



Coon Rapids, MN

# The Chatter

January 2021

Live Lively -



Square Dance!

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## From Our Presidents

We sure hope everyone had a good Christmas spent with family (outside or on Zoom)!



Well, December has passed and many of us feel about 12 lbs heavier (a pound for each of the 12 days of Christmas, right!?). We've all got our New Year's resolutions ready to go and are eagerly awaiting the 1st to get started! We pondered some of the resolutions some of you are probably thinking of and since the theme of 12's came up, here are our 12 resolutions of the new year:

- 1) Start square dancing again (hopefully this is number 1).
- 2) Just say goodbye to 2020 (now that it's actually hindsight).

- 3) I want to volunteer for club President, Vice President, Vice Treasurer and 47 other available positions!
- 4) Go get my ugly Christmas sweater at Goodwill since there will be an overstock
- 5) Get the Corona vaccine ASAP
- 6) I want to fill Gary Kemmetmueller's shoes and become the new Chatter Editor
- 7) Vow to only surf the internet in my pajamas from now on
- 8) Hope to start lessons normally in the Fall
- 9) Never listen to politics again, or get more involved in politics, whichever comes first
- 10) Support my local neighborhood businesses (bars especially if this lasts much longer)
- 11) Drink spiked egg nog all year in preparation for next Christmas
- 12) Continue to find creative ways to socialize with each other

Thanks to all of you for the condolences I received from my square dance family with the loss of my mother. *Audrey Cecko*

Thanks to all of you for the prayers for my wife Karen who has just completed her last chemo treatment on December 28th. *Les Marier*

*Audrey Cecko & Les Marier*

Hotfoot Stompers Presidents

Past Events:



- The Sam's Christmas Village & Light Tour was a huge success! All who went had a fantastic time and we hope to do it again next year!





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- We learned of Dee Dee Dougherty's husband's health issues and explored requests by club members to make a donation to her as she was an instrumental part of the Hotfoot family in the early days of the club. We tried running a survey to determine a fair monetary amount, but decided to let club members give personally for a number of reasons. Please visit and donate to their GoFundMe page here. [Help Dee Dee and Bob](#)

#### Future Events:

- We have decided that the January Game Night will be canceled due to COVID restrictions the Governor has put in place.
- We did not get enough interest in February's North Shore Outing to make a go of it, so we have decided to cancel it also.

Reminders:

- Volunteers PLEASE sign up for a volunteer position so in the event we CAN dance again soon, we will be ready! We can always cancel if need be. You can contact us or visit the website for the latest updates.
- We still have 40th Anniversary T-Shirts for sale, \$10 each! (contact Audrey Cecko for available sizes) They make good layers for January and February!!!

- Get together! In person, small groups, Zoom/Google Duo, whatever it takes!

*Les & Audrey*

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From Hotfoot Queen Sharon

# Happy New Year!

*Sharon Bahma*

Queen of Hotfoot Stompers

## Condolences to .....

President **Audrey & Rick Cecko** on the death of Audrey's mother, Mary Fettig on November 28<sup>th</sup>. Arrangements: <https://www.morrisnilsen.com>

**Kristy Story** and family with the passing of of **Jerry Story**, National Caller from Iowa.

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## Get Well wishes and prayers to .....

**Les Marier's wife, Karen.** Her status can be found on [www.caringbridge.org/search?q=Karen+Marier](http://www.caringbridge.org/search?q=Karen+Marier) Karen has had her last of four chemo treatments.

**Mary Simcoe** after having her right shoulder replaced.

"This is a little late. I had a Reverse Shoulder Replacement in August. I just finished physical therapy and will need to continue it at home. I am doing ok now but still need help with some things. It's amazing when you can't use your right arm.

*Mary Simcoe* 12-4-20

**Dean Libby**, past Hotfoot Caller and teacher, is now recovering at home after an infection and a couple of hospital stays.

**Dick & Mary Rueter**, SD Caller, are recovering from the Covid-19.

**Bob Lottie** recovering from gall bladder surgey complications, husband of Dee Dee Dougherty-Lottie, National Caller.

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## Getting Better .....

I'm doing good. Dr removed restrictions so I can lift and raise my arm above my shoulder now. Pacemaker has been tested twice now and is doing it's job with leads in place. Of course there is restrictions in place on running things that cause electrical interference like a chain saw or getting under car hood with engine running. Been staying close to home except for getting groceries and medications. Looks like no dancing for awhile with this virus. Probably will have restrictions on for Christmas and New Year gatherings.

*Bob Sadler* 12-7-20

## Hotfoot Volunteers 2020-21

**President:** Audrey Cecko & Les Marier  
**Vice President:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Treasurer:** Terry Cathers  
**Vice Treasurer:** Margaret Theisen  
**Secretary:** Terri Axelson  
**Past President:** Jerry Steinworth  
**Sunshine Contact:** Jerry Steinworth  
**Queen:** Sharon Bahma  
**Banner Chief:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Chatter Editor:** Gary Kemmetmueller-open  
**Historian:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Photographer:** Gary Kemmetmueller-open  
**The ROUNDUP Reporter:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Spotlight Editor:** Michele Kemmetmueller  
**Website Webmaster:** Rachel Katkar  
**Caller Booker:** Jerry & Nancy Knoth  
-----Committees-----  
**Decorating Committee:** \_\_\_\_\_, Bob Johnson  
(storage)  
**Door Prizes:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Greeters:** Queen Sharon Bahma, Jocelyn Borgan,  
Gloria Regan, Coni Winterfeld  
**Lesson Set Up Committee:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Lesson Cleanup Committee:** Rose Valentine, \_\_\_\_\_  
**Marketing Committee:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Mystery Bus Committee:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**North Shore Weekend:** Lee & Peggy Kohl  
**Pop Committee:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Sign Placer:** Bob Sadler  
**Social Committee:** Lee & Peggy Kohl, Dave & Mary  
Dahlheimer, \_\_\_\_\_  
**State Conv Dinner Planner:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Summer Campout Planners:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Telephone Committee:** Cathy Gates (leader +  
Hotfoot News + roster + communicator), \_\_\_\_\_  
----- Coordinators -----  
**Community Ed Contact:** Cathy Gates  
**Dance Service Coordinator:** \_\_\_\_\_  
**Student Coordinator:** Michelle Jenson

## Hotfoot Stompers



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### 2020-21 Dance Schedule

Saturday, 7:30-8:00pm & 10pm Plus; 8:00-10:00pm,  
MS or ND and RDs & Lines by Ken LaBau between  
tips – potluck at 8:30pm

\*Service Committee \*\*Ticket vendors

**Jan 9, 2021 Caller: Brian Freed ND**

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**Feb 13, 2021 Caller: Abe Maier ND**

\*Terri Axelson, Rose Valentine, \_\_\_\_\_

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**Mar 13, 2021 Caller: Tom Allen MS**

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**Apr 10, 2021 Caller: Dan Sahlstrom MS**

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**May 8, 2021 Caller: Dee Dee Dougherty-Lottie MS**  
**Hotfoot Stompers Fortieth Anniversary Dance**

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### Upcoming Event Reminders for January

Jan – Monday night lessons – **Canceled**

**Jan 27 - 4th Wednesday Hotfoot Breakfasts:**

Women's, 8:30 AM at..... **"no plans"**;

Men's, 9:00 AM at Keys, Spring Lake Park – **Not likely**  
**yet** :o(

**CELEBRATING**  
**40 years**

We are on the WEB

[www.HotfootStompers.org](http://www.HotfootStompers.org)

Okay, maybe 41 years now. Oh alright, no  
celebrating, either.