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# Shag Rag

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## President's Corner

by Sue Young



Sue Young

*It's hard to believe December is upon us. As I look back on the year, I am amazed at what we accomplished. I hope you guys enjoyed the year as much as I did.*

*Be sure to attend our holiday party Saturday December 5th, at Kingstowne Snyder Community Center from 7:30 - 11:30pm. This event is free for members and \$10 for guests. We are going to dance the night away with one of our favorite DJs, Butch Adeimy. We need volunteers so please sign up to work the sign-in table, handle the 50/50, or set up and clean up. This is a pot luck dinner so sign up at the Elks to bring an appetizer, side dish or dessert enough to feed 10-20 people. Or if you can't sign up at the club please just bring a dish. Also, please bring a new, unwrapped toy for our Marine Corps "Toys for Tots" drive. Thanks to Marcia Conway for making the arrangements for the*

*Marines to come to our holiday party. See attached flier in this Shag Rag or our website for more information.*

*Our Shag-a-thon was a lot of fun. Thank you to everyone who attended and supported this event. Special thanks to our Chairman Juanita Freeburger and Pamela Alfano. We are still accepting donations so please contact Juanita at jefreeburger@gmail.com if you would like to make a donation to Capital Caring. All money should be turned in by Wednesday, December 9, 2015.*

*We look forward to having Jackie and Charlie back again for our 19th Annual Workshop and Dance in February. We will have a new schedule next year and have two workshops starting at 4:15 and 5:30 and then have the dance. If you would like to sign up to take private lessons*

*with Jackie and Charlie, please contact David Rodgers at 703 239-8978 or email at rogersd3@cox.net to make arrangements. He will be at the holiday party signing people up and at the Elks so contact David if you would like to take a private lesson. See the flyer in this issue or our website for more information.*

*I want to take this opportunity to thank the 2015 Board of Directors, Committee chairs, and All of you for your support, your hard work and your friendship. An officer can be no better than the people he/she serves.*

*I wish everyone a happy and safe Holiday Season.*

**Remember No Dancing on December 23 and December 30th**

Through the National FastDance Association, our club dance activities are licensed by:



# When and Where to Shag



Every Wednesday, 6:30–10:30 pm at the **Elks Lodge**, 8421 Arlington Blvd., Fairfax, VA (on Route 50 near Prosperity Avenue). Cover charge: Non-members \$8.00, members \$7.00; free lessons at 7:30 pm, no partners needed. Buffet dinner 6:45–8:00 pm, \$9.00, or order from the menu. For example, Appetizers (Buffalo Wings, Quesadilla, etc.), Salads (Caesar, Chef), Burgers & Sandwiches (Bacon & Blue, Pulled Pork BBQ).



**December 6th and 20th** at **JW & Friends**, 6531 Backlick Road, Springfield, VA, 5:00–8:00 pm; no cover charge.

**December 5:** NVSC’s Holiday Party, Kingstowne’s Snyder Community Center in Alexandria (see flier page 9).

**December 30 – January 1:** Outer Banks New Year’s Eve Party (see flyer page 10).

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

*See more places to dance with other ACSC Virginia Shag Clubs, listed on page 3*

*See more upcoming Shag Events on pages 9 –12*

## Dance Lessons at the Elks on Wednesdays

### Beginner Level Shag Steps

- 12/2—Basic and Female Turn
- 12/9—Basic and Start
- 12/16—Basic and Male Turn

### Intermediate Level Shag Steps

- 12/2—Hug Pivot & Pivot
- 12/9—Pivot with Tuck Turn
- 12/16—Pivot & Belly Roll

**NO DANCING DECEMBER 23 and 30**

**Beginner lessons are FREE to non-members, but membership is required for the Intermediate class. Membership is \$25/year.**

**Lessons begin at 7:30 pm. Social dancing from before and after lessons to 10:30 pm. Please remember to ask Red Dot beginner dancers to dance. It takes lots of practice to become a better dancer!**

- DJ Schedule**
- 12/2: Craig Jennings
  - 12/9: Bill Frostick
  - 12/16: Dennis Gehley

## News and Announcements

**Where do I Get a Copy of the Shag Rag?** Go to [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), please send to [helloshagger@nvshag.org](mailto:helloshagger@nvshag.org).

