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# Shag Rag

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Dave Bushey

## President's Corner

Wow! What a Saturday! And It's here! Fall means leaves start turning, Caribbean waters start churning, and, people (& birds) start heading south!

For shaggers, it means SOS Fall Migration! In two short weeks, thousands of people (no lie! Thousands!) will descend upon North Myrtle Beach for 10 days of dancing, partying, golf and more dancing! SOS is the largest week-long (plus) adult party in America!

On Sunday and Monday, Sept 14 & 15, there are huge free concerts right there at Ocean Drive & Main Street. KB & The Shifters, The Fantastic Shakers and Too Much Sylvia lead off on Sunday afternoon, followed by The Embers, Little Isidore and Smokin' Hot on Monday.

**If that doesn't get you going, call the Doc!** The Caring for Kids raffle winners are announced then, also. Will YOU win the \$7,500 Grand Prize?

NVSC is partying at **Fat Harold's Back Room** on Tuesday, the 16th from 3 to 5PM. And all of the Virginia Shag Clubs are partying together at **Duck's on Friday** afternoon. It is THE place to be!

**If you haven't been to SOS yet, ask a Club veteran.** You need to be there. There are many, many hotel rooms and condos available. Take your whole gang, or join the rest of us!

**And, if you just can't make it this year, NVSC will have a Left Behind Party at The Elk's Lodge on September 17th.** Come get your free drink and dance!

by Dave Bushey

September is also the time to begin preparing for 2015. The Nominations & Election Committee has been formed and will be contacting you in the next several weeks to determine **whether you've got the Right Stuff** to lead NVSC next year. Remember that we are a volunteer club, and we need you to step up to the plate and volunteer your time and expertise. Nominations will be announced on October 8th, followed by Campaign speeches on October 22nd and our Election Day on November 12th.

*Fall Migration SOS is coming up!*

*September 12-21, 2014*

*<http://shagdance.com/migration.htm>*



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# When and Where to Shag



Every Wednesday, 6:30 – 10:30 p.m. at the Elks Lodge, 8421 Arlington Blvd., Fairfax, VA (on Route 50 near Prosperity Avenue). Cover charge: Non-members \$6.00, members \$5.00; free lessons at 7:30 p.m., no partners needed. Buffet dinner 6:45 – 8:00p.m., \$9.00, or order from the menu. For example, Appetizers (Buffalo Wings, Quesadilla, etc.), Salads (Caesar, Chef), Burgers & Sandwiches (Bacon & Blue, Pulled Pork BBQ).

*See more places to dance with other ACSC Virginia Shag Clubs, listed on page 9.*



September 7th and 21st at JW & Friends, 6531 Backlick Road, Springfield, VA, 5:00 – 8:00 p.m.; no cover charge.

Thursdays at **Shannon's Bar & Grille**, Fredericksburg; Battlefield Boogie Club (battlefieldboogieclub.com)

*At SOS from September 12 to September 21!*

## Dance Lessons at the Elks on Wednesdays

DJ Schedule  
 9/3: Bill Frostick  
 9/10: Craig Jennings  
 9/17: Loren Kropat  
 9/24: Guest DJ—Greg Birmingham

Beginner Level Shag Steps	Intermediate Level Shag Steps
9/3 - Basic and Female Turn	9/3 – Crossover Basic (from male and Female Turns)
9/10 – Basic and Start	9/10 – Behind Sailor and Side Pass
9/17 – Basic and Male Turn	9/17 – Applejack
9/24 – Basic, Half Turn, Triple Basic	9/24 – Stutter Basic & Kick Basic

Beginner lessons are FREE to non-members, but membership is required for the Intermediate class. Membership is \$25/year. Lessons begin at 7:30 p.m. Social dancing from before and after lessons to 10:30 p.m. Please remember to ask Red Dot beginner dancers to dance. It takes lots of practice to become a better dancer!

