# THE BOOGIE BEAT June 2015

## THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

Well, members, June is upon us and we are almost halfway through 2015!!!!!

The Board had its first 2015 Orange Squeeze meeting with the Plaza Resort and Spa. We are working on repairing the outside dance floor there, so we don't have to haul it back and forth. We will try to salvage what we can between the old and new outside floors and do a redesign so it will be smooth dancing outside. We are trying to get the hotel to assume the responsibility of putting down the floor and taking it up when the party is over.

Hospitality – it looks like it will be the same menu as last year. Please get with Pat Charles if you would like to volunteer to serve food. Also, get with Dorothy Berdellans to sign up for the Registration Desk. There will be sign-up sheets at the General Membership Meeting on June 14, 2015, 5:00 p.m., at Mikki V's in Winter Springs. Looking forward to seeing you there.

For the dance workshops on Friday and Saturday, we have contracted with Jane and Doug Harrington from Tampa, Florida, for Shag, and Kim and Mike Nelson from Cabot, Arkansas, for Swing. Also, we have asked Kay March-Adorno from Mt. Pleasant, South Carolina, to teach line dancing on Friday and Saturday. If Kay is not inducted into the Living Legends in Virginia Beach, she will be available to teach.

For those of you that don't know, Living Legends booked their party the same week as ours. We are not happy with their decision, as we will lose approximately 50 to 60 guests this year. I called Berta Lull and the Board sent a letter, but they would not change their dates. But ..... we will survive. I just think it is a shame that they would make guests choose between both parties. I wouldn't call that supporting the dance families!

Your Board has decided not to dance the last Sunday of every month. Post Time has their car show that day and it makes it difficult to find parking. Please support your club all the other Sundays and Wednesdays from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

Please, if you haven't signed up for the Barbeque on July 18<sup>th</sup>, get that application in the mail.

Until the July letter, please be safe and have an enjoyable June 2015. Happy Father's Day to all the men in our club.

John O'Dell, President



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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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### **Mission Statement:**

The Beach Boppers of Orlando, Inc. was established in April 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 dances.

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 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. or a little later. Music is provided by our own DJs for dances including bop, shag, west coast swing, cha-cha & hustle.

#### **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: <a href="mailto:dorothy@berdellans.com">dorothy@berdellans.com</a>) 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

# Happy Birthday to our June birthday members!

Mary Price	2-June	Betty Wilson	15-June
Gene Wilkinson	3-June	Sylvia Cowras	16-Jun
Bill Lynch	7-June	Ronald Jones	20-Jun
Gene Kennedy	10-June	Frank Umont	20-Jun
Renie Parker	14-June	Michael Stukonis	25-Jun
Doug Garwood	15-June	Ray Aldredge	28-Jun
Diana White	15-June	Paul Schultz	29-Jun

## **Upcoming July Birthdays:**

Monika Delillo	3-July	Chuck Konsler 23	
Constance Glicken	4-July	Paul Slunt	23-July
Lany Beauchamp	9-July	Rick Lence	25-July
B.J. Miller Aldredge	10-July	Tommy Anderson	27-July
Dorothy Berdellans	11-July	Pat Barkley	28-July
Pat Langolf	11-July	Ana Lara	28-July
Bob Smith	15-July	Nora Batts	31-July
James Harris	21-July	Don Williams	31-July





# **CHAPLAIN'S CORNER**

Goodness, here we are in June. We are continuing prayer for a few folks and ask that you do, too.

Jeri Williams has started the process of adjustments on the device that was implanted to control her seizures. We are praying that she has a quick response. You can send cards to her at: Jeri Williams

2407 Point O'Woods Ct. Oviedo, FL 32765

Please keep these members on your prayer list as well: Betty Wilson, Dianne Yankelevitz, Dennis Cope, Hugger Bob Smith and Carol White. We also ask that you continue prayer of healing for Peggy Fisher whose son passed away.

We hope everyone has an awesome June. We look forward to seeing all of you soon. As always, we are here for you and are so blessed to be Chaplains.

"HATH GOD KISSED YOU AT THE BEGINNING OF PRAYER, AND OFTEN SPOKEN PEACE TO IN THE MIDST OF PRAYER, AND FILLED YOU WITH JOY AND ASSURANCE UPON THE CLOSE OF PRAYER"

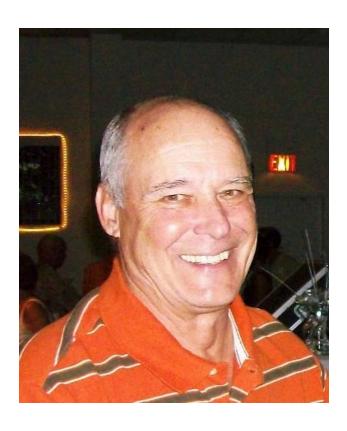
God bless.

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# BBOO "SPOTLIGHT"

By Dorothy Berdellans



## **DOUG GARWOOD**

Doug Garwood was born in Monroe, Louisiana. He is one of three children. Doug has two younger brothers.