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

**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 [jamescanlon@me.com](mailto:jamesscanlon@me.com).

### NEW MEMBERS

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

**Virginia Addison  
Linda Cunningham  
Kenneth Gibbs  
Ann Granger  
Ronald Hibbard  
Susan LaFever  
David Siegler  
Lisa Silverman**

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

### When and Where to Dance and Special Events

- December 5: NVSC's Holiday Party, Kingstowne's Snyder Community Center in Alexandria (flier page 9)
- December 30 – January 1: Outer Banks New Year's Eve Party (flyer page 10)

### Where to Dance in the Future

- February 13th, 2016: NVSC's Charlie & Jackie Workshop (flier on page 11)
- March 25 – 27, 2016: Virginia Shaggers Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony, Fredericksburg, VA, (flier, page 12)



### December

Linda Maslar	12/01
Nancy Snead	12/01
John Rippingale	12/03
Barry Kumar	12/06
Ray Jones	12/07
Faye Morford	12/07
Jeanne Potter	12/07
Victor Clemann	12/08
Jane James	12/09
Cathy Metcalf	12/12
Steve Cooper	12/14
Judy Anderson	12/15
Lynda Gumnick	12/18
Cookie Bell	12/19
Dave Rapson	12/19
Michael Browne	12/21
Gaye Proctor	12/23
Michael Deese	12/24
Sandy Farwell	12/30
Sandra Traylor	12/31

### 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)
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- 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)



## Private Lessons with Charlie Womble and Jackie McGee

Charlie Womble and Jackie McGee (9 times & 10 times National Shag Champions) will be teaching private Carolina Shag lessons on Feb. 12 & 14, 2016 at David & Jerry Rodgers' house in Fairfax Station.

SIGN UP NOW for private dance lessons with Charlie & Jackie by e-mail at [rodgersd3@cox.net](mailto:rodgersd3@cox.net) or call David at (703) 239-8978 to put your name on the list. Lessons will be scheduled in the order in which the requests for private lessons are received. Costs of the private lessons are \$85.00/hour lesson with Charlie and Jackie, and \$60.00/ hour lesson with Charlie or Jackie.

### "LADIES ONLY"

## Footwork Lessons with Jackie McGee

Jackie McGee has agreed to teach two SMALL GROUP lessons for women only on footwork for ladies when she and Charlie are visiting with NVSC in February 2016 IF ENOUGH LADIES SIGN UP FOR THE LESSONS. These lessons will be taught at David & Jerry Rodgers' home in Fairfax Station, VA from 2:00-3:00 PM and from 3:00-4:00 PM on Sunday February 14, 2016.

The first ladies only lesson (2:00-3:00 PM) will be taught for intermediate/advanced level dancers. The second ladies only lesson (3:00-4:00 PM) will be taught for beginner/novice level dancers. Due to the size of the dance floor available for these lessons, only a limited number (7) will be allowed to attend each ladies only lesson. Sign-up will be taken on a "first come, first served" basis. Cost of these "Ladies Only" lessons will be \$15.00/person. Contact David Rodgers by e-mail at [rodgersd3@cox.net](mailto:rodgersd3@cox.net) or call David Rodgers at (703) 239-8978 to put your name on the list.



## Election Results

### The 2016 NVSC Board of Directors

#### Back Row:

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Jason Potter

*Committee chairs for 2016 will be announced in the January 2016 Shag Rag*



## Dance Competition Results

Congratulations to **Lorraine Rohlik** for distinguishing herself in three different divisions at DC Swing Experience this past weekend at the Dulles Hyatt in Herndon. Lorraine placed 1st in Masters Strictly Swing with partner Kevin Fitzhugh, 2nd in Masters Swing Choreography with partner Bill Hopkins, and 6th in Masters Jack and Jill with partner Randolph Peters. At this event, "Masters" are age 50 and over.

The **Junior Shag Team** won the Team Division. **Ashley and Tobitha Stewart** were 3rd in the Open Swing Choreography Division.

