

Flamin' Dick & the Hot Rods – Press Release Info – 2024/2025

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Flamin' Dick & the Hot Rods (FDHR) delivers a musical journey through the “golden years” of Rock ‘n’ Roll. In 2025, they celebrate 40 years as everyone’s premiere party band.

Their renditions of classic songs, originally performed by iconic artists such as Chuck Berry, Jerry Lee Lewis, Elvis Presley, Eddie Cochran, Bill Haley, Dion, and many others, capture the authentic sound and feel of the originals. Enjoy your favorite hits brought to life by FDHR.

There have been a few guesses as to how Dick Weatherholtz, the leader, came up with the name of the band. Here is the “real story” told by Dick himself: “It all started with a 1960 Cadillac Custom two door hardtop. My friend “Slick” Matthews and I were in my garage painting flames over the hood and front fenders on the Caddy. After working through the night, masking off the area to be painted, painting the area and then finally unmasking the car, we ended up at about 7:30 A.M.! We stepped back from the Caddy and Slick said, alright! “*Flamin' Dick*”! And that was that!”

About a year later, it happened. In 1985, he started forming the group. The rest, as they say, is history. *What a ride!* The last known whereabouts of the Caddy is it was sold, exported overseas, and is now on display in a bar in Europe.

Current band members include: Dick Weatherholtz, guitar/vocals; Glenn Balthaser, bass/vocals; Keith Rentschler, guitar/vocals; Jeff Stoner, drums/vocals; Rob Lienti, keyboards/vocals; Mike Anderson, saxophone/vocals.

Information on FDHR’s schedule, merchandise, videos, and more can be found at either www.flamindick.com or www.facebook.com/FDandtheHotRods.

Quotes from Flamin' Dick and the Hot Rod's Facebook fans:

- “Get your dancing shoes on...”
- “Wow! 40 years! Amazingly wonderful!!”
- “Awesome night & band!!!”
- “It was so much fun and you guys rocked it! We always love seeing you boys! Thank you.”
- “Great music and great band.”
- “Nice harmonies!”
- “Had a great time tonight – you guys sounded great.”
- “That was hoppin’ and jumpin’ music!!!!”
- “I’ve been in music and bands most of my life but y’all are one of the best.”
- “Best band ever!”
- “Love them. Best dance band around.”
- “Y’all need to come down to South Alabama.”
- “Getting my dancing shoes out for this one!!!”
- “Fantastic show. We drove from Bloomsburg to see you guys. Love the music.”
- “TOTALLY OUTSTANDING !!!!!!!”