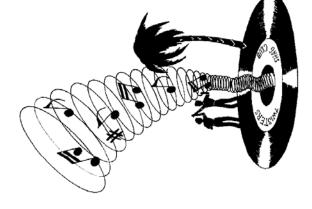
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The President's Letter

Hi friends,

We've had an interesting month. But your club has shown once again that it is alive and well, and no obstacle is too much for The Fun Bunch. I am proud of the way some of you helped step up to meet our July challenges.



As everyone now knows, when the owner and his partner at The Inn split, it impacted their permits. We found out just hours before our Friday night dance and our celebration party for all the shag lesson students that our "home" lounge was not going to be open. It took a lot of hurried work, but we were able to move the party to the Galway Hooker just a few miles away. The party was a success and we ended up dancing there for the next month. It worked out great and we really appreciate their staff helping us out.

Fortunately, The Inn is back open and we are back "home". There are already some more bar stools and tables added for us, and more improvements will be made. Now, we need you and your friends to help keep the place filled on Friday nights. The food is great and the beverages are inexpensive. Plus, the location is perfect.

Peggy and I made it Junior SOS again this year. It was great. Unlike years past, we did not spend the week there. We had gone to the ACSC Workshop in Jacksonville, FL the week before, and from there had gone to Fort Walton, Fl for a few days (to visit an old college roommate of mine). The white sand was awesome. We made our way back across Florida to St. Augustine, and then to Charleston, SC. By the time we made it to O.D., it was Friday again. We knew our condo was rented but figured it would be easy to get a motel room. At the worst, we figured we might end up out on Hwy 17. Surprise... there was nothing anywhere. Even Little River and surrounding areas were sold out. We were very lucky that a friend helped us find a room about the size of a closet at an old, old motel in O.D. Plus we *only* had to pay \$120 per night for it. Geez. Needless to say we won't make that mistake again. Our annual Frozen Fantasy Party was great. I don't think it could have been any better. The weather was even reasonable. We had a great crowd, and everyone had a blast. Thanks Celia and Mike, and also to Nancy and Wayland (and a few others) for their help.

We are running behind on getting out plans for our annual party because of changes in motels, etc. that will be part of this year's event. But "The Reunion – Fall Cyclone 22" will be special. Whether guests have been to one of our parties before or not, this will be the one to attend. We're inviting anyone who has *ever* been to a Cyclone to come back and have fun with us one more time. Of course, first timers are also welcome. Look for lots of special guests, VIP's and more to attend. And please let folks know if they want to be part of this event, they need to get tickets and motel room early (since there is a soccer event in town the same weekend). We'll be preparing our big mailing of flyers soon. When you are asked to come help, please make sure to participate.

Our shag lessons are going well. We have a big group of beginner I and beginner II students this time. We continue to need members (especially guys) to come out and help and dance with our students. And to everyone who has been helping, "Thank you".

We're starting the month of August with a little something different. TSC member Ray Clark has offered to teach a "Concealed Carry" class on Saturday, August 11. Look for more details in this issue. We appreciate Ray offering this opportunity to TSC members (and guests) at a great price. Don't miss out.

Our planned "posse trip" this month will be to the Vinyl Party at The Junkyard. This event is the biggest of the Vinyl Parties, and features music inside and outside. The party has been going on for years, but this will be the last year at this location. Don't miss your opportunity to open your ears to some music you may not have heard recently, or heard before (if you are new to shagging). The party will be on Saturday, August 18th. A flyer is in this issue.

That's it for now. Shag-4-Fun!

Club Meeting Night

Our monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, August 7 at Fat Boys Restaurant (I-77, Exit 36) in Mooresville. Social hour starts at 7pm. Business meeting begins at 8pm.

Martha Baker won the Treasure Chest of \$69. She was not present so this amount will be added to the Treasure Chest drawing in July. The Day Care Drawing winner of \$56 was Greg Long..

