

A Message from your President:

Well, folks, it's July 17 and in 7 days the fourth annual Sparkle City Celebration will be getting started. When Edward Peeler said, "We can do this!" little did we know that four years later we would have had three verv successful Celebrations and a fantastic Winter Workshop event that brought about 600 shaggers to Spartanburg with all the 105 Association of Carolina Shag Clubs (ACSC) represented in Spartanburg. If you have procrastinated and not vet bought your ticket for Sparkle City Celebration, now is the time to get your check in the mail before you get busy with something else.

We now have over 250 members, which places us in the highest category of membership of all ACSC clubs, and we are a member the **American Bop Association** (ABA), which allows us to associate with thousands more "close kin" social dancers. Shaggin' in Sparkle City has been taken to a new level, and the way things are shaping up, our association with the Spartanburg **Marriott** has definitely been a win-win situation for both of us.

On that note, the "Once in a Blue Moon" New Year's Eve party at the Marriott is in the works, and flyers will be on the information table at Sparkle City Celebration. Also, a very special announcement will be forthcoming that lets you know that you really meet the best folks while shagging. Don't miss the Celebration event—this is the one we'll talk about all year long.

On to other events: The first three Thursdays in August are beach music nights at **Music on Main** with **East Coast**, **Out-of-Towners**, and **Special Edition** bands appearing in that order. We <u>will</u> be shagging again at **Wild Wing Café** on Sunday nights starting this Sunday July 19, at 6:00.

A very special event honoring **Doug Higgins** is happening at the Beacon on Friday, August 21, from 6:00 pm until. The **Carolina Classic Car Club** and **R&B Shag Club** are teaming up for a "Back to the Beach Blast" cruise-in and shag night. Our dance floor will be there on the patio. I remember cruising the Beacon after SHS football games with Doug and several of our current shag club board members back in the 60s, and it's only fitting to honor two of Doug's favorite pastimes cars & shagging—at a place where we all had such great times leading to great memories. Doug put this event together just before his untimely death, so thanks for the memories, Doug!

Because about 40 of our active members will be in Kingsport, TN for Mountain Empire Shag Society's big **Fall Bash**, we have moved our Halloween Party from October 24 to Friday, October 30.

Susan Blackwell, Phyllis Drake, Ann & Randy Fulbright, Chuck Johnson, and Danny Scott traveled together to attend the ACSC Summer Workshop in Jacksonville last Thursday – Sunday with about 700 "close & personal" friends in the Shag World. They had great fun and learned about the plans for future SOSs. Phyllis was selected for a 3-year term on the Icon Enhancement Committee.

There are still a few more loose ends to tie up before next weekend and a few more phone calls to make. Check our web site rbshagclub.org for updates and watch for Phyllis's emails. She's better than the Civil Defense Alerting System at getting information to our shag world. See you next weekend at Sparkle City Celebration!

Lífe's Short; Let's Shag Tom Armstrong

B & D FAMILY JEWELERS, INC Betty will have the new <u>Shadow Dancers</u> pendants, earrings, & bracelets and newly designed shag shoes pendants at her booth at Sparkle City Celebration.

Her store is the only place these items are sold.

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July 2009

Happy Birthday! Shaggers		
JULY '09 03 Mary Coggins 03 Carlyle Pace 03 Ken Robbins 03 Sylvia Tirpak 07 Susan Mcmillan 10 Gloria Baker 10 "Charlie" Harbin 11 Cy Miller 13 Nancy Allen 14 Cheryl Henderson 15 Dot Sikoryak 15 Lib Smith 16 Roxie Worthy 18 Carolyn Anderson 21 MaryLee Womack 24 Chip Knothe 24 Denise Robinson 24 Carol Werner 26 Wayne Bergman 26 Dexter Horton 31 Carolyn Wingate	AUGUST '09 01 Glenna Fletcher 03 Rick Henderson 07 Mike Lybrand 08 Becky Harmon 09 Tommy Sumner 10 Jerry Pearson 12 Ann Peeler 16 Brad Bays 17 JoAnn Kiser 20 Danny Holland 20 Linda Lybrand 24 Bill Hardin 25 Sherry Lybrand 26 Bob Werner 27 Olga Burtnett 27 Chuck Johnson 29 Tom Rush 21 Lynn Robbins	

CONCERNS

Please keep these folks in your thoughts and prayers as they progress through difficult times.

