

Footloose



Newsletter of the Chicago Jitterbug Club

Hello Everyone.

Well, I for one, do not know where the month of August went! It seems like it was just the 1st and now it is over. You should almost feel Fall in the air, but the weather is just crazy.

It is no secret to those who come to the dances regularly, that it has been a slow year attendance-wise. Coming up is our "Open Board Meeting" on September 10th, starting with door opening at 7:15 and the meeting at 7:30. Put your "thinking caps" on and plan to give your Board some ideas and/or suggestions. We especially want ideas on how to increase membership and attendance! We hope to see more of you in the coming months, and I am wishing everyone well! You've probably already noticed a slight reduction in the frequency and size of our newsletter (and fewer pix). Reducing print costs is one of the ways to make up for the reduction in dance party revenue, besides returning to previous door dues of \$7.00.

I'm happy and excited that we have finally managed to get our newsletter on-line! Dave and ML are still working out some bugs but you can see all of last year's and this year's editions on our website. We hope the on-line newsletter will be another beneficial change by encouraging those of you who are computer-able to view it electronically (in living color!) and, thus, eliminate much of the cost of printing and mailing copies. A sheet will be available so we can identify those who are willing to help us save \$3.00 or more a copy by accessing *Footloose* this way. Your pictures are always fun to see in print, but color is so much nicer. Give it a try and let us know your thoughts.

Our annual Jive at Five Dinner Dance is coming up on October 2nd. The flyer is included in this newsletter. It will again be at the Garden Chalet, and I think everyone is looking forward to this annual Sunday dinner/dance and get-together. Please don't think of this as a "couples" dance. We always welcome, with open arms, our single men and women. Please put this on your "to do" calendar and come break bread with your dance friends.

Board elections come up in November. Please consider running for your CJC Board because we can always use new ideas and/or more hands. Everyone who has been a member for a year is welcome to seek office. Nomination forms are in this newsletter and are due October 15th, in person or by mail by October 19th. All offices are for only one year, starting in January 2017.

As for the end of the year, I can tell you to sign up for your New Year's Eve Gala reservations as early as possible. Our minimum guarantee also happens to be our maximum, so it's unlikely that we will be accommodating anyone after the deadline. We return to the Palos Country Club for a wonderful dinner with two entrees: Tenderloin of Beef and Shrimp Scampi. We heard from those of you light drinkers who don't see the need to pay for an open bar, so the cost to members is \$50/pp, cash bar, so you won't break your budget celebrating the biggest night of the year.

And saving the best for last but coming soon, nationally renowned Mike & Debbie Lapina are giving two dance lessons for beginner/intermediate East coast swing on September 24th and October 8th right before a dance party. Lastly, it's time to start thinking about those awesome Halloween costumes for our frightfully fun Halloween Dance Party. In the meantime, I hope I see most of you at Jive and that everyone has a bright and beautiful Fall.

Barb Buschman, President

CJC 2016 Board of Directors

President

Barbara Buschman

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Carol Green

Secretary

Judy Hook

Treasurer

Tony Zawacki

Board Members

Gene Bylina

Kitty Shannon

Slim Waschke

Past President

Mary Lou Poremba

2016 Committees

50/50 Sales/Prizes

Kitty Shannon

50/50 Assistants

Blanche Arreguin

Bruce Bossier

Gene Bylina

Album

Carol Green

Birthday Cards

Kathy Kay

Candy

Arlene Waschke

DJs

Norm Oden

Party Doll

Newsletter

Mary Lou Poremba

Publicity

Mary Lou Poremba

Snacks

Gene Bylina

Sunshine

Arlene VanHouten-Maynard

Volunteers/Check-in Desk

Carol Green

Web Master

Dave Chess

2016 Dance Party Revenue

Date	Door Dues	50/50 Donation
Jan 9	\$60	\$85
Jan 30	\$270	\$87
Feb 27	\$335	\$140
March 26	\$480	\$74
April 9	\$370	\$123
April 23	\$350	\$97
May 14	\$550	\$80
May 28	\$320	\$81
June 11	\$420	\$108
June 25	\$315	\$80
July 9	\$305	\$105
July 23	\$25	\$90
August 11	\$465	\$96
August 27	\$532	\$130

Dance parties base cost = \$540, plus snacks

CJC Board Meeting Highlights

- * Confirmed 2017 dance party dates
- * Mike & Debbe Lapina workshops confirmed
- * Discussed ways to increase membership
- * Ice Cream Social arrangements, shopping
- * Cash on Hand on 8/24/16 \$9,244.39
- * Jive at Five menu set, no change in price
- * Club news now on CJC/Facebook
- * Newsletter on ChicagoJitterbugClub.org in color
- * Cost-cutting: Bday cards? Membership cards?
- * NYE Gala at Palos Country Club, ticket limit

Join Us on Facebook & On the Line!

