

# Rhythm & News

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## From The President



Fall is already here and I'm looking forward to the **Fall Ball**. I hope everyone is planning on attending. The party will be held at "Bon Air" on the 27<sup>th</sup> of Oct. and **John Hall** will be your D.J.

The **RSC will be electing a new Board of Directors at the General Members meeting on Nov.13<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 at Visions**. It has been an Honor and Privilege to serve as your President for 2012. I plan on seeking the same position for 2013.

The **Camp Fantastic** donation this year should be around \$15000 to \$16,000. Thanks go out to the **Golf Tournament Chairs and Committee Members, Silent Auction Chair and Committee Members, and the Barrow of Booze Chairs and Volunteers**. We would not reach this achievement every year if we didn't have such a GREAT shag club.

I look forward to seeing everyone at the Christmas party this year. The date is Dec.22.

See ya on the dance floor,

*Tim*

## Vice President



I was rummaging through some stuff the other day when an old, tucked away newspaper article grabbed my attention. **SHAGGING** is what the title screamed, in a bold, thick font. I seem to remember that **Dickie Robinson** gave it to me several years ago during one of my terms as your president.

The article, written by Lisa Crutchfield, was featured in the August 31, 1989 WEEKEND section of the Richmond News Leader (remember when we had an afternoon paper?). It was all about the Carolina Shag, the enthusiasm of the dancers, and the relatively new Richmond Shag Club, which began unofficially in 1985, but was sanctioned by the ACSC (Association of Carolina Shag Clubs) in October of 1987. This made us certifiable, official and proper.

The 542 members danced two nights a week, Wednesday and Friday, at DJ's Lounge, which was located at the intersection of Warwick Road and Midlothian Pike, not too far from Vision's, where we dance today.

There are two photos in the article, one pictures a group of about 20 line dancers, (none I recognize), and the other is of a couple shaggers identified as Mikki Knight and Ed Ely. Anyone remember them? Members mentioned are instructors **Pat Henson**, a Lifetime RSC member and an inductee of the Virginia Shaggers Hall of Fame, **Earl Robinson**, a Lifetime RSC member, as well a member of both the Virginia and National Shagger's Hall of Fame, and an ACSC Icon Award and Living Legends Honoree and **Shirley Porter** (Gough), also a Lifetime RSC member, a Virginia Shaggers Hall of Famer, and club past President. Lessons were held on Wednesday nights, beginning at 8. The DJ was, and still is, **Cliff Merritt**, a member of the Virginia Shaggers Hall of Fame. Annual dues were \$25, and there were cover charges for non-members of \$2 on Wednesday and \$3 on Friday. At the time, 60% of the members were single, nine couples had met at the  
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## Club Communications, Care & Concern

If you know of a club member who is ill or has a personal "crisis" and would appreciate hearing from the RSC, please let **Carol Ann Thomasson** know the details.

If you have personal news that you would like to share with the club membership, please email the details as you would like for them to be conveyed to **Pam Tinsley** [ptinsley@verizon.net](mailto:ptinsley@verizon.net). Also, *please specify* that you would like for that information to be sent in a bulk email to the members. (We do not want to compromise anyone's privacy.)

Our bulk emails will reach most members, specifically those who have posted their email for communication.

If you are an email user and think that you may not be receiving club messages, be sure to check the spam or junk folder in your email program. Also, be sure to check the RSC website <http://richmondshag.homestead.com/> and the RSC Facebook page <http://www.facebook.com/groups/51783245956/> for news and for posting info to share.

Thanks!

