



Shag Rag

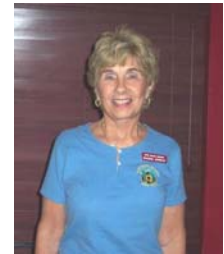
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Dedicated to the Preservation of the Carolina Shag and Beach Music

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE by Marcia Conway

It is so hard to believe that another fun year for the Northern Virginia Shaggers has gone by and it is almost 2010. There have been so many **great events with many wonderful volunteers** that have made these things happen for NVSC.

Many, many thanks to **Dave and Ruth Rapson, Gary and Sharon Salpini** who organized the successful **BAND OF OZ HALLOWEEN PARTY!!** Big thanks go to **Dave Rapson** for his generosity in making it possible for us to have the Band of Oz once again. Thanks also to all the **volunteers** who set up, worked at check in table, donated food and helped with the clean up at Ft. Myers.



Marcia

The last special social event of the year is the **annual Holiday party and dance** from 7:30-11:30PM at Kingstowne Snyder Community Center. The party is free for members so be sure your membership is up to date. There is a \$10 charge for guests or nonmembers. Each member is asked to bring a special dish. Please let Christine Werner know what you are bringing. The guest DJ will be Mike Harding from Greensboro, NC. Please bring an unwrapped toy to contribute to "**Toys for Tots**". It is especially important with the state of our economy that we support this worthwhile annual drive so parents who can't afford to provide toys for their children will have the opportunity through the Marines' annual "Toys for Tots" collection. There will be a couple of Marines coming as our special guests to receive these toys. See the flyer in this Shag Rag for more information.

Congratulations to the newly elected members of the 2010 Board of Directors! The Board needs your support and will always welcome constructive and positive suggestions. NVSC is your club and these board members have been elected to govern and make policies for you. Please volunteer to serve on a committee.

I appreciate your giving me your vote of confidence to serve as your president for a third year. I wish to **express special thanks to the 2009 Board Members, Committee Chairmen and Volunteers** who have given their time unselfishly to the Northern Virginia Shag Club.

Congratulations to our own **Larry Boyer, Kevin & Joan Byrnes** who were just elected to the Virginia Shaggers Hall of Fame!!

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR!!!!!!

Upcoming Events....

- **Saturday, December 5th** — annual NVSC Holiday Party (dinner/dance) at Kingstowne's Snyder Community Center from 7:30-11:30PM
- **Wednesday, December 23rd** — No shag at Rene's — MERRY CHRISTMAS!
- **Wednesday, December 30th** — Pre New Year's Eve Theme at Rene's

NORTHERN VIRGINIA SHAG CLUB

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December Birthdays

Anne	Beeton	12/2
Jeffrey	Niemuth	12/2
Russ	White	12/2
Barry	Kumar	12/6
Ray	Jones	12/7
Victor	Clemann	12/8
Jane	James	12/9
Mark	Samblanet	12/10
Jeffrey	Gaines	12/11
Fran	Pfeifle	12/11
Cathy	Metcalf	12/12
Rondel	Lipps	12/13
Linda	Cosgrove	12/15
Judy	Anderson	12/15
Darleen	Small	12/16
Wynde	Sipe	12/17
Cookie	Bell	12/19
Dave	Rapson	12/19
Michael	Browne	12/21
Gaye	Proctor	12/23
Judy	Hales	12/27
Mark	Ludwinski	12/29
Jeannie	Brandt	12/29
Sandy	Farwell	12/30
Sandra	Traylor	12/31

NVSC COMMITTEES/CHAIRS FOR 2009

* Audit	Dave Bushey
Birthday Cakes	Robbie Mann/Donna Romito
Capital Shag Classic 09	Donna Romito and Sue Young
* Charity Fundraising	Nancy Cox/Kathy Miller
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* Denotes Standing Committee

Welcome to our New Members:

Jim Carpenter, Bonnie Carpenter, Ernie Garcia, Carla Hogue, Terrie Patullo, Gaye Proctor, Justin Thomas, Myron Thompson, Mary Wall





