



shag lines

MARCH 2009

Association of
Carolina Shag Clubs



Member Since 1985

American Bop
Association



Member Since 2008

A Message from your President:

Looking over the Bylaws of R&B, I stopped to slowly read the objectives of our club: "The objective of the Rhythm and Blues Beach Music Hall of Fame, Inc., [our chartered name] shall be to preserve, promote, and honor the rhythm and blues music sound, the shag, and the artist who contributed to our heritage." Most shag clubs have a similar objective but sometimes seem to stray. R&B is not one of those. We have carried the dance and music out into the community to promote it in such a way that does us proud. We have carried it beyond a monthly dance by providing a large dance floor for public events—First Thursday Music on Main, by sponsoring community dance sessions—Learn Our State Dance at the Marriott on March 27, by participating in charitable events—Heart Fund, Cancer Survivors Day, Mobile Meals Benefit, and many more. We truly promote and honor the objectives of our club.

Our latest promotion is the joining of the American Bop Association. This exposes shag to many more clubs of great dancers and helps to preserve our heritage as well as spreading shag beyond the Southeastern states. This year we hope to bring a lot of boppers south to enjoy and learn what we love and enjoy. Already folks from seven states outside our usual territory have ordered tickets for Sparkle City Celebration on July 24-26 at the Marriott.

R&B has been asked by the ACSC to evaluate and make recommendations concerning the Lake Lure Shag Club's application to join our association. This is an honor and will be reported on at the 2009 Spring ACSC/SOS business meeting. This is another means of supporting our heritage by helping shag clubs get organized and be successful.

Last year, we encouraged the City to invite beach music/shag bands to the Thursday Music on Main events from April through August and were successful in their bringing in our music on the first Thursday of each month. With our floor down for shaggers, the First Thursdays drew larger crowds than the other Thursday bands.

We are also working hard to expand our relationships with other clubs by attending their events and by having them attend ours. Many great clubs are only a short drive away, and we can learn from each other and have a lot of fun doing it.

So, when you see club members sweating in the heat putting down and taking up the dance floor, cleaning off tables, working the door, and tending to the many other tasks associated with helping folks enjoy our music and our dance, tell them thanks and ask, "Can I help?" There are also those you don't see who are writing newsletters, handling our finances and balancing our check book, making phone calls, working our web site, handing out flyers and hundreds of other things that keep our club running. Yeah, I guess you can say we are true to our objectives, and we are dancing "with the one what brung us"—shagging the night away.

Life's Short, Let's Shag
Tom Armstrong

NOTES FROM THE FEBRUARY 28 PARTY

Ellen Knothe created a romantic setting for our Sweethearts Party with black tablecloths and red roses. We received many compliments on the music **Mike Swords** played for us and hope he will play again soon. **Stan Rochester**, one of our new members, won the 50/50 drawing and went home \$46 richer. As usual, the hors d'oeuvres table was full of great snacks. Thanks, folks, for bringing goodies.

MARCH 21 WELCOME SPRING PARTY AT VFW

The first day of spring is March 20 and we are giving it a big welcome on the following Saturday—no more snow, ice, or cold, blustery winds! Put on your shaggin' shoes and a colorful shirt to come start the season off right. Three talented gals—**Kathy Blackwell**, **Diann Higgins**, and **Charlene Sanders**—are decorating. **David O'Quinn** will be playing the best of the oldies and the new shag tunes. Bring a dollar or two for a 50/50 ticket; it just might be your lucky night to win.

Happy Birthday! Shaggers

MARCH '09

01 Peggy Edwards
 02 John Bull
 02 Ann Fulbright
 03 Mary Childress
 05 Jim Kiser
 06 Don Stith
 06 Carol Woodward
 08 Jaime Pace
 09 Carroll Womack
 10 Puz Allen
 10 Frances Hammett
 10 Dennis Hord
 13 Jim Munn
 15 Ron Parks
 15 Vicki Rhodes
 19 Wayne Dalton
 21 Lee Hoff
 26 Eddie Wheeler
 28 Pamela McEntire
 29 Celeste Arnone
 29 Ralph Dinsmore
 31 Jane Rowland

APRIL '09

01 Irene Marco
 02 Jane McLean
 09 JoAnn Waddell
 13 Trudi Sarratt
 14 Sam Arnone
 15 Sarah Alexander
 16 Annette Burdette
 18 David Blackwell
 18 Ellen Gramling
 19 John Gramling
 20 Betty Pritchett
 22 Don Hansen
 14 Ethel West
 26 Betty Y. Kirtley
 29 Jan Ward
 30 JoAnn Stewart



WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

We are happy to add these shaggers to our club's roster. **Wayne & Sandy Dalton, Tommy Manibusan, Stan & Laurie Rochester, Mike & Marilyn Swords, Betty Wood, and Bruce & Katie Woodfin.**

We look forward to getting to know you better and sharing a dance with you. It's also great that so many members have already renewed their 2009 memberships.

