



Shag Rag

Dedicated to the Preservation of the Carolina Shag and Beach Music

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Keep on Shagging'

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President's Message *by Pamela Alfano*

June will be a busy and fun month for NVSC. The **2003 Shag-A-Thon** will take place on **Saturday, June 21** at **Springfield Mall**. Many of our members are already busy gathering pledges to benefit our Club charity, **Hospice of Northern Virginia**. This is a wonderful cause, and we have been very successful over the past four years raising over \$60,000 through the **Shag-a-Thon**. Hospice provides support for individuals and families facing terminal illnesses, and turns no one away for inability to pay for care. This is an opportunity for our members to help this organization and have fun at the same time. Our DJ's will play from noon to 5:00 PM, and everyone else gets to do our favorite thing – dance, dance, dance. If you would like to participate, you can register with either **Vaughn Royal** or **Cathy Metcalf**.

On **Saturday, June 28** we will hold our **picnic/beach party** at the home of **Don and Audrey Borja in Locust Grove, Virginia**. The Borja's have graciously offered to host this event. Thank you, Don and Audrey! There will be beach and shag music, dancing, swimming, boating and "bun sunning" to keep you occupied. It is a **free** event, so we hope you will join us and bring a dish to share. NVSC will furnish burgers and dogs. What could be more fun than spending the day with all of your NVSC friends? In the event of rain, the party will be moved to **Sunday, June 29**. I hope to see you all there.

The Eighth NVSC **Capital Shag Classic** will be **July 25-27, 2003** at the **Holiday Inn Hotel and Suites in Alexandria**. Tickets are on sale now and the hotel is filling up fast. If you have not already purchased your ticket or reserved your hotel room, you should do so soon. **The cutoff for the discounted ticket price of \$70 is June 27**. After that, the price goes up to \$80. This is a bargain for three days of dancing to great music, great food, free shag workshops with professional instructors and all the new friends you will be making. Don't wait too long and miss out on our biggest event of the year! It takes a lot of people to put on this weekend party and we need volunteers. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact **Valerie Swiger**.

Did you know that NVSC is ten years old this year? **Gary Salpini** and **Dave Rapson** are working on plans for the **NVSC Ten Year Reunion/Pre-SOS Party on September 6, 2003**. We have reserved the new **Burke Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department facility** for the evening. DJ's **Eddie Farmer** and **Denny Martin** will play great shag and beach tunes for us. To ensure the success of this party, *we need some special assistance from our members*. Over the past ten years, many members have come and gone. The purpose of our reunion is to reunite the former members with old friends and to introduce them to our new members. If you are in contact with former NVSC members, please forward their contact information to **Valerie Swiger** for the invitation list. Please tell former members about the **Reunion Party** and encourage them to attend.

We have been having a great crowd at **Nostalgia's** every week with many new faces. I want to thank each and every one of you for doing your part in welcoming them. Our regular members are terrific at introducing themselves to the newcomers and asking them to dance. I continually hear comments about the friendliness of our members. I am very proud to be a part of NVSC and such a wonderful group of people. Thank you, and . . . **KEEP ON SHAGGIN'!**

5th Annual Northern Virginia Shag Club

Shag-A-Thon!!



All proceeds benefit Hospice
of Northern Virginia

More than \$60,000 raised in
the past four years by NVSC
Shaggers



Saturday, June 21, 2003

Noon until 5:00 pm

Springfield Mall

JC Penney Court, Lower Level

(Franconia Road Exit from I-95. Exit is less than one mile south of I-495)

Springfield, Virginia 22150-1701

Hospice of Northern Virginia provides expert care, comfort and support for individuals and families facing terminal illnesses. It is a non-profit organization, which turns no one away for inability to pay for care or for lack of a caregiver. ***There is still time to participate in the Shag-a-Thon.*** If you would like to raise funds to help support NVSC's official charity, contact Vaughn Royal (703-354-2463, vroyal@royal-law.com) or Cathy Metcalf (703-690-2631, ccmetcalf@earthlink.net) for information. If you can't participate, please consider a donation to Hospice of Northern Virginia, through one of the following dancers who have volunteered to raise funds and dance in support of Hospice:

Pamela Alfano

Libby Ash

Terry Bender

Ron Bishop

Brenda Bishop

Sandy Bonomi

Don and Audry Borja

Larry Boyer

Stephen Colevas

Macia Conway

Rob Creedon

Doodah

Janet Egan

Ann Fasso

Cristina Gaines

Nancy Gehley

Dennis Gehley

Jane James

Heather Jennings

Craig Jennings

Vesta Jones

Liz Kestler

Denny Koski

Beverly Larson

Maryann Lesnik

Laura Lightbourne

Bob Lutz

Joan McKinney

Cathy Metcalf

Andy Miller

Debra Parrish

Bruce Piner

Chuck & Janet Pinkston

Michael Reingruber

Ann Reza

David Rodgers

Linda Romero

Vaughn Royal

Barbara Schipper

Gerry Scott

Valerie Swiger

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