

# Grapevine



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**THE MEMPHIS BOP CLUB**  
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Dear Memphis Bop Club Members;



September is a special month to me because that's the month Sammy and I married 9 years ago. We met at the Memphis Bop Club as so many of our couples have and I'm blessed.

Congratulations to Jackie Allensworth on her recent induction into the National Boppers Hall of Fame which took place at our Beale Street Rockin event.

Now down to business. Each year the Board has the task of securing a place and picking a menu for the Christmas Party. We had some complaints last year. The Butcher Shop could not work with us this year either. They wouldn't give us a Friday or a Saturday. They only offered us a weeknight; and they came in too high on the food. I am happy to announce that we will be having our Christmas party December 7th and have secured a 5000 square foot party room owned and operated by First Choice Catering located in Horn Lake. The location is easily accessible and I think you will be pleased. Mr. John Woods is the owner and handles a lot of big parties at Snowden Grove. Some of our members are familiar with him and say the food is great. Go to [firstchoicecatering.com](http://firstchoicecatering.com) to check it out. There are pictures online of the party room. The date for tickets to go on sale will be announced after the September board meeting.

It's hard to believe it's September already. Please consider being on the board next year. Over the past 26 years there have been a lot of members who have served on the Board for many years. Please step up in October and let the nominating chairman know you are interested. It will be greatly appreciated.

And last, congratulations to the winners of Split the Pot drawings at Beale Street Rockin. One couple gave the money back to the club to donate to a charity of our choice. The Board agreed to give this money to the Burn Center. Thank you Larry and Judy Deutsch form WCSDC. Congratulations to Ann Ruble for being the winner Saturday. Thanks again for all of you who participated in this weekend event. A lot of fun was had by all. See you on the dance floor.

Love,  
Glenda

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS:



September 3, 2013 (Tuesday)  
September 6, 2013 (Friday)  
September 13, 2013 (Friday)  
September 20, 2013 (Friday)  
September 27, 2013 (Friday)

Board Meeting -6:30pm @ Perkins Restaurant, Germantown Pkwy.  
**No Dancing due to Delta Fair**

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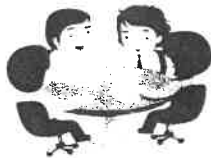
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## Up Coming Out of Town Dance Events 2013

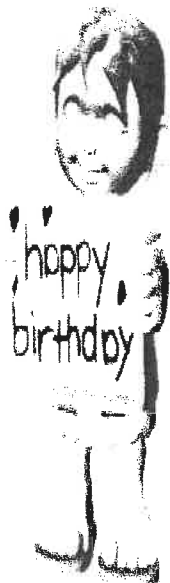
Sep. 26-28	Bop in the Rock—Double Tree by Hilton Little Rock, Little Rock Bop Club—Little Rock, AR
Oct. 8-13	Shag-A-Rama, Boardwalk Beach Resort, Panama City Beach, FL, <a href="http://www.beachshaggers.com">www.beachshaggers.com</a>
Oct. 10-12	Boogie in the Bluegrass, Ramada Plaza Hotel, Louisville KY, Derby City Bop Association
Oct. 17-20	Atlanta Swing Classic, Westin Atlanta Perimeter N, Atlanta, GA, Atlanta Swing Dancers Club
Oct. 18-19	Fall Bash, Holiday Inn, Johnson City, TN, <a href="http://www.messdance.com">www.messdance.com</a>
Oct. 31-Nov.3	9th Annual Swing into Fall, Country Club Hotel & Spa, Lake of the Ozarks, MO, <a href="http://www.lakeozarksswingdance.com">www.lakeozarksswingdance.com</a>
Nov. 6-10	Move Across the River, Holiday Inn Cincinnati Eastgate, Cincinnati Bop Club
<b>2014</b>	
Jan. 18-25	9th Annual ABA Cruise (Princess Cays, Curacao, Aruba): <a href="http://www.americanbopassociation.com">www.americanbopassociation.com</a>
Apr. 17-19	Swing at the Capital, Capitol Plaza Hotel, Jefferson City, MO—Jefferson City Swing Dance Club