ON THE MEND

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

Terry Hopper, one of our favorite DJs, had knee surgery on Friday, March 13.

Chuck Johnson, our club's vice-president, is home following a five-week stay in the hospital.

Jan McCallister's daughter **Gina** is doing well following a five-week stay in the hospital

Becky Hord's daughter is a patient in SRMC.

Phyllis Drake's daughter **Elizabeth Drake** is recuperating at home following a two-week stay in the hospital after her kidney removal surgery on February 24.

Danny Rhodes will have esophagus surgery on March 27 and be out of circulation for about two weeks.

CONDOLENCES

We received word that **Jackie McGee's** mother died March 10, from injuries received in a car accident in Laurinburg, NC. Please remember **Jackie** and **Charlie Womble** during this sad time.

Christina & David Graham

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LADIES ONLY

On March 21 from 12:30-2:30 Martha Medford is teaching ladies only steps for about 40 gals for \$15. She will serve a light lunch with a wine tasting, and give door prizes as well as teach 3 or 4 steps you can use while your partner "holds his basic." Her address is 253 Woodruff Rd—just beyond Wal Mart in Simpsonville. Call Ellen Knothe 587-7655 or contact Martha at [www: vino100greenville.com](http://www.vino100greenville.com) for information or to make a reservation.

REPORT FROM ACSC/SOS BUSINESS MEETING

In the past, the NMB Police have worked well with us and we don't want to spoil our having successful SOS events. Please remember no liquor or beer on the streets, no coolers on the beach, no shooter parties or any type booze is allowed on the beach. No golf carts parked on the dunes. You WILL get a ticket. The five Icon winners were announced. Look for their pictures and the write-ups of their awesome accomplishments in their shag clubs in Carefree Times. Don't wait to be asked to show your SOS card at club doors—"flash it" and be proud to be a member of this wonderful world.

LAKE LURE SHAG CLUB

This shag club has applied for membership in ACSC and our club was asked to check them out and make a recommendation at the Spring Safari SOS meeting in April. Dot Jarrett has invited our club to party with them at their Spring Break Party on Friday, March 20. Mark your calendar and let's go have a good time and check them out. They party (7:00-11:00) at the Lake Lure Inn, 2771 Memorial Hwy, Lake Lure, NC 28746. You can Goggle them for directions. Asheville's Mountain Empire Shag Club will also be there.

Want a free, well-trained, adult Jack Russell Terrier?

