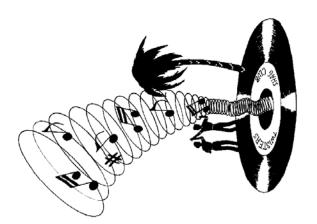
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All info must be submitted by the 15th of the preceding month.

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The President's Letter

Hello Fun Bunch,

I'm writing this as I wait for the last load of "SOS Clothes" to dry. Write a little, pack a little – that type of multi-tasking I don't mind. April has been such a busy month; I can't believe we are already compiling the newsletter for May.

If you missed our "Day With Ellen Taylor" you missed a day of fun and fellowship. I've probably attended hundreds of workshops but I always learn something new. This one was no exception. Ellen gave us many good suggestions during the Instructor's Workshop. Hopefully, we will be able to incorporate some of them into our lessons. Now I want to see the Jump Hesitation on the dance floor at SOS. The food was fantastic thanks to Nancy Brody and so was the wine. Robin, you should be proud of Charles and Beverly. They did a great job! I hope we can continue this tradition of workshops and wine! Many thanks to everyone that helped pull off this event.

We had a ton of visitors at the SOS Kickoff Party. Thank you to everyone that invited others to the party. The food was great and plentiful thanks to Dean Melton. We raised \$200 for the Junior Shaggers thanks to Susan Dahl who generously donated her 50/50 winnings. I also want to thank everyone that sold 50/50 tickets.

The month of May will also be busy. Don't forget the golf outing at Fox Den. Even if you don't play golf, come out for the food and fellowship afterwards. All details are listed later in the newsletter.

The dryer has stopped so it's time to pack some more! I hope everyone takes notes at SOS and surprises their friends by documenting their antics in the next newsletter.

Our next business meeting is on Tuesday, May 6. Come out for dinner before the meeting.

See ya on the dance floor.

Frankie

Party Time Is Coming!

Our next big TSC event will be on Saturday, May 17th at Fox Den Country Club (I-77, exit 45). Don't miss the fun.

Men and women, members and guests are invited to participate in the Captain's Choice golf part of this event. Tee time is 11:28. You must be there between 10:30 and 11am so teams can be formed. We've got plenty of tee times, so come have some fun.

At 5pm, we'll have food on the back deck at the clubhouse. Everyone is invited, whether they participate in the golf or not.

The whole facility is brand new and beautiful. The outside, covered deck is very nice. There are ceiling fans, chairs and tables.

It also has a smooth floor. We'll have music, so feel free to bring your dancing shoes.

Again, even if you don't play golf, don't miss out. This should be the biggest and best after golf cookout/party we've ever had.

Price to play golf is \$45. Price for the cookout/party is \$5 for members, and only \$10 for guests. This meal will be catered by the clubhouse, so we don't even have to do any work.

We need to know how many people plan to eat, so the facility can plan ahead. Please call one of our social chairs (Dean Melton at 704-262-7616 or Nancy Brody at 664-6260) or email the club (tsc@goshagging.com) and let us know if you plan to come.

Please don't wait until the last minute. Remember, it is better to say "yes" even if your plans change later than not to let us know, and then show up expecting to eat.

To get to Fox Den, take I-77 to exit 45. Go West two miles and Fox Den will be on your right. The actual address is 136 Fox Den Circle, Statesville, NC.

Shag Club Meeting News

At our last meeting, eighty-three members and eleven guests attended. The Treasure Chest of \$83 was won by Dennis Johnson.

The next business meeting will be on May 6th at Fat Boys Restaurant (I-77, exit 36) in Mooresville. Music starts at 7pm. Members are encouraged to come early and enjoy the delicious buffet. The business meeting begins at 8:00 PM. Coupons are available for \$10 that are redeemable for \$15 in food or beverages.

Raymond Clark, Brad Johnson, Erin Johnson, Greg Long, Marcia Long, Lawren Montgomery, Tony Weisner and Brenda Weisner have submitted applications to join TSC. Each will need to be at our meeting to be voted on. Come out and meet them!

