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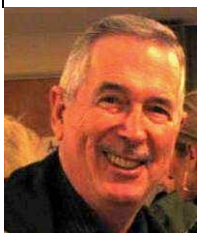


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## From The President



I attended the ACSC Winter Workshop on Feb. 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup>. Congratulations go out to **Sid Strawderman**, who will be one of the five recipients of the 2012 **ACSC SHAGGING ICON AWARD** at Spring SOS. There is no one more deserving of this award than Sid. The purpose of the Icon Award is to recognize individuals who have made outstanding contributions within their own local (Full Member, A.C.S.C.) shag club. Nominees for this award have made significant efforts and contributions to their local shag club & are clearly outstanding members of the shag community. This award has come to be one of the most highly prized awards that a shagger can obtain.

I am happy to announce that we have Co-Chairs for the upcoming John Mancini Golf Tournament on June 4, 2012; **Leonard McAdams and Dickie Robinson**. I think they will do a great job. Also, **Dinky Slaughter** will be the contact for collecting the entrance fees. I look forward to another great tournament.

In regard to Care and Concern, it has been brought to my attention that we need to be more detailed when we pass along information about friends and immediate family. It will make it easier on the person trying to research the various issues to send out information. If you know of a club member who should be remembered by our Care & Concern committee, please contact **Carol Thomasson** (804-768-1549 ) to pass along that information.

Spring SOS will be here before you know it (April 20-29). I look forward to seeing everyone there.

See you on the NEW dance floor,

*Tim*

## Vice President



First off I must apologize. In my last article, my first as VP, I wrote, with great excitement, that we would soon have a new dance floor; "It's scheduled to be in place by the time you read this edition of R & N," is what I said. Man, was I wrong! By the way, you know the RSC has little or no say in this matter, the Vision's dance floor is just that, it belongs to Visions. So, I will make no further predictions regarding that matter.

Now, here's a news flash directed mainly at our newer members. **IT'S OK FOR A LADY TO ASK A MAN TO DANCE!** We all know that violates normal protocol in most every other setting, but dancing at the club is different. We are first and foremost a dance club, specifically one of the hundred or so ACSC (Association of Carolina Shag Clubs) members. I would venture to say, in the friendly world of Shag, they all promote this activity. It builds confidence, speeds your progress, and promotes friendship, plus, you might even learn a few new steps.

The first couple of times this may be uncomfortable. We've all been through the intimidation stage. You don't think you're good enough to dance with a certain partner. You've seen them out there doing their thing, they know all these cool steps, you think there ain't no way you could keep up. Guess what, they were once a beginner too. My advice; don't worry about it, just do it. The best time to do this is right after your lesson. As you are approaching the floor, tell 'em right up front that you are a beginner. They will appreciate it, but chances are, especially if they helped out with the lesson, they already know. They'll have a good feel for where you stand and will tailor the dance from there. They're Shag ambassadors and are always glad to help.

Even you ladies who are veteran dancers, ask a dude to dance, it'll make him feel good.

*Parker Dillard*

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## Silent Auction

### TEAMS TUNE UP FOR THE SILENT AUCTION

Many thanks to the following "teams" who will be asking for donations for this year's silent auction to be held in August at our annual party.

**Leonard & Candy McAdams**  
**Fuzzy & Mary Ann Lambert**  
**Ann Dunnivant & Pete Saunders**  
**Sam & Kay Williams**  
**Phillip Mitchell, Diane Jessie, & Emory Minnick**  
**Carolyn Brockwell & Gene Anderson**  
**Jamie & Bill Boyer**

If you are creative and talented or simply want to make a donation of cash or a new or gently used gift, please contact one of the committee members. Remember, our auction is a club function, and it will be what we choose to make it. ALL of the proceeds go to Camp Fantastic, a camp for kids who have cancer or have had it! It is for a wonderful cause!

Bev Dillard and Beth Ager will also accept items at the club or would be willing to help with suggestions. There will be forms at the front desk beginning in March. Thanks in advance for your donations!

*Beth Ager, Chairperson*  
*Silent Auction*

## 2012 General Membership Meetings

**March 20 \* June 12 \* August 14 \* November 13**

All General Membership Meetings will be held at the Holiday Inn Koger Center in a meeting room and begin at 6:30 PM. All members are encouraged to attend.