Call Lib Smith 579-1283

MEMBERSHIP ROSTER MARCH 2009

A.	ALEXANDER	BILL & SARAH	LYBRAND	MIKE & SHERRY	WINGATE	CAROLYN	
	ANDERSON	BOB & CAROLYN	LYBRAND	RONNIE & LINDA	WOMACK	CARROLL & MARY LEE	
	ARMSTRONG	TOM & LeRHEA	LYDA	CHARLOTTE	WOOD	BETTY	
	ARNONE	SAM & CELESTE	M.	MABRY	JACK	WOOD	JIM
	ATKINS	DAVID & WANDA		MANIBUSAN	TOMMY	WOODFIN	BRUCE & KATIE
B.	BAKER	EDDIE & GLORIA		MARCO	FRANK & IRENE	WOODWARD	TOM & CAROL
	BELUE	RAY & PERCIE		MARLOWE	ERNEST	WORTHY	DALE & ROXIE
	BENNETT	ERNEST & TERRY		MARTIN	REG	WRIGHT	JULIE
	BERGMAN	WAYNE & SUSAN		MASSEY	DARRELL		
	BEVIS	LORENE		McCALLISTER	JAN		
	BLACKWELL	DAVID & KATHY		McCRAW	JOHNNY		
	BLACKWELL	RONNIE & ANN		McENTIRE	PAMELA		
	BOITER	KEN		McLEAN	TOM & JANE		
	BOLLIGER	TAMMY		McMILLAN	SUSAN		
	BONNER	YVONNE		MILLER	CY		
	BREHMER	LARRY & DONNA		MITCHELL	JOE ED & ROBERTA		
	BULL	JOHN DAVID		MOORE	JACK & LORRAINE		
	BURDETTE	ANNETTE		MORROW	JOHN		
	BURTNETT	OLGA		MUNN	JIM		
	BYRD	GREG	O.	O'QUINN	DAVID & ANN		
C.	CALDWELL	ALAN	P.	PACE	CARLYLE		
	CALHOUN	HENRY & JOANNE		PAINTER	DAVID & CATHY		
	CAMPBELL	MICKEY		PARKS	RON & JANICE		
	CASEY	JOHN		PATTERSON	JIM & VICKI		
	CATTO	LAURA		PEARSON	JERRY		
	CHILDERS	TOMMY & MARY		PEELER	EDWARD & ANN		
	COGGINS	BILL & MARY		PHILLIPS	CHARLOTTE		
	COLLINS	WES & SHERRY		PRITCHET	BETTY		
D.	DALTON	WAYNE & SANDY	Q.	QUINN	SONNY		
	DAY	STEVE & KATHY	R.	RESCH	HANK & GWIN		
	DIETZEN	DAN & CINDY		RHODES	DANNY & VICKI		
	DINSMORE	RALPH & JEANNE		ROBERTS	MARGE		
	DRAKE	PHYLLIS		ROCHESTER	STAN & LAURIE		
E.	EDWARDS	PEGGY		ROSS	FLOYD & JANIS		
F.	FAULKNER	DWAIN		ROWLAND	JANE		
	FEINSTEIN	DAVID & GAY		RUFUS	LESLIE		
G.	GARNER	MARVA		RUSH	TOM		
	GORDON	MARK & TERRY	S.	SAMMONS	CAROLYN		
	GRAHAM	DAVID & CHRISTINA		SANDERS	STAN & CHARLENE		
	GRAHAM	DON		SARRATT	TRUDI		
	GRAMLING	JOHN & ELLEN		SCOTT	DANNY		
	GURLEY	RON		SHIELDS	MERLE		
H.	HALL	NELSON		SIKORYAK	DOT		
	HAMMETT	FRANCES		SIMS	TRAVIS & JANE		
	HANSEN	DON & VICKI		SMITH	JOYCE		
	HARDIN	BILL & DEBBIE		SMITH	LIB		
	HARMON	BARNEY & BECKY		SPIETH	EMIL & LANDRA		
	HAYES	ROGER & PAM		STACY	PEGGY		
	HIATT	ED & PEGGY (Gray)		STEIFLE	JERRY & BETH		
	HIGGINS	DOUG & DIANN		STEWART	JO ANN		
	HORD	DENNIS & BECKY		SUMNER	TOMMY & BRENDA		
	HORTON	DEXTER & DORIS		SWORDS	MIKE & MARILYN		
I.	JOHNSON	CHUCK	T.	TAYLOR	JESSE		
	JONES	BOB & PAT		TAYLOR	KAYE		
J.	KIRTLEY	BETTY Y. & LYNN	V.	VINSON	GENE & RITA		
K.	KNOTHE	ELLEN	W.	WADDELL	WAYNE & JOANN		
L.	LAIL	SAM & REGINA		WALDREP	BILLY		
	LAMB	LYNN		WARD	KEN & JAN		
	LeCLAIR	TOM & LINDA		WERNER	BOB & CAROL		
	LEIGH	EVERETT		WHITE	PAMELA		

Can you put a face with each of these names? If not, make it a point to learn more by "table hopping" to visit friendly faces and make their acquaintances at our parties.

If your name is not on the list, one of three things has occurred: 1. An error was made in entering the list. See Stan or Phyllis to check the master list. 2. Your check came in the mail after the list was typed. 3. You need to pay your \$15 annual dues.

We hate to say good-bye, but this could be your last newsletter because names of folks whose dues are not current will be deleted from the mailing lists.

A SHAGGERS VERSION OF THE CLASSIC IRISH TOAST

*May the road rise to meet you
As you head off to another
great shag weekend
May the sun be always at your
back
As you stroll the beach
And may the DJ
Always play your favorite shag
tunes.*

Learn Our State Dance – The Shag**FREE**

In The Marriott Hotel Ballroom

Friday, March 27, 2009

Come with a partner or without

Instructions 7:00—9:00 pm

by Kathy & Steve Day

Pro-level dancers

Practice 9:00—11:00 pm

with DJ David O'Quinn

R&B Shag Club of Spartanburg members will assist participants without partners.

