

M.V.D.C. Honor Roll Dancer Nomination

Nominating Club

Miami Valley Folk Dancers (MVFD)

Name, Address, & Phone of Couple/Person(s)

**Lee Moser
9827 Haines Rd.
Waynesville, OH 45068
937-885-4698**

Number of Years Dancing

Lee first joined MVFD in 1977, making it 37 years that she has danced with us!

Club Elected Positions and Years Held (Pres., VP, Sec., etc.)

Elected positions Lee has held within MVFD are:

- **Secretary (1989, 1990, 1998, 1999, 2007, 2008)**
- **Vice Chair (2002, 2003, 2010)**
- **Treasurer (2011)**

Club Appointed Positions and Years Held (Kitchen Chairperson, etc.)

Appointed positions Lee has held within MVFD are:

- **Program Committee (1987, 1988 (chair), 1992, 1993, 1994, 2009 (chair), 2012 (chair))**
- **Membership Committee (1991, 1992, 1993, 1994, 1995, 1996, 1998, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012)**
- **Refreshments Committee (chair 2006-present)**
- **Sunshine Committee (chair 2007-present)**

Service at Club Level (Kitchen, Greeters, Clean-up, Decorate, etc.)

In addition to the lists of appointed and elected positions above, Lee always helps behind the scenes at the club's workshops. From proofreading the publicity materials before they go to press to handling registration to washing dishes at the end of the evening, Lee has contributed to every MVFD workshop and event for more than 30 years. While MVFD doesn't have official greeters, Lee fulfills that function as well; when new people show up at our weekly orientation sessions, she makes sure to welcome them and answer any questions they may have.

Number of Raids and Retrievals

MVFD does not "raid"; this is not customary in folk dance.

Special Activities (Organize or Assist with Demos, Weekend & Week long Workshops, Special Dances, Parades, World A'Fair, State Fair, Festivals, etc.)

As noted above, Lee always assists with our weekend workshops and other special events. She has participated in the occasional demonstration over the years. She has organized a table and "booth" for MVFD at A World A'Fair for the last 10 years; she signs up MVFD members to staff it, and personally spends several hours there herself every year.

M.V.D.C Position and Years Held (Pres., VP, Treasurer, Trustee, etc.)

Lee has not held any MVDC positions.

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State & National Positions and Years Held (State Corp, State & National Convention Positions, etc.)

Lee has not held any State or National positions.

Write Up

The Miami Valley Folk Dancers are very pleased to nominate Lee Moser as their Honor Roll Dancer of 2015. She has been an active member of the Miami Valley Folk Dancers for 37 years now, and contributes to our well-being in a number of ways. She's devoted to the club and its members, and to promoting folk dance in the community.

As noted above, over the years Lee has served on MVFD's Council as Vice Chair, Secretary, and Treasurer. Each of these positions has significant responsibilities; the Treasurer in particular is responsible not only for managing the club's money, but for tracking guests and ensuring that they are proposed for membership after they have attended a dozen times.

Lee is a frequent member of the Program Committee as well; this is an annually appointed committee of six that is responsible for arranging for the teaching at the intermediate-level session most Thursdays, and for the monthly Sunday dances. She has been elected Chair by the other members several times. As Chair of the Sunshine Committee, she makes sure that any MVFD member – or retired member – receives a card with as many signatures as possible in case of illness, or sympathies when needed, or even just recognition of a milestone birthday. Maintaining these connections keeps our group strong!

Lee has also been active in some areas that don't always receive public recognition. For example, she chaired a committee that took a member survey on possible changes to our hours of teaching and approach to reviews. She was also part of a committee that recently examined the club's Rules and Regulations and proposed a formal update reflecting the results at our annual meeting. Lee is a concerned participant in the annual meetings, often speaking out on issues related to the club's structure, plans for the future, and more.

But perhaps Lee's most consistent contribution is her willingness to help with almost anything, at almost any time. For at least the last 20 years of MVFD's dance workshops, she has volunteered to proofread syllabi and publicity materials, mail hundreds of flyers, print and laminate name tags, staff the registration table, handle refreshments, run records for request sessions or evening parties, or clean up afterwards – and has often done more than one of these!

And then there's the everyday assistance! Lee always greets the newcomers who appear at our orientation classes. She makes sure that they feel welcome, and encourages them as they try to get the hang of some of the strange rhythms we dance to. She willingly takes the part of a man to partner them in couple dances and help them learn set dances. (Her beautifully color-coordinated outfits, right down to her nail polish, are also an inspiration to all of the female dancers!)

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And Lee is a great one for quietly stepping in when she sees a need. In addition to coordinating the monthly refreshments (which she has done for years), she makes sure that we have refreshments at our various parties and other special occasions. You can find her helping out the Kitchen Committee with food prep, or taping up decorations, or suggesting a dance that needs review, or putting out chairs, or starting a new set or square, or collecting money, or mopping the floor. Lee is one of MVFD's stalwarts!

Lee is also an ambassador for folk dance in the Dayton community. Every year she pulls together a group of volunteers to man MVFD's "booth" at the entrance to A World A'Fair. We have two large trifold posters, and Lee makes sure that there is a good supply of both MVFD brochures and invitations to our annual Open House available. She and her volunteers actively engage passers-by and answer any questions they may have about folk dance. Her friendly manner helps us recruit new dancers!

Obviously, there are a great many reasons why MVFD is grateful to have had Lee Moser as a member for all these years, and we are proud to nominate her as our Honor Roll Dancer of 2015.

PRESENT AND PAST CLUB MEMBERSHIPS:

Lee has been active in the Miami Valley Folk Dancers since 1977.