



Shag Rag

Dedicated to the Preservation of the Carolina Shag and Beach Music

October, 2001

Keep on Shagging'

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President's Message by *Heather Jennings*

In the wake of the recent tragic attacks on the United States, this is probably the most difficult President's Message I've ever had to write. It seems almost impractical to discuss parties and dances when we have all been touched and impacted in some way by the recent disasters. We as a nation now have a monumental task before us. First, to help those who have been victimized; to clean up and restore the destructed facilities; to find and punish those responsible; and finally to institute preventive measures so that we can continue to experience (although it may never again be the same) a reasonably safe and civilized way of life. Despite these challenges, I have no doubt in my mind that Americans will persevere. We will come together and we will go forward. This shag club will be no exception. NVSC has been a source of friendship for us all and during the days that follow I hope that you are able to take some comfort and happiness from that.

This month we are privileged to have some special, out-of-town friends coming to visit: **Mike & Kay Anderson** will be here to teach three shag workshops at Nick's on **Saturday, October 13th**. Many of you may remember Mike & Kay from the smoothies contest at SOS or perhaps from meeting them in July at the Classic. **Mike & Kay** are **PRO** level dancers who have competed at the National Shag Dance Championships for many years. They are both wonderful dancers and instructors. I encourage everyone to attend these workshops. It will be fun and give you another opportunity to meet your fellow club members. In addition, all NVSC members who take at least two of the workshops will receive a **FREE** lunch that afternoon while at Nick's.

That night, as always, we will also have a **dance**. The dance will be held at the **beautiful Kenwood Country Club** in Bethesda, MD. We have not had a dance there recently (due to the expense) but the facility is very nice and the dance floor wonderful. The NVSC Board received numerous requests last year to "move the parties around" so that we were not always dancing at the VFW or at Ft. Myer. Thus, even though the country club will be quite a bit more expensive, we are hosting the dance there. There will be heavy hors d' oeuvres provided that night and a cash bar. See the flyer inside for details and directions.

Thanks to all those who attended and helped with the PRE-SOS party held last month on September 8th at Ft. Myer. **Dennis & Nancy Gehley** did a great job DJ'ing (Nancy played even though she had a "wounded knee"!). **Betty Abshire** did her usual magic with the food. Hope you were able to attend and get your feet into shape for SOS.

Just another friendly reminder too that we **ALL** need to **SUPPORT NICK'S** on **Wednesday** nights. And when I say "support", I mean we need to remember to buy a hamburger, drink a beer or order an appetizer while we are there. Don't forget to make use of the \$1 off coupon in this Shag Rag.

Thanks all. God Bless America!

The Northern Virginia Shag Club

Presents A

Shag Workshop and Party

With Pro-Shaggers

Kay and Mike Anderson

October
13, 2001



Mike and Kay Anderson are native North Carolinians, presently living in Cary, NC and have been shagging for eight (8) years. They currently compete on the SPA/CSA Shag circuit throughout the southeast in the Professional Division. Mike & Kay are members of the Competitive Shaggers Association and the Capitol Area Shag Club.

Workshop

Nick's Nightclub and Restaurant

642 South Pickett Street

Alexandria, Virginia

Phone 703-751-8900

Beginner: 11:00 a.m.— Noon
Intermediate: 1:00 p.m.— 2:00 p.m.
Advanced: 2:15 p.m.— 3:15 p.m.

Cost: \$10 per workshop for NVSC Members
\$15 per workshop for non-members

Free Lunch for NVSC members who take two or more workshops!

DANCE SATURDAY NIGHT

8:00 p.m.— Midnight

At the

Kenwood Country Club

5601 River Road

Bethesda, Maryland

301-320-3000

Cost: \$10 for NVSC Members
\$12 for Non-members

Directions to Kenwood: From I-495 West take River Road exit 39 toward Washington D.C., after approximately 3 miles turn left onto Springfield Drive. You are at the Kenwood Country Club. From here proceed to the large building with circular driveway in front.

Juniors Receive Free
Admission to Both Events!

Elections

Each November, the **Northern Virginia Shag Club** elects **4 officers** and **5 directors-at-large** to serve as the 9 person NVSC Board of Directors for the following calendar year. All NVSC members in good standing (those who have paid dues for the current year) may vote. Members may vote either in person on election night or by mail-in ballot.

A seven (7) member nominating committee has been formed and their job is to:

Prepare a list of candidates for the 2002 Board and present the candidates to the General Membership. The Candidates will be presented on the night of **October 31, 2001**.

