Footloose



Newsletter of the Chicago Jitterbug Club

Hi my friends

Well, Summer is over and is seems it went faster than any other season, ever. We have had a busy season with dance lessons, thank you, **Mike & Debbe Lapina**, and bringing back our "Almost Annual Picnic", thank you **Frank Smith** for acquiring the park district space for us! We had a perfect day for the picnic and received nothing but compliments from everyone who attended. If you missed it, I am sorry but we hope to have it again next year. And we had our yearly Ice Cream Social to round out the summer! Thanks to all who helped with that. We had a wonderful dance crowd, almost 90 people, which will also help keep us solvent. We appreciate all who come out and those who purchase 50/50 Raffle tickets. That is a very important part of keeping us in the black. Thank you, thank you to all who come to the dances!

Speaking of going to dances, your President took a trip to the CWCJC, complements of **Slim & Arlene** driving. Had a great time there and a nice conversation with President Joanne. I hadn't been there in many years and met many old friends. Also, I attended the Rollin' on the River Convention in St. Louis over Labor Day Weekend. There was a group from CJC and a larger contingence from CWCJC. I hadn't been there in about 5 years. Did lots of dancing, eating, a little gambling and a few cocktails. St. Louis has about 8 clubs, and I was told they sold out with about 500 in attendance. Made the trip with **Ken Kaminski** and **Darlene Pellegrini**, thanks to the driving of **Arlene Maynard**. Others in our south side group were **Linda & Bob, Tony & Sally, Carol & Frank, Dave & Joanne, Marshall & Doreen, Judie C. and Dave**. I hope I didn't miss anyone!! It was a great time and great dancing. **Mike & Debbe** did another of their wonderful demonstrations! Being welcomed at other dance clubs around the country is a nice benefit of belonging to the "swing dance club" community. Many states west of the old Miss have organized dance clubs; some, like St. Louis, more than one. Check out the American Bop Association website and you will find 35 other dance clubs with lots of great new friends to meet! You will only be a stranger once. The same holds true for the Bop Association Cruise.

As we head into Fall, we have our Annual Open Meeting on September 23. Doors open at 7:15 p.m. and the Meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. Hope many of you will make an effort to attend and bring ideas, praise and criticism, if any, with you!!!

Don't forget our Halloween Party in October. We will be doing it a little different this year. Everyone who comes in full costume will receive a raffle ticket, as suggested by one of our members. We will have a drawing later to see who won the cash. Plans are on the way for our Annual Christmas Party December 9th and don't forget our New Year's Eve Gala at Palos Country Club. Take advantage of Early Bird pricing! Form is inside.

Hoping for a happy, healthy Fall for all of you,

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CJC & CWCJC Dance Party Checklist

September 23	CJC Justadance Party, Elks (Annual Business Meeting. Doors open at 7:15)
October 7	CWCJC Dance, American Legion Hall
October 14	CJC Dance Party, Elks, Greasers & Geeks Dance Party
October 21	CWCJC Dance, American Legion Hall
October 28	CJC Halloween Dance Party, Costume Raffle & Parade
November 4	CWCJC Dance, American Legion Hall, Veterans Day-Troop Drive
November 11	CJC Veterans Dance Party, Elks, Meet the Candidates & Election
November 18	CWCJC Anniversary Dance, Chevy Chase Country Club (Advance purchase only)
November 25	CJC Justadance Party, Elks

CJC Board of Directors

President

Barbara Buschman

Vice President

Carol Green

Secretary

Kitty Shannon

Treasurer

Tony Zawacki

Board Members

Gene Bylina

Slim Waschke

Carol White

Past President

Mary Lou Poremba

2017 Committees

50/50

Carol White

Album

Carol Green

Candy/Snacks

Gene Bylina

Arlene Waschke

DJs

Norm Oden

Party Doll

Newsletter

Mary Lou Poremba

Publicity

Mary Lou Poremba

Carol White

Social

Kitty Shannon

Sunshine

Arlene VanHouten-Maynard

Volunteers/Check-in Desk

Carol Green

Web Master

Dave Chess

2017 Dance Party Revenue

	Door	50/50
Date	Dues	Donation
January 14	\$401	\$110
February 11	\$381	\$128
February 25	\$436	\$106
April 8	\$371	\$103
April 22	\$535	\$136
May 13	\$443	\$130
June 10	\$500	\$116
June 24	\$356	\$113
July 8	\$395	\$104
July 22	\$305	\$71
August 12	\$406	\$143
August 26	\$547	\$131
September 9	Comi	ng soon
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Rent and DJ at Elks cost = \$540, plus snacks

Welcome New Members



Corny Morgan
Eileen Stachniak
Robert Stachniak

Board Meeting Highlights

Ice Cream Social reviewed, returns 2018
Confirmed menu for New Year's Eve Gala
Confirmed 2018 Calendar and themes
Made tentative plans for 2018 Picnic
Reviewed standing Music Policy
Discussed fun/confusing mixers
Planned Christmas Holiday Dance Party

Join the Board!