Remember, you may be the next member to win if you are at the meeting this month! Plan to dance afterwards.

New Member Profiles

By Tommy & Wilma Laws

Welcome to Twister's Shag Club Lena Flinchum! Lena lives in Huntersville and works at Amazing Pottery in Birkdale Village. She has a son and a daughter. Her daughter is attending Appalachian and her son is in the Boone area. Her hobbies are dancing, art and music (especially since she became interested in shagging). Lena had been taking Ballroom/Latin, etc., dance lessons at the Havana Club in Cornelius. She heard about Friday shag nights and became "curious". She decided to go to Havana on a Friday night and observe. She thought shagging looked like fun. The people there were very friendly and invited her to the lessons at Fat Boys. She began taking shag lessons and it opened up an entirely new world for her. Everyone at the lessons made her feel so welcome, and she found the instructors to be knowledgeable and helpful. She plans to go to the first weekend of SOS, return home and return back to OD for the second weekend of SOS. Sounds like shagging has become a household word for another shag lesson student!

Twister's Shag Club Members Present

A Celebration Of Life Party In Honor Of Ramona Hawley

Friday, May 9th From 8:30pm-1am At The Havana Social Club

DJ: Clyde Waller

All Of Ramona's Friends And Relatives Are Invited To Come Eat, Drink And Be Merry.

Come party with some great people in honor of a wonderful lady we lost way too soon.

There will be food, friendship, fun, and dancing.

(No cover charge on this night.)

For more info about this event please call:

Susan Dahl (704) 528-8005

OR

Donna Hord (704) 394-5628



Going To, Or Places At The Beach

This column is all about the quickest ways to get to O.D., the best places to eat, and the best places to buy gas, etc. It will continue every month when items are submitted. We need to hear from you!

From Kris Sloop

I am an interstate kinda guy. I hate taking those back roads through the small towns and hitting all those traffic lights. My way might not be the most direct route, but it works for me.

Take I-77 South all the way to Columbia, SC .From there take I-20 East until you get to I-95. This is where you might think I am crazy but it will take you around Florence. Take I-95 North for about 7 miles to exit 170. Make a right at the top of the ramp. This is Hwy 327. Take 327 to 76 (probably less than 10 miles but I have not measured it). Make a left on 76. It will take you to 501. Take 501 South. Here is the cool part. 501 of course will take you right into Myrtle Beach if you want to go there first, but if you want to go straight to the fun in N. Myrtle Beach you will need to take 22 East (Conway By-pass) to 90 East. (Signs are very well marked for N. Myrtle Beach) Now, 90 East will run right into Hwy 9 and 17. Take 9/17 South if you are heading straight to Ocean Drive. As I said before the roads to the beaches are very well marked.

And now for the disclamer. The person writing these directions has used this route many times but cannot be held responsible for any wrong turns incurred. So if I said South and it is East or vice-versa don't hunt me down and bop me on the head. Always have a map on hand to confirm where you are going or buy a Tom-Tom, Garmin or other GPS unit. Have fun!

From Robin Nantz

Did you know that there are about 6,500 different wines available to the consumer in the United States?

Alcohol when consumed in moderation will increase HDL (good) and decrease LDL (bad) cholesterol.

Irby Bouknight's Retirement

Al Brandon

Some of you may not be aware that Irby thinks he has retired. His retirement was announced at the Ellen Taylor workshop and the following wine tasting event. Irby has indicated that he is going to take it easy (I guess he means easier than he's been taking it), but he does not have any definite plans. I think we should all congratulate Irby on his retirement and help to make sure that he is not forgotten just because he is no longer in the work force. Therefore, if you have any small chores of any nature that you could use some help with, please give Irby a call at 704-857-3060. He is particularly adept at tasting wine and beer, as well as expounding on the fine points of cigar smoking. Irby is certainly entertaining at TSC parties, so if you're having a birthday party for the kids or grandkids (or even just a party, party), give Irby a call. By the way, since Irby is sleeping a little later in the mornings, it would probably be a good idea to call late at night so as not to interfere if he is sleeping late.