During the coming weeks the nominating committee will be contacting as many members as they can, asking you if you would like to run for a position on the board or if you would like to nominate someone for the board. **PLEASE REMEMBER THAT THERE ARE ALMOST 400 MEMBERS IN OUR CLUB AND ONLY 7 MEMBERS ON THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE.** Please make our job easier, if you would like to run for the board or you would like to nominate someone, please contact **Valerie Swiger** at vms@olg.com or 703-281-9193.

To be **President** or **Vice President** you must have served on the board for at least **ONE** year.

To be **Secretary, Treasurer or Director at Large** you must have been a member of NVSC for at least **ONE** year.

If elected you must agree to carry out both the general duties and specific duties of the position you have been elected to.

This is **YOUR CLUB**. We are an **ALL VOLUNTEER** organization. We need people willing to give of themselves to help this great organization become even better.

A ballot will be in your **NOVEMBER SHAG RAG**. If you cannot be at Nick's on election night, please mail in your ballot. All mail in ballots **MUST BE SIGNED**.

Dates to Remember:

October 31 Nominating committee will present the candidates and take nominations from the floor.

November 7 Candidates will be introduced a second time.

November 14 Candidates will be introduced a third time.

November 27 All mail in ballots must be received.

November 28 Election

**Inventory and status of Video Tapes as of 9/25/01
Nancy Gehley has possession of the Video Library**

<u>Teachers</u>	<u>Tape Name</u>	<u>Tape No.</u>
Charlie & Jackie	Mirror Patters/Male Lead, Tape 1	1,25
Charlie & Jackie	Mirror Patterns, Tape 2	10
Charlie & Jackie	Lead and Follow, Vol 1	2,21
Charlie & Jackie	Basic Variations, Vol 1	3,9,18
Charlie & Jackie	Basics Plus (2)	7,8,26
Charlie & Jackie	More Basics Plus, Vol 1	15
Charlie & Jackie	More Basics Plus, Vol 2	16,19
Charlie & Jackie	Female Footwork	17,20
Charlie & Jackie	Male Lead, Vol 1	22
Charlie & Jackie	Workshop Notebook, Vol 1	23
Charlie & Jackie	Workshop Notebook, Vol 2	24
Sam & Sarah West	Carolina Shag for Beginners	11,14
Sam & Sarah West	Basic Polish-Techniques in Basic Patterns	12,13
Sam & Sarah West	Pivot Variations	29
Sam West/Sarah West Kemp	Fancy Male Leads	30
Sam West/Sarah West Kemp	Together Steps, Vol 1	31
Sam West	Dance Technique for the Male Shagger, Vol 1	28
Sam West	Dance Technique for the Male Shagger, Vol 2	34
Sam West	Together Steps, Vol 2	35
Sam West	Learn to Spin, Vol 1	32
Sam West	Learn to Spin, Vol 2	33
Sy Creed & Dana Brown	Learn to Shag	5
VA Beach Shaggers	Virginia Beach Mirror Steps	6
	SOS Parade	27

Video tapes are available to all **CLUB MEMBERS**, for a refundable deposit fee of **\$25.00**. Tapes should be returned **within a week**, but a 30 day grace period will be allowed. After the 30 days, the deposit money will be used to replace the tape so that other members may borrow it.

FLASH by Janis Grimes -- From the **Virginia State Open Swing Dance Championships**, September 22nd.....After placing **First** in the Junior Shag Division, **Kari Jones and Adam Sheppard** took **First Place** in the Overall Junior Division, winning a free trip to the **US Open in Anaheim, California**, in November. **Ben and Tory Robinette** also danced with precision and style in the Junior Shag Division, winning a solid Second place. Congratulations to our junior shaggers, who represent our dance so beautifully!!

Also, on Friday night at the Virginia State Open Dance Championships, **Kari Jones and Adam Sheppard** performed an exhibition "dollar dance," and raised over **\$700** from the crowd in just 3 minutes! That entire amount will be donated to the Pentagon Relief Fund.

NEW LESSON TIMES for SHAG CLASSES at Nick's

It has come to our attention that having all three of our dance classes end at the same time (8:15 PM), means that Nick's wait staff, bartenders and kitchen staff get a large number of nearly simultaneous orders for food and drink when the classes end. Nick and Duncan (the manager) have suggested that their staff could provide better service to NVSC if we stagger the class times, so that they don't all end at the same time. Nick has said that he is also planning to put a second waitress to work on Wednesday evening.

In order to accommodate the request to stagger class-ending times, the following schedule will be implemented as of **September 12**, the first week of the next four week lesson cycle.

- 1) **Advanced:** 7:15 - 8:00
- 2) **Intro/Beginner:** 7:30 - 8:15
- 3) **Intermediate:** 7:45 - 8:30

General dancing will still take place on the main floor from 8:15 - 11:00 pm.

