

# Rhythm & News

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## From The President



First of all I would like to thank **Jane Renger** for serving as President of the Richmond Shag Club the past three years. Jane has done an excellent job, she is truly an asset for the RSC. I have

thoroughly enjoyed working with Jane the past four years on the Board Of Directors. I know we will have her continued support in the future.

The Jingle Bell Ball was a huge success as always. I know everyone in attendance had a great time. The music was outstanding – our club DJ's, **Cliff Merritt and Pete Saunders**, out-did themselves. Thanks to **Bill Boyer** for giving up some of his party time to take some wonderful pictures of all of us in attendance.

I would like to thank **Phyllis Wells** and her committee for organizing the party and the fantastic decorations. Congratulations go out to **Brad West** for receiving the most improved male dancer award; **Sondra Cook**, most improved female dancer; and **Rogers and Nancy Verser** for most improved couple. Many thanks go to **Barbara White** and the dance instructors for all of their hard work. Congratulations to **Charlotte and Allen Batchelor** and **Phillip Mitchell** for being awarded the RSC Spirit of Shag Award for the Most Outstanding Members for 2011. Thanks to **Sonny Tinsley** and his SOS Committee (consisting of **Parker Dillard** and myself) for selecting these members to receive these awards. Each one has worked hard for our club.

The RSC donated \$16,000.00 to Camp Fantastic this year. This amount was raised by our club through the golf tournament chaired by **Dinky Slaughter** and **Phillip Mitchell**, the Silent Auction chaired by **Beth Ager**, the Barrow of Booze chaired by **Carolyn Reade** and from private donations. **Dave Smith**, from Camp

Fantastic, and the Parcells family, from Virginia Beach, were present to receive this donation. I cannot stress enough how much the families of children with cancer appreciate all that we do to raise money for Camp Fantastic/Special Love. These families look forward to all the things that Special Love provides to them as a family to help cope with the changes in life that cancer brings.

I look forward to working with the **2012 Board of Directors**:

**Vice President: Parker Dillard**

**Secretary: Pam Tinsley**

**Treasurer: Mike Walton**

**Dance Committee: Joan Byrnes**

**Ways and Means: Robert McAdams**

**Social Committee: Phyllis Wells**

**Welcome Desk: Alan Batchelor**

**Boogie On The James: Jean Sullivan**

Our club would not be one of the best shag clubs around if we did not have the people to work on our committees and chair all of our club's functions. So many in our club donate their time and effort to make sure everything gets done in a timely fashion and they do a great job. We need members to volunteer and work for the club and give some of our other members a much needed break from the functions they have worked on year after year. **We need someone to chair the golf tournament.....** I know this seems like a huge undertaking and it is a big project. However, both **Phillip Mitchell and Dinky Slaughter** have committed to helping the next chairperson learn the ropes of the tournament. We are hopeful that **Janet Bell** will again acquire prizes for the tournament. She's done an amazing job the last few years. There is a team of volunteers who have worked the golf tournament each year and know what needs to be done on the day of the tournament. Yes, the golf tournament is a big project, but there is a lot of help lined up and ready to go. We just need **THE ONE**

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person who can bring it all together and make sure that all of the helpers are getting their share of the work done. Like anything that we do, the more folks who help, the lighter the load is for everyone. I am asking **YOU** to consider chairing the John Mansini Sr. golf tournament in 2012 so that kids who are fighting or have fought cancer can take a week and just be a kid.

I look forward to serving as your President and if I can be of help to anyone please just let me know.

See you on the dance floor.

*Tim*



## 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

## January

Joe Tedesco 02  
 Diane Dew 03  
 Billy Bain 03  
 Sandy Gumm 03  
 Sue Moore 04  
 Glenda Harris 08  
 Steve Bateson 08  
 Janis Grimes 09  
 Judy Tidd 09  
 Randy Newton 09  
 Lloyd Traylor 13  
 Bill Dereski 13  
 Larry Price 14  
 Rich Graham 14  
 Kay Williams 15  
 Larry Fischer 16  
 Emory Minnick 16  
 Margaret Creasey 17  
 Cliff Merritt 17  
 Pat Mason 18  
 Hannah Combs 20  
 Penny Richardson 20  
 Lee Owens 23  
 Parker Dillard 24  
 Betty Carter 24  
 Dick Frush 25  
 Randy Lockhart 25  
 Jean Bazemore 26  
 Bruce Justice 28  
 Art Seward 31