I did not ask Irby's permission to let you know of these events, but knowing Irby I'm sure he does not have a problem with any of the suggestions I have made. If he gets enough requests, Pat may have to retire to keep up with his schedule and appointments.

So Irby, from all of us may, you have a long, healthy, and happy retirement!

SOS Fun By Tim Davis

Many thanks to all the Twister's folks who entertained my friends, Jane and Danny Cooper, who are retired public school teachers from Salisbury, NC. Danny was so taken that he wore Twister's original red tee shirt again Sunday, including late lunch to Ella's at Calabash, NC.

Their five year of age grand-daughter, Macy, got to see them on our trailer tram during the parade festivities, too.

Shag Lessons With Ellen Taylor

By Geoff Siege

First of all, what a great ambassador of our dance Ellen is. She travels wherever she is needed to promote our dance and not only that, to dance it correctly and with fun.

Pam and I attended the workshop Ellen did at the Huntersville VFW a few weeks ago. We have known Ellen for several years and have had some good times with her. I always felt like she was critiquing me and I was a little uncomfortable to dance with her because she is such a good technical shag dancer. After the teacher training session, I felt much more relaxed with her and what she is trying to bring across about shag dancing.

A couple of things she said really hit home with me. First she said everyone has their own style and interpretation of the dance. If you try to be someone else or copy them, it will never happen. She said to make sure you get a good foundation (the basic) and know it well (should not have to count). So many do not learn this simple element correctly and then try to progress on and never really advance with their skills. She also said to make sure and keep your footwork tight. When teaching the dance, instructors are responsible to not only count the steps, but watch the footwork and make sure that it does not get too wide.

She also reiterated the point that unlike other similar dances, shag is a smooth dance with no bouncing or jerky movements. She gave us a technique to eliminate the bounce by starting off with your heal on the floor and rolling to your toes. It was pretty hard to do but would work if you practice. There were so many other things she emphasized, especially that the woman is just as important as the man in the dance and the two need to compliment each other.

Overall she made us feel comfortable with the dance and defined it more clearly. We appreciate her knowledge and dedication to the shag dance and passing her wisdom on to us. We will take this instruction and use it for the good of the dance! Thanks Ellen.

When I Grow Up And Retire

By Charles Munday

When I grow up and retire I know what I want to be. I want to be Robin Nantz. I like wine, she likes wine. She sells wine, I would like to sell wine. She does wine tastings, I like doing wine tastings. It's a great job and someone needs to do it. You just drive around to stores and put wines on their shelves and look at all the others. Taste a little here, taste a little there, I'm liking her job even more.

The wine tastings are the most fun of all. You get to pick out some really neat wines that you think everyone will like. Of course you have to taste each in order to give your honest option. (I'm liking her job even more.) Then you take them to an audience that is just chomping at the bit to taste them. An audience that is watching everything you brought to see what it looks like and what it is. Is it sweet? Is it dry? Is it red or is it white? What type is it? So many questions that it keeps everyone's attention.

You have people to help you carry the wines in. You have people to help you set up the tables. You have people to help you set up your display. You have people to help you open the bottles. You have people to walk around and pour for you. You have people that help you clean up. You also have people to help carry everything back to the car, if there is anything left, Ha ha? This can occur if you are sure to order too much, so you will have to take it home to finish it off. (I'm liking her job even more.)

When the tasting starts, the real fun begins. Oh? Did I also say that I have an expert interpreter to say all those fancy names so I would not sound like a doofus? She is cute too and I get to take her home with me with the extra wine. (I'm liking her job even more.) Now no one really cares about the expert (that's me) after about the third bottle, especially if you are pouring heavily. (That just may be the secret.) And as the expert and Grand Marshall of the event, I also have to taste each wine so I can give everyone else time to taste theirs. (I'mm likiiing her joob eveen moore). As my assistants walk around the room and pour, I get to tell about the wine and it's characteristics. Here again, after the third bottle of heavy pouring they listen to everything and think is absolutely the truth.

