

Northern Virginia Shag Club, Inc.



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Shag Dancer Newsletter

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Keep on Shaggin'

June 1994

From the President - By Dee Bassett

Dear Members:

It's vacation time! A time for all of us to get that much needed break from the routines of our days.

There could be a Shag Club where you are going, or even on the way. Call me, I have a list of all Shag Clubs in the Association, and would encourage you to visit wherever you are.

It will surely add to your fun and relaxation, and you'll be a No. Va. Shag Club Ambassador.

Travel Safely and Enjoy!

Treasurer's Report- by Dave Rapson

Our Club has \$432.51 in the bank. All our obligations are paid, and we have made \$240 from t-shirt sales. There are a limited number of Shag Buttons and t-shirts still available. See Dave or Libby for the First Edition of each!

Membership Reminder - by Sharon Salpini

RENEWAL DUES are coming up this month for Charter Members who signed up last June. If you aren't sure about your renewal date, please check with SHARON SALPINI. Your original application will be marked as due paid, once your check is received. (Note: Month you joined is on the mailing label this time.)

Also, any changes or corrections for your address or telephone numbers should be given to SHARON or GARY SALPINI.

Memorable Dances at Fat Harold's and Ducks - by Larry Boyer

With my advancing years I hesitate to declare any event memorable. However, these, I believe, will be with me a long time.

First, I want to say to all No. Va. shaggers who have never been to the S.O.S. Spring (or Fall) Safari at Myrtle Beach: You should definitely put it on your calendar. But, be prepared to make it a tradition. It's great fun, the dancing is the best you'll find anywhere, and the people you meet are the friendliest you'll find anywhere.

I did indeed have a memorable dance at Harold's. However, you'll just have to ask me about it, since it is somewhat X-rated and I'd rather not put the editor "on-the-spot." (*?)

The highlight of the trip for me was, without a doubt, my dance with Jackie . . . YES! the Jackie of Charlie and Jackie. I had just walked into Ducks on Saturday afternoon, and was making my way to the lower level dance floor, when I saw her. There she was, just having a good time like everyone else. Fortunately, Larry Camp was with me. Thanks to his considerable prodding I was able to muster enough courage to ask her to dance. She consented, and the dance was fantastic . . . at least from my point of view. At the start I was so nervous I could barely remember how to do a basic. But, after doing the basic many times, I settled down. By the end of the song (I have no idea what it was), we had done several of the mirror patterns on the Charlie and Jackie tapes, including the one she invented (Applejack). After the dance I moved to the bar to celebrate with a beer, when I noticed my knees were shaking like I had just been chased over a fence by a mad bull.

(*Editor's note: What?!)



Magic Maydays Weekend

The weekend event, May 13-15, given by the Boogie On The Bay Shag Club was fun and oh-so-well planned. The FOOD was fantastic(!); the MUSIC and the DANCING were just fabulous; and the PEOPLE are really great! They welcomed us and made us feel right at home.

We got in enough dancing to last the rest of the month (*well, some of us did*), and came away with new friends -- some of whom may be coming up here to dance with us soon! We had a very large time with BOTB!



ATTENTION SHAGGERS

Dance Saturdays at CHECKERS LOUNGE

Have you been to check out our new place to dance on SATURDAYS? Well, it's happening at Checkers Lounge at the Holiday Inn near Tyson's Corner! We can bring OUR OWN MUSIC, and they're very happy to have our Club, so COME TO CHECKERS on SATURDAY nights, 9 p.m. - until you drag.

Please come out and join us for dancing and fun! Bring some friends; support your Club.

(Directions: Rt. 7 West, pass Tyson's Corner, Right on International Drive, 2 blocks, DRIVE PAST the Holiday Inn on the LEFT, turn left into service road, drive back into the lot, parking out front.)

Happy, Happy Birthday ...

- May 30 - Tom Lufkin
- June 7 - Sharon Salpini
- June 15 - Gerry Meredith
- June 19 - George Murray
- June 20 - H.K. Lee
- June 28 - Keith Abernathy
- June 30 - Ruth Rapson

Did ANYONE Notice?? Shag Tag!

Due to the efforts of BARBARA TAYLOR of the Roanoke Valley Shag Club, we each have the exciting opportunity to own a SPECIALTY LICENSE PLATE representing the Shag Clubs of Virginia.

Unless we act QUICKLY, however, this chance may be lost! Presently, 150 applications, accompanied by a \$10 check to DMV are required before the plates can be issued; Barbara says she now has 100 applications. New regulations may soon require 1,000 or more applications before specialty plates can be issued, if at all!

If you currently have a personalized tag, those same letters can still be used, if there are a total of 6 letters (and one dash). Personalized letters or numbers are not necessary to have the SHAG TAG, though.

Please let DONNA HARRINGTON know if you are interested. She has the necessary forms from DMV. See further information included with this newsletter. Let's make this happen!

New Members in May

Welcome! Candace Crouch, Evelyn McMillan, Gerry Meredith, Karen Rice, Daniel Shames, Mona Sites, Bill Smith, Barbara Sutherland and Michael Taylor!!



