

C.L.O.G. Today™

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By Pam Smiley

Covid can't stop us! Earn Your Tape took on a new look this year, but the dancing could not be stopped!

Roxanne Boelter, Diane Jacobsen, and Todd Harry came together to make it happen—all from Todd's garage! Guest instructors Sarah Dwight-Gilroy and Ian Enriquez journeyed from their homes in Northern California so they could make the virtual live event more seamless. They all brought their own microphones and danced socially distant when not teaching so everyone was safe.

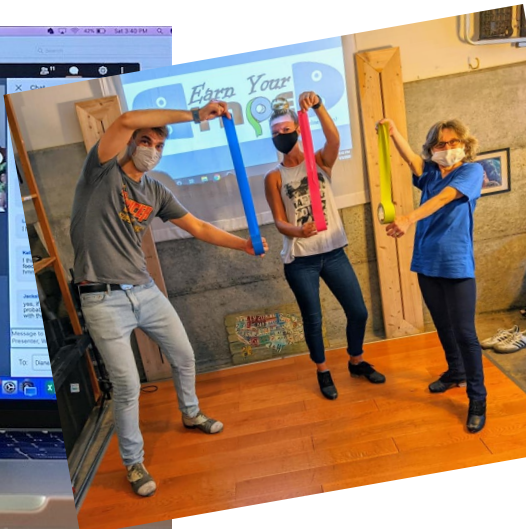
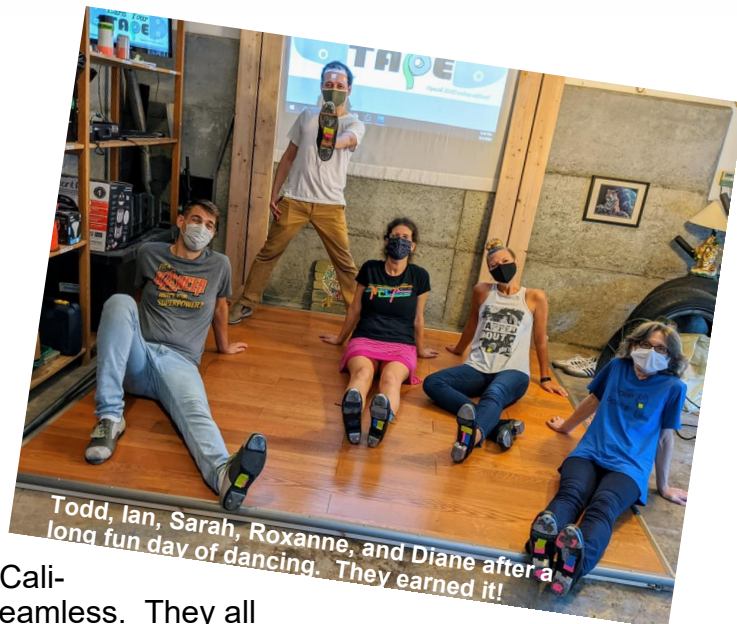
There were a lot of great routines and a lot of laughs along the way. Watching Todd talk to us from the floor mic—so as not to share mics when others were teaching was a sight to behold for sure.

Ian brought his personality by his different attire for each of his routines. That sure helped put the mood on his dances and added to the fun.

Lunch together looked a little different this year too. But we all met on Zoom to share lunch and catch up.

If you were able to attend, be sure to get your tape from Roxanne, Diane or Todd once we can all be on the dance floor together again. If you weren't able to attend live that day, you can catch the whole workshop on YouTube! (<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=arrCsedEPMc>) and still Earn Your Tape!

Cuesheets are also linked there.



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Upcoming Sessions:

July 21-22, 2021—New Orleans, LA

Marilyn Hansen CCI Tuition Scholarship

In Honor and memory of Marilyn Hansen

What is the Marilyn Hansen Scholarship?

This scholarship was established to honor the memory of Marilyn Hansen, a woman who supported clogging through much of her life and was dedicated to the cause of education in the area of clogging instructors. This grant includes tuition scholarship for the Certified Clogging Instructor Program for two sessions and the application fee worth \$310.00.



