

# THE BOOGIE BEAT

## March 2026

March is here and with it comes more daylight and more reason to come out on Sundays and dance.

Our next General Membership Meeting is Sunday, March 15th, 5:30 p.m. at the Elks Lodge. There will be more information about this year's Orange Squeeze. Yes, the Board has decided to go ahead and see if we can make it happen. The proposed dates are October 29, 30 and 31, 2026 at the same hotel - the Shores Resort and Spa. Nothing is signed, but plans are underway. Start getting your costumes ready!!!

Our membership is down from last year, so if you know someone who likes to dance and meet other people, ask them to join our club.

This year will be our 40th anniversary as a club!!! Not many clubs last that long, so we must be doing something right!

Looking forward to seeing you on the dance floor.

Frank Umont, President



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

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

**Check out [www.shagtour.com](http://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.

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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 happy to assist you!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

We can 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 March Birthday Members!

Patricia Hanson	3-Mar		Cheryl Swanson	16-Mar
Jack Cowras	5-Mar		Pat Charles	20-Mar
Jack Price	6-Mar		Patti Cashion	21-Mar
Susan Ankrum	7-Mar		Gordon Hansen	21-Mar
Patricia Lombardi	7-Mar		Ivan Blazckovic	22-Mar
Lynn Frazier	9-Mar		Kenneth Doster	25-Mar
Michael Kaye	11-Mar		Tom Lufkin	30-Mar

## Upcoming April Birthdays:

John Butler	4-Apr		Elaine Lence	16-Apr
Basha Perez	11-Apr		Toni Stevenson	18-Apr
Andrea Konsler	12-Apr			





# CHAPLAIN'S CORNER

## Choose Joy

Always be joyful. Pray continually and give thanks whatever happens. This what God wants for you in Christ Jesus. 1 Thessalonians 5:16-18

Happiness comes by chance. Joy is a choice. Joy is choosing to be thankful when we could be ungrateful. It's choosing to see the good when we could see the bad. It's constant prayer coupled with continual thanksgiving because when we choose joy in our hearts, nothing -- not even the worst of circumstances -- can rob it from us.

Thank you God for the blessings you've given me. Thank you that while I have little control over my circumstances, I do have total control over whether or not I am joyful in my own life. Help me to build an attitude of joy and to practice a heart of thankfulness so that I can live the life that you want me to live in your Son. Amen

Diane and Tom Norton  
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**\*\*\*\* Notes of Interest \*\*\*\***

**NOW HEAR THIS:** Just a reminder to change your clocks on Sunday, March 8<sup>th</sup>. Remember – Spring forward, Fall back!!!

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**BBOO 40<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY PARTY:** This year, Beach Boppers of Orlando will be 40 years old. I don't know of many dance clubs like ours that have lasted this long. I think we should be very proud and thankful that we are still in existence and going strong

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**ORANGE SQUEEZE 2026:** It's in the works. The potential dates are October 29, 30 and 31, 2026, at the Shores Resort & Spa. The Board is working very hard once again to get all the details worked out with the hotel. The flyer will be available soon. Once again, it will be on Halloween weekend, so get your costumes ready!!!

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**2026 MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION FORM:** Attached is the 2026 Membership Application form. If you haven't renewed your membership yet, we hope you will do so soon. After the end of March, those of you who have not renewed will be taken off the email list. We hope you will renew your membership..

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**MARCH GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING :** The next General Membership Meeting is scheduled for Sunday, March 8, 2026, at 5:30 p.m. at the Elks Lodge. More information about Orange Squeeze will be available. Hope you will join us.

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**Something to ponder .....**

What's done is done. What's gone is gone.  
One of the best lessons in life is learning  
how to let go and move on.




And remember this – Sometimes music is the only medicine a heart and soul need.

Your Newsletter Gal, *Dorothy B.*



# “THE CALENDAR”

## MARCH 2026

SUN	MON	TUES	WED	THUR	FRI	SAT
1 Dancing at the Elks Lodge Howell Branch 6:00 – 8:30 pm	2	3	4	5	6	7
8 Dancing at the Elks Lodge Howell Branch 6:00 – 8:30 pm	9	10	11	12 Board Meeting 10:00 a.m.	13	14
15 <b>General Membership Mtg. 5:30 pm</b> Dancing 6:00 – 8:30 pm	16	17 	18	19	20	21
22 Dancing at the Elks Lodge Howell Branch 6:00 – 8:30 pm	23	24	25	26	27	28
29 Dancing at the Elks Lodge Howell Branch 6:00 – 8:30 pm	30	31				



# BEACH BOPPERS OF ORLANDO 2026 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 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 applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ 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.**

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PLEASE DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE  
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**For club use only:** Date rec'd \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ Amt. Rec'd \_\_\_\_ Cash ( ) Ck# \_\_\_\_  
Member # \_\_\_\_ Date entered into system \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ Card mailed \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_ / \_\_\_\_