



SPEAKEASY SINGLES

For 33+ Years, a place for divorced, widowed or never married folks to enjoy life again & have fun No membership required! 304-805-4109

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Friday, Dec. 1st



Great Spaghetti Dinner, Christmas Music, and FUN Gift Exchange (please bring a wrapped gift between \$5-\$10 for the "Chinese Gift Exchange" or some call it the "White Elephant Gift Ex-

change or "Dirty Santa"), and LOTS of fun times. Come out for fun games, photo props, and great food. Set your sights on Christmas lights and eggnog 'round the tree! Please join us for an evening of fun at our "**CHRISTMAS CELEBRATION/Fund Raiser**" for the Singles Club on Friday, December 1st – 6pm—9pm at Boy Scout Clubhouse—Kanawha Boulevard past Charleston Moose on the right side. Menu will be spaghetti, salad, bread, drinks and desserts all for only \$10. Please RSVP to 304-805-4109 or email_events@speakeasysingles.com



Sat. Dec. 16th

Christmas Dance

Saturday, December 16th, SpeakEasy Singles Christmas Dance: 8:00 p.m. to 11:00 p.m. Admission \$10 @ Columbia Gas Ballroom - Charleston, with music by DJ Dancin' Dave.

Great appetizers included; Non-alcoholic drinks \$1. Santa hats always welcomed! Christmas Door Prizes and 50/50 drawing. For FUN, Bring an ornament for our Christmas Tree to help decorate it, and you can take your ornament back home with you!!!!!!!



@ Columbia Gas Ballroom!

8-11 PM with DJ DANCIN' DAVE!!



Sunday, Dec. 31st

NEW YEARS EVE DANCE

MARRIEDS WELCOME!!! Singles, if

you have married friends (who envy you) and would like to RING IN THE NEW YEAR in a non-alcoholic, safe and FUN atmosphere, invite them to come celebrate with you! ONLY \$15.00 per person, includes SPECIAL appetizers and a TOAST (Sparkling Cider) at Midnight to Ring in 2018 and noise makers! Coffee & Pop \$1.00. Some ladies enjoy dressing up for this dance since we don't get to do it very often but it is not a requirement!

Happy New Year!

@ WV State U!

8:30—12:30 with

AAA DJ



WV State University - Wilson Student Union, (East Entrance) Washington Ave off Route 25 (Fairlawn Avenue), Institute. Watch for SpeakEasy sign on Route 25.



Nancy wants to see the comedy "JUST GETTING STARTED" which opens Dec. 8th. As of the writing of the Newsletter, times are not posted yet for Sunday, Dec. 10th. To find out the time of the movie at Southridge and maybe going to dinner at Olive Garden, call Nancy at 304-925-8024 OR, it will be posted on our internet site and on our FaceBook Page. The



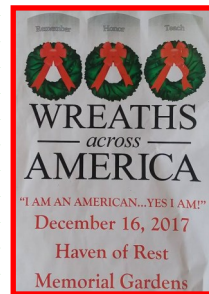
movie looks a stitch, especially with Morgan Freeman, Tommy Lee Jones and Rene Russo in it!

**WE JUST WANT TO SAY...
THANK YOU!**


The following Dance Instructors provided FREE 1-hour Dance Lessons before our dances this year! June—Nancy Atkinson with West Coast Swing! July—Tommy Spurlock with LATIN dance lessons! August—Steve Prowse with the HUSTLE! September—Laurie & Darrell Fuller with the RUMBA! November—Sheri, Gary & Reba teaching SHAG! You all were GREAT & folks had a LOT of FUN and learned a lot! Again, SpeakEasy Singles GREATLY APPRECIATED IT!



Dec 1st—Dunbar
Dec 1st—Light up the Levee, Chas.
Dec. 2nd—Charleston
Dec. 9th—South Charleston
Dec 9th—Nitro
Dec. 9th—Hurricane



For Community Events, dance lessons, etc., visit our internet for things of interest to you!



Present Volunteer Board Members Shantel, Jack, Nancy, Vicky, Lana, Aaron could SURE USE SOME HELP in 2018 to carry this organization into our 34th Year. Takes about 1 day a month and we can always use new ideas, suggestions, etc. If you and maybe another friend want to team-up and share a position, would LOVE it! Email questions and/or suggestions to events@speakeasysingles.com or call or text to 304-805-4109. GREAT organization to meet people, make friends & have fun!! Please Help & Join Us!



It was SpeakEasy's HONOR to say THANK YOU to our Veterans at the Nov. 11th Dance. A very special THANK YOU to Connie Reddington for supplying some very fitting decorations. One little bowl of Military figures with a sign that read to "Take A Soldier and Place It Someplace To See and Thank Them EVERY day".