I think this is the only place that I have ever been where people will completely consume their wine while they tell you this is not one they care for... as they lick their glass. They don't care. They paid for this. (II'mm likiiinGg her joobb evveen moorre.) Then the end and you ask, did everyone enjoy the tasting, Why yes. Duh?

Now there is only one thing left to do. Get out of the way and protect yourself as you ask if anyone would like to come up and help finish off the opened bottles.

I know it will take a lot of years of tasting to become the expert that she is, but I am willing to step up and drink whatever it takes to learn, do my part, drink, tsate, slurp my willngnees as I should. (I'mm likiiing her joob eveen moore.)

Now you know "The Rest Of The Story" about why I want to grow up to be Robin Nantz.

Wine Tasting

By Brenda Hatley

We did not get to the dance instructions because my daughter-inlaw's father died and the funeral was Saturday. He was a sweet kind man and many people will miss him.

I heard that everyone had a great time at the workshops and learned a lot from the "Day With Ellen Taylor".

We got to the American Legion around 6:00 with our friends Al and Diane Brandon to meet up with the rest of the Fun Bunch. Our group saved a big table just for me because I need a big table. Ha ha! Pam told everyone that they needed to save a big table because Brenda & Arnold was going to join them at the wine tasting.

Pam, Rodger and I served wine while Charles and Beverly told everyone about the different wines. We all had a good time! Food was good, wine was good and so was the dancing. I enjoyed seeing and talking to all the Twister friends and our visitors.

What's Happening In The Shag World

GoShagging.com Has More Items And Details!

Note: Party flyers & club mail can be viewed at monthly meetings.

May 6: TSC Meeting. Social 7pm, Meeting 8pm.

May 10: Lexington Shaggers Monthly Party. \$7. DJ Johnny Bass. 336-357-0011 or lexingtonshaggers@hotmail.com.

May 10: Gaston Shaggers monthly party hosted. \$6. DJ Tommy Samole. 704-827-1770 or patsyfuller@carolina.rr.com.

May 16-18: Shaggers Holiday hosted by Islander's Shag Club. \$40. DJ Murl Augustine. 843-762-7861 or knkshag@earthlink.net.

May 16-18: Mountain Boogie Walk at Hern's Hangar hosted by the Beckley Area Shag Club. \$50. DJ's John Smith & Ed Timberlake. 800-294-0855 or shagbasc@earthlink.net.

May 17: TSC Golf Outing, Meal and Paty. Details in this issue.

May 23: Statesville Shag Club Sock Hop. \$7. DJ Gene Hensley.

May 29-June 1: Palmetto Shag Club's Southern Comfort. \$50 - \$60. DJs Booger Brothers, Jim Bowers, Skip Mallios, Gene Hensley, Rodney Still, Gene Sistare. www.palmettoshagclub.com or 803-796-6106 or npowell09@aol.com.

May 31: Benefit dance hosted by Greater Triad Shag Club. \$5. DJ Jim Wayne. 336-288-3651 or pwayne7@msn.com.

June 7: Local Area Shag Club Party. More details TBA soon.

June 14: Monthly party hosted by Brushy Mountain Shag Club. \$6. DJ Roy Childress. 336-838-4144 or hauser013@aol.com.

Jun 12-15: Shag-A-Ganza by Golden Isles Shag Club. \$60. DJs Paul Spaulding, Murl Augustine and Mike Harding. 912-266-7871

June 20-22 Shaggin' on the Boulevard by Charleston Area Shag Society. \$45. DJs Larry Edwards & Eddie Teeter. 304-744-2388

June 21- Boone Shag Club's Boogie to Boone. \$25-\$30. DJs Larry Calhoun & Gene Hensley. 828-7736246 or caweathers@msn.com.

June 28: Bus Trip to the Oldies Party At Tanglewood Park. \$10 for members, \$20 for guests. DJ Roy Childress. Info soon.

July 11-13: ACSC Summer Workshop

July 17-20: Junior SOS

July 26: TSC's Turntable Treasures Vinyl Party & Fundraiser

Sept 12-21: SOS Fall Migration.

