

# Grapevine



THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF  
**THE MEMPHIS BOP CLUB**  
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### Dear Memphis Bop Club Members;

"The March wind roars like a lion in the sky...and makes us shiver as it passes by." I don't know about ya'll, but the older I get, the more I have to ask Sammy to build me a fire.

At the February board meeting, Bunny Lee Wilhelm was nominated for induction into The ABA Hall of Fame. Good Luck Bunny. On a funnier note, at the Feb 8th dance, Sammy Lobianco was dancing with Bunny and made the suggestion that we have oxygen available for the men to use after they dance with her.

The February membership meeting was held on the 8th, and there were a lot of members in attendance. I appreciate that so much. The 2013 budget was approved and the board will do our best to stay within that budget. Congratulations to the winners of the \$50 door prizes. They were Buddy Durham and new members Don and Joanne Rowe.

Our crowds are getting larger and that is a good thing. However, I understand that when it's crowded, you may not always get to sit where you want or with whom you want, but we can't save seats. That's been our practice for many years. I never tell someone they can't sit with us. If the people you want to sit with arrive late, you are more than welcome to pull up extra chairs at your table. If you don't see extra chairs, please let me know and I will see that you get them.

Also, since our crowds are growing, Butcher Shop is going up on our rent. More people mean the bartender and waitress have to work harder. Please remember to tip these two who are there to wait on us every Friday night.

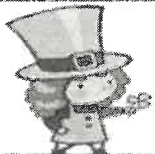
Join me in congratulating Marti Marsh for being named Queen of Grand Krewe Ptah.

Thanks again for your attendance and support of The Memphis Bop Club. I do wish we could get some of the younger crowd interested because I don't want to see our style of dance fade away as we do. Maybe we can have a dance where we try to encourage our younger friends i.e. 40/50 year old age group to attend. This was a suggestion given to me by Terri Hayes and I think it's a good idea.

**REMINDER:** Don't forget to send your money in for the Beale Street Dance August 1, 2, 3, 2013. Ticket Sales are limited to 300.

*See you on the dance floor,*

*Glenda*



### MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

March 4, 2013 (Monday)

6:30 pm—MBC Board Meeting at Perkins Restaurant, 1340 Germantown Rd

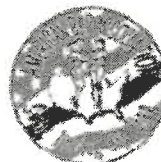
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### Up Coming Out of Town Dance Events 2013

- Mar. 1-2 River City Swing Fling—VFW Post 1114—Evansville River City Bop Club, Evansville, IN
- Mar. 21-24 Boogie in the Burgh—Embassy Suites—Steel City Boogie Club—Pittsburgh, PA
- Mar. 21-23 Smoky Mountain Boogie—Holiday Inn Resorts—Smoky Mountain Shaggers—Pigeon Forge, TN
- May 23-26 Summer Boogie Blast—Millennium Maxwell House Hotel, Music City Bop Club, Nashville, TN
- Jul. 11-13 Putting on the Glitz—Atlanta Marriott Century Center, Shag Atlanta, Atlanta, GA
- Aug. 1-3 Beale Street Rockin' - Doubletree Hotel—Memphis Bop Club, Memphis, TN [www.memphisbopclub.com](http://www.memphisbopclub.com)
- Aug. 15-17 Mid-Ohio Boogie Bash—Embassy Suites Columbus-Dublin—Mid-Ohio Boogie Club, Columbus, OH
- Sep. 26-28 Bop in the Rock—Double Tree by Hilton Little Rock, Little Rock Bop Club—Little Rock, AR



To find more information you can go to the following websites: [www.americanbopassociation.com](http://www.americanbopassociation.com); or [www.fastdancers.com](http://www.fastdancers.com)

## Happy March Birthday

- Tom Woolsey—1
- Alice Carr—2
- Beverly Bommarito—5
- Ed Carpenter—5
- John Deming—6
- Brenda Hill—6
- Harold Smith—6
- Larry Speck—6
- Kenneth Machado—7
- Patty Crocker—8
- Judy Speck—11
- Sue Hollinger—12
- Millie Wood—14
- Elaine Darnell—18
- Shirley Kwasnik—20
- Doug Massey—22
- Trudi Ragland—24
- Carol Ford—26
- Linda Jordan—26
- Lydia Meyers—28
- Lynn Queenan—28

**SUNSHINE:** Please call **Bonnie Monaghan (901) 757-1740** if you know of anyone sick, hospitalized, or deceased so we can get the information out to the members. If you want your name added to the MBC email list email Bonnie at [bamonaghan1@hotmail.com](mailto:bamonaghan1@hotmail.com) or Millie at [mwood@shsm.org](mailto:mwood@shsm.org).