## News and Announcements

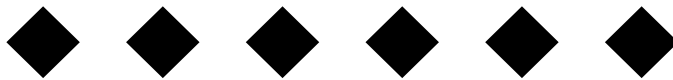
Where do I Get a Copy of the Shag Rag? Go to the NVSC website, [www.nvshag.org](http://www.nvshag.org), click on Newsletters tab, click on the **desired month. It's in PDF** format. Also, copies will be available at the Fairfax Elks on Wednesdays.

Hello Shagger Emails Are you getting the Hello Shagger e-mails? If not, visit our website at [www.nvshag.org](http://www.nvshag.org). On the left side, click on the blue box that says "Hello Shagger e-mail list" and give us your e-mail address!

Hello Shagger Input Anyone with information to be included in the Hello Shagger email (including DJ schedules and menus) should send the information to [helloshagger@nvshag.org](mailto:helloshagger@nvshag.org).

**Keep Your Membership Information Current** Have you moved, changed phone numbers or email? Contact Bonnie Arms at [bjrwa@verizon.net](mailto:bjrwa@verizon.net) or Dave Bushey at [dbushey99@gmail.com](mailto:dbushey99@gmail.com).

**Shag Rag** The deadline for *Shag Rag* input is the 25<sup>th</sup> of every month. Please send content (including opinions, humor and recipes!) to Jim Scanlon at [jamesscanlon@me.com](mailto:jamesscanlon@me.com).



## Shag Dancing Now On TV

The following is a communication from Johnny Hensley to Dave Bushey about the status of shag dancing on TV:

Good Morning Dave, ...and THANK YOU SO MUCH.

My background in music goes back over 50 years when I used to produce concerts for colleges with artist such as Ike & Tina Turner, Jackie Wilson, Sly & Family Stone, Allman Brothers, John Lee Hooker, Jim Croce, and was the first agent for Billy, Barbara & the Georgia Prophets.

Rodney Williams, CSRA Club President and I have been best friends for over 50 years. A little over 4 years ago I had the idea to starting an American Bandstand-type show for SHAGGING. So, we started the show JOHNNY HENSLEY'S SHAG CITY.

We're on 3 cable systems around the Augusta area twice a week, and we've just started branching out and taping show in other areas like Columbia and St. Simons Island. We've just started working with the JUNIORS and did 4 shows with kids we TAUGHT for 4 straight weeks, then taped 4 JUNIOR Shows in one day.

As I hope you'll agree when you watch (especially the Ziggy Shows), we try to keep the show very high quality and it's our goal to take Shag National.

We have high hopes of having a film crew at SOS, but that's a major undertaking as I'm sure you know. We've gotten

OK from H. Lee at OD, but I'm awaiting guidance from Ken Whisenant and Rodney.

We KNOW that the future of EVERYTHING is going toward the internet, so we're starting a major push to pump up our internet viewership and that's way we need ALL the help and advice we can get from folks like you.

If you need any additional information, please write, or you can reach me at (706) 306-1525 or our Executive Producer, Lynda Williamson at (706) 836-9192.

GOD BLESS !!

Johnny Hensley

[Johnnyhensleyshagcity.com](http://Johnnyhensleyshagcity.com)

### NEW MEMBERS

*When you have the opportunity, please welcome our new members ...*

**William and Stella Hanson**

*... who joined NVSC this past month.*



# A Brief Conversation With Dance Pros Ashley and Tobitha Stewart

## September

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During our Capital Classic I had the opportunity to talk to Ashley and Tobitha about their involvement with junior shag dances over the past six years. They mentioned something that I had never heard of before and it piqued my interest. Now there is shag dancing competition among young adults (no longer juniors) in their late teens and early twenties who represent the colleges and universities they are attending. That is quite a breakthrough, and it can only result in increased participation in Carolina shag dancing because, as we all know, sports or any recreation undertaking by college students brings enthusiasm from the rest of the student body.

The Board of the National Shag Dance Championships got the idea a few years ago to try and get more young college aged folks interested in the SC State Dance while raising money for a good cause. The idea was to select one couple from as many local colleges as possible and pair them up with a Pro Shag Instructor who would teach them a few free shag lessons so that they could represent their school and compete in a fun shag dance contest to be

held during the National Shag Dance Championships Preliminaries in January.