Nov 7-9: The Fall Cyclone. More info on www.goshagging.com

This Month's Birthdays

Rick White	05/01
Sherry Eason	05/04
Cindy Rea	05/06
Betsy Chapman	05/14
Jeff Firestone	05/15
Ellen Kidda	05/16
Charles Munday	05/20

Barb Cella	05/21
Roger Lemmond	05/21
Frances Smith	05/21
Bill Blanton	05/27
Gene Sigmon	05/28
Jim Horton	05/31

Next Month's Birthdays

Lawren Montgomery	06/03		
Chuck Willingham	06/04		
Pam Rink	06/06		
Mary Jo Ridgeway	06/07		
Jim Ridgeway	06/12		
Debbie Green	06/13		
Iris Binder	06/17		

Audrey Brock	06/18
Marvin Chapman	06/19
Khris Sloop	06/24
Jennifer Finney	06/27
Beverly Rowse	06/27
Milly Humphrey	06/29
Warren Moretz	06/29

Please come out to Havana Social Club on Friday, May 2 and help Sherry Eason celebrate her 50th birthday. Normal "over the hill", "half a century" and similar abuse is appropriate and expected. Help us have fun with this significant birthday. See you there!

Happy birthday month to Charles!
I know you are looking forward to our trip to that big mud hole during your birthday month! Thank you! Thank you!
Love you very much, Beverly

Full set of golf clubs, 3 iron through pitching wedge, driver 5 wood, putter. Very nice clubs. Excellent for beginner, cavity back. \$50..Ellen at 704-892-1565 or 704-307-3871.

Happy Anniversary Walter.

Forever my best friend and soulmate. Can you believe it? Twenty-nine years and counting. The best is yet to come! Thanks for your patience this last year and a half while I have been out of commission for shagging. I know we are both happy to be at least partially back in action and hoping to be in full swing soon! All my love, Frances

How fortunate am I, to have a husband like you, Someone I love so much whose love is so true? You're the love of my life and the man of my dreams. Happy Birthday, Jim. Thanks for dancin' with me! Ann

To Bill Blanton: Happy Birthday Darling! Thank heavens you don't act or look 61! Hope we celebrate many, many more together. Loving you in Lincolnton.

Great Wine And Great Dancing!

By Jennifer Finney

Saturday, April 5th John and I, along with my Mom, went to the Huntersville American Legion to enjoy wine and dancing. When we first got there everyone was sitting down with their wine glasses ready to drink up! Riesling was the wine of choice. This is a sweet dessert wine (and I'm glad because that's all John will drink when it comes to wine!) Boy this wasn't like most wine tastings I've been to. Usually you get just enough wine to wet your tongue and that's it. Not with Twisters! We enjoyed at least half as glass of five or six different types of Riesling wines.

By that time, we were feeling pretty good and someone finally turned the lights down (that always helps you to dance better somehow). Clyde Waller was the DJ and he always plays the best tunes. John and I danced with each other and several different partners too.

I enjoyed talking with Frankie about her retirement and John and I are looking forward to taking some more private lessons with her and Dennis. We were not able to come to the earlier workshop that day but later on in the night we were able to talk to Ellen Taylor and get some pointers on our dancing. She taught us a new way to incorporate a Cha-Cha step into the shag. She is SO very talented! She told my Mom she had rhythm. Of course that made her whole year! Overall it was another great night with TSC!

Ellen Taylor Workshop

By Marvin and Betsy Chapman

It amazes us how Ellen Taylor can keep getting better and better. The lessons were awesome and Marvin and I love learning a new step or move from her.

She is the best there is and we hope that Twister's will continue to have her come back each year. You cannot get any better than Ellen Taylor.

SOS Kickoff Party By Sherry Eason

We had a great crowd and lots of food, drinks, fellowship and dancing at the pre SOS party on April 11. Thanks so much to Dean for providing the leadership on this one. The food was awesome and there was plenty of it. It was a wonderful night.

