



Footloose

Newsletter of the Chicago Jitterbug Club

Hello my dancing friends and Happy New Year to you all!

We had our first dance of New Year 2015, on January 10th at which time we also celebrated our Club's 22nd birthday/anniversary. It was also my first dance as the new President of the Chicago Jitterbug Club. It was a great dance, well-attended and if you missed it, you missed the wonderful birthday cake (thanks Arlene K. for your assistance in serving) and the great music supplied by DJ Norm.

A wrap-up of our end-of-year activities included our uncontested election resulting in: Barb Buschman-President; Carol Green-Vice-President; Judy Hook-Secretary and Board Members: Gene Bylina, Kitty Shannon and Slim Waschke. Also serving as a Board Member will be Mary Lou Poremba, out-going President, and on that note, many, many thanks to Mary Lou, first for organizing our amazing Jitterbug Club some 22 years ago and for her 22 years of service to this organization in all capacities and then some, culminating with the last few years as President!!!!

In December, our Club was very busy with our Annual Toy/Coat drive for under-privileged children. Thank you all for your generosity to this cause. Next was our Annual Christmas dance party with a delicious array of appetizers and sweets. And the culmination of partying on New Year's Eve at the Lexington House in Hickory Hills where we were served a delicious array of appetizers, prime rib/fish and dessert along with great cocktails. Also, we had wonderful dance music supplied by Party Doll Arlene. Once again, a great big THANK YOU to Mary Lou for all of her hard work to make this a memorable event.

The new Board has had one meeting this year. We are still looking for volunteers for an array of small jobs, including, webmaster, sunshine person (sending out get-well and sympathy cards) help at events (serving pizza, dishing up ice cream, etc, etc, etc. I will have a tablet at the entrance table that you can put your name and phone number (and your email address) for anything you would like to do or any ideas you may have. We are also looking for a picnic area so we can host an outside event this year. And Judy is looking for a place for NYE, as the Lexington House is booked. We do have a letter of intent for Treasurer, which was also an opening.

I look forward to meeting/greeting all of you so please stop by the 1st table on the dance floor and introduce yourself, even if I know you, at the Elks Club and then dance the night away. One more thing. It is very important to support your Club. We rely on the 50/50 drawing to help keep our treasury solvent. It costs about \$550.00 for each dance and most dances we don't take in that much. Your help in this area is appreciated.

Next dance is on February 14 and the theme is Mardi Gras. So put on your best mask - we'll have beads for everyone. February 28th is Western/Cowboy Night at the Elks and our fancy shmancy dance on March 14th, Puttin' on the Ritz" will be a Glendora House. Hope you all have a great, happy and healthy 2015.

Barb Buschman, President

Our Local ABA Dance Parties – Give Them Your Support!

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| Feb 14 | CJC Mardi Gras Dance Party, Elks |
| Feb 21 | CWCJC Mid-Winter Dinner & Dance Party, Chevy Chase, Prepaid Reservations only! (\$55/nonmembers) |
| Feb 28 | CJC Happy Trails Dance Party, Elks (Western theme, casual. Jeans OK!) |
| March 7 | CWCJC Dance Party, AL |
| March 14 | CJC Puttin' on the Ritz, Fancy Dress Dance Party, Glendora House |
| March 28 | CWCJC Dance Party, AL, Baseball Dance |
| March 28 | CJC Justadance Party, Elks |
| April 11 | CJC Spirited Dance Party, Elks (Club Tee Shirt Night) |

CJC 2015 Board of Directors

President

Barbara Buschman

Vice President

Carol Green

Secretary

Judy Hook

Treasurer

None

Board Members

Gene Bylina

Kitty Shannon

Slim Waschke

Past President

Mary Lou Poremba

2015 Committees

50/50 Sales/Prizes

Judy Hook

50/50 Assistants

Blanche Arreguin

Bruce Bossier

Album

Carol Green

Birthday Cards

Kathy Kay

Candy & Snacks

Gene Bylina

Arlene Waschke

DJs

Norm Oden

Party Doll

Jive at Five

Barbara Buschman

Newsletter

Mary Lou Poremba

Ombudsmen

Vic Ciccio

Ken Kaminski

Publicity

Mary Lou Poremba

Sunshine

Barbara Buschman

Volunteers/Check-in Desk

Carol Green

Web Master

Dave Chess

Welcome New Members!