**The results is the "Annual Collegiate Charity Contest"** - a charity fundraiser for the Beth Mitchell Memorial Scholarship.

With this knowledge, I asked my granddaughter, who is attending Campbell University

in North Carolina, if her school had participants. She did not know but will start asking other students about it. So, NVSC members, ask those you know who are in colleges in the shag club areas if their university is competing. Talk it up.

### Annual Collegiate Charity Contest

2014 Finalists:

1. University of SC - Ashlyn Bassett and Patrick Rogers
2. Clemson University - Savannah McHale and Preston Bankson
3. Western Carolina University - Savannah Everhardt and Luke Dutch

2013 Finalists

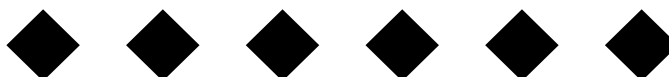
1. East Carolina University - Danielle Bouchery & Aaron Brooks
2. Clemson University - Natalie Matthews & Jeff Johnson
3. Elon University - Kaitlinn Brewer & Zach Wellman

2012 Finalists

1. NC State University - Caleigh Brenton & Noah Hayden
2. College of Charleston - Lauren Balltrip & Tim Brown
3. East Carolina University - Danielle Bouchery & Aaron Brooks

2011 Finalists

1. College of Charleston - Jackie Moore & Jon-Michael Perry
2. NC State University - Caleigh Brenton & Gabe Geist
3. East Carolina University - Nicole Pittman & Aaron Dean





# Fun Sunday



September 14, 2014

1 PM TO 5 PM

1st Avenue, Beside the OD Arcade



KB and  
The Shifters



TOO MUCH SYLVIA



*Come be a part  
of the Best Party  
Weekend of the Year*

**SPONSOR FOR FUN SUNDAY & FUN MONDAY**  
**The Shoe Center**

**NO COOLERS PERMITTED**



# Fun Monday



## September 15, 2014

### 12 PM TO 5:30 PM Main Street OD



## SOS FUN MONDAY DRAWING

- |                  |         |                  |       |
|------------------|---------|------------------|-------|
| 1st Ticket Drawn | \$7,500 | 4th Ticket Drawn | \$500 |
| 2nd Ticket Drawn | \$2,000 | 5th Ticket Drawn | \$250 |
| 3rd Ticket Drawn | \$1,000 |                  |       |

**NO COOLERS PERMITTED**

**The Northern Virginia Shag Club  
Presents Its 16th Annual Charity Shag-a-Thon  
Featuring  
Shag / Beach Music By Rodney Stills  
A Good Time for a Good Cause!**

**All Proceeds and Donations Collected Support Capital Caring,  
Northern Virginia's Premier Palliative Care and Hospice Organization**

**Charity Dance Saturday Evening  
October 25<sup>th</sup>, 2014 7:00 PM – 11:00 PM  
In The Community Room  
Herndon Community Center  
814 Ferndale Ave., Herndon, VA 20172  
703-787-7300  
Cost: Minimum \$20.00  
For Information Contact:  
Chairperson: Jason Potter (703) 220-6697  
jasonpotter2@msn.com  
Co-Chair: Fran Mong (703) 283-6973  
franmong@aol.com**

**NVSC adopted Capital Caring of Northern Virginia as its official Club charity in 1997. Capital Caring provides expert care, comfort and support for individuals and families facing terminal illnesses. It is a charitable organization that turns no one away for inability to pay for care. After a couple years of modest fundraising, NVSC hit upon the idea of holding one major annual fundraiser for Capital Caring -- the Shag-a-Thon!**

**Please sign up at the Elks to bring a side dish or dessert.  
This is a BYOB event, so the Club will provide water and drink setups.  
Contact Jeanne Potter ([jeanne.potter@outlook.com](mailto:jeanne.potter@outlook.com)) 703-425-8916**

## This year's theme is **Full Involvement**

All club members are requested to raise a minimum of 5 pledges of 10+ dollars per pledge. **THIS IS THE CLUB'S CHARITY. EVERYONE, YES EVERYONE, IS REQUESTED TO PARTICIPATE.** Participants are asked to raise money through flat pledges (\$10.00 minimum), or per dance pledges. Your goal challenge is \$200.00. To register and receive a pledge packet, see Jason Potter or Fran Mong. All NVSC Club members will receive an email packet.

