NORTHERN VIRGINIA SHAG CLUB

ShagRag

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2022

President's Corner

BY SHERRI WILDONER

October was a whirlwind of a month for the Northern Virginia Shag Club membership! Thank you to Loren and Craig for playing tunes for our two Thursday night dances. The members-only picnic and the wine tasting and auction were fantastic. Kathy and Loren K want to send special thanks to Jack J, Linda B, and Donna R for their help in setting up for the members only gathering at their place. They couldn't have ordered better weather for the event with a sunny, perfect temperature fall day. Plenty of tasty food, great music, amazing dance floor, wide open spaces to enjoy each other's company, and s'mores. The perfect afternoon. Thank you to both Loren and Kathy for opening their home to us for a wonderful time together. I know it was a LOT of work and I'm hoping we'll have an opportunity to coordinate another event next year, but we will need a few more volunteers to make the preparations and setup easier.

The other special event, which has been near and dear to my heart, was the Wine Tasting and Auction hosted by Joan M and co-chaired by Pamela A. Everyone was extremely generous with their donation of time and funds. Joan received an anonymous $20 donation from a patron when she was breakfasting at Peyton's Place and her neighbor stopped in and contributed $40 and took our group photo! The wine auction sales totaled $645 and, with all of the additional donations, we raised over $1000 for Capital Caring. If anyone would like to make a donation this year it's not too late. Please make your check out to Capital Caring and mail it to our PO Box (please see the article in this edition for more info.)

We will be finishing up 2022 with our November 10 dance. I hope you all have a lovely Thanksgiving and enjoy creating memories with friends and family. Please plan on joining us for our holiday party to be held at the Elks on December 8, which will be our final dance of the year. We will once again have an open table where folks can bring their favorite sides, appetizers and desserts and this year the club will provide some tasty proteins. Please also consider bringing a new, unwrapped toy to add to the Elks' toy drive.

We are in the process of electing our new 2023 Board of Directors members. Please be sure to send in your ballot or drop it off at the December 8 dance at the Elks to be included as it will be the last opportunity to turn in your choices. Your continuous support is greatly appreciated. More information is included in this issue and updates will be sent via the "Hello Shagger" emails.

Be safe and well and keep dancing!

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Northern Virginia Shag Club (NVSC) was organized to preserve the Carolina Shag dance and its accompanying Beach music. Visit us at www.nvshag.org

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Follow us!

When and Where to Shag

Join us at the Elks Lodge for dancing the second Thursday in November!

Address: 8421 Arlington Blvd, Fairfax

Open dancing: 7:00 - 10:00 p.m.

Admission Cost: $10 Members; $11 Non-Members

We will be dancing downstairs in the Fairfax Room. Food and drink may be purchased from the Elks at the bar next to the Fairfax Room. There is an elevator at the rear of the building for those who find stairs challenging.

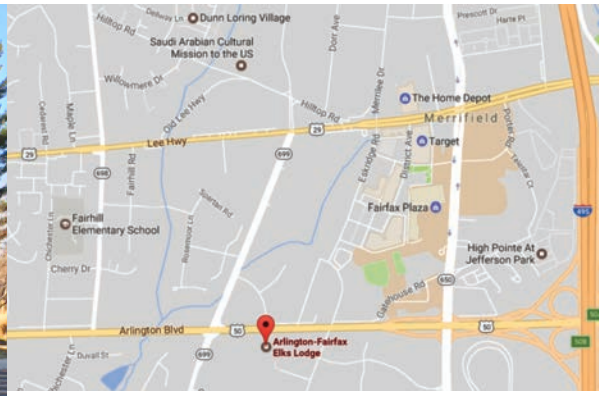
The vaccination requirement to attend our club dances has been lifted. However, we do caution that COVID 19 is still a virulent threat and keeps evolving. Please continue to follow the highly recommended safety protocols: mask up, distance, use hand sanitizer and wash hands frequently. As recommended by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC), mask are highly recommended but not required at the dance.