Thanks also to BJ Tarles for bringing the singles group. We need more people to step up and invite friends to our Friday night events. We have a wonderful place to gather and we need to show our appreciation by showing up. It was a very fun night. Everyone was having a great time, the dance floor stayed full. Mike Rink was spinning some great tunes. We had a number of people come from the beginner lesson group also. Make sure to welcome the people you do not know, so they will want to come back. Asking newcomers to dance is even better.

Lately, it seems we have had more non-members than members at our events. We appreciate our newcomers, but as members of Twister's, we need to try to be at Havana to welcome our visitors, show hospitality, promote the shag and live up to our nickname of "THE FUN BUNCH".

If you missed this party, you missed a good time, join us next time!

Balloon Ride

From Robin Nantz

Don't count your chickens before they hatch. Isn't that what your Mamma always told you? I stayed home from the recent wine tasting at TSC because my daughter Heather was supposed to go on a beautiful, romantic balloon ride over Lake Norman. Little did she know that her boyfriend had planned to propose to her. I wanted to be home to get the call from her and see the ring. Well, now 1 and 1/2 weeks later, no balloon ride yet. Who knew that balloon rides were so finicky on the weather? Apparently all conditions have to be perfect. Well our secret is still kept, so hope and pray for good weather soon!!!

Puzzle Theme: What TSC Is About!

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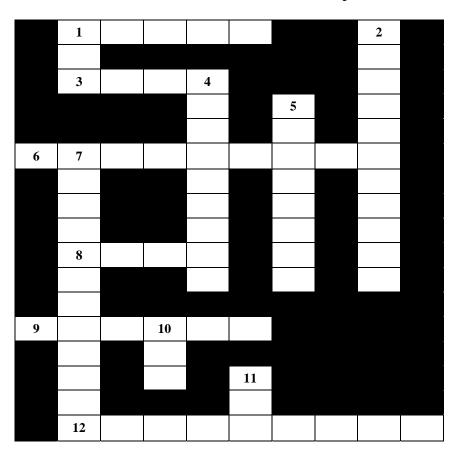
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- 1. Outing just "fore" fun
- 4. Initials of our club president
- 5. Chief "meet and greeter"
- 6. Our club
- 8. The party that will "blow you away!"
- 10. Best Friday night dance spot!
- 13. Author of "Queenie's Medical Moments"
- 14. Best use for feet

DOWN

- **2.** TSC members are know as the ____ bunch
- 3. Spinner of tunes
- 4. Location of out monthly meetings
- 5. Spring and fall PARTY at the beach
- 7. Our dance
- 9. Cyclone month
- 11. Month of Spring SOS
- 12. He'll ask you to smile while snapping a photo

Puzzle 2 Theme: The Fall Cyclone



ACROSS

- 1. What we will start doing on Thursday before the Cyclone
- 3. What the Shakers will put on Sunday
- 6. The early risers will make this happen on Sunday
- 8. If you pay attention to number four, you'll be able to show off a new one of these!
- 9. Participate in this and maybe win big!
- 12. You'll come away with at least one of these from the party

DOWN

- 1. This party is as good as or better than _____!
- 2. This committee will make everyone feel welcome!
- 4. The best way to learn a new move is to attend one of these
- 5. Something we all need to pitch in and do when the party is over
- 7. This committee is the first to meet guests
- 10. Be sure to work your assigned slots, but don't forget to have this!
- 11. See this committee to get the party started!

I saved this space for you! That's right, I'm talking to YOU!

This was where your article was supposed to be. I guess you didn't get it finished in time?

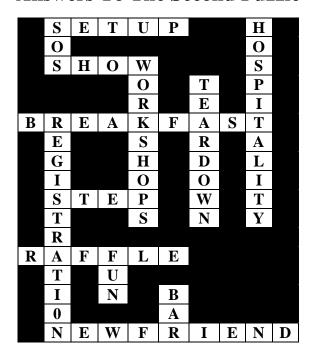


There should be a lot of great memories from SOS and from recent TSC events. Please write up something about yours. All your friends want to hear from you.