- This scholarship does not include travel and lodging.
- The scholarship cannot be applied to franchise sponsored CCI Sessions, it can only be applied to CCI Sessions offered by CLOG such as sessions offered during the National CLOG Convention.
- The scholarship must be used in the same year it is awarded.
- The minimum age limit for CCI seminars and the scholarship is 16 years of age.

How To Apply:

Letters of Application will be accepted from July 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020. Applicants will be notified by January 31, 2021.

For more information visit: Clog.org



We listened to your Comments!! For the first time in 37 years the National CLOG Convention moves to the Summer!

See you July 22-24, 2021

New Orleans



C.L.O.G.—37th National Convention * July 22-24, 2021

Sheraton New Orleans

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Why should you come to the National Convention?

National Instructors
 learn from the masters

Choice of Material
 Over 60 classes, all levels

Certifications
 Teaching, Judging

Nighttime Dances
 3 nights straight nights of fun!

Vendors
 Shoes, apparel, and more!

Universal Clogging Championships
 See top teams compete

Tours

French Quarter Ghost Tour

Experience Spooky NOLA with the Whole Family!

The Ghost Tour of NOLA is one the whole family can enjoy. All ages of chill-seekers will love this guided tour of the French Quarter, a neighborhood brimming with eerie secrets and supernatural activity. As you walk to some of the most haunted locations in the city, experience spooky stories and unexplained events—all made appropriate for adults and kids alike

Cemetery Tour

Visit our Oldest and Most Famous Cemetery!

New Orleans' Cemeteries offer more than beautifully ornate tombs—they are steeped in history. At St. Louis Cemetery #1 you will see the tombs of New Orleans notables Marie Laveau, Homer Plessy, and even the empty tomb of Nick Cage. No one should leave New Orleans without visiting one of our "cities of the dead." But it's more than just the dead—on this tour you will learn the about the burial customs, traditions, and people that made New Orleans what it is today. Take a walk with us through New Orleans history seen through the eyes of those that have left us.

Riverboat Dinner Jazz Cruise

Friday, July 23 6-9p

**Tentative Schedule
 July 22, 23, 24**

- Certified Clogging Instructor Seminar—Wed, Thur
- Judges & Directors Seminar—Thur
- Nightly Fun Dances—Thur, Fri, Sat
- Workshop Halls— Fri, Sat
- Universal Clogging Championships—Sat
- Exhibitions—Fri
- Open Teach Hall—Thurs
- Riverboat Dinner Jazz Cruise—Fri

To register for all events visit
CLOG.ORG

New Choreo....

From the Clog Dog—Josh King

LEVEL: Intermediate

MUSIC: by Brothers Osborne

LENGTH: 2:48 Mins

CHOREO: Josh "Clogdog" King

Visit www.theclogdog.com for cue sheets & videos!

SEQUENCE: A – B – Break - A - B - Bridge - A - B - Break - Break

WAIT: 16 beats. LEFT FOOT LEAD.

Beats Movement

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PART A (32 beats)

4 Triple Brush (1/4L)
4 Turkish
4 Cotton Run (3/4R)
4 Outhouse Rock
4 Triple Brush (1/4L)
4 Turkish
4 Cotton Run (3/4R)
4 Outhouse Rock

PART B (40 beats)

4 Slur Rock 2
4 Kangarooroo
4 Skuff Brush Toe
4 Triple (back)
4 Slur Rock 2
4 Triple (360R)
4 Twist & 3
4 Fancy Double
4 Twist & 3
4 2 Basics

BREAK (16 beats)

4 Brushover Stop
4 Lift Stomp Double
4 Brushover Stop
4 Lift Stomp Double

PART A (32 beats)

4 Triple Brush (1/4L)
4 Turkish
4 Cotton Run (3/4R)
4 Outhouse Rock
4 Triple Brush (1/4L)
4 Turkish
4 Cotton Run (3/4R)
4 Outhouse Rock

PART B (40 beats)

4 Slur Rock 2
4 Kangarooroo
4 Skuff Brush Toe
4 Triple (back)
4 Slur Rock 2
4 Triple (360R)
4 Twist & 3
4 Fancy Double
4 Twist & 3
4 2 Basics