## February

Kendall Hockaday 01  
 Nancy Wall 01  
 Barbara Berger 02  
 Victor Thatcher 03  
 Barbara Pettesch 03  
 Arlene Helton 04  
 Peggy Seward 05  
 Pam Shultz 06  
 Bruce Arnett 07  
 Robin McCathern 07  
 Bubba Andrews Jr. 09  
 Sandra Mawyer 09  
 Donna Kontopanos 11  
 Linda Hass 11  
 Jerry Scaglione 12  
 Dawn Harman 12  
 Charlie Cohill 13  
 Carrol Cox 14  
 David John 14  
 Del Kayser 15  
 Lynn Weishaar 19  
 Roger Bennett 22  
 Jackie Fischer 22  
 Nancy Wood 23  
 Bev Robinson 24  
 Sam Short 25  
 Mel Wilson 26  
 Brenda Gray 27  
 Tim Sullivan 27  
 Don Engle 28  
 Jamie Lewis-Boyer 28  
 Janet Long 28

## January

Billy Bain  
 Charlie Barnes  
 Lisa Cox  
 Carrol Cox  
 Margaret Creasey  
 Cathy Drumheller  
 Vince Ferranti  
 Larry Fischer  
 Johnny Hall  
 Phyllis Hall  
 Jim Hall  
 Linda Hass  
 Shirley Holmes  
 Candace McKinley  
 Joan McKinney  
 Emory Minnick  
 Kathleen Minnick  
 Amy Mitchell  
 Wayne Morris  
 Carolyn Reade  
 Larry Ricker  
 Sharon Ricker  
 Stephanie Sawyer  
 Johnie Shelton  
 Kay Williams  
 Sam Williams  
 Dickie Wilson

## February

Bubba Adams  
 Brenda Adams  
 Beth Ager  
 Carolyn Brockwell  
 Becky Butler  
 Don Engle  
 Martha Foley  
 Jamie Lewis-Boyer  
 Emmett Nuckols  
 Dianne Smiley  
 Bill Smiley  
 Carol Spangler  
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 Brad West, Jr.



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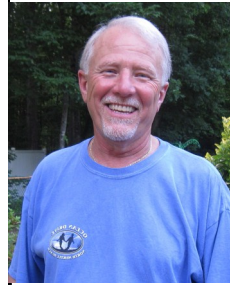
Well hello again all of you RSC shaggers. After a three year absence from your Board of Directors (I previously served from 2004-08, twice as President), I decided to jump back into the thick of things and run for an office. Why? Because I feel we have a good thing going at the RSC. Our club is alive and vibrant, and thanks to good management, we are solvent. I not only want to be a part of it, but help keep it so. I thank you for electing me your new Vice President and I look forward to working with our new President, **Tim Sullivan**, and the new board. We have a great mix of five repeaters and four newcomers. Be on the lookout for our hand-some pictures to soon appear on the web page at [www.richmondshagclub.org](http://www.richmondshagclub.org).

Thanks to the 2011 Board of Directors for the great work they did last year. We should especially thank **Jane Renger**, only our second President to serve three terms. The first to do so was **Shirley Gough** who was club President in 1989, 1990, and 1993. If memory serves Jane has been on the board in some capacity since 2004. The girl has definitely paid her dues, and even though she will take a break, she promises to remain a hard worker behind the scenes.

2012 will not be void of challenges. A stagnant economy is still lurking and surely contributes to our membership hovering below the 400 mark. Our beginner classes were well attended last year, so we'll have to continue that trend, as well as increase the participation in the intermediates. It goes without saying that we will work hard at attracting new members and retaining old ones. Members, members and more members, that's what it's all about.

We can also look forward to a new dance floor at Visions. It's scheduled to be in place by the time you read this edition of R & N. Come on out and help break it in.

