

THE BOOGIE BEAT

December 2025

THE PRESIDENT'S CORNER

WOW, WOW, WOW!!!!!! Our Orange Squeeze was a great success – great weather, people from all over the country attending. We danced outside on a dance floor under the tent all afternoon. And in the evening, we danced in the ballroom 'til midnight. The dance floor was full almost all evening.

So many people worked hard to make this event so successful. The Club's board did an outstanding job. Rick Teeter and Joe Durkin directed the laying of the dance floor in the ballroom. A shout out to those of you who helped with the floor. There were so many of you who volunteered. Without your help it would have been more difficult than it was. Also a big thank you to those who helped break it down and remove it on Sunday.

Carolyn and Warren Johnson did a fabulous job on the Hospitality Welcome on Thursday night, with Ron Petry and Ron Jone serving drinks. That was a huge party in itself. Over 200 people registered on Thursday afternoon and the line for hospitality was out into the hallway of the 9th floor.

Dorothy Berdellans, Patti Cashion and Ana Lara did a great job at the Registration Desk selling 50/50 tickets. We paid out over \$1000 in the 50/50 drawings. Linda Teeter was busy selling raffles for the "Booze Wagons" and running the Scavenger Hunt. Carolyn Johnson and Bobbie Santos were selling Orange Squeeze T-shirts. The line dance and shag lessons went over very well. Thank you Ken and Dale. And last but not least, a big thank you to all of you who volunteered to help at the Registration Desk.

This event was as successful as it was because of all of you. Thank you again to every one of you.

Wishing all of you a very Merry Christmas, Happy Hannukah, and Happy New Year. Stay safe and stay well.

Frank Umont, President



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

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Our website:
www.beachboppers.com

Check out www.shagtour.com

It has a complete listing of dance clubs from around the United States.

Mission Statement:

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Weekly dancing and meetings are held at the Elks Lodge, 4755 Howell Branch Rd., Winter Park, FL 32792.

Dance nights are Sunday nights from 6:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. 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: 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 OUR DECEMBER BIRTHDAY MEMBERS!

Robbie Roberts	5-Dec	Elizabeth Langan	21-Dec
Marty Wanielista	7-Dec	Judy Urbancik	29-Dec
Sue Cappetta	12-Dec	Marc Charles	31-Dec
Jerome Schiff	14-Dec		

Upcoming January Birthdays:

Joanne "JoJo" Testa	5-Jan	Joni Bastian	24-Jan
Patti Scheschuk	10-Jan	Frank Ibbotson	26-Jan
Edward Langolf	22-Jan	Wilbert Werden	29-Jan
Bob Gianette	22-Jan	Ron Petry	30-Jan





CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

December is a very busy month for everyone in many different ways.

Jewish people celebrate the wonderful holiday of Hanukkah or Festival of Lights. It is an eight-day holiday that celebrates a historic victory of light over darkness, freedom over oppression and faith over idolatry. Hanukkah commemorates both a miraculous military triumph and a divine act that offered God's faithfulness to his people. Jewish families gather each night with joy, gratitude and symbolism, reciting blessings, lighting candles, signing traditional songs, and eating traditional foods.

To Christians, Christmas is one of the most important and cultural holidays of the year. It is the celebration of the gift of God's Son to mankind and an invitation into God's family to all who trust in him. Because of God's gift, Christmas is the season of giving. It emphasizes love and hope to all people of the world. Families celebrate by giving gifts, spending time together in worship, family traditions and cultural activities.

Whatever your belief is about this time of year, show extra kindness, give generously to those less fortunate and spend time with family and friends.

Happy Hanukkah. Merry Christmas. Best of Holidays.

Tom and Diane Norton
Club Chaplains

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****** Notes of Interest ******

NOW HEAR THIS: If you didn't attend the Orange Squeeze, you missed a great time! We had over 300 people attend from 15 states and Canada. The weather even cooperated with our outside dancing. In all the years I have been involved with this event, this was the best one yet!!! This event was sold out so fast! People from all over were ready for it. For so many years, our dance event was one of the top three events on the eastern seaboard and still is!!

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AFTER CHRISTMAS "CHRISTMAS" DINNER/DANCE: Mark your calendars for Saturday, January 24, 2026. This will be held at the Elks Lodge. The flyer is attached. We have a lot to celebrate and be thankful for. The cost is \$25 per person for both members and guests.

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MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL: The 2026 Membership Application form is attached. Dues for new members to \$60 for the year and \$50 for renewals. For those of you renewing your membership, please keep in mind that after January 31st you will have to pay the same as a new member.

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THANK YOU TO ALL: On behalf of myself, I want to thank Ana Lara and Patti Cashion for their fantastic help selling 50/50 tickets. And also a big thank you to all of you who volunteered to help at the Registration Desk. The success of the Orange Squeeze would not have been possible without all your help. Thank you again.

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Something to ponder for the new year



**To be kind is more important than to be right.
Many times what people need is not a brilliant mind
that speaks but a special heart that listens.**

Your Newsletter Gal,

Dorothy B.



“THE CALENDAR”

DECEMBER 2025

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THURS	FRI	SAT
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7 No Dancing	8	9	10	11 Board Meeting	12	13
14 Dancing Elks Lodge Howell Branch 6:00 to 8:30 p.m.	15	16	17	18	19	20
21 Dancing Elks Lodge Howell Branch 6:00 to 8:30 p.m.	22	23	24	25 	26	27
28 Dancing Elks Lodge Howell Branch 6:00 to 8:30 p.m.	29	30	31 			





BEACH BOPPERS OF ORLANDO

After Christmas "Christmas" Party

Saturday, January 24, 2026

at the

ELKS LODGE

4755 HOWELL BRANCH RD.

WINTER PARK, FL 32792

Semi-Formal Attire (PLEASE - NO jeans, shorts or T-shirts)

Hors d'oeuvres 5:30 p.m. Buffet Dinner 6:30 p.m.

Dancing and Cash Bar until 10:00 p.m.

50/50 Drawing

Members and Guests - \$25 per person

Member Name:

Guest Name:

Phone No. -----

Amount Paid:-----

All Reservations Must be Received by Saturday, January 17, 2026

THERE WILL BE NO REFUNDS

Mail to:

BEACH BOPPERS OF ORLANDO

P.O. BOX 160813

Altamonte Springs, FL 32716

BEACH BOPPERS OF ORLANDO

2026 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

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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 SAY "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 (month & day 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 check those you are interested in):

Finance Ways & Means Social Publicity Telephone Nominations By-Laws

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 ____/____/____

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

Membership dues are \$60.00 per calendar year. Current members may renew for the discounted rate of \$50.00 prior to midnight on January 31, 2026.

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 ____/____/____