



# Shag Rag

*Dedicated to the Preservation of the Carolina Shag and Beach Music*

July, 2000

Keep on Shagging'

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## *President's Message*

See you with your shag shoes on... at the fifth annual **Capital Shag Classic.**

## **Coming to You From Fat Harold's in North Myrtle Beach, SC**

The Classic's guest DJ is **WILKIE WHALEY**, on staff at Fat Harold's Beach Club and Harold's at Ocean Drive. He's also played all the major clubs at North Myrtle Beach and many, many shag club parties in the Carolinas.

**Wilkie's** a native of Marion County, S.C. He got his introduction to R'n B at a tobacco barn. The farm workers listened to WYNN in Florence, which broadcast R'n B-- DJs "Satellite Papa" and "Moe the Rooster."

Wilkie graduated from Clemson in 1970. He began collecting music seriously in college, stocking his fraternity's jukebox with every record at the Pad. Wilkie's also a contributor to the organizations that help preserve our music and our dance. He's played SOS and DJ Throwdown, is currently the Vice President of the Association of Beach & Shag Club DJs, and has chaired the association's SOS float committee for four years, leading the DJs to one 1st place and three 2nd places in the parade.

## **WORLD-CLASS DANCERS...**

The Classic's guest dance instructors are "**SAM-n-SARAH.**"... Shaggers say that like one word.

**It means "champion."**

They're **Sam West** and **Sarah West Kemp**, the brother and sister who, at one time or another, have won every division of every major national shag competition.

Initially, Sam and Sarah competed with other partners. For several consecutive years, either Sarah and her partner or Sam and his partner were the junior national shag champions, and each also won the non-pro shag championship. In the professional division, Sam and Sarah compete together. They've won **six** national championships in the pro division; **twice**, they were the overall national shag champions (meaning they beat all divisions of shaggers) at "the nationals" at the Beach; and **five times**, they won the shag championship at the Grand Nationals in Atlanta.

**Sam and Sarah** also have taken our dance to a national audience. They're 8-year members of the traveling National Shag Dance Team, and they've won the shag division of the U.S. Open swing championships in Los Angeles and the American Swing Dance championships in New York.

**WILKIE** will play for us on Friday and Saturday nights. **SAM & SARAH** will teach three Saturday workshops and will join us on the dance floor.

## Board Highlights

Following are highlights from the June Board meeting and from the General Membership meeting on Sunday, June 21.

**MUSIC/DJs:** The Wednesday-night "regular rotation" of NVSC DJs has been expanded to include Gerry Scott. The Board also created opportunities for several guest DJ opportunities on Wednesday nights. Jerry Canada will play a Wednesday guest slot in July. (Jerry also will play with Eddie & Denny at the joint hand dancer/NVSC party in September.) With the occasional Wednesday night guest DJs, the joint parties with hand dance/NVSC DJs, and our hires of out-of-town DJs for several Saturday dances, the NVSC will have heard 8 or 9 guest DJs by the end of 2000. In finalizing the 2000 DJ calendar, the Board tried to provide equal treatment of several different members, and groups of members, who've asked to hear specific DJs; provide some stability for, and special consideration of, our loyal "regular rotation" DJs who've made the NVSC their central focus; and also recognize and show appreciation for the several other NVSC-member DJs, who're more closely affiliated with other clubs but who've also made significant contributions to, and friendships with, the NVSC.

**SUNDAY SOCIAL** -- Adjustments to the Wednesday DJ rotation may mean some changes in the Sunday Social DJing, which has been handled by Gerry Scott alone. Club members discussed the pros and cons of continuing monthly Sunday Socials, which have a turnout of some 20 to 30 people - sometimes fewer in the summer months. One proposal: quarterly Sunday Socials. That, and other options, will be studied.

**CLUB FINANCING/CAPITAL SHAG CLASSIC** -- General discussion of workshop income and costs; Saturday parties income and costs; Sunday Social costs; and the requirement to subsidize the Classic since its move to the more expensive hotel. After studying results of the upcoming Classic, Board will share the information with the club and will solicit a general discussion of the financing and format of future Classics.

