

Monthly Newsletter

County Line Squares July 2017

Caller's Corner:

Abe and Carol Maier

We hope you are enjoying your summer. Carol and I are really busy and having fun attending many events; not only the square dances, demos, and workshops, but three grandsons' graduation parties, a great-granddaughter's birthday party, and confirmation for a granddaughter.

Thanks so much to those who have come and participated in the demos. We have gotten a few names for classes in September already. At the demo in Foley, we even had a friendly cow join us. Of all the years that Carol and I have been involved in this wonderful activity, it was a first! She hesitated to sign up for fall classes though!!

As we dance into July, we hope to get more people interested. Make sure all of you put up flyers at your favorite place of businesses and at your church. We have flyers available at the workshops and demos. For those who have not joined us for a demo yet, please try to make an effort to do so. We realize everyone is busy with family activities, but don't forget about your "square dance family", too.

July Birthdays:

- 7 Spencer Wilson
- 7 Shirley Kostrzewski
- 9 Gerlene Klingelhoets
- 11 Greg Olson
- 13 Marlow Knuth
- 14 Diane Olson
- 18 Diane Knuth
- 20 Fred Vetsch
- 21 Mavis Johnson
- 21 Lorraine Wilson
- 28 Dixie Lane Holton
- 29 Rajah Wilson

July Anniversaries:

- 2 Marlys & Larry Wilson
- 21 Gerlene & Tony Klingelhoets

Thoughts from Your President:

Joan Halderson

My summer is moving along extremely fast! Here we are about to celebrate 4th of July, our nation's Independence Day. My hat goes off to fellow square dancers for their Memorial Day participation in the Annandale parade. Sergeant Major Bob Frappier put together a heartfelt program and led the march with Loren Frappier and Willard Lienonen participating. Mavis Johnson, Don Lundell, Linda Peters, Carol Miller, myself, and Dave and Sandy Pearson tagged along and shared company at a pancake breakfast after. I see by the Buffalo paper, Leo Endres was an active participant in their services as well. Thank you all!

Together with Arlie and Joan Manz, June 12th, we were conducting club business at the Buffalo Wells Fargo bank, plus trying very hard to convince our young male personal banker to try square dancing this fall. In the course of conversation, it was said by Arlie to Joan earlier that AM (their anniversary day), the first time he saw her (his future wife), she took his breath away. Fifty-eight years later and still together in sickness and health is truly amazing!

Thank you, Marlys Wilson, for designing our new dance in the fall flyer.

Annual Potluck Club Picnic:

Date: July 16, 2017

Time: Starts at 1 PM, eating at 1:30 PM

Where: Giebenhain Farm

7290 Elder Ave. NW

Maple Lake, MN 55358

(320) 963-5720

Provided: beverages, napkins, & plates

Basic Directions: Cty. Rd. 37 onto Douglas Ave.

That becomes Elder Ave.

Member Spotlight:

Diana Miels, Dan Hunz, and Dar Hunz

This brother/sisters trio was raised on a farm in the Hamel area which is now an industrial park in downtown Plymouth on Vicksburg Lane. They attended Wayzata school, and as children went to horse shows and were involved in 4-H. Their own older children were the 5th generation to walk that land.

Diana has 3 children (2 boys, 1 girl), 6 grandchildren, and 2 great-grandchildren one of which was just born in the month of June. Her hobbies include raising goats since 1982, bowling (she uses her mom's ball), gardening, reading, traveling, and is an active 4-H judge.

When asked why she started square dancing, Diana said it was something to do when her husband was sick. Don had blood cancer and passed in 2014. His ashes are scattered up north in the woods he so dearly loved.

Dan has 2 children (1 boy, 1 girl) and 3 grandchildren. In his high school years, he played 4 years of football but wrestled for only 2 as he was needed to help on the family farm while his father was ill from Hodgkin's lymphoma cancer passing in 1970.

In Dan's younger life, he farmed and milked cows for 20 years in the Loretto area, and was a licensed bonded livestock dealer. Dan is now a 31 year farm advocate which is a coach almost like an attorney for the MN Department of Agriculture on a contract basis. He also helped facilitate a divorce support group.

Interesting to note, fellow square dancer, Richard Giebenhain, and Dan went to kindergarten together as well as 4 years of high school and 1 year of vocational school in Mankato, MN.

Dan's hobbies include membership in the Oliver Club and gardening. He attends farmers markets 2-3 times a week in various cities supplementing his income selling organic eggs and beef.

Dar has 2 children (1 boy, 1 girl) and 4 grandchildren. Her 23 years of married life to

someone in the Army had her living in Alaska and Germany.

Hobbies include quilting (she loves it), gardening, doll making, crafts, selling at craft sales, horses, reading, and judging 4-H.

Dar was in a high school art class with Richard Giebenhain. In later years, he was putting in a fireplace at her Monticello home, and invited her and Dan to start square dance lessons.

Studying psychology helped lead to 11 years as a divorce facilitator for Catholic Charities. Dar works in the retail industry at present.

Dan is a 2 year in-a-row past king of County Line. Dar is a past queen and is presently writing our club news for the Roundup. Together and with others Dan, Dar, and Diana have all co-chaired many picnics and Christmas parties.

Dancing with Abe in July:

- 4 McGrath (12 to 1 PM)
- 6 Hopkins (12:30 to 2:30 PM)
- 10 Monticello Workshop (7 to 9 PM)
- 13 Hopkins (12:30 to 2:30 PM)
- 14 Dakota Grand Squares (7 to 9:30 PM)
Club picnic at 6 PM
- 20 Hopkins (12:30 to 2:30 PM)
- 27 Hopkins (12:30 to 2:30 PM)
- 29 Wright County Fair (1 to 2 PM)
- 31 Monticello Workshop (7 to 9 PM)

Dances in July:

- 7 Rays Promenaders, Brainerd
(Richard Miller)
- 12 Spares & Pairs, Bloomington
(Dick Rueter)
- 14 Dakota Grand, S. St. Paul
(Abe Maier)
- 19 Beaux & Belles, St. Cloud (Tom Allen)
- 23 SDM Summer Festival
- 26 ETTA, St. Cloud (Tom Allen)