Sweet Virginia Breeze

The Sweet Virginia Breeze weekend in Roanoke, VA, the weekend of June 4-5 is being hosted by three clubs -- Martinsville Shag Club; Lynchburg Area Shag Club; and Roanoke Valley Shag Club. They have scheduled workshops by GAIL and ERNIE HOLMES of Rocky Mount, NC. Complete details are enclosed with this newsletter.

MYRTLE BEACH, HERE WE COME

S.O.S. GOES TO TEN-DAY FORMAT!! Fall Migration to begin Sept. 9th

According to the S.O.S. Carefree Times Winter Newsletter, the 1994 Fall Migration in Myrtle Beach, SC, has been extended to ten full days, beginning September 9th through 18th!

Plan to enjoy the Beach, the Strand, the Music and Shaggin' with old and new friends!

Send now for your S.O.S. membership/admission card. (Application enclosed.)

Make your room reservations early!

Memories . . .

Guess What -- We Have A Scrapbook! And we need pictures to put in it.

Please Give your best shots of Shag Club Memories to the Keeper Of The Scrapbook, our own DEE BASSETT. Don't be shy -- get those pictures to DEE right now!

Reminder . . .

PLEASE SEND in your Shagger Profiles to Janis Grimes (copy included in this newsletter!) Do it now! Thanks!!



WORK THE BEER TRUCK!

Our Club will volunteer to work the Easter Seals concert by SECOND COMING in Chantilly on June 9th.

We need 20 (yes, twenty) volunteers. Call DEE BASSETT to sign up!

Carolina Shag Lessons

GET READY TO GO! We are Dancing at the Beach (*in spirit, at least!*) Learn North Carolina and Myrtle Beach Shag, and the latest line dances.

FREE LESSONS every Wednesday, 8-9 p.m., at the Juke Box Cafe, Backlick Rd., Springfield, VA. Dance to beach music and join the fun!

Shagger Profile -- Tom Lufkin

Occupation: Chief Sys Dev, US Coast Guard

Birthday: 30th May

Hometown: Tonawanda, New York

Marital Status: Single

Self-Portrait: Nice Guy

Motto: "Oh well"

Dream: Retire in N. Myrtle Beach

Inspiration: Jim Abbott (Pitcher, NY Yankees)

Bad habit: Driving fast

Hobby: Flying; Dancing; Ham radio

Luxury defined: Three blondes and me in a Mercedes Benz going to VA Bch to shag

Drink or wine: White Zinfandel

TV Program: NYPD Blue

Books at bedside: PC Week

Last words: "Oh well"



From the Editor

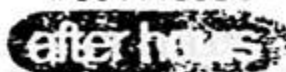
HEY! Did you know that your editor, as if by magic, has access to all the latest info and news of what's happenin' in the Shag World -- NOT! Come ON, y'all, help me out a little! Remember,



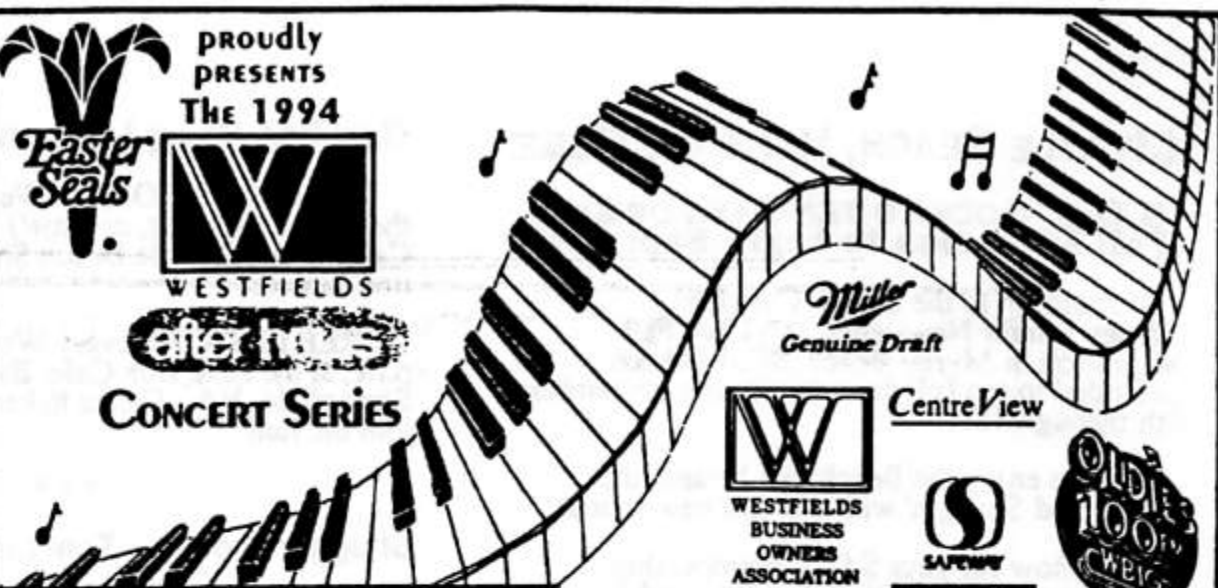
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WESTFIELDS



CONCERT SERIES



The First Half

🎵	May 19	The Hubcaps	🎵
	May 26	The Fabulous Fantoms	🎵
	June 2	Jr. Cline & The Recliners	🎵
🎵	June 9	Second Coming	
	June 16	Bobby & The Believers	🎵
	June 23	Liquid Pleasure	
🎵	June 30	The Stick Em Up Posse Band	🎵

Schedule subject to change without notice.