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)



- 1-Debra Beard
- 2-Sammy Drewery
- 3-Chuck Morrow
- 8-Nora Wilson
- 11-Mary Rad
- 12-Kay Smith
- 12-Richard Tate
- 16-Tim Long
- 16-Don Price
- 19-Marilyn Ruscetti
- 21-Ken Daniel
- 22-Richard McCown
- 25-Joe Hobbs
- 26-Al Ruiz
- 27-Cookie Jones
- 30-Doris Fredrick

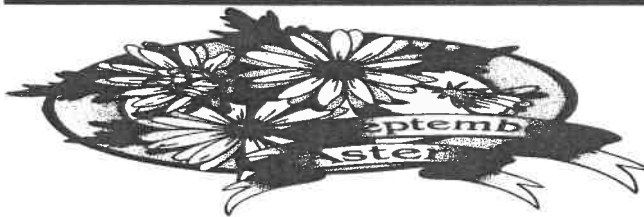


**SUNSHINE:** Please call **Bonnie Monaghan (901) 757-1740** if you know of anyone sick, hospitalized, or deceased so we can get the information out to the members. If you want your name added to the MBC email list email Bonnie at [bamonaghan1@hotmail.com](mailto:bamonaghan1@hotmail.com) or Millie at [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 \$5 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.





### DANCING WITH THE PALAZOLAS

Mark your calendars! Percy Erwin and Barbara Cooley will be teaching a special line dance on Friday, September 20<sup>th</sup> from 5:45p-6:45p at the Butcher Shop. This is a "you just can't miss" special line dance and we hope to see many of our new and our old members, guests and visitors in attendance! You will totally enjoy learning this dance...so come on out! Meantime, we will not be holding dance lessons in September. Our October schedule will be in the next newsletter. Just remember..."Keep those dancing shoes on and DANCE...DANCE...DANCE!! (FYI: From time to time, other dance organizations have requested the MBC to announce one of their upcoming events and the following is one of those requests! The USA Dance, Memphis Chapter 2012 will be hosting their sixth annual Charity Ball to benefit LeBonheur Children's Hospital on Saturday, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 7-10p at Covenant Methodist Church at 8350 Walnut Grove Rd., Memphis. Tickets are \$25 (with black tie optional) For more info, contact Sylvia Rose (901) 386-2004)

### ACTIVITIES 'N' ENTERTAINMENT!

Hello Boppers! Summer is almost over (although the HOT weather sure thinks it's the middle of the desert! We can all stay "COOL" at the MBC and look forward to more baskets and Split the Pot! I'll leave you with one of my most requested sayings: "Life's a dance...you learn as you go. Sometimes you lead...sometimes you follow. Don't worry about what you don't know...Life's a dance...you learn as you go!" Happy Activities and Entertainment to all! Judy Speck, Activities and Entertainment Director

### MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

Folks, it's not too early to: Mark the date: **SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7<sup>th</sup>, 2013** for our annual Christmas Dinner/Dance event! As Glenda mentioned in her Prez letter...1<sup>st</sup> Choice is a great place for our Christmas Dinner/Dance. The Board met there a couple of months ago and we all truly were impressed with the dance floor and the beautiful layout! Tickets for the dinner/dance will go on sale...more info in next newsletters! (This will be one Dinner/Dance you just will not want to miss!)

Folks, most of you may know by now that we are unable to dance at the Butcher Shop on Friday 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup>. The Board has tried in vain to find us another location, and thus far, no locale is available to us. If any of you know of a dancing location we can dance on these dates, please alert the Board. We're still looking for a place to dance even if it's on a Saturday night during September. Meantime, as soon as we DO have a place to dance during these off nights, we will have the phone committee contact you. You may also want to keep checking your e-mail for updates, etc (from Millie Wood). If you are not on the MBC e-mail list, please give your e-mail address to ANY of the Board members or call any of them (numbers on 2<sup>nd</sup> page of this newsletter) and we'll ensure your e-mail is on the mail out. Thanks for all your understanding...The MBC Board of Officers and Directors

### "THIS 'n' THAT 'n' MORE! (Barbara Cooley)

**SPECIAL NEEDS DANCE CLASSES:** Many of you remember the MBC has participated in teaching dance lessons to Special Needs Teens and Young Adults for the past six years. We will be teaching again in September, October and November. Dates have not been scheduled yet, but we will be announcing on Friday nights and in our next newsletter. Volunteers are needed. WE NEED your smile and a warm hand. You will be greatly rewarded. Please call me for info: 901-359-6934.