We have membership application from Tasha Brown, Trevor Brown, Stephanie O'Kelly and Dustin Turner. Come out and meet these applicants and make them fell welcomed.

Dance Lessons

A new set of lessons began on July 17. We have 35 students in I and 25 students in II. Once again, there is a real need for male members to come partner with female students in both I and II. I do appreciate all the help from all the members who have been coming to help with set up, check in, and in assisting students. Thank you for all your support. We will have 3 more lessons in this series and then will have a graduation party Friday, August 31.

Attention TSC Members:

Do you need a 2012 SOS Membership Card? Benefits are available at various beach businesses all year long. See Dean and get yours today.

Upcoming DJ Schedule For "The Inn"

August 10: Butch Metcalf August 17: Farrell Watts August 24: Clyde Waller August 31: Roger Holcomb

Fun Monday Raffle Tickets Available

- The FIRST Ticket pulled is the BIG WINNER of \$7,500.
- The SECOND ticket pulled will be awarded \$2000.
- The THIRD ticket pulled will be awarded \$1000.
- The FOURTH ticked pulled will be awarded \$500.
- The FIFTH ticket pulled will be awarded \$250.

Every year the Enhancement Committee works to make Fall SOS better by coordinating the Fun Sunday and Fun Monday events. Fun Monday and Fun Sunday are essentially outdoor concerts held at the beach that feature some great entertainment.

This year the Mojo Blues Band will be back from Austria to play some of the best music you've ever heard. Many of their songs have been shag hits over the years. There will also be other groups performing during these two days for the enjoyment of all.

The funds to pay for all the bands and entertainment come from the sale of raffle tickets. Money left after the bills are paid is donated to "Caring For Kids", a great local charity.

Raffle prizes range from \$250-\$7500. Our own Kathy Thompson won \$2000 several years ago. Tickets are only \$10 each and you do <u>not</u> even have to be present to win!

Please consider buying some of these tickets even if you are not going to be able to go to SOS. You will be helping to perpetuate a great shag event, and you will also have an opportunity to win a lot of money.

See Mike to buy tickets. Our club needs to sell at least the 100 tickets we were issued by the Committee. In the past we have sold far more than the original 100 because our members have stepped up to the plate and participated.

Note: Increase your odds. Once again we will run a special deal. Anyone who spends \$20 can get a 1/5th share of *ten* tickets.

The Frozen Fantasy Party

By Peggy Cavin

Twister's members started gathering early afternoon on Saturday July 28, at one of the most favorite of all yearly club events; the famous Frozen Fantasy Party. This is where members and guests alike make their favorite dessert, shooter, cake, pie, or drink that has a little "kick" to it. This party was held at Celia and Mike's lake home. Their beautiful house is a great place for people to gather for an afternoon and early evening of fine food, drink, and the Frozen Fantasy Contest.

The dinner was catered by Fat Boys Restaurant. It included BBQ, baked beans, slaw, and dinner rolls. Plus, after the contest, the remains of all the entries were laid out for everyone to share.

The contest had five judges and if you are one of the lucky judges, you'll want to keep your judge's position year after year. Judges take their jobs seriously (wink, wink) as they taste each of the entries. It's just as much fun for everyone standing by watching the faces of the judges as they taste the goodies. Well maybe not quite as much fun. The club gave our awards in four categories that were open to members and guests. In fact, DJ Bill Edwards' wife Gail won the drink category with her "Apple Pie in a Jar".

Some members brought items they didn't enter in the contest, but I am not sure why. Everything I tasted was great. There were even containers of a certain tasty drink that could be taken home, thanks to Khris who slaved all night to make his brew.

Mike and Celia have opened their home up each July for several years now. But they are probably ready for a break. So if you'd like to host our party next year, let someone on the Board know. The only thing missing this year was a visit by our yearly special guest of honor who usually shows up. Maybe next year she'll come by and grace us with her presence.

