



GRAPEVINE

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The GRAPEVINE is published monthly by the Memphis Bop Club for the benefit of its members. It is our purpose to let you know about the 50's and 60's happenings in and around Memphis. We will try to keep you informed about the places to go to hear the music we enjoy and also about any special happenings in the community. It is published at 1749 Dorrie Ln., Memphis, TN. 38117. Vol. 1, No. 3.

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THE MEMPHIS BOP CLUB NEWS



The RIVERBOAT ROCK & ROLL PARTY is fast approaching on July 10. There are still a few tickets left at \$8 per person. Please be sure to arrive by 7:30, so that we can roll out on the river at 8:00 PM. Bring your own liquor with you, but all food and other beverages will be sold by the Memphis Queen and cannot be brought aboard. Dr. T and Eddie Richardson will provide the music for your dancing pleasure. Tom and Glenda Polzin have the rest of the tickets, so act quick or be ashore!

ELVIS and THE FIFTIES, AGAIN AND FOREVER

On August the 8th, the Memphis Bop Club, in conjunction with Graceland, will sponsor a 50's and 60's BENEFIT DANCE. All the proceeds will go toward the renovation of the Humes Jr. High School Auditorium. Upon completion of the renovation, it will be dedicated in honor of ELVIS PRESLEY. The junior high is the site of the old Humes High where Elvis attended high school.

The dance will be held at the WILSON WORLD HOTEL at the corner of American Way and Cherry. It is between the Mall of Memphis and the Toddle House sometimes frequented after Bop Lessons. Tickets are \$7 in advance, \$8 at the door. The music will be a mixture of Elvis music and the bop music we love so much, and it will be spun by Dr. T and Krazy K of Temptations. We are hoping to have some celebrities in attendance. Your help is needed in selling tickets! David Bishop is in charge of tickets for the event. We are also in need of items to raffle at the dance to raise more funds for this worthwhile cause.



Everybody loves to sit back and enjoy the benefits of a good, fun club. In order to have all of these good times we do have to pitch in occasionally. Currently the committees we have are listed below. Most of these committees consist of one (or none) person. This is not because there's little to do. Please volunteer to help! We need it!



GRAPEVINE	-	Tom Claypool	458-7009
BOP LESSONS	-	Bunny Lee	795-3171
CLEAN UP	-	John Davis	458-7185
ENTERTAINMENT	-	Eddie Richardson	362-3190
DECORATIONS	-	Needs to be filled	
DUES	\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$\$	Bette Alderson	327-0910
FOOD (yummmmm!)	-	Anita Brown	794-6133



****DUES**** are to be renewed as of July 1!!! Three months' memberships are \$9, and a six months' membership is now available at \$17 per person. Please remember to do this! I'll bet you got a lot more than you thought you would for that first \$9!!!!

the BUSINESS DIRECTORY is now being handled by Bill McGroom, 522-9471. This is an attempt to make available to our members a list of goods and services provided by the club members. Bill has been attempting to reach everyone by phone, but this has not been very successful thus far. Take a couple of minutes and jot down a description of how you make your living, and give it to him or one of the club officers. You may find it will make you \$\$.

BOP CLUB SHIRTS are available at \$14. It takes approximately 3 to 4 weeks for your order. An order form can be found on the back page of the "Grapevine".



DATES TO REMEMBER



1 JUNE 30 On June 30 be sure to watch (or record) the Memphis Bop Club's appearance on AM MEMPHIS. For those of us not awake at this time normally, it is on Channel 13 from 6:00 to 7:00 AM. Don't miss our first TV appearance!

JULY 6 The birthday of both Bill Haley, Mr. Rock Around the Clock, and Gene Chandler, the Duke of Earl occurs.

JULY 8 Bop Lessons will again be at the Menden Downs Club House on Mimi Cove from 7:30 to 9:30 PM (Map around here somewhere). We still need some instructors, especially males. If you need more info about learning or teaching, call Bunny Lee at 795-3171. The lessons are free!!!

WILLIE MOFFATT'S is now having a 50's and 60's show each Sunday night at both locations.

THE NEW DAISY on Beale is now featuring the Eddie Cash Show. Eddie is a native Memphian, but he spent seventeen years playing the Las Vegas, Reno and Lake Tahoe circuit. Each Show is different, but they always feature his impersonations of famous 50's performers. Call 525-8979 for more info.

THE RAMADA on Brooks Rd. features Alex Ward's Famous Pig & Whistle Show from 4:30 to 8:30 PM on July 19th.

TEMPTATIONS on Macon Road plays 50's & 60's bop music on Thursdays, Sundays, and from 6:00 to 10:00 on Saturdays. They also play a mixture of 50's, 60's & 70's on Tuesday night.

YESTERDAYS in Southaven is now playing 50's, 60's and 70's on Friday and Saturday night. They are located at Stateline Rd. and Interstate 55.

