



Footloose

Newsletter of the Chicago Jitterbug Club

Hi everyone: Welcome to our new members and Thank You to our members who come to the dances and support our club when they are able and support our club in other ways. A special THANK YOU to one of our Anonymous Members who has given us a substantial donation for a second time this year. It is much appreciated and we would welcome any donations from our members at any time.

We had a super turnout at our Halloween Party dance, where we tried something new. Anyone in full costume was given a raffle ticket. We then drew two tickets and awarded \$25.00 to each winner. Everyone dressed had an equal chance of winning the money. It went over pretty well.

Our last few dances have been well attended and our 50/50 raffles have been some of the best ever; which is keeping us steady in the finance department. We have added a Free Pass as a consolation prize, which may also be helping.

Our next dance is our Christmas dance with pizza. Hoping for a nice crowd for the last dance at the Elks for this year. If you haven't been to a dance in a while, why not dust off your dancing shoes and join us on the dance floor!! Last on our list is our New Years Eve Gala at the beautiful Palos Country Club. Get your money in as soon as you can because spaces are going fast and we are limiting how many can attend. Hoping everyone has a wonderful Christmas and a blessed and healthy New Year. Giving many thanks to all of our worker bees who try to make our club the best there is.

Last month we held our annual election at our last dance in November. As of January, the new Board of Directors consists of: Barb Buschman, President; Carol Green, Vice President; Kitty Shannon, Secretary; Tony Zawacki, Treasurer. Serving as Board Members-at-Large are: Shirley Medley, Slim Waschke, and Carol White. Mary Lou Poremba remains as Past President.

Sincere thanks for the many, many years Gene (Dancing Machine) Bylina served on the Board and in many, many other facets of working to keep the Chicago Jitterbug Club going. I can't list how many great ways he has helped the Club over our 25 years. It is deeply appreciated Gene, and we hope to see you doing more dancing!! Thanks, Gene!

Last thought: For all of 2018 we will be celebrating our 25th Birthday/Anniversary, although there will be cake at our January Dance. We hope to put something special together to mark this milestone event so I'm asking everyone for your input on how best to do that. Please see me or Mary Lou to share your ideas, comments, suggestions.

Barb

CJC & CWCJC Things to Do in 2018

January 13	CJC Dance Party with Birthday Cake (Free cake!), Elks
January 27	CWCJC Dance, American Legion Hall
February 10	CJC Mardi Gras Dance Party, Elks
February 17	CWCJC Dance, American Legion Hall
February 24	CJC Justadance Party, Elks
March 3	CWCJC Dance, American Legion Hall
March 10	CJC Fancy Dress Dance Party, Elks



CJC Board of Directors

President

Barbara Buschman

Vice President

Carol Green

Secretary

Kitty Shannon

Treasurer

Tony Zawacki

Board Members

Gene Bylina

Slim Waschke

Carol White

Past President

Mary Lou Poremba

2017 Committees

50/50

Carol White

Album

Carol Green

Candy/Snacks

Gene Bylina

Arlene Waschke

DJs

Norm Oden

Party Doll

New Year's Eve

Mary Lou Poremba

Newsletter

Mary Lou Poremba

Publicity

Mary Lou Poremba

Carol White

Social

Kitty Shannon

Sunshine

Arlene VanHouten-Maynard

Volunteers/Check-in Desk

Carol Green

Web Master

Dave Chess

2017 Dance Party Revenue

Date	Door Dues	50/50 Donation
January 14	\$401	\$110
February 11	\$381	\$128
February 25	\$436	\$106
April 8	\$371	\$103
April 22	\$535	\$136
May 13	\$443	\$130
June 10	\$500	\$116
June 24	\$356	\$113
July 8	\$395	\$104
July 22	\$305	\$71
August 12	\$406	\$143
August 26	\$547	\$131
September 9	\$253	\$111
September 23	\$453	\$136
October 14	\$215	\$85
October 28	\$430	\$160
November 11	\$250	\$126
November 25	\$448	\$161
December 9	\$460	\$183