Thanks to all our members and guests who came out to party with us. I can't wait until we do this again.

Concealed Carry Class

Where: VFW Building on Sanford Avenue in Mocksville, N.C. When: Saturday August 11th from 8 A.M. until 5 P.M. How Much: \$60 per person

The purpose of the class is to explain to the student the aspects of the North Carolina concealed carry handgun law as it applies to the right to carry a concealed handgun and to teach and apply the fundamentals of safety and basic marksmanship.

At the end of instruction, the students will be able to perform the following objectives in accordance with the information received during the instructional period:

- 1. Demonstrate proficiency in safe handling of the gun to include loading, unloading, storing or securing, and firing the handgun.
- 2. Identify the places that handguns may not be carried even if the individual has a Concealed Carry-Handgun permit.
- 3. Identify the major parts of the revolver or semiautomatic pistol.
- 4. Demonstrate proficiency in marksmanship fundamentals.
- Explain the provisions under North Carolina Common and Statutory Law in which the use deadly physical force would be justified. The instructors will cover G.S. 14-51-1 previously referred to as the "Castle Doctrine" that became law December 1, 2011. G.S. 14-51.2 Home, workplace, motor vehicle protection; presumption of fear of death or serious bodily harm.

Each student will need to bring a gun, gun belt, holster, hearing protectors, protective glasses and 50 rounds of ammo.

Contact Ray Clark at 336-462-6860 if you have questions or don't have all of the required materials, etc.

This class will take place at the Mocksville, VFW. Several of us may be carpooling that morning. Contact Mike at 704-534-4151 if you have interest in riding with others.

Don't miss your opportunity to obtain your permit at a great price

Ramblings from the Road

By Wayland Massengill

Well how do, Dudettes and Dudes? Bare with me on this next installment of literary genius as I find it somewhat difficult to type while still crosseyed from Frozen Fatality, I mean Phantomy, I mean Fantisizomity. Crap. You know what I mean. Big time el grande thanks to Celia and Milk, uh, Mike (the good Mike) for hosting a wonderful evening. Also to the brewers of concoctions that pleased everyone's palate, a hearty thanks. I was glad to be in town for the festivities. I fear I'm getting a rep for just showing up for parties, but hope my small contributions to club functions justify my membership. Just glad to be around you guys.

Speaking of blowing smoke up you're skirt, I'd like to give a word or two about the smoke you may see coming from big trucks out on the road. As opposed to smoky cars that belch out the clouds as if they are mosquito sprayers, the commercial vehicles of today can actually do some damage with the noxious clouds coming out their stacks. Big trucks today have their turbos controlled totally by computer. So, whereas before either a turbo worked or it blew, now there are numerous reasons why trucks can block out the sun.

All that being said the bottom line is that these dense clouds, especially the more dense blue-gray, are pouring unburned residual diesel fuel out the stack. This fuel can adhere to your paint on your car and left unwashed will damage the clear finish protecting the paint. Even more important is the impact it will have to your ability to see out your windshield. Washer fluid will not get it totally off. Hence cleaning the windshield with a mild degreaser such as dish liquid is required to do a good job.

In defense of those I frequently talk about, I have to ask that you do not blame this inconvenience on the driver, as he or she has no control over this situation. Drivers just have to get to the nearest maintenance facility as best we can. You should find it easy to get past a vehicle in this situation because our power is automatically cut in half by the computer to save the engine from overheating from these super hot gases. So, the moral here boys and girls is to thoroughly wash your vehicle to protect your investment in these already pricey machines we ride in and not sit back and watch your paint sag. On another note I should point out it is not a good idea for unbalance individuals, mental or otherwise to stand while on motorized conveyances. That's all for now flocks, I mean floks. Uh folks. See ya where the road ends and the party begins!



