

MIAMI VALLEY DANCE COUNCIL

Regular Meeting
Tuesday, March 12, 1985

The regular meeting of the Miami Valley Dance Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by President Howard Bailey.

The secretary called the roll of officers and trustees. A motion was made and seconded that the minutes of the January meeting be approved as mailed. Motion passed.

The Treasurer's books for 1984 were audited by a Federal bank examiner. A letter was read giving a report of the audit and commending the Treasurer on record-keeping procedures.

The Treasurer reported a balance of \$80,923.42 as of March 10, 1985. A motion was made and seconded that the Treasurer's report be accepted. A copy will be filed for audit.

Survey forms prepared by Walt Wilson were distributed to each club representative. The survey is to determine if there is a requirement for a new pavilion and, if so, where is the requirement. Questions asked on the survey are:

- Would you use a new pavilion? Where?
- Would you be willing to change the time that you dance, if necessary, in order to use the pavilion?
- Are you interested enough to get involved?

Survey forms are to be returned to Walt prior to March 22. If you are not interested, that's all right, but if you are interested we have to know this before we can go any further.

President Bailey requested that each club in the council return a survey form even if there is no expectation to dance there. Every attempt should be made to return the survey forms on time.

Joe Neer announced the mainstream class graduation will be on April 8 at 8:00 p.m. All clubs are invited to attend. Check in with Joe on arrival so clubs may be recognized. Joe announced the beginning of plus lessons on April 15. Packets of information on classes at the Pavilion have been prepared for each club. Representatives are requested to take this information back to their clubs and put it on the bulletin board.

A new coffee pot was purchased for the Council and will be kept in the back storage room. People from Council may use it, clean it, and put it back in the closet. This is just for Council use and is not to be used outside the Pavilion or for personal use, except by special permission from the President or Vice President.

If you know of any summertime festivals in the area, let Joe know about it so he can arrange to do exhibitions.

Miles Barrere, Callers Assoc., was unable to attend the last Callers Assoc. meeting. Mona Cannell reported that a workshop has been scheduled for October 11 and 12 to be held in the Miamisburg area.

Betty French apologized for an omission from the last dance schedule. Cardinal Squares' dance on June 28 was omitted. Chet Howell will be the caller. Betty has started work on the next dance schedule. Input has not yet been received from 6 clubs. Betty needs this no later than Thursday in order to guarantee that it will be printed in the schedule.

Mady D'Aloiso, Pavilion Support, requested that all clubs use the new bulletin board rather than putting flyers on the table.

Irene Romero said the newsletter is ready to mail and will go to the mail room tomorrow.

Mona Cannell, Mini Legacy, has received the emergency checklist for clubs and callers. A copy will be given to Betty French to print in the newsletter.

Walt Wilson requested a one-time publication of callers' names, addresses, and phone numbers. Occasionally it is necessary to send something to one of them and it is sometimes difficult to find a current address. Miles Barrere said he has a new list and will send a copy to Betty.

Bob Peyton - Convention. The Columbus Convention is approaching very quickly. Pre-registration deadline is April 1. Flyers and registration forms are available. Camping is still available but it is primitive. We're out of registration forms right now for the camping, but we'll be getting more in. Groundwork has begun for the '88 convention in Dayton.

George Bayer - State Corp. George announced there was no meeting in February due to bad weather. He reminded people displaying dresses at State to take mannequins from here.

Paul Bonnell, Convention Chairman, reported that he has been on the phone with convention people in Columbus and would like to dispel rumors going around that the committee is quitting. This is not so. One chairman, House and Grounds, has been replaced. There will be all levels of dancing at the Convention. Convention dresses will be on display and modeled in the style show. Voting will be by ballot by number. The Cleveland show, which is supposed to be very good, will be at 7:00 on Saturday evening. Everyone should plan to go and have a good time, meet other dancers, and dance to callers you haven't danced to before. They have nice facilities, have been working hard, and deserve our support. Everyone should try to go for one day at least. Paul expressed his thanks for all the support he and Jo have received from Miami Valley clubs through the years.

President Bailey announced the Miami Valley Council will have a hospitality suite at the Rodeway Inn during the convention.

President Bailey announced the Motivators Club, an A-1 club in Troy, is no longer dancing and will be removed from the next dance schedule.

President Bailey announced that the Expressers, an A-2 club that has been dancing in Vandalia on Sunday afternoons, will be moving, effective March 29, to the Production Credit Association Building in Troy on SR 41 south just before I-75. Dances will be on the first, third, and fifth Fridays with Jaye Fitch as caller. This is an A-2 club, but they will welcome A-1 dancers and work with them to try to get them to the A-2 level.

By vote of the Executive Board, a plaque was awarded to the S'Allemandes at their 30th Anniversary dinner-dance on March 9, 1985. Any other clubs in the Council that have danced for 25 years or more should notify the secretary. The Council will award a plaque for 25 years and another for every 5 years thereafter.