# BIRTHDAYS

# EXPIRATIONS

## March

Jeanne Dalton 01  
 JC Petree 01  
 Sheryl Jordan 02  
 Donald Lumpkin 07  
 Fran Armistead 08  
 Will Hazell 08  
 Steve Booth 08  
 Bob Stevens 09  
 Bonnie Wray 10  
 Jeanie Moore 10  
 Tricia Foster 12  
 Judy Thatcher 13  
 Fred Anderson 14  
 Dickie Robinson 14  
 Sondra Cook 14  
 Sally Dobbins 17  
 Gwen Stimis 17  
 Bob Owen 17  
 Robin Reams 18  
 Barney Lee 19  
 Bill Smiley 19  
 Michael Walton 23  
 Bill Vogel 23  
 Charlotte Ulrich 29  
 Jean Sullivan 30

## April

Riley Seymore 02  
 Phyllis Wells 03  
 Shirley Holmes 04  
 Bill Erhart 05  
 Dewain Hammond 06  
 Barb Carter 06  
 Francis Thompson 06  
 Marty Yeatman 07  
 Donald Sheffer 08  
 Lance Herrholz 11  
 Debra Owen 12  
 Dickie Wilson 13  
 Richard Clary 16  
 Sonny Tinsley 20  
 Chase Layman 22  
 Steve Beville 24  
 Ann Noakes 25  
 Joan Byrnes 25  
 JJ Jackson 26  
 Charlotte Batchelor 26  
 Carol Ducharme 26  
 Fuzzy Lambert 27  
 Bill Thomas 27  
 Bonnie Murphey 28  
 Joyce Burnley 29

## March

Elaine Anderson  
 Fred Anderson  
 Steve Bateson  
 Sherry Beck  
 C.J. Blankenbeckler  
 Charlie Cohill  
 Sandy Dryden  
 Ann Dunnivant  
 Butch Earnhardt  
 Jim Easter  
 Anne George  
 Mike Graham  
 Rich Graham  
 Nancy Hallman  
 Dawn Harman  
 Gary Harman  
 Larry Herbert  
 JJ Jackson  
 Clay Johnston  
 Lynn Johnston  
 Sandra Jones  
 Cliff Merritt  
 Alan Michaelis  
 Phillip Mitchell  
 Bonnie Murphey  
 Bob Owen  
 Lee Owens  
 Jinx Robinson  
 Pete Saunders  
 Linda Steele  
 Tim Sullivan  
 Jean Sullivan  
 Francis Thompson  
 Barb White  
 Marty Yeatman  
 Diane York

## April

Lisa Bailey  
 Tina Bessent  
 Joyce Burnley  
 Dickie Burnley  
 Frank Butler, Jr  
 Barb Carter  
 Debbie Cunningham  
 Phil Cunningham  
 Dickie Harrison  
 Will Hazell  
 Barb Hodge  
 Paul Hodge  
 Coleman Holland  
 John Kontopanos  
 Donna Kontopanos  
 Kathy Lane  
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## Dance Committee

It's already March and we are well into our dance schedule for 2012. I would like to begin by thanking **Kenn and Shug Ward** for teaching the January beginner class and February intermediate class, **Dinky Slaughter and Barbara White** for teaching the February beginner class, and **Sid Strawderman and Jane Renger** for teaching the January intermediate class. Thanks also go to **Carolyn Reade, Sharon Moody, and Sue Moore** for January and February line dances.

The dance instructors recently met to discuss the dance schedule, class content, and how to bring new instructors into the schedule. We also discussed suggestions that were submitted from members for consideration.

Let me give you an overview of our dance class program and what you can expect this year.

RSC currently has **19 scheduled shag class instructors**. Together, they will provide **44 beginner classes, 36 intermediate classes, 12 "special" classes** (new material), and **11 shag jams** (also new material). According to my math, that's **103 shag classes for 2012!**

Beginner classes are held each Thursday from March through November. Intermediate classes are on Tuesdays March through November, *except* for April and September. "Special" classes (new material) will be held on the fifth Tuesdays and Thursdays of these months. In addition, a Sunday Shag Jam is held once a month. If classes are moving along quickly or students are already familiar with the material, instructors will be providing variations to the scheduled step or ways to incorporate the step in their dancing.

