



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

February has been another good month for the Colonial Shag Club. We are well into our second series of four-week beginner lessons. The first three lessons in this series were taught by Sandi Alford and David Sawyer. And the last one, on March 2nd, will be taught by Bobby and Judy Chiles. By the end of the third lesson, the students were dancing. I feel that, the sooner new students can start dancing, the more fun they will have and want to continue. We also had a few students from the first series of classes take the beginner lessons again, which is good. A practice session for all beginner students will be on March 9th. A third series of lessons will begin on March 16th, which will also be the night of our St. Patrick's Day party. Speaking of our St. Patrick's Day Party, look for another fun filled night. Watch for details in a future Newsy.

Our Valentine's Party was another good event with ninety-two people attending. The men on the board of directors served our members and guests ice cream with toppings. Of course, we had some help from Patti Walker and Camille Walthall dipping the ice cream. We just needed the ladies to keep things running smoothly. After the ice cream was consumed, these same men handed out heart-shaped boxes of candy to the ladies first, and then to the men. If that wasn't enough, these same men then gave each lady a fresh long-stem rose. This is the way our board feels about our members and wants to show our appreciation for having them spend their Saturday nights dancing at our club's social. We truly believe we should give back to our members. We also raffled off two gift baskets that were donated by Bobby and Judy Chiles, Jerry and Lana Nichols, and Camille and me. This raffle raised \$212 for our club's charity, Menchville House.



One of our club members works tirelessly to make a difference in our Saturday night dance events. Alan Michaelis is the photographer for our club. Alan is also the photographer for Virginia Beach Shag Club, Boogie on the Bay Shag Club, and other shag clubs. And he is one of several official photographers for SOS events. We, at the Colonial Shag Club, have become accustomed to seeing Alan roaming around most Saturday nights photographing couples dancing, people socializing, and club decorations. He frequently takes staged portraits with props appropriate for the event theme. This is only the beginning of Alan's work. After Alan gets home, he edits the photos and puts the photos on our Facebook page. In some cases, Alan emails photos to members for them to enjoy and remember the night of dancing. Also, Alan writes a post on our Facebook to go with the photos that captures the highlights of the night's event. Alan travels extensively from club to club and event to event photographing people just for their enjoyment. Alan is truly a selfless member of the Colonial Shag Club and goes about doing something that he is very good at for the benefit of others. We at the Colonial Shag Club are truly grateful, Alan, for all you do for our club and our members.



Correction of a statement made in the February newsletter — It was stated that Marsha Ruth and Stan Gurganus teach lessons for Boogie on the Bay Shag Club. Actually, Marsha Ruth and Tom House are the instructors for Boogie on the Bay Shag Club.

Looking forward to seeing everyone on the dance floor,
Harry

The beat goes on thanks to our
board of directors and committees

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Nominating — TBD

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Venue Liaison — Harry Walthall, Jerry Nichols, Dwayne Hardy,
Bobby Chiles

Don Milton
passed away on
Thursday
February 8th.



Don and his wife
Delaine were long
time members of
the Colonial Shag Club.

Don and Delaine celebrated their 59th
wedding anniversary on February 1st.

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11 Patty Swan	27 Terry Abbott
12 Robert Calloway	28 Larry Black
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“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

SOS & ACSC Workshop DATES

2024

SOS Mid-Winter & Winter Workshop	January 11-14
SOS Spring Safari	April 18-28
SOS Fall Migration	September 12-22

in North Myrtle Beach

Other shag clubs

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

Boogie on the Bay Shag Club social every Friday 6-9:30pm at *Big 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 *Big 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, NC. See the club’s website

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

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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



CSC SWAG — t-shirts, sweatshirts, tumblers, mugs, shoe bags, and nametags!

See John and Susan at Saturday night socials to place your orders

Virginia Shaggers Hall of Fame dance/induction weekend

March 22-23, 2024

at Double Tree by Hilton, Virginia Beach

Come out and support Colonial Shag Club's own Tim Kroskey

See VSHOF.com for more info



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