### Shag / Beach Music By Rodney Stills



I was born in Walterboro, SC but raised mostly in Hampton, SC. During my high school years the Original Swinging Medallions were a very popular group. Some of the band members were from Hampton, which first directed my interest in the group. They quickly became one of my favorite groups and their music still is today.

I remember when we first visited the beach clubs somewhere around 1986, and it was an awesome experience. We have been going back since that time and still loving the music and the dance.

The friendships we have made along the way are the treasures we keep. I have been a member of the DJ Association since 1994. I enjoy playing all types of music, but shag music is my favorite. You will find me playing at the O.D. Arcade and O.D. Beach Club during SOS. I enjoy playing for the various shag clubs within the ACSC as well as many private functions. I have also played for junior shag day in Columbia, SC. I always look forward to seeing old friends and making new ones. I am a charter member of CSRA Shag Club and a member of Palmetto Shag Club. I reside in Aiken, SC, with my wife Helen.

For several years it has been difficult to coordinate a time that I was available to come to your area and spend time with you guys. I appreciate the opportunity to be with the NVSC and hope you enjoy the music I provide. I'll see you on the dance floor.

#### **Directions to Herndon Community Club - 814 Ferndale Ave, Herndon, VA 20172      703-787-7300**

From Leesburg: Route 7 East; turn right on Dranesville Rd.; turn right on Herndon Parkway; turn left on Ferndale Ave. Go through one stop sign (W&OD trail), and make the second left into parking lot.

From Reston Town Center: Baron Cameron Rd. (toward Herndon). Baron Cameron becomes Elden St. Go through Town of Herndon;. Turn right on Ferndale Ave. Herndon Community Center is in the second block on the right, across from Herndon Centennial Golf Course.

From Tysons Corner: Route 7 West. Turn left on Baron Cameron Rd. (toward Herndon). Baron Cameron becomes Elden St. Go through Town of Herndon. Turn right on Ferndale Ave. Herndon Community Center is in the second block on the right, across from Herndon Centennial Golf Course.

From Dulles Toll Rd: Exit 10 Herndon/Chantilly. Turn right at bottom of exit onto Elden St., pass Giant Food (on left); pass McDonald's (on right). After the light at Rt. 606, Sterling Rd., make next left on Ferndale Ave. Herndon Community Center is in the second block on the right, across from Herndon Centennial Golf Course.



## When and Where to Dance in the Future (Take a few minutes to enter these on your calendar)

2014:

When	What	Where
September 12-21	SOS Fall Migration	North Myrtle Beach
September 16	NVSC's SOS Party at Fat Harold's,	Fat Harold's 3-5 p.m.
October 25	NVSC's Shag-A-Thon	Herndon Community Center
October 24-26	DC Hand Dance Assn.'s Amish Country Fall Event	TBD
December 13	NVSC's Christmas Party	Kingstowne Snyder Community Center , Alexandria, VA

2015:

Association of Carolina Shag Clubs (ACSC) Summer Workshop July 10-12, 2015 at the Hyatt Dulles Hotel. This is a huge 3-day shag event. The presidents of all the Association's shag clubs will be attending as well as other members from their clubs. It is one humongous party that will include dancing, many dance workshops, vendors galore, huge 50/50's, dancing, Friday and Saturday Free Pours (& maybe Thursday!!), dancing exhibitions. And did we say dancing??