BRIDGE (48 beats)

2 Pivot Turn (1/4R)
6 Flanges
2 Pivot Turn (1/4R)
6 Extra Goat
2 Pivot Turn (1/4R)
6 Run 4 & Stomp Dbl 3
2 Pivot Turn (1/4R)
6 Extra Goat
8 3 Flicker Fleas & Basic
8 3 Flea Flickers & Basic

PART A (32 beats)

4 Triple Brush (1/4L)
4 Turkish*
4 Cotton Run (3/4R)
4 Outhouse Rock
4 Triple Brush (1/4L)
4 Turkish*
4 Cotton Run (3/4R)
4 Outhouse Rock

PART B (40 beats)

4 Slur Rock 2
4 Kangarooroo
4 Skuff Brush Toe
4 Triple (back)
4 Slur Rock 2
4 Triple (360R)
4 Twist & 3
4 Fancy Double
4 Twist & 3
4 2 Basics

BREAK (16 beats)

4 Brush Over Stop
4 Lift Stomp Double
4 Brush Over Stop
4 Lift Stomp Double

BREAK (16 beats)

4 Brush Over Stop
4 Lift Stomp Double
4 Brush Over Stop
4 Lift Stomp Double

*-on the last Part A, you can replace with the Fast Turkish (see page 2)

Step Explanations for: 'All Night' - Choreo by: J. King**TRIPLE BRUSH: (4)**

DS DS DS BR-SL
L R L R L
&1 &2 &3 & 4

TURKISH: (4)

HEEL FLAP S(ib) HEEL FLAP S(ib) S S
R R L R R L R L
& 1 & 2 & 3 & 4

COTTON RUN: (4)

DT(xif) DT(x) B B B S
R R R L R L
&1 &2 & 3 & 4

OUTHOUSE ROCK: (4)

DS(xib) R(os)-S R(xif)-S R(os)-S
R L R L R L R
&1 & 2 & 3 & 4

TRIPLE: (4)

DS DS DS RS
L R L RL
&1 &2 &3 &4

SLUR ROCK 2: (4)

DS Slur(behind) S(xib) RS RS
L R R LR LR
&1 & 2 &3 &4

KANGAROO: (4½)

DS SL SL RS SL RS
L L L RL L RL
&1 & 2 &3 & 4½

SKUFF BRUSH TOE: (4)

SK(f)-HOP BR(b)-HOP T(ib)-HOP STEP
L R L R L R L
1 & 2 & 3 & 4

TWIST & 3: (4)

Dbl-(Twist L ankle - out-in-out) STEP RS
L L L L RL
&a 1 & 2 3 &4

FANCY DOUBLE: (4)

DS DS RS RS
R L RL RL
&1 &2 &3 &4

2 BASICS: (4)

DS RS DS RS
L RL R LR
&1 &2 &3 &4

BRUSHOVER STOP: (4)

DS BR-SL(xif) T-S(xif) T(ib)
L R L R R L
&1 & 2 & 3 & (4)

LIFT STOMP DOUBLE: (4)

LIFT/SL ST DS DS RS
L R L R L RL
& 1 &2 &3 &4

PIVOT TURN: (2)

S(if) [pivot ¼ R] S
L R R
1 (&) 2

FLANGES: (6)

DS(if)/Flange S(if)/Fla S(if)/Fla BR-SL DS RS
L R L R L R R L R LR
1 3 4 5 & 6 &7 &8

PIVOT TURN: (2)

S(if) [pivot ¼ R] S
L R R
1 (&) 2

EXTRA GOAT: (6)

DS R(xif)-S R(os)-S R(xif)-S R(os)-S S(ib)-SL
L R L R L R L R R
&3 & 4 & 5 & 6 & 7 & 8

PIVOT TURN: (2)

S(if) [pivot ¼ R] S
L R R
1 (&) 2

RUN 4 & STOMP DOUBLE 3: (6)

