



# 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

The **NVSC Ten-Year Reunion/Pre-SOS Party** is coming up on September 6. It is going to be a wonderful party with great food, great people and great music. How can you go wrong with a combination like that? It will be a perfect opportunity to renew old acquaintances and make some new ones. If you have not already done so, please **RSVP to Gary Salpini**. See the flyer for details.

Have you ever thought about getting involved with running NVSC? Have you ever thought that you would like to see some things done differently? Well, now is the time to do something about it. The annual election of the Board of Directors is coming up in November. There are nine spots on the Board: four officers (president, vice-president, secretary and treasurer) and five at-large members. To be eligible to run for the Board, you must have been an NVSC member for at least one year, and to run for president or vice-president, you must have previously served on the Board for at least one year. That's it. Although there is a lot of work to be done by these nine individuals, it is also a lot of fun. It is an opportunity to get more involved with the Club and to become better acquainted with the NVSC members. Some of the current board members who have been on the board for a number of years are going to be retiring at the end of this year. Their absence will leave a void which must be filled, so please consider running. Also, after many years of faithful service as editor of the *Shag Rag*, Valerie Swiger has decided to step down after this year so that she can spend more time with those adorable grandchildren. She will help to train the new editor. Give it some thought and let a member of the Board know if you are interested, or tell a member of the nominating committee which will be forming in the next couple of months.

Although it is already September, we have many more events coming up before the end of the year. Please mark your calendars and check the *Shag Rag* for further details.

**September 6** - Ten Year Reunion/Pre-SOS Party.

**September 13** - SOS Free Pour at Duck's Too

**September 20** - SOS Free Pour at Fat Harold's Back Room

**October 4** - Ellen Taylor Workshop and Dance

**November 16** - Sunday Social

**December 13** - Holiday Party

Everything is going wonderfully on Wednesday nights at Nostalgia's. We are averaging 70-85 people every week. New member night produced seven new members in August. The classes are full and there are many new faces. It has gotten to the point that there are many members who still need to be introduced around. We want everyone to get better acquainted so that we can continue our tradition of being "THE FRIENDLIEST SHAG CLUB". To help people get to know each other we will be putting blank name tags on the flyer table. I encourage everyone to wear one.

I hope to see you all at Nostalgia's on Wednesday nights and ... keep on SHAGGIN'!

# SHAG-A-THON 2003 FINAL RESULTS

By Vaughn Royal

In June, for the fifth consecutive year, NVSC held its Shag-a-Thon in support of Hospice of Northern Virginia, the Club's official charity. The total amount collected and turned over to Hospice was **\$9,745.00**, which came from donations ranging in size from \$5 to \$500, with most donations in the \$10-\$50 range. 100% of the donations were turned over to Hospice, without a single penny being taken out for administrative or fundraising expenses. **This brings NVSC's total fundraising for Hospice to more than \$75,000!**

Thank you to all NVSC members who participated in the fundraising and support of the event. We recognize and applaud the special efforts of two NVSC members who made exceptional contributions to the fund-raising: **Pamela Alfano**, who raised **\$1,035**, and **Marcia Conway**, who brought in contributions from **48 separate donors**. Pamela and Marcia each received four free admissions to Nostalgia's in recognition of their accomplishments.

## DJ Play Times during SOS

### Craig Jennings

Tuesday September 16th...12pm-5pm...Ducks  
Friday September 19th...1pm-5pm...Ducks Too  
Saturday September 20th...12pm-5pm...Ducks

### Larry Jones

Thursday September 11th....9pm - Close...Ducks  
Friday September 12th....3pm - 6pm...Boulevard Grill  
Saturday September 13th....1pm - 6pm...Ducks 2  
Monday September 15th....12pm - 5pm...Ducks  
Tuesday September 16th....6pm - 9pm...Boulevard Grill  
Wednesday September 17th....5pm - 10pm...Ducks 2  
Thursday September 18th....12pm - 5pm...Ducks  
Friday September 19th....12pm - 5pm...Ducks  
Saturday September 20th....5pm - 10pm...Ducks 2(OLD R & B Only)



Congratulations to **David and Jerry Rodgers**. David's daughter Lisa gave birth to an 8 lb 6 oz, baby boy, Nicholas Dedmon Westbrook, on July 31<sup>st</sup>.

**Shag Logo merchandise for Christmas gifts**. Plan ahead. See **Cathy Metcalf** to order or look for the catalog on the flyer table at Nostalgia's.



**September 6th**

**Dance: 6:00 - 11:00**

**Celebrate  
Our Club's  
10 Year Anniversary  
with the Founding  
Members  
and  
Get Ready for  
SOS Fall Migration!**

**10 Year Reunion  
& Pre-SOS  
PARTY!!!!**

Music Provided by DJs  
Denny Martin & Eddy Farmer

**Directions**

Burke Volunteer Fire and Rescue Department  
9501 Old Burke Lake Rd.  
Burke, VA 22009-1189

From the Beltway  
Exit Braddock Road West Go 2 miles to Burke Lake  
Road, turn left Go 1.5 miles to Burke Road (just after  
overpass), turn left, turn right at the first intersection,  
Fire station is on the left.