December Lessons

December 2 – DJ, Eddie O’Reilly

Beginner – Basic, Start, Female Turn

Novice – Double Kick Basic, Applejack

Intermediate – Sugarfoot, Back Prep, Front Prep

December 9 – DJ, Craig Jennings

Beginner – Half Turn, Male Turn

Novice – Behind Sailor Shuffle, Pivot

Intermediate – Belly Roll, Pivot into Belly Roll

December 16 – DJ, Eddie O’Reilly

Beginner – Kick Basic, Side Pass

Novice – Hesitation Basic, Pivot, Hug Pivot

Intermediate – Male Half Turn, Boogie Walk

December 23 – NO SHAG

December 30 — DJ Greg B

Beginner – Crossover Basic, Triple Basic

Novice – Tuck from Pivot, Tuck from Half-Turn

Intermediate – Behind Sailor Shuffle, Sugarfoot

NVSC dances the Shag every Wednesday night at

Rene’s Supper Club

3251 Old Lee Highway Fairfax, VA 22030

703-385-0077

Come learn the Shag! Free lessons begin at 7:30

Open dancing from 8:15—11:00

Northern Virginia Shag Club

Holiday Party

Saturday, December 5, 2009

Pot Luck Dinner/Dance

Kingstowne's Snyder Community Center (Franconia area of Alexandria)
6450 South Van Dorn. Alexandria, VA 22315
7:30—11:30 PM

Music by
Mike Harding
from Greensboro, NC

This is a BYOB Event!!
Cost: **FREE** for NVSC Members!! \$10 for Non-Members
FREE to Junior Shaggers with adult!!

Junior Shaggers always Admitted Free

Directions From the Fairfax County Parkway: Go east until you reach Beulah Street, 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 Street. At the 2nd traffic signal, turn left onto Lake Village Drive. Take an immediate left and the Community Center will be a few buildings down on your right.

What to Bring

Side Dish, Appetizer, or Dessert

An Unwrapped Toy for
"Toys for Tots"



BYOB - setups provided

NVSC will Provide

Ham, Turkey and Rolls
Drinks/setups

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

NVSC LOGO MERCHANDISE

Logo Merchandise is available as follows:

Shirts – Many styles	\$18 - \$34
CD Cases	\$15
Coffee Mugs	\$ 5
Baseball Caps	\$15
Shoe Bags	\$20
Golf Towels	\$15
Twinkling Glasses	\$10
Cook Books	\$15
Shagging in the Carolinas Book	\$20



Many shirts are by special order. If you are interested in purchasing any of the above items, please contact *Kathy Miller or Nancy Cox*.

2010 SOS Cards

Our treasurer, John Romito, has 2010 SOS Cards for sale. If you are planning on going to Mid Winters or either SOS in 2010 you will need this card. **Buy through our club \$30.00.** Wait and buy your card in North Myrtle Beach pay \$35.00. **Save \$5.00 and buy now.** If you cannot make it to the Rene's to purchase your card: mail your check to NVSC, P O Box 5522, McLean, VA 22103, include a self addressed stamped envelope and he will mail you your card.

Keep Your Membership Info Current

If you move, change phone numbers or email address please notify Valerie Swiger. You can email Valerie at: valerievms@aol.com.

Not Receiving Hello Shaggers Emails?

The NVSC sends out a weekly **Hello Shaggers** email with news and information about the Club and Club activities. To receive it, send your email address to Nancy Roop at: nsar33@comcast.net.

Where Can You Find the Shag Rag?

The NVSC sends out a monthly **Shag Rag** newsletter with news and information about the Club and Club activities. To receive it in the mail, there is an **annual subscription fee of \$5** to cover printing and postage. The Shag Rag is also available on the NVSC Web Site in PDF Format at www.nvsc.org. Or pick up your free copy at **Rene's on Wednesday Night!** For more information, please contact Maryann Lesnick, Newsletter Editor, at: mlesnick@mlesnick.com.

CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Three longtime NVSC members were recently elected (Saturday, November 21) to Virginia Shaggers Hall of Fame...

Larry Boyer, and Kevin & Joan Byrnes

Each year, the Virginia Shaggers Hall of Fame (Va HOF) takes in 6 new members. Membership is meant to recognize a long history in dance, so shaggers don't become eligible until age 50. Several other former or current NVSC members are in the Va HOF. They are Steve Booth, Janis Grimes, Rick Hendrix, Vesta Jones, Joan McKinney, Earl and Beverly Robinson, Ralph and Vicki Tedesco, and Rodger Woodson.

Every year there is a nominating period. Any member of the Virginia Shaggers Hall of Fame can nominate a candidate (so you can only be considered if a Va Hall of Famer puts your name up for consideration). Nominees do not have to belong to a shag club. After all of the Va Hall of Famers have had a chance to send in nominees, a ballot is made up that lists the names of everyone who's been nominated. Usually there are about 20 to 25 people who are on the list..Then all of the Virginia Hall of Fame members vote from that candidates' list, and the top 6 vote getters are elected into the Virginia Hall of Fame.

Larry and the Byrnes will be inducted at a Va HOF dance early next year. The time and place of that dance haven't been set.

A Special Thank You...

Thank you for the privilege of being your Shag Rag Editor this past year! It has been a lot of fun, and truly my pleasure to serve.

Maryann Lesnick

New Restaurant!

