



Shag Rag

Dedicated to the Preservation of the Carolina Shag and Beach Music

August, 1998

Keep on Shagging'

Vol. V, No 8

• From the President... *Vesta Jones*

It's a Miracle... It's... Well.... It's Teamwork

We are getting wonderful comments back on all our club is doing and the direction we are going. Thankfully, an initial team of 15 people launched us five years ago in the right direction. With a tremendous amount of hard work and dedication, they got this club off the ground and running. Since then it has been the combined effort of many individuals and groups that have kept the momentum going.

And this year - this year has been an eye opener for me. What an **incredible team** this club is! It's not just the board members, it's the entire club. Here are just some examples of special efforts from individuals and groups outside the board... Joan McKinney working on the by-laws, Heather Jennings working on fund-raisers, the dance instructors (a special thanks to all of you for your commitment and efforts for us), the people who decorate, sweep, put up tables, hang banners, decorate records, sell the 50/50's, work the table, maintain lists (thank you, Valerie... the list-queen), write for the newsletter (keep those cards and letters coming in, folks), the competitors (you make us look so goooooood), the deejays (Dennis and Nancy Gehley, Larry Jones, and Charlie Price - in addition to our regular Craig.)

As I've said before, the energy here, is in itself, **energizing**...it keeps me buoyed up and moving when I get shortsighted and preoccupied and tired and grumpy. It is such a relief! No one here has to do it all, nor does it all. There always seems to be someone behind me to fill in or help when I look for help (and often when I don't even look or ask.)

This team-thing is pretty wonderful...look what we are doing! YEA for us!

Carolina Shag Workshops

given by

Susie Beaver

When: Saturday August 22, 1998
Where: Blackie's
6710 Commerce Street
Springfield, VA
Time: Beginner 11:00
Intermediate 12:45
Advanced 2:00
Cost Members \$10 per workshop
Non Members \$15 per workshop
Juniors (under 21) FREE

Dance That Night

Where: Ft. Myer Community Center
Ft. Myer, VA
Time: 8-12PM
Cost: Members \$10
Non Members \$12
(sodas & snacks included, no cash bar, BYOB)
Music By: Jerry Canada

Private Lessons are available with Susie Beaver--To schedule a private lesson call Janis Grimes

703-536-7362

Flyers available on information desk with directions to both events.

August is a busy month

Shag Workshops— Weekend of August 7, 8 and 9

Location: Sheraton Premier, Tysons Corner

Cost: \$10 per lesson

August 7, 7PM

Charlie Womble and Jackie McGee

“Fancy Feet for Swing from Shag”

August 8, 1PM

Sam and Sarah West

“Shag for Beginners”

August 8, 2PM

Charlie Womble and Jackie McGee

“Shag Combinations - Intermediate Level”

August 9, 12 Noon

Sam and Sara West

“Shag Easy Signiture Moves”

August 9, 1PM

Michaël Norris

“Shag Tricks”

Reprint from Swing Fling Flyer, for information call 301-417-0679.

• We're Having a Party

Shaggers/Hand Dancers

Dance to Beach Music

by Denny & Eddy

☐ **Free Shag Lesson - at 7:30**

• **Date:** Saturday, August 8th

• **Time:** 8:30 - 12:30PM

• **Where:** VFW Morningside, MD

• **Cost:** \$8- members \$10--Non Members

*Sponsored by the No. Virginia Shag Club
and the MD,DC, VA Hand Dance
Assn...*

» **Directions:** From Woodrow Wilson Bridge take Exit #9 Andrews AFB; turn left on Allentown Road. At the traffic light, turn left onto Suitland Road at McDonald's Go 1 mile--VFW is on the Left

For members Only

Are you shy? Would you like to practice your dance steps in the privacy of your home.

Instructional Shag Videos — are the answer.

The club will loan you a video for one week, for a refundable \$10 deposit.

Videos by: Charlie & Jackie; Sy Creed & Dana Brown; Ellen Taylor, Sonny & Judy Carver and VA Beach Shag Club Members.

A small charge of \$5 for each additional week is required.

See Patricia Parrott to check out video, or call her at 703-435-8906.



How Do I learn to Shag????????????????????

Your answer is on this page.

Take workshops from out of town instructors.
Check out shag videos and practice at home.
Attend dances where music is played that you can shag to.