**TAX STATUS** --The club has a non-profit social club status, which means we do not pay taxes on income received. This is not the same as a charitable organization, and therefore people can not deduct money that they contribute to the NVSC. The IRS, the Postal Service, and several private accountants have advised the Board that, while the NVSC supports a charity (Hospice), the club itself has a social purpose and does not qualify for the "charitable" status. However, members raised the possibility of exploring that subject again, and possibly creating a spin-off organization, or other legal structure, that would qualify as a tax-exempt charity. The Treasurer and the Newsletter Editor have spent many hours on this subject, and the Board welcomes any volunteer who might see a new (and legal!) tax angle and who'd be willing to take on this horrendous research chore.

**NEXT BOARD MEETING** - Monday, July 10, 7:30 PM at Joan McKinney's house in Springfield. (703)971-7527. All welcome. Please call to be placed on agenda.

### June 24 Swing Dance A Success

About **25 members** of the **Northern Virginia Shag Club**, attended the Swing dance sponsored by Craig Hutchinson, Saturday June 24. Music was provided by Shag DJ, Craig Jennings and Swing DJ "The Gator". Shaggers and Swingers danced the night away. In addition to Craig and the Gator, **Eva Graham**, took the DJ booth for about a half hour, and made some great song selections.

The only complaint of the night was that the floor was too slick. We felt like we were dancing on ice. Another dance with shag and swing DJ's is scheduled for November. Hope even more of our members will be able to come to the next dance.

Northern Virginia Shag Club

Invites You to Join Us For Our Fifth Annual

# CAPITAL SHAG CLASSIC

Continuous Dancing

and Music by

Great Association DeeJays

## WILKIE WHALEY

CRAIG JENNINGS • LARRY JONES

DENNIS & NANCY GEHELY • CHARLIE PRICE

### JULY 21, 22 & 23, 2000

Party starts 4 p. m. on Friday and continues on till 12 noon on Sunday

**FREE SHAG WORKSHOP on Saturday**

with National Shag Champions

## Sam & Sarah West

### First Annual Golf Tournament

Friday July 21st. For More Information Call Joe Cornish (703) 449-8449

Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites  
625 First Street  
Alexandria, Virginia 22314

**\*\*Request Special No. Va. Shag Club Rate**

**\*\*Rooms \$79\*\* (1-4 persons)**

Reservations: 703-548-6300

**FREE SHUTTLE to and from National Airport / Metro**

**FREE ALL-YOU-CAN-EAT MENU \* FREE POURS**

**Smoke-Free Ballroom**

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Weekend Tickets \$55 Until June 22nd; \$60 After That

**Buy Your Tickets Early!**

**NO REFUNDS AFTER JUNE 30TH**

**RAFFLE: For only an extra \$2. Take a Chance on a FREE ROOM and 1 Weekend Pass!!**

For additional information, call Vesta at 301-765-0995 or e-mail vjones@olg.com

Tickets will be held at check-in desk: include a self-addressed, stamped envelope to receive confirmation

**Tickets \$55 - Please make checks payable to No. Va. Shag Club  
NO REFUNDS AFTER JUNE 30TH**

Name(s) (Last, First) \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ Primary Shag Club \_\_\_\_\_  
City, State \_\_\_\_\_ No. of Tickets \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Return to:  
Northern Virginia Shag Club  
P. O. Box 5522  
McLean, Virginia 22103

## NVSC GOLF TOURNAMENT

Join the **Northern Virginia Shag Club** for a golf day at Fort Belvoir Virginia to support this year's charity **HOSPICE OF NORTHERN VIRGINIA**. Hospice provides nursing care for the elderly and terminally ill.

Format: Captains Choice-scramble. Men and Women of all skill levels are invited to play.

Registration: 6:30am

Shotgun start: 7:30am

Luncheon: 11:30am

Prizes awarded for:

Longest drive men

Longest drive women

Closest to the pin men

Closest to the pin women

Low team score

. And lots of Door prizes!!

HOLE IN ONE PRIZE by J KOONS  
PONTIAC

### FORT BELVOIR GOLF COURSE

.. Is located 15 minutes south of the beltway on 195, take 95 south to the Newington/Ft. Belvoir exit (166A) you will be on the Fairfax City Parkway. Turn left on John J. Kingman rd. at the third light, Beulah St., make a left turn onto Beulah. The clubhouse is 1/2 mile on the left.

**Date: Friday 21 July, 2000**

Registration Fee: \$65 per golfer

**Rsvp by 15 June 2000**

Includes 18 hole greens fees, golf cart, good bag, chances at prizes and after golf luncheon!!!

