

The Colonial Crier

newsletter of

Colonial Shag Club, Inc.

a member of the Association of Carolina Shag Clubs (ACSC)

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Hampton, Newport News, York County, Poquoson, Williamsburg, Virginia Founded In 2001

President's corner

To me, the first day of June has always been the start of summer. Most schools are out by early June and summer vacations occur over the next three months. There are many outdoor activities happening during the summer, so pack your coolers and picnic baskets and enjoy the warm weather, beaches,



and outdoor concerts. Be sure to support our club on Saturday nights as well as the other local shag clubs on the nights they dance. I'm sure attendance will vary all over the place during the summer months, but just remember that we dance on Saturday evenings at Two Left Feet Dance Studio on an excellent dance floor in an air conditioned environment. Our wonderful members usually bring snacks to share, and music is provided by excellent deejays. Where else can you go on a Saturday night and enjoy free snacks, water, soft drinks, socialize with great friends, and dance to the best in beach, boogie, and blues music on an excellent dance floor. We also have an occasional party where we provide special treats to our attendees, such as the first Saturday night in June where we have cake and ice cream for everyone. Our members are the greatest asset of our club, and our board members all agree that we should give back to our members as often as we can.

In past newsletters, I highlighted certain members for their service to our club. This month, I thank Joe Mitchell for his service to the club as our webmaster for many years. When twenty-five of us started the club in the fall of 2001, we were starting from scratch. Dudley Nachman was our club's first treasurer, and he immediately acquired our club website domain name. In 2002, I opened the club's first website page with various information

about the club. I had no experience in website design, so I

recruited a member, Tony Poplin, to take over the job as webmaster. After a couple years, Tony gave up the job, and Joe Mitchell stepped up to the task as webmaster and developed our first truly active website. I'm not sure just when Joe took over the job but I would guess it was around 2004. Joe has served our club in this capacity ever since. Joe is excellent at keeping the website current and also does the website for the Virginia Shaggers Hall of Fame. When you see Joe, please thank him for his many years of dedicated service to our club.

Our club is selling Fun Monday raffle tickets. Fun Monday, to be held at SOS Fall Migration in North Myrtle Beach in September, consists of three bands performing sequentially on a temporary stage on Main Street and the attendees bringing their chairs and filling the street. The first block of Main Street (adjacent to Ocean drive) is closed to traffic for this event. Raffle winners are announced at this event. At the Spring ACSC meeting, club representatives were given Fun Monday raffle tickets to sell. The raffle tickets are used for several purposes. One being the top prize of \$5,000 that is awarded to a lucky winner plus another \$1,000 is given in prizes (see page 3). But it doesn't stop there. The sale of Fun Monday tickets also supports several charities. Last year, SOS donated \$12,000 to charities from the sale of Fun Monday tickets. One of those charities is Tunnels to Towers, which has an "A+" rating with Charity Watch. Tunnels to Towers paid off the home mortgages for the families of the four Charlotte, North Carolina, police officers recently killed while responding to a call. Fun Monday is truly an entertaining event, and you could be the winner of the \$5,000 first prize (do not have to be present to win). Remember, you can't win if you don't have a ticket.

Hope everyone has a great summer and looking forward to seeing you on the dance floor at Two Left Feet on Saturday nights.

Harry

The beat goes on thanks to our

board of directors and committees

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Colonial Shag Club dances every Saturday night

at Two Left Feet Dance Studio, Newport News Doors open at 5pm shag dance lessons 5:30-7pm, dancing 7-10pm \$10 for member of any shag club, otherwise \$12 Soda and water provided, Snacks welcomed, Alcohol permitted

Other shag clubs

Virginia Beach Shag Club Mix & Mingle every Wednesday night at DanceSportVA, Virginia Beach. See club's Facebook

Boogie on the Bay Shag Club social every Friday 6-9:30pm at Woody's in Chesapeake Square Mall in Chesapeake. See the club's Facebook page.

Boogie on the Bay Shag Club shag dance lessons every Tuesday 7-9pm at Woody's in Chesapeake Square Mall in Chesapeake. See the club's Facebook page.

