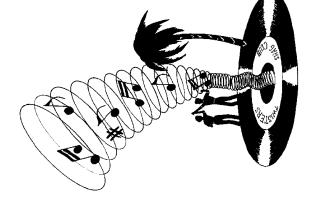
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The President's Letter

Hello my fellow Twisters friends!

I want to thank all of you several times!

First, thanks to everyone that came out to the Halloween party. It was great to see all of the different costumes and the creativity folks had. We had a lot of fun!



One of the biggest surprises to me was all of the enthusiasm and interest that was applied to the pumpkin decorating contest. Folks brought stuff to dress out their pumpkins and we had some great ones out there. If you didn't know, ours had the little alligator arms on it to match Scott's bum arm he has been nursing since back at the Frozen Fantasy Party. It was a great time and I'm sorry if you missed it. So start planning your 2018 pumpkin now!

Together as a team, once again we did it. We put on a Whirlwind Party that folks will still be talking about when we go back down to SOS in 2018. It all is attributed to everyone's hard work and willingness to step up and make this event successful. It makes me proud to say that I'm the President of such a great group of people that make up Twisters Shag Club.

Thanks to everyone as well who attended the Christmas event. A special thanks to everyone who took the time to dress for the occasion. There were some great outfits that night.

It's always good to see folks come out and enjoy our time together. I hope that everyone had a joyous Christmas Holiday Season and Santa brought you what you wanted this year.

By the time this letter comes out we will have already finished up with another big year end New Year's Eve event. As of this letter, we were only a few tickets away from selling out. This goes to show how the shag community is rebounding back. The arrival of the new year means it will soon be time for electing officers for the Twisters Shag Club Board. Kathy Lentz has agreed to head up the Nominating Committee again. If you have interest in a position or you want to nominate someone for the 2018 Board, please let her know no later than Friday, January 12. Remember, a nominee needs to have attended at least six meetings in the previous year and be willing to serve as an officer.

The focus on 2018 for every Twisters member, including me, should be to focus on new memberships. We are looking for quality folks just like you and me that have the same vision for the club to not only just have parties and good times, but also work for TSC and help perpetuating the dance to keep Carolina Shag alive for future generations.

The Board has discussed some different ideas based around the dance lessons starting with the new set in January. Our current plan includes free beverage tickets and a 30 minute dance/social/meet & greet between the two dance classes each Tuesday. Come to the meeting Tuesday night to learn more.

We are also open to your ideas. Take time to write them down on a card, piece of paper or even a napkin if nothing else and give it to a board member. More importantly we need everyone to help put plans into action. We can't expect one person to "do it all", so let's focus on working as a team to achieve our goal.

I look forward to seeing everyone at Mid-Winter SOS, which is now just a few days away. Hope has booked the room, and the feeding of Buttercup (the mini horse) and Brown Eyed Girl (the mini donkey) are also in place as well. Have beer will travel.

Cheers,

Barry Wray

See Peggy at the meeting if you need a 2018 SOS Card to attend Mid-Winter

DJ Schedule For The Finish Line

Jan 05: George Ward Jan 12: Tommy Samole Jan 19: Roger Holcomb Jan 26. Jeff Foster

Feb 02: Butch Metcalf Feb 09: Billy Waldrep Feb 16: Clyde Waller Feb 23: Buck Crumpton

THE FINISH LINE LOUNGE WILL HAVE SHAG DJ's every Friday this year except the Friday of our Winter Whirlwind.

Happy New Year! By Mike Rink

Twister's Shag Club members and friends brought in 2018 with a sell-out crowd at the Finish Line Lounge.

The fun started at the Fairfield Inn with a pre-party that was very well attended. Everyone enjoyed great food and beverages, and two guests walked away with a free night stay, courtesy of TSC. Then, a bus took those staying at the Fairfield to the event.

The Finish Line was completely filled, but not too crowded, and everyone was there to have a good time. When midnight came, we enjoyed a traditional champagne toast and then a very tasty, full breakfast buffet. The last guests didn't leave until nearly 2am.

Peggy and I spoke with a lady from Rock Hill the next morning before we left the Fairfield. She was very complimentary about our whole party. She said, "When you go to an out-of-town event, it can be a hit or miss thing. Sometimes it is good, and sometimes it is bad. But you guys hit it out of the park. We plan to make this an annual tradition "

Overall, I think it was one of the best NYE parties we've had in a long time. Many thanks to Barry (who was sick) and Hope (who had to work the next day) for heading up this effort, and also to those who helped by bringing food for the pre-party. It just goes to show things are always better when the Fun Bunch is involved.