### SPONSORSHIPS

Sponsorship opportunities for

Individuals and companies include:

Corporate sponsor

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For more information, contact JOE

703-449-8449 or e-mail

@nishjct@prodigy.net

## NVSC GOLF TOURNAMENT REGISTRATION FORM

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone H \_\_\_\_\_ W \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Golf & luncheon \$65

\_\_\_\_\_ Luncheon \$15

Players with whom you wish to be teamed (otherwise you will be placed on a team).

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Handicap or lowest average score \_\_\_\_\_

Please send form and check payable to NVSC:

NVSC

P O Box 5522

McLean, VA. 22103



## TENTATIVE Capital Shag Classic Schedule of Events

### Friday

4:00 PM -	10:00 PM	Registration Desk Open	Hotel Lobby
4:00 PM -	7:00 PM	DJ - Craig Jennings & Larry Jones	Main Ballroom
6:00 PM -	8:00 PM	Free Pour/Hors D'oeuvres	Room # 442
7:00 PM -	10:00 PM	DJ - Dennis & Nancy Gehley	Main Ballroom
10:00 PM -	2:00 AM	DJ - Wilkie Whaley	Main Ballroom

### Saturday

8:30 AM		Ballroom Opens	Main Ballroom
8:30 AM -	10:00 AM	Breakfast Buffet	Hall near Ballroom
9:00 AM -	9:00 PM	Registration Desk Open	Hotel Lobby
10:00 AM -	10:00 PM	Vendors Open	Hall near Ballroom
(Note: Vendors will close during dinner)			
9:30 AM -	10:15 AM	Capital Shag Classic Line Dance Lesson	Main Ballroom
Instructors - Nancy & Dennis Gehley			
10:30 AM -	11:15 AM	Basic Shag Lesson	Main Ballroom
11:30 AM -	12:15 PM	Intermediate Shag Lesson	Main Ballroom
12:30 PM -	1:15 PM	Advanced Shag Lesson	Main Ballroom

*Instructors for all shag lessons - Sam West & Sarah (West) Kemp*

1:15 PM -	4:15 PM	DJ - Dennis & Nancy Gehley	Main Ballroom
4:15 PM -	6:00 PM	Ballroom Closed for dinner preparations	
4:15 PM -	5:15 PM	Free Pour/Light Snacks	Room # 442
6:00 PM -	7:30 PM	Dinner Buffet	Hall near Ballroom
6:00 PM -	7:30 PM	Smoothies during Dinner	Main Ballroom
7:30 PM -	10:00 PM	DJ- Craig Jennings & Larry Jones	Main Ballroom
10:00 PM -	2:00 AM	DJ - Wilkie Whaley	Main Ballroom
10:00 PM		Special Entertainment!	Main Ballroom

### Sunday

8:30 AM -	10:00 AM	Continental Breakfast	Hall near Ballroom
9:00 AM -	10:00 AM	Gospel Shag Hour: DJ - Charlie Price	Main Ballroom
10:00 AM -	12:00 Noon	DJ - Charlie Price and/or Craig Jennings & Larry Jones	Main Ballroom
12:00 Noon		Time to Break Down and Head for Home!!!	

**ACSC Summer Workshop 2000**

**And Shag Blast Weekend "Shagging On The Rivers"**

July 7-9 in New Bern, NC

Sheraton Grand of New Bern  
Hosted by the Twin Rivers Shag Club



**Hotel Reservations**

Call and name the event to get special room rate discounts.

Sheraton Grand . . . 252-638-3585 . . . \$85  
Ramada Inn . . . 252-636-3637 . . . \$62

Directions: From Hwy 70, take Exit 417 (New Bern).  
Ramada is on your left before crossing the bridge.  
Cross the bridge and turn left immediately onto S Front  
St. and Sheraton is on your left.  
Questions: Call 252-633-2277 after 5 PM or e-mail  
andersassoc@connect.net

**DJs**

Ed Thibaulte  
Ed Pruitt  
Butch McCall  
Tommy "T-Bird" Smith

**Special Events**

The Heathers  
Saturday Afternoon  
And  
Judy Daba Workshop  
And  
5 Hours of Free Pours



**Meals**

Friday.....Dinner  
Saturday....Brkft, Lunch, Dinner  
Sunday.....Brkft

**Vendors**

Shoes  
Gold Jewelry  
Cosmetics  
Masseuse  
Shag Jewelry  
Silver Jewelry  
Music



**Tickets \$40 each postmarked by 7-1-00, then \$45 each**  
Tickets held at registration desk. Registration opens at 4 PM, Friday July 7<sup>th</sup>.

