



County Line Squares News

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President's Message

We have a wonderful group of people who volunteer their time to keep County Line Squares a great club. I want to thank all the people who are helping me during my presidency. Also thanks to all the dancers who go to workshops and demos and other dances to represent our club. Many hands make little work. I am so thankful for each and every one of you.

We had our picnic at Pat and Rich Giebenhain's and everyone I talk to says they had a good time. At the Wright County Fair we had more than three squares of dancers who had a good time dancing with royalty from several other towns.

August is showing to be another busy month. We have demos in Clearwater August 3, Monticello August 4, Nowthen August 19, Monticello again August 22, and Askov August 25. We also have workshops August 13 and August 20 to help keep our skills sharp and learn some plus at the same time. These times are also a great time to socialize with other dancers.

We will be having a workshop on July 30 at the high school. Mavis has consolidated our supplies as the schools do not want us to have more than three totes stored there. Mavis will bring all the extra things to the workshop on July 30. There are decorations and extra serving supplies. If you have donated some of these items and want them back please pick them up at the dance before 8:00 p.m. or call Mavis and let her know you want them. If there is any left

after 8:00 p.m. and you can use decorations (or supplies) for dances you will be hosting this year, please take what you may need. (Free will donations will be accepted). It is the responsibility of the host/hostess to provide decorations for the dance they have signed up for. These items can no longer be stored by County Line Squares.

Sandy

Caller's Corner

It is August and summer is not over yet. Let us enjoy every minute of it. I'm happy many of you are coming to the workshops. Although Carol and I would like to see more of you there. It is a wonderful time to learn those calls that are giving you trouble. Let me know which ones they are and I'll do my best to help you out.

Did you know Henry Ford was a square dancer? In fact, the great inventor had a large square dance hall built in Michigan to accommodate the many dancers there. Henry had said once, and I quote: Coming together is a beginning; keeping together is progress; working together is success. That is the exact reason County Line Squares is doing and have done well, so let us not falter.

Abe and Carol

Anniversaries

13	Dale and Kristine DeWitt
22	Rick and Ruth Lehn

Promenade with Abe!

- 2 Afternoon Squares, Hopkins (Dance)
- 3 Heritage Days, Clearwater (Demo)
- 9 Afternoon Squares, Hopkins (Dance)
- 10 Dakota Grand Squares, (Dance)
- 13 County Line Squares, Monticello (Workshop)
- 16 Afternoon Squares, Hopkins (Dance)
- 19 Threshing Show, Nowthen (Demo)
- 20 County Line Squares, Monticello (Workshop)
- 22 Community Center, Monticello (Demo)
- 23 Afternoon Squares, Hopkins (Dance)
- 25 Rutabaga Days Festival and Fair, Askov (Demo)
- 30 Afternoon Squares, Hopkins (Dance)

Demos

Aug 3, Fri, 5:30-6:30 p.m., Heritage Days, Clearwater Shopping Center, 740 Clearwater Center, Clearwater, MN 55320

Aug 4, Sat, 7:00-8:30 p.m., Lund Residence Block Party, 6305 85th St NE, Monticello, MN 55362

Aug 19, Sun, 12:15-1:00 p.m., Nowthen Threshing Show Pavilion, 7415 Old Viking Blvd NW, Nowthen, MN 55303

Aug 22, Wed, 2:30-4:00 p.m., Monticello Community Center Pie Social Fund Raiser, 505 Walnut St, Monticello, MN 55362

Aug 25, Sat, 11:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m., Rutabaga Festival and Fair, Askov Town Picnic Shelter, Brogade & Kobmagergade, Askov, MN 55704

A copy of the Summer Demo/Special Events/Workshops for 2018 is attached. Updates will be provided as changes are made to the schedule.

Birthdays

- 2 Gael Zachman
- 7 Arlie Manz
- 10 Sandee Blanchet
- 10 Larry Sampson
- 11 Don Lundell
- 15 Wendy Walker
- 16 Richard Giebenhain
- 20 Leo Endres
- 24 Nic Olmscheid
- 27 Lisa Murphy
- 31 Robert Meyer

Banner Raids

- Wed, 1 Beaux & Belles, St Cloud (Tom Allen)
- Wed, 8 Spares & Pairs, Bloomington (Dick Rueter)
- Fri, 10 Dakota Grand Squares, St Paul (Abe Maier)
- Wed, 15 Beaux & Belles, St Cloud (Tom Allen)
- Fri, 17 Westonka Whirlers, Mound (Dick Rueter)
- Wed 22 ETTA Square & Rounds, St Cloud (Tom Allen)
- Tue, 28 L & M Squares, Fargo, (Roger McNeil)
- Wed, 29 Spares & Pairs, Bloomington (Dick Rueter)

80th Birthday Celebration

Arlie Manz will be celebrating his 80th birthday with an open house on August 12 (Sunday), 2:00-5:00 p.m. – program at 3:00 p.m., Buffalo Covenant Church Youth Room, 1601 State Highway 25-N, across from the Buffalo Hospital.

Dance Hosting

Hosts are needed for the upcoming County Line Squares dances. We need help for the September 14 dance, so please sign up soon. A sign-up sheet will be at the summer workshops.

Member Spotlight

Lorraine Wilson

Lorraine's life started with a home birth in Greenbush Township in Mille Lacs County. She is the oldest of four having two sisters and one brother.

As the oldest, she was her dad's helper on their farm in Greenbush Township. Growing up in the Princeton area, attending a one-room country schoolhouse through eighth grade, and graduation from four years at Princeton High School were her formative years. Her husband of 57 years passed away in 2007. They raised their three sons on a farm. The boys are scattered with one living in Alaska, one in North Carolina, and one in Minnesota. She has seven great-grand kids.

One of Lorraine's titles was working mom. She also waitressed, worked at Honeywell in the mailroom, was in the medical records department at Anoka State Hospital, did a stint for a volunteer ambulance service in Zimmerman as an EMT, and worked as a nursing assistant at Elk River Guardian Angels (her last and best job she says). Added to that she helped her husband farm driving tractor, combine, disking, cultivating, milking cows, and even cleaning the barn! When asked why she started square dancing, the reply was through a friend who belonged to Hot Foot Stompers where she had her 1st lesson. Upon learning Monticello had classes she continued there as it was closer for her. Lorraine started lessons in 2012 graduating in 2013 from County Line Squares for her first certificate and also obtained a certificate from Florida as well in the same time frame. She and three other gals attended the national convention in Kansas City this summer.

Hobbies are counted cross stitch, reading, all kinds of dancing, and becoming a snowbird wintering in Florida since 2000. If you ever get to Zephyrhills, Florida, you are invited for coffee!!