He graduated from Bryan Adams High School in Dallas, Texas. After graduating from high school, Doug attended the University of North Texas, SMU and the University of Texas.

Doug has six grandchildren in Texas with one or two more on the way! He enjoys visiting with his sons and brothers a few times a year in Texas.

Doug is now retired. He was Managing Attorney with Allstate Insurance Company. He still does some work for Allstate as a retiree representing Allstate as a company representative at pretrial mediations for personal injury claims.

Other than dancing, Doug enjoys going to the gym almost every day. He enjoys reading and traveling.

After retiring and getting divorced, he got involved with West Coast Swing dancing in Houston, Texas. He hadn't danced much since 1965 when he was in college and then, he says, it was known as the "North Texas Push."

In 2006, Doug relocated from Houston, Texas, to Florida to do some work for Allstate with regard to hurricane losses. Around that time, he found Beach Boppers on line and had his first dance with Toni Stevenson (he doubts that she will recall that). He met Frances Santarpia, another member of Beach Boppers, and introduced her to West Coast Swing. They have both been attending Beach Boppers ever since. He said, "It is one of the best things I have ever done."

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

<b>NOW HEAR THIS:</b> It's time to make your reservations for the Barbeque on July 18, 2015, at the Tuscawilla Country Club in Winter Springs. The flyer is on the last page of the newsletter for your convenience.				
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<b>SOME GREAT NEWS!!!!!:</b> I received the following from Kathy Vidal regarding "Hugger" Bob –				
"Came from Moffitt this morning and Bob's scan shows only scar tissue in the lung and no cancer anyplace else. They are considering him "in remission" and will test him again in September. The periodic testing will continue for some time as he cannot be considered cured for 5 years. We are thrilled with this report. He continues to look and feel good. Thank you all for your prayers and well wishes. They work!!!!"				
As our Chaplains said – "DON'T STOP YOUR PRAYERS!!!!				
<u>DANCE TIMES</u> : Just a reminder that the times for our Wednesday and Sunday night dancing were changed. We now dance from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.				
<b>GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING</b> : Don't forget – the next General Membership Meeting is on June 14, 2015, 5:00 p.m., at Mikki V's on State Road 434 and Tuskawilla Road in Winter Springs. We would like to have a good showing. By the way, the food is really good!!!				
Something to ponder				
Ten Things Money Can't Buy:				

1. Manners; 2. Morals; 3. Respect; 4. Character; 5. Common Sense; 6. Trust; 7. Patience; 8. Class; 9. Integrity; 10. Love



Someday everything will make perfect sense. So, for now, laugh at the confusion, smile through the tears, and keep reminding yourself that everything happens for a reason.

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

Your Newsletter Gal, Dorothy B.



# "THE CALENDAR"

## **JUNE 2015**

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	1	2	Jerry Munson DJ	4	5	6
7 Frank Umont DJ	8	9	Frank Umont DJ	11	BBOO Board Meeting 12:00 p.m.	13
5;00 P.M. General Membership Mtg. Edee Dickinson DJ	15	16	Edee Dickinson DJ	18	19	20
Jerry Munson DJ	22	23	Jerry Munson DJ	25	26	27
NO DANCING	29	30				



## A TRIBUTE TO "FAT HAROLD" BESSENT



Most of you know and have heard about the legendary "Fat Harold" of North Myrtle Beach, South Carolina. He loved the Shag. Unfortunately, he passed away recently. Here is an excerpt from his obituary:

Harold Milton Bessent, affectionately known to all as "Fat Harold", joined The Shadow Shaggers on that Golden Dance Floor in Heaven Friday, May 22<sup>nd</sup>, at home after a long illness. "Fat Harold" was born on June 13, 1933, in Little River, South Carolina, to Bill and Frances (Ellis) Bessent. He is survived by many children, grandchildren and great grandchildren, as well as many nieces and nephews.

After serving his time in the United States Marine Corps during the Korean Conflict, Harold came back and lived in Florida for a brief time and married his wife, Mary. Among the many clubs he owned, Fat Harold's Beach Club and Harold's on the Ocean (HOTO's) is where he became known as The King of Shag.

Fat Harold was instrumental in keeping The Shag alive by helping it get recognized as South Carolina's State Dance. He attended shag clubs and events near and far to promote the Shag and was one of the first to say "Bring it on" when SOS was born. He had shag contests for the adults and, with the suggestion of friends, was instrumental in the birth of The Junior Shaggers. With the Shag being his first love, besides his family, he decided way back then that the Shag would never die. He would see to that, and that he did.