Many shag juniors competed in different divisions at the event and did well.



## Michael Browne's Amazing Shag Video Archive

*By Vaughn Royal*

Mike Browne and his wife, Ruth, have been members of NVSC for many years, yet many of our members don't know them. The reason is they live between Baltimore and Myrtle Beach and rarely dance on Wednesdays. However, Mike is responsible for a vitally important shag video preservation effort, which is available for all to see and enjoy. (You may have seen some of Mike's work on a video monitor outside the free pour room at the 2015 Classic.) Mike is an excellent video editor and he has single-handedly taken on the task of editing, restoring and making available on YouTube hundreds of competition, exhibition, social dance, interview, Hall of Fame induction and other shag videos from the 1980's and 1990's, which were originally captured on slowly deteriorating VHS and other non-digital media.

Would you like to see a Charlie and Jackie competition dance from 1983? How about Charlie's induction into the Beach Shagger's Hall of Fame in 1990? Jackie's induction in 1991? Ellen Taylor's induction dance in 1986? Scenes of dancing and interviews from a 1987 SOS? Watch a complete shag contest pro division from 1989? You can see dancing by (Fat) Harold Bessent, JoJo Putnam, Dewey Kennedy, Chicken Hicks, Judy Duke, Billy Jeffers, Shad Alberty, Big George Lineberry, Norfleet Jones, Clarice Reavis, Harry Driver and many others whose names and dance styles should be known in order to understand more about the history of Carolina shag.

This is an enormously important archiving effort by Mike Browne, and an invaluable historical resource available to everyone. Thank you, Mike! <https://www.youtube.com/user/carolinashagger>



## NVSC Members Joey and Bernie Fanini are Living Legends

By Vaughn Royal

Each year, the National Living Legends of Dance honors several select individuals for their unique and special contributions to all styles of dance in the U.S. The induction ceremony takes place as part of a weekend dance party in Virginia Beach. Many shaggers have been honored, including a few members of NVSC. Shaggers and dancers from all over the country attend the induction dance party weekend.

At this year's induction ceremony, held the first weekend of November, NVSC members **Joey and Bernie Fanini** were inducted into the prestigious organization. Joey and Bernie are longtime members of NVSC, dating from our dancing days at Nick's in Alexandria at the turn of the millennium. Some of our local members may not know Joey and Bernie, because they live in the Philadelphia area. Longtime NVSC members are well acquainted with their passion for the dance, proven time after time when Joey and Bernie would drive from Philadelphia to take part in our weekend dances, professional instructor workshops and special events. They promote and teach shag in the Philadelphia area, and are regulars at SOS.



Joey and Bernie are wonderful dancers, who display skill in West Coast Swing, as well as shag. They are former competitors in the Competitive Shaggers Association, and won the Smoothies Contest at 2005 Spring SOS ("the only non-southern dancers to win this South Carolina dance competition," Joey wrote). You can see their winning Smoothies dance on YouTube. Just search for "Joey and Bernie Fanini". The Faninis also competed as members of the New York City Shag Team.

Joey and Bernie don't have much use for chairs at a shag dance. There's a good chance that they will be the first ones on the floor when the music starts and the last ones off the floor when the DJ is ready to go home.

In addition to Joey and Bernie, several former members and friends of NVSC were inducted into Living Legends this year:

**Ron Maierhofer**, now of North Myrtle Beach, SC. Talented and versatile dancer of many styles. Member of NVSC and fixture on the dance floor for many years while living in Northern Virginia.

**Larry Black** of Virginia Beach, VA. Frequent NVSC guest DJ, excellent dance photographer and shag instructor. Host of Saturday shag music radio show on WFOS, Chesapeake. Part of one of the best-known families in shag.

**Larry Delaney**, now of Boca Raton, FL. Former New Jersey resident who used to drive to NVSC for our special weekend events. Accomplished in West Coast Swing, as well as shag, and a former competitor in the Competitive Shaggers Association and member of competitive dance teams, including the New York City Shag Team.