*Carol Ann and Pam*

## 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.



<b>CLUB BIRTHDAYS</b>		<b>MEMBERSHIP EXPIRATIONS</b>	
<b>November</b>	<b>December</b>	<b>November</b>	<b>December</b>
Chuck Overbey 01 David Sussman 01 Cheryl Daniel 02 Pam Tinsley 02 Brenda Price 04 Donna Earnhardt 07 Charles Harward Sr. 07 Cary Estes 08 Jinx Robinson 09 Catherine Flemer 09 Mo Phillips 10 Bill Faris, Jr. 11 Barbara White 12 Allen Batchelor 12 Lucy White 14 Henry Geisz 15 Kenn Ward 17 Angelo Miliotis 18 Jeanette Murray 20 Sambo Richardson 21 Rhonda Armentrout 21 Carl Beck 22 Brenda Geisz 22 Bob McCreary 23 Connie Williams 23 Bill Wright 23 Cathy Carter 25 C.L. Wilson 26 Phyllis Hall 28 Kevin Byrnes 30	Bryan Eads Sandy Groven 01 Charlie Barnes 01 Sandy Cullather 03 Bubba Adams 03 Ty Eckler 03 Susan Wright 04 Frank Butler, Jr 06 Becky Butler 06 George Harris 07 Sherry Beck 07 Steve Haerbig 11 Kristie McLeod 12 Patty Gerber 12 Tina Bessent 12 Pam Hathaway 13 George Andrews 14 Bill Hackney 15 Brenda Roane 15 Charlie Dew 16 Judy Petree 17 Dennis Jarrett 19 Sandi Gibson 19 Susan Cassada 22 Mastin Kitchen 23 Bev Dillard 24 Eva Krol 26 Virginia Clarke 26 Elizabeth Hines 27 Lauren Price 29 Rick Cassada 29 Linda Stevens 29 Donnie Moring 29	<p><b>Due to an unusually long membership expiration list for November, please see page 5 of the newsletter.</b></p>	Hannah Combs Jackie Fischer Larry Fischer Bill Hackney Steve Haerbig Shirley Holmes Judy Johnson Terri Lumpkin Donald Lumpkin Chuck Overbey Linda Walton Phyllis Wells



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club and married, and several others had become engaged. The members ranged in age from 35 to 55. Also mentioned in the article was **Gene Laugh-ter**, the Richmonder who founded SOS.

The article states the goals of the club as the “preservation and promotion of the shag,” and a commitment to give back to the community by supporting Camp Fantastic, a day camp for children suffering from cancer. Well, say what you will about us, but you can’t say we have lost our focus, because here we are, 23 years later with the same missions in life as then. What’s that well-worn saying, the more things change, the more they stay the same?

We have two new, first time members to welcome to the ranks of the Richmond Shag Club since our last reporting on August 11, they are **Brenda Roane** and **M. Tynetta Eckler**. Thanks for joining and we’ll see you on the hardwood.

*Parker Dillard*



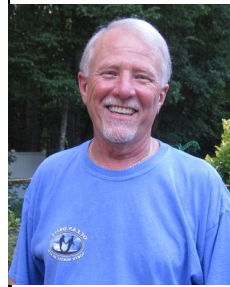
## Social Committee

**The Fall Ball** for the Richmond Shag Club was held on October 27, 2012. Catering was by Nanny’s BBQ, **John Hall** was DJ. A great time was had by all.

The next Sunday Social and Shag Jam will be on November 4, 2012. Please bring a covered dish, (main dish, veg or dessert) to share. The DJ will be **Cliff Merritt**.

The **Jingle Bell Ball** will be held on Saturday, December 22, 2012 at the ACCA Temple. There will be a sign up sheet at the desk the end of November.

*Phyllis Wells*



## Ways & Means

As of October 9, 2012 we have taken in \$1786 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 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 both the 12 oz. (\$12) and the 16 oz. (\$15) Tervis tumblers with a travel lid for sale. They will have an embroidered club logo on the inside of the glass. 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 have Richmond Shag Club patches. They are the same patches that are in the tumblers. They are \$2.50 each.

Golf shirts with the club logo are available. They are \$24 each. I have ordered several colors and sizes. If you need additional sizes and colors, I can place a special order. Camp shirts are also available in various colors. We also have shirts for the ladies. See me for more details.

I would like to thank all the volunteers who came out and helped with the stew. Without your help the stew would not have been a success. Also, thanks to all who supported this club fundraiser by purchasing stew.

The next stew dates are February 22 and 23, 2013.

*Robert McAdams*

## Care & Concern



Condolences to the following who recently lost a loved one:

Bill Boyer, whose father passed away on September 11 in Palm Desert, California.

Our condolences go out to the family of RSC member Sid Bloom who passed away on September 13.

Leonard Thomas "Tom" Varney, went to be with his Lord and Savior suddenly on September 17 while vacationing in North Myrtle Beach, SC. Our condolences are sent to Tammy and the family.

Linda and Michael Walton lost their Father, Herman Hidmore Walton, Jr., on October 3.

Sherry Beck's Mother, Joyce Mann, passed away on October 5.

Linda Strawderman lost her Mother, Mamie Le Merritt, on October 16.

