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June, 1999

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Northern Virginia Shag Club

CAPITAL SHAG CLASSIC

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Music by
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JULY 23, 24 & 25, 1999

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PRESIDENTS MESSAGE by Vesta Jones
Short but sweet....

Val tells me my prez. letter has to be short this month because of loads of info in this issue (lucky us!)...so here goes:

I've written many articles over the past few years, as have other members, about our many adventures and happy times as we visit other shag clubs' events...how warm and friendly the people are, how the members dance with us, how generally welcoming the event is...well, now it's our turn. Our Capital Shag Classic is our weekend event and our turn to return the favor, hopefully 10-fold. We already have the reputation as a warm and welcoming club, as evidenced by the large numbers of out-of-towners that have already purchased tickets for the Classic.

In this issue, you're being given the opportunity to volunteer for multiple things...something our members always seem willing to do...but we all have incredibly busy schedules. If, for some reason, the requests for help are for times that you aren't available, then plan to make a difference at the Classic. Help us continue to build the reputation of our club and of our Classic as the most friendly and fun weekend event in our visitors' collective experience, by making everyone feel welcome and appreciated.

And hurry ... get your ticket soon...they are going fast! And we definitely want you there!

(how was that, val?) Good work, madam president!!!!!!!!!!

Shagger Profile---

Name: William Williford
Nickname: Bill
Occupation: Army Officer
Birthday: May 6
Hometown: Loris, SC
Martial Status: Married, three children
Dream: Floating on a pontoon boat, fishing
Inspiration: All people that stand up for their beliefs and my wife.
Drink: Chianti

DANCE JUNE 26



There will be a **NO FRILLS** dance at the VFW Springfield (where we had the Christmas Party) on **June 26 at 7:30 to 11:30PM**

Cost:..... \$5 for members \$10 non members.

BYOB except beer, must buy that there - or they have a cash bar. Chips & lemonade provided.

Music by the one and only **JERRY CANADA**

Come practice before our big weekend in July.

Intermediate Dance Steps for June

June 2	Female Half Turn; Belly Roll; Kick Basic
June 9	Side Pass; Boogie Walk; Boogie Train
June 16	Tuck from Pivot; Hesitation Basic
June 23	Pivot; Side-to-Side Basic
June 30	Front Prep; Lean; Double Kick Basic



DJ's for the coming weeks:

June 2	Dennis & Nancy Gehley
June 9	Craig Jennings
June 16	Larry Jones
June 23	Charlie Price
June 30	Craig Jennings
July 7	Dennis & Nancy Gehley

Happy, Happy Birthday

June Birthday Babies

3 Eva Graham
 4 Vicki Tedesco
 6 Jack Fitzgerald
 6 Heather Jennings
 7 Nancy Gehley
 7 Sharon Salpini
 8 Janet Jones
 9 Dottie Wagner
 10 Ronald Nicholson
 11 Winnie Beach
 15 Beth Edmonston
 17 Lee Antton
 17 Mary Ferguson
 17 Virginia Irby
 17 Jerome Zevin
 18 Maryann Fresco
 18 Bonnie Ginn
 20 Don Borja
 20 H.K. Lee
 20 Kate Murphy
 21 Beverly Sgroi
 25 Marjorie King
 25 Gwen Mandel
 27 John Horn
 27 Lou Toler
 28 Keith Abernathy
 28 Bob Benoit
 28 Billy Rometry
 29 Mary Lenehan
 29 Fred Suthard
 30 Ruth Rapson



NEW MEMBERS IN May

Karen Combs, Carol Dovel, Mike Francella, Gary Holmes, Mina Kennedy, Eddie O'Reilly, Harry Raynor, Martha Raynor, Valerie Scradar, Claudette Thompson

Bring in the Millennium--- Only 3000 tickets will be sold to the Millennium party in North Myrtle Beach. Tickets are \$75.00 per person, **BUT** if purchased through the Northern Virginia Shag Club, price is \$70.00.

Do you have a favorite song? Ask your DJ to play it. It's awfully difficult to hear over the music so you might want to write it down.