\$5.00 ADMISSION AT GATE

The Mission Continues By Mike Rink

If you read the Summer issue of the Carefree Times you know that I was recently on a "mission" that involved scanning covers of all the old Carefree Times Magazines. Those covers can now be viewed on our club's web site www.GoShagging.com.

More recently I took all of those covers and made them into a print. Peggy and I framed the first print and took it to Columbia, SC where we presented it to Phil Sawyer. Here is a picture of that.

We are now working on making the print available to the shagging public, with part of the proceeds going to benefit the Ellen Taylor Foundation for Junior Shaggers.

If you are interested in one of the prints, contact me or Becky Stowe Powell. It's a piece of history you won't find elsewhere.



What's Happening In The Shag World (GoShagging.com Has More Items And Details)

Aug 3, 4: Meet Me in the Middle Party in Greenville, SC hosted by Carolina Shag Club. \$50-\$55. DJs Jack Moore, John Wilson, Terry Hopper, Billy Waldrep and Nick Columbus 864-915-9851 or jrcoley@charter.net or www.carolinashagclub.com

Aug 7: TSC monthly meeting at Fat Boys.

August 10-11: Runway Boogie hosted by the Beckley Area Shag Club. 304-573-1965 or shagbasc@suddenlink.net for more info.

Aug 16-19: Shag Tracks hosted by Choo Choo Shag Club in Chattanooga TN. \$65. DJ's Tottie Brown, Mike Hall, Butch Davidson and Ken Hughes. rmkellar@aol.com or www.choochooshagclub.com for more info.

August 18, Fifties Party hosted by the Lancaster Shag Club. \$5. DJ Roy Childress. 803-285-5254, or jvick@comporium.net, or visit www.lancastershagclub.com.

August 18: The Rock Hill Area Shag Club monthly party. \$5. DJ Mike McDaniel. 803-517-8824 or philip.long@duke-energy.com.

September 2: Dirty Dozen Party hosted by: Sandy Beach Shag Club. \$20. Music by 12 great DJ's. Catered Dinner. 803-760-2947.

Sept 14-23: Fall SOS at North Myrtle Beach.

October 5 - 6: CSA Contest hosted by the Beckley Area Shag Club. 304-573-1965 or shagbasc@suddenlink.net for more info.

Nov 2-4: Fall Cyclone 22 in Mooresville, NC. Details to be announced this month on www.goshagging.com. Get your tickets and rooms quickly. There is a soccer match in town the same weekend and rooms may become scarce.

Upcoming Birthdays

08/01	Roger Trexler	08/31
08/13	Susan Godfrey	09/02
08/15	Mike Rink	09/16
08/22	Vickie Abernathy	09/17
08/25	Randy Godfrey	09/19
08/28	Kathy Thompson	09/24
08/30	Lloyd Crowell	09/25
08/30	Betsy Beard	09/29
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Happy Birthday Dean

...to the love of my life, and my nurse this month. Love, Jimmy

Happy Birthday

...(on July 1) to my wonderful husband Wayland! Here's to many, many more birthdays together.

Love you! Nancy

Happy Birthday Suzanne

Your Friend, Jackie

Happy Birthday

Oops... I forgot... sorry!

Make sure you get your personal ad in next month!

Chicken Salad

By Nancy Massengill

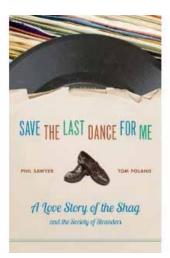
I had several requests for the chicken salad that I use to make the mini sandwiches for several of our events. It is not an exact science! This is the basic recipe and amounts that I used to make the ones for the bus trip.

3 large chicken breasts, cooked, cooled, and chopped
½ cup Duke's Mayo
Salt to taste
Pepper to taste
½ cup smashed potato chips (I use the Wavy variety. Put them in a zip lock bag and smash into crumbs.)
1 small onion, finely chopped
2 ribs celery, finely chopped
2 tsp. lemon juice

Mix all of the ingredients together. I usually serve these in potato rolls, however it is good most any way. Mayo amount can be adjusted to suit your taste. I really don't care for a lot of mayo in meat type salads.

