

Annual Meeting of the Miami Valley Folk Dancers, January 10, 1988

Agenda

A. Call to order

B. Minutes of the previous meeting - Gitta Reck

C. Treasurer's Report - Sam Ballinger

D. Chairman's Report:

1. Statistics
2. Highlights of the past year
3. Activities for the coming year

E. Committee Reports:

1. Program Committee - Leslie Hyll
2. Orientation Class - Ann Ballinger
3. Tape Committee - John Pappas
4. Miami Valley Dance Council - Peg Eltzroth
5. Kitchen - Zora Krainz
6. Refreshments - Dot Santi
7. Other-

F. Old Business

G. New Business

H. Election of Council Members

Outgoing: Sam Ballinger, Joanne Dombrowski, Gitta Reck
Remaining: Dick Clair, Louise Van Vliet

ANNUAL MEETING OF MIAMI VALLEY FOLK DANCERS

The annual meeting of the Miami Valley Folk Dancers was held at 3:00 o'clock, January 10, 1988, at Solomon Pavilion. Thirty-two members attended. Joanne Dombrowski, Chairperson, called the meeting to order. The secretary's minutes were approved as read. The treasurer's report was approved as submitted.

CHAIRMAN'S REPORT:

STATISTICS:

Membership as of Dec. 1987 - 95 (we gained 9 new members, lost 4)
Average Thursday night attendance - 51
Highest attendance on Thursday night - 84 (Oct. 15th, open house, 52 members and 32 guests)
Attendance at Christmasparty - 67
" " " New Years Eve Party - 55
" " " Annual Meeting last Year - 31

HIGHLIGHTS OF THE PAST YEAR

Council had 5 regular meetings. Four News Letters were distributed.

A broken water pipe flooded the dance floor in early January of 1987, forcing us to find another dance floor. The First United Church of Christ on Edgar let us use their basement. We were able to return to the Pavilion in May.

On March 14, there was a bus trip to Greenville to see the Duquesne University Tamburitzans, organized by Zora Krainz.

Tri-City was held in Columbus on Saturday, April 4th 1987. Only 7 members went because of poor weather conditions. John Pappas and Joanne Dombrowski taught several dances.

On August 23, 1987 30 of our members participated in the Miami Valley Dance Council picnic at Carrilon Park. We presented two 15 minute programs. Several dances were taught by Ann Ballinger, Adele Nellis and John Pappas.

The Sauerkraut Festival took place, in the rain, October 10, 1987.

Open House was held Oct. 15, 1987; we entertained 32 guests.

The November workshop with Dick Crum and Jane Farwell was very successful. Grace Wolff and Louise Van Vliet were co-chairpersons for the workshop. Both, the Saturday evening and the Sunday meal were excellent.

Christmasparty at pavilion Dec. 17, 1987.

New Years Eve party at pavilion Dec. 31, 1987

ACTIVITIES FOR COMING YEAR.

TUESDAY, JANUARY 12, 1988 - clean up day at the pavilion, organized by Peg Eltzroth.

Tri-City will be held in Cincinnati April 19, 1988

Workshops - unknown dates and origins. Chairman strongly advised for the new council to start working on organizing a workshop.

COMMITTEE REPORTS:

Program Committee - Leslie Hyll, Chairperson

Leslie reported that the most visible accomplishment of the year was the replacement, repair and reinforcement of record jackets by Ed Anderson. The committee also made many other improvements. Leslie also reported that a new computer listing is in the making.

Miami Valley Dance Council - Peg Eltzroth

Peg went to the meetings, but not much was to be reported.

Tape Committee - John Pappas

John reported that Ed Anderson had built a very nice box for the tapes for very little money; he donated his time, thanks Ed! Only three dances were put on tapes. All tapes were numbered so that a new listing could be made.

Orientation Class - Ann Ballinger

Ann reported 32 new dances were taught at orientation time, lots of dances were reviewed. She told us that there had been 5 demonstrations. Ann thanked everyone who had helped her in any way.

Kitchen - Zora Krainz

Everything is fine, everyone helps.

Thursday Night Refreshments - Dot Santi

Everything is "OK".

NEW BUSINESS:

Council had planned to discuss with the membership how to pay our part of the cost for the pavilion floor. This was not necessary, since we have enough money in the treasury to make quarterly payments, which will end July, 1989.

Honor Roll Couple

Chairman told the membership that our club will nominate Frank & Madge Hart to be presented to the MVDC for election as Honor Roll Couple. Frank and Madges background in promoting dancing in the Miami Valley goes many years back. A letter in the Hart's behalf will be sent to the MVDC in January.

A suggestion was made that it would be nice to compile a history of our club which would include pictures of club functions which have been collected over the years.

Election of Council Members:

Outgoing: Sam Ballinger, Joanne Dombrowski, Gitta Reck
Remaining: Dick Clair, Louise Van Vliet
Elected: Sam Ballinger, Joanne Dombrowski, Leslie Hyll.

Meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,



Gitta Reck, Secy.


