



MIAMI VALLEY DANCE COUNCIL

Honor Roll Dancers

Bill and Grace Wolff

2357 Willow Grove Ave.
Dayton, Ohio

Bill and Grace Wolff have been dancing for 35 years. They completed the first Dayton City sponsored square and round dance classes and became charter members of the Dayton Square Dance Club in 1951 and the Dayton Round Dance Club in 1952.

Positions that they have held are as follows:

Bill was Treasurer and voluntary Legal Adviser for the World A'Fair International Festival during its initial years (1974-1975). Grace was Ticket Chairman these same years and also trained dancers for performances through 1983.

Grace organized the Miami Valley Round Dancers and became their instructor and leader in 1953. In 1954 she assumed the same role with the Miami Valley Folk Dancers and held these positions with both organizations through 1967. In 1963 Grace became the first person in Ohio to receive a certificate to teach Scottish Country Dancing from the Royal Scottish Country Dance Society in Edinburgh, Scotland.

With the support of Friends in the organization, Grace shared her dancing experience by instructing hundreds of Girl Scout Leaders in the art of teaching the Girl Scouts various types of dancing. Three Dayton area festivals culminated these efforts, the third one celebrating the 50th anniversary of Girl Scouting in 1967 with 2000 girls and leaders dancing.

Through Bill's efforts in negotiating with the City of Dayton, the Michael Solomon Pavilion was saved from demolition, and in 1965, was dedicated for the use of all dancers in the Miami Valley. The same year Grace was honored as Woman of the Year by the University of Dayton Alumnae Association for her service to the Dayton area in teaching and promoting all types of dancing.

In 1978 Bill and Grace were presented a Citation by Jerry and Kathy Helt for their efforts in conjunction with all types of dancing. In 1983 Grace was appointed Honorary Chairman of the World A'Fair for her organizational work with this group.

We in the Miami Valley are very appreciative of this couples' efforts and dedication in the promotion and advancement of dancing in this area, as well as in the State of Ohio. It is a pleasure to present Bill and Grace Wolff as our Honor Roll Couple for 1984.