

**Sets in
Step**



**September
2023**

President's Message

Hi all!

Well, summer is coming to an end this month but hopefully winter weather will hold off a bit. We had great dances in August and are looking forward to September dances.

Thank you to everyone who read and voted on the Bylaws. As you know the revised Bylaws passed and we are updated. Thank you, also, to the Bylaws Committee lead by Marie. You did an outstanding job!

I am currently up in the Sierra Nevadas getting rejuvenated and resetting. There is nothing like walking through a forest, not on trail but cross country, where you feel like no other foot has stepped before you. Or getting up early and fishing the local lake for dinner – so serene. These are my restoring places. The places that give me a positive and energetic outlook on life. I hope, dear friends, that you have a place to be or go to rest and reset. It doesn't have to be 300 miles away in the Sierra Nevadas but can be as close as your own backyard. If you need a place, come with me next year!! We can do it together!!

Ok, so much for Karyn's philosophy. Have a great Fall. See you at the dances and visitations!

Regards,

Karyn

Class for new dancers

There's still time to spread the news (or the class fliers!) about our class that's starting on **September 12th**! Tell your family, friends, and neighbors, and post a few flyers around town.

When and where: every Tuesday at St. George's, 808 Foothill Blvd.

Time: **7:45 to 9:30** pm class for new SSD dancers.

7:00 to 7:45 pm – class for people who already know all of the SSD calls (experienced dancers and anyone who took our SSD class previously).

Our caller/instructor, Dale Hoppers, will review the Mainstream and Plus calls.

So come out at 7:00 to brush up on your skills, then stay to be an angel for the new dancers.

This year we are trying something new: You may hear people refer to the "Leader/Left" position and "Trailer/Right" position (instead of "men" and "ladies"). We'd like to encourage some of the new dancers who are women to learn the "Leader/Left" position.

We're also looking for folks to bring snacks (sweet, salty, fruit) to the first class. If you can bring something, please let Ileana Shaw know.



Club Dances

<u>Date</u>	<u>Caller</u>	<u>Theme (for party dances)</u>	<u>Refreshments</u>
SEPT 1	Rob Grigsby		
SEPT 15	Steve Woodard	Apple Time 	Sweet: Ileana Shaw Salty: Will Shaw Fruit: Jinger Valenzuela
OCT 6	Bill ("Tex") Gipson		
OCT 20	Phil Farmer	Perky Pumpkins 	Sweet: Arlene Lesh Salty: Jim Lesh Fruit: Catherine Budincich

Visitation:

Sunday, September 10th at 2:00 pm - **Sierra Hillbillies**, Valencia United Methodist Church, 25718 McBean Parkway, Santa Clarita, with Andy Allemao, calling. Remember to wear your club colors! Lunch before the dance: meet at 1:00 pm at Alamo Restaurant, 25946 McBean Parkway. Please sign up ahead of time, either on the sign-up sheet available at our dances, or let our visitation chairperson, Al York, know if you are going... it helps to know who will be attending.

Bylaws:

As Karyn mentioned in her Prez message, the changes to the Bylaws were passed (approved by more than 2/3rds of the club's membership). The Bylaws are a good way for everyone to know how our club operates, and what each of the officers on the Board is responsible for. If you lose your copy, the Bylaws are available on our website: <https://www.setsinstep.org/club-bylaws.html>

Reminder: we still don't have an Emergency Contact form for all our members. While not a requirement, it's an important precaution. If you haven't done so already, please fill one out and turn it in at the next dance you attend. Forms are on our website, or just ask the club secretary (Susan Collins) for a blank form.



September 4th: Bill Reardon !



Executive Board meeting
Wed., Sept. 6th, 7:00 pm
via zoom.

And finally, some sad news: Many of you may already know this... our friend and (briefly) former member, Marilyn McKay, died earlier this summer. We will miss her ready smile and cheerful attitude. Many thanks to club friend Joe Mandoky for keeping us informed during Marilyn's illness.