*This is a non-smoking facility!*

Visit our website for club information and events!  
[www.nvshag.org](http://www.nvshag.org)

**FREE admission to  
Junior Shaggers!!!**

**Admission: \$10**

**RSVP: Gary Salpini**

703-425-2848  
or  
[gsalpini@wj-inc.com](mailto:gsalpini@wj-inc.com)

Light snacks and  
mixers provided,  
but...BYOB.

# CELEBRATION TIME

by Dave Rapson & Gary Salpini

OK, summer is officially over and the fall social calendar begins this weekend with the NVSC ten year anniversary / reunion / pre-SOS party. Saturday, **September 6th** at the Burke (VA) Volunteer Fire Department. All members and friends are invited to join us for a large time.

**This is a new location for us.** Fairly new facility that is about 2/3's the size of the ballroom at the Holiday Inn where we have the Classic. Nice place. High ceiling, roomy, non-smoking, nice restrooms, plenty of parking, round tables, and, of course, great music and all your friends.

Party will be from **6 – 11 PM**. Admission will be **\$10.00** to offset expenses. **Denny Martin and Eddy Farmer** will be providing the music. Light food and set ups will be provided. **BYOB**. Casual RSVP to **Gary Salpini, 703-425-2848** or **gsalpini@wj-inc.com**, so we can get an idea of the count. Or see one of us at Nostalgia's or the Coast Guard.

The **Burke Volunteer Fire Department** is located at **9501 Old Burke Lake Road (in "downtown" Burke), Burke, VA 22015**. The fire department is located one block off of Burke Lake Road across from the Burke Post Office.

**DIRECTIONS:** From the Beltway: take the Braddock Road exit west; go approx. 2 miles and turn left onto Burke Lake Road; go approx. 1.5 miles and turn left onto Burke Road; go one block and turn right. Or use Mapquest.

## **WANTED:**



Northern Virginia Shag Club seeks volunteer(s) to run for position of Treasurer for calendar year 2004.

Treasurer is one of four club officers and one of nine Board Members elected to represent over 350 social dance club members. Position involves financial responsibility for club funds in four bank accounts, receipt of over \$25,000 annually, and check disbursements as warranted. Fun involves monthly attendance at Board meetings, oral and written reports to the Board, quarterly oral reports to the general membership, and annual written reporting to the Internal Revenue Service. Minimum requirements include the ability to balance a checkbook; maintain accurate records of income and expenditures; document income and expenses for annual financial audit by fellow club members; and regularly attend weekly club dances and other club functions to receive and disburse funds. You don't have to know how to dance, but you do have to know how to organize and report. Unlimited technical assistance readily available from former Treasurer 1998-2003.

For more info, call Dennis at 703-451-6764 or see me at NVSC functions.



## New Members in August

Lewis Billingsley  
Judy Hales, Marion Hales,  
Jeanne Harris, Tom Harris,  
Beverly Horn, Ed Mixon

## DJ's for September 2003

Sept. 3 - Dennis and Nancy Gehley  
Sept. 10 - Craig Jennings  
Sept. 17 - Gerry Scott  
Sept. 24 - David Sessoms (guest)



Our thoughts and prayers are with Liz Kestler, whose son Alex Leonard passed away on July 29, 2003, and to Rick Hendrix who was Alex's step-father.

Thank you for your thoughtfulness, your prayers and the beautiful cards and letters. I am so touched by the outpouring of your support.  
Bless you, Liz

Thank you for your prayers, your friendship and support during this difficult time.

Rick

## *Happy Happy Birthday September Babies*

<i>Ernie Garcia</i>	2
<i>Patricia Caceres</i>	3
<i>Walter Herrity</i>	3
<i>Kathy Ludke</i>	5
<i>Debra Parrish</i>	5
<i>Ed Mixon</i>	7
<i>Sammi Scott</i>	8
<i>Beverly Farris</i>	9
<i>Lewis Billingsley</i>	9
<i>Tom Harris</i>	10
<i>Betty Abshire</i>	13
<i>Frances Meckel</i>	13
<i>Pete Campbell</i>	14
<i>Sandra Bocchieri</i>	15
<i>Maryann Lesnick</i>	16
<i>Bonnie Mahoney</i>	16
<i>Gerry Scott</i>	16
<i>Cindy Goree</i>	18
<i>Edna Davis</i>	19
<i>Barbara Jones</i>	19
<i>Eddy Bunch</i>	20
<i>Cecile Rocek</i>	20
<i>Michael Edmonston</i>	20
<i>Audrey Borja</i>	21
<i>Ralph Tedesco</i>	21
<i>Jeff Levy</i>	22
<i>Yvonne Newman</i>	24
<i>Diane deOnis</i>	25
<i>Jamie Callahan</i>	27
<i>Pat Parrott</i>	27
<i>Carolyn Payne</i>	29
<i>Mary Ann Davis</i>	30

Thanks to **Cris Gaines** for the wonderful  
Birthday Cakes.