DANCE INFO

Deejays:

November 10
Loren Kropat

December 8
Craig Jennings



Advertising in the Shag Rag

Members may have their business card sized ads added to the *Shag Rag* for free!

Advertise your services, activities or business

Business Card size:

Members	no cost
Non-Members	$60 a year / $10 month

For a quarter page ad, pricing for all is $100 a year or $50 a month.

Other ACSC Virginia Shag Clubs

Visit the club websites for venues and schedules.

Battlefield Boogie Club,	*www.battlefieldboogieclub.com*
Boogie On The Bay Shag Club	*www.boogieonthebay.com*
Colonial Shag Club (Newport News)	*www.colonialshagclub.com*
Danville Shag Club	*www.danvilleshag.com*
Franklin Shag Club	*Find them on Facebook*
Lynchburg Shag Club	*www.lynchburgareashagclub.com*
Richmond Shag Club	*www.shagRVA.org*
Roanoke Valley Shag Club	*Find them on Facebook*
Virginia Beach Shag Club	*www.vbshagclub.com*

Goodbye midterms! Time to vote for the NVSC Board!

NVSC Board of Directors Election

Hello NVSC Members!

The Board of Directors is pleased to announce the candidates for the 2023 Board of Directors positions. We do believe that serving as a board member is one of the best ways to bring your vision and ideas to the club leadership.

As previously stated, candidates "must be members in good standing of the [Club] at the time of their nomination, and must have been members in good standing for the entire year prior to the year they will serve, if elected." Bylaws, Art. IV, § 1(E). For position of President or Vice President, in addition to the preceding, the candidates must also have served on the board for at least one year prior to the year in which they would serve.

In the following pages, you will find the ballot plus information submitted by each of the candidates for consideration in your selection.

Please:

- Print the ballot,
- Circle your selections,
- MAIL IN:

On the outside of the envelope, write your name (If more than one voting, member in the household, please include both names). Enclose both completed ballots, and

Mail before November 20 to: Elections, NVSC, PO Box 2298, Merrifield, VA 22116.

- OR drop off your ballot at the November dance next Thursday, November 10 OR our holiday dance on December 8 no later than 8:15pm.

As a reminder, the mail-in ballots will be separated from the envelope. This will allow the ballots to be counted by a different party to ensure anonymity. Members of the Nominating and Elections Committee who are on the ballot for the election will not participate in the counting of the ballots.

The new Board of Directors will be announced at the December 8, 2022 Holiday Party and Dance.

Regards,
Tom Brett,
Nominating & Elections Committee Chairperson

The candidates

Sherri Wildoner

While 2022 was indeed another challenging year with the continuing Covid-19 mutations, I believe we did better than some clubs while not as well as some others in trying to get back into a routine. It would be my honor to serve as your NVSC President for 2023 and hope that you will consider voting for me. I've been a club member just over 9 years. I have enjoyed serving in various capacities, to include as the club President last year, your Vice President for 4 years, the club Secretary for 1 year, and as a dance committee member and the chair and liaison for the club charity fundraising for Capital Caring. I'm hopeful that our new normal is still trying to find its footing and that we'll start to see more folks at the Elks and other club events in the new year. It is, and has always been, my goal to ensure that we truly have an open-door policy which includes hearing your voice, your ideas, and yes, even your criticisms. We cannot make decisions that fit the majority if we don't hear from you, the membership and reason for being. Let's get back to enjoying the beach music, dancing and friendships through regular club dances, special events and other fun social activities. Thank you for considering to vote for me as President for 2023.

Jack Jones

My wife Estelle and I have been members of the NVSC club for about 15 years. I have served on the board as a "Director at Large" from 2012 up to 3 months ago when I agreed to step into the Vice-President's role to fill the vacancy and provide assistance to our club President, Sherri Wildoner. I am the club photographer and Videographer. I also manage the Club's Facebook Page and occasionally step in as a DJ when one is needed. I would like to continue to serve as the club's Vice-President as a means to continue to support the club goals and the preservation of the Carolina Shag dance.