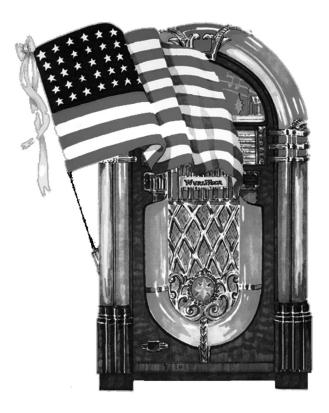
Mid-Winter Party

Are you going to the beach for Mid-Winter? It is January 11-14 (or the 15th if you get Monday off for MLK day).

On Saturday, Twisters Shag Club will host another gathering for members at guests in the "Duck Pond", the back-left corner of Ducks Beach Club. The party will start at noon. At 1pm we will have a meal of fried shrimp, slaw and hushpuppies. Don't be late.

If you are staying until Monday, don't forget the "I'm Not Leaving And You Can't Make Me" party at Fat Harolds on Sunday night at 8pm. It is always fun.

If you can't go to the beach this time, please make an extra effort to come out and support the Finish Line Lounge. Your help can ensure another great crowd on a Friday night!







Happy Late Valentines Day. <u>Please</u> Let Me



Get Out Of The Doghouse



Hosted By Twister's Shag Club On Friday, February 16th

At the Finish Line Lounge in George Pappas Victory Lanes just off I-77 exit 36 (Hwy 150)

DJ: Clyde Waller



Singles And Couples, This Party Is For you!

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Coming To This Party Is One Of The



Twister's Shag Club 2017-2018 By Peggy Cavin

The older I get, the faster time goes. I can't believe it's almost the end of another wonderful year.

I love the fact that our club is one of the most active in the ACSC. We gather during Mid-Winter to enjoy a "Tea Party". In April at Spring SOS we normally have two or three tea parties and maybe a golf outing. In September, it's Fall SOS. Again, it's "tea parties" and gatherings throughout the ten days. Oh, and how can I forget the Sunday night "I'm Not Leaving And You Can't Make Me" parties? There is always a funny story to come out of that party. Just ask Bob Rea! Plus, there is always that "little corner" of Harold's that is always crowded with TSC members and friends when we are at the beach. We truly are the "Fun Bunch"!

During the year, we have our annual party, The Whirlwind, now that the Fall Cyclone has been retired. This will be our third year for The Whirlwind. It's much smaller and we've changed the format to make it easier to host. But we still have the same fun we've had for the 25 years of the Fall Cyclone.

We've also added the Junior Cyclone in March for the kids. This March, 2018 will be the third year. It's been fun and seems to be growing in attendance each year. We love seeing these up-andcoming shaggers having fun, learning the shag's history, learning what it takes to become a DJ, taking part in a drawing contests, participating in workshops, and doing other activities that have been planned for them. We also have \$1 hot dogs, \$1 pizza and all sorts of other things for a mere \$1. Plus, we're planning to make the food even better this year.

Just as with annual parties, our members are devoted to our guests at Junior Cyclone both young and old, showing them a good time. It's heartwarming seeing these young people come from all around to join their friends for a weekend of fun. And, we are the hosts to these outstanding kids. We are helping make a better future for all.

In 2017, we had a fun Valentine party. Our Halloween party was hilarious with gift cards given in several categories for best costumes etc. We even had our first pumpkin decorating contest. That will be an added, annual attraction to our party. The big Christmas party, again, featured clever outfits and was fun. I think the more participation we had, the more fun we had.

We have a small club, but it seems like a large club when we all work together making things happen throughout the year. What's in store for 2018? Your guess is as good as mine, but I do know that it will all be great.

As I'm writing this article, we are getting ready for our New Year's Eve party. It is happening again at the best dance place around, The Finish Line Lounge. It's an ideal spot for a big party. The facility is awesome. The huge dance floor, the tasty food, and the bar area are all outstanding. It's just a perfect place to come together with members and guests alike to bring in the new year. We will have a pre-party at the Fairfield Inn for members and guests. I'm sure Hope Wray has fun things planned for everyone at the hotel for a pre-party. Last year it was a blast.

After a whole evening of fun, Willie, the Finish Line Lounge's manager, will have a wonderful midnight buffet for us. What a great way to end 2017, and start 2018.

I know by the time the newsletter comes out, we'll be into 2018. What great things will happen in coming year? We'll just have to wait and see.

My wish for 2018 is that we will recruit more new, *good* members, and our current members will become more involved, bringing new ideas for fun times, and making us a bigger and better club!