**BULK MAIL IS NOT FORWARDED**

Have you moved?  
Have you given us your new address?  
Are you wondering where your Shag Rag is?

**BULK MAIL IS NOT FORWARDED**

We mail the Shag Rag—BULK MAIL

The Northern Virginia Shag Club has set up an email address:  
**SHAG@NVSHAG.ORG**  
If you have questions or comments you can now send them to our new email address.

**NOW order SOS products Online**

Buy your SOS products such as shirts, caps, jackets, mugs, etc online.  
Just go to <http://www.shagdance.com/online/products.htm>

**FREE - Ladies Shag Shoes, street size 7 1/2 Medium.**  
Colors: Gold, Silver, Bronze  
Tie, Toe, leather flats w/leather straps leather soles, FREE to good home.  
Call Janet Grimes at 703-536-7362.

**FREE - Ladies Shag Shoes- contact Liz Kestler at 703-205-3953**

**NORTHERN VIRGINIA SHAG CLUB  
2003 STANDING COMMITTEE**

**Chairperson**

- Dance: Heather Jennings
- Music: Vaughn Royal
- Social & Hospitality: Betty Abshire
- Charity & Fund Raising: Cathy Metcalf
- Communications: Larry Boyer
- Memberships: Valerie Swiger
- Public Relations: Alice Browne
- Website: Heather Jennings
- Capital Shag Classic: Jane James
- Audit: Crie Gaines
- Birthday Cakes: Crie Gaines

**From Larry Boyer, Communications Chairperson:**

- 1) The NVShag Club has a "Hotline", 703-960-4254. By dialing this number and selecting the Hotline mail box you can hear information about coming attractions - like the next Beginning and Intermediate lessons, the next major shag club sponsored event, or possibly, last minute cancellations. Any messages left in the hotline mail box will not be heard. If you want to leave a message for the club, there is a mail box for that purpose at the same number. Messages left in the shag club mail box will receive attention, but likely not a rapid response.
- 2) The Club also uses an auto-dialer phone tree system to keep you informed about special events. It automatically dials a list of numbers and delivers a recorded message to whoever answers, person or machine. Included in the calling list are all member phone numbers with 703, 202, 301, 240 or 871 area codes that can be dialed from the Alexandria area without needing a 1 prefix. If you are outside this calling area and still want to be informed about the phone tree messages, then you may want to make an arrangement with a friend in the calling area willing to pass along to you important messages.
- 3) During the message, you can make it repeat by pressing your "star" key. We use this system about 2 or three times per month for important announcements and reminders. Messages are delivered mostly during the day and never before 10 AM or after 9 PM.
- 4) If you would like to be removed from this list just leave a message in the shag club mail box asking your number to be removed from the phone tree list.

**Inventory and status of Video Tapes as of 01/01/03  
Bruce Piner and/or Denny Koski have possession of the Video Library**

Teachers	Tape Name	Tape No.
Charlie & Jackie	Mirror Patterns/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	15,36
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 Techniques for the Male Shagger, Vol 1	28
Sam West	Dance Techniques 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
Sam West	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. Borrowed videotapes should be returned within a week. If a videotape is not returned with 30 days, your deposit may be used to purchase a replacement without notice.

**NVSC LOGO ITEMS**

Have you noticed the NVSC logo items that club members are proudly displaying? These items are available to everyone. We have the following:



- NVSC T-Shirts \$12
- Classic Embroidered T-Shirts \$15
- Shoe Bags \$20
- CD Cases \$10

The CD Cases and Shoe bags are in stock but the shirts are by special order. If you are interested in purchasing any of the above items, please contact a board member.

**THE WEB**

**NVSC**

Information: [www.nvshag.org](http://www.nvshag.org)  
Shag Club Information: [www.shagdance.com](http://www.shagdance.com)



Join the  
**Northern Virginia Shag Club**

For

**TWO FREE POUR parties during  
SOS**

**Fall Migration 2003!!!**



**Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup>**

**Ducks Too**

**4-6 pm**

**DJ: Larry Jones**

**Saturday, September 20<sup>th</sup>**

**Fat Harold's  
Back Room**

**2-4pm**

**DJ: TBD**

*50¢ discount on drinks after freepour runs out*



**Club members receive their  
favorite beverages FREE!!**

**Don't forget to wear your  
NVSC**

**Or Classic T-Shirt!!!!**