Linda Barna

I'm Linda Barna. I've been a member of NVSC since 2010. Joining the club is one of the best decisions I've ever made. I love to dance. I enjoy seeing everyone at the dances and making new friends. I have been the Northern Virginia Shag Club Secretary since 2018 and I'm running again. I'd like to volunteer to help keep the good times going. Please vote for me for Secretary.

Mark Hendrickson

I am Mark Hendrickson your nominee for re-election for the Treasurer's position.

I have been a NVSC member since 2006. I have been the NVSC Treasurer for several years. Before I became treasurer, I was an at-large director on the board for two years, with primary responsibilities being the coordinator of the NVSC by-laws revision and audit committee liaison.

Day to day, I work for a FAA contractor resolving program management issues related to the safety of the National Airspace System.

The board of directors will face many challenges next year. My experience as the NVSC treasurer over the past several years, especially in projecting revenues and expenses for future events, will be a stabilizing influence for NVSC going forward into 2022.

I would appreciate your vote.

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The candidate bios

Directors At Large

Pamela Alfano

During my 26 years as a member of NVSC, I have served on the board most of those years. Board positions included President, Vice President, Secretary and Director-At-Large, currently serving as Director-At-Large. I have also chaired or participated in most of our committees. I am currently serving as Dance Committee Chair. I am running for Director-At-Large so I can continue to contribute to maintaining and growing this great Club.

Bee Buergler

I am honored to be on the ballot for a Director-at-Large position of the 2023 Board. In 2014, a friend introduced me to the club's weekly dance where I was warmly greeted and took my first beginner shag class. I was hooked and continued learning Carolina Shag, taking many classes, and meeting lots of new friends. I would like to serve the members of my favorite, and only, dance club. My relevant experience includes serving on Boards of three other non-profit organizations for more than 15 years combined.

Barbara Ebersole

I am Barbara Ebersole and am a native of Northern Virginia and joined the NVSC in October 2014 (thanks to Linda & David Barna). Since then, I've volunteered to help our club whenever possible. I assumed the position on the Board as a Director-at- Large following the untimely passing of Ken Gibbs in December 2018. It is vital for our club to balance tradition with new ideas to help increase our membership and attendance. This can only be achieved by being open to ideas and suggestions from all members! Therefore, it is my hope to continue serving our club by continuing in the position of Director-at-Large.

Kathy Kropat

I've been a member of NVSC since 2009, have served on the Board in the past, and am currently the "Hello Shagger" editor. The past couple of years have been really tough on our club, and it is important that we grow our membership and increase attendance. If elected to a position as Director-at-Large, I'm looking forward to exploring new ideas and pitching in to help re-build and keep the fun times going!

Adele Robey

A club member for somewhere around 9 or 10 years, Adele Robey is an actor, theater professional and freelance graphic artist. She founded two small theaters in DC and has had her own graphic design firm for almost 30 years. She has served on the NVSC board for the last year, volunteering to publish the *Shag Rag* and take care of whatever other miscellaneous graphic and publicity needs pop up. She taught the beginners' shag classes back in the good old days, pre-pandemic. Hopefully she will again.

Northern Virginia Shag Club Ballot

You may vote for onle one nominee for each 2023 Board office position. Please indicate your choice by circling the name.

President:
Sherri Wildoner

Secretary:
Linda Barna

Vice President:
Jack Jones

Treasurer:
Mark Hendrickson

You may vote for up to five (5) nominees for 2023 Director-at-Large positions. Please indicate your choices by circling the names.

Directors-At-Large:

Pamela Alfano

Barbara Ebersole

Adele Robey

Kathy Kropat

Bee Buergler

Instructions

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Mail no later than November 20.

OR Drop off your ballot at the November dance, Thursday, November 10 **OR** at our holiday dance on December 8 **no later than 8:15pm**.

Halloween fun, wine drinking and wine buying… and it was all for Capital Caring.

