HOTFOOT STOMPERS SQUARE DANCE CLUB

The Chatter

Live Lively – Square Dance!

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From Our Presidents

Welcome Hotfooters!

It seems we went from Autumn directly to Winter with this cold snap. NOT ready for this! We have canceled the November dance with Dean Dederman since there has been no change in the state mandate so far. As a reminder, lessons have been postponed until January when we will see if things have loosened up or not. Until then, our best guess is to hunker down for Winter and at least another month of no dancing (with real people). In the most recent club newsletter, you may have noticed there are plenty of online "virtual" dances and festivals according to Cathy Gates. If you are interested, you can get more information from her by email at flutefolk@aol.com or flutefolk@gmail.com. Stay warm, stay safe and stay engaged!

Coming Events:

- *December* 5th - Saturday Social to Bentlyville in Duluth (COVID-19 Safe! Visitors only allowed in vehicles - $10 per vehicle), meet at NMS at 12:00 noon to carpool. Return at 10 PM. If interested, please RSVP to Audrey Cecko or Les Marier.
- *January* - Game Night - TBD due to COVID restrictions.
- *February* - North Shore Outing - Well, since no one knows if we will be out of the woods (COVID-19) by then, we are still looking at planning the event as usual with the possible omission of the indoor games. With that said, please RSVP to Audrey Cecko or Les Marier by email or phone if you are interested in joining in on the fun!

Reminders:

- Volunteers PLEASE sign up for a volunteer position so in case that 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.
- Hint-hint - if you're looking for a Christmas gift idea, we've got just the thing! We still have 40th Anniversary T-Shirts for sale, $10 each! By the way, we still plan on having our 40th Anniversary Dance in May. (contact Audrey Cecko for available sizes) - Get together! In person, small groups, Zoom/Google Duo, whatever it takes!

As a family of square dancers and friends, we also want to encourage offers of assistance to others that may be in need of; a friend, a neighborly visit, a small job that needs to be done, prayers, etc. This "out of sight, out of mind" effect we've been enduring is not making it easier, please stay connected, it does wonders for the soul!

We both want to wish everyone a safe and Happy Thanksgiving!

Regards, *Les & Audrey*

Hotfoot Stompers Presidents

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Hotfoot Stompers 2002 Graduation

What's a Chatter without pictures? My camera is getting a long rest. So excuse me if this leaves you wondering if the editor has a screw loose, I do have some pictures that may bring back memories for our long time members and may show our shorter time Hotfoot Stompers what they missed. I'm thinkin', since we couldn't have that special time to party, potluck and have all of our club congratulate our newest dancers, seeing what would have been may be of interest to our newest dancers. Past President Jerry Steinworth with Fran, did a great job of trying fulfill the completion of lessons by going to graduates home with flowers. Maybe this will help keep the fun alive.

Laura, Marv & Verena, Bonnie & Carolyn

Harold Groote & Elaine Barnier – left side

Ida & Glenn Bye facing

Roger, where is Pearl?

One of these two is Roger, I'm pretty sure

Why it's Lynn & Bill Smith taking the written test – no fair peaking at Lynne's results, Bill

Graduates roast Caller Dean Libby

Gloria & Larold Thompson

Harold Groote & Elaine Barnier with Harold's grandkids - maybe

Betty Rydell & Judge Ed Bearse

Hotfoot Stompers Graduating Class of 2002

Have a Happy Thanksgiving

Photo submitted by Audrey Cecko

From Hotfoot Queen Sharon

This has been a tough month for me. I have had several friends who have had to deal with serious medical issues in their immediate families. I have spent a lot of time on the phone listening to them, supporting and trying to comfort them.

On the lighter side, my church has opened up with social distancing and wearing masks so I don't have to watch the services on my tablet.

Rick is still coming over to round dance on the patio or in the garage twice a week now since we had our early WINTER! And he is having a square dance on his enclosed deck now on Friday night's. If there are only 3 of us we just round dance. I am very thankful I have had him to dance with for the last 7 months. I am hoping for warmer weather next week so I can finish cleaning up my yard.

I hope all of you Hotfooters are staying healthy and finding some fun things to do during this time and still looking forward to dancing again together at some time.

Sharon Bahma

Queen of Hotfoot Stompers

The unstoppable Hotfoot leaders: Presidents Audrey & Les and Queen Sharon plus on the right could be our vice president

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Condolences to …….

The family of **Ida Bye** (96), passed away September 30, 2020. Ida was preceded in death by her husband Glenn Bye. They were Hotfoot Stompers for many years. If Ida was your corner, you were always declared to be "My favorite Corner." No physical public funeral ceremony. Online site provided by Washburn McReavy Funeral Chapels. Condolences: Washburn-McReavy.com Coon Rapids Chapel

Starla Swanson on the death of her husband, **Neil**, (67), on October 13, after a valiant battle with Alzheimer's. Neil & Starla were members of South Metro Stars square dance club.
http://warnerfuneralhome.com/obituary.php?view=3313

Get Well wishes to ……..

Les Marier's wife, Karen. Her status can be found on www.caringbridge.org/search?q=Karen+Marier

Bob Sadler for a quick recovery from a heart ablation and pacemaker implant. Bob is staying with his daughter, Terri, in the meantime as he waits for his next appointment with his cardiologist. Bob says he is feeling better and exercising to help get his strength back. (You know how he likes to swing his partners.)

Audrey, Cheryl, Jocelyn & Les – the value of a shared smile is often underestimated

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, ___, ___, ___
Lesson Set Up Committee: ___. ___. ___
Lesson Cleanup Committee: ___, ___, ___
Marketing Committee: ___, ___, ___, ___
Mystery Bus Committee: ___, ___, ___,
North Shore Weekend: _____, _____
Pop Committee: _____, _____
Sign Placer: _____
Social Committee: ____, ____, ____, ____
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: _____

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

Nov 14, 2020 Caller: Dean Dederman MS, canceled
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Dec 12, 2020 Caller: Mike Hogan MS
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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 November

Nov – Monday night lessons – Canceled – see presidents' article.

Nov 25 - 4th Wednesday **Hotfoot Breakfasts**: Women's, 8:30 AM at "Pleaase tell me"; Men's, 9:00 AM at Keys, Spring Lake Park – maybe, maybe not :o(

We are on the WEB
www.HotfootStompers.org