Do you need a 2018 SOS Membership Card to go to Mid-Winter or the Spring of Fall SOS events? The card also gives you discounts and other benefits at various businesses at the beach all year long. You can save \$5 by getting your card through TSC. See Peggy Cavin to get yours at the meeting.

Thanks For Giving Us...

The holiday season is over. We all had a lot to be thankful for. But sometimes it is easy to overlook that many things this shag club offers us during the year, and to be thankful for them, too. In case you need some reminders, here's just a *few* examples of things the club pays for and/or offers its members during the year:

- A club web site (www.GoShagging.com) and a Facebook page
- An online photo site with free pics and discounted souvenirs
- A 24 hour telephone line for club news and info
- One of the shag world's best newsletters
- A phone calling machine and email notes to keep you informed
- A large storage building to house and protest TSC property
- \$5 of the cost of each SOS membership bought by a member
- \$5 of the cost of every shag lesson taken by a TSC member
- Cash drawings held at our monthly meetings
- Birthday cards, and other cards sent to all members
- Discounted club T-shirts and other apparel
- Discounted memberships at BJ's wholesale club
- Sponsorship of the Junior Shag Association's web site
- Membership in the Lake Norman Chamber of Commerce
- The bus for bus trips, plus food and beverages when the club goes to other events (Members only pay for the cost of a party ticket.)
- Food, beverages and a DJ for the Frozen Fantasy Party
- Golf outing beverages and snacks
- An annual bowling party
- Discounted New Year's Eve Party tickets (and the shuttle)
- Tea Parties at the beach during SOS and Mid-Winter
- Dicsounted Whirlwind Invitational tickets
- Food for members working setup, etc. prior to the Whirlwind
- Other various free and discounted local parties
- Prizes for our Valentine's Day Party
- Prizes for our Halloween Party
- Prizes for our SOS Kickoff Parties
- Much, much more!

There is also the benefit of being part of an organization that has a 27-year history of various successes and achievements, *the* most famous annual parties, and a club that has won multiple awards while perpetuating the music and dance. All these things should make you very happy and proud to be member of TSC.

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2018 TSC Membership Renewal Form

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Name(s)

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messages (yes	no	_) phone message	es (yes	no)?

If you checked "no" to any of these questions **or** if your name, address, phone # or email address has changed within the last 12 months, please list the appropriate contact information below:

Are you currently a member or user of "Facebook"?		/	
	HIM	HER	

Name a party or social activity that TSC has hosted, or *could* host that you like or you think would be fun for us to have this year:

Put a "check" beside *two* or more committees you are willing to help with. Put a "C" beside any you are willing to Chair.

HIM	HER	WEB SITE / FACEBOOK COMMITTEE
		Submit ideas, updates, links for our site / page.

HIM	HER	NEWSLETTER COMMITTEE
		Solicit and/or submit articles and more for the
		monthly newsletter.

HIM	HER	MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
		Dance at special events, distribute flyers, come
		out Tuesday to encourage students to join TSC.

HIM	HER	PHOTOGRAPHY COMMITTEE
		Take photos and submit them for TSC uses.

HIM	HER	PUBLICITY COMMITTEE
		Distribute flyers to promote TSC or activities
		and help with Facebook or email publicity.

HIM	HER	DANCE LESSONS COMMITTEE
		Sign in students or be a partner for students as
		needed on Tuesday nights.

HIM	HER	SOCIAL COMMITTEE
		I will help plan, set up, work and tear down at
		least two shag events/activities this year.

HIM	HER	MEET & GREET COMMITTEE
		Be responsible for greeting and welcoming
		guests to our weekly, Friday dances, etc.

HIM	HER	OTHER - <i>Please list details of anything else you can do to help TSC prosper this year.</i>

To go to the Mid-Winter, Spring or Fall SOS events at the beach you have to be a member of SOS. TSC Members get a \$5 discount if you join SOS or renew your SOS membership through TSC. (You can pay for both memberships at the same time, if you wish.)

Number of SOS Memberships requested at \$30 each:

Number of membership renewals requested at \$20 each:

Renewal includes your pledge to actively participate in TSC, and to support and promote the prosperity, health, welfare and future of Twister's Shag Club at all times. *Thank you for all you will do for your club!*

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What's Happening In The Shag World

GoShagging.com and our Facebook page also have info.

January 11-14: Mid-Winter at North Myrtle Beach, SC

Feb 9, 10: Keepers (Of The Dance) Contest At Fat Harolds

February 16: "Get Out Of The Doghouse" After Valentines Day Party at the Finish Line Lounge

February 24: Shaggers United at the Salisbury Elks Lodge. Party starts at 6pm. DJ's Mike Rink, Dana Grubb, Ervin Ellington, Mike Harding, Buck Crumpton and Steve Carter.