BY SHERRI WILDONER

A big thank you to Joan M for hosting our 5th Wine Tasting & Auction event. This was our first one post-Covid. With the break during the pandemic can we still consider this an annual event? I say, yes, indeed we can! This year, we didn't really have the time and volunteers to put together our traditional Shag-A-Thon, but Pamela A and Joan M volunteered to put together a fun social event complete with a great theme to enhance our wine tasting and auction. This event is really special to me since it helps to benefit our chosen hospice care organization, Capital Caring.

It was my pleasure and honor to once again play auctioneer. Everyone had a great sense of humor with my horrible pronunciation but, working together, we got through each bid. Many of the folks present mentioned missing Jason, who was always a great help to keep the excitement, and increasing bids, going.

It doesn't look like we had wines from prior years this round according to my records. However, we did have a lovely selection with three white wines and 12 reds making a showing. In 2019, the Dry Mill Cabernet Franc brought $110 with the Dry Mill Merlot and Chateau de La Dauphine bringing in $80 each. This year, the Rioja from Spain fetched $80 thanks to Sue with the Malbec from Argentina getting $65 by our phone bidder, Jewell. Total bids were $645 and, with the additional donations, we will be submitting just over $1,000 to Capital Caring. If you would like to make a donation, it is not too late! Please make your check out to Capital Caring and mail it to the club at NVSC, PO Box 2298, Merrifield, VA 22116. If you could pop it in the mail by around December 1, or bring it to the dance on December 8, that would be fantastic and give us time to get them in before the new year.

Here is to enjoying several many more years of friendly competition to win a favorite wine (or two), not only to benefit Capital Caring, but also enjoy the company of our shag family and friends. If you weren't able to attend this year, maybe you'll join us next time. Until then, best wishes for healthy, happy, memorable holidays with family and friends.

With gratitude,
Sherri

A beautiful day and a beautiful group for a beautiful event.

Who says Halloween is for kids? NVSC members rise to the costume challenge.

October was busy! We also had an awesome picnic!

Kathy and Loren Kropat welcomed club members into their fabulous home for a day of eating, visiting, drinking and dancing. The food was wonderful, the view was terrific and the weather was perfect. And did we mention that their home has a real ballroom?

DCHDC Presents a New Year's Eve Gala

December 31, 2022

Double Tree by Hilton Baltimore - BWI Airport
890 Elkridge Landing Rd., Linthicum Heights, MD 21090

Reservation Form

(Use this form for Singles or Couples)

Name (Print): _____ **Member: Yes / No** **Phone:**_____

Name (Print): _____ **Member: Yes / No** **Phone:**_____

Email Address: _____ and/or _____

Member cost: $**90.00** per person, Non-members: $**100**.00 per person. Sales begin November 1, 2022. Dancing, Hospitality Suite, buffet dinner, dessert bar, cash bar, midnight toast, and favors are included. Before a full table can be reserved, all 8/10 reservations must be received. Otherwise, seats will be assigned first-come-first-serve.

Make checks payable to the DC Hand Dance Club and mail, along with this form, to **DCHDC, 1715 Mayapple Way, Gambrills, MD 21054.** Questions: call Maria at 410-451-1477 (leave a message and she will get back to you.) Reservations are non-refundable after December 15, 2022

When you stay overnight at the Double Tree by Hilton Hotel, a special room rate of $**99.00** per night plus tax is guaranteed until December 10, 2022. Contact the hotel directly at 410-859-8400; tell them you are with the DC Hand Dance Club event**. Use code: HDC for our group rate.**

Reservations are Non-Refundable after December 15,2022.