New Members in July

Welcome, new members!!!

Dave Bailey, Nancy Bailey, Ned Batchellor, MaryAnn Fresco, Ray Harris, Sue Harris, Christine Hutchens, Kathy Lewis, Ron Meadows, Gretchen Morgan, Cliff Phillips, Dick Wagner, Dottie Wagner, Warren Warrick

Shagger Profile---

Name: Dennis Heath
Occupation: Engineer
Birthday: May 19
Hometown: Pink Hill, NC
Marital Status: Single
Self-Portrait: An honest, fun-loving, hard working guy
Motto: Never give up!!!
Dream: Have lots of true friends and be able to help them and have them help me.
Inspiration: Yesterday is history, Tomorrow is a mystery and Today is a gift. That's why we call it the Present!
Bad Habit: Nagging
Hobby: Scuba, tennis, reading and dancing.
Luxury Defined: Eating sea food on the beach barefoot.
Drink or Wine: Scotch (Dewars)
TV Program: The Wonder Years
Books at bedside: 7 Habits of Highly Effective People
Last Words:
*You've got to sing like the money don't matter.
Love like you'll never get hurt.
Dance like nobody's watching.
It's got to come from the heart if you want it to work.*

Dennis presently resides in Orlando, FL. The US government was kind enough to send him to our area for some classes but it is now time for him to return home. We wish him the very best and hope that he will visit us often.

Things I have Learned

by Unknown Author

I've learned-

It is a lot easier to react than it is to think.

Happy, Happy Birthday

August Birthday Babies

- 2 - Linda Nichols
- 2 - Peter Soriano
- 3 - Steve Rose
- 4 - Christine Hutchens
- 5 - Larry Camp
- 7 - Donna Montoya
- 13 - Diane Moody
- 14 - Chris White
- 16 - Eileen Scott
- 18 - Mary Peterson
- 18 - Bruce Skidmore
- 18 - Gary Tidmore
- 20 - Linda Jaco
- 20 - Sherry Winter
- 22 - Sid Straderman
- 23 - David Rodgers
- 23 - Bob Tonkin
- 25 - Reny Atienza
- 26 - Jim Murray
- 28 - Ron Maierhofer
- 29 - Mona Sites
- 29 - Fabio Tribino
- 30 - Arthur Stagik

CLASSIFIED - Want Ads

Wanted: Videographer -- Are you or do you know of someone who is skilled and/or knowledgeable about videotaping? Our Dance Instructors would like to meet with you! Please contact Janis at 703-536-7362.

*Belated birthday wishes to July members:
Mary Camp, Mike Winters, James Baird,
Linda Jeanne Harrill-Price.*

In Search of ... Juniors! ...by Janis Grimes

NVSC is now a sponsor of the **Junior Shaggers Association**, and we'd like to take it a step further ... by offering **FREE SHAG LESSONS** to **JUNIORS!** That's anyone **UNDER** the age of **21**. We are now in the process of bringing youngsters in this area together to learn to shag.

Do you know a young person who would enjoy learning to dance? Maybe you have a relative -- a child, grandchild, niece, nephew, cousin, godchild, or a child of a friend -- who would enjoy learning to shag, and benefit from the association with shaggers.

We're just getting started, and want to know how much interest there is in a junior shag program. If you know someone who is under the age of 21, and would like to learn to shag -- please contact **Joan Mckinney** at 703-971-7527, or **Janis** at 703-536-7362.

Heading South

The *Richmond Shag Club* is only 2 hours south of the Washington DC area.

Upcoming events:

August 14, 8th Annual Golf Tournament to benefit, Camp Fantastic. Are you a golfer? If interested in entering this event: contact **John Mansini 804-744-1749**.

October 10, 3rd Annual Acorn Ball, contact **Irma Cross** at **804-526-1432**.

Would you be interested in attending **ALL DAY WORKSHOP**, by **Judy Duke**. Date unknown. Contact **Tom Varney 804-275-2312**.



SOS Fall Migration

September 18-27 in North Myrtle Beach, SC.

It's getting close to that time of year again, Shaggers heading south to **North Myrtle Beach, S. C.** for **ten** full days of beach, sun, party, party, party, and dance, dance, dance--as long as your feet and legs hold up!