**DUES:** Dues are paid 3 months, 6 months, 9 months or annually. (Renewal form is on the last page of this newsletter) Renewal dates are January, April, July and October. Please make sure you pay your dues on time so you don't miss receiving a newsletter and getting your discount at the door on Friday nights.

**WHERE WE DANCE:** The Memphis Bop Club meets on Friday nights from 7pm to 10:30pm at The Butcher Shop, 107 S. Germantown, Cordova, TN. Admission is \$4 for members and \$8 for non-members.

**ATTENTION:** Please check the mailing label on the front of your newsletter. Make sure your **Renewal Date** and **Mailing Address** are correct. If the renewal date or address is incorrect, please contact Tommye Ballard at [tsballard@fedex.com](mailto:tsballard@fedex.com) or (901) 491-2366.





**CONGRATULATIONS!** To Jackie Allensworth daughter, Tori, who recently obtained her Master Degree in Psychology! Boy howdy...that Jackie is some kinda proud! Good job, Tori!

**CONGRATULATIONS!** To Brooksie and Mary Monaghan on their recent marriage! Brooksie is the son of Brooks and Bonnie Monaghan. We extend our very best of wishes to the happy couple!

### DANCING WITH THE PALAZOLAS!

Hey Gang! Get ready for dance lessons!! We will have MBC Dance Lessons every Friday night...3/8, 3/15, 3/22, 3/29 at the Butcher Shop from 5:45-6:45p. All new members are encouraged to come have fun with us. You'll find that this is a great way to meet other new members and many MBC members. So...put on your dancing shoes and DANCE!! Vince Palazola, Dance Director, 2013)

### ACTIVITIES 'N' ENTERTAINMENT!

Look for more baskets and gift cards coming your way. In the meantime, think about this: "Life may not be the party we hoped for, but while we're here...we should DANCE!" Love to all! Judy Speck, Activities and Entertainment Director

**Special Needs Dance Lessons:** Brenda Hill and I just completed the information for the following: The MBC will again participate in Special Needs Dance Lessons with the Peggy Holden Armstrong School of Dance. Starting the second Thursday for the next three months: 7-8:30p. Directions to Peggy's studio: 5724 Stage Road, Suite D1, Bartlett, TN (West on Stage Road, cross RR tracks. Studio is on the right behind the Dairy Queen) Tel# 901-870-6687. Dance Lessons agenda: March 14<sup>th</sup> Line Dance Lessons, April 11<sup>th</sup> Bop Lessons and May 9<sup>th</sup>, Cha-Cha Lessons. We need volunteers with a smiling face and warm hand. Call Barbara Cooley 901-359-6934 for further information.

**REMEMBRANCE... SANDY HARRIS** Anyone lucky enough to have met Sandy Harris (and I was one of those

lucky ones), will never forget her enthusiastic personality. I met Sandy and Bill Harris some 18+ years ago when she and Bill came to the MBC to learn the "BOP". Her enthusiasm for all dance genres over the years kept them busy with learning West Coast Swing, Ballroom, Line Dances, and traveling to out of town dance events. Sandy became very active with the Germantown Civitan Club, which brought about her involvement with the Germantown Parks & Recreation Dept - thus the Special Needs Dance Lessons program was borne about 6 years ago. Sandy also involved the MBC in the Germantown Sr. Expo as well as The Best of Times Sr. Expo. Sandy will be greatly missed by all her dance friends. Our prayers are with Bill and their son, William and daughter, Julie. To you, Sandy, our hearts and fond memories...forever.  
Barbara Cooley

### "BOPPIN' ON BEALE 2013 BEALE STREET TICKETS!

Alright all you MBC Boppers...LISTEN UP! If you haven't purchased your Beale Street tickets...best you hurry up and do so! Our event is a mere five months (August) away and lots of work is being put in to this event for another FANTASTIC Boppin' on Beale time! See the flyer in this newsletter and get your ticket(s) now! Also, we need VOLUNTEERS to help this event run smooth and eventful! See or call Wayne Maxey (901-619-7481) or Barbara Cooley (901-359-6934) for more information. Come on, boppers...let boogie and bop on Beale!

Well, folks, we've come to the end of yet another newsletter. Hope you've enjoyed the reading as much as I've enjoyed the writing! As I close this newsletter, I leave you with my thoughts:

Put an "A" behind the "I" in "IMPOSSIBLE"... and shout..."I AM POSSIBLE!"

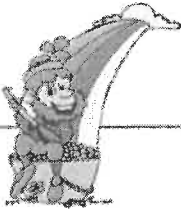


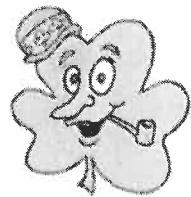








*"Be happy...and let your heart give you joy..."*  
(Ecclesiastes 11:9)

The 2013 MBC Board of Officers and Directors extend to our members and their families a very blessed and happy Easter. Also have a great St. Pat's Day!