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

# Memphis Bop Club September 2013

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	 <b>Labor Day</b>	<b>MBC Board Mtg</b> 6:30pm Perkins Restaurant Germantown Pkwy			 <b>NO MBC DANCE</b>	
 <b>Grandparent's Day</b>					<b>TO BE ANNOUNCED</b>	
					<b>MBC Dance</b> 7 to 10:30pm The Butcher Shop Germantown Pkwy	
					<b>TO BE ANNOUNCED</b>	
					<b>Mark Your Calendar's</b> <b>Saturday, December 7, 2013</b> <b>MBC Christmas Party</b> <b>First Choice Catering Party Room</b> <b>Horn Lake, MS</b> (More Information Coming)	

## MEMPHIS BOP CLUB PROFILES OF THE MONTH!

Congratulations to **Dennis and Pat Douglas** who celebrated their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary earlier this year! Let me tell you just how this darling couple met. Remember the old Fred Montesi store in Mid Town? Well, seems Pat was in the store grocery shopping with her Mother and she noticed a "very cute checker" waiting to check them out. Pat was "beside" herself and just couldn't wait until next time grocery shopping came up. She even talked her Mother into going in (same week) so Pat could "check out" that "darling checker!" Folks, that darling checker ended up being her husband, Dennis! When I asked Pat how long they dated until they got married and she just laughed real heartily and said it was eight months later! Yep...8 months sure turned into 50 wonderful years! Dennis and Pat have three children and seven grandchildren (the 7<sup>th</sup> was just recently born). They call Pat "Granna" and Dennis "Granddaddy!" Pat is a graduate of Kingsbury and Dennis is a graduate of Memphis Tech High School. Pat is retired and Dennis is the Owner of Progressive Adhesive and doesn't even think about retiring! Pat and Dennis joined the MBC about 2 years ago and they absolutely "LOVE" the Memphis Bop Club...not only for the great music to dance to....but by in large the fun and great friendships they've made.



What a great pleasure to profile **Edith Langlois!** Folks, have you ever met someone who just evokes such graciousness and sincere kindness that you just want to be around them all the time? Well...meet Edith! She is the type of person that makes YOU feel good about YOURSELF! (And that's quite unique!) Edith and her late husband, Jack Langlois, were members of the MBC way back when! When asked why she got back into the MBC, Edith said she had a friend whom she thought needed cheering up so she asked the friend to attend the MBC one Friday night. Turned out that it was Edith herself who "ended up with blessings of cheer"! Edith remembers her youth days as being extremely joyful and much fun! She has fond memories of going to "all" the bopping dances (i.e., Holy Names, Little Flower, St. Michaels and Sacred Heart). She was very active in Young Life (remember Young Life!) When asked about her hobbies she said "Bopping...Shopping and Bridge"! Edith played the violin in the Youth Symphony Orchestra and (get this, folks), Edith is a very accomplished Ukulele player! (Wonder what it would take to convince Edith to play the "Uku" at the MBC sometime?!) Edith is a graduate of Memphis Tech High School and attended The U of M. She retired from the District Attorney Office where she served on their Legal Administrative Staff. She has two sons and three grandchildren who call her "Granny"! She is a member of Faith Anglican Church.



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# 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

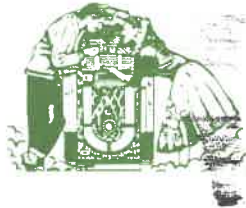
RELEASOR: \_\_\_\_\_

Releasor Print Name

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

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Releasor Signature

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