Save the Last Dance for Me

The shag originated in the 1930s. The dance quickly spread throughout the South, where it became a legend in many beach regions. Save the Last Dance for Me is the story of the shag and the development of the Society of Stranders. Phil Sawyer and Tom Poland retell the story of the legendary dance and its iconic presence at Ocean Drive, Myrtle Beach. The book is available in various locations including several at SOS, but can be bought significantly (\$5-\$20) cheaper online.



More Frozen Fantasy Thoughts

By Wilma Laws

Thank you Celia and Mike for hosting (once again) this TSC Fantasy party at your home. You have been so generous in opening your beautiful home on the lake to TSC for this yearly event for years, and each year is just as great (or greater) than the last. Thank you for going over and beyond all expectations for TSC. It takes many hours of planning, work, and preparation for this party that is required to host this party behind the scenes and we do appreciate all you have done.

The weather was warm but "tolerable" with the breeze off the water and the fans sat up in the yard helped make the evening more enjoyable. Bill Edwards provided music for the entire evening, and playing "good" music (the kind shaggers can dance to). I heard many people commenting how much they had enjoyed what he played.

The many desserts provided by club members and the contestants who entered the Fantasy Contest were fantastic. The "judges" had a great time with the Apple Pie (one of the winners). Who knew apples could be so good, and good for you! Congratulations all of you winners!

We will have some space saved for you in the next issue!

Send us your memories or your impressions of any TSC event. We want to hear from you.

Don't worry, you don't have to be a great writer. So please send in something before it's too late!

Blow Pop Tiki Jello Shots

By Stephanie O'Kelly

- 1/3 cup frozen lemonade concentrate (thawed and strained to remove solids)
- 2/3 cup water
- 2 envelopes plain gelatin
- 3/4 cup bubble gum flavored vodka
- 1 tbsp sour watermelon liqueur
- 1 tbsp sour apple liqueur
- neon food coloring, if desired
- Lollipop sticks and mini cupcake wrappers for serving

If using a flexible silicone mold to set the jelly shots, prepare it by spraying lightly with cooking spray. Then wipe out each mold cavity thoroughly with a paper towel. This will leave a very slight residue that will aid in unmolding without affecting the taste or appearance of your jelly shots. A glass or non-reactive metal standard 1 lb loaf pan, or two mini loaf pans, may also be used to set the jelly shots. No prep needed for a pan.

Pour lemonade concentrate and water into a small saucepan. Sprinkle with gelatin and allow to soak for a minute or two. Heat over very low heat, stirring constantly, until gelatin is fully dissolved (approximately 5 minutes). Stir in the vodka.

Divide the mixture into two bowls. To one bowl add the Watermelon Pucker, to the other, the Sour Apple Pucker.

Add a drop of neon food coloring, if desired. (I used a drop of neon pink for the watermelon and a drop of neon green for the apple.)

Pour into mixtures into pan or molds and chill until fully set, several hours or overnight.

To serve, unmold (or if the jelly shots are set in a pan, cut into desired shapes). Cut the lollipop sticks into approximately 1 1/2 inch segments. Immediately before serving, insert into each jelly shot and place each jelly shot in a mini cupcake wrapper.



Statesville Shag Club's 9th Annual Summer Sizzler

Saturday, August 25th, 2012

4:00 p.m-12:00 Midnight

VFW Post 2031

139 Jordan Lane, Statesville NC 28687

Registration Fee: \$25 per person by August 1" \$30 per person after August 1" Only 175 Reservations Available!

