

# THE BOOGIE BEAT

## OCTOBER 2014

### THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

First, let me thank the 48 members who attended the September General Membership Meeting. I do believe that was our best ever attendance. Thank you for supporting your dance club and Board.

It's official!!! Your new Board for 2015 is: John O'dell, President; Lynn O'dell, 1<sup>st</sup> Vice President; Pat Charles, 2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President; Sylvia Cowras, Secretary; and Dorothy Berdellans, Treasurer. There were no other nominations for any of the offices. All five members were voted in by the raising of hands. I want to welcome our new Board members. We certainly have our work cut out for us to top this year.

At the General Membership Meeting, it was voted on to cancel the November General Membership Meeting. Since the 2015 Board has been elected, there will not be any run-offs. The 25<sup>th</sup> Annual Orange Squeeze is just around the corner. Only 30 days until the **best party on the East Coast** kick-off party!!! As of September 29<sup>th</sup>, we are way above last year. It is possible that we could have 500 guests at our Orange Squeeze. Imagine 500 people dancing in the ballroom.

We asked for your help with Registration and Hospitality and you all responded so quickly that all the slots were filled quickly. Last year, on Saturday, we fed 324 guests, and this year, we could easily have 400. So it will take all those who volunteered to help accomplish this goal. We want our guests to remember how great our Orange Squeeze really is so that they will help spread the word to their friends. We don't have the biggest event, but we certainly want to be THE BEST. Be sure to ask a stranger to dance. Thank you.

Any issues you may have at our party, please bring them to me – any and all issues. We will need all your help in making this party successful. Remember – it takes all of us. Looking forward to seeing you all at the "Squeeze".

Have a wonderful October, and as always ... see you on the dance floor.

John O'Dell, President



Officers:

|                    |                    |              |
|--------------------|--------------------|--------------|
| President          | John O'Dell        | 407-359-2056 |
| 1 <sup>st</sup> VP | Joyce Peters       | 386-409-8185 |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> VP | Lynn O'Dell        | 407-862-9975 |
| Secretary          | Sylvia Cowras      | 321-262-7014 |
| Treasurer          | Dorothy Berdellans | 407-463-0776 |

Committees:

|                            |                             |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------|
| Membership                 | Joyce Peters<br>Lynn O'Dell |
| Finance                    | Dorothy Berdellans          |
| By-Laws/Parliamentarian    | Chuck Konsler               |
| Ways & Means               | Joe Testa                   |
| Nominations &<br>Elections | Vicki Cash                  |
| Call Tree                  | Sylvia Cowras               |
| Social                     | Joyce Peters                |
| Publicity                  | Sylvia Cowras               |
| Dance Instruction          |                             |
| Special Events             | John O'Dell                 |

General Information:

**For any changes in your contact information (Phone number, address, e-mail address) please notify Dorothy Berdellans.**

Contacts for:

|                   |                                    |
|-------------------|------------------------------------|
| Website           | John O'Dell                        |
| E-Mail            | Dorothy Berdellans                 |
| Newsletter        | Dorothy Berdellans                 |
| Chaplain's Corner | Pat & Mark Charles<br>407-463-8284 |

Articles, pictures, ads and announcements for the newsletter must be submitted by the 25<sup>th</sup> of the month. Please send or e-mail to:

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[www.beachboppers.com](http://www.beachboppers.com)

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Weekly dancing and meetings are held at the Post Time Lounge at the corner of Dog Track Road & Highway 17-92 in Casselberry, Florida 32707.

Dance nights are Sunday and Wednesday nights from 7 p.m. to 9:30 p.m. or a little later. Music is provided by our own DJs for dances including bop, shag, east coast and west coast swing, cha-cha & hustle.

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**Monthly Newsletter:**

We hope everyone likes receiving the newsletter by email. If a member wishes to contribute to the newsletter or place ads, please let Dorothy Berdellans (email: [dorothy@berdellans.com](mailto:dorothy@berdellans.com)) know. She is at your command and will be more than excited to assist you!!!!!!!!!!!!

We can now be found on **Facebook:**

Beach Boppers of Orlando

Pass it along to your friends

**Through the National FastDance Association, our club dance activities are licensed by:**

**ASCAP, BMI & SESAC**

# Happy Birthday to October Birthday Members!

|                     |        |  |                         |        |
|---------------------|--------|--|-------------------------|--------|
| Linda Teeter        | 1-Oct  |  | Patty Love              | 15-Oct |
| Aldo Sicuso         | 2-Oct  |  | Norma Wayland           | 15-Oct |
| William Wayland     | 2-Oct  |  | Patricia Jones          | 16-Oct |
| Ed Sullivan         | 6-Oct  |  | Paul "Buckshot" Simonds | 16-Oct |
| Joanne Highet       | 7-Oct  |  | Barbara Asbury          | 18-Oct |
| Frank Mazzola       | 8-Oct  |  | Carolyn Ibbotson        | 20-Oct |
| Alan Foster         | 11-Oct |  | Sharon Neace            | 22-Oct |
| Mary Price Eckstein | 15-Oct |  | Robert Weatherly        | 23-Oct |