*Parker Dillard*



## Ways & Means

As of December 13, 2011 we have taken in \$2,920 from the 50/50 raffle for 2011. 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 RSC banner that can be used indoors or outdoors. It is 3'x6' with the club name and logo. The cost is \$75 each. You should allow 2 weeks for delivery.

The 16 oz Turvis tumblers with a travel lid for sale have arrived. They will have an embroidery 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 have them just in time for you to purchase yours for Christmas presents. See me at the club to purchase yours.

We had a very successful Brunswick Stew. I can't say thank you enough to all the club members who came out in the cold and helped as well as everyone who sold and purchased our stew. I heard a lot of compliments on how good it was. We made and sold 390 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 and a great way to get to know some great people.

Coming up in 2012 will be the next stew date on February 17 and 18. 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.

I hope to have samples of RSC camp and golf shirts to sell by the first of March.

*Robert McAdams*

## Care & Concern



Condolences to the following members who recently lost a loved one:

**James Osborne** who lost his brother, Harold G. Osborne, on October 19, 2011.

**Glenda Harris** on the loss of her Mother, Dorothy Harris, on November 13, 2011

**Jim Minor** who lost his Mother, Carol Minor-Lambertson on November 21, 2011.

**Kathy Lane** on the loss of her Father, William "Virgil" Horton, on November 24, 2011.

**Cynthia Walton** who lost her Mother, Alice Whitaker, on November 26, 2011.

**Phyllis Hall** underwent surgery on October 18, 2011. Phyllis had a speedy recovery and has resumed normal activity.

**Kay Williams** underwent gallbladder surgery on November 8 and was back at the club on Tuesday. You just can't keep a good woman down!

On 13 December 2011, **Steve Bateson** had surgery to have radiation seeds implanted in his prostate to cure a mild case of prostate cancer. It was caught early, the numbers were good, and the prognosis is positive. We are all pleased to hear the good news and wish Steve a speedy recovery.

**Sid Strawderman** underwent surgery for a shaggers toe. Who knew—a shaggers toe! He is out of commission for awhile but will be back out on the dance floor soon.

On a lighter note-- Congratulations to the following club members who were blessed with a new baby:

**Chad and Ashley Farlow** welcomed their new baby, William Edward, 7 lbs. 4 oz., on December 1.

**Linda Hass** welcomed her first grandchild, Sage, who was born on December 15, 2011. He weighed 7.5 lbs. and was 19 3/4 inches long.

**Charlie and Diane Dew** are enjoying their latest bundle of joy... granddaughter, Chaylie Marie, born on December 11 and weighing in at 7lbs. 15-1/2 oz. and was 20.5" long.

The following note is from Glenda Harris to the membership:

"Thank you so much for the kindness expressed during Mom's illness, at the funeral/visitation, the thoughtful cards, e-mails and comforting words. Your support during this difficult time meant more to me than words can express. Glenda Harris"

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 Ann Thomasson*

## Social Committee



### PARTY! PARTY! PARTY!

This year the RSC will be partying all year long. We will add two (2) extra parties this year! Mark your calendars for RSC's Spring Fling on May 18, 2012 and a Halloween Party on October 27, 2012. Details to follow later. We'll still have our Sunday Socials with the first one on February 12, 2012 with a Shag Jam with Charlotte and Allen. Also, we'll have a Valentine Party on February 14. Hope we'll see all of you there. Look for flyers with details. If anyone wants to help with the parties, see me at the club or call me @ 382-7208.

*Phyllis Wells*

## Host & Hostess Committee

Happy New Year to everyone from your "newbie" Hostess chairman, Allen Batchelor. I am looking forward to a great year with the club.

### *Allen Batchelor*



**2011 Spirit of Shag Award Winners  
Allen & Charlotte Batchelor  
and Phillip Mitchell**

## From Michael Walton, Treasurer... Review, a View and an Eye-Opening Observation

Every so often I look back to refresh myself as to what the Shag club is and is not. The Richmond Shag Club is NOT a non-profit organization. It is a tax-exempt social organization, organized substantially for pleasure, recreation and other non-profitable purposes. The club is primarily supported by dues paid by the members. Being organized as a club allows individuals to join together to provide themselves recreational and social facilities on a mutual basis. It allows the club to absorb responsibilities and enter into contracts that individuals could not or would not want to do. i.e.: annual party.