The Rookie was at SOS in April and as always I had a great time the entire 9 days we were there. My motto was Dance until you Drop and then walk in the cold surf at 3 to 4 am and cool off those feet , for tomorrow is a new challenge.

This spring was maybe my best SOS and I was lucky enough to march in the parade with the WINNING MARCHING GROUP from the NVSC. All the Ducks, little ducks, a remarkable FAT Harold, the sexy Barrel, the huge hamburger and Chef, the pinball wizard, the Jukebox from a Steven King novel with one of the shooter dudes inside, the other shooter dude was on the DJ's float as little boo-peep, all those informative signs and large records and last but not least my partner in crime Looong Bob Silver, my pirate buddy. Vesta was walking around Saturday night beaming with pride. The club did itself proud once again. My favorites were Roy Camp and Bonnie Mahoney they were a delight to watch, especially in front of the Judges. All you new members and rookies, next year you can help us --Three-peat.

The Shooter-dudes outdid themselves at the Grill those shirts were so critical that someone called in a bomb scare hoping they would LEAVE THOSE SHIRTS BEHIND. I must admit that Craig and Larry are becoming my idols. They are the original Party Animals. When I first joined the club, I was misled to believe that Larry and Craig were quiet, shy and very reserved. I now know they are our clubs version of the wild thing and completely out of control.

"The Internal Revenue Service notified NVSC on April 19, 1999, that we have been accepted as a non-profit social club exempted from paying Federal income taxes. Anyone interested in reviewing NVSC's application and supporting documents provided to IRS, the IRS exemption letter, or the club's annual Form 990 to the IRS, please contact the club Treasurer."

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.

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

See Patricia Parrott to check out video, or call her at 703-318-7246 or email PatParrott@aol.com.

VOLUNTEERS and COMRADERIE

by Joan Mckinney

Get involved. It's fun.

For the CAPITAL SHAG CLASSIC: Help move our dance floor from the warehouse to the hotel ballroom. Contact: Gary Salpini (703)425-2848.

FAIRFAX COUNTY FAIR: We need a crowd to show off our dance at the Fair. Saturday June 12, 7:30 pm to 8:15 pm. Sign up on Wednesday nights with Janis Grimes or Joan McKinney.

WRITING/BROADCASTING/GRAPHICS/ ADVERTISING

Our new Promotions/PR Committee is looking for these skills. Contact: Sharon Marsh or Joan McKinney (703)971-7527.

Capital Shag Classic *by David Rodgers*

ADS in the Capital Shag Classic Program

If you would like to place an ad in the program that will be given to all attendees of the Classic, contact David Rodgers at 703-239-8978. Prices for the ad space are: \$30.00 for a full page, \$20.00 for a half page and \$10.00 for a quarter page.

Door Prizes for the Capital Shag Classic

We need door prize donations to give out at the Capital Shag Classic. To donate a door prize contact David Rodgers at 703-239-8978 or bring your donation to Nick's any Wednesday night. Past donations have included bottles of wine, shag videos, beach music CD's, shag dance T-shirts, etc. Please support your club by making a door prize donation.

Promotional Items

We need donations of promotional items to include in our "goody packet" which will be given out to each Capital Shag Classic attendee when they check in. Examples of items would be: pencils, pens, pads of paper, candy, gum, key chains, etc. If you have anything you can donate to go in the packets, please contact David Rodgers at 703-239-8978.

Thanks for your support of the Northern Virginia Shag Club.

HIGHLIGHTS from the MAY BOARD MEETING *by Joan McKinney*

The IRS has approved the club's status as a **TAX-EXEMPT SOCIAL CLUB**. That's not the same thing as a tax-exempt charity. Donations to the NVSC are not tax deductible. But donations to the charity we support --- Hospice of Northern Virginia -- are deductible.

The **Bylaws** require an **ANNUAL AUDIT** of the club's financial activities by a committee that's independent of the Board. The '98 audit Committee --- *Vaughn Royal*, chairman, and members *Bonnie Mahoney* and *Sharon Salpini* -- have examined records and given a favorable report. Any of the three can answer your questions. Treasurer *Dennis Gehley* also gives detailed monthly reports to the Board and will show you the books upon request.