**Ashley and Tobitha Stewart** of China Grove, NC. Guest instructors at the 2014 and 2015 Capital Shag Classics. Professional level shag competitors. Managers of the Junior Shag Dance Team.

**NVSC Members  
Inducted as Living  
Legends!!**

## An Interview With Dave & Bee Buergler



Q: Dave and Bee, how did you learn about NVSC and decide to join it?

A: Bee: My friend, Melissa Barlow, who is now Melissa McGill and no longer resides in this area, was a member and told me about NVSC and shag dance lessons at the Elks Club. She described the people who are members and how they are so friendly and welcoming of newcomers, making them feel as if they had become part of the NVSC family. Melissa invited me to go to a Wednesday night dance with her. Dancing that evening confirmed what she said about the people who love North Carolina shag dancing. I thoroughly enjoyed my first beginners lesson, returned for many more, and soon joined the club.

A: Dave: Well, my wife talked about how much she enjoyed learning shag dancing. She wanted me to try it and also escort her to the club's 2014 holiday party. I had my reservations about it, mostly because I didn't know if I could learn to dance in the first place. But Bee kept encouraging me to give it a try, so I did. My first lesson as a beginner confirmed my reservations! My feet just didn't seem to be cooperating and I let Bee know it. She countered by saying that she also had initially felt the same way, but hung in there and focused on just the basic step, over and over again, until it became rote memory. Bee and I have raised our family, and the three kids are now out of the house and on their own. Part of our leisure time is consumed with sailing, but that interest is limited by many factors. So, with time available and an empty nester need to continue to be active, I hung in there. Now, I take it as a challenge, taking the intermediate classes and am determined to have fun dancing. Plus it makes my wife happy!

Q: Bee, what was your turning point in learning something new and eventually convincing Dave that it was worth it?

A: It was determination. I felt that if all these other people had gone through the same process of learning the basic shag steps, then I could do it too. The key was repetition, just the dogged monotony of doing the basic over and over again until it became rote. Also the club members and instructors are very friendly and constantly encouraging us. Then came the realization that it is really easy, and most of all, enjoyable. And shag presents you with an unlimited challenge; you can go far beyond even the few steps (pivot, side pass, belly roll, Applejack, etc.) that are taught in the intermediate classes. Now, as Dave and I are making the empty nesters transition, we are having a lot of fun with our new friends at NVSC.



**Dave and Bee  
Buergler**



## Humor

Astute observations:

- The closest I ever got to a 4.0 in college was my blood alcohol content.
- I saw a very large woman wearing a sweatshirt with "Guess" on it. I said, "Left \* Tackle?"
- I don't do drugs. I find I get the same effect just by standing up really fast.
- I don't like political jokes. I've seen too many get elected.
- The most precious thing we have is life, yet it has absolutely no trade-in value.
- Every day I beat my previous record of consecutive days I've stayed alive.
- No one ever says, "It's only a game!" when their team's winning.
- Ever notice that people who spend money on beer, cigarettes and lottery tickets are always complaining about being broke and not feeling well?
- Isn't having a smoking section in a restaurant like having a peeing section in a swimming pool?
- Why is it that most nudists are people you don't want to see naked?
- Snowmen fall from Heaven unassembled.
- I signed up for an exercise class and was told to wear loose fitting clothing. Well, if I HAD any loose fitting clothing, I wouldn't need the freakin' class!
- Don't argue with an idiot; people watching may not be able to tell the difference.
- Wouldn't you know it! Brain cells come and brain cells go, but FAT cells live forever.

### Come Dance with Me

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# Celebrate the *Holiday Season* with NVSC!

**Saturday, December 5, 2015**  
**7:30 – 11:30 pm**

Kingstowne's Snyder Community Center  
6450 South Van Dorn St., Alexandria, VA 22315

Special Guest DJ: Butch Adeimy

**Members - FREE      Non-members - \$10**

Pot Luck Dinner  
NVSC will provide turkey, ham, & rolls.  
BYOB - set-ups provided.