Pam Barnes Land's upbeat attitude is helping her through radiation and chemotherapy. She appreciates the cards folks have sent. Her address is 410 Pierview Way, Boiling Springs, SC 29316.

Our sympathy goes to **Ann & David O'Quinn** for the death of her mother **Mrs. JoAnn Easler** on July 5.

Susan Blackwell's father is in St. Francis Hospital following a stroke on July 17.

GOOD NEWS

Roy & JoAnn Bishop are joining the wonderful ranks of retired folks giving them even more time to shag.

Homer & Debra Miller celebrated their 36th wedding anniversary on June 30.

Elizabeth Drake, Phyllis's daughter, has her initial appointment August 14, in Charleston to determine whether she is eligible for a kidney transplant

THANK YOU

We very much appreciate members who have signed on to help with various committees during SCC next weekend. They generously donated an hour or two of the 25 party hours to helping our guests have a good time and a memorable visit to Spartanburg. We have a few slots left that need helpers: elevator operators, sign-in desk, and goodie bag table. Please call Phyllis (583-4656) to help with the remaining 10 time slots we have vacant.



LARKIN'S RHYTHM ON THE RIVER Dow Amphitheatre at Peace Center Thursdays 7:00 pm July 16 "BOZ" Band of Oz \$10 July 30 Encore \$5 August 6 Catalinas \$10 August 13 Entertainers \$10 August 20 Band of Gold \$5 August 27 Fabulous Kays \$10 MUSIC ON MAIN Denny's Plaza downtown Spartanburg 6:00-9:00

Our dance floor will be down each Shagging Thursday All concerts are free August 6 The East Coast Band August 13 The Out of Towners Band August 20 Special Edition TUNES ON TRADE Downtown Greer Fridays 7:00-10:00

July 17 Out-of-Towners Band July 24 Holiday Bane

DOOR PRIZES & SPLIT THE POT

We still **need your help**. Look in all those "hidey" places—dresser drawers, closets, shelves, storage rooms, garages—all those places we put things that we either don't use, or have more than one of and wonder "Why in the world am I keeping this." Put the items in a bag labeled with your name and "Door Prize" and take them to **Tom Armstrong's Smith's Drug Store** on Henry Street so we can pass them along to guests who will appreciate winning a prize.

Betty Kirtly has donated a beautiful piece of shaggers jewelry for a prize for the 50/50 drawing

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SMITH'S DRUG STORE NO.2 "Drugs With a Reputation" 441 EAST HENRY STREET SPARTANBURG, SC 29302 Monday--Friday 8:30 am – 7:00 pm Thomas B. Armstrong, Jr, R Ph Saturday till 5:00 pm Closed Sunday 582-8474



ROAD TRIPS

For additional information, check the web site shagdance.com and check flyers on Information Table at our parties.

JUL 24-26 SPARKLE CITY CELEBRATION R&B Shag Club at the Marriott 5:00 Fri – 10:00 Sunday. rbshagclub.org JUL 31-AUG1 MEET ME IN THE MDDLE Carolina Shag Club Greenville SC jrcoley@charter.net VINYL PARTY @ The Junkyard Hwy 49 N. Harrisburg, NC Frank Harmon 704-677-5320 **AUG 15** AUG 20-22 SHAG TRACKS XV Choo Choo Shag Club Chattanooga choochooshagclub.com or rmkellar@aol.com SEP 11-20 SOS FALL MIGRATION NMB Fun Monday Sep 14 **R&B House Party Sat, Sep 19** SEP 24-26 BOP ON THE LAKE Little Rock Bop Club Hot Springs, AR littlerockbopclub.com 501-258-8117 OCT 16-18 GEECHEE BLAST Charlestonshagclub.com OCT 23-24 FALL BASH Mountain Empire Shag Society Kingsport TN messdance.com **OCT 25** SHAG-A-FAIR SC State Fair Columbia, SC Shag Competition NOV 6-8 FALL CYCLONE Twisters Shag Club Cornelius, NC GoShagging.com NOV 11-15 MOVE ACROSS THE RIVER Cincinnati Bop Club 513-697-6351 (Our Steve & Kathy Day are teaching) NOV 20-21 28TH ANNUAL INVITATIONAL Columbia Shag Club 803-755-0569 Marie Taylor mariegammy@yahoo.com DEC 3-5 STARS FALL ON ATLANTA Atlanta Shag Club shagatlanta.com Reservation deadline Nov 1 DJ Billy Waldrep

