

## R & B Shag Club of Spartanburg



1981-2009

# shag Lines

JANUARY 2010

Association of  
Carolina Shag Clubs



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### A Message from your President:

This note was written in bits and pieces as I've thought about our shag club over several days.

Someone asked me the other day about being the president. I responded by saying this shag train is up to full speed; my job is to just keep it moving on the tracks. All the hard work has been done by a lot of people before me. I just hope I can do a good job for the club. I'll need lots of help, too, so please jump on board anytime! Just remember that you get more OUT than you put IN. As you help with various projects, you get to know your fellow members. At our get-togethers, dance with a lot of people—not just the one you came with. Shag is a social dance, so get up and socialize! Ladies, it's a good thing to ask a guy to dance; we like that!

We've got a great board again this year, so before we get started, I'll say thanks to these folks for coming forward and volunteering their time and talents.

I'm beginning the writing of this newsletter on New Year's Eve at 4:00 pm while waiting to go to the Marriott to hear The **Out-of-Towners Band** and DJ **David O'Quinn**. We're looking for around 300 people from all around the area, and I look forward to a really good time. Phyllis is my running mate for the night.

I'm sending a special thanks to **Tommy Armstrong** for all his leadership and passion for R&B; what a "**Great Ambassador**" for our club. I hate singling out just one person because it has been a team effort to get us to where we are today, but Tommy comes to the front of my mind when I think of R&B—and you too, **Phyllis**.

So, let's keep the train rolling—laugh, smile, dance, and act like a kid again. It's our turn to play!!! Enjoy this great music and our wonderful dance. Great times are ahead!! Let's have fun!

Being your president will be a fun trip for me. I already know lots of you, but I want to know ALL of you. Please corner me, introduce yourself, and let's chat a bit.

Now it's Sunday January 3. The New Year's party was a huge hit!!! The **Out-of-Towners** were great! **Steve** sang his heart out and our DJ "**Little**" **O'Quinn** did his thing—played great music and put on a little show—moon-walking as a Michael Jackson "almost" look alike. O' you're the best—love ya **David**.

Went to the Marriott's fourth anniversary party for "**First Saturday**" at the Marriott last night. Over 100

people braced the cold and showed up to celebrate 4 years of good times. It was 20 degrees outside but "hot" on the dance floor with lots of really good dancers from far and near—another good time to add to my memory bank. We appreciate and send a special thanks to **Mark Felbinger** and his staff. We are so lucky to have them in Spartanburg.

I send a special thanks to **Betty Kirtley** at **B&D Jewelers** who is always donating something special for the club to auction to help keep our financial head above water. You are a blessing!!!

That gal who puts this newsletter together is on my case to get this Page 1 letter to her so she can put *Shag Lines* in the wind, so, Fellow R&B Shaggers, some of y'all have known me for a long time, and some don't know me at all, so here's a little background on your new "pres." I was born in the old Mary Black Hospital (torn down many years ago) in 1946—delivered by Dr. Sam Black, Jr. I graduated from Spartan High in '64 and from Wofford College in '69. I learned to do the basic shag when I was in the 10<sup>th</sup> grade at my cousin's house. She taught me the 8 count, and it was hard to change to the 6 count, but I did a little secret on counting. I would ride around in my car and count out loud 1&2..3&4..5..6 while tapping my feet to the count. Now, I've got it—most of the time. In high school we played beach music 24-7, and went to the beach anytime we could. O.D is where we went—the Pad, the Barrel, and Sonny's on the pier at Cherry Grove. Great times we had!! Drank Pabst's Blue Ribbon at the beach clubs, saw the Hot Nut's Band there one night plus Motown, the Drifters, Marvin Gaye, the Temptations, the Four Tops, etc, etc, etc. I have always loved the music and the dance and still have over 100 old 45's.

Spartan Marketing School Fundraising is my business. My sister **Joy** and I sell gift wrap, candy, cookie dough, and much more to schools throughout the South. We have been in business for over 20 years. Joy, a retired school teacher, decided to help me 7 years ago, and God bless her for changing careers. In the office we have a fun time and, of course, shag music is playing.

I love dogs; golden retrievers are my favorite, and I saw this bumper sticker the other day and love it! "**Wag More – Bark Less**" Good advice!