March 1-4: DJ Throwdown at North Myrtle Beach

March 16, 17: ShagAttack at North Myrtle Beach

March 23-25: Junior Cyclone in Mooresville. Help perpetuate the music and dance. This event is designed for those under age 21, but adults accompanying juniors are welcome.

April 13: SOS Kickoff Party at the Finish Line.

April 20-29: Spring SOS at North Myrtle Beach

July 17-22: Junior SOS at North Myrtle Beach

September 7: SOS Kickoff Party at the Finish Line

September 14-23: Fall SOS at North Myrtle Beach

October 13, 14: Shag Attack HOF Inductions at NMB, SC

November (1) 2, 3: Whirlwind Invitational hosted by Twister's Shag Club at the old Mooresville NC skating rink. Awesome DJ's, a fun mixed doubles contest, raffle for a jukebox, FREE workshops, FREE meals, nonstop FREE adult beverages and much more. Info available later this year at www.GoShagging.com.

December 31: New Year's Eve Party hosted by Twister's Shag Club at the Finish Line Lounge.

Monthly Meeting

Our monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, January 9th at The George Pappas Victory Lanes center in their back room.

John Alford was the lucky winner of a BIG Treasure Chest last month. Don't miss your chance!

Upcoming Birthdays

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Barry Wray	01/08	John Grice	02/01
Peggy Cavin	01/19	Linda Denney	02/05
Wilma Laws	01/23	Karin Dickson	02/08
Howard Smith	01/29	Beverly Forrester	02/11
		Marylee Kreamer	02/12
		Celia Hunter	02/21
		Charles Binder	02/23

Thoughts From The VP

By Rich Hardick

First off, I would like to take this opportunity to wish all of our members a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. As we close the end of 2017, we all had great times at the Golf Outing, Winston-Salem Shag Club bus trip, the Frozen Fantasy Party, and all the special parties we had at the Finish Line.

I would like to thank the other board members for their efforts this year. I would also like to thank all the club members who helped in making the Whirlwind the success that it is. Thanks also to all the people who attended our dance classes. We are looking forward to some of you becoming members of our shag family.

The upcoming year will provide new challenges for all of us, and we will have to work out any issues that come up. We will also need the help of every member to attract new members to our club. If you have any ideas to help TSC be better, please let a board member know. Keeping shagging and have a great New Year.

Thank You, Susan Dahl!

By Greg Long

You can't imagine how pleased I was to receive the special, oneof-a-kind commemorative bottle from Susan Dahl at the December meeting. It memorializes Clemson's 2017 National Football Championship Game win over Alabama. (Sorry Barry. I had to include that. You are getting another chance this year.) It also commemorates my years there as a trainer for the football team.

I was blessed to be able work for the Clemson University Athletic Department from 1980 to 1985. We won our first National Football Championship almost 36 years ago in the 1981 Orange Bowl. I've always felt doubly blessed that I could be there that particular year. Really, what ARE the odds?

The lighted bottle she created is a beautiful sight to behold. I am very proud of that gift. I've enjoyed displaying it at work and enjoyed the many compliments it has received. Clemson's 2017 National Championship Decal is a gorgeous sight to behold!

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Shaggers United

The Annual Shaggers United Party in Salisbury will be Saturday, February 24th. Dozens of TSC members have enjoyed this event in recent years. Six DJ's will be there to play the music. Light food is provided and beverages are very inexpensive.

Seating at this fun event is limited. But Mike Rink has purchased two sponsor tables. If you want a reserved chair (which includes party admission), see Mike. They are only \$15 each.

A Dated Note From John Alford

Thank you to everyone who said a prayer or thought of me last week while I underwent knee surgery. My Orthopedist said everything went as expected, and I should be able to resume dancing and golfing again sometime in December. I am already able to achieve the 90 degrees of flex in my knee and I can also fully extend it out, which is encouraging.

Many of you know that Lisa and I did manage to show up Friday and Saturday for the 2017 Whirlwind Event. Despite not being able to shag, I had a tremendous time helping out with Raffle Sales Friday night and helping "sample" the Bloody Mary's Saturday morning. Barry made Lisa a White Russian Friday night, and after a few sips, she came to the Raffle Booth and proceeded to tell me that she couldn't feel her lips any longer.

Kudos to all of our club members who helped make this a successful event. I heard from many people Friday night in the Raffle Booth how much they look forward to this event and how we do such a great job pulling it off year after year. I can say that it made me proud to be a TSC member.