RELEASE OF LIABILITY FOR THE 2022 NEW YEAR'S EVE PARTY

In consideration of the acceptance of my/our reservation to attend or participate in the activities sponsored by D. C. Hand Dance Club, Inc. at the 2022 New Year's Eve event to be held at the DoubleTree by Hilton Hotel/BWI Airport, Linthicum Heights, MD, December 31, 2022, I/we the undersigned (hereinafter referred to as "Releasors") for myself/ourselves, my/our heirs, executors, administrators, and assigns, hereby release, waive and discharge D. C. Hand Dance Club, Inc., its officers and directors (hereinafter referred to as "Releasees"), from all claims of damages for personal injury, death, or loss or damage to property, whether caused by the negligence of Releasees or otherwise, arising out of Releasors' attendance or participation in any activity sponsored by D. C. Hand Dance Club, Inc. at the 2022 New Year's Eve event.

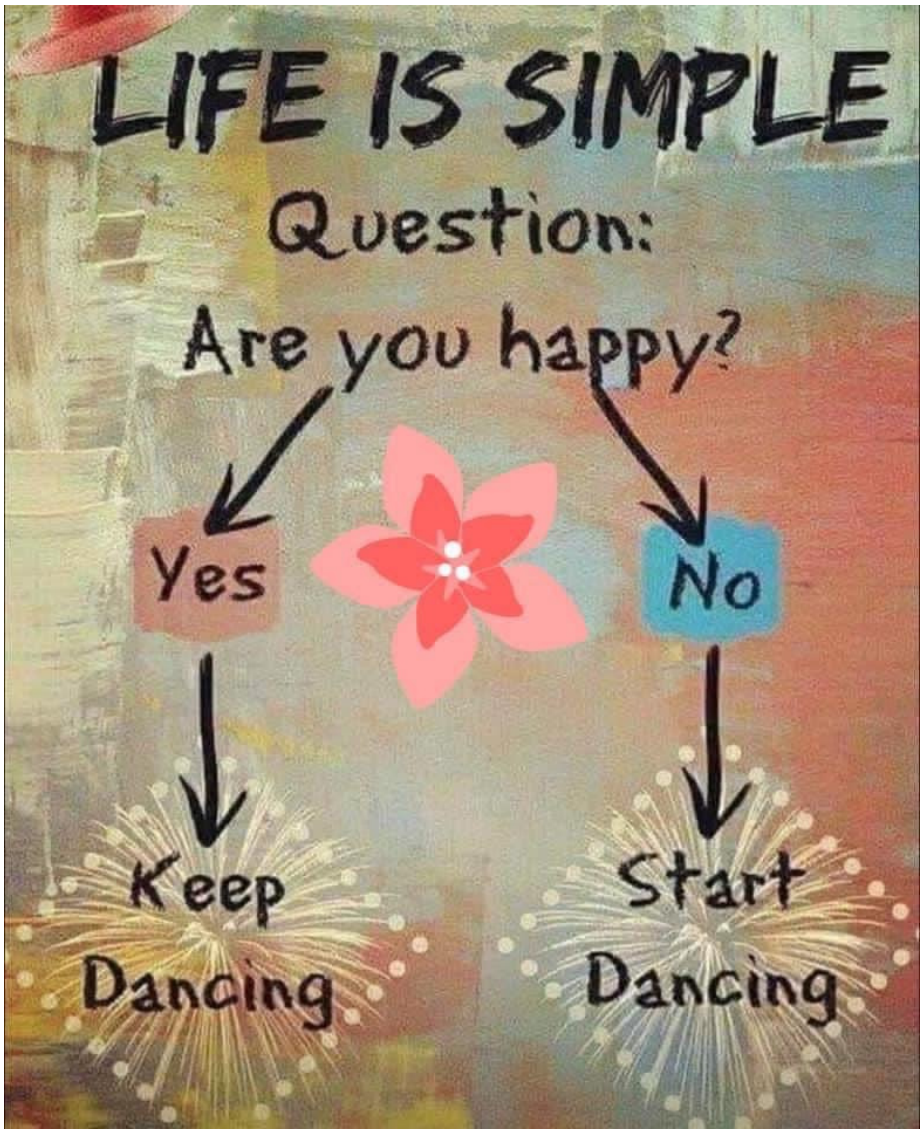
Releasors further assume all responsibility for and all risks of bodily injury, death, or loss or damage to property, that may occur to Releasors while Releasors are attending or participating in any activity sponsored by D. C. Hand Dance Club, Inc. at the 2022 New Year's Eve event.