Please sign up for appetizers,  
side dishes, and desserts at the  
**Elk's on Wednesdays.**



**Please bring a new unwrapped  
toy for our Toys-For-Tots drive.**

#### Questions?

Contact Sue Young at [susan.young19@yahoo.com](mailto:susan.young19@yahoo.com)  
Volunteers needed for set up and clean up. Please sign up.

#### Directions from the Fairfax County Parkway:

Go east until you reach Beulah Rd., cross Beulah and the road changes names to Manchester Blvd. Continue down Manchester (it becomes Kingstown Blvd) for 7 traffic signals. At the 7th traffic signal, turn left on to South Van Dorn St. At the 2nd traffic signal, turn left onto Lake Village Dr. Take an immediate left and the Community Center will be a few buildings down on your right.

#### Directions from the Beltway:

Exit the Beltway at South Van Dorn St. and proceed south on South Van Dorn St. Cross over Franconia Rd., where you will enter Kingstown, after crossing Franconia Rd., continue on South Van Dorn and turn right at the first traffic signal, on to Lake Village Dr. Then take an immediate left and you will see the Community Center a few buildings down on your right. Parking lots are on both sides of the street.



# Outer Banks Shag Club New Year's Eve 2015



## "Midnight In Paris"

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Tickets**

December 30-31, 2015 and January 1, 2016

Comfort Inn South, Nags Head NC

803 Old Oregon Inlet Road

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Ken & Sandy  
Jones**

**Line Dance  
Lesson by  
Sandy Jones**

**Room Reservations  
(1-252-441-6315)**

**Buffet Dinner  
Dec 30 & 31st**

**Ocean Front Rooms: \$78 plus tax  
Bayside Rooms: \$68 plus Tax**

**Two Free  
Pours**

**Full  
Breakfast  
Jan 1st**

**Ticket Price  
\$115 per person**



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The Northern Virginia Shag Club Presents

# Our 19<sup>th</sup> Annual Shag Workshop and Party

with Pro Shaggers



## Charlie Womble & Jackie McGee

Join us for a fun day of workshops followed by an evening dance with Charlie and Jackie!

*Music by Larry Black and Jerry Hardy*

Saturday  
February 13,  
2016

### SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- 4:15 – 5:15pm – Workshop 1: Get Your Dance On  
With Easy Combinations  
5:30 – 6:30pm – Workshop 2: Step It Up with Male/  
Female Combos  
7:00 – 11:00pm – Saturday Night Dance

#### WORKSHOPS:

\$10 each for NVSC members  
\$15 each for non-members

#### SATURDAY NIGHT DANCE:

\$20 NVSC Members/\$25 non-members

**Under 21 free to both events**

Potluck Heavy Hors 'd Oeuvres.  
Beer and wine available for purchase. NO BYOB.

★ Please sign up to bring an appetizer or dessert  
at the Elk's on Wednesdays.

### LOCATION:

American Legion Post 180  
The Patriot Hall  
330 North Center St, Vienna, VA 22180

### DIRECTIONS from the East:

Take I-66 W to Exit 62 to merge onto VA-243 N/Nutley Street toward Vienna. Turn right onto Maple Ave W/VA-123 N. Go approx. 1 mile and turn left onto Center Street N. Go through two 4-way stops approx. 0.5 miles and American Legion will be on the left. Take the second entrance that says American Legion Parking. The Patriot Hall is on the upper level of the building.

**From the West:** Take I-66 E and follow above.

Private lessons with Charlie and Jackie are available. Please contact David Rodgers at 703-239-8978 or email [rogersd3@cox.net](mailto:rogersd3@cox.net) to make arrangements.

Questions? Contact Sue Young at [susan.young19@yahoo.com](mailto:susan.young19@yahoo.com).

# 2016 Virginia Shaggers Hall of Fame Induction Ceremony

March 25 - 27, 2016

Fredericksburg Hospitality House & Conference Center  
2801 Plank Rd Central Park, Fredericksburg, VA 22401  
(800) 682-1049 for reservations and mention  
The Virginia Shaggers Hall of Fame  
or Jennifer Pickerel at the link below

*["CLICK HERE for reservation on line"](#)*

- Tickets are \$75 per person. This includes breakfast each morning, special events during the day, heavy appetizers Friday evening, and buffet dinner Saturday evening, along with the Gospel Hour on Sunday morning.
- There are **NO** one day event tickets and no refunds.