Nominations for the CJC Board of Directors open October 1 and close October 15. If you would like to help out your Club while having a voice in its future, consider volunteering your services by completing the 2018 Statement of Candidacy or suggest someone else whom you think would be good. A form is on the next page and it must be turned in or mailed by October 15th. If you can't commit to serving out a full term, please consider serving on one of our committees. We need lots of help, and it's fun! Thanks

Chicago Jitterbug Club

c/o 5131 W. 115th Street Alsip, IL 60803

Board of Directors Statement of Candidacy/Nomination Form

You may nominate yourself or one (1) person for each Officer position and up to three (3) individuals for Board Member/Director. **Please have the nominee sign to indicate acceptance and approval of the nomination.** The Membership Chair/Vice President will confirm eligibility. Nominations close October 15, 2017.

I nominate the following individual(s) for the position(s) indicated below:

Officers (qualification is 1 year of service on Boa	rd completed <u>immediately prior to January 2018</u>)
President	I accept
Vice President	I accept
Secretary	I accept
Treasurer	I accept
Executive Board Member (qualification is 1 y	ear current membership-in-good-standing)
Board Member	I accept
Board Member	I accept
Board Member	I accept
I am a member-in-good-standing of the Chicago Jitte	rbug Club.
Name Must be signed to be valid.	Membership No(CJC only)

Please return this nomination form to the Club office (CJC, 5131 W. 115th St., Alsip, IL 60803) by October 15th or turn in at a Club dance (by October 14th). Competing qualified candidates will be asked to submit a brief statement for use the newsletter and to address the membership at 7:30 pm on Election Night, November 11th. Terms for all positions are January 1 - December 31, 2018. Unfilled seats will be subject to appointment by the 2018 Board of Directors. Where there is no competition for office(s), candidates may be elected by acclamation.

Mailed Nomination Forms must be postmarked by October 15th and received by October 20, 2017.

AMERICAN BOP ASSOCIATION

Swing Jitterbug Bop Shag

14th Annual Dancin' on the High Seas

February 10-18, 2018

Princess Cruises Crown Princesss

Your ABA Dance Instructors

Your ABA DJ's



8 day Southern Caribbean Round Trip Ft. Lauderdale to

ARUBA ~ Sights, sounds & scenes of Aruba ~ the Natural Bridge, Bushiribana Gold Mill Ruins, Alto Vista Chapel, California Lighthouse

BONAIRE ~ world class diving & snorkeling detination also offering other activities such as kayaking, bird watching or enjoy the pristine coral reefs or tour the scenic countryside

CURACAO ~ boast a landscape that is dramatic, stark & volcanic. Dolphin encounter & Dolphin swim are 2 great excisions to highlight your Curacao visit

Up to the Minute Pricing & Cruise Reservations: Call or email Maureen & Bob JUST CRUISIN', INC 800-727-9577 wecruise4@msn.com

Dance Questions: Ask LANA BLOOM, ABA Cruise Coordinator lanabloom@comcast.net 615-758-5721



Chicago Jitterbug Club

New Year's Eve Gala



Sunday, December 31, 2017 Palos Country Club

13100 Southwest Highway

Orland Park

7:30 pm – 12:30 am DJ Party Doll

Appetizers, Beef Tenderloin, Sides, Dinner & Dessert @ 8:30 pm Champagne Toast @ Midnight Cash Bar

Reservation Form

Checks payable to Chicago Jitterbug Club and mail to: CJC, 5131 W 115th St, Alsip, IL 60803 Nonrefundable but you may resell/transfer. No reservations after December 20th (if avail).

CJC or CWCJC Members @ \$55.00		Before December 9, then \$60
Guests @ \$65.00		Before December 9, then \$70
Total Reservations	\$	TOTAL ENCLOSED
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For more info, call Mary Lou at 708/597-5597 or email MaryLou@chicagojitterbugclub.org
Tables of 8 only may be reserved together with payment in full at one time.

If you wish a confirmation, enclose a SASE or readable email!

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Premier ABA Cruise Club-2013 Premier ABA Cruise Club-2014

Premier ABA Cruise Club-2015

What's going on with our Club? Business Meeting September 23rd and find out!



Halloween Hustle, October 28th

Coming ABA & ABA Sisters' Events

October 11 – 14 Boogie in the Bluegrass 2017, Derby City Bop Club (Louisville, KY)

November 8 – 12 Move across the River, Cincinnati Bop Club, Cincinnati

February 10 – 18 ABA Dancin' on the High Seas Cruise

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