Cheryl Daniel suffered a heart attack on September 25 and had a heart cauterization and is at home recovering.

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*

## November, 2012 MEMBERSHIP EXPIRATIONS

Angie Abbott  
 Nan Allen  
 Tommy Atkinson  
 Allen Batchelor  
 Charlotte Batchelor  
 Jean Bazemore  
 Joe Berkle  
 Ron Bessent  
 Steve Beville  
 Steve Booth  
 Bob Carter  
 Cathy Carter  
 Bill Chambers  
 Greg Chambers  
 Mary Clark  
 Anne Clendenin  
 George Clendenin  
 Jeanne Dalton  
 Bill Dereski  
 Charlie Dew  
 Diane Dew  
 Sally Dobbins  
 Michael Fielding  
 Jesse Fulghum  
 Brenda Geisz  
 Henry Geisz  
 Avery Goodwin  
 Janis Grimes  
 Glenda Harris  
 Mary Harward  
 Charles Harward Sr.  
 Arlene Helton  
 Karen Herrholz  
 Lance Herrholz  
 Dennis Jarrett  
 Shirley Jarrett  
 David John  
 Jim Joyner  
 Valerie Joyner  
 Sandy Justice  
 Rob Kelley  
 Eva Krol  
 Ed Mayers  
 Linda Mayers  
 Ann Noakes

Howard Noakes  
 Dick Noblitt  
 Karmy Noblitt  
 James Osborne  
 Robert Parker  
 Jeff Perry  
 JC Petree  
 Judy Petree  
 Barbara Pettesch  
 Paul Pettesch  
 Mo Phillips  
 Penny Richardson  
 Sambo Richardson  
 Kathy Russell  
 Donald Sheffer  
 Pam Shultz  
 Katie Southern-Kelley  
 Bob Stevens  
 Linda Stevens  
 Cleo Tinsley  
 Faye Vines  
 Gary Weishaar  
 Lynn Weishaar  
 Lucy White  
 Sandy Whitley  
 James Womack



### Host & Hostess Committee

Great Year!!! With two months left.... So let's make the most of them. We have two shag jams to go, one Sunday Social coming up in November, and the club's Christmas Party in December. PLUS, some of our sister clubs are having their New Year parties on the 1st.

Anyone needing information on these events come by the Hostess table.

Thanks,

*Allen Batchelor*



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# RSC MAIN EVENTS

- **October 27**  
**Fall Ball @ Bon Air Community Ctr.**
- **November 4**  
**Shag Jam 2-4pm;**  
**Sunday Social 5-9pm**
- **December 2**  
**Shag Jam 2-4pm**
- **December 22**  
**Jingle Bell Ball @ ACCA Temple**



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

Watch your e-mail, RichmondShagClub.org, and listen for phone tree messages for more information on these upcoming events.



## Dance Committee

As usual, there has been a lot of dancing goin' on at the club, at SOS, and at other shag events as well.

### Dance Instruction

Thank you to our instructors who help keep our members some of the best shaggers to be found. Our instructors for beginner classes were **Graham Haddock and Debbie Edmonds** in September and **Doug Strother and Sheila Parker** in October. Intermediate classes were taught by **Sid Strawderman, Doug Strother and Sherry Beck** in October. **Kevin and Joan Byrnes** taught a "special class" the first Tuesday of September since there were no intermediate classes that month.

A special thanks to **Allen and Charlotte Batchelor** who have continued to keep the Sunday Shag Jams alive and well, providing an opportunity for members to learn something different from the regular scheduled classes.

**Carolyn Reade** has been providing line dance instruction for the club twice a month for the past 12 years! But, as many of you now, retirement comes along for all of us and Carolyn will be spending more and more time in Florida.

To make sure that the line dance opportunities continue in her absence, she put together a team of instructors to teach classes on the regular schedule. This will be a wonderful new addition - new ideas - new dances - and a whole new approach.

**There will be NO LINE-DANCE INSTRUCTION IN NOVEMBER OR DECEMBER**, but look forward to 2013 when **Angie Abbott, Sue Moore, and Candice McKinley** join Carolyn as instructors.

Line dancers have an opportunity to be on an e-mail list that will provide information about who is teaching and what is to be taught. If you are not already on that list and would like to be, please pro-

vide your e-mail to Carolyn or to the RSC desk. I will also continue to provide dance instructor information on the monthly calendars in the newsletter and at the club bulletin board.