**Look for the above ad in the Escape Section of the Herald-Journal March 19 & March 26.

Here is a wonderful opportunity to help folks who are interested in learning to shag and to promote our shag dancing as Tom talked about in our objectives on page 1. The Marriott is graciously allowing us to use the ballroom free of charge for this event. Kathy & Steve and David are donating their time and talents. All we need to do is show up and dance with folks who need a partner. During the practice session, we are to dance with the folks who are just learning to shag, so "get off your seats and on your feet" to dance with many new folks as well as with other members of our club.

Drinks will not be served in the ballroom because there will probably be junior shaggers and well as adults. You may go to Club 299 to buy a drink or order food and bring it into the ballroom. Perhaps you'll want to come at 5:30 or 6:00 and have supper in Club 299 or in their DuPre restaurant.

Copy the above flyer and hand it out at work, in the neighborhood, and to whoever you think would like to learn to shag; it's a great opportunity.

Be at the Marriott a few minutes before instructions start at 7:00 so you will be available to assist learners who don't have a partner when Kathy & Steve begin at 7:00. We can also benefit by having a good time shagging the night away to David O'Quinn's rollicking music during the practice session, which will be similar to our usual once-a-month party atmosphere.

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Take a look at our new web sitewww.rbshagclub.org**ROAD TRIPS**

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

- MAR 20** SPRING BREAK PARTY Lake Lure shag Club Lake Lure Inn dot jarrett@bellsouth.net
MAR 27 'LEARN OUR STATE DANCE'-The Marriott Free shag lessons 7:00-9:00 Dance practice session 9:00-11:00
APR 17-26 SOS SPRING SAFARI NMB Parade Sat, Apr 25
JUL 11-12 ACSC SUMMER WORKSHOP & PARTY First Coast Shag Club Jacksonville, FL annjh@bellsouth.net
JUL 24-26 SPARKLE CITY CELEBRATION R&B Shag Club at the Marriott 5:00 Fri – 10:00 Sunday. See Web Site
SEP 11-20 SOS FALL MIGRATION NMB Fun Monday Sep 14 R&B House Party Sat, Sep 19

SHAGGING AROUND SPARTANBURG

March 24 Out-of-Towners band playing at the Cellar on Fernwood-Glendale Road

April 4, "First Saturday" at the Marriott 8:00 – Midnight DJ David O'Quinn

April 9 On each 2nd Thursday, David O'Quinn plays at Gerhard's on East Main Street 8:00 – 11:00.

Every Wednesday The Big Chill (aka Dockers) Shag Lesson \$10 6:00 Jeff & Dede Ward. DJ & Shagging afterward

Every Friday at the Holiday Inn on Augusta Road in Greenville

Shag Sundays at Wild Wing Café tentatively scheduled to resume in April or May pending new Café ownership

SOS CARDS

Our club received **50 SOS cards** to sell for \$30 each (a savings of \$5). You need the card for **Mid-Winter SOS, Spring Safari SOS, and Fall Migration SOS**. Many restaurant, hotels, and shops offer a discount when you show your card.

2009 Officers

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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 the second Monday of each month. The next meeting is **Monday, April 13, 7:00 pm** in the **Main Library**. **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, **Cy Miller** **828-674-5432**

NEWSLETTER

Please send me or one of our reporters 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 or 864-583-4656

Thanks, *Phyllis*

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Mark your calendars or clip and save

R&B SHAG CLUB CALENDAR
2009

WELCOME SPRING PARTY

SATURDAY MARCH 21

DJ David O'Quinn

8:00 pm – Midnight

Fri, Apr 17 SOS Warm Up Party

Sat, May 30 Big Sister's Radio Party

Sat, Jun 27 Pig Pickin'

[Fri & Sat Jul 24 & 25](#)

[Sparkle City Celebration](#)

Sat, Aug 22 Back to School Party

Sat, Sep 26 28th Birthday Party

Sat, Oct 24 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)

Mail to this Shagger:

MARCH PARTY HOSTS / DECORATORS

Kathy Blackwell, Diann Higgins, Charlene Sanders

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

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Hers _____

Date _____

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(PLEASE Check one or more.)

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