SHAGGING AROUND SPARTANBURG

July 18, Sunday Wild Wing Café at corner of Main & Church in Spartanburg 6:00-10:30 DJ-TBA
July 15, Wed DJ Terry Hopper, Aug 7, Billy Waldrep-- McKibbons Pub at Phoenix Inn 246 Pleasantburg Dr. Greenville
July 23 & Aug 29 "Third Thursdays" at Open Club (Brandy's) South Pine Street DJ David O'Quinn
Aug 1, "First Saturday" at the Marriott 8:00—Midnight DJ David O'Quinn

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	2009 OFFICERS			
President	Tom Armstrong	585-7395		
Vice President	Chuck Johnson	574-5528		
Secretary	Phyllis Drake	583-4656		
Treasurer	Stan Sanders	574-7662		
Past President	Johnny McCraw	316-4906		
2009 BOARD MEMBERS				
David Blackwell		472-6459		
Darrell Massey		576-3778		
Danny Rhodes		576-5177		
Leslie Rufus		590-7427		
Jerry Steifle		587-1180		
2009 Committee Leaders				
Membership	Open unless needed	l		
Bylaws	Edward Peeler	576-8606		
PR & Publicity	Tom Armstrong	585-7395		
Budget & Finance Stan Sanders 574-7662		574-7662		
Ways & Means	Carolyn Wingate	576-2070		
DJs	Danny Rhodes	576-5177		
Decorations	Kathy Blackwell	472-6459		
Historian	Phyllis Drake	583-4656		
Special Projects Armstrong Johnson Drake Peeler Sanders				
Newsletter	Phyllis Drake	583-4656		
Scrapbooks	Carolyn Wingate	576-2070		
Webmaster	David Blackwell	472-6459		
Dance Floor				

GOOD MUSIC

. Tune in to **Beach Bob with Kathy Cole** at **103.3** from 2:00-6:00 or beachboboldies.com. To request your favorite tune, email beachbob@wolt_fm.com

. Tune your computer in to **beachshag.com** to hear **Fessa John Hook's** radio show of great music and news of the shag world.

. Check out grandstandradionetwork.com, and you can get 94.9 The Surf at 949thesurf.com.

BOARD MEETINGS

Members are cordially invited to attend the Board meetings on the second Monday of each month. The next meeting is Monday, August 10, 7:00 pm in the Main Library. The Board welcomes vour 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. <u>Please</u> share trips you have taken, major events in your lives, and other info that will interest our shaggin' friends. drakepg@aol.com or 864-**583**-4656 **Thanks**, *Phyllis*

July 2009

R&B Shag Club of Spartanburg PO Box 3463 Spartanburg, SC 29304 <u>www.rbshagclub.org</u> <u>www.shagdance.com</u> <u>www.shagtour.com</u>	
www.keepshaggin.net	
Mark your calendars or clip and save	Mail to this Shagger:
R&B SHAG CLUB CALENDAR 2009	
Fri & Sat July 24 & 25 SPARKLE CITY CELEBRATION	
At Marriott Go to rbshagclub.org For	
Flyer & Ticket Information	
Sat, Aug 22 Hawaiian Luau Party Sat, Sep 26 28th Birthday Party Fri, Oct 30 Halloween Party Sat, Nov 21 Carolina/Clemson Warm Up Sat, Dec 19 Christmas Party 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)	Learn the popular new line dance <u>Dance</u> <u>Your Pants Off</u> at Sparkle City Celebration in Maggie's Workshop at Noon Saturday.

Membership dues are \$15 per person for the calendar year Jan--Dec. <u>Members and guests must be 21 years or older</u>. 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. <u>Non-member / guest fees are \$5 per person for each party</u>. <u>Guests will receive 2 newsletters per year</u>.

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

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R&B Shag Club of Spartanburg		Membership Application	
Name		New Renewal	
Spouse's Name		I would be happy to help with (<u>PLEASE</u> Check one or more.)	
Address	Apt	Decorations	
City	StateZIP	Membership / Sign-in Desk	
Birthdays His moda Work Phone His			
Home Phone		Refreshments	
E-mail (Club business only)		Sparkle City Celebration	
Date			