\$3 Admission -- No Coolers/Picnic Baskets Allowed
Children under 12 admitted Free

All proceeds benefit the programs and services of
The Easter Seal Society of Virginia.

Gates open at 5:30, live music begins at 6:00.

Directions: From Route 66, take Exit #53 (Route 28) North, go 1.5 miles, turn right on Westfield Boulevard, turn right on Park Meadow to concert site at 4755 Meadow Wood Lane, Chantilly, Virginia.

DOUBLE ID IS REQUIRED OF ALL PATRONS
25 YEARS OF AGE AND YOUNGER.

For more information call the Westfields After Hours Hotline : 538-4480

SHAG TAG

MONTH	○	VIRGINIA	○	YEAR
YOUR CHOICE OF				
7 LETTERS/NUMBERS/SPACES				
○ SHAG CLUBS of VIRGINIA ○				



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FORMS AVAILABLE AT DMV

OUR DESIGN HAS BEEN COMPLETED AND READY TO SUBMIT ONCE WE HAVE ENOUGH APPLICATIONS (150 WITH \$10.00 CHECKS ATTACHED). DEPARTMENT OF MOTOR VEHICLES HAS RECENTLY DECIDED TO PUT A HOLD ON NEW SPECIALTY TAGS. BECAUSE OF MY CONNECTION WITH DMV, I HAVE ASKED IF THEY COULD MAKE AN EXCEPTION IN OUR DESIGN BUT, I NEED 150 APPLICATIONS TO SUBMIT WITH OUR DESIGN. IF INTERESTED, WE NEED YOUR APPLICATION AND CHECK OR CASH NOW. YOU CAN MAIL TO BARBARA S. TAYLOR, ROANOKE VALLEY SHAG CLUB, 5830 PLANTATION CIR., ROANOKE, VA. 24019. IF YOU HAVE ANY QUESTIONS YOU CAN CALL BARBARA AT 703-362-4555 (H) OR 703-857-6938 (W).

ACT NOW IF INTERESTED OR COULD BE TOO LATE FOR OUR SHAG TAG IN VIRGINIA.

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FOUR BIG
DAYS OF
PARTY!!**

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We recommend that you plan now for the
9th Annual

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June 15-19, 1994



- Tour of major attractions in Old St. Augustine, Florida
- Play golf at the PGA Golf Course • Deep sea fishing
- Tickets are still only \$20.00 (\$25 after May 1, 1994)
- \$49 room rates • 4000 sq. ft. wood dance floor
- All in one room • Plenty of free food and drink
- Great D.J.'s, great dancers, friendly people, surprises
- Workshops: Shag with Charlie Womble and Jackie McGee; Bop with Butch and Betty Berrey; Swing (TBA)

FOR DETAILED INFORMATION, send name, address, and telephone number to: Boogie on the Riverwalk Info., P.O. Box 40352, Jacksonville, FL 32203-0352 or Call (904) 739-1113 or (904) 724-9024



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Phil Sawyer
Society of Strangers
P.O. Box 4688
Columbia, SC 29204

June 3, 1993

Dear Phil:

We've been home about a month now and have been reluctantly settling down to the reality of everyday existence! We have been so busy telling people about our Carolina experiences—through our newsletter, promotional performances, personal contacts, and the like—that we find we are long overdue in getting this personal note to you.

Phil, we can't tell you how much fun we had! We talked to the six other American Dance Ensemble members who came on the trip about their reactions. They all thought the performances at the O.D. Cafe and Fat Harold's were among the most memorable adventures they'd ever had. The reception we got was truly exhilarating! Thank you, thank you, thank you for all your support and hard work in promoting our group and our message. We also appreciate you and Chick hosting our delightful "night on the town."

We are enclosing a copy of the newsletter article that sums up, in a kaleidoscopic way, our combined impressions of the trip. The national dance magazine, *Dancing USA*, will also publish some version of it. We hope it conveys in some small way our appreciation. Again, thank you.

Very truly yours,

AMERICAN CULTURAL ARTS SOCIETY

Lance R. Benishek
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Catherine A. Rudenick
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SOS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

\$25.00 per person

_____ Renewal _____ New

NAME(S) _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____

STATE _____ Zip _____

AGE(S) _____

PHONE (Day) _____ (Night) _____

Amt. Enclosed \$ _____

Mail to: SOS, P.O. Box 4688, Columbia, SC 29204

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