Harold was a good man and would give you the shirt off of his back. He was a Shriner, a Mason, a member of many local clubs, a boat captain and loved his family very much. He was grief stricken when his grandson, Little David, developed Cancer. It was at this time that Harold became involved with Camp Kemo. Harold Bessent has gotten many stars in his crown for his work with "His Kids". He was on the board at The Palmetto Foundation and has been awarded The Order of the Palmetto, The Aflac Palmetto Foundation Award for his generosity for years of service and monetary donations to Camp Kemo. He received the key to the City of North Myrtle Beach, and June 13th has been proclaimed "Fat Harold Day" by Mayor Marilyn Hatley of North Myrtle Beach. He was instrumental in starting the first OD Shag Club, which is the largest in the ASCA. He was on the Hall of Fame Foundation Board, owner of The Living Legends and DJ Hall of Fame. He received the SOS "ICON" award several years ago and was inducted to The Shaggers Hall of Fame. He received the Lifetime Achievement Award from the Carolina Beach Music Awards in November of 2014 and all of the awards given in the future will be "The Fat Harold Bessent Lifetime Achievement Award." He was awarded Best Beach Music Club for 13 years before he graciously declined nominations. He also received numerous awards at HOTO's for Best Show Club and Best Summer Concert Series for many years. He has done so much and asked for so little for so long. His accomplishments are beyond measure.

His wishes are no flowers - they die. "Let my kids at Camp Kemo bloom as long as they can", by sending your condolences as donations to Camp Kemo, C/O Fat Harold's Beach Club, 212 Main Street, North Myrtle Beach. South Carolina 29582.

Fat Harold has personally requested a Private Service. There will be a Celebration of Life on his birthday, Saturday, June 13th at 4 p.m. at Fat Harold's Beach Club. A guestbook is available at <a href="https://www.leefhandcrematory.com">www.leefhandcrematory.com</a>. Lee Funeral Home & Crematory of Little River/North Myrtle Beach is serving the family.





WHEN: Saturday, July 18, 2015

WHERE: Tuscawilla Country Club,

1500 Winter Springs Blvd., Winter Springs, FL

Members \$15.00 Guests \$25.00

- Cash Bar Special Drink Prices at 6:00 p.m.
- Buffet Dinner 6:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m.
- Dancing 7:30 p.m. 10:30 p.m.
- 50/50 Raffle

# Reservations must be made and paid for by July 10th \*\*\*\*\*THERE WILL BE NO "PAY AT THE DOOR" FOR THIS EVENT\*\*\*\*

Name	Phone
Number of Reservations	Amount Paid
Guest(s) Name(s):	
Make checks payable to Beach Bopper	rs of Orlando and mail to:
BBOO	
PO Box 160813	
Altamonte Springs, Fl 3	2716-0813

Or give checks or cash to Dorothy Berdellans (Treasurer) any Wednesday or Sunday dance night at the Post Time Lounge during regular dancing.

# Beach Boppers of Orlando 26th Annual Orange Squeeze

October 29<sup>st</sup> thru October 31, 2015

at Plaza Resort & Spa

600 North Atlantic Ave., Daytona Beach, FL 32118 1-800-500-5630 or 386-255-4471 Room Rates \$119 per night (Ask for Beach Boppers 2015 Room Block)

Tickets: \$65 until Sept. 23, 2015
(\$75 <u>after Sept. 23, 2015)</u>
Daily tickets \$40
No refunds – Tickets held at registration desk



# Guest DJs – Buck Crumpton & Billy Waldrep playing your favorite music along with BBOO DJs!!

- Free Beer Friday & Saturday while it lasts
- Hospitality
- Dancing Beach Side Thurs., Fri., & Sat Noon to 6 p.m.
- Smoke Free Ballroom Dancing 7 p.m. to 1 a.m.

- Free Shag & Swing Workshops –
   Friday & Saturday (with paid registration)
- Golf Scramble Fri. Morning
   Call Pat Jones @ 407-886-5874
- Halloween Contest Friday Night

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Please Print

Name	Guest:	
Address		
City	State	
Club Affiliation	Phone #:	
E-Mail:		
# of Tickets	Amount enclosed: \$	

Make checks payable to Beach Boppers of Orlando Mail to: BBOO PO Box 160813 Altamonte Springs, FL 32716-0813

## BEACH BOPPERS OF ORLANDO 2015 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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

PLEASE - CLEARLY PRINT	THE FOLLOWING INFORM	MATION:	
NAME:			
ADDRESS:			
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CELL PHONE:	E-MAIL:		
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Date of Birth (month & day only)	)		
I authorize any of the above informa I authorize any of the above informa			
On what committees would you volu	unteer to serve (Please check tho	se you are int	erested in):
FinanceWays & MeansS	SocialPublicityTelephor	neNomin	ationsBy-Laws
Please forward this completed for <b>Beach Boppers of Orlando</b> P			Fl. 32716-0813
Referred by:			
In consideration of the mutual benefit acknowledging that injury may occureleases and waives all liability claim every member thereof which may are	r while dancing, the undersigned ns or demands against BBOO, In	does hereby c., its officer	assume all risks and absolves,
Signature of above member:			Date/
Membership dues are \$40.00 per calcomid-night on January 31, 2015.  PLE	•	•	-
For club use only: Date rec'd/ Member # Date entered into	// Amt. Rec'd system// Ca	Cash() (	Ck#