*Chuck Johnson*



## Happy Birthday!

**JANUARY '10**

02 Stan Rochester  
 03 Mike Swords  
 04 Roy Bishop  
 07 Laura Catto  
 07 Pat Jones  
 09 Regina Lail  
 09 Travis Sims  
 11 Eddie Baker  
 12 Mickey Campbell  
 13 Brenda Heatherly  
 13 Sonny Quinn  
 14 Ellen Knothe  
 14 Johnny McCraw  
 15 Bill Coggins  
 15 Diann Higgins  
 15 Pam Land  
 16 Danny Rhodes  
 17 Candy Hanna  
 19 Sherry Collins  
 19 Jo Ed Mitchell  
 20 Larry Brehmer  
 21 Roger Hayes  
 21 Pamela White  
 22 Peggy Stacey  
 24 Cathy Campbell  
 27 Homer Miller  
 31 Alan Caldwell

**FEBRUARY '10**

05 Danny Scott  
 09 Bob Anderson  
 09 Randy Fulbright  
 09 Dot Jarrett  
 10 Sue Bergman  
 14 Donna Brehmer  
 14 David O'Quinn  
 14 Linda Seifert  
 16 Ralph Heatherly  
 19 Vicki Hasen  
 21 Kathy Day  
 22 John Bowles  
 23 Jim Wood  
 25 Cynthia Brown  
 26 Dwain Faulkner  
 26 Sue Jones  
 27 Sid Robinson  
 28 John Bainbridge  
 29 Edward Peeler  
 31 Terry Bennett

**ROMANCE BLOSSOMS IN THE SHAG WORLD**

**Greg Brown** met **Cathy Campbell** at Wild Wing Café at a Sunday Shag night on October 12'08 and they married Nov 7'09. They have just returned from a honeymoon cruise and live in Forest City, NC.

On their first date, **Richard Andrews** took **Patty** to the Sunday Community Band Concert at USC-Upstate and then to shag at Wild Wing Café in Sep '08. He usually plays the euphonium in the band but wasn't playing that night.

**Jerry & Beth Steifle's** son **Ben** who is a graduate of Clemson and MUSC College of Pharmacy is recently engaged to **Katie Haskell** who is a graduate of the College of Charleston and will soon complete her master's degree in education at Anderson University.

**Peggy Stacey & Hershel McCray** who married, Nov 14'09 did much of their "courting" at our shag events.

**Charlotte Phillips's** left hand is now sparkling with a beautiful engagement ring from **Mickey Campbell**.

**CONDOLENCES**

**Gay Feinstein's** mother **Lois Loflin** died January 7, at the age of 86. Please remember **Gay** and **David** during this sad time. Their address is 205 Woodlake Drive, Spartanburg, SC 29301,

**Christina & David Graham**

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**DECORATORS NEEDED**

A Sign-up Sheet for Hosts/Decorators will be at the January Party. Please look at your calendar now (See dates on Page 4.) and sign up to help out one month. Call **Kathy Blackwell** 472-6459 for more info or to sign up.

**RECENT NEW MEMBERS**

It's great to welcome these new members: **Doug Duffie, Wilton Kanode, Richard Kingston, Carolyn Owens, and Ethyl West**. We closed 2009 with 291 fun-loving members. Let's top 300 in 2010.

When you see someone with a **red** guest name tag or recognize our new members, prove our friendly reputation by introducing yourself and ask them to dance.

**GOOD READING**

Since it's too cold to be out and about, stop by the Library and check out one of these books to curl up with on the sofa and learn about the history of our great dance. Bo Bryan's **Shag: The Legendary Dance of the South** and John Hook's **Shagging in the Carolinas**. "Fessa" Hook has another book, but I don't remember its title. Our club donated these books to the library.

**ROAD TRIP RIDE AVAILABLE**

**Chuck Johnson** has room in his SUV for anyone planning to go to Cornelius, NC, for the ACSC Winter Workshop and big party Feb 26-28. Tickets are \$70 prior to Jan 30--\$75 thereafter. Pick up a flyer at our next party or check their web site [GoShagging.com](http://GoShagging.com).

**MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL**

Shag Club **dues run Jan - Dec**, so it's time to renew your membership. Just fill in the Form on Page 4, write a check for \$15 per person, and mail in the enclosed addressed envelope. Mailing in will avoid the "traffic jam" at the check-in table at the party.

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**KATHY & STEVE DAY**

**ROAD TRIPS**

For additional information, check the web site [shagdance.com](http://shagdance.com) and check flyers on Information Table at our parties.