Rent and DJ at Elks cost = \$540, plus snacks



New/Rejoined Members

Darlene Adams

Carole Allen

Camille Connoly

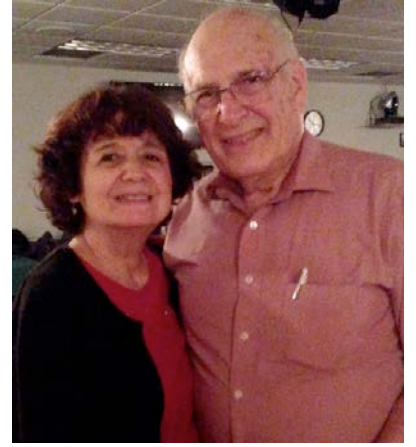
Tony Mennella

Christmas Dance Report

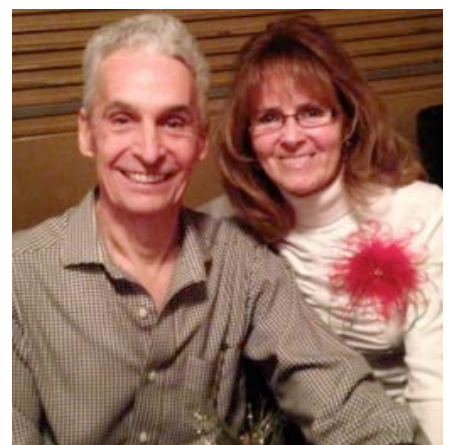
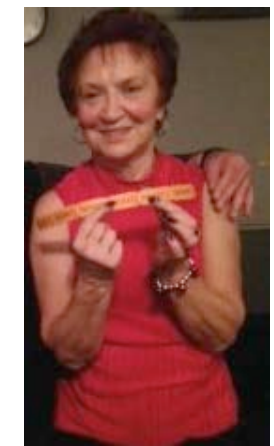
We held our annual Christmas Holiday Dance on December 9th, and what a time it was! There was delicious Beggar's Pizza and a mountainous sweet table. It was also a night of a new record-breaking 50/50 amounting to \$18.00! Thanks to **Bob Wilkison** and **Grace Cronborg** for showing us how it's done.

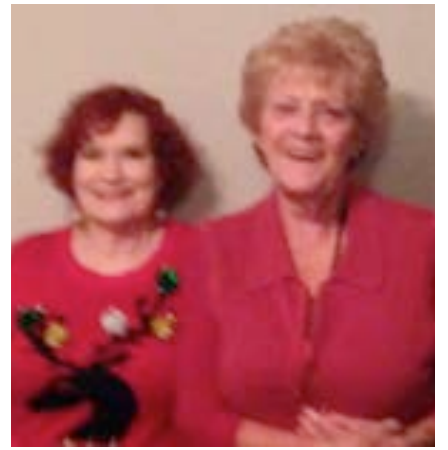
Serving up an abundance of pizza, both sausage and cheese were **Barb Buschman, Carol Green, Sally Kupczyk, and Arlene VanHouten-Maynard**. Once everyone had enough pizza (9 Family Size pizzas went!), they then set up a wonderful sweet table, filled with goodies. Many thanks also to **Barb, Linda Masterson, Mary Lou Poremba, and Patty Suchocki** for contributing to the delicious selection of sweets.

Chicago Jitterbug Club Christmas/Holiday Dance Party



December 9, 2017





Chicago Jitterbug Club

2018 Dance Calendar

(May be subject to slight changes)



Featuring:
DJ Norm
DJ Party Doll



January 13 – Birthday Dance Party (Cake is free)

February 10– Mardi Gras Dance Party

February 24 – Justadance Party

March 10 – Fancy Dress! Dance Party

March 24 – CJC Easter Bonnet/Hat Dance Party

April 14 – CJC Sports Team Jersey Dance Party

April 28 – Justadance Party

May 12 – Tex Mex Dance Party

June 9 – Annual Flag Day Dance Party (Casual Red/White/Blue)

June 23 – CJC Tee Shirt Night

July 14 – Justadance Party

July 28 – Beachcomber Dance Party

August 11 – Ice Cream Social & Justadance Party

August 25 – Black & White Dance Party

***September 8 – Annual Business Meeting @ 7:30**

September 27 – Crazy Tee Shirt Dance Party

October 13 – Justadance Party

October 28 – Halloween Dance Party, Raffle & Parade

November 10 – Veterans Dance Party

***November 24 – Meet the Candidates @ 7:30, Victory Dance Party**

December 8 – Holiday Dance Party

December 31 – New Year’s Eve Gala (Location TBA, Prepaid Tix Only!)

**Dance Party Home
Chicago South Elks Lodge
4428 W Midlothian Turnpike
630/257-6479 for Info**

***Doors open @ 7:30 except as noted, where doors open at 7:15. Please comply for the convenience of our host workers.**

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Chicago Jitterbug Club

New Year's Eve Gala



Sunday, December 31, 2017

Palos Country Club

13100 Southwest Highway

Orland Park

7:30 pm – 12:30 am

DJ Party Doll

Appetizers, Beef Tenderloin, Chicken, Sides, Dinner & Dessert @ 8:30 pm

Champagne Toast @ Midnight

Cash Bar

Reservation Form

Checks payable to Chicago Jitterbug Club and mail to: CJC, 5131 W 115th St, Alsip, IL 60803

Nonrefundable but you may resell/transfer. No reservations after December 20th (if avail).

_____ CJC or CWCJC Members @ \$60.00 _____

_____ Guests @ \$70.00 _____

_____ Total Reservations \$ _____ TOTAL ENCLOSED

PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY (Membership will be verified)

Name 1 _____ Name 2 _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Phone _____ E-Mail _____

For more info, call Mary Lou at 708/597-5597, leave message or email MaryLou@chicagojitterbugclub.org

Tables of 8 only may be reserved together with payment in full at one time.

If you wish a confirmation, enclose a SASE or readable email!

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Last call for New Year's Eve Reservations
See the form inside!

Coming ABA & ABA Sisters' Events for 2018

February 10 – 18	ABA Dancin' on the High Seas Cruise (Last call to Maureen 800/727-9577)
March 22 – 24	Smoky Mountain Boogie (Pigeon Forge) SOLD OUT
April 5 – 7	Swing Fling (Evansville)
April 5 – 8	Boogie in the Burgh (Pittsburgh)
May 24 – 27	Summer Boogie Blast (Nashville)

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