THANK YOU for your Service!

Nov. 23-Thur	Thanksgiving Day	UPCOMING EVENTS
Nov. 24-Fri	Black Friday	
Nov. 25-Sat	FUJIYAMA STEAKHOUSE DINNER @ Kanawha City	
Nov. 25-Sat	Small Business Saturday	
Dec. 1-Fri	HOLIDAY DINNER in Charleston @ Boy Scout Clubhouse	
Dec. 16-Sat	CHRISTMAS DANCE at Columbia Gas!	
Dec. 31-Sun	NEW YEAR'S DANCE @ WV State	



Self-Expression meets on 1st & 3rd Monday evenings for socializing, whatever topic might pop up. For more information, just give Mary a call at 304-552-5189

2018 SES BOARD NOMINATION FORM

2018 SpeakEasy Singles Board Elections due JAN. 1st. If there is a position that you think you would like to do or be good at, or know someone, let us know. The Board functions as a TEAM, we discuss all issues that arise and base our decisions on what is best for SpeakEasy. It's total TEAMWORK that has kept this organization going for 33 years in May!



I would like to be considered for the following position, or I have nominated someone.

OR



I don't want to commit to being on the Board, but I am very willing to be a HELPER. Just write "HELPER" beside of your name & the position you'd like to help with! :)

Ö	POSITION	NAME & <u>CONTACT INFORMATION</u> (Phone and/or Email)
	Chairperson	
	Treasurer	
	Dance Coordinator	
	Food Coordinator	
	Secretary	
	Newsletter	
	Member(s) at Large (2)	
	Fund Raiser	
	Activities	
	Publicity	

Call or text 304-805-4109 with name(s) of suggested people, or email suggestions to events@speakeasysingles. Who you would like to see take SpeakEasy into 2018 and celebrate 34 years as a social organization?? We will notify everyone in the January Newsletter. If 2 or more people are nominated for a position, we will send out a special mailing to vote from our internet site and on FB. Nominate YOURSELF and GET INVOLVED!



- Gain confidence. ...
- Make a difference. ...
- Meet people. Volunteering can help you meet different kinds of people and make new friends.
- Be part of a community. ...
- Learn new skills. ...
- Take on a challenge. ...Have fun!

Our History



1985 On May 20th of 1985, two friends, Carolyn Stevens and Linda Geronilla, Ph.D. started SpeakEasy in Charleston, WV at the John XXIII Pastoral Center. Carolyn had gone through a divorce and hated the bar scene. Linda, trying to be a helpful friend, said that she had a conversation with another therapist at a Reality Therapy Conference who had a successful singles group. Linda said she would contact Doug Walker in California, who was very willing to share his materials as long as she agreed to call it the same thing. That first meeting over 90 people attended and SpeakEasy took off as a much needed entity in the area.

1989 SpeakEasy developed By-Laws and filed with the WV Secretary of State's Office as a non-profit with a list of volunteer officer's duties, meetings, elections, etc.

2015 SpeakEasy applied for a Federal non-profit ID, which was easily obtained since we are all volunteers and have been going strong since 1985.

SpeakEasy Singles has been serving divorced, widowed or never married people in a social environment since 1985, all run by volunteers. SpeakEasy is a non-alcoholic social organization and not a dating service but a place to "Meet People, Make Friends and Have Fun". As a group, SpeakEasy sponsors picnics, trivia, house parties, camping trips, train rides, etc. SpeakEasy's only financial support is our monthly dances which is attended by 80-180 singles from a 3-state area.

2017 It's "that time of year again" when we are looking for more and new volunteers to help keep SpeakEasy going. We have a meeting, usually at Shoneys, once every few months to go over finances, present and future plans, etc. We correspond by group email on ideas, suggestions, decorations, thoughts, etc. Every "Board Member" has a "job" that usually takes 1 day a month and if they are not able, the rest of us step up to do that "job", we're a great team BUT we need more folks to help out. If you would like to be on "The Board" OR, if you would like to be a "BOARD HELPER" as a backup, we'd love it.

STRENGTHEN AND GROW → THE PATH TO OUR FUTURE

Present Board Members Shantel, Jack, Lana, Nancy, Vicky, & Aaron have some AWESOME ideas for SES future, but we need more help to move forward. Consider becoming a part of this great organization. When we post for elections or sign-ups for helpers, please remember we can always use more help. SpeakEasy may

be the only organization that helps those divorced, widowed or never married folks to rebuild their lives and supports those who have chosen to be single. We are non-alcoholic and welcome those aged 18 and up. We do truly Meet People, Make Friends and we DO have Fun. Think about it!

The Future