B B B S ST DS DS DS
L R L R L R L R
3 & 4 & 5 &6 &7 &8

3 FLICKER FLEAS & A BASIC: (8)

ST DT-SL DS DT-SL DS DT-SL DS RS
L R L R L R L R L R LR
1 &a 2 &3 &a 4 &5 &a 6 &7 &8

3 FLEA FLICKERS & A BASIC: (8)

DT-SL DS DT-SL DS DT-SL DS DS RS
L R L R L R L R L R LR
&a 1 &2 &a 3 &4 &a 5 &6 &7 &8

*-Optional replacement for Turkish on last Part A:

FAST TURKISH: (4)

HEEL-FLAP S(ib) HEEL-FLAP S(ib) HEEL-FLAP S(ib) S S
R R L R R L R R L R L
& a 1 & a 2 & a 3 & 4

Find the YouTube teach from ClogOn 2020 here:
<https://youtu.be/NeYx-xCMTow> . And the
cuesheet can be found on TheClogDog.com.
[http://theclogdog.com/wp-content/uploads/
All_Night.pdf](http://theclogdog.com/wp-content/uploads/All_Night.pdf)

HARD SHOES TO FILL

By: Barbara Elko

As this lockdown stretches into infinity there has been a lot of extra time to reflect.

Many have set up offices and school rooms in their homes. Others complete projects that they never had time for. The lockdown has dragged on so long we are compelled to address the mundane jobs. A variety of emotions have been explored. I have prayed and will continue to pray for everyone's physical and mental health.

Our club started back to practice, then stopped, at this point I do not know the future of the Pioneer Cloggers. Probably numerous clubs are in the same position UGH! I decided to have a fall party for the dancers, their children, and grandchildren. Thinking mostly of the children who may or may not be able to celebrate Halloween. Our children have already been victimized enough by this virus, time for them to be kids again! The party was a great success. We ended the day doing the Hokey Pokey. The sound of unleashed laughter was uplifting! Another thing occurred at this party and that is what prompted this article.

One of the dancers handed me a small red bag and said she would like to donate the contents to our club. Upon opening the bag, I saw two pair of shoes and immediately asked her if she was quitting clogging. She said, oh no way, those are Marge's and Don's shoes. My heart skipped a few beats. Marge lost her battle with cancer, and Don is the lost soul left behind. Don was never a big fan of clogging, but he was Marge's number one fan, so he danced.

Marge was member of a group from Toronto Canada. I had the good fortune of befriending them at Fonda Hill's Midwest Workshop.

It took a few days before I was ready to explore the contents of the little red bag.

Holding the empty shoes, I heard the laughter of the lady who once wore them. I saw the couple who stole kisses and held hands. One pocket held several cue sheets. Were these routines she was working on, or were these some of her favorites? Sadly, I will never know the answer to that question.

The significance of what filled the last pocket overwhelmed me. In that pocket were Marge's dance ribbons! The majority were from past C.L.O.G. National Conventions. Looking through them flooded me with so many wonderful memories. Riding the bull at Billy Bob's, was hysterical. Baltimore a wonderful dinner shared at an Irish Pub in the Inner Harbor. New Orleans ferry ride to Algiers. A Christmas celebration in Grapevine Texas, whereby the way our behinds froze. Reno taking in the National Bowling Stadium, and a show at the Eldorado where we got to watch Morgan Hudson blush on stage. Touring San Diego shipyards, and shopping at Sea Port Village. Well truth be told shopping was part of every convention, after all Marge was a Canadian!

The list of fun times is endless, as are the friendships formed clogging. I guess I just want to thank all those who bring us together on the dance floor. Times are tough, let's hope we hear Jeff's corny West Virginia accent, see Naomi's granny underwear, Missy's feet flying around the stage, Chip's dimple, Mellissa and Rob Pack, Andy Howard, and Blake Dunn patiently sharing traditional dance, Shane's colorful personality, Judy and her explosive energy, just to name a few SOON!!!

Hanna Healy and the Nickel City Gang thanks for all your hard work year after year. Susan and David Philips and the Board of Directors of C.L.O.G. you are responsible for many of the great memories created at the National Clogging Convention, the extra excursion have been incredible thank you.

As I carefully pack Marge's cue sheets, dance ribbons, and shoes back in the little red bag

I think...hard shoes to fill.