At a recent Executive Board meeting, in order to stir up more interest in banner raiding and to encourage more people to obtain the coveted 100 honor raiders badge, a banner has been made up and will be presented for the first time tonight. The club receiving it tonight will keep it until such time as another club surpasses them in the number of honor raiders. The Council will issue a letter to that club authorizing them to go on a banner raid and take this banner back with them. The new honor raiders banner was presented to Ron and Mary Jane Kincade for the Shooting Stars of Fairborn. The Shooting Stars are in the lead with a total of 11 honor raider couples and may keep the banner until another club takes it away.

The Honor Couple for 1985 was announced by President Bailey. Chuck and Bobbie Myers were chosen by unanimous vote of the selection committee. Their picture will be placed with those of the other Honor Couples at the Pavilion. President Bailey read the nomination letter which described Chuck and Bobbie's many activities as dancers, instructors, and callers. Bobbie was unable to be present at the meeting, but Chuck accepted and thanked the Council for the honor.

President Bailey reminded the clubs that dance at the Pavilion that they are required under the By-Laws to submit a financial statement each year to the City of Dayton. Clubs that have not submitted this statement yet should send it to President Bailey immediately so as not to jeopardize our standing with the City of Dayton.

President Bailey announced that Connie Plummer from the Golden Squares was the winner of the Style Show from the Miami Valley Dance Council. There were a total of 6 entries. The winning entry will be on display at Columbus and will be modeled in the Style Show. Attendance ribbons were presented from Council for the State registration.

President Bailey announced that Bobbie Myers will have a sewing clinic at the Pavilion on March 23 at 2:00 p.m. for teaching beginners how to make square dance clothes. Those attending should bring a notebook, pencil, and scissors.

There was a brief discussion on the proposed new pavilion as to size of the building, type of construction, and possible methods of financing.

Under old business, Larry Estes (Twin Base) brought up lesson classes for beginners starting this fall. Now is the time to start building enthusiasm and publicizing these classes.

Paul Bonnell described the arched squares emergency procedure and demonstrated this to Council. Representatives were asked to explain this to their clubs and make everyone aware of the procedure. Another safety rule that was mentioned is for an injured dancer to alert other dancers of his injury by wearing a red heart.

Club Announcements

Go-Go's: March 29th - 5th Friday dance. Supper at 7:00 p.m. Everyone invited to come and bring a covered dish.

Kittyhawks: Sunday, March 24th, from 2:00 to 5:00. Caller, Dave Stuthard.

Clinton County: April 13th - all nighter. Callers, Jim Erbaugh and Sam Dunn.

Clinton County: Sunday, June 23rd - Southwest Ohio Square Dance Jamboree at Clinton County Fairgrounds from 2:00 to 9:30 p.m.

Lake Choctaw Twirlers: March 31 from 2:00 to 5:00 at the Choctaw Club House. Caller, Joe Chiles and the Country Gentlemen with Keith Zimmerman and Amy.

Washington Squares: Sunday, March 17, from 2:00 to 5:00 at the Pavilion - Swing Into Spring. Caller, Ron Everhart.

Just-A-Mere Squares: April 6 - all nighter beginning at 9:00 p.m. Callers, Bill Everhart and Louie Sherrill.

Just-A-Mere Squares: April 21 from 2:00 to 5:00. Caller, Joe Chiles and the Country Gentlemen.

S'Allemandes: April 21 from 2:00 to 6:00. Caller, Joe Porritt. Rounds, Chuck and Barb Jobe.

Two By Fours: March 16 at the Pavilion. Caller, Phil Koslowski.

Two By Fours: April 6 - High-lo dance for all clubs and classes at the Pavilion.

Twin Base: March 13 - St. Patrick's dance. Caller, Bill Wallace.

" " March 20 at 6:30 - pot luck - all lesson classes invited.

" " June 2, Sunday, annual fund raiser for the Children's Medical Center at the Pavilion.

Yellow Rockers: March 31 at Yellow Springs High - Pre-Spring Fling. Caller, Jack Pladdys. Hi-lo dance. Banner raiders welcome.

Star Promen-O's: May 17 - military uniform dance. If you are in the service or have been in the service, wear your uniform. Caller, Mike King.

Nashville Bus Tour: April 26, 27, 28. Grand Ole Opry, Opry Land and tours.

Shooting Stars: March 16 - St. Patrick's dance. Caller, Chuck Myers.

Vice President Joe Neer announced that angels for plus and advanced lessons will be by invitation only. A list will be prepared assigning angel duties for each dance. Dave Hodson and the City of Dayton plan to sponsor advanced dances at the completion of the workshop.

Whenever anyone has any suggestions for changes or additions to the agenda, notify President Bailey. Club representatives are requested to keep their club officers informed of Council meetings and activities.

If anyone is interested or would like to serve as a Council officer, trustee, or as a committee member, please give your name to one of the officers.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.

Barb Taylor, Secretary