

President's Message

Dear Sets-in-Steppers! Was that not the best Anniversary Dance ever?!!!! We had 52 visitors and were dancing in the dining room!! Amazing!!

So many folks contributed to this success. We had wonderful food and great 66 decorations thanks to all the volunteers that shared their favorite recipe items and to Sandy who coordinated the food AND who also was in charge of the decorating. And that cake!!! One of our newest members, Jill, designed, baked, and decorated that beautiful cake. Hope you all got a taste of it! Ileana was not only one of the chefs but kept us all organized with her computer skills. We never missed a beat, thanks to Ileana. And what about the talent of Susan who designed those adorable danglers! Then there were all of those who helped all along the way during these last few months of planning AND then were there with a helping hand in set-up, running to get ice (KofC ice machine wasn't working) just before the dance started, those helping clean up and for all the countless folks that just did what was needed to be done, member or visitor.

Thanks so much to everyone that attended, gave a helping hand and all with a smile. Let's do it again next year!!!

Respectfully,

Karyn



Top row: 1) the wonderful cake designed and made by Jill Jordan, 2) Randy from Grin & Square Its singing with Darren and the band. Bottom: group photo of Sets in Step members and friends.

We had a great turnout -- The Valley Trailers came as a visitation, and we also had visitors from the San Gabriel Valley B'n'Bs, the Grin and Square Its, the Tinseltown Squares, Farmers & Charmers, Boots & Slippers, Buckles & Bows and the Sierra Hillbillies!



Welcome to our newest members

In May we had four new members join our club! **Karen Lee and Mike Pauken**, and **Jill Jordan and Larry Go**. Be sure to say hello and give them a great big Sets in Step WELCOME!

Sets in Step Club Dances

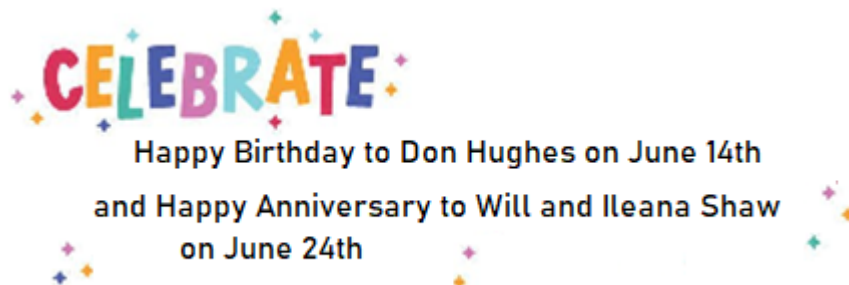
Date	Caller	Theme (for party dances)	Refreshments (for party dances)
JUNE 7	Shauna Kaaria		
JUNE 21	Bill Gipson	Theme: "Senior" Prom Decorators: Marie Hadaway-Hill and Stam Hill	sweet: Jinger Valenzuela salty: Sandy MacLennan fruit: Connie Yeseta
JULY 5	Andy Allemao		
JULY 19	Rod Shuping	Theme: Keeping Cool Decorator:	sweet: salty: Arlene Lesh fruit: Jim Lesh
AUG 4	Janienne Alexander		
AUG 16	Michael Kellogg	Theme: Watermelon Dance Decorator: Sandy MacLennan	sweet: Catherine Budincich salty: Will Shaw fruit: Ileana Shaw
SEP 6	Frank Lescrinier		
SEP 20	Don Schadt	Theme: Fall Leaves Decorator: Sandy MacLennan	sweet: Jinger Valenzuela salty: Lakshmi deSilva fruit: Jay Noell
OCT 4	Phil Farmer		
OCT 18	Steve Woodard	Theme: Toyland Decorator: Jay Noell	sweet: Bill Reardon salty: Gail Cooper fruit:
NOV 1	Mike Seastrom		
NOV 15	Dale Hoppers	Theme: Angel Appreciation Decorator: Susan Collins	sweet: Karyn Smithson-Hughes salty: Don Hughes fruit: Estella Rodriguez
DEC 6	Janienne Alexander		
DEC 20	Michael Kellogg	Theme: Jingle Bell Hop Decorator:	Food to be provided by club members. Our party chair will have signups ahead of time.

Please let Sandy MacLennan know if you can help at any of our "party dances" (third Friday of each month).

Note: The schedule above is subject to change. See updates at <https://www.setsinstep.org/schedule-of-dances-and-events.html>

Visitations

San Gabriel Valley BnBs on Saturday June 8th – squares are from 8:00 -10:00 pm. (Rounds start at 7:30, and rounds in-between square tips). The BnB s have a singles rotation for the SSD tips (every-other tip). First United Methodist Church, 5957 Golden West Ave. in Temple City. Rod Shuping is calling, and the theme is “Luau.” Sign-up sheets will be available at our club dance on June 7th – please let our visitation chairperson know if you plan to go.



Workshop

You have a few more weeks to get in some Mainstream and Plus practice with Dale Hoppers as our instructor: Mt. Olive Lutheran church: 3561 Foothill Blvd. in La Crescenta. 7:00 – 9:00 pm Tuesdays through the end of June. Because we have had such a great turn-out every week, we are able to lower the cost to **just \$5 per person**, per week! If you are able, please come a little early and/or stay a few minutes after the workshop, to help with the tables and chairs.

Club directory

The annually published booklet will be distributed in late June. If you have had a recent change in address, phone number, or email, please let Susan Collins know so that the information can be published correctly in our book.

Emergency contacts

If you have not already done so, please complete and turn in an “Emergency Contact form.” These are optional, but they can be very helpful. They are not kept in any publicly available place. They are merely kept on file so that our club has someone to contact in the unlikely event of an emergency. Forms are available from the club secretary or from our [website](#)

Election results, Turn-Over Board meeting and party

Sets in Step Executive Board for 2024-2025:

President: Karyn Smithson-Hughes

Vice President: Don Hughes

Treasurer: Will Shaw

Caller Recruiter: Jim Lesh

Class Chairperson: Ileana Shaw

Historian: Stam Hill

Party Chairperson: Sandy MacLennan

Publicity Chairperson: Jay Noell

Secretary: Susan Collins

Sheriff: Marie Hadaway-Hill

Square Dance Association representative: Will Shaw

Visitation Chairperson: Al York

The office of Social Chairperson remains open at this time. If you are interested in serving the Sets in Step as a coordinator of social (non-dancing) events, please contact someone on the Board.

The 2024-2025 Board will be officially installed on Sunday, June 23rd at the home of Karyn Smithson-Hughes and Don Hughes. We plan to have this party catered, but people can bring a salad or appetizer to share. Contact Karyn if you can bring something. Also, Karyn and Don have a pool, so everyone is welcome to bring their swimming suit!!

The regular Executive Board Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of every month. The next meeting will be on Wednesday, June 5th, at 7:00 pm, via zoom (the zoom link will be emailed ahead of time, along with the minutes of the May 2024 meeting.) Sets in Step Executive Board Meetings are open meetings: any club member interested in hearing about club plans and status reports may call or zoom in. If you would like the Board to discuss something in particular, please let Karyn know ahead of time so that she can put it on the agenda.

And finally, here are more pictures from the May 17th dance:

Karyn Smithson-Hughes, Bob Keiter and Al York, and some great dancin' ...