- JAN 14-17 MID-WINTER CLASSIC SOS NMB (Need a 2010 SOS Card)
- JAN 28-31 ELECTRIC STORM Electric City Shag Club Anderson, SC (Sold out)
- FEB 26-29 ACSC/SOS WINTER WORKSHOP Twisters Shag Club Cornelius, NC [CycloneToo@GoShagging.com](mailto:CycloneToo@GoShagging.com)
- APR 18-25 SPRING SAFARI SOS N.MYRTLE BEACH See Phyllis for \$30 SOS Card
- JUL 23-25 SPARKLE CITY CELEBRATION R&B Shag Club Spartanburg, SC [rbshagclub.com](http://rbshagclub.com) 864-583-4656

**SHAGGING AROUND SPARTANBURG**

- ★Jan 23, Saturday, our Once-a-Month Party at the VFW 8:00-Midnight
- ★Feb 6, "First Saturday" at the Marriott 8:00—Midnight DJ David O'Quinn
- Every Sunday Wild Wing Café at corner of Main & Church in Spartanburg 7:00-10:30
- Every Wed McKibbons Pub at Phoenix Inn 246 Pleasantburg Dr. Greenville
- Also on 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday & 4<sup>th</sup> Friday at Phoenix Inn
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday, Jan 14, Out-of-Towners Band & 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday, Jan 28, DJ David O'Quinn at The Cellar, Fernwood-Glendale Rd (beneath/behind Four Seasons Restaurant)

**GOOD MUSIC**

- ➡ **Beach Bob with Kathy Cole** at 103.3 from 2:00-6:00 or [beachboboldies.com](http://beachboboldies.com). To request your favorite tune, email [beachbob@wolt\\_fm.com](mailto:beachbob@wolt_fm.com)
- ➡ Tune your computer in to [beachshag.com](http://beachshag.com) to hear **Fessa John Hook's** radio show of great music and news of the shag world.
- ➡ Check out [grandstrandradionetwork.com](http://grandstrandradionetwork.com), and you can get **94.9 The Surf** at [949thesurf.com](http://949thesurf.com).
- ➡ **Beach, Boogie, & Blues** on WQOL 95.9 with **Buck Crumpton** on Saturday, 9:00--- Noon

2010 OFFICERS		
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Vice President	Phyllis Drake	583-4656
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Darrell Massey		576-3778
Jerry Steifle		587-1180
Carolyn Wingate		576-2070
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**BOARD MEETINGS**

**Members are cordially invited to attend** the Board meetings on the second Monday of each month. The next meeting is **Monday, February 8, 7:00 pm** at St. Paul's Methodist Church. **The Board welcomes your input.**

**SHAG CLASSES**

Club members currently teaching shag are **Kathy & Steve Day** 578-9097 or 472-5162 or 457-4244, **JoAnn & Wayne Waddell** 476-2001. **Cv Miller 828-674-5432**

**NEWSLETTER**

Please send me information by the second Wednesday of the month. Please share trips you have taken, major events in your lives, and other info that will interest our shaggin' friends. [drakepg@aol.com](mailto:drakepg@aol.com) or 864-583-4656 **Thanks, Phyllis**

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Mark your calendars or clip and save

**R&B SHAG CLUB CALENDAR  
2010**

**Saturday, January 23  
Membership Renewal Party  
DJ Mike Swords**

**8:00-Midnight**

Sat, Feb 27            Sat, Aug 28  
Fri, Mar 26            Sat, Sep 18  
Sat, Apr 17            Fri, Oct 29  
Fri, May 21            Fri, Nov 19  
Sat, Jun 26            Sat, Dec 18

**Fri, Sat, Sun Jul 23-25 @ Marriott  
Sparkle City Celebration**

**Each Month In VFW CLUB**

325 Carolina Drive Ext. Roebuck SC 29376  
(Off Hwy 295/Southport Road  
between Hwy 221 & Hwy 296)  
(Turn across from Holden's Ranch)  
585-5290

**Mail to this Shagger:**

**January 23 Hosts / Decorators  
Ellen Knothe & Christina Graham**

Membership dues are \$15 per person for the calendar year Jan--Dec. Members and guests must be 21 years or older. Members will receive a monthly newsletter with information about club parties, special events, our members, and other shag clubs' events. Party fees for member are \$3 per person for each party. Non-member / guest fees are \$5 per person for each party. Guests will receive 2 newsletters per year.

**To join, mail this application with your check to the R&B Shag Club of Spartanburg address.**

**R&B Shag Club of Spartanburg**

**Membership Application**

Name \_\_\_\_\_  
Spouse's Name \_\_\_\_\_  
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City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_  
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Work Phone His \_\_\_\_\_ Hers \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
E-mail (Club business only) \_\_\_\_\_  
Date \_\_\_\_\_

New \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal \_\_\_\_\_

**I would be happy to help with  
(PLEASE Check one or more.)**

- Decorations
- Membership / Sign-in Desk
- Music / Entertainment
- Newsletter
- Refreshments
- Sparkle City Celebration