*"Boppin' Hugs to all! Judi Cassini, Editor, MBC "Grapevine" Newsletter.*

*"To everything there is a season...and a time to dance..." (Ecclesiastes 3:4)*

# Memphis Bop Club March 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	
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3	 <b>MBC Board Mtg.</b> 6:30 pm Perkins—Germantown	5	6	7	8	 9 <b>MBC Dance Lessons</b> 5:45 to 6:45 pm <b>MBC Dance</b> 7 to 10:30 pm The Butcher Shop	
 <b>Daylight Savings</b> <b>Spring Forward</b>	11	12	 13 <b>SPECIAL NEEDS</b> 7 to 8:30 pm Peggy's Studio 5724 Stage Rd, Suite D	14	15	16	<b>MBC Dance Lessons</b> 5:45 to 6:45 pm <b>MBC Dance</b> 7 to 10:30 pm The Butcher Shop
<b>HAPPY ST. PATRY'S DAY</b>  17	18	 19	20	21	22	23	 <b>MBC Dance Lessons</b> 5:45 to 6:45 pm <b>MBC Dance</b> 7 to 10:30 pm The Butcher Shop
24	25	26	27	 28	29	30	<b>MBC Dance Lessons</b> 5:45 to 6:45 pm <b>MBC Dance</b> 7 to 10:30 pm The Butcher Shop
 <b>Easter</b> 31							

# Memphis Bop Club Presents

# Beale Street Rockin' 2013

Doubletree Hotel  
185 Union Avenue  
Memphis, TN 38103

**TICKET SALES ARE LIMITED TO 300 TICKETS!!**

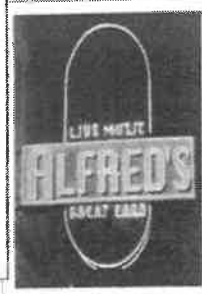
**TICKET Price: \$69**  
**Before June 1, 2013;**  
**\$79 thereafter**  
**Valet Parking - \$14/day**

"HOME OF THE BLUES", BIRTHPLACE OF ROCK 'N' ROLL

**AUGUST 1<sup>ST</sup>, 2<sup>ND</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup>, 2013**

Hotel Reservations:  
Local @ 901-528-1800  
Central @ 1-800-222-8733

Mention "Memphis Bop Club"  
For special room rate of  
\$102 per night.  
Room rate good until  
June 15, 2013



**KICK-OFF PARTY:**

**Riverboat DJ Jam, Dance & Cruise on The Island Queen!! - Thursday, 7-10pm - \$15**

**Our Weekend Ticket Includes:**

**DANCIN' ON BEALE ST.** - 12:30pm-5:00pm Friday & Saturday - Ticketholders w/wristbands "FREE" at: *Alfred's, BB King's, and Silky O'Sullivan's*  
**HOTEL BALLROOM DANCIN'** - Friday & Saturday, 7:00pm - 12:30am  
**FREE WORKSHOPS** - Hotel Ballroom Friday & Saturday, 9:00am-12:30pm  
**FRIDAY NITE DINNER** - Alfred's - 5:30pm Friday  
**MEMPHIS BBQ DINNER** - Silky O'Sullivan's - 5:30pm Saturday  
**AND** - walking distance to Beale Street clubs, walking tours, trolley tours, museums, attractions and shopping; smoke free Ballroom, great dance exhibitions, vendors, Giveaways, Split the Pot, large wood dance floor, and much more.

**Instructors**

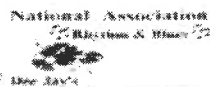
Phil Dorroll  
Mike & Kim Nelson  
David Cook  
Willie & Diane Santacruz

**Guest DJ's**

Doug Eskew (St. Louis)  
Scotty Mack (Hot Springs)  
Sue Kestner (Nashville)

**Memphis DJ's**

Willie Hollinger  
Tom "Dr. T" Claypool  
Eddie Richardson



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NAME(S) \_\_\_\_\_ NUMBER OF TKTS \_\_\_\_\_ AMT. ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE \_\_\_\_\_  
CLUB AFFILIATION \_\_\_\_\_  
THURSDAY NITE KICK-OFF RIVER BOAT DANCE AND RIVER CRUISE - NUMBER OF TKTS \_\_\_\_\_ TOTAL AMT. ENCLOSED \$ \_\_\_\_\_

**Contact Information:** Wayne Maxey (901/619-7481; Barbara Cooley (901/757-8785 or [barbaracooley@att.net](mailto:barbaracooley@att.net)

You must be 21 or older to attend. No tickets will be mailed - your name will be on a list at registration desk. Tickets are non-refundable, but may be transferred. If you want confirmation by mail, enclose a #10 SASE with your ticket order, or, if you would prefer to receive an e-mail confirmation, include your e-mail address on your ticket order.