Presently the club is well capitalized. Does it need money in the bank? Absolutely! The capital is needed because the club takes risks. It promotes dances, parties, etc. for its members. These entail financial risk. I am not referring only to the operational risk of ticket sales verses costs; for instance, before we set foot on the dance floor at the annual party--- thousands of dollars have been dispersed for fees, hotel deposits and licenses, etc. Should something catastrophic happen, this cushion of cash allows the club to seamlessly move on; be it another event later or another venue entirely, while trying to repair the damage done.

The third item I reviewed led to an eye opening observation. The club is entering its 25th year. When it was started, the dues were pegged at \$25. Well, a quick check shows that inflation has made that \$25 back in 1987 equivalent to \$49 today!! Yet, dues remain at \$25. The club is not immune to rising costs. We have an excellent Ways and Means committee, but my concern is that we are becoming more and more dependent on people gambling in the 50/50 raffles, and with the sale of stew cooked in a stew pot the club does not own. One can be frugal in the running of the club but that can only go so far. One can ignore the reality of what inflation has done to our dues but one cannot escape the consequences of that reality.

*Mike*



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# RSC MAIN EVENTS

<b>January 8</b>	<b>Shag Jam</b>
<b>January 12-15</b>	<b>SOS Mid Winter</b>
<b>February 12</b>	<b>Sunday Social with Shag Jam</b>
<b>February 14</b>	<b>Valentine Party</b>
<b>February 24-26</b>	<b>ACSC Winter Workshop</b>
<b>March 4</b>	<b>Shag Jam</b>
<b>April 1</b>	<b>Sunday Social with Shag Jam</b>
<b>April 20-29</b>	<b>SOS Spring Safari</b>
<b>May 6</b>	<b>Shag Jam</b>
<b>May 18</b>	<b>Spring Fling</b>
<b>June 3</b>	<b>Shag Jam</b>
<b>June 4</b>	<b>John Mansini Sr. Golf Tournament</b>
<b>July 1</b>	<b>Shag Jam</b>
<b>July 13-15</b>	<b>ACSC Summer Workshop</b>
<b>August 3-4</b>	<b>The Boogie On The James</b>
<b>September 9</b>	<b>Shag Jam</b>
<b>September 14-23</b>	<b>SOS Fall Migration</b>
<b>October 7</b>	<b>Shag Jam</b>
<b>October 27</b>	<b>Halloween Party</b>
<b>November 4</b>	<b>Sunday Social with Shag Jam</b>
<b>December 2</b>	<b>Shag Jam</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.





Please note a request from the staff at Visions... RSC members are asked **NOT** to enter the back storage room where the shag club stores its desk supplies—**unless** you are working the desk that night.



Most Improved Female Dancer 2011  
Sondra Cook

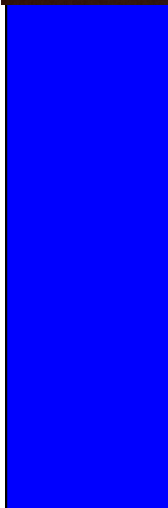


Most Improved Male Dancer 2011  
Brad West



Most Improved Couple 2011  
Rogers and Nancy Verser











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**\$25.00 fee for returned checks**

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Last First Nickname Birthday (Year optional)

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

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
Street or P.O. City State Zip

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Occupation: \_\_\_\_\_  
Home Cell Work (Optional)

E-Mail Address(es): \_\_\_\_\_  
(Newsletter, messages about Club activities, events, membership renewal reminders, member news, etc.)

**Choose one:** I prefer to get my newsletter  by e-mail or,  in the mail.  
 If you do not indicate a preference, it will be sent by e-mail.

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

Annual Party       Membership  
 Communications     Social  
 Dance                   Ways & Means  
 Golf Tournament      Please contact me,  
 Host & Hostess         I need more info.

**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 if 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.

**For RSC Staff Only**  
 Cash: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Check: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
 Check #: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Rec'd By: \_\_\_\_\_

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Signature Print Name Date

Member #2 \_\_\_\_\_  
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