### Shag Competition

As usual, RSC was well represented at SOS during the *Rookies Revenge* competition. **Glenda Harris** came in 3rd place, **Chad Farlow** came in 4th place, and **Vince Ferranti** came in 5th place.

At the *Competitive Shag Competition (CSA)* held in



West Virginia on October 12, **Joan McKinney and Tom Edwards** won their third **1st place** in the Novice Division moving them into the **Pro Division**. Congratulations to Joan and Tom! Also competing in the Novice Division were **Kevin and Joan Byrnes** who placed 3rd.

### Shag Demonstration and Promotion

**Dinky Slaughter, Barbara White and Rogers and Nancy Verser** provided a dance demo for 300+ women at the Beta Sigma Phi Conference. They also took the opportunity to promote the club and what we have to offer.

*Joan Byrnes*

### November

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
				1 6:30 – 8:00 Intro & Basic Step (Parker & Bev)	2	3
4 2-4 Shag Jam 5-9 Social  DST Ends	5	6 6:30 – 7:00 Lean (Kevin & Joan) 7:00 Line Dance  Election Day	7 7:00 Board Mtg.	8 6:30 – 8:00 Start, Female & Male Turns (Parker & Bev)	9  CSA Lynn's (Charlotte, NC)	10
11 Veterans' Day	12	13 6:30 Gen. Member Mtg. NO CLASS	14	15 6:30 – 8:00 Trail Pass, Front & Back Preps (Parker & Bev)	16	17
18	19	20 6:30 – 7:00 Belly Roll (Kevin & Joan) 7:00 Line Dance Birthday Dance	21	22 Thanksgiving Day	23	24
25	26	27 6:30 – 7:30 Boogie Walk (Kevin & Joan)	28	29 6:30 – 8:00 Sugarfoot (Parker & Bev)	30	

### December

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
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2 2-4 Shag Jam	3	4 6:30 – 7:30 Pivot (Kevin & Joan)	5	6	7	8
9	10	11	12 7:00 Board Mtg.	13	14	15 Deadline for Jan/Feb Newsletter
16	17	18 Birthday Dance	19	20 <b>Club Not Open</b>	21	22 Jingle Bell Ball
23	24	25 Christmas Day	26	27	28	29
30	31 New Year's Eve					






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Date: \_\_\_\_\_

*Please complete form in full & write legibly*

**Membership Fee is \$30.00 (7-1-2012)**

\*\* \$25 fee for returned checks \*\*

- New Member  
 Renewal/Returning Member

Pick up your membership card at the RSC Club desk any Tuesday night.

Name #1: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Nickname Birthday (Year Optional)

Name #2: \_\_\_\_\_  
Last First Nickname Birthday (Year Optional)

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street or PO Box City State Zip Code

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home/Primary Cell/Secondary Work (optional) (Optional)

Email Address #1: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address #2: \_\_\_\_\_

(Newsletter, messages about Club activities, events, membership renewal reminders, member news, etc.)

Please choose one option below. If you do not indicate a preference, newsletter will be sent by email.

- I prefer to get my newsletter by email  
 I prefer to get my newsletter in the mail (snail mail)

**I would be interested in helping with the following committee(s):**

- |  |  |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Annual Party    | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership                                  |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Communications  | <input type="checkbox"/> Social                                      |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Dance           | <input type="checkbox"/> Ways & Means                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Golf Tournament | <input type="checkbox"/> Please contact me – I need more information |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Host & Hostess  |  |

**New Members**

I learned about the RSC from:

- A friend that is a member  
 Someone taking free classes  
 Another shag club out of town  
 A demonstration at an event  
 An advertisement  
 The internet

This information is true to the best of my knowledge. By my signature, I agree to abide by the rules and by the bylaws of the Richmond Shag Club. I understand that my membership may be revoked by the Club at any time it may be deemed necessary. I agree that the Richmond Shag Club and its Board of Directors shall not be held responsible for any accidents, personal injury or loss of any personal property associated with my attendance at, or participation in, any Club function.

Member #1: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Printed Name Date

Member #2: \_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Printed Name Date

**For RSC Staff Use Only:** Next Membership Renewal Date: \_\_\_\_\_  Card Made  
 Cash: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Check #: \_\_\_\_\_ Received by: \_\_\_\_\_

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