Answers To The First Puzzle



Answers To The Second Puzzle



What Is Lock Bouncing?

From Bill Blanton

There is much in all media forms about a procedure called Lock Bouncing. I have seen this so-called masterful trick performed on cable, You Tube, and written about in any number of articles.

The question is, does it work? My answer to you is yes. Under the right conditions and with hours and hours of practice it is possible.

The most commonly used lock in the world is a Kwikset. Why? Its cheap. If you don't request a certain lock when you build a house, 9 times out of 10 you will be given Kwikset keys or something worse that the builder found on sale.

I sell Kwikset locks by the cases and they serve the purpose that's intended; to keep someone from walking into your house. I'm saying this to remind you that the real enemy of a crook is time!

If you have one lock, put on two. If you are not satisfied, buy and install an alarm system. If you take time away from a would-be break-in guy you have won. He will always look for the easy way in... picking or bouncing locks is his last hope.

The neighborhood you live in and how well you keep your family and friends informed of times you will be out of town or not at home will do more for protecting your home, than worrying about some booger nose kid bouncing your locks.

Most of us will die from polar bear attacks or alligator attack way before our locks are bounced!

Don't forget that the first Friday of every month is when we celebrate member birthdays at Havana.

Come out and share warm wishes with your friends, and help them celebrate their special day!

Queenie's Medical Moments

By Pam Siege

Organ donation. Yuck! What a topic! The gross nurse in me must be coming out! But you know... it's a real issue and everyone needs to know what their options are!

Organ donation is about living. It's about life!

You could help someone to have a new chance at a healthy life. They could go back to normal, productive living with their families and friends. You have that power!

One of the most amazing parts of medicine is organ and tissue transplantation. The need is by far greater than the available.

How can you help? There are more ways than giving up that kidney!

- 1. You can spread the word that donations are needed.
- 2. Make a finacial donation to programs that are aimed at increasing donations
- 3. Participate in events to raise awareness
- 4. Make sure you check that little box on your driver's liscense that says you are a donor
- 5. You can donate clothes to the kidney foundation or that old car no one else wants this part of medical science gives so much hope too so many people around the world. They have a new chance to live an active and renewed life.

Don't take your organs to heaven with you; Heaven knows we need them here. ~Author unknown ~

Don't forget all the fun we will have on Saturday, May 17 at Fox Den Country Club. It will be an awesome event.

Photography Committee Notes

From Brian Holt

Photo Committee Meeting May 6th 7:00 at Fat Boys. We will meet prior to the TSC Monthly Meeting at 8:00. Please plan to attend.

I would like to thank everyone on the Photo Committee for the photos in April, including the Ellen Taylor Day, Pre-SOS, and SOS for the ones who made the trip to the beach. April was a busy month and I trust that everyone had a great time! Please remember to get your photos of any events, lessons, or meetings to me or Mike Rink as quickly as possible so they can be added to www.goshagging.com. It is really helpful if you write the event, date, and your name on the top side of the disc with a sharpie marker. Also, you do not have to be a committee member to submit photos. Since I was not here most of last month, I need anyone who took photos at an event to let me know via e-mail, or write it down and give it to me with the photos so that I can make sure that you receive points for your help. I appreciate the great work so far, please sign up for any of the events below that you are attending in May and June!

May 6th - TSC Monthly Meeting: Need one volunteer to take photos of the new members and one to play the slide show.

May 13th - New Lessons: Need one volunteer to take photos of people signing up and of the lesson and one volunteer to play the slide show.

May 17th - Cookout and Golf: We have a volunteer to take on course photos, but we need a couple additional photographers for the cookout and party.

June 3rd - TSC Monthly Meeting: Need one volunteer to take photos of the new members and one volunteer to play the slide show.

June 24th - Graduation for Lessons: Need one volunteer to take photos of people signing up and of the lesson and one volunteer to play the slide show.

June 28th - Bus Trip - Need 2 volunteers to take photos.

Havana - Every Friday Night - Take pictures if you go.

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