

# Singles' group offers December diversions

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The SpeakEasy Singles social group has scheduled the following activities for this month:

## Dreama's Christmas Open House

Dreama's Open House Christmas Celebration will take place from 6 to 10 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 5, in Putnam County.

Activities will include Christmas bingo, games and carols. Those attending are asked to bring a flashlight, as the celebration may include some old-fashioned Christmas caroling for shut-ins in Dreama's neighborhood.

Also, the City of Hurricane will have its "Yuletide in the Park" animated-light display on view at the community park nearby. Horse-drawn carriage drives will be offered, by donation, from 6 to 9 p.m. Saturday.

Food and beverages will be provided, although participants are welcome to bring a dish or snack or donate toward the food Dreama is preparing.

To RSVP and receive more information and directions, contact Dreama no later than Thursday, Dec. 3 at 304-415-3833 or grannydreama@hotmail.com

mail.com

## Recreational Volleyball

The SpeakEasy Singles will host recreational volleyball games from 4 to 6 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 6, and Sunday, Dec. 20, at the South Charleston Community Center on Jefferson Road in South Charleston.

Admission is \$2 per afternoon for SpeakEasy Singles members and \$4 for non-members.

Instruction will be provided to those who may need it, and spectators are also welcome to attend. (Spectators should bring their own chairs.)

Many of the players enjoy dinner at a local restaurant afterward, as well.

You can view the facility and pictures from recent games at [www.speakeasysingles.com/volleyball2009.html](http://www.speakeasysingles.com/volleyball2009.html).

If you have questions, call Vicky at 304-205-4329 or 304-389-4082 or Sheila at 304-545-0302 or direct e-mail to [speakeasysingles@suddenlink.net](mailto:speakeasysingles@suddenlink.net).

## Christmas Dance

SpeakEasy Singles' Christmas dance will be held from 7 to 11 p.m. Saturday, Dec. 12, with doors opening at 6:30 p.m.

It will take place in the Wilson Student Union of West Virginia State University, off Route 25/Fairlawn Avenue in

Institute. (Signs will be posted along Route 25.)

Randy Justice will provide the music as DJ, and food will be available. Beverages may be purchased for \$1 each, but no alcohol is permitted on the premises.

Dress is holiday casual/dressy.

Admission is \$8 for SpeakEasy members and \$10 for all others. Admission will be free for those who renew their SpeakEasy membership (normally \$8) or those who join by paying their \$16 annual dues.

For more information, contact Tinker at 304-776-3205 or Nancy at 304-744-1955 or [nifty50inwv@gmail.com](mailto:nifty50inwv@gmail.com).

## Christmas Party at the Mansion

The SpeakEasy Singles will join the Singles of Marietta group for a Christmas dinner in McConnelsville, Ohio, which is approximately a two-hour drive from the Kanawha Valley.

Dinner will begin at 7 p.m. Thursday, Dec. 17, at the Howard House mansion, now a bed-and-breakfast that will be appropriately decorated for the holiday season.

The cost is \$15 per person, and early reservations/RSVPs are requested, to have a proper head count for the chef.

To make a reservation or

learn more, contact Caroline at [cjhinton@hotmail.com](mailto:cjhinton@hotmail.com) or 740-706-1548 or Vicky at [speakeasysingles@suddenlink.net](mailto:speakeasysingles@suddenlink.net) or 304-205-4329.

Additional information is viewable online, as well, at [singlesofmarietta.com](http://singlesofmarietta.com)

Or [www.speakeasysingles.com](http://www.speakeasysingles.com).

## New Year's Eve Dance

For the 24th year, the SpeakEasy Singles will have their annual New Year's Eve dance, from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m. (doors open at 8:30 p.m.) on Thursday, Dec. 31.

The New Year's Eve dance will also be held in the Wilson Student Union of West Virginia State University, and more details are available by calling Tinker at 304-776-3205 or Nancy at 304-744-1955.

The DJ will be Randy Justice. Food is included with the admission price (\$10 for members and \$12 for non-members). Drinks will be available for \$1 (no alcohol is allowed).

For additional information about membership or other SpeakEasy Singles activities, visit the group's Web site at [www.speakeasysingles.com](http://www.speakeasysingles.com), dispatch e-mail to [speakeasysingles@suddenlink.net](mailto:speakeasysingles@suddenlink.net) or call and leave a message at 304-345-7810.