

1998 MVFD OFFICERS AND COMMITTEES

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..... Mike Clark

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- ..... Peg Eltzroth
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- ..... Jim Rohal
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- ..... Jeanette Watts

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..... Bette Kelley



Miami Valley Folk Dancers

The News



*Official Announcement:*

MVFD Annual Business Meeting  
Sunday, January 10, 1999  
2:30 pm

Please come and help shape the club for the next year.

CALENDAR

MVFD Events

- Dec 13 *Bulgarian Ethnic Sunday*
- Dec 17 *Holiday Party* - bring a snack
- Dec 24 *Christmas Eve - NO DANCE!*
- Dec 31 *New Year's Eve at the Pavilion!*
- Jan 10 *Annual Business Meeting and Potluck* - no dance
- Feb 14 *Scottish/English Ethnic Sunday*

Other Events

- Dec 11 *Dayton Community Dance* – Univ. of Dayton (Cityfolk)
- Dec 13 *Community Dance of Yellow Springs*
- Jan 9 *Muntu Dance Theatre*, Memorial Hall (Cityfolk)
- Feb 26-28 *Columbus Folk Dancers Workshop* - Romanian
- Apr 10-11 *Rhythm in Shoes*, Memorial Hall (Cityfolk)

*MVFD on the World Wide Web:*

<http://www.geocities.com/Heartland/3382/mvfd.html>

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### ☛ From the Chair - John Puterbaugh

Yep, it's getting closer and closer to the New Year. We still have a few fun things planned, such as:

- Dec 13 is Ethnic Sunday. Come and be a part of the fun.
- Dec. 17 will be our usual Christmas Party. Bring your favorite snack. John & Carol pappas have the program.
- Dec 24 we will not have dancing. Enjoy Christmas Eve.
- Dec 31 will be our New Year's Eve Party. See article.
- Jan 10, 1999 will be our Annual Meeting. See article.

Hope you all have had a fun year. Be sure to be with us for the remaining fun filled events.

### ☛ New Year's Eve Party

This year the Party is at the Pavilion! Bring your best dancing shoes and dance until the cows come home. Starting time is 9:00 pm. Bring your favorite snack. Tony & Truss Vander Sluijs are in charge of the midnight meal and the Program Committee will provide the music. It's always an extra special party night when we celebrate New Year's Eve at the Pavilion!

### ☛ MS Support Committee News - Mike Clark

No report received.

### ☛ PC Ramblings - Jeanette Watts

Greetings all! There will be no Ethnic Sunday in the month of Jan, so that the Board can have their annual meeting and do that secret Board stuff that they do;)

During the weekly 9 pm teaching sessions in January, we will continue to review dances that were reintroduced at the November Romanian Workshopette. Many, many thanks AGAIN to Leslie and Bette for spearheading a most wonderful event!

The theme for February's Ethnic Sunday is...(drumroll please) Scottish/English Country. If you would like to request a specific dance, or if you would be willing to teach, please see Tony Vander Sluijs.

### ☛ Columbus Workshop

Columbus is planning a February workshop for 1999. Feb 26-28. We are lucky to be able to get Theodor Vasilescu who is coming from Romania to teach in Columbus, Texas, and Toronto. So this will be a great chance to dance with him close to home. We'll be sending out more details but wanted you to get these dates on your calendars. For further information call/write Suzanne Rizer, 25 E. North Broadway, Columbus, OH 43214, 614-268-5043.

### ☛ Annual Business Meeting

We only subject you to it once a year. Sunday, Jan 10, 1999 will be our Annual Meeting starting at 2:30 pm. This newsletter is your official notice. We will be selecting two new officers for the Council. John Puterbaugh and Joanne Dombrowski will be going off Council with Jim Woolley, Lee Moser, and Mike Clark remaining. Be sure to touch base, before the meeting, with the person you want to nominate. All the committees will give reports. Also, we will announce the 1999 MVFD Honor Dancer(s). We will have a Carry-in dinner following the meeting.

### ☛ Quote - Thomas Hardy

*from Absent Mindedness in a Parish Choir:* "Twas a very dark afternoon, and by the end of the sermon all you could see of the inside of the church were the parson's two candles alongside of him in the pulpit, and his spaking face behind 'em. The sermon being ended at last, the parson asked for the Evening Hymn. But there was no sounding up of the tune, and people began to turn their heads to learn the reason why, and then, a boy who sat in the gallery, nudged Timothy and Nicholas, and said, "Begin! Begin!"

"Hey what?" says Nicholas, starting up, and the church being

so dark and his head muddled, he thought he was at the party they had played at the night before, and away he went, bow and fiddle, at "The Devil among the Tailors," the favourite jig of our neighbourhood. The rest of the band, being in the same state of mind, followed their leader with all their strength, according to custom. They poured out the tune till the bass notes made the cobwebs in the roof shiver like ghosts. Then Nicholas, seeing nobody moved, shouted out as he scraped, "Top couples cross hands! And when I make the fiddle squeak at the end, every man kiss his pardner under the mistletoe!"

"Then the unfortunate chuch band came to their senses, and remembered where they were. Twas a sight to see Nicholas and Timothy Thomas creep down the gallery stairs with their fiddles under their arms, with the rest of the band, all looking as little ninepins, and out they went. The parson might have forgiven them when he learned the truth but the squire would not. That very week he sent for a barrel organ that would play twenty new psalm-tunes so exact that however sinfully inclined you were, you could play nothing but psalm-tunes, and the old players played no more."