*NVSC will provide a "Free Pour" for its members attending SOS on Tuesday, Sept 16th, from 3-5pm*

### Other ACSC Virginia Shag Clubs

*Visit the club websites for venues and schedules.*

Battlefield Boogie Club, [www.battlefieldboogieclub.com](http://www.battlefieldboogieclub.com)

Boogie On The Bay Shag Club, [www.boogieonthebay.com](http://www.boogieonthebay.com)

Colonial Shag Club (Newport News), [www.colonialshagclub.com](http://www.colonialshagclub.com)

Danville Shag Club, [www.danvilleshagclub.com](http://www.danvilleshagclub.com)

Franklin Shag Club, [gramelia@yahoo.com](mailto:gramelia@yahoo.com)

Lynchburg Shag Club, [www.lynchburgshags.com](http://www.lynchburgshags.com)

Richmond Shag Club, [www.richmondshagclub.org](http://www.richmondshagclub.org)

Roanoke Valley Shag Club, [www.rvsc.memberlodge.com](http://www.rvsc.memberlodge.com)

Virginia Beach Shag Club, [www.vbshagclub.com](http://www.vbshagclub.com)

## Recipe

(from Val)

### Red Lentil Soup

1 Large Onion	1 1/2 cups Red Lentils, rinsed
5 Carrots	1 qt. Chicken Stock
2 stalks Celery	Salt
1 Apple	Pepper
Chop & saute in about 2 T. butter	Cayenne

Simmer until the lentils are completely dissolved . . . about an hour. Add a bullion cube and more water if you have to. I've served it both smooth by putting it in the blender or right out of the pot.



## Editorial Humor

These sentences actually appeared in church bulletins or were announced at church services:

- The Fasting & Prayer Conference includes meals.
- Scouts are saving aluminum cans, bottles and other items to be recycled. Proceeds will be used to cripple children.
- Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.
- Don't let worry kill you off, let the church help.
- Miss Charlene Mason sang 'I will not pass this way again,' giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.
- For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.
- Next Thursday there will be try-outs for the choir. They need all the help they can get.
- Irving Benson and Jessie Carter were married on October 24 in the church. So ends a friendship that began in their school days.
- A bean supper will be held on Tuesday evening in the church hall. Music will follow.
- At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be 'What Is Hell?' Come early and listen to our choir practice.
- Eight new choir robes are currently needed due to the addition of several new members and to the deterioration of some older ones.
- Please place your donation in the envelope along with the deceased person you want remembered.
- The church will host an evening of fine dining, super entertainment and gracious hostility.
- Pot-luck supper Sunday at 5:00 PM — prayer and medication to follow.
- The ladies of the Church have cast off clothing of every kind. They may be seen in the basement on Friday afternoon.
- This evening at 7 PM there will be a hymn singing in the park across from the Church. Bring a blanket and come prepared to sin. The pastor would appreciate it if the ladies of the Congregation would lend him their electric girdles for the pancake breakfast next Sunday
- Low Self Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 7 PM. Please use the back door.
- The eighth-graders will be presenting Shakespeare's Hamlet in the Church basement Friday at 7 PM. The congregation is invited to attend this tragedy.
- Weight Watchers will meet at 7 PM at the First Presbyterian Church. Please use large double door at the side entrance.
- And this one just about sums them all up. The Associate Minister unveiled the churches new campaign slogan last Sunday: "I Upped My Pledge – Up Yours."

## A Bit of Nostalgia (Author Unknown)

**I've never been much of a formal hooper; I'm more of a stoic observer, drawn into the fray when all other options (and excuses) have been exhausted.**

I grew up in the southern Appalachian Mountains, in western North Carolina, where we were taught to clog and buck dance, accompanied by the chunk of a guitar or fiddle or banjo, the tempo sometimes set by a washboard.

The first people I ever watched shag were all the rich kids at our high school dances, who played tennis and golf, wore white pants, and had yuppie sweaters tied in perfect loops around their necks. And those sweaters never moved as the boys swanned around their girls and glided them in and out like curvaceous yo-yos, the **girls' pleated skirts popping open like umbrellas**, then settling, and somehow they always knew the right time for the curves to intersect in a sweet palm touch, heads tucked in opposite directions.

Away they swayed, back to the endless loop, with the **girls' skirts opening and closing as they spun like propellers.**

**These were people who didn't have many dings in them, yet all the bells seemed to go off when they hit the dance floor.**

The Shag is like a tango without the gravitas, and if performed correctly, can seem like a waltz on steroids, with soulful horn punches from the brass section

swooning into the groove.

