

# 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 goooood), 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 Signature Moves"

August 9, 1PM Michael Norris "Shag Tricks"

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



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.

## · 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 I 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.

## 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

Martial 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-

t 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

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> 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.



#### 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, and <u>dance</u>, <u>dance</u>, <u>dance</u>—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:

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	Armen, ser or center total	000 217 2221

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	800-334-3798
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Sands Ocean Front, 74th Ave. N	800-845-6701
Seaside Inn, 2310 S. OD	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

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## What is a Paver??????? A Brick!!!

Many small towns are updating, revitalizing, sprucing up their MAIN street.

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.

The 8" by 8" is \$200 and holds 4 lines of print, with 13 spaces per line.

The 4" by 8" is \$100 and holds 2 lines of print, with 13 spaces per line.

Would you like to see your name permanently become a part of this revitalization effort.





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

Congratulations to Fred Whitiman, 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 where 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.