



Sets in Step newsletter for

**JULY** 2022

## President's Message

Dear Sets-in-Step members,

July is upon us with the traditional heat, red-white-blue decorations everywhere and unfortunately, Covid. We still must be diligent in what we can do to prevent the virus from spreading. Thank you all for understanding our Club's mandate of vaccination requirement at this time. The Covid protocols are always on the Board's agenda at every meeting so that we may analyze the best protocols for our club. If you would like to discuss or have input with the board, please speak to one of the board members or even, better, come to our next board meeting, this Tuesday night on Zoom at 7:30. Susan has sent out the Zoom information, so if you need it again or didn't get it, please contact Susan.

The good news is that travel has opened up and many of our members have been traveling within the United States and also overseas. We welcome them all home and glad they are safe. Perhaps in the newsletter, we can get a few pictures of our travelers' adventures. And maybe a story or two to share. If you plan to travel, please be safe and return to us healthy and well rested!

Later in this newsletter you will see this listing of the new board for 2022/2023 year. If you see one of them, let them know how wonderful it is that they have volunteered to lead the Club.

The board has appointed a committee to review and revise, where needed, the Club Bylaws this summer. Our target is to have a draft presented to the Board in the fall. Thank you, too, to those volunteers.

We do not have a Publicity Chair as of this date. So Ileana might be reaching out to all of us for help with publicity and marketing for the new class starting in September. If anyone would like to now volunteer for this chair position, please let one of the Board members know.

I wish you good health and happy times for this July. Take care and see you on the dance floor.

Respectfully,

Karyn

## The 2022-2023 Executive Board:

President: Karyn Smithson-Hughes  
Vice President: Don Hughes  
Treasurer: Will Shaw  
Secretary: Susan Collins  
Square Dance Association representative: Will Shaw  
Caller Coordinator: Jim Lesh  
Class Coordinator: Ileana Shaw  
Historian: Stam Hill and Marie Hadaway-Hill  
Sherriff: Marie Hadaway-Hill  
Party Chair: Sandy MacLennan  
Social Chair - open  
Publicity Chair - open  
Phone tree coordinator: Sandy MacLennan

## New Members

Welcome to our two newest members! Pam Goodrich and Estela Rodriguez were voted into the club at the June Board meeting. In all, we have had seven new people join our club so far in 2022! We cannot thank you all enough for bringing your enthusiasm and great new ideas to our club.

## 2022-23 directories

The printed club directories are “in production” and will be available in mid-July. Please note that these booklets are an annual publication. Any post-production additions and changes will be distributed via the club newsletter.

New this year:

The club’s “ByLaws and Constitution” are *not* being included in the booklets that will be distributed in July. This is because we have a sub-committee currently looking at our ByLaws – some of which are seriously out-of-date (the ByLaws, not the committee members 😊 )  
ByLaws and Constitution Review Committee members: Jerry Ferguson, Don Hughes, Marie Hadaway-Hill, Karyn Smithson-Hughes, and Will Shaw. The committee will present their suggested changes sometime in early Fall. The full club membership will have the opportunity to vote on the changes.

The current ByLaws and Constitution (as-of May 2022) are available in last year’s club booklets, and they are also online at <https://www.setsinstep.org/bylaws-and-constitution.html>

## Emergency Contact

You can now provide an emergency contact name and phone number for the club to keep on file, so that we have someone to contact on your behalf, in the event of an emergency. The form is being included with this newsletter. Forms will also be available at our dances, and you can download one and print it out from our website (it’s on the same page as our membership application):

<https://www.setsinstep.org/membership-application.html>

## Club Dances \*

<u>Date</u>	<u>Caller</u>
JULY 1	<b>Bill (“Tex”) Gipson</b>
JULY 15	<b>Dale Hoppers</b>
AUGUST 5	<b>Steve Woodard</b>
AUGUST 19	<b>Dale Hoppers</b>

Dances are from 8:00 – 10:00 pm

Note: the Executive Board is exploring the idea of changing our regular dances to start a half hour earlier. The caller coordinator is reaching out to callers to find out if they could be available if we changed our time schedule. This would not impact any dances coming up soon because those are already contracted and publicized. No decisions have been made yet. If you have an opinion on the matter, let someone on the Board know!

\* Covid protocol: proof of vaccination is required, masks optional

## It’s time....

To start promoting our Fall class for new dancers! New this year: we are moving the class to Tuesdays, so that we can start earlier. The SSD class will run from 7:00 – 9:00, following by a half-hour workshop in Mainstream for people who already attended and graduated from our SSD class last year. This will give our newer members a chance to get acquainted with the calls not covered in SSD, and also will provide the other members a good opportunity to brush up!

There are two flyers that we are asking people to help distribute. One has just the “first 2 classes free” information, so that we can post it at businesses where solicitation for paid events is not allowed. See the flyer included with this newsletter.

We are also looking for volunteers to assist with handing out flyers at a “Music in the Park” event at the end of the summer. If you can help out, please contact Ileana Shaw.

## Happy Birthday to:

Arlene Lesh – July 8  
Lynn Barnett – July 11  
Randy Bishop – July 13  
Will Shaw – July 19  
Susan Collins – July 25  
Cathy Bishop – July 30

The Executive Board will meet, via Zoom, on Tuesday July 5<sup>th</sup> at 7:30 pm. The Zoom link was sent out via email in late June – non-Board members: if you would like to attend, please let Susan know to include you in the Zoom invite.

The August meeting will be on Tuesday August 2<sup>nd</sup> at 7:30 pm.

We will be voting on when to meet in September 2022 – May 2023, since the Tuesday evening timeslot will be reserved for our new dancer class.