



The Chatter

February 2024

From Hotfoot Stompers Presidents



Can you find our president's at the Cambridge Corners' Back to the 50s dance - Bryan Bush calling?

Hello Hotfoot Members,
Before square dancing, our winters were long. Now the winter season is going by too fast! The winter dancing season and social events keep us busy and moving. February brings great things - the 9 hours of daylight we were getting in January will change to 11 hours by the end of February. There are lots of Valentine's Day square dances; and around February 18th the sun in our area will climb above a 30 degree angle which means more energy for all.

We have scheduled the next Hotfoot's business meeting for: JANUARY 30TH, 2024 for 6:30pm at Faith Lutheran Church, 11115 Hanson Blvd NW, Coon Rapids, MN 55433. All members are invited and encouraged to attend, your voice is valuable and it takes all of us to keep our club healthy and strong.

Looking forward, Hotfoot's 2023-24 students' have 4 February lessons left, and a graduation celebration on March 4th- 6:00 pm to 9:00pm. Please join us for a potluck meal starting at 6:00pm followed by

dancing activities. Our student coordinator Danielle Rust is planning a fantastic evening of fun for all. Thank you Danielle for supporting our students this year, you are appreciated and thank you to our Vice Presidents' Julie Bittner and Anna Soland for supporting Danielle in her work with the students.

Cathy Gates is organizing a new order for name badges. Contact Cathy directly if you would like to order a new badge. Don't wait. Call her today. The order DEADLINE is February 5th.

Happy Valentine's Day to all our wonderful Hotfoot Members!

**HAPPY
VALENTINE'S
DAY ♥**

Let joy be unconfined – let's dance,

Tammy & Keith Lakeman
Hotfoot Stompers Presidents

Hotfoot January Chinese New Year Dance

Dan Sahlstrom called and Doug Brodeen cued to 11 squares from 7 clubs at our January 13th dance. Our regular scheduled caller for our January New Dancer dance was Bryan Bush from Iowa where there was a snow storm keeping him from coming, so Dan graciously filled in for Bryan. Thank you Dan!



Dan replaced Bryan

Dan had help from Brad Neutz with calling – nice harmony



Doug cued for Ken who was at his granddaughters' wedding and thanks to our decorating committee



Our Vice Presidents keeping the "show on the road"



I wish I could explain what this is



Friendly Twirlers steals a banner



County Line earns a banner



Westonka steals Hotfoot banner

Hotfoot Game Night



A bit of socializing, having fun together and potluck
January 20th at Riverwind Community Center

Hotfoot Business Meeting

Hello Hotfoot Stompers,
Please join us for:

All member Business Meeting
Date: Tuesday, January 30, 2024
Time: 6:30 pm
Location: Faith Lutheran Church,
1115 Hanson Blvd NW,
Coon Rapids, MN 55433

Come one, come all and support our Presidents

From Hotfoot Queen Renee

Hello Friends.

As I write this, it is bone chilling cold. Such is January. We are 1/2 way through it and a couple of months away from spring.

Bryan Bush didn't make it up for our Hotfoot dance on the 13th, due to a snow storm in Iowa, so Dan Sahlstrom stepped in to be our caller. Despite the freezing temps, we had enough folks come for 11 squares.



Queen Renee at Hotfoot New Dancer January 13th dance while VPs Julie and Anna fill in for Presidents Tammy and Keith

I could hardly wait for the fun dancing and shopping event, Midwinter Magic, on 1-27-24. This one was for you, new dancers! I saw a lot of you in a square.

Renee Hogan

Hotfoot Stompers Queen

Future Demo

Monday, March 11, 2:30 PM
Saint Therese at Oxbow Lake
5200 Oak Grove Parkway
Brooklyn Park, MN, 55443

John Bittner calling.

Residence of former Hotfoot member, Judy Hale.

Thank you Hotfoot Stompers

Past President Jim Anderson writes:

To all of our square dancer friends.

I was overwhelmed by all the love and support that I received after my accident. I am home with Marie. She is taking good care of me. It was nice to hear and receive all of the cards and letters.

It was great to hear about how you all are doing also. We are so very lucky to have such wonderful friends and to be included in our Hotfoot square dance family.

I am still in a lot of pain. My neck surgery took seven hours as they fuzzed c3-t5. My back surgery was six hours. They fuzzed seven levels in my back.

I start my out-patient therapy next week.

Thanks again.

Love from Jim and Marie

1-13-24

Upcoming February Social Events

Feed my Starving Children Tuesday, Feb 6,
6:45-8:45 PM, 401- 93rd Ave NW, Coon Rapids

ALL ABOARD!! The **Northern Train Car Inn** offers a very unique get-away for Hotfoot. They have continental breakfast included and a lounge/game room for us to use on our weekend: Feb. 16 – 19 2024

It is winter, so we have hikes in the nearby Gooseberry Falls, Split Rock State Parks and of course the Superior Hiking Trail. The Inn has snowshoes, if you would like to venture out on them. We will have a meeting during lessons before we go so we can plan some potluck and games to play.

