



## President's Message

Happy Season to all the Sets-in-Steppers!!

It is a happy season, isn't it. Don't you just love this time of year? It seems like 2023 dragged on but at the same time it went by so fast!!! Go figure.

Hope you have great plans for Christmas celebration and for New Year's. For the Club, we have the Christmas dance on December 15<sup>th</sup>. There is more information in this newsletter so keep reading. This year, we as a Club are inviting our graduating class members to attend the Christmas party. So if you see a newbie, be sure to introduce yourself and help them see how friendly we are!!

On December 2<sup>nd</sup>, there is a visitation for the Chips for Kids toy drive. That too is discussed later in this newsletter. But basically, come to the visitation dance and bring a toy! As most of you know this is always a great dance with many squares, callers and cuers. Hope to see you all there. Al York is organizing this visitation, so if you have any questions, ask him or any board member. There also should be a flyer at our first December dance.

See you on the dance floor!

Respectfully,

Karyn

## Visitations:

**Chips for Kids dance, on Saturday, December 2<sup>nd</sup>**, from 2-5 pm. It will be hosted again this year by the San Gabriel Valley B'n'B's, 5957 Golden West Ave. in Temple City. Bring an *unwrapped* toy valued at \$10 or more, or you can give a donation of \$10 at the door (no checks, please). All donations will benefit the children of our communities through the Chips for Kids program. Refreshments, a silent auction, Santa Claus... and multiple callers donating their time & talents. A fun dance you don't want to miss! If you cannot go but would still like to donate a toy, you can bring it to our regular club dance on December 1<sup>st</sup>, and someone who is going to the dance on the 2<sup>nd</sup> will deliver it for you.

On Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup>, **the Western Weavers will hold their final dance!** We are very sad to have to say farewell to our neighbor club. 7:30 pm, at the Joslyn Senior Center, 1301 W. Olive, in Burbank. This will be a benefit dance for the Burbank Temporary Aid Center; in addition to the door fee of \$10, please bring nonperishable food items for the Center. They also will be accepting cash donations. If you cannot go but would still like to help the Burbank Temporary Aid Center, bring your food/donation to our regular club dance on December 1<sup>st</sup>.

## Club Dances

Date	Caller	Theme (for party dances) *	Refreshments (for party dances)
DEC 1	Dale Hoppers		
DEC 15	Don Schadt	 Decorator: Karyn Smithson-Hughes	Dinner will be provided by Sets in Step members!!! See Sandy MacLennan to sign up for what you can bring.
JAN 5	Rod Shuping		
JAN 19	Phil Farmer	 Decorator: Susan Collins	sweet: Bill Reardon salty: Susan Collins fruit: Sandy MacLennan

\* Our Party Dances are on the third Friday of each month. You can always find our dance schedule and upcoming visitations listed at <https://www.setsinstep.org/schedule-of-dances-and-events.html>

## Class for new dancers

Congratulations to all of our class members! We will be having a graduation ceremony at the final class session, on December 12<sup>th</sup> -- and all of the graduating new SSD dancers are invited to come, *as our guests*, to the December 15<sup>th</sup> holiday dance!

Beginning on January 9<sup>th</sup>, we will start up a new SSD class. Every Tuesday, at St. George's Episcopal Church, 808 Foothill. We will be continuing the Mainstream/Plus class (continued from the fall) from 7:00-7:45 followed by the beginner SSD class from 7:45-9:30 pm.

**A call for assistance:** We are still actively looking for an alternate place to hold our classes in the future. If you can help us research potential sites, please let Ileana Shaw know.



Dec. 2: Lakshmi DeSilva  
 Dec. 22: Bill Garrett  
 Dec. 23: Estela Rodriguez  
 Dec. 27: Karyn Smithson-Hughes



Executive Board meeting  
 December 6<sup>th</sup> 7:00 pm  
 via zoom.