

# CDSS NEWS

ISSN 1070-8251

Winter 2017 - 2018

Editor—Lynn Nichols  
Tune Editor—Kate Barnes  
Dance Editors—Lynn Ackerson, Barbara Finney, Dan Pearl,  
Joanna Reiner, Jonathan Sivier  
Song Editors—Lorraine Hammond, Jesse P. Karlsberg, Natty Smith

*This newsletter is published quarterly by the Country Dance and Song Society. Some of the views expressed within represent the authors and are not necessarily those of CDSS. All material is published by permission.*

## IN THIS ISSUE

- 2 Balance and Sing (Store Update)
- 4 Letters and Announcements
- 6 CDSS Sings—Swing and Turn, Jubilee
- 8 Outreach Far and Wide
- 10 Report from the CDSS Governing Board
- 12 Two Contra Dances by Melanie Axel-Lute
- 13 Yoga for Dancers—The Spaces in Between the Thoughts:  
Yoga Esoterica on the Dance Floor
- 14 The Dancernot: A Poem by Steve Green
- 15 Letter from Executive Director Katy German
- 16 Song to the Moon: A New English Country Dance  
by Colin Hume
- 18 Tell Me More: Cottey House
- 19 Advertisements

## CDSS OFFICE

116 Pleasant Street #345, Easthampton, MA 01027-2759  
413-203-5467, fax 413-203-5471, office@cdss.org, www.cdss.org  
Monday-Friday, 9 am-5 pm

## STAFF

Executive Director, Kathryn Tarter German, x 100, katy@cdss.org  
Business Manager, Melissa McMullen, x 111, melissa@cdss.org  
Accounting Manager, Anna Mach, x 113, anna@cdss.org  
Database & Membership Assistant, Nicole Perez, x 104, nicki@cdss.org  
Director of Camp Programs, Steve Howe, x 102, camp@cdss.org  
Director of Development, Robin Hayden, x 107, robin@cdss.org  
Director of Education, Pat MacPherson, x 106, pat@cdss.org  
Outreach Manager, Linda Henry, x 105, linda@cdss.org  
Sales, Services & Data Specialist, Sarah Pilzer, x 103, sarah@cdss.org  
Webmaster, Lynn Nichols, webmaster@cdss.org

## CDSS GOVERNING BOARD

### Officers

President: David Millstone, Lebanon, NH  
Vice President: Dorcas Hand, Houston, TX  
Secretary: Brooke Friendly, Ashland, OR  
Treasurer: Craig Meltzner, Santa Rosa, CA

### At Large Members

Peter Baker, Ann Arbor, MI  
Nancy Barbour, Monmouth Junction, NJ  
Gaye Fifer, Pittsburgh, PA  
Beverly Francis, Metuchen, NJ  
Mark Galipeau, Rohnert Park, CA  
Lorraine Hammond, Brookline, MA  
Katy Heine, Ithaca, NY  
Donald Hughes, Rougemont, NC  
Susie Lorand, Ann Arbor, MI  
Frannie Marr, Carlsbad, CA  
Sharon McKinley, Columbia, MD  
Pam Paulson, Waukesha, WI  
Doug Plummer, Seattle, WA  
David Roodman, Washington, DC  
John Seto, Sacramento, CA  
David Shewmaker, Washington, DC  
Norm Stewart, Louisville, KY  
Chris Weiler, South Burlington, VT

Contact the Board at office@cdss.org; we'll forward your message. Board bios and photos are on our website at: www.cdss.org/about-us/governing-board.

To receive store and office updates, please add news@cdss.org, office@cdss.org, and store@cdss.org to your address book.



The Country Dance and Song Society is a national leader in promoting participatory dance, music, and song which have roots in North American and English culture. We believe in the joy that dance, music, and song bring to individuals and communities. We educate, support, and connect participants in these living traditions and we advocate for their vitality and sustainability into the future. Membership is open to all; benefits include the newsletter, online members list, 10% discount from the store, early registration for our summer programs, and associate membership in Fractured Atlas. CDSS is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization; membership dues and donations are tax deductible. For more information: CDSS, 116 Pleasant Street #345, Easthampton, MA 01027-2759; 413-203-5467, office@cdss.org, www.cdss.org.

front cover: Fiddle workshop during the Missoula Old Time Social, a first-time event held on April 20-22, 2017 to gather musicians and dancers in Western Montana (photo by Ali Solomon); see article on pages 8 - 9. back cover: Photo of hands by Doug Plummer