LONG-RANGE BUDGETING: We're now carrying regular small surpluses in each of the club's three accounts (*Regular Operations, Capital Shag Classic, Charity*.) Almost all the Charity Account surplus (shag-a-thon receipts) has been sent to Hospice, and the Board hopes for another generous donation (proceeds from the 50-50 raffles) at the end of the year.

Through July, we will maintain the surpluses in the Operating Account and the Classic Account to make sure the club can cover all expenses for our Classic weekend party.

After the Classic, the Board will evaluate the club's financial status, and hopefully can use any surpluses that build in the second half of the year for (1) a more generous gift for Hospice; (2) and/or for some member benefits -- such as an enhanced Christmas party, or a few "no-admission" or "low-admission" events; (3) and to enter 2000 with a contingency fund.

To do a modest "member benefit" now, there will be **FREE SUNDAY SOCIALS** (no cover charge) in May, June and July.

The club now has two web addresses: www.nvshag.org and www.sbol.com/shag.

CAPITAL SHAG CLASSIC: About 100 tickets already sold, approximately half to out-of-towners. The "sell out" level is 300.

"FUN MONDAY" RAFFLE with a \$10,000 **FIRST PRIZE**. Board members will help the SOS sponsors to sell raffle tickets, at \$20 per ticket. This raffle pays for the Fun Monday street party at September SOS.

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS: Saturday night **June 12**, shagging at the Fairfax Fair. Saturday night, **June 26**, NVSC "no frills" dance with Jerry Canada DJ'ing. **July 23-25th, Capital Shag Classic**. Saturday Sept 11, workshop with Hall-of-Famer Judy Duke and dance that night. The Judy Duke workshop dance will be *co-hosted by the Hand Dancers*, and also will be a joint NVSC/hand dancers pre-SOS party.

NEXT BOARD MEETING: Sunday, **June 6** at 4 PM. Home of Heather and Craig Jennings. Open to any club member, but please contact the hosting Board member, who'll need to arrange extra seating.

RESERVE Saturday night JUNE 12 for SHAGGING

by Joan McKinney

REMINDER and CLARIFICATION:

Plan to SHAG on **SATURDAY, JUNE 12**. Your choices are:
-- The Fairfax County Fair, where the NVSC will showcase our dance and promote the club.
-- Or the weekend party hosted by the Richmond Shag Club.

Last month's newsletter noted that Richmond had helped us join the Association of Carolina Shag Clubs (ACSC). But we had startup help from two Virginia clubs.

Our historians and founders note that:

-- The **Virginia Beach Shag Club** was our official sponsor for ACSC membership.
-- And we used the **Richmond Bylaws** as the model to comply with the ACSC's Bylaws requirements.

We don't want to slight anybody. We have such good friends in both cities.



Special thanks and kudos to the three club-members who agreed to do the financial audit of the 1998 club records...thank you all so much, Vaughn Royal, Sharon Salpini and Bonnie Mahoney, for taking the time out of your busy lives to do an extraordinary job on the audit.



WANTED: Lots of volunteers! *by Heather Jennings*

Well, it's almost that time of year again!! The **4th Annual Capital Shag Classic, July 23-25**, is just around the corner and planning has already begun!

Volunteers are needed to help with all aspects of Hospitality, both the check-in table and the Hospitality room on Friday and Saturday nights.

Also, for those who may not know, the Northern Virginia Shag Club owns its own dance floor which is used during the Classic. This floor must be put down on Thursday night (July 22) in preparation for the weekend event and then taken apart and loaded back up for storage on Sunday. (July 25) We are in need of volunteers (big, strong ones are good, but all help is accepted!!) to help with the floor assembly/disassembly.

If you're interested in helping with Hospitality please contact **David Rodgers** at 703-239-8978. If you'd like to help with the dance floor, please contact **Gary Salpini** at 703-425-2848. Thanks again and see you shaggin'!