Give the Inn a call at 1-877-834-0955 from 8 to 8 any day of the week to make your reservation. Or you can email at info@northernrail.net. Be sure to mention Hotfoot Stompers for a great room.

Banner Activity



Hotfoot at Cambridge Corners' Back to the 50s dance 1-5-24



Hotfoot at Gospel Plus 1-26-24



Poodle outfits at Cambridge Corners 1-5-24



Hotfoot retrieves banner from Westonka 1-21-24



Hotfoot earns a County Line banner 1-12 -24

Happy Valentine's Day
Square Dancers



This guy's sign needs to change to Minnesota

Hotfoot Volunteers 2023-24

President: Keith & Tammy Lakeman
Vice President: Anna Soland & Julie Bittner
Treasurer: Renee Hogan
Vice Treasurer: _____
Secretary: Terri Axelson
Past President: Julie Bittner & Anna Trudeau
Sunshine Contact: Julie Bittner & Anna Trudeau
Queen: Renee Hogan
Banner Chief: John Bittner
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Photographer: Sandy & Robert Morgan
The ROUNDUP Reporter: Julie Bittner
Spotlight Editor: _____
Website Webmaster: Rachel Katkar & Cathy Gates
Caller Booker: Les Marier

-----Committees-----

Decorating Committee: Peggy & Bruce Decker, Rose Valentine, Coni Winterfeld, Bob Johnson (storage)
Door Prizes: Fran Sorensen
Greeters: Queen Renee Hogan, Margaret Theisen,

Lesson Set Up Committee: Sandy & Jim Quasbort
Lesson Cleanup Committee: Mark & Sheila Brouhard, Tom & Jan Hanson
Marketing Committee: Audrey Cecko, _____, _____
Mystery Caravan Committee: Jerry & Nancy Knoth, Bruce & Peggy Decker
North Shore Weekend: Peggy and Lee Kohl, Fran Sorensen
Pop Committee: _____
Sign Placer: _____, _____
Social Committee: Peggy & Lee Kohl, Sandy & Frank Amore, Colette Kilber, Cary Hebert & Fran Sorensen
Social Media: _____
State Conv Dinner Planner: _____
Summer Campout Planners: _____
Telephone Committee: Marilyn Vialle, Cathy Gates (leader + Hotfoot News + roster + communicator)

----- Coordinators -----

Community Ed Contact: Cathy Gates
Dance Service Coordinator: _____
Student Coordinator: Danielle Rust

We are on the WEB

www.HotfootStompers.org

Hotfoot Stompers

Minnesota Square Dance Club
Coon Rapids, MN
Keith Lakeman 612-710-1885 &
Tammy Lakeman 612-710-1885



2023 – 2024 Dance Schedule

Saturday, 7:30-8:00pm & 10pm Plus;
8:00-10:00pm, MS or ND and RDs & Lines by Doug Brodeen between tips, potluck at 8:30pm. All dances are at Northdale Middle School, 11301 Dogwood St NW, Coon Rapids, MN

*Service Committee **Treasurer Assistant

Feb 10 **Abe Maier – ND – Valentine** – potluck -

* Jim & Sandy Quasbort, Rose Valentine, Les Marier, _____ ** _____, _____

March 9 Bill VanBergan – MS – Tropical Paradise- potluck

* Jim & Sandy Quasbort, Jerry and Nancy Knoth, _____ ** _____, _____

April 13 Dan Sahlstrom – MS – Royalty - pie/ice cream

* Jim & Sandy Quasbort, _____ ** _____, _____

May 11 Dee Dee Dougherty-Lottie, MS Let's Go Fishing - potluck

*Myrna Kostuch, Michele Kemmetmueller, _____, _____ ** _____, _____

Upcoming Event Reminders for February

Feb 6 & 20 - Tuesdays Hotfoot Daytimers MS SD –
9:30-11:30 AM - Wayne Tauer calling at
Coon Rapids Civic Center, 11155 Robinson Dr NW

Feb 6 – Feed My Starving Children social – 6:45 –
8:45AM – sign up at lessons

Feb 5, 12 & 26 - Mondays- Plus lessons 6-7, MS 7-9
PM **Northdale Middle School –**

Feb 19 – Monday lessons at Faith Lutheran Church
Dan Sahlstrom teaching all lessons

Feb 16-19 North Shore Weekend – stay at the
Northern Train Car Inn – se ad above

Feb 28 - Wednesday- Hotfoot Breakfasts: Women's
and Men's, both 8:30 AM at Bakers Square at
Riverdale in Coon Rapids across from CUB Foods

March 4th Graduation – 6-9 PM – Northdale Middle
School