Tables seat 10 and may be reserved - full payment of \$750 is required at the time of reservation. Seating arrangements are/will be available on the Virginia Shaggers Hall of Fame web page, [www.VSHOF.com](http://www.VSHOF.com). If you wish to reserve seating, please contact Valerie Canada by email at [valvshof@gmail.com](mailto:valvshof@gmail.com) or at 757-484-8398 with your request.

All attendees must fill out the form below and send it to the address on the form with a check made to VSHOF for the total amount due.

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COME THURSDAY AND JOIN CRAIG JENNINGS AND THE  
BATTLEFIELD BOOGIE CLUB'S DANCE AT THE HOTEL

## More Humor

*From Dennis Gehley*

A little silver-haired lady calls her neighbor and says, "Please come over here and help me. I have a killer jigsaw puzzle, and I can't figure out how to get started."

Her neighbor asks, "What is it supposed to be when it's finished?"

The lady says, "According to the picture on the box, it's a rooster."

Her neighbor decides to go over and help with the puzzle. She lets him in and shows him where she has the puzzle spread all over the table. He studies the pieces for a moment, then looks at the box, then turns to her and says, "First of all, no matter what we do, we're not going to be able to assemble these pieces into anything resembling a rooster." He takes her hand and says, "Secondly, I want you to relax. Let's have a nice cup of tea, and then," he said with a deep sigh . . .

"Let's just put all the Corn Flakes back in the box."

*Send your opinions,  
favorite recipes and  
humor to the Shag  
Rag editor, Jim  
Scanlon,  
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com*



## Recipe

### **Chuck Burgers with Pineapple Sauce** (Makes 12 burgers, 1/2 pound each)

6 pounds coarse-ground chuck, largest possible chunks	6 teaspoons MSG
1 1/2 teaspoons salt	12 slices bacon

Combine ground chuck, salt and MSG. Toss lightly, coating all pieces. Form large burgers (do not pack). Wrap slice of bacon around each burger and secure with a toothpick. Place in refrigerator for 4 hours before grilling.

#### **Pineapple Sauce:**

1 cup butter, melted	2/3 cup pineapple juice
1 clove garlic, minced	1/2 cup lemon juice
1 teaspoon sugar	1/4 teaspoon Tabasco sauce
2 teaspoons salt	1/2 teaspoon thyme
1/2 teaspoon pepper	Pineapple chunks
4 teaspoons flour	

Melt butter, add garlic, blend in flour and add remaining ingredients except pineapple chunks. Do not cook. Cool the mixture and then refrigerate. Spoon mixture on burgers while grilling. Place pineapple chunks on burgers during last few minutes of grilling.



**Board Meetings are held each month and are open to any and all members in good standing who wish to attend. Unless a certain matter is placed on the meeting agenda, attendance is for observation, not participation.**

**Since board meetings may not take place at the same time and place every month, please alert the Secretary at least one week in advance if you wish to attend (so that we may accommodate you). Copies of Board Meeting Minutes may be available on the [www.nvshag.org](http://www.nvshag.org) website, or you may request copy(s) from the Club Secretary.**

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*"The Internal Revenue Service notified NVSC on April 19, 1999, that we have been accepted as a non-profit social club exempted from paying Federal income taxes. Anyone interested in reviewing NVSC's application and supporting documents provided to IRS, the IRS exemption letter, or the club's annual Form 990 to the IRS, please contact the club Treasurer."*

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### ***About Our Organization...***

**Northern Virginia Shag Club (NVSC) was organized to preserve the Carolina Shag dance and its accompanying Beach music. NVSC dances the Carolina Shag every Wednesday night at:**

Elk's Lodge, 8421 Arlington Blvd, Fairfax, VA

**Come join us — learn the Carolina Shag! Free beginner lessons begin at 7:30 pm. A Buffet dinner is available for purchase. Social dancing is from 6:30 to 10:30 pm.**

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