A new restaurant has opened in North Myrtle Beach at Dock Holiday's Marina. It is Milliken's Hidden Reef. It has three different venues: a Tiki Hut open for lunch, a grille/bar and a restaurant which will only be open for dinner. Contact them for more details at 249-733 (REEF).

**Congratulations!!!
Meet your 2010
Northern Virginia Shag Club
Board of Directors**



**Marcia Conway
President**



**Fran Mong
Vice President**



**Dave Bushey
Treasurer**



**Liz Kestler
Secretary**

Directors At Large



Sue Young



Tim Farris



Kathy Miller



**Barry
Newman**



**Richard
(Dick) L.
Prosser**

Band of Oz Party Memories



**The Northern Virginia Shag Club
Presents A
Shag Workshop and Party
With Pro-Shaggers
Charlie Womble & Jackie McGee**

**February
20, 2010**



Warm up your Winter with
Charlie and Jackie
13th Annual Workshop and Party
With the
Northern Virginia Shag Club



Workshops

Fort Myer Community Center

228 McNair Road, Bldg. 405
Fort Myer, Virginia 22211-1199
Phone: 703-696-3470

Classes start at 12:30, 1:45 and 3:00....No partners needed.... Emphasis on good basics & styling in every class.... Difficulty progresses slightly, but Charlie & Jackie teach to all levels of dance.

**Cost: \$10 per workshop for NVSC Members
\$15 per workshop for non-members**

Beat the clock and bring your lunch!

Please be prepared to present identification upon entering Fort Myer
Unescorted minors may not be admitted by security

Private lessons with Charlie and Jackie are available. Please contact David Rodgers at 703-239-8978 e-mail David at rodgersd3@aol.com to make arrangements.

Juniors Receive Free Admission to Both Events!

**DANCE SATURDAY
NIGHT**

DJ Gene Sistare

7:30 p.m.— 11:30 p.m.

at

Fort Myer Community Center

228 McNair Road, Bldg. 405
Fort Myer, Virginia 22211-1199
Phone: 703-696-3470

**Cost: \$10 for NVSC Members
\$12 for Non-members**

New Policy—Cash Bar Only—no BYOB—no Smoking

Directions to Ft. Myer: From Northern Virginia: Take I-395 to Exit 8A for Washington Blvd., take Ft. Myer exit on right. Inside the gate, security checkpoint on right. Then follow main road to stop sign, and turn left on McNair. Look for medical clinic on right, and park just beyond medical clinic. Community Center is across the street from parking lot.

**PRIVATE LESSONS
WITH
CHARLIE WOMBLE & JACKIE MCGEE**

Charlie Womble and Jackie McGee (9 times & 10 times National Shag Champions) will be teaching private lessons on Feb. 18, 19, & 21, 2010 at David & Jerry Rodgers' house in Fairfax Station, VA.

SIGN UP NOW for private lessons with Charlie & Jackie by e-mail at 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 2010 **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 21, 2010.

The first ladies only lesson (2:00-3:00 PM) will be taught for mid-to-upper intermediate level dancers. The second ladies only lesson (3:00-4:00 PM) will be taught for beginner/early intermediate 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 or call David Rodgers at (703) 239-8978 to put your name on the list.

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Contact the Shag Rag Editor, Maryann Lesnick, for more information. mlesnick@mlesnick.com 703-369-5869

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Come Dance with Me Private and Group Lessons in Carolina Shag With David Rodgers Call or email David 703-239-8978 rogersd3@cox.net

"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."

Board meetings are held each month and are open to any and all members who wish to attend. Unless put on the agenda, attendance is for observation, not participation. Please notify the president one week in advance if you are interested in attending the meeting. Copies of Board meeting minutes are available to members upon request from the secretary and posted on the nvshag.org website.



Northern Virginia Shag Club
PO Box 5522, McLean, VA 22103

UPCOMING SPECIAL SHAG EVENTS

- Holiday Dance – Saturday, December 5th at Kingstowne Snyder Center – 7:30-11:30PM
- No shag on Wednesday, December 23rd
- Pre New Year's Eve Theme – Wednesday, December 30th – Rene's
- Junior Champion Brennar Goree's Special Shag Class – Wednesday, January 6, 2010 – 7:30PM – Rene's
- Super Bowl Party – Sunday, February 7, 2010
- Charlie and Jackie Workshop and Dance – Saturday, February 20th



BORROWING SHAG VIDEOS....

is EASY at NVSC!!!

Whether you have taken all of the shag classes offered at NVSC or are just looking for new steps or tips on technique... our club has a constantly growing library of shag instructional videos. These videos contain more steps and tips than you can shake a stick at and they're **FREE to club members!** All you have to do is put down a **FULLY refundable \$25 deposit.**

See **Sue Young** on Wednesday nights to borrow a video!!!