## Upcoming November Birthdays:

|                        |        |  |                     |        |
|------------------------|--------|--|---------------------|--------|
| Peggy Garner           | 1-Nov  |  | Rudolph Bamundo     | 16-Nov |
| Buddy Garner           | 2-Nov  |  | Vanessa Colon       | 16-Nov |
| Pearl Desjardins       | 3-Nov  |  | Sandy Scheschuk     | 19-Nov |
| Evelyn Munson          | 7-Nov  |  | Patricia Engelhardt | 20-Nov |
| Joe Testa              | 9-Nov  |  | Peggy Fisher        | 21-Nov |
| Ethel "Edee" Dickinson | 11-Nov |  | Karen Butera        | 22-Nov |
| Jose Garcia-Frias      | 11-Nov |  | Vincent Delillo     | 23-Nov |
| Gary Baker             | 13-Nov |  | Dawn Duvall         | 23-Nov |
| Linda Cordone          | 13-Nov |  | Constance Mulidore  | 28-Nov |
| Vicki Cash             | 15-Nov |  |                     |        |





# CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

Oh my goodness, it's October! You know what that means - Orange Squeeze!! We can't wait and we're sure you are looking forward to it, too. Before we get too excited though, we do have a few members that we need to keep in touch with and pray for.

Our lovely Betty Wilson is taking her Chemo pill and is doing quite well. She really is an inspiration to us and so blessed. Please continue your prayers for her and you can still send her cards. They really mean a lot. You can reach her at:

Betty Wilson, 620 Fellowship Dr., Fern Park, FL 32730

Dianne Yankelevitz is still undergoing Chemo as well, but she having some side effects. However, her attitude is great and she is also a class act. Please continue prayers and cards for her as well. You can reach her at:

Dianne Yankelevitz, 1541 Cardinal Ct., Winter Park, FL 32789

Kathy Schultz has had arthroscopic surgery on knee on September 25<sup>th</sup>. Please keep her in your prayers for a speedy recovery. Cards may be sent to her at:

Kathy Schultz, 1946 Whitney Way, Clearwater, FL 33760

Also, keep praying for "Hugger" Bob Smith and "Cajun Paul" Schultz. They are both coming to Orange Squeeze and that is amazing.

We also have a few unspoken prayers please. You guys are the greatest and we love you all.

"PRAYER IS THE ULTIMATE LOVE LANGUAGE.  
IT COMMUNICATES IN WAYS WE CAN'T."

All our love and God's blessings,

Mark & Pat Charles  
BBOO Chaplains  
[patcharles26@yahoo.com](mailto:patcharles26@yahoo.com)  
[407-463-8284](tel:407-463-8284)



# BBOO “SPOTLIGHT”



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## BARBARA CHRISTIAN

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Barbara Christian was born and raised in Clifton, New Jersey, the eldest of 4 children. As an active 2-year-old, she fell down the stairs and broke her femur bone. The doctors suggested that she go to dancing school to help with her physical therapy. She took ballet and tap for 7 years.

That's when her love of dance started. She choreographed her 6<sup>th</sup> grade play, "Give My Regards to Broadway". Imagine ten little 6<sup>th</sup> grade boys trying to tap dance – what a hoot! Barbara, being from a German/Hungarian and Italian background, she naturally played the accordion!

Her mom died suddenly when Barbara was 13. Her life was turned upside. As the oldest, she helped her dad raise her siblings.

When she was 20, she left New Jersey and moved to South Florida where she got a job dancing professionally at the Castaways, where, a few years later, she met her first husband and returned to New Jersey. When she was 25, her husband was killed in a car accident. She moved back to Florida for good in 1975.

In 1989, she met and married a pro golfer from Raleigh, North Carolina, who introduced her to the Shag. At that time, Barbara was a Swing dancer and a member of the South Florida Swing Dance Society learning West Coast Swing. She didn't really start to Shag until she moved to Orlando. Unfortunately, her husband's passion for golf was stronger than for his marriage and they eventually divorced.

In 1997, Barbara left Boca Raton and moved to Orlando. She asked around for places to go ballroom dancing. That's when she learned about the Beach Boppers of Orlando meeting at the "Why Not Lounge". One Wednesday night, she went to the "Why Not" and never turned back!!! There she met the most wonderful people she now considers her family.

Barbara loves going to North Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, to hone up on her Shag dancing skills. She still loves to West Coast Swing at the Post Time and loves and appreciates the great Beach music our club DJs play. It keeps her on the dance floor for every song!!!!

And Barbara says, "Thank you, Beach Boppers, you are my all."