Nick's Cover Charge now \$4.00

\$1 Off

Any \$6 dollar
minimum food &
beverage purchase at
Nick's.

One offer per party, per visit. Not valid for alcoholic beverages, or in conjunction with any other offer or discount. Tax and gratuity not included. **GOOD FOR Nov. 7, 2001 ONLY.**



\$1 Off

Any \$6 dollar
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beverage purchase at
Nick's.

One offer per party, per visit. Not valid for alcoholic beverages, or in conjunction with any other offer or discount. Tax and gratuity not included. **GOOD FOR Dec,12 2001 ONLY.**



NVSC LOGO ITEMS----- FOR SALE

T-SHIRTS IN BLACK OR WHITE

S, M, L, XL \$12

XXL - \$13 XXXL \$14

SHOE BAGS \$20

VA IS 4 SHAGGERS --- LICENSE PLATE FRAMES \$12

TO ORDER, SEE PAMELA ALFANO AT NICK'S ON WEDNESDAYS.



A Great way to Keep Informed

E-MAIL

Join our "Hello
Shagger" Email list?
E-mail, Valerie Swiger,
at vms@olg.com.

Mark Your 2001 Calendars - - - - Now!!!!!!!

October 13 at Nicks and Kenmore Country Club,
daytime workshop and evening dance.

December 15 Christmas Party

THE WEB



NVSC

information::: www.nvshag.org

Shag Club Information::: www.shagdance.com

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New Grandma, **Leslie Little**, proudly announces the birth of her first grandchild, a little girl, **Jayden Hall**, born September 14, weighing in at 9 lbs 5 ozs.

Sincere condolences go out to Tom Romero who's father died recently.

New Members in September

Elizabeth Chorvat
Terry Chrovat
Carol Rogers
Arlene Wouters

DJ's for October

Oct 3 Dennis and Nancy Gehley
Oct 10 Charlie Price
Oct 17 Craig Jennings
Oct 24 Larry Jones
Oct 31 Gerry Scott



Happy Happy Birthday *October Babies*

3 *William Martin*
3 *Trelle Stephens*
3 *Cynthia Trueheart*
3 *Keith Teele*
3 *Weldon Waites*
8 *Pamela Alfano*
9 *Diane Sawyer*
10 *Debbie Bloodsworth*
12 *Patricia Heller*
14 *Alan Miles*
15 *Julie Miller*
16 *Dean Hipps*
17 *Joyce Blotzer*
17 *Judy Hurvitz*
18 *Paul D'Amato*
19 *Linda Silbaugh*
19 *Jake Willingham*
22 *Martha Raynor*
22 *Walter White*
23 *C Tran*
23 *Dena Turovlin*
24 *Naomi Battle*
24 *Dave Shipp*
25 *Barry Holt*
27 *Gayle Eisner*
28 *Gregory Chambers*
29 *Pamela Dennis-Thomas*

Intermediate Dance Steps for October

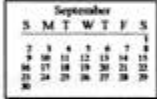
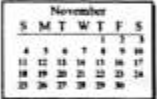
Oct 3 Hesitation Basic; Hug Pivot; Tuck
Oct 10 Side-to-Side Basic; Pivot with Belly Roll; Handshake Wrap Pivot
Oct 17 Double Kick Basic; Front Prep; Walk-Up
Oct 24 Stutter Basic; Boogie Walk; Side Pass with Boogie Walk
Oct 31 Back Prep; Sugarfoot

Advanced Lessons

October 10 and October 17

October 2001

Monthly Planner

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1	2 Coconuts Croft-on MD	3 FREE SHAG LESSONS	4 Galaxy, FC	5 COAST GUARD	6
7 Vienna Grill	8	9 Coconuts Croft-on MD	10 FREE SHAG LESSONS	11 Galaxy, FC	12 COAST GUARD	13 WORKSHOPS/DANCE
14 Vienna Grill	15	16 Coconuts Croft-on MD	17 FREE SHAG LESSONS	18 Galaxy, FC	19 COAST GUARD	20
21 Vienna Grill	22	23 Coconuts Croft-on MD	24 FREE SHAG LESSONS	25 Galaxy, FC	26 COAST GUARD	27
28 Vienna Grill	29	30 Coconuts Croft-on MD	31 FREE SHAG LESSONS	 		

Planning on going to the Coast Guard Friday night to Dance

NEW security procedures are in place. In order to get in the gate you will need to have your **name on a list** at the gate and you will have to have a **picture ID**.

Gary Salpini and Larry Camp are preparing a list for the gate. Please contact one of them. Gary can be reached at 703-425-2848 or gary.salpini@verizon.net. Larry can be reached at 703-550-6468 or benz280@aol.com.