

County Line Squares News

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President's Message

Thank you to the hosts and hostesses at our March 13 dance where we had 5 squares from 8 clubs. Unfortunately, this was the start of the COVID-19 pandemic and some dancers had already decided to remain home.

Ten members from County Line Squares went to the Koronis Nite Owls dance in Paynesville with Dean Dederman the next evening. All dances after that were cancelled.

As much as we wanted to have class and a meeting on the 16th, the board and Abe felt it was best to remain home.

Even with COVID-19 there is some good things that happen. For the people who are able to work from home – great. We feel for retail and restaurant workers that are not able to work. One good thing is families are eating a meal together. Kids may be learning in a different form with the help of the computer.

It is great the price of gas is way down, but we don't have a chance to make use of the low price with no dances to go to.

This is a small monthly newsletter; however, we feel it is important to keep in touch.

Yellow rocks to all!

Mavis and Don
Presidents

Caller's Corner

We are thinking of you and we hope and pray you are all feeling good. We do miss all of you! In our square dance family we are allowed to share our smiles, feelings, and our joys with those around us. Our square dance community give each other joy and happiness. May this Easter season bring you happiness and comfort! God bless our County Line group and all square dancers!

Hope to see you soon!

Abe & Carol

Classes

Classes at the Monticello Middle School are cancelled for the month of April 2020 due to the school being closed during the coronavirus pandemic.

Bi-annual Meeting

County Line Squares bi-annual membership meeting was cancelled on March 16, 2020. The agenda item we need to complete soon is the election of a 2nd Vice President and the selection of a king and queen. Later this week you should receive an email (non-email recipients will receive guidance via U.S. mail) that provides the names of those nominated and directions to respond to the email address with your vote.

Square Dance

The County Line Squares dance scheduled for Friday, April 3, 2020 has been cancelled.

Promenade with Abe!

Classes and dances cancelled due to social-distancing guidelines being extended to April 30, 2020.

Banner Raids

No banner raids scheduled for April 2020.

Conventions

The 68th Minnesota State Square and Round Dance Convention will be held in Mankato, June 12-14, 2020.

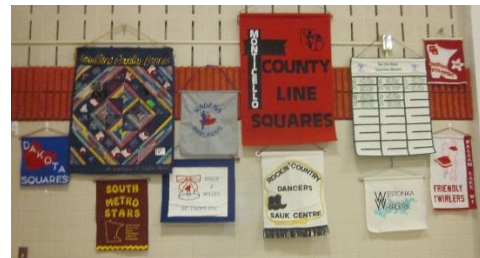
The 69th National Square Dance Convention scheduled to be held in Spokane, Washington, June 24-27, 2020 has been cancelled. If you have already registered, your funds will be reimbursed or you can donate these funds for convention expenses.

Birthdays

- 9 Pam Ouellette
- 13 Betty Curran
- 14 Vi Schlagel
- 18 Susan Oachs
- 19 Bob Frappier
- 19 Steve Leinonen
- 24 Arlan Schlagel
- 24 Doug Zachman

March Square Dance

The County Line Squares “*Green Dance*” was held on March 13, 2020, with Caller Abe Maier and Cuer Ken LaBau. Five squares with dancers from Ar-Dale Dancers, County Line Squares, Jolly Promenaders, Jolly Twirlers, Hotfoot Stompers, Koronis Nite Owls, Spares & Pairs, and Westonka Whirlers were in attendance.



Banners on display.



Westonka Whirlers retrieved their banner



Jolly Twirlers (with an assist from Koronis Nite Owls) had enough dancers for a banner

Out and About

County Line Squares members are usually busy dancing and claiming or retrieving banners from other organizations. A couple of their March activities are featured below:



Beaux & Belles – March 4
(Already had their banner)



Koronis Nite Owls – March 14
(Retrieved our banner)

Themes for Next Year's Dances

The County Line Squares board will be deciding on the themes for next year's dances. If you have any suggestions, please send them to clsquares@aol.com.

Anniversaries

- 20 Helen and Steve Leinonen
- 21 Lois and Dennis Bishop

Royalty Luncheon

The 39th Annual Royalty Luncheon scheduled for April 18, 2020 has been rescheduled for May 16, 2020, 4:00-6:00 p.m., at the Gillespie Center in Mound, MN.

SDM Spring Festival

The SDM Spring Festival scheduled for May 2, 2020 has been cancelled.