Happy Veteran's Day to all of our TSC members and their family who have served, or are currently serving our country in the various branches of the military. Your willingness to serve and put your life on the line to promote freedom is greatly appreciated.



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Junior Cyclone III

The third annual Junior Cyclone will be here March 23-25. It's the biggest and best inland shag dance event for those under 21, and an awesome activity for everyone who participates. Thanks to hard work and accumulated funds from the past two years, admission will be free for TSC members who help out this March. More info will be coming, soon. Mark your calendars, now!

The Whirlwind Party By Rich Hardick

First I would like to say "thanks" to all the members of Twisters who helped, before, after and during the Whirlwind to make it a great success. We were short on help for work slots due to roughly 10 members who had other commitments. So special thanks go out to the members who did extra slots to pick up the slack.

Now, on to the event itself. The party was a huge success. I would like to thank all our guests who came to shag the nights away and have a great time. In talking with our guests, they all said it was a great party and that they would do nothing to change it.

Guests liked the fact that we have plenty of room for all attendees to have a seat during dinner. They all enjoyed the meals, the great bar, and all the munchies. I did not hear any bad comments on the party, just good ones.

Again thanks to all the members and guest for a very successful party. See you next year.

Whirlwind Invitational

By Dan Woodrome

Wow, what a great party! The only thing that Michelle and I regret about the party is that we were not able to be there Friday night! Everything seemed to go so smooth from setup to the actual party, and then teardown. There were some problems before the event got started. But, everything worked out and the party was just as we had planned, a great time for everyone in attendance. The changes that have been incorporated, as a result of putting on the Junior Cyclone the last two years, have really made a difference in setting up, and tearing down this party! Thanks go out to everyone that worked so hard to make it a success.

Michelle and I had a great time this year working in the Raffle Booth again this year. What added to the fun was working alongside Celia. It was great having her years of experience in the booth. I'm sure I speak for both Michelle and Celia, when I say thanks go to everyone who walked the floor and helped in selling the raffle tickets. Hopefully, all of you had as much fun as we did interacting with our guests.

As members of the Twister's Shag Club, we should all be very proud of our party. I'm sure while working with the guests you heard many expressions from them about how much they enjoyed themselves, and what a great party it is! Not only did I have the opportunity to hear comments like that at the party, but Michelle and I heard such expressions from individuals who were mailing in their ticket requests to us. I don't know how many times we heard how they were really looking forward to the party with comments like "Twister's sure knows how to throw a party" and "this is the best party we've attended".

But aside from these and other comments, what really tells me just how great of a party we have is the fact that individuals came to our party from 11 different states (NC, SC, VA, TN, GA, FL, WV, MD, KY, IN, and PA). Now tell me, how many individual shag clubs can say their party has so many attendees year after year from so many different states? I would venture to say, few if any!

So fellow Twister's members, congratulations! We did it again! We have every reason to pat ourselves on the back and celebrate another fantastic party. Hey, the CBMA might not have recognized the Whirlwind Invitational as the year's best shag party, but we all know better!

Comments About Our Annual Party

Some of the things our own members liked about the Whirlwind:

- DJ's played a great variety of music.
- Good DJ's all weekend.
- I got a lot of hugs from the guests. They remember Twister's members faces from year to year.
- Once again, the size was great!
- Registration went very smoothly.
- Seeing our guests having a great time and hearing all the sincere "thank you" comments and for "a great party".

Some of the comments and input from guests about the Whirlwind.

- A man from Washington, D.C. said we had a well-run event. He declined going to another event closer to his home to travel many hours and attend our event.
- It was a well planned party.
- It is the best party around.
- Enjoyed the selection of DJ's.
- Everything is so organized.
- How organized we are and how we pay attention to details was stated by several guests.
- That this is the best party in the Shag World even better than SOS at the beach.
- It's a fabulous party! We love the music, the hospitality of Twister's Shag Club and the entire arrangement you've developed! Great job!
- Liked having Shoe Center there.
- Liked the smaller number of guests compared to the Cyclone.
- Numerous attendees expressed thanks to all members of Twister's who worked so hard to put on such a great party.
- Several said they like Whirlwind better than SOS!
- They were impressed by the speed of the food line.
- They like the food, the dance lessons and the dance contest.
- It is a very well put together event.
- We have a good club with very friendly members.

Note: DJ Association VP Mike Rink has raffle tickets. They are only \$20 each. You do not have to be present to win.



Saturday Free Food From 2pm-4pm Saturday Dance Lessons with Ashley & Tobitha 11am- \$10.00 Saturday Noon - 6pm Vinyl Party in Ducks Cafe

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