You will need an **SOS** pass (cost \$35) to be able to go back and forth between all the clubs and lounges (one year we counted twelve (12) dance floors within a few block radius!).

You can order your SOS pass by calling toll free 1-888-767-3113. Or you can wait and buy your pass in North Myrtle Beach.

Come join the party, North Myrtle Beach is Shag Mecca, a dancer's paradise.

Hotel and Condo Info in North Myrtle Beach:

- **Ambassador East**, 507 S. Ocean Dr. 803-249-3531
 - **Buccaneer**, 401 S. OD 803-249-1466
 - **OD Beach & Golf Resort**, ocean front at Main Street (by Spanish Galleon) 800-438-9590
 - **Summer Sea Inn**, 109 S. OD 803-249-4411
 - **Beachcomber Realty Coastal Condos** 800-334-3798
 - Blockade Runner, 1910 N. OD 803-280-0005
 - Days Inn North, 1321 S. OD 803-249-3561
 - Marion Earl Motel, 1401 S. OD 803-272-5131
 - Ocean Sands, 1525 S. OD 803-272-5181
 - Red Tree Inn, 1415 S. OD 803-272-6101
 - Sands Ocean Front, 74th Ave. N 803-272-5353
 - Seaside Inn, 2310 S. OD 800-845-6701
 - 803-272-5166
- ==Near Main Street

**If you can't get a room in NMB, there are plenty of places to stay a little further down the beach*

Beach Music Radio FM 100.7

Heading South? Tune in! There is a great beach music/oldies station out of Fayetteville, just past Emporia, VA. **FM 100.7, South of Emporia....Yeaah!!**

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CONVENTION



NOVEMBER 11, 12, 13, 14 & 15

1998

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GUEST D.J.'S

Joanne Johnson (Charlotte, NC)
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Larry Huff (Birmingham, AL)
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Paul Hennessy (513) 489-4983
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(Please include a self-addressed stamped business size envelope (11x14 inches) with your ticket request.)

August 14, 1998

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Drop Off At Lounge Or Mail To Richmond Shag Club
c/o John A. Mansini 13310 Farm Crest Ct. Midlothian, VA 23112
For More Information Call John Mansini - 814-744-7449

Amount Included _____

Registration Deadline 8/7/98

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North Myrtle Beach, Shag Capital of the World, has decided to spruce up it's **MAIN street**.

They have added center islands and planted trees and have added **PAVERS** to the sidewalks.

The pavers are for sale.

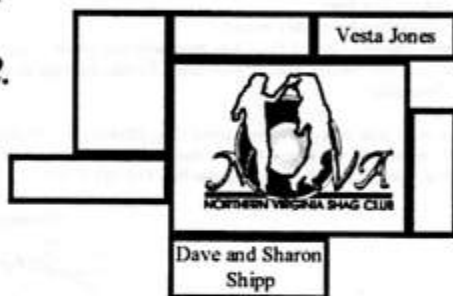
The **16" x 16"** is \$600. Our club hopes to buy one of those.

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**We wish to announce the
engagement of Chris Pax
and Fred Fritz.**

Congratulations to **Fred Whitman**, on the birth of his
second grandchild, **Foster Ryan**.

Welcome back to old friends that have been
away too long: Nick and Debbie Nichols and
Lee Ann Woodcock. It's nice to see you
dancing with us again.

**Every Good Thing Must Come to an End
By Patricia Parrott**

I'm sure I represent the entire Northern Virginia Shag Club membership - and if all 300 plus members were here with me right now they'd voice a loud, unanimous "yes"! - when I express deep and sincere appreciation and gratitude to **Janis Grimes** for the work, effort and heart she put into publishing the Shag Rag newsletter every month, on time, since the start of the club in 1993.

It was a monthly delight. Always tasteful, informative and entertaining with a splash of humor and a sprinkle of personality. Always positive and upbeat. Always promoting shag, the music and the club.

Through the newsletter, Janis managed to bring out the best in all of us. She motivated us to write articles, send in profiles, attend functions, and improve our dance skill. She gave us pride in a newsletter that represented us well to others in and outside the world of shag. **Good job, Janis!** Here's a great big thank you from all of us! I have every newsletter in my file.

Our sincere condolences go out to
Ralph Hart on the death of his
wife **Sue**, July 27.

