



Coon Rapids, MN

The Chatter

May 2020

Live Lively -



Square Dance!

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From Our President

With warm weather comes spring yard work. We have four huge oak trees that drop billions of acorns. Deer and squirrels feasted on them all winter long. I don't think the previous owners ever raked up the acorns because acorn shells were over an inch deep. You could hear the shells crunching when you walked over them. Fran and I vacuumed up 18 yard-bags of them and we found the grass. Oh, the things we do while we're waiting to have ***fun with Hotfoot Stompers.***

I never thought my legacy with Hotfoot Stompers would be having the most event cancelations in one year. I feel so sorry for this year's graduates as they deserve a proper graduation. This year's Queen deserves a proper coronation. Our most dedicated and active members deserve proper recognition. I am hoping to have one event to celebrate all these people before my term ends July 1st.

We are not just sitting around waiting for CoVid-19 to go away. We are still planning a full marketing campaign this fall to get new students and attract other square dancers to join our club. Hotfoot Stompers has the most number of social events and is one of the largest clubs in the state.

A key part of our marketing efforts is having demos in as many local churches as possible. During the



demos we try to get the audience to join a square and do basic square dance steps. Hopefully, they will enjoy it so much that they'll want to learn more and sign up for lessons. If any of you belong to a local church and would like to have a demo there, please contact Vice President Les Marier, Vice President Audrey Cekco or myself. It is a lot easier to get a demo when one or more people are members of the congregation. We will do the talking and planning, we just want to get a foot in the door to present our idea.

On July 1st, Vice Presidents Les Marier and Audrey Cekco become Co-Presidents and Vice Treasurer Therese Cathers becomes Treasurer. They need, and the club needs, a vice president and a vice treasurer to help with the planning and organizing of events. Yes, there can be co-vice presidents and co-vice treasurer, so both you and your dance partner or significant other can share the work and get the credit. Also, the Marketing Committee needs more people. (Since Les Marier and Audrey Cekco are going to be busy being Co-Presidents.) If anyone is interested in any of these positions, contact me at jerry.steinworth@hotmail.com or 763-913-0597. Stay safe, stay well and stay home for now.

Jerry Steinworth
President, Hotfoot Stompers

Hotfoot Royalty Dance

Zero squares of Hotfoot Stompers, guests and students hoped to enjoy using their newly acquired skills. Dan Sahlstrom would have called a fun dance for them and Ken LaBau would have cued rounds.

Picture a floor full of square and round dancers and we'll have to let it go at that – for now.

Our New Hotfoot Queen Sharon



Sharon Bahma is our 2020-21 Hotfoot Queen –

The official coronation will be announced when CoViD-19 status in Minnesota is declared safe to gather. In the meantime, y'all can give Queen Sharon an e-mail congratulatory hug - thank you to our past Queen Danielle for being Hotfoot Stompers' ambassador this past year.

The 2020 Hotfoot Awards Banquet is ...

Still in your future, someday. President Jerry and the executive committee are working out the details under the limitations given.

Banner Activity

Ha-ha. I know, in your dreams. Only fun and fond memories of past raids and retrievals exist now. But, That will change – sooner than later hopefully.

Wishing all of you a safe and healthy Spring and Summer. Until we meet again, keep smiling.

Oh, by the way, the Chatter Editor position and Club Photographer positions are open to Hotfooters interested, along with all of the other positions listed on the last page, except for the ones mentioned in President Jerry's article.

Big Thank YOU

To our President Jerry Steinworth, our Treasurer Rose Valentine and Vice Treasurer Terry Cathers, our Secretary Terri Axelson, our student teacher Wayne Tauer and all of you swell volunteers who made this club what it is this past year. We are indebted to you for your service to our community. Speaking from our whole club, I'm fairly sure, to acknowledge all of the time, thought, planning, work, fun, sharing, resources and personal sacrifices that you have made and contributed during the past year. May you feel rewarded by the satisfaction that you have made a difference and are really appreciated.