Things are changing quickly and we are trying to keep up. Please reach out to events for specific information



Upcoming Events

November 28, 2020

2020 Virtual Convention Fun Dance
Watch Clog.Org for more information!

January 22-24, 2021

Oregon Mid-Winter Festival
Linn County Expo Center
Albany, Oregon
Aaron & Linda Gibbens (541) 344-8433
a_gibbens@msn.com

March 26-27, 2021

City Slicker Stomp
Independence, MO
Missy Shinoski 816-443-3030
kloghop@sbcglobal.net
www.CitySlickerStomp.Info

April 23-24, 2021

Clogging in the Natural State
Hilton Garden Inn
North Little Rock, AR
Kathy Wilson 870-243-8113
dancetymestudio@gmail.com
www.arkansascloggingcouncil.com

June 25-26, 2021

NCCA Clogging Convention
Crowne Plaza Hotel
Sacramento, CA
NCCA-INC.com

July 22-24, 2021

37th Annual C.L.O.G. National Clogging
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Sheraton New Orleans
New Orleans, LA
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Competitions

March 26-27, 2021

City Slicker Stomp Competition (NCHC)
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March 27, 2021

Winter Clogging Invitational(NCHC)
Polk County High School
Columbus, NC
Chip Summey Ncjcs@aol.com

Check with event coordinators to confirm event details!

*Have an event you want listed here?
Send the information to:
CLOGToday@clog.org*

April 3, 2021

Southern Junction Clogging Championships
(NCHC)
Wren County High School
Piedmont, SC
Gwen Stamp (864)299-8601
clogfan@yahoo.com

May 8-9, 2021

Dollywood Clogging Classic(NCHC)
Dollywood
Pigeon Forge, TN
David & Susan Phillips
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<http://dwccclog.webs.com/>

June 19, 2021

Grand Challenge of Champions(NCHC)
Silver Dollar City
Branson, MO
David and Susan Phillips
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June 26, 2021

Mississippi State Showdown (NCHC)
Petal—PAC
Petal, MS
Sarah Hughes (770) 519-2015
sardarby@gmail.com

July 3, 2021

Let the Sparks Fly (NCHC)
Cabool, MO
Rebecca Peterson (417) 254-3168
matbec@centurytel.net

July 22-24, 2021

Northeast Clogging Competition
Nashua, NH
Beth Kendall 802-439-3349
bkendall@tops-tele.com

July 24, 2021

Universal Clogging Grand Slam Invitational
& Competition
Sheraton New Orleans
New Orleans, LA
David & Susan Phillips 678-889-4355
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clog.org

August 14, 2021

Wilson County Fair (NCHC)
Wilson County Fair
Lebanon, TN
Grace Pack gpac33@aol.com

September 4-5, 2021

USA National Championships (NCHC)
Gaylord Opryland Hotel
Nashville, TN
Registration Information:
ALANIER821@AOL.COM
Opryland Hotel Reservations
ON-LINE Reservations

October 2, 2021

Georgia State Clogging Festival (NCHC)
Anderson Music Hall
Hiawassee, GA
David and Susan Phillips
clog@clog.org
<https://gscfclog.wixsite.com/gscfclog>

October 16-17, 2021

Carowinds Clogging Classic (NCHC)
Carowinds
Charlotte, NC
Ashley Hensley
thedancefactory2016@gmail.com

November 6, 2021

Mars Hill Match-Up (NCHC)
Mars Hill University Moore Auditorium
Mars Hill, NC
Danielle Plimpton dplimpton@yahoo.com
<http://baileymountaincloggers.yolasite.com/cadence.php>

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Wednesday-Thursday	Optional Tours
Evening	
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Thursday	Welcome Fun Dance
Friday	Workshops- National Instructors
	Featured Instructors
Friday Evening	Exhibitions and Fun Dance
Friday Evening	Optional Riverboat Jazz Dinner
Saturday	Workshops- National Instructors
	Featured Instructors
Saturday	Universal Clogging Championships
Saturday Evening	Fun Dance

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[Online Convention Registration](#)

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