Franklin Shag Club social first and third Wednesday of every month at Fred's Restaurant in downtown Franklin. See the club's Facebook page

Richmond Shag Club social every Tuesday night at Visions Night Club in Double Tree hotel, Midlothian. Beginner shag classes from 6:30 until 7:15 followed by dancing until 10pm. Line dance lessons second Tuesday of each month

Outer Banks Shag Club social first and third Monday each month, 4-7pm at Duck Woods Country Club, Southern Shores, North Carolina. See the club's website

River City Shag Club social every Wednesday night at CPOA Club, Elizabeth City. See the club's Facebook page.

Board meetings

The Colonial Shag Club board meetings are held at Two Left Feet Dance Studio on the first Saturday of the month at 3:30 pm.





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- 14 Stephanie Hockaday
- 18 Jo Hardy
- 19 Diane Lawson
- Darla Frederick 21 Kim Downing
 - 26 Stan Gurganus
 - 29 Skip Parker
- 13 Bob Slaughter13 Patti Walker

"Open door, open floor"

Two Left Feet Dance Studio (TLF) is open to members of any shag club every Monday evening, starting at 8pm, to provide you with the opportunity to practice shag steps, learn something new, ask for help, help someone else, and just dance

Free, as a courtesy of TLF

Shaggin' 4th of July Celebration

High Street Landing Portsmouth, VA

July 4, 5-9:30 pm

A Beach Music party on the 4th of July to show off your shag stepping. The Mighty Saints of Soul Band will play beach music from 5–8:00 pm with a follow up performance by the Tidewater Concert Band playing patriotic music from 8:00–9:30 pm.

Fireworks show at 9:30 pm, as part of Norfolk Harborfest.

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Outdoor concerts

Wednesdays

Live on the Square at Port Warwick

Newport News, 6-9pm

24 June Phazz II 5

Girl Can't Help It 31 2nd Wynd Band

12 Down River

19 BJ Griffin Band ... and more

26 Soul Intent

July

3 Revelation

10 Blackout

17 Celeste Kellogg

Thursdays

Sounds of Summer

at Riverwalk Landing, Yorktown, 6:30-9pm (weather hotline 757-890-3520)

18 The Embers June 6 Uptown Band 25 InsideOut band

13 The Main Event Band **August**

20 Nashville Nights band Band of Oz 27 Blackout Deloreans July 15 Slapnation

11 The Gentlemen and

Their Lady visityorktown.org

Sundays

Groovin on the Bay

Mill Point Park, Hampton, 5pm

August

J & the Band

Lady

18 Brasswind

11 The Gentlemen & Their

25 The Original Rhondels

June

The Michael Clark Band 4 featuring Tracy Clark

16 Juneteenth Night by Celebrate Healthcare

23 Bana Blag & Friends

30 Soul Intent Band

July

7 The Janitors

14 TFC Band

21 Tidewater Drive Band

28 Savannah

Sunset Thursdays

Festival Park (16 Crawford Circle) Portsmouth 6:30-9pm

June

13 Janitors (R&B, 60's Soul, 70's Funk, Classic Rock, Top 40)

20 Revalation (R&B, Funk, Rock)

27 The Original Rhondels (Beach, Rock, 70's, 80's) July

11 Better By Tuesday (R&B, Funk, Jazz)

18 BrassWind (Beach, Pop, R&B, Motown, Rock, Soul)

The Gentlemen and Their Lady (Motown, Oldies, 25 Top 40)

... and more

Portsmouth Seawall Music Festival

High Street Landing, Portsmouth

Friday, June 7th

6:00 -7:30pm Island Boy (Hard Rock, Country, Funk)

7:45-9:15pm Ned Harris & The Appeal (Jazz, R&B, Funk, Soul)

9:30-11:00 pm Soul Intent (Beach, Shag, Rock, 7's, 80's)

Saturday, June 8th

2:00-3:00 pm Lucky 757 (Rockabilly, Rock-n-Roll) 3:15-4:15pm 5Starr (R&B, Rock-n-Roll)

4:30-5:30 pm J & The Band (Top 40, Classic Rock, Beach, Oldies)

5:45-6:45 pm TFC Band (Motown, Soul, R&B, Oldies, Beach)

7:00-8:00 pm Hot Cakes (Country, Rock, 70's, 80's, 90's)

8pm-9:30pm Better By Tuesday (R&B, Jazz, Funk)

Suffolk TGIF Summer Concert Series

Festival Park, downtown Suffolk

June 14: Fuzz Band

June 21: Nashville Nights

June 28: Vinyl Headlights

July 12: The Original Rhondels

Bennett's Creek Park

July 26: The Deloreans

... and more

Grand opening of Festival Park