**"Carolina girls, the best in the world," sang General Johnson and the Chairmen of the Board, swinging in sympathy with the horns, "sweet Southern pearls." I can't even hear three bars of that song without smelling salt water and cocoa butter tanning lotion, without seeing the tide tag around the legs of a pier.**

**"Be young, be foolish, be happy," asserted The Tams. And The Embers' anthem, "I love beach music; I always have, and I always will," pointed out a lifestyle and an unparalleled optimism that could only come from long walks on a warm, secluded beach with your new love a secret, and the ocean spreading away from the evening's crackling fire, a keg of beer sideways in the sand.**

The Carolina Shag is certainly the offspring of the beach music tradition, merged with a healthy dose of Motown, and even as a mongrel form,

**it's still more intimate than the singular dances of the '60s surf variety.**

The Watusi, the Mashed Potato, the Twist, the Monkey, the Jerk, the Hully Gully, they were conducted apart from your mate, in the wildest manner possible.

Shag partners are in constant thrall to one another, in a pocket of shared rhythmic lunge and parry, reacting to the beat in one move, and anticipating it in the next.

**Good ol' Wikipedia says that the basic step in the Carolina Shag is "a six-count step danced in a slot." The rhythm is similar to a six-count swing in that it's triple step, triple step, rock step.**

**The term "Carolina Shag" is thought to have originated along the strands between Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, and Wilmington during the 1940s, an area variously known as Ocean Drive or Cherry Point, depending on**

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*Send your opinions,  
favorite recipes and  
humor to the Shag  
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## A Bit of Nostalgia, *cont'd from p. 9*

your location and neighborhood.

According to Bo Bryan, a Carolina Shag historian in Beaufort County, the term was coined at Carolina Beach. The Carolina Shag is believed to be a descendant of the Carolina Jitterbug. But in truth, the Carolina Shag often bears only the faintest resemblance to other dances that share the so-called shag designation.

The first shaggers started their motors in the 1920s and perfected the more aggressive style during the Swing Era of **the 1930s and '40s. But after** that, its transmogrification into a beach dance was completed on the shores of the Carolinas.

**As an adult, I've learned a** few dance steps. I can tiptoe a mean rumba box and can perform a serviceable waltz. **And I've learned to appreciate** the Carolina Shag, able to meander through it with a willing and patient partner.

**It's a lovely thing to behold** on a dance floor full of competent and generous couples, who share the same space with precision and grace.

I was reminded of this last spring, after speaking in Augusta, Georgia, at the Augusta Literary Festival, when I headed downtown.

I followed my nose to one of the oldest institutions in that part of the world, the Partridge Inn, with its classic stacked verandas and columns, surrounded by magnolias. Sitting there with my bourbon, I watched a beautiful marriage party crank up The Tams and begin to shag, brothers and sisters who had practiced for hours together at home, tentative members from different families thrown together for the occasion, preschoolers surrounded by parents with cell phone cameras, or older **parents who'd lived through the '50s and still** remembered.

I was reminded of the great dance scene at the beginning **of the movie Heaven's Gate**, when the Harvard class of 1870 had tumbled from their graduation hall and were waltzing on the green, dozens of couples in petticoats and lace, top hats and tails, turning and turning in their close-knit gyres.

Here, in a pink ballroom, the couples laughed and swirled in tuxes tucked against chiffon bustiers, white and black blossoms spinning on a quiet forest pond, practicing the old Southern wisdom of shared restraint in this 21st century, where all the rules have been thrown out the window, and yet, somehow, on this crowded dance floor, nothing whatsoever had changed.

Start your planning now to attend the SOS Fall Migration at North Myrtle Beach. And buy the Fun Monday raffle tickets!