In addition, RSC offers line dances on the first and third Tuesday of each month with the exception of April and September. That means **18 line dance lessons** each year. Most of these classes are taught by Carolyn Reade.

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## Ways & Means

As of February 15, 2012 we have taken in \$361 from the 50/50 raffle for 2012. Please remember to support our 50/50 raffle each Tuesday night. Thank you to everyone who has participated in the past and for your continued support.

Anyone who would like a Richmond Shag Club personalized, permanent name tag, please see **Allen Batchelor** at the welcome desk. Tags are \$5 and a much better option than the stick on name tags. It takes about 2 weeks after you place the order to get your name tag.

We still have a few of the 16 oz Tervis tumblers with a travel lid for sale. They will have an embroidered club logo on the inside of the glass. They are \$15.00 for the tumbler and the lid or two for \$29. This is a bargain folks. The tumblers are double-wall insulated and carry a lifetime guarantee. They can be used for cold or hot drinks. They are dishwasher, microwave and freezer-safe. They won't crack, melt, scratch, shatter or chip.

We had a very successful Brunswick Stew. I can't say thank you enough to all the club members who came out and helped as well as everyone who sold and purchased our stew. We made and sold 400 quarts. It takes a lot of coordination and work to make this happen. It is a labor of love and I think everyone who volunteered their time will attest to the fact that it is a great collaborative effort that is a great way to get to know some great people.

Coming up in 2012 will be the next stew date on October 5 and 6. Orders will be taken ahead of time. If you have orders or would like to help, please contact me at home at 768-1549 or on my cell 405-6552.

*Robert McAdams*



## Care & Concern



Condolences to the following who recently lost a loved one:

In December, **Eva Krol** lost her Mother who lived in Poland.

**Charlotte Oliver's** Mother, Katherine Fackler, who lived in Roanoke, passed away on January 22, 2012.

**Cyndi Cline** lost her Father, Charles Rawlings, on January 24, 2012.

**Sonny Tinsley's** brother, James Tinsley, passed away on January 31.

**Chase Layman** lost her brother Ed Eck, on February 2, 2012.

**George Harris** lost his Father, George Harris, Sr., on February 6,

**Nancy Wall and Dinky Slaughter** lost their brother-in-law, Ivan Perkinson, on February 5.

**Gloria Wright** lost her Father, Frank Romano, who lived in New Jersey, on February 15.

**Jean Sullivan** had a cyst removed from her right elbow on January 9. She was in a sling for a 3 weeks, but is back to normal.

**Phil Cunningham** underwent a 5 way heart bypass on January 11. He is at home recovering

**Kathy Lane's** son-in-law, Willie Jenkins, was injured in a motorcycle accident in January. He will be undergoing surgery for a multiple leg fractures and will have to undergo physical therapy.

On 23 Feb 12, **Janet Bell** underwent surgery to repair torn cartilage in her knee. Janet is at home recovering from surgery.

On 23 Feb 12, **Nancy Wall** underwent surgery for a stent placement. Nancy is at home recovering from her surgery.

As always, our thoughts and prayers are with these folks/members as they recover from their losses, accidents and surgeries.

We hope they will all be back with us soon.

Let us be ever mindful of the struggles and joys of our fellow club members and keep them close in our thoughts and prayers.

*Carol Thomasson*



"Former Secretary of Defense Robert Gates laughs with Barbara Hodge during a meeting of the Blue Star families at the Virginia Was Memorial. Hodge's son Mark Weavil (photo on the bag) is getting ready for his second deployment to Afghanistan with the U.S. Army."

Photo credit - Alexa Welch/Times-Dispatch Sunday (front page of Metro Section 1-15-12).

## Host & Hostess Committee

Take a Chance??

If you want a chance to meet club members, volunteer to work the Hostess table.

If you want a chance to put a name with that face, volunteer to work the Hostess table.

If you want a chance to be an asset to the club, volunteer to work the Hostess table.

If you want a chance to look like you know what you are doing, sign up for the Hostess table.

By volunteering to work the Hostess table, you can pick the day(s) you want to take a "chance".

*Allen Batchelor*

## Dance Committee Continued from Page 4

WOW!!! Twenty instructors... not to mention alternates and those who step in to help when we need extras for students without partners.