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- Music provided by DJs, Gene Hensley and Gene Sistare
- Shag workshop, "The Mayberry", taught by Bob and Helon Page (5:00 p.m.)
- Meal catered by Fat Boys' Restaurant, Mooresville, NC (Serving begins at 6:30 p.m.) (Menu: Chicken, Barbecue, Slaw, Potato Salad, Baked Beans, Rolls, Tea, Lemonade)
- Appetizers and desserts provided by Statesville Shag Club
- Free beer & Liquid Sunshinel
- Special entertainment-TBA
- Silent auction & 1/2 & 1/2 Drawing- all proceeds donated to Hospice of Iredell Co. Area Hotels: Hampton Inn (704-883-8380) Holiday Inn Express (704-978-2800)

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Registration Form : (Names will be on reservation list at the door)

Statesville Shag Club Summer Sizzler

Saturday, August 25th, 2012

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ACSC Summer Workshop By Peggy Cavin

Mike and I attended the Summer Workshop held July 13 – 15 in Jacksonville, Fl. Somebody had to do it. Somebody had to have fun on behalf of TSC. Lucky us! The Workshop was held at the Wyndham Jacksonville Riverwalk Hotel where it was when the First Coast Shag Club hosted the ACSC Summer Workshop in 2009. They put on a great party. Everyone was treated royally.

Mike and I left on Wednesday July 11 and drove the whole distance. It was such an easy drive with Interstate roads all the way. We did make a side trip and stopped in Columbia to visit with Phil Sawyer. Mike presented him with the print he had done of all the Carefree Times mail-outs and Carefree Times from both Fall and Spring SOS since 1991. Dr. Phil looked great and we spent some time chatting. He told us he will be at Fall SOS if he has to bring his own personal doctor with him. And knowing Phil, he will do just that. We got to Jacksonville that night in time to gather with everyone at their Wednesday night dance spot with DJ Tony Gonzalez. It was a nice walk along the Riverwalk to the club.

The Early Bird Party Dockside on the Lady St. John's Riverboat Thursday night was fun. Again, the DJ was Tony Gonzalez. The food was awesome and everyone had a great time.

There was an afternoon Shuttle to and from the Town Center Mall that was a treat for everyone who went. There was a special performance by Lesa Hudson and Rick Strickland Friday night.

In the Hospitality Suite on Friday was the "Mana-tea Party" with free food and free pour. The Sangaria was awesome! Saturday afternoon the Hospitality Room was hosted by the Shag Club Coalition. There was a Chinese Auction each night and a 50/50 drawing Saturday night. The dinner Saturday night was wonderful.

The dance workshops were taught by Ellen Taylor and Bill and Brenda Barber. The 'A' Team DJ's were Jim Agee, Eddie Anderson and "Wild Thang" Murl Augustine. Other DJ's throughout the weekend were Jimmy Lucree, Jerry Munson, Jane Harrigton and Paul Spaulding.

Murl hosted the pool party on Saturday and their were tons of people there enjoying his music and his funny business! It was scorching hot that day but no one noticed. There was just too much fun going on around the pool. Mickey and Minnie Mouse showed up to add to the fun. Wonder who those two characters where? "Mickey" played the part well, ask Mary! Thanks Sun Coast Shag Club for a great weekend.

Mike and I added our own TSC Posse trip while in Florida. We left Jacksonville Sunday and headed towards Destin and Pamana City Beach for a short vacation. We had never been to the Gulf of Mexico side of Florida and heard it was beautiful. It was a side trip, too, to visit an old college roommate of Mike's in Destin. They hadn't seen each other in 30 years! Needless to say, it was an awesome trip and very enlightening with the stories that were heard on Steve's houseboat in Destin Harbor.

We left there after two days and headed east again to St. Augustine where we stayed a night. Before leaving, we had lunch at Osteen's Restaurant just over the Bridge of the Lions on the harbor. Great food. The Key Lime Pie and Coconut Cream Pie were to die for. After we left St. Augustine, we stopped in Charleston for the night before heading on to North Myrtle Beach and two days at Junior SOS. This year, there were a record number of kids and grown-ups registered. It was all a fun time. Those kids always are amazing.

