



Barbara Kisilevsky –

Barbara was born, raised, educated, and started a 40 year career as a nurse educator/researcher in the beautiful hills of the Appalachian Plateau in southwestern Pennsylvania. While working at Children's Hospital and studying at Pitt, she met and married Robert, a Canadian on a student visa. She immigrated in 1970 when he returned to Canada. They settled in Kingston, Ontario, where she raised a family, completed a PhD, and worked as a Professor at Queen's University until retirement in 2013.

In the fall of 2002, she was looking for an aerobics class when she spotted an advertisement in the activities section of the local newspaper. It read: Scottish Country Dancing - Good Aerobics - Don't Have to be Scottish to Join. She decided to give it a try and the rest is history. She was active with the RSCDS Kingston Branch, dancing from 2002 to 2015 and serving terms as a member of the Committee of Management, Chair of the Branch, and Workshop & Ball Registrar & Treasurer. While on sabbatical in New York City in 2012 & 2013, she danced with the Scotia group and the NYC Branch. In the summer of 2015, wanting to be closer to her children and grandchildren, she and her husband moved to Vancouver. For her, it was like coming home again - lush vegetation and beautiful hills, only now the hills were spectacular mountains. And, first on her to-do list upon arrival was Dancing in the Park to find the closest RSCDS Branch.