I do not know of any other Shag Club (including the Carolinas) that offers such an expansive dance instruction program – and it is FREE. Some clubs offer limited classes once a week. Many charge students for each class.

To ensure that we are able to continue to offer the current program, we are going to try out a “mentoring” program. For those who have approached us with an interest in teaching, but who are not yet ready to jump in, we are going to co-teach with them during some of the classes. Hopefully, they will then take on a class themselves.

Your instructors volunteer their time and talent for the love of the dance and to share that enjoyment with you. Think about those instructors whose classes you have taken or who have spent time on the edge of the floor helping you with a step. If you haven't already, please take the time to thank your instructors.

See you on the dance floor.

*Joan Byrnes*



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# RSC MAIN EVENTS

<b>March 4</b>	<b>Shag Jam 2-4pm</b>
<b>April 1</b>	<b>Shag Jam 2-4pm; Sunday Social 4-9pm</b>
<b>April 20-29</b>	<b>SOS Spring Safari</b>
<b>May 6</b>	<b>Shag Jam 2-4pm</b>
<b>May 11</b>	<b>Spring Fling @ Pocahontas Park</b>
<b>June 3</b>	<b>Shag Jam 2-4pm</b>
<b>June 4</b>	<b>John Mansini Sr. Golf Tournament</b>
<b>July 1</b>	<b>Shag Jam 2-4pm</b>
<b>July 13-15</b>	<b>ACSC Summer Workshop</b>
<b>August 3-4</b>	<b>The Boogie On The James</b>
<b>August 12</b>	<b>Shag Jam 2-4pm</b>
<b>September 9</b>	<b>Shag Jam 2-4pm</b>
<b>September 14-23</b>	<b>SOS Fall Migration</b>
<b>September 18</b>	<b>RSC Beach Ball @ N. Myrtle Beach</b>
<b>October 7</b>	<b>Shag Jam 2-4pm</b>
<b>October 27</b>	<b>Fall Ball @ Bon Air Community Ctr.</b>
<b>November 4</b>	<b>Shag Jam 2-4pm; Sunday Social 5-9pm</b>
<b>December 2</b>	<b>Shag Jam 2-4pm</b>
<b>December 22</b>	<b>Jingle Bell Ball @ ACCA Temple</b>

\*Also look for the Richmond Shag Club group on facebook where event information will be posted.

Watch your e-mail,  
[RichmondShagClub.org](http://RichmondShagClub.org),  
and listen for phone  
tree messages for more  
information on these  
upcoming events.





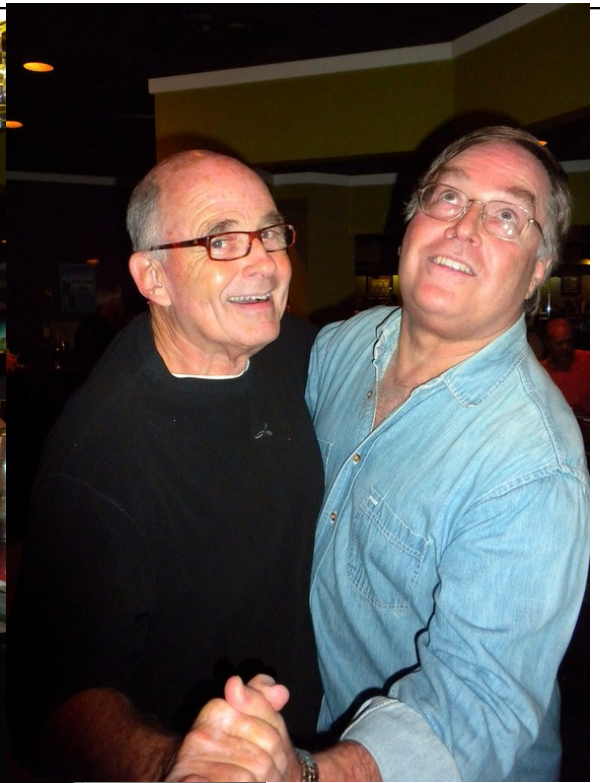
## Happy 50th Anniversary!!!



RSC's very own Brenda and Richard (Bubba) Adams celebrated their 50th wedding anniversary on January 27, 2012. They have two children and six grandchildren. Congratulations!!









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