Spotlight on Kelly Landwehr



Kelly is holding pictures of her family....her Mom Val and Dad Clay Harris wearing their square dance apparel and another picture of her 2 daughters, Katie (16) and Kristen (13) – they are now 26 and 23. Kelly's Mom died May 2018. Kelly moved in with her Dad, Clay, in September 2018. Clay had not squared danced for many years because Val was unable to do so. Clay wanted to brush up on square dancing and invited Kelly to join him. Kelly graduated in March of 2019. Kelly enjoys square dancing, likes meeting people, and going dancing at the other clubs. If you see Kelly pulling a large cooler, she is bringing the regular pop to the Hotfoot dances while Jerry & Fran bring the diet pop. Kelly also has subbed for Sharon in the kitchen.

Kelly was born in Indiana, lived there 1961-63 and then lived in Kentucky for 3 years. Kelly's family then moved in May, 1967 to Spring Lake Park, MN. Kelly has two sisters – Linda (oldest) and Laurie; Kelly is the youngest. With her family Kelly went camping and travelling locally to Coon Lake each year plus Yellowstone, Mt. Rushmore, Itasca (origin of Mississippi river), and the Grotto in Iowa. At age 11, Kelly started working for her Dad at some of his work places including as a dishwasher at the Country Kitchen restaurant and at a New Year's Eve square dance at the Newman Center where she and a friend bussed tables and filled snacks and beverages. Kelly went 2 years to Anoka Ramsey Community College (80-82) to be a legal secretary. In 82-83 she worked as a Receptionist in a legal office and then in 83-87

worked at Honeywell as a Secretary for the Finance Dept.

In 1985 Kelly met Ted Landwehr at a Lutheran Singles Retreat in Mequon, WI. He was from Elgin, IL. They were married in Spring Lake Park in May, 1987, went to Israel and Egypt on their honeymoon, and moved to DeKalb, IL. In the Fall of '87 to Spring of '88, Kelly was a student at Northern IL. University studying to be a Hearing Impaired Teacher but the program did not meet her expectations. In 1989, they moved to Columbia Heights, MN, and their 2 daughters were born there. Ted, Kelly and their daughters took camping trips to Yellowstone, Mt. Rushmore, Disney World & Disneyland plus also did many local camping trips.

If you remember Clay's recent Spotlight, he loves to cook and so does Kelly! Now that they are living together again, Clay does a lot of the cooking during the week since Kelly works and she does most of the cooking on the weekends. Kelly prefers to eat gluten free and is always looking for new recipes. Kelly delights in searching for healthy foods/recipes in the book series Trim Healthy Mama. She also is very "social" and likes getting together with friends to eat and socialize. She also plays tennis, goes on walks, and keeps in touch with her daughters. Her faith is very important and she enjoys reading the bible. In the past Kelly taught Sunday school and Vacation Bible School and participated in youth activities at church with her daughters. Kelly has been a befriender to Sharon, an elderly woman in a nursing home, for 5-6 years. Sharon had cerebral palsy and had difficulty talking so she used a typewriter to communicate before recently passing.

Kelly has been working for 6 years as a Special Ed Para at the Spring Lake Park Schools. She works with K-3 students who have Autism. She has a difficult job but thinks that God has put her there to love these kids. Kelly was interviewed prior to the Pandemic. Kelly's job has since changed. During the Pandemic, she has been working M-F 10 AM-1PM doing child care for First Responders and for medical personnel.

Michele Kemmetmueller

Hotfoot Stompers Spotlight Editor

Hotfoot Volunteers 2019-20

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2020 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



May 9th, Dee Dee Dougherty-Lottie, MS, Hotfoot 40th Anniversary, CANCELLED * Steve Mack, Myrna Kostuch, __, __, __, __, __ ** __, __

Upcoming Event Reminders for May

May 5 & 19 Tuesdays Daytimers -MS, Cancelled at Coon Rapids Civic Center, Wayne Tauer calling

May ?? Tuesday Hotfoot Stompers' Annual meeting, 5:45 PM, Northtown Library, Anoka Public Libraries, 711 County Hwy 10 Frontage Road, Blaine

May ?? Monday Hotfoot Graduation, 6:00 PM potluck, 7-9:00 dancing at NMS - Wayne Tauer commencing

May ?? Hotfoot Queen installation of Sharon Bahma

May 27 - 4th Wednesday Hotfoot Breakfasts:
Women's, 8:30 AM at Bakers Square in Northtown;
Men's, 9:00 AM at Keys, Spring Lake Park **if the restaurants open by then**

We are on the WEB

www.HotfootStompers.org