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July 23, 24 and 25

4th Annual Capital Shag Classic, presented by the Northern Virginia Shag Club
contact

Heather Jennings 540-775-5342 or e-mail hjennings@sentel.com

OTHER LOCAL REGULARLY SCHEDULED DANCING

Third Sunday of every month: **June 20--**Sunday Social at Nick's, Pickett St., Alexandria, VA 2-5, with Ralph Hart as DJ
NO ADMISSION FEE for June or July Sunday Socials
Advanced Shag lessons 5-7, immediately following the Sunday Social

Sundays: MD DC VA Hand Dance will host a dance, 94th Aero Squadron, 4 to 8, website www.erols.com/danceclub

Sundays: Vienna Tap & Grill, 146 E. Maple, Ave., Vienna, VA \$10 WCS Lessons, 6:00 - 8:00 then dance till 11:00, or \$8.00 includes dance & drinks 8:00 - 11

Tuesdays: Best in Beach Music w/Denny and Eddy, Coconuts, Crofton, MD; information 301-261-3366

Wednesdays: FREE SHAG LESSONS 7:30, Northern Virginia Shag Club, Nick's, Alexandria, VA 703-751-8900

Thursdays: Galaxy, Hillwood Ave., Falls Church, VA, 8:00 - 11:00, Kenny Roesel; \$5.00 cover.

Thursdays: Beach Music Night at Nick's, S. Pickett, Alex., VA 7:30- 11:00, DJ Charlie Price, \$3.00 door (info 703-751-8900)

Fridays: Oldies Music Legends, Manassas, VA 6:00 - 10:00 Beach & Shag Music

Saturdays: Bethesda Swing Dance, 4916 St. Elmo Ave., Bethesda, MD Cost \$7 Dance from 9:00 to Midnight

Out of Town Shag Events

Friday: Shag at Stepping Out in Virginia Beach, VA. Lessons 4-5 PM, food, dance 5-9 PM

Sundays: Shag at Visions in Richmond, Holiday Inn at Koger Center, 7-10 PM

Tuesdays: Richmond Shag Club dances at RAZZLES Lounge, Best Western, 9848 Midlothian, Tnpk, 804-330-0007.

Wednesdays: Shag at Stepping Out in Virginia Beach, VA, lessons 7-8 PM, dance 8-12PM

6/4-6/99----2nd Annual Southern Comfort, by Palmetto Shag Club, Columbia, SC, call 803-750-5947 or email robert.mergle@sba.gov

6/5/99----Club Faces Pasture Party, Hwy 301 North, Dunn, NC call 910-892-4138

6/5/99----8th Annual Pig Pickin, Roanoke Valley Shag Club, call 540-562-1096

6/10-13/99- Shag-A-Ganza, by the Golden Isles Shag Club, Ramada Inn Beachfront resort, Jekyll Island, Georgia, call 1-800-SHAGGER

6/12/99----Jivin June Jam, Lancaster Shag Club, Lancaster, SC call Wayne 803-286-4222

6/11-12/99--Richmond Shag Club's Boardwalk, Boogie & Blues II; call Coleman Holland 804-743-8964 or Nancy Thompson
804-706-4769; tickets \$50

6/18/99----Shag Cruise, Carolina Beach, NC, call Betty 910-458-3354, tickets \$8.00

6/19/99----14th Annual Carolina Beach Music Festival, Noon to 5, on the Beach, in Carolina Beach, three bands, call Betty 910-458-3354 or
email MusicBeach@aol.com

6/19/99----Boogie to Boone, by the Boone Shag Club, of Boone, NC call Verna 828-264-6594

6/22-27/99--Boogie on the Riverwalk, Jacksonville, FL, call 1-888-BMF-JBBA

7/9-11/99--- 1999 ACSC Summer Workshop, Burlington, NC; call Lynda 336-584-6826, Sandra 804-836-4881, John 804-724-1559
or Evelyn 336-584-3451

For more events call 1-800-SHAGGER or the Southern Shagger web site or Shagdance.com or check out the Northern Virginia Shag Club
Spring SOS year 2000 date change. New dates April 7 through the 16th. Mark your calendars.

web site www.nvshag.org