Individual Prizes are as follows:

- Winning Ticket \$7500
- 2nd Prize Ticket \$2000
- 3rd Prize Ticket \$1000
- 4th Prize Ticket \$500
- 5th Prize Ticket \$250

Plus:

- Person selling winning Ticket \$100
- Club selling winning Ticket \$100
- Person Selling Most Tickets \$100
- Club Selling Most Tickets \$200



## Duties of the Directors of NVSC

By Vaughn Royal

The Northern Virginia Shag Club is a corporation, and is governed by a Board of Directors. The Board consists of nine Directors: the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer and five Directors at large. The Board of Directors is elected annually and each Director serves a term of one year, from January 1 through December 31. Directors must have been members of the Club in good standing for at least one year before taking office, and during their terms of office must remain members in good standing. The President and Vice President must have served at least one year on the Board before running for President and Vice President. The prior year of service could have occurred at any time. Directors may serve multiple terms, which may be successive. The general duties of each Director include the following:

- ◆ To attend all regular and special meetings of the Board. Regular Board meetings are held monthly. A Director who misses four or more regular meetings without a good reason can be removed.
- ◆ To serve as the Chairperson of a Standing Committee or as the Board's liaison to a Standing Committee. The Standing Committees are the Nominations and Elections Committee, Audit Committee, Dance Committee, Music Committee, Social and Hospitality Committee, Charity and Fund Raising Committee, Membership Committee and Public Relations Committee. Liaisons are appointed where the Chairperson of a Standing Committee is not a member of the Board. Liaisons communicate Board policies and decisions to the Standing Committees and report to the Board on the work of the Standing Committees.
- ◆ To support Club projects and attend a reasonable number of Club functions, to personally help conduct Club projects and functions, and to recruit volunteers to help conduct projects and functions.
- ◆ To provide viewpoints during the policy discussions of the Board.
- ◆ To preserve and give to their successors all records and documents received in the course of the Club's business. The officers of the Club have special duties, which include the following:
  - ◆ President. The President is the principal executive officer of the Club and presides at all meetings of the Board and meetings of the members at which he or she is present. The President must attend all five (5) required annual meetings of Association of Carolina Shag Clubs (ACSC) or ensure that the Club is represented at required ACSC meetings. The President names the Chairpersons of Standing Committees and the Newsletter Editor and Capital Shag Classic Coordinator. The President also exercises general supervision over the affairs of the Club.
  - ◆ Vice President. The Vice President assists the President and performs the duties of the President in the event of the President's unavailability.
  - ◆ Secretary. The Secretary keeps the minutes for the meetings of the Board and members, sees to it that all required notices are duly given, and keeps a current roster of the membership of the Club.
  - ◆ Treasurer. The Treasurer is responsible for all funds of the Club, makes a report on the financial status of the Club at every regular meeting of the Board, makes available to the Board, all books and financial records of the Club for audits and verifications, and files all documents and returns required by federal and state tax codes.

All of the information in this article comes from the NVSC Bylaws, which are available on the Club's website, <http://www.nvshag.org/bylaws.htm>. A copy of the Bylaws can also be requested from a Board member. (Reprinted from Sept 2007 Issue Note)

If you would like to run for the board or would like to nominate someone for the board, please contact a member of the Nominating and Elections Committee. Their job is to obtain a list of candidates for the 2015 Board.

2015  
Election  
Schedule:

Nominations  
10/8/14

Speeches  
10/22/14

Elections  
11/12/14

## Election of NVSC Board Members for 2015

If you know of someone who would like to serve on the NVSC Board for next year, please contact one of the committee members.

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## Think About It

A group of students were asked to list what they thought were the present Seven Wonder of the World." Though there were some disagreements, the following received the most votes:

1. Egypt's Great Pyramids
2. Taj Mahal
3. Grand Canyon
4. Panama Canal
5. Empire State Building
6. St. Peter's Basilica
7. China's Great Wall

While gathering the votes the teacher noted that one student had not finished her paper yet. So she asked the girl if she was having trouble with her list. The girl replied, "Yes, a little. I couldn't quite make up my mind because there were so many."

The teacher said: "Well, tell us what you have, and maybe we can help."

The girl hesitated, then read: "I think the 'Seven Wonders of the World' are:

1. To see
2. To hear
3. To touch
4. To taste
5. To feel
6. To laugh, and
7. To love



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