



# Julie's Newsletter - October, 2009

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## MN Ballroom Assn. Band of the Year!!

What an honor we had this month at the annual MN Ballroom Association Band of the Year awards banquet.

After being nominated for the award in 2003, 2005, 2007, 2008 & 2009, our band has now achieved the honor of winning the "2009 Minnesota Ballroom Association's Band of the Year."



Audrey Litzow & Julie Lee

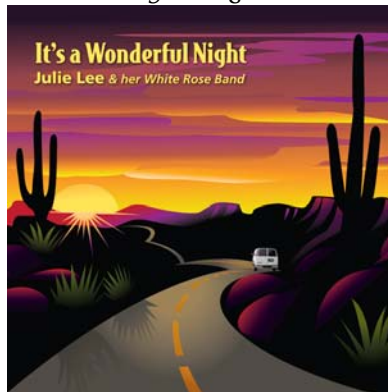
We want to thank the MN Ballroom Association for nominating us for this award and also all the dancers and fans that voted for us. We could not have won this award without you.

It is much appreciated!



## New Recording Now For Sale!!

I am happy to announce the completion and arrival of my brand new CD entitled - "It's a Wonderful Night."



Yes, that is our white Chevy express van going down the road to Arizona. Song titles are as follows:

1. *Wonderful Night Waltz*
2. *After All These Years*
3. *Under the Influence of Love*
4. *Koster Valsen (Angler's Waltz)*
5. *Polka Boy Polka*
6. *Blue Moon*
7. *Summertime Blues*
8. *How Much is that Doggie in The Window*
9. *Superstition Schottische*
10. *White Rose Polka*
11. *By the River of the Roses*
12. *The Little Green Valley*
13. *European Waltz*
14. *Tic Tock Polka*
15. *I Wanna Be A Hillbilly*
16. *Arizona*

For your copy, email me at [whiterose@far.midco.net](mailto:whiterose@far.midco.net). Cost is \$17.00 - includes shipping.

## Alaska Cruise

We are having a great response to our Polka Cruise next August to Alaska. We are already sitting with about 1/2 of our cabins sold. Our travel agent says she's never seen so many pay their deposits so early. She thinks it will easily be a sell-out.

Check out our website to view the flyer to get all the details. The cruise leaves from Seattle, WA on Tuesday, August 3, 2010 and will return the following Tuesday, August 10<sup>th</sup>.

I have spoken to the travel agent about scheduling our dance times. We are working on scheduling our dances for five of the seven cruise days for three hours each of those days.

If you are seriously thinking about joining us, I would certainly encourage you to send in your deposit before the end of the year, because I think when we get to Arizona, the remainder of the cabins will sell quickly.

Hope you can join us!!



## Deadwood Oktoberfest

Once again, we had a great weekend in Deadwood to help celebrate Oktoberfest there.

We were joined in the music department by a two-piece duo from Billings MT - "Just Us Two" which features Jim Baum & Sue Simons. They did a great job and the people sure enjoyed them.



The Lucky Nugget was the location for the dancing and had a great crowd both Friday and Saturday nights. Sunday was a little snowy and we drove home Monday for the first hour in our first snow we've seen this season. Oh well, Arizona's not that far away!!!



## Polka/German Festival Mania

We just completed nine weekends in a row of either Polkafests, Germanfest, or Oktoberfests.

The nine week run started in Great Bend, Kansas where we worked with the Polka Nuts from Colorado and the Lazy Farmers from Texas. We took this photo with Cary Oswald from the Lazy Farmers. What a great group of guys! Sure had fun working with both of these bands.



Cary Oswald w/ White Rose Band

From there our weekends took us to festivals in New Prague, MN; West Bend, WI; Humboldt, IA; Rapid City, SD; Mitchell, SD; Little Falls, MN; Deadwood, SD & finally Dubuque, IA.

From our experience, dancing is alive and well, as these fests were all well attended and people traveled quite far to attend. The festivals were all very well organized and sure provided a fun venue for all that attended.

## The New White Rose Villa!

There is a new White Rose Villa!! We have finally closed on our new condo in Mesa, AZ.

Our new winter home is located in Fountain of the Sun and we are so happy and proud to be a part of that great community of homeowners.

Of course, Hugo and I are just that much more anxious to get to Arizona to do those little projects that make a new house your home. We need to paint a little inside as well as get our outdoor patio, or as I call it, our "Tiki Hut", up and running.

We will have a full schedule during our stay in AZ with a tour into Texas as well. Check out our winter schedule on the website.

Hope to see all you "Snowbirds" and "Winter Texans" sometime this winter. Safe travels to your winter destinations.

*- Julie Lee*