## \*\*\*\* Notes of Interest \*\*\*\*

**NOW HEAR THIS:** What a response for volunteers for the Registration Desk and Hospitality!!!! You are all wonderful and it is greatly appreciated. This is the first time since I've been a member that the request was made and all slots were filled in one fell swoop. Fantastic!!

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**25<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY OF ORANGE SQUEEZE:** The request for tickets has been overwhelming. If you haven't sent in your registration form and money for the "Squeeze", **don't delay. Tickets are going fast.** There are so many new people coming this year – people from Missouri, West Virginia, Virginia, New Jersey, Tennessee, Pennsylvania, Ohio, and many other places.

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**NOTE:** Some people have asked why we still include the 2014 Membership Application in the newsletter. The reason is maybe – just maybe – you know someone who would like to join before the end of the year. That would entitle them to come to the "After Christmas" Christmas Party in January 2015 free of charge, since it is free to all 2014 members. And you all know what a great event that is.

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Something to ponder (I'm into friends and friendship this month!!!) .....

Why we need Friends: Because they laugh at the same stupid things we do; because they give us honest advice; because they will be there for us, even if they are thousands of miles away; because they celebrate with us when we are at our best, but still love us at our worst.

And

A strong friendship doesn't require daily phone calls. Real friends don't need to live in the same city. As long as the friendship is felt in the heart, real friends will never be truly separated.

And remember this – dancing is like taking a mini vacation from the stress of the everyday.

Your Newsletter Gal,

Dorothy B.



# “THE CALENDAR”

## OCTOBER 2014

| SUN                        | MON | TUES | WED                                                                              | THURS                                                                | FRI                                             | SAT |
|----------------------------|-----|------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------|-----|
|                            |     |      | 1<br>Frank Umont<br>DJ                                                           | 2                                                                    | 3                                               | 4   |
| 5<br>Edee Dickinson<br>DJ  | 6   | 7    | 8<br>Edee Dickinson<br>DJ                                                        | 9                                                                    | 10<br>BBOO Board<br>Meeting                     | 11  |
| 12<br>Jerry Munson<br>DJ   | 13  | 14   | 15<br>Jerry Munson<br>DJ                                                         | 16                                                                   | 17                                              | 18  |
| 19<br>Frank Umont<br>DJ    | 20  | 21   | 22<br>Frank Umont<br>DJ                                                          | 23                                                                   | 24                                              | 25  |
| 26<br>Edee Dickinson<br>DJ | 27  | 28   | 29<br>Unofficial Start<br>of Orange<br>Squeeze<br>Dancing under<br>the Stars!!!! | 30<br>Official Start of<br>25 <sup>th</sup> Annual<br>Orange Squeeze | 31<br>Halloween<br>Contest at<br>Orange Squeeze |     |

## 25<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL ORANGE SQUEEZE



# BEACH BOPPERS OF ORLANDO

## 2014 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

### Mission Statement:

The Beach Boppers of Orlando, Inc., was established in April of 1986 to provide its members an opportunity to associate with others who share the enjoyment of dancing to "Carolina Beach Music" and for the advancement and preservation of the "bop", "shag" and related dance styles.

**We MUST have this completed form for each member. Please DO NOT WRITE "same as last year" and couples must fill out individual forms and each must sign the release.**

PLEASE - **CLEARLY PRINT** THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ ST: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

HOME PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ WORK PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

CELL PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_ E-MAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

If you have an e-mail address, please make sure you write it clearly. We do a lot of notification by e-mail.

**(All information is for the club only and will not be given to others without permission)**

Date of Birth (Day & Month Only): \_\_\_\_\_

I authorize any of the above information may be given to any other **club** member. YES NO

I authorize any of the above information may be used in the Membership Directory YES NO

On what committees would you volunteer to serve (Please circle those you are interested in):

\_\_\_Finance \_\_\_Ways & Means \_\_\_Social \_\_\_Publicity \_\_\_Telephone \_\_\_Nominations \_\_\_By-Laws

Please forward this completed form and your check made out to BBOO to:

**Beach Boppers of Orlando P.O. Box 160813 Altamonte Springs, FL 32716-0813**

Referred by: \_\_\_\_\_

In consideration of the mutual benefits derived from membership in the Beach Boppers of Orlando, Inc. and acknowledging that injury may occur while dancing, the undersigned does hereby assume all risks and absolves, releases and waives all liability claims or demands against BBOO, Inc., its officers, board members and each and every member thereof which may arise out of an act related to an injury.

Signature of above member: \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_

Membership dues are \$40.00 per calendar year. Current members may renew for the discounted rate of \$30.00 **prior** to mid-night **on January 31, 2014.**

PLEASE DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE

**For club use only:** Date rec'd \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Amt. Rec'd \_\_\_\_\_ Cash ( ) Ck# \_\_\_\_\_

Member # \_\_\_\_\_ Date entered into system \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ Card mailed \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_