Confirmation mailed.

Print Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_  
Shag Club: \_\_\_\_\_  
Number attending ACSC Workshop Meeting: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Street \_\_\_\_\_  
MAIL TO: TRSC Workshop  
PO Box 13006  
NEW BERN, NC 28561

**Capital Area Shag Club**  
**2nd Annual**  
**Capital Area Kickback**

North Raleigh Hilton Raleigh, N.C.  
August 4-6, 2000



**Tickets for the entire weekend \$35**

\$12 Friday Night - \$10 Saturday Afternoon - \$15 Saturday Night  
\$5 for each Hospitality event

Ask for special CASC rates through July 15, \$68 per night - (919) 872-2323

FRIDAY	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
6-8 Welcome Hospitality	11-1 Capital Sunshine Hospitality with free pour & food	9-11 Farewell Hospitality
Capital Sunshine, beer, wine and good food	Shag & Line Dance Workshop	Coffee, juice, and biscuits
8-1 DJ Gary Gibson	1-6 DJ Randal Hight	
	8-10 Heavy Hors d'oeuvres	
	8-1 DJ Harold Beaver	
	Reverse Raffle	

**For more information - Call (919) 878-5236 or visit our website at <http://members.aol.com/cascnews>**

Make checks payable to: CASC Capital Area Kickback '00  
Mail to: CASC c/o Debbie Hight, 1527 Beasley Road, Louisburg, NC 27549

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone \_\_\_\_\_ No. Tickets \_\_\_\_\_ Amt. enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Shag Club member? What Club? \_\_\_\_\_

# The Classic Needs YOU!!!!

**IT'S TIME TO START VOLUNTEERING FOR THE CLASSIC.** The following list of committee heads, need your help. Help is needed with the golf tournament, hospitality, floor construction and decorating. Whatever your interest or talent is, we can use it. Please contact one of the following to volunteer.

This year, we will have a Golf tournament as part of our Classic weekend. **Joe Cornish and Laura Lightbourne** have the details. In addition to being a really nice addition to an already wonderful weekend, it also offers the opportunity to raise some money. We plan to share the profits: some for NVSC, some for Hospice.

**Linda Silbaugh** is coordinating our **Hospitality Committee** and will be looking for folks to work the sign-in desk. She'll soon have a roster and be asking for volunteers. Please consider taking a time-slot. It's a lot of fun to do, and a great way to meet the new folks (as well as our old friends) as they sign in. She also is selling ads for our program. Consider having your company buy one (they are about \$30.00), or perhaps a group of your friends would like to go in together and buy space...it all goes toward helping to fund the Classic. When you sign in on July 21, you will receive what we call a "goodie bag". Not only does it contain information on the event but also "goodies" such as mints, gum, aspirin, pens, ect. —what ever our members have donated.. If you would like to make a donation to our "goodie bag" see Linda.

**Bonnie Mahoney** is coordinating the **Floor Crew** (dubbed affectionately the "f-n" crew last year.) She'll lead a crew on Thursday evening for the installation, and also Sunday afternoon for the "un-install" and storing of the floor.

**Pamela Alfano** is coordinating the **Decorating Committee**. See Pamela to volunteer your time and talent to decorate.

We are selling chances to **win an hour private lesson with Sam and Sara**. That is a \$60.00 value. We will be selling them up through Saturday night of the Classic and draw that Saturday night about 11:00. The private lesson will be held at the hotel on Sunday morning during the Classic weekend.

**Door prizes needed:** If you would like to donate a door prize to be given away at the Classic, see **Vesta Jones**. Please give generously.

## **Privates with Sam and Sara West** by *Janis Grimes*

During the weekend of the **Classic**, Sam and Sara will be offering private lessons. Their time will be limited, so make your reservation early. Contact **Janis Grimes** at 703-536-7362 or email [janigrimes@starpower.net](mailto:janigrimes@starpower.net)

