## Hear Ye, Hear Ye

The Portland Country Dance Community's annual meeting is coming up in mid-June. On this occasion, we traditionally vote on new board members. Two current board members' terms are expiring but because of the pandemic shutdown, there has been little opportunity to recruit new board members. The board proposes an amendment to our by-laws to allow for extending the expiring terms of board members.

"The board may declare an extenuating circumstance with a two-thirds vote at any regular or special meeting of the board, for the purpose of extending the terms of current board members whose terms are expiring and who have served three consecutive terms. The reason and justification for said extenuating circumstances must be documented in that meeting's minutes. Having declared such an extenuating circumstance, the board may extend the current term of said board members by twelve months with a two-thirds vote. If a term extension is already in effect, any subsequent term extensions must be ratified by a vote of the membership at a general meeting."

The board will vote on this proposed by-law amendment at our June 15th board meeting. If you have comments about the proposed change, please send them to <u>info@portlandcountrydance.org</u> by June 15, 2021.

At our Annual Meeting, members will vote on board members, as we traditionally have done. This year the voting will be accomplished, like last year, via an on-line survey.

Thank you,

The Portland Country Dance Community Board

Sue Songer - Co-Chair
Christine Appleberry - Co-Chair & Raindance Representative
David Macemon - Treasurer
Ric Goldman - Secretary
Mark Swan - Portland Contra Dance Representative
Victor Fiore - Hillsboro Contra Dance Representative
Sara Munz - English Country Dance Representative
Patricia Donohue - Northwest Passage Representative
Noah Grunzweig - Member-at-Large



## **PCDC Board Members**

Co-Chair/Raindance Rep: Christine Appleberry (ceappleberry at yahoo.com)

Co-Chair: Sue Songer (songer at portcoll.com)

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Portland Contra Committee Rep: Mark Swan (mark.swan.portland at gmail.com)

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Hillsboro Rep: Victor Fiore (victor.n.fiore at gmail.com)

Family Dance Coordinator: David Macemon (macemondavid at gmail.com)

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## Major PCDC Volunteers

Contra Committee Chair: Kathy Story (kathystoryconsulting at gmail.com)

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## About PCDC

**Portland Country Dance Community** (PCDC) is a consortium of dancers, musicians and callers promoting country dance and music traditions through regular dances, workshops and other events. Everyone is welcome. Our interests include American, English, Scandinavian, Celtic, and related traditions, expressed through live performance and participation. With this newsletter we hope to exchange information and share concerns about traditional music and dance.

**Membership** in PCDC is \$15 per year for individuals, \$12 for students and seniors (65+), \$25 for households and \$20 for senior households. Membership provides a subscription to the newsletter, either by regular mail or electronically, and eligibility for PCDC grants. Donations in excess of membership fees are tax deductible. Please send membership renewals to: PCDC Membership, 3648 SW Beaverton Hillsdale Hwy. #10, Portland, OR 97221. PCDC is an educational non-profit corporation and an affiliate of the Country Dance and Song Society (CDSS), a national organization headquartered in MA.

The **PCDC Board** is an elected body of volunteers from the community. Board meetings are held approximately monthly. Community members are welcome to attend. Help, ideas and feedback from the community, in whatever form, is necessary to make PCDC events happen. Your contributions of time and support are appreciated. Contact any board member for further information via email or write to PCDC at: PO Box 2189, Portland, OR 97208-2189.

This newsletter, *Footnotes*, is published every other month beginning with the January-February issue. Dance-related announcements, events, articles or photos are welcome and can be submitted to the editor at: Laureland3 at yahoo.com. The information provided herein is as accurate as possible, however last minute changes and/or cancellations may not be reflected. Check the online version of *Footnotes* and the PCDC website for more up-to-date information. We encourage the submission of letters and articles that might be of interest to the community. All such materials become the property of *Footnotes* upon submission and may be edited. The copy **DEADLINE** for any given issue is the 12th of the previous month. E.g. the deadline for the Jan-Feb issue is Dec. 12. *Please note that Footnotes will be online only while dancing is on hiatus*.