Releasors further agree to indemnify Releasees and hold them harmless, from any loss or damage they may incur resulting from the negligence of Releasors while attending or participating in any activity sponsored by D. C. Hand Dance Club, Inc. at its 2022 New Year's Eve event.

The provisions of this Release shall be construed according to the law of the State of Maryland and, if any provision herein is held to be invalid, it shall not affect the validity of the remaining provisions.

Signature_____ Date_____

Signature_____ Date_____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Question:
Are you happy?
Yes
No
Keep
Dancing
Start
Dancing

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Where do I Get a Copy of the Shag Rag?

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Hello Shagger Emails

Are you getting the ***Hello Shagger*** e-mails? If not, visit our website at ***www.nvshag.org***. On the right 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 ***communications@nvshag.org***.

Keep Your Membership Information Current

Have you moved, changed phone numbers or email address? Let Barbara D. know at ***membership@nvshag.org***.

Shag Rag

The deadline for *Shag Rag* input is the 25th of every month. Please send content (including opinions, humor and recipes) to Adele Robey at ***arobey@fusemail.com***

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November Birthdays

Nancy Guilliams
November 1

Lorraine Busey
November 3

Patricia Harris
November 3

Estelle Jones
November 3

Mark Hendrickson
November 5

Kathy Kropat
November 5

Eddie O'Reilly
November 5

Angie Bushey
November 7

Amanda Maroon
November 7

Valerie Swiger
November 8

Kathy Heer
November 12

Jerry Rodgers
November 13

Thomas H. Brett
November 16

Linda Zerden
November 29

Mal Zerden
November 29

Kevin Byrnes
November 30

Thank(ful) for cocktails

Sip one of these Thanksgiving cocktails while you cook the bird!

Pumpkin Pie Martini

Ingredients
1.5 oz vanilla vodka
1 oz spiced rum
1 oz Domaine de Canton ginger liqueur
2 tbsp pumpkin puree
2 tbsp white sugar
1 tsp ground pumpkin pie spice
1 cup marshmallow cream or whipped cream, for garnish

Instructions
Add vodka, rum, Domaine de Canton & pumpkin puree into a cocktail shaker with ice. Shake until well combined. Rim a martini glass with mixed sugar & pumpkin pie spice. Double strain the martini into the glass and top with marshmallow cream or whipped cream.

Apple Cranberry Moscow Mule

Ingredients
4 oz vodka
.25 cup cranberry juice
.5 cup sparkling apple juice
2 7.5-oz bottles Q Ginger Beer
fresh cranberries for garnish

Instructions
Fill two large glasses with ice. Add the vodka and cranberry juice. Add the sparkling apple juice and then fill the rest of the way with the ginger beer. Stir gently to combine and serve immediately.

Pumpkin Spice White Russian Cocktail

For the rim
1 tsp. pumpkin pie spice
3 tbsp. crushed graham crackers

For the drink
2 oz. vodka
1 oz. Kahlua
1½ oz. pumpkin spice creamer
Cinnamon stick, for garnish

Step 1
On a shallow plate, combine pumpkin pie spice and crushed graham crackers. Dip glass in water, then into mixture, coating the edge of the glass.

Step 2
Pour vodka and Kahlua into glasses filled with ice. Top with creamer. Garnish with a cinnamon stick and a sprinkle of pumpkin pie spice.

Apple Crisp Punch

Ingredients
26 oz Nolet's Silver Gin
13 oz apple juice or cider
6.5 oz lime juice
6.5 oz honey
2 limes
Apples (Green or Red)

Instructions
Mix all ingredients in an infusion jar or punch bowl and stir thoroughly to dissolve honey. Slice limes and add to jar. Serve over ice, garnished with lime, apple slices, cinnamon sticks and or thyme.