 DR. T'S MUSIC NEWS 

As promised last time, here is some information on mail-ordering of bop records. Space is short, so I'll just basically list some addresses. "Goldmine" will send you a complimentary copy if you ask for one.

Magazines-

Goldmine
Circulation Dept.
700 E. State St.
Iola, WI 54990

Record Exchanger
Vintage Records
Dept. J, Box 2144
Anaheim, CA 92804

Catalogues-

Ripete Records
1111 S. Main St.
Elliott, SC 29046

Nina's Discount Oldies
Box 77
Narberth, PA 19072

Val Shively
R&B Records
Box B
Havertown, PA 19083

Wax Museum
1418 East 5th St.
Charlotte, NC 28209

There are many more, and I can't vouch specifically for any of these companies' credibility. I have dealt with some, but not all of them, and I haven't had any problems thus far.



JULY 11 There will be a meeting of the membership of the Memphis Bop Club at 5:00 PM at Temptations, 6195 Macon Road.

JULY 18 Dion DiMucci, singer of "The Wanderer" and "Runaround Sue", born in 1939.

JULY 22 Bop lessons will be held again at the Mimi Cove Club House. Be there!

JULY 25 Our monthly dance party will be at 8:00 PM on this date. The location is still uncertain, but if you don't hear anything assume it will be at the Mimi Cove address. Ice and set-ups will be provided. If you would like to bring something, a snack, dish, or appetizer is always welcome. All non-members will be charged \$3 for attending.



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AUG. 8 Don't forget ELVIS and THE FIFTIES. AGAIN AND FOREVER!

SPECIAL NEWS EVENTS

THANKS go out to WRVR 68 AM for promoting both the club and the River Boat Party through Public Service Announcements!

THANKS to Bob Williamson for the beautiful banner he made for the club. If you haven't seen it you'll be amazed!

SPECIAL THANKS go to Pat Lewis and Jerry Grant for their participation in the Dance Marathon for United Cerebral Palsy held at Temptations. They represented the Bop Club, made the entire twelve hours, and raised over \$1300 for UCP. They bopped almost the entire marathon near Pat's fan and did a great job of promoting the club, claiming second place. Thanks to all who sponsored them. Next year we'll win it all!

TEMPTATIONS expresses their thanks to Pat and Jerry for their participation and to the Memphis Bop Club for their making the event such a success. The large turnout by the club made for a fun and lively crowd. Aside from the money raised by Jerry and Pat, many of those in attendance supported the raffle (Pete Wade won lots of stuff). UCP raised approximately \$6250 from the marathon, and the Memphis Bop Club was responsible for a large chunk of that!

50'S AND 60'S AROUND MEMPHIS

ALFRED'S on Beale is now the host of the George Klein Sunday 50's show. George is a longtime local radio personality and was a friend and confidant of Elvis.

PLEASE USE THIS FORM TO SEND IN YOUR DUES RENEWAL, ORDER SHIRTS,
OR TO RECRUIT NEW MEMBERS!!

THE MEMPHIS BOP CLUB

The MEMPHIS BOP CLUB was formed in April of 1987, and has now reached a membership total of over 200 people. The purpose of the club is to keep the 50's and 60's music alive as well as the style of dance called the BOP.

Membership dues are \$3 per month, payable three months in advance, or \$17 for a six month membership. Your membership fee buys you a party once a month, a monthly newsletter called the GRAPEVINE, and FREE Bop lessons, for those who wish to learn or brush-up on the style of bopping.

The MEMPHIS BOP CLUB also has become involved in special functions to help worthwhile causes in our community.

A FUN TIME IS HAD BY ALL!!!

For Further information, please call any board member listed:

FRESIDENT:	PETE WADE	363-5575
VICE PRESIDENT:	TOM POLZIN	761-4549
TREASURER:	GLENDA POLZIN	761-4549
SECRETARY:	BARBARA BROOKS	363-7454
SGT. OF ARMS:	DAVID BISHOP	386-9619

Please sign your name below with your Mailing Address and Phone no.
so we can register you now!

Make checks payable to :
MEMPHIS BOP CLUB

NAME: _____
ADDRESS: _____
CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____
PHONE NUMBER _____

THIS IS A: NEW MEMBERSHIP
DUES RENEWAL
SHIRT ORDER

ENCLOSED IS: _____
NO. OF SHIRTS: _____ SIZES _____
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REQUEST FOR
TICKETS FOR "ELVIS & THE 50'S, AGAIN & FOREVER"

NO. OF TICKETS: _____
\$7 each, ENCLOSED IS: _____

MAIL THIS FORM TO:

MEMPHIS BOP CLUB
c/o THOMAS POLZIN
1749 Dorrie Ln.
Memphis, TN 38117