Several tanks of gas and 2000 miles later, were back at home and glad to be there! Now to get my surgery done so I will be ready for a big time at Fall SOS. See you soon!

Keep up with the latest TSC news by logging on to our web site (www.GoShagging.com) and our Facebook page. Make sure to "like" our comments so they get priority listing in news feeds. We also make a monthly phone call to members, and send out weekly emails. If you aren't getting either, please let use know by emailing TSC@GoShagging.com or calling Mike at 704-534-4151.

Lounges I Have Enjoyed Recently

By Ray Clark

On Thursday night, July 12th, I went back to TJ's Night Life in Raleigh to see Bo Schronce and The Fantastic Shakers. The band was awesome and one of my favorites. They played lots of top beach songs. There was a great crowd of dancers there. DJ Jenny Farmer-Hamid played before the band started and during breaks. Jenny played a wonderful assortment of songs, including several line dances and the dance floor stayed packed all night long.

A fish dinner was prepared by legendary beach music DJs "Big John" Ruth (the Beach Music DJ on Radio Station 102.9 on Sunday afternoons), "Soul Dog" Neal Furr, and Bob Graves. I got a chance to talk with "Big John". The fried fish was delicious and accompanied by slaw, potato chips and Red Hots.

TJ's Night Life is home to the Raleigh Shag Club and a great place to dance. Beach bands and DJs are always there on Thursday nights and you can check out the weekly bands scheduled at www.tjsnightlife.com. Ricky Lipscomb takes pictures every week and he posts the pictures on TJ's website under Photo Gallery.

If you are ever in the Raleigh area, you should check out TJ's Night Life for yourself. The owners, Ray and Joni Hall and Dan and Fonda Notch, will make you feel so welcome. I have also made friends with Margaret Griffin (President of the Raleigh Shag Club), and club members Martha Webb, Patti Battle, Karen Brown, Phyllis Pike, Debra Fearing, Liz Ross, Barbara Fields, Jenny Farmer (Hamid), Joey Hamid, Wes and Madeline May, Michael Edge, Ann Stephenson, Janice Stevens and many more. They are some of the nicest people in the shag world and a very friendly group of dancers!

On Friday night, July 13th, I went to another dance club in the Raleigh area called Tuxedo Junction. Tuxedo Junction is located in Wake Forest, North Carolina and home of Wake Forest Shag Club. The Holiday Band sounded great and we danced the night away.

As an added bonus for some, Phil Ford appeared with The Holiday Band and was promoting his charity for obese kids. Phil Ford had a table set up where you could talk to him, buy T-shirts, or purchase tickets for the door prizes drawn during the night. You could also have your picture taken with him or get one autographed. For all you Carolina fans, I am sorry I did not buy you a t-shirt or autographed picture. I made better use of my money.

Tuxedo Junction has a large dance floor that was crowded with some of the same shaggers mentioned above and we danced another night away.

I have visited both of these shag clubs before and I highly recommend that you visit either one or both of these clubs if you are in the Raleigh area. Tell the RSC members hello from Ray. I know you will agree with me after your visit how friendly and welcoming the RSC members are.

An Intoxicating Frozen Fantasy

By Susan Dahl (One of the Fun Bunch)

Maybe at one of our Frozen Fantasy Parties I will bring an entry, but probably not! It is too much fun being a Judge. What a great variety of frozen goodies with a "zing". Congrats' to all the winners, and a huge "Thanks" to Celia and Mike for hosting at their gorgeous home with the best lawn I have ever seen in the South. Of course, in Illinois, we had grass that luxurious due to our good black soil. Thanks also to everyone who brought appetizers.

Mucho Gracias to Mike, Peggy and Nancy Massengill for running the show. So glad Wayland could join us. Loved seeing all the new "kids on the block" from dance lessons and new members.