Lita Amigleo

Rich Podbielski

John Janavicius

Sandy Potts

Eileen Kelley

Bob Wilkinson

Linda Masterson

2014 Dance Party Wrap-up

Date	Door Dues	50/50 Donation	Total
Jan 11	\$220	\$154	\$375
Jan 25	\$365	\$105	\$470
Feb 8	\$245	\$81	\$326
Feb 22	\$345	\$108	\$453
March 8**	\$1065	\$185	\$1250
March 22	\$335	\$133	\$468
April 12	\$465	\$101	\$566
April 26	\$385	\$87	\$472
May 10	\$500	\$136	\$636
May 24	\$370	\$102	\$472
June 14	\$520	\$157	\$677
June 28	\$385	\$100	\$485
July 12	\$585	\$126	\$711
July 26	\$405	\$106	\$511
August 9	\$425	\$96	\$521
August 23	\$380	\$76	\$456
Sept 13	\$585	\$120	\$705
Sept 27	\$515	\$120	\$635
Oct 11	\$380	\$93	\$473
Oct 25	\$155	\$126	\$281
Nov 8	\$260	\$110	\$370
Nov 22	\$500	\$123	\$623
Dec 6	\$205	\$115	\$320
Dec 20	\$525	\$116	\$641

CJC Birthday and the New Board



Carol, Kitty, Barb, Judy, Mary Lou, Gene, Slim

**The Chicago Jitterbug Club wishes to thank the following dancers
for giving up dance time to help our Club in 2014:**

**Jim & Judy Alderden
Linda Brennan & Ed Ciemny
Mary Anne Buczyna
Cindy Burns & Milo Parello
Winnie Caulfield
Tanya Chasey
Chuck Cima
Judie Collins
Dolores Cooper
Len Cozzone
Penny Creviston
Grace Cronborg
Carol Crosson
Arlene Dalia
Tess Dybel
Jean & Les Engelbrecht
Carl & Marlene Ferraro
Joe Fiotti
Glori & Pat Fiscelli
Teri Galka
Manny Gonzolez & Fran Merar
John Grigus
Connie Haussman
John Hawkinson & Evelyn Vanek
Mary Josek
Arlene Maynard & Ken Kaminski
Mike Kazarian & Mary Anne Tigner
Martha Kinnaman
Dave & Trudy Knox
Audrey Krautter
Shirley Krenkel & Burt Kuelhorn
Sally Kupczyk & Tony Zawacki
Bob Kurth
Joyce Lenzi
Connie Logan
Whitey & Char Ludwig
Shirley Medley
Carl Pignato
Jean Quigley
Elle Roche
Billie & Jack Sacks
Sal Saldana & Patty Suchocki
Jim & Judy Schaeffer
Carrie Shutta
John Silius
Dennis & Debbie Smith
Marge Smurda
Nancy Sommers
Ishamar Umanos
Carol White**

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Proud Member:
American Bop Association
First Premier Cruise Club–2006
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Premier ABA Cruise Club–2014



Puttin' on the Ritz Returns March 14th
Glendora House Banquets
Doors open @ 7:30 pm

ABA Sisters' Weekend Events

Feb 14 – 21	10th Annual Dancin' on the High Seas ABA Cruise (Caribbean), Ft Lauderdale
Feb 26 – 28	Swing Fling 2015, Evansville River City Bop Club (Evansville)
March 26 – 28	Smoky Mountain Boogie, Smoky Mountain Shaggers (Pigeon Forge, TN)
June 17 – 21	Boogie on the Riverwalk, Jacksonville Beach Boppers, (the granddaddy event)
June 25 – 27	Sweet Home Chicago, Chicago's Windy City Jitterbug Club, (Itasca)
July 24 – 26	Sparkle City Celebration, R&B Shag Club of Spartanburg (Spartanburg, SC)
Aug 6 – 8	Mid-Ohio Boogie Bash, Mid-Ohio Boogie Club, (Columbus, OH)
Nov 11 – 15	Move Across the River, Cincinnati Bop Club (Cincinnati Eastgate)

Flyers are available at our dance parties or visit us at www.chicagojitterbugclub.org for links to the ABA, sister clubs, Ballroom Chicago, Chicago's Windy City Jitterbug Club, Danceaholics, and Toe to Toe Dancewear.