MIAMI VALLEY FOLK DANCERS
Treasurer's Report for 1987

RECEIPTS::

Bank Balance and Cash, 1 January 1987		\$1,802.81
Dues	\$1,229.00	
Interest	106.53	
New Year's Eve Party	35.50	
35th Anniversary	2,918.00	
Miscellaneous	<u>34.75</u>	
Total Receipts		<u>\$4,323.78</u>
Total Funds for 1987		\$6,126.59

EXPENSES::

Michael Solomon Pavilion Support	\$ 227.90	
Ethnic Sunday	35.06	
Thursday Eve Party	143.02	
Program	100.18	
Copies	25.01	
Mailing & Telephone	26.22	
Flowers	28.38	
Insurance	20.00	
Tri-City	21.00	
Rent	255.00	
Miscellaneous	59.58	
35th Anniversary	2,352.48	
Pavilion Floor	84.00	
New Year's Eve Party	<u>79.50</u>	
Total Expenses		\$3,457.33
Bank Balance, 31 December 1987		<u>\$2,669.26</u>
GRAND TOTAL		\$6,126.59
NET GAIN FOR THE YEAR		\$ 866.45


S. F. Ballinger
Treasurer

35th ANNIVERSARY WORKSHOP
 7 & 8 November 87
 With Jane Farwell And Dick Crume

RECEIPTS ::::: \$2,922.50

EXPENSES: :::::

Fee & Travel--Jane Farwell	\$700.00
Fee & Travel--Dick Crume	800.00
Syllabus Covers	73.00
Rent	100.00
Decorations	22.01
Saturday Meal	245.89
Sunday Meal	154.29
Snacks	90.62
Returned Fees	26.50
Telephone	21.00
Miscellaneous	15.00
Mailing	<u>104.17</u>

Total Expenses	<u>\$2,352.48</u>
Net Gain	\$ 569.52

ATTENDANCE: :::::

		GUEST	MEMBERS
Saturday	AM	67	50
	PM	78	54
	EVE	61	54
	MEAL	115	
Sunday	MEAL	100	
	PM	30	52

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 Treasurer

Program Committee Report
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The 1987 Program Committee consisted of Leslie Hyll, Chairman, Ed Anderson, Marilyn Bishop, Ted Eltzroth, Sara Fleischer, and Lee Moser.

The most visible accomplishment this past year was the replacement, repair, and reinforcement of record jackets by Ed Anderson. This was a large effort for just one person.

The committee added a new red book for the club's use. There are now 2 red books. One with the computer listings of the club's recordings; the other is a loose leaf notebook with Ethnic Sunday schedules, Thursday 9 o'clock advanced teaching schedules, Thursday evening programs, program guidelines, and other miscellaneous information. Members should take and use both of these books when planning a program. Older schedules not in these books are in the possession of the program committee.

Ethnic Sundays and review teaching in 1987 included dances from Greece, Scandinavia, Tri-City, Armenia, USA, Yugoslavia, Italy, and the fall workshop. Wanting to be able to review as many dances as possible from the fall workshop, the committee set aside eleven Thursdays in November '87, December '87, January '88, and February '88, and the December Ethnic Sunday, allowing us to review almost all of the 20 dances taught at the workshop.

Additions to the club's recordings included recordings from the fall workshop (donated by Dick Crum and purchased from Jane Farwell) and recordings donated to the club late in 1986.

Late in 1986, old records were donated to the club. Most of the 99 records were/are 78's. Most of these records the club already has or has no use for. Of those records, 8 have been added to the club's collection, some were sold to members early in 1987, and the rest are in storage at Leslie Hyll's home.

A new computer listing has not been produced yet, although it has progressed. Joe Birkemeier is working on it. To be completed TBD.

Letter of Nomination for Council Honor Roll Couple

Frank and Madge Hart

The story of Frank Hart's involvement with square dancing begins in the 1920's, when he and his brother called square dances at the Opera House in Miamisburg, Ohio. The old tunes were played on a piano, an accordion and a violin. Frank did the calls. (This project lasted about three years.)

As a couple, Frank and Madge Hart have been active dancers in the Dayton area for approximately 38 years. In 1950 they began folk dance lessons with the Dayton Folk Dance Club (organized in 1947), and became members of that group in 1951. In 1951 they also began square dancing with the Dayton Square Dance Club under the direction of Michael Solomon, and in 1952 participated in the Ohio Demonstration at the Third Annual International Square Dance Convention in Chicago. About this time they also developed an interest in American round dancing and became charter members of the Dayton Round Dance Club which was formed under the direction of Dave McDevitt in November, 1952.

Frank and Madge Hart were among the first members of the Miami Valley Folk Dancers, and have remained actively involved in the group throughout its 35 year history. Since Madge was an art teacher and Frank was skilled in working with tin, they were sometimes called upon to help with decorations for club events. Both Frank and Madge have at one time held the position of Chairer of the Council in this group. Madge also served on the Program Committee in 1982-83. They continue to regularly attend the Thursday night sessions and participate in the Ethnic Sunday dinners and annual workshops.

In addition to their involvement with local groups, they have also attended at least twenty week long summer sessions of the Kentucky Dance Institute at Morehead, Kentucky.

And they are still willing to try something new! They are currently in a round dance class prompted by Dorothy Rossa, trying to learn to round dance with a prompter.

Because they have spent 38 years supporting dance activities in the Dayton area, we feel that Frank and Madge Hart deserve to be considered for the title of Council Honor Roll Couple.

The Miami Valley Folk Dancers