Folk Dancers*
are pleased to name

DOT SANTI

MVFD Honor Roll Dancer
January, 1998

MVFD Chairperson

MVFD Vice-Chairperson