We've finally increased our dancing footprint on the internet, and you can now find us and view our newsletter on your smartphone or computer. If you're a grandparent, you might already be on Facebook, just to see pix of your kids and grandkids. But by doing a "search" you can find our (CLOSED) Group of Chicago Jitterbug Club. Click on "Join Group" and you'll soon be a member of the CJC's (closed for privacy) group. It's that easy. Hope you are able to join us!

**Dinosaurs didn't dance,
Now they are extinct.
(Don't be dinosaur, come dancing!)**

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, 2016.

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

Officers (qualification is 1 year of service on Board completed immediately prior to January 2017)

President _____ I accept _____

Vice President _____ I accept _____

Secretary _____ I accept _____

Treasurer _____ I accept _____

Executive Board Member (qualification is 1 year 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 Jitterbug 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 8th). 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 12, 2016. Terms for all positions are January 1 - December 31, 2017. Unfilled seats will be subject to appointment by the 2017 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, 2016.

ABA Hall of Fame Dancers
Mike & Debbe Lapina
and the
Chicago Jitterbug Club

present

East Coast Swing Workshops
(Beginner/Intermediate)



Saturday, September 24, 2016

Saturday, October 8, 2016

Chicago South Elks Lodge
4428 W Midlothian Tpk (140th)

6:30 PM Sharp!

(Doors open @ 6:15)

Workshop \$5.00 for Members or Guests

Plus Door Dues of \$7.00 or \$10.00

As a courtesy to our instructors, no observers!

Dance Party starts at 8:00 pm



Chicago Jitterbug Club

presents

Jive at Five

Dinner & Dance Party

Garden Chalet Banquets

Sunday, October 2nd

11000 S. Ridgeland (North of Walgreen's)

Chicago Ridge

Free parking

5:00 – 10:00 PM with DJ Party Doll

Family-style dinner at 6 PM includes:

Deluxe entrees, salad, sides, dessert, coffee/tea

Cash bar

Reservations are limited and must be prepaid by September 24th.

Make checks payable Chicago Jitterbug Club and mail to:

Barbara Buschman, 16 E Illinois St., Lemont, IL 60439

CJC Member tickets	_____	_____	@ \$25 each
Guest tickets	_____	_____	@ \$30 each
		_____	TOTAL ENCLOSED

Name 1 _____ Name 2 _____

Contact Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Contact Phone _____ CJC #(s) _____

For more info, contact Barb at 630/257-6479 or Barb@chicagojitterbugclub.com

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Proud Member:
American Bop Association
First Premier Cruise Club—2006
Premier ABA Cruise Club—2010
Premier ABA Cruise Club—2013
Premier ABA Cruise Club—2014
Premier ABA Cruise Club—2015

Chicago Jitterbug Club

Coming Up:
Annual Business Meeting, Sept 10
Jive at Five, October 2
Nominations for Office, October 15

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CJC and CWCJC Dance Party Calendar

- Sept 10** CJC Annual Business Meeting & Dance Party, Elks
- Sept 17** CWCJC Dance, American Legion Hall, CWCJC Tailgatin' Night
- Sept 24** CJC Justadance Party, Elks (Workshop @ 6:30 by Mike & Debbe Lapina, \$5.00)
- Oct 1** CWCJC Dance, American Legion Hall
- Oct 2** CJC Jive at Five Dinner/Dance (Prepaid tix @ \$25/\$30)
- Oct 8** CJC Justadance Party, Elks (Workshop @ 6:30 by Mike & Debbe Lapina, \$5.00)
- Oct 15** CWCJC Dance, American Legion Hall
- Oct 29** CJC Halloween Costume Dance Party, Elks
- Nov 5** CWCJC Dance, American Legion Hall, Vets Day & Troop Drive
- Nov 12** CJC Meet the Candidates/Election/Victory Dance Party
- Nov 19** CWCJC 27th Anniversary Dance, Chevy Chase Country Club (Prepaid tix)
- Nov 26** CJC Justadance Party, Elks
- Dec 3** CWCJC Dance & Elections, American Legion Hall
- Dec 10** CJC Holiday Dance Party, Elks

2016/2017 ABA & ABA Sisters' Parties

- Nov 9 – 13** Move across the River (Cincinnati), Cincinnati Bop Club
- Jan 22 – 28** ABA Dancin' on the High Seas Cruise (Maureen @800/727-9577)
- March 10 – 25** ABA Hawaiian Island Cruise from San Francisco (Maureen @800/727-9577)

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