Bill Edwards played the best music. If you didn't go due to the hot weather, it was your loss. There were huge fans in the yard and on the terrace, and the clouds came over which helped tremendously. Great fun was had by everyone. See you at the meeting, and then, before we know it, SOS. Yea!

A Special Thanks!

By Susan Dahl

My great-nephew Clifford has Batten Disease, which is a rare neurodegenerative disease found in children who eventually will have vision loss, seizures, clumsiness, memory loss, and personality and behavior changes. There are ten forms of Batten Disease that cause mental and physical deterioration. With some life expectancy is 5-13 years, and the longest is late teens to early twenties. Clifford is 15 yrs. old now, has been blind for several years, and is now experiencing some seizures. This is an inherited disease in which both parents must carry the defective gene. At this time, there is no treatment or cure available.

There are many fundraisers throughout each year for research. I helped at one a year ago, in Davidson, and then was asked to do a shag demonstration, lesson, etc. at their 2012 BDSRA Conference in Charlotte, July 21. I never could have done this by myself, and cannot thank Ken, Doris, Kathy Thompson, Roger and Robert Parker enough. They were my "Saving Grace". I had Ken and Doris demonstrate the original shag. Kathy taught the Basic with the female turn, etc. Roger and Robert and Ken danced with the ladies. Those who were there for the shag demo were relatives of the Batten Disease kids. Four of them were my relatives. Anyhoo, we also showed the pivot and belly roll. Ken and Doris did the Double Pam and Duck Walk. We also did the Stupid... I mean the Cupid Shuffle and Electric Slide. Clyde Waller had made me a great CD with some of Ken's favorites, my favorites, and a few of everybody's favorites. I made copies and gave out to everyone who attended. I also gave a copy of brief history of shag and SOS.

They gave Twister's a plug by having our name at the door of the room. I am sick that I did not take my camera.

I am so grateful to my shag buddies for their help with the lessons, demonstrating and dancing. They really did most of the work. Everybody seemed to have a good time and had never seen the Shag before. Thank you! Thank you! Thank you!

Beckley Area Shag Club's 11th Annual RUNWAY BOOGIE

AUGUST 10th and 11th, 2012 HERN'S HANGAR **Beckley Raleigh County Memorial Airport** Exit 125B off I-64 East, Beaver WV

Hall of Fame DJ Ed Timberlake

Pro Instructors: Charlie Womble, Jackie McGee & Ellen Taylor

FREE soft drinks, water, set-ups and snacks both days! BYOB and BEER

Party hours: Friday 7:00 pm - 1 am - Sandwiches and snacks provided Exhibition Dances Both Friday & Saturday Nights

Saturday: 2 FREE WORKSHOPS with Pizza afterwards

Party Hours: SATURDAY NIGHT DOORS OPEN AT 5:45 pm - 1am

Saturday at 6:30 a buffet dinner will be available

The Holiday Band performs at 8:00 on Saturday Evening

Shuttle Service to and from the Sleep Inn, Microtel and Hangar both nights! This party always sells out ---- get your tickets early

Send \$70 per person with self-addressed stamped envelope: BASC, PO Box 395, Beckley WV 25802 Charlie Cline cwcline@suddenlink.net 304-228-9938

Karen Callahan shagbase@suddenlink.net 304-573-1965

Sleep Inn, Exit 125 B-I-64E, Beaver, 304-255-4222 Room Rates \$70.00 per night. Mention Beckley Area Shag Club when you make your reservation. Shuttle service to and from the Hangar Friday & Saturday nights! Microtel Inn & Suites, 1001 S Eisenhower Drive, East Beckley WV 304-255-2200 Exit 124 (5 miles from Hangar) 100% non-smoking \$79.99 for a single (suites extra).

You must provide a name with each ticket purchase. Tickets are non refundable but may be transferred

Name(s): Primary Shag Club:

Address:

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