

# Sets in Step news for April 2022



## President's Message

Happy Spring Sets-in-Steppers!

Let's hope we get April showers but not a deluge!

Our first April dance is actually on April 1<sup>st</sup>. So come with a sense of humor and with your dancing shoes on!

The Board will be meeting the first week in April. We have a very full agenda to include masks mandates, upcoming elections and our Anniversary Dance in May. If you ever wanted to attend a Board meeting this might be the one to do so. Susan sends out the Zoom invitation so contact her if you do not receive it.

Having brought up the elections, this is a good time to decide if you would like to serve on the Board and head a committee. Later in this newsletter, there are descriptions of some of the Board positions. All positions are open as each person must be nominated each year. The Board is the brains of SIS while all of you are the heart. So follow your heart and consider running for a position. We really do have a lot of fun and with the world opening up again, we want to be ready for even more fun and freedom. Come and join us to make that happen.

Welcome to Catherine Budincich, who completed our Social Square Dance class and has just become Sets in Step's newest member!! Welcome, Catherine!!

Take care of yourselves and remember – random acts of kindness can brighten your day as well as all those around you.

Your Presidents,

Jim and Karyn



## New member contact information

Last month we welcomed Jinger Valenzuela, and this month we welcome Catherine Budincich to our club! And there are two additional new people who are being voted on at the next Board meeting.

Members: please find the address and phone information for our new folks included with your newsletter – you can add this information to your current copy of the directory. New updated directories will be distributed in early July.

## Club Dances

| Date     | Caller                                | Theme                                    | Decorations   |
|----------|---------------------------------------|--|---|
| April 1  | <b>Burt Bacharach</b>                 |  |   |
| April 15 | <b>Jerry Lee Lewis</b>                | <i>Bunny Hop</i>                         | Sandy MacLennan  |
| May 6    | <b>Charlie Pride</b>                  |  |   |
| May 20   | <b>Darren Gallina, with live band</b> | <i>64<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance</i> | EVERYONE helping to blow up all those balloons.   |
| June 3   | <b>Barbra Streisand</b>               |  |   |

(**April Fools!** Just kidding ...April 1<sup>st</sup> Charlie Fagan will be calling for us, April 15<sup>th</sup> is Paul Waters, May 6<sup>th</sup> is Steve Woodard, and June 3<sup>rd</sup> is Michael Kellogg. Also, just kidding about the balloons: we'll order them already inflated.)



### HAPPY BIRTHDAY TO:

Ileana Shaw, April 5<sup>th</sup>  
 Connie Carper, April 9<sup>th</sup>  
 Leonardo da Vinci, April 15<sup>th</sup>  
 William Shakespeare, April 23<sup>rd</sup>

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY:  
 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of  
 EARTH DAY  
 April 22



**April Executive Board Meeting:** Tuesday, May 3rd, 2022  
 via floo-powder, or, for Muggles, via zoom/phone

## Election of the 2022-2023 Executive Board

The Nominating Committee has formed, and will be proposing a slate of officers for the election. The election will be held at the first dance in May (that's May 6<sup>th</sup> – no foolin'!) Prior to the vote, the slate of officers will be made available, and on the evening of the elections there can be new nominations “from the floor.” Anyone who has been a member for at least six months may run for office. All members of the club are allowed to vote.

This year's Nominating Committee is being chaired by Marie Hadaway-Hill. Committee members are:

- From the Past President's council: Karyn Smithson-Hughes
- From the current Executive Board: Will Shaw and Jim Lesh
- From the general membership: Marie Hadaway-Hill and Gail Cooper

Please reach out to the Nominating Committee if you have questions, suggestions, or would like to volunteer to serve on next year's Board.

Here are the official descriptions of the various board offices on the Sets in Step Executive Board (the following can also be found in the ByLaws section of the club directory booklet):

- The **President** or Co-President shall preside at all meetings. The President, with the consent of the Executive Board, shall appoint such committees as may be necessary. The President shall be responsible for the fulfillment of the duties of all other officers.
- The **Vice President** shall assist the President and/or Co-President in all meetings and act in the absence of the President. The Vice President shall be responsible for the purchase and maintenance of general supplies.
- The **Secretary** shall keep complete minutes of each board meeting, annually publish a Club Roster, publish a monthly calendar of events, appoint members to serve on the refreshment committee, and conduct all business correspondence.
- The **Treasurer** shall be custodian of all funds, collecting the Club member's dues and guest donations. He/She shall pay all bills and keep an accurate accounting of all income and disbursements. He/She shall keep the Club attendance record and shall maintain a checking account in the name of the Club.
- The **Party Chairman** shall be in charge of coordinating parties and other special events, including decorations.
- The **square dance association Representative** shall attend meetings of the association. A report of said meeting shall be given at the following club business meeting.
- The **Visitation Chairman** shall be responsible for setting up a club visitation for the club as a group. He/She shall keep a record of the Sets in Step visitation banners which have not been reclaimed.
- The **Publicity Chairman** is responsible for all ads, and the distribution and mailing of all ads and flyers, etc.
- The **Historian** shall be responsible for, and maintain the Historian Book, and appoint an alternate if they do not attend an event.
- The **Social Chairman** is responsible for greeting guests as they arrive and when they leave. Also, he/she shall coordinate special activities, such as progressive dinners and theater parties held on other than regular dance nights.
- The **Sheriff's** duties are to see that all members are wearing badges. It is his/her duty to collect a nominal fine from members not wearing their badges or for other misdemeanors. Any money collected is to be used for sending cards, flowers, and/or gifts to members who are ill and/or who have had a death in the immediate family.
- The **Class Chairman** shall be in charge of the beginners and work-shop classes which are sponsored by the club. He/She shall, subject to Executive Board approval, set the class night and the starting date, and obtain the instructor and the hall, He/She shall maintain an attendance record, collect the weekly student donation, and pay the caller and hall fees from this income.
- The person in charge of **Caller Recruiting** shall be responsible for the booking of all callers and maintains the signed contracts. He/She contacts the guest caller one week in advance to verify that they will be coming.
- The **Phone Tree coordinator** recruits people to help contact all members via phone when necessary, and initiates the phone tree in the event an important message needs to get out quickly.

Note there are sometimes "other duties" e.g.: the Presidents make sure accident event forms are completed. The Treasurer arranges for new badges to be made. The Secretary maintains the club's social media sites. The Historian keeps a digital photo record. The Sheriff tells jokes. We all pitch in and help in whatever way we can, and that is what makes our club extra special!