Make checks payable to:

**Memphis Bop Club**  
and mail to:  
Millie Wood  
5730 Elmore Road  
Bartlett, TN 38134

## MEMPHIS BOP CLUB MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

The **MEMPHIS BOP CLUB** is a non-profit organization formed in April 1987, for the purpose of the preservation and enjoyment of the 50's and 60's music. Dues are payable in advance (See payments below). This membership fee entitles you to a monthly newsletter called the **GRAPEVINE**, **Free** dance lessons for those who wish to learn or brush-up on the style of dance called the **BOP** and discount on the cover charge on Friday nights.

**PLEASE PROVIDE THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION; (Note: Just birth month and birth date, no birth year):**

Application is for (check one):  Renewal  New Member

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ BIRTHDATE: \_\_\_\_\_ OCCUPATION: \_\_\_\_\_

SPOUSE: \_\_\_\_\_ BIRTHDATE: \_\_\_\_\_ OCCUPATION: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_ CITY: \_\_\_\_\_

STATE: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP CODE: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE NUMBER: (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

If you are interested in receiving prompts and updated information via email please provide your email address below or send email to [mwood@shsm.org](mailto:mwood@shsm.org) to be added to the list:

Print Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Print Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

**WOULD YOU BE WILLING TO VOLUNTEER TO HELP ONE OR MORE OF THE FOLLOWING COMMITTEES?**

NO  YES (If YES, please check one or all of the committees you may be interested in:

- Activities & Entertainment  Dance  Decorations  
 Membership  Newsletter  Food

**DUES SCHEDULE:** All cards have a common due date based on a quarter systems. Please adhere to the following schedule for payment of dues. If you should join during the quarter, please pay accordingly to stay within the quarter. (\$4 a month).

**MAKE CHECKS PAYABLE TO:** The Memphis Bop Club

**MAIL CHECKS TO:** P.O. Box 343413, Memphis, TN 38184-3413

**Single Membership:**

- 3 months - \$ 12
- 6 months - \$ 23
- 9 months - \$ 35
- 12 months - \$ 46

**Couple Membership**

- 3 months - \$ 24
- 6 months - \$ 46
- 9 months - \$ 70
- 12 months - \$ 92

Renewal Date on Card: \_\_\_\_\_

Membership Card:  Issued  Mailed

Membership Packet:  Issued  Mailed

This application does not constitute membership in the Memphis Bop Club. All applications must be approved by the Executive Board and the general membership at the next regularly scheduled meeting. All cards are considered temporary until the new members are officially voted on and approved.

**RELEASE, WAIVER AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT**

FOR and in consideration of being allowed to participate in any activities sponsored, organized, or conducted by The Memphis Bop Club, Inc. ("Activities"), the undersigned "Releasor" agrees as follows:

1. Releasor hereby releases and waives any claims against The Memphis Bop Club, Inc., its officers, directors, and members (Releasees) which he may now or hereafter have for any and all loss or damage from injury to Releasor's person or property while participating in any such Activity.
2. Releasor hereby assumes all risk of loss or damage from injury or damage to his person or property while participating in any such activity.
3. Releasor agrees to indemnify, defend and hold harmless Releasees from any loss or damage they may incur due to the presence or participation of Releasor in any such activity.
4. Releasor agrees that this Release, Waiver, and Indemnity Agreement shall cover all loss or damage from injury to person or property, whether caused by the negligence of Releasees, or otherwise.
5. This agreement is binding upon any legal representatives, heirs, and assigns of Releasor.
6. Wherever the sense of this document requires it, the singular shall be deemed to include the plural, and the masculine shall be deemed to include the feminine and vice versa.
7. This agreement is governed by the laws of the State of Tennessee. Releasor agrees that the Courts of Shelby County, Tennessee shall have exclusive jurisdiction and venue to resolve any controversy or claim to which this Release, Waiver, and Indemnity Agreement may apply.
8. Releasee agrees that if any portion of this agreement is held invalid by any Court, the remainder of this agreement shall be enforceable to the extent allowed by law.

**IN WITNESS WHEREOF**, Releasor has executed this Release, Waiver and Indemnity Agreement the day and year written below.

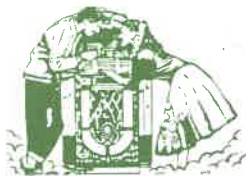
WITNESS: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Witness Signature

RELEASEOR: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Releasor Print Name

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 Date

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 Releasor Signature

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