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## From The President



I attended the John Mancini golf tournament on June 3, 2013 at the Stonehenge Country Club. It was a huge success. I would like to thank the Golf Tournament cochairs **Leonard McAdams** and **Dickie Robinson** for making all of this possible. I would also like to thank a lot of dedicated RSC members for doing a **FANTASTIC** job on the tournament. The revenue should be in excess of \$12,000. The tournament is our club's biggest money making event for our charity, Camp Fantastic.

The RSC had its second annual Spring Fling party on May 11, 2013 at the Moose Lodge in Hopewell. Everyone in attendance had a great time. Thanks go out to **Phyllis Wells** and her committee for a job well done. Phyllis is currently planning this event for 2014.

At this time the RSC Board of Directors and myself would like to thank all of the members who always volunteer through the year to help with and chair our many events. Without your help we would not be the best shag club anywhere.

See ya on the dance floor,

Tim



### **Vice President**

There are lots of ways to learn new steps. My favorite is the old fashioned way: take a lesson. The Richmond Shag Club offers plenty of these - beginners on Thursdays and intermedi-

ates on Tuesdays. In addition, we also offer lessons of "other" steps (outside of our regular curriculum) on the fifth Tuesday or Thursday of any given month, as well as our "Shag Jams," which are held the first Sunday of every month. Of course, if you attend any SOS, or other club parties, there are countless workshops offered. These may be supplemented with any number of CDs, YouTube visits, or even your own hand scratched notes.

Once when we were rookies, I asked our instructor if he had a method for learning a new step. "Sure," he said, "do it in stages," and he laid out the following procedure:

- First, very slowly walk the step, with no music.
- Next, pick up the pace, imagine a beat.
- Then try music, move from very slow to faster.
- Finally, after the footwork is mastered, bring in your partner and work on the lead and follow aspects of the step.

It's imperative you be comfortable with each stage before moving to the next.

In review, learn the footwork without music, then with music, then with a partner.

After the repetition, frustration and practice, you now have another step to add to your catalog. There's no shortage of new steps to learn, the trick is remembering them and doing them properly.

Thanks everybody and we'll see you on the hard-wood.

Parker Dillard

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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 (email: thomassoncw@verizon.net).

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 <u>pstinsley@verizon.net</u>**. 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 the check the RSC website

<u>http://richmondshag.homestead.com/</u> and the RSC Facebook page <a href="http://www.facebook.com/groups/51783245956/">http://www.facebook.com/groups/51783245956/</a> for news and for posting info to share.

Thanks!

Carol Ann and Pam

## 2013 General Membership Meetings

March 5 \* June 18 \* August 20 \* November 12

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.



#### **MEMBERSHIP EXPIRATIONS CLUB BIRTHDAYS** July July August August John Moore 01 Diane Jessie 01 Linda Burr George Andrews Candace McKinley 02 Mary Ann Lambert 01 Jack Cassells Rosie Ashcraft Donna Agosti 04 Rob White 02 Virginia Clarke Carl Beck Nan Allen 06 Sharon Ricker 05 Charlie Cohill Sandy Cullather Harry Hopkins 06 Carolyn Anderson 06 Dick Frush Parker Dillard Gary Weishaar 08 Debi Mitchell 06 Kendall Hockaday Bev Dillard Earl Robinson 09 Maureen Romanosky 06 Stephanie Hockaday Tv Eckler Howard Overbey 08 **Debbie Shelton** Sandra Jones Carol Thomasson 09 Donna Vaughan 10 Gretchen Stephens 08 Bill Shelton Bruce Justice Ron Bessent 11 Jerri Cowan 08 Dink Slaughter Jo Maul Fave Vines 12 Tammy Varney 09 **Bodo Stock** Pam McLaughlin Glenn Miller 14 Bill Hecht 14 Brenda Townsend Neil McLaughlin John Kontopanos 18 Dickie Burnley 16 Bill Richardson Roger Verser Cookie Vaughan 18 Diane Langford 19 Nancy Verser Corina Richardson Terri Lumpkin 18 Doug Strother 22 Kenn Ward Brenda Roane Corina Richardson 22 Sid Strawderman 22 Shug Ward Faye Scott Mike Armentrout 23 Jane Renger 23 Connie Williams Mike Smith Nita Harris 25 Angie Abbott 23 C.L. Wilson Linda Steele Sandy Dryden 26 Frank Armistead 26 Marty Yeatman Gretchen Stephens Robert McAdams 26 Annette Yontz Brad West, Jr. 27 **Dwight Stephens** Joe Thomas Bill Shelton 26 Dink Slaughter 27 Mike Yontz Linda Steele 27 Faye Scott 28 Susan Wright Roger Verser 30 Shirley Gough 27 Bob Defazio 28 Bill Chambers 31 Butch Earnhardt 30 Barb Hodge 31



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#### **Dance Committee**

#### **Competition Highlights**

Our Richmond Shag Club (RSC) members and area shaggers are making us proud and representing us well again.

Several of our RSC members participated in the "Rookies Revenge" dance contest at the Spring SOS in North Myrtle Beach. Congratulations go to **Chad Farlow** taking first place, **Charles Harward** second place, and **Tim Sullivan** fourth place. Each of them were dancing with partners whose names were drawn from the female entries. Also, **Kevin and Joan Byrnes** placed second in the "Smoothies" contest.



The Grand National Dance Competition took place Memorial Day weekend in Atlanta, Georgia. This is an event that includes not only Shag, but also all forms of swing and an open division other than swing called "Cabaret."

Member Nancy Wall and her partner, John Phillips from Winston Salem, NC and members Chad and Ashley Farlow competed in the Non-Professional Carolina Classis competition. Also, Kevin Byrnes participated in the Non-Pro Shag Intermediate Jack and Jill contest.

Nancy Wall's niece, **Taylor Perkinson** from Colonial Heights, competed in several events. She placed third in the Cabaret Division, third in the Non-Pro Shag Intermediate Jack and Jill contest with drawn partner Jim Hern, and sixth with partner Justin Burroughs in the Junior II Shag Event. She also competed in the Pro/Am contest with Brennar Gorree.



#### Instructor Acknowledgement

Thank you to the following RSC volunteer instructors for giving their time and talent: Joe and Marsha Tedesco - May Beginner Classes, Dinky Slaughter and Nancy Wall - May Intermediate classes, Dinky Slaughter and Barbara White - June Beginner Classes, and Sid Strawderman and Jane Renger - June Intermediate Classes. Thanks also to Allen and Charlotte Batchelor for teaching at the May Sunday Shag Jam and to Phillip Mitchell and Diane Jessie for teaching the June Shag Jam.

#### **Shag Demonstration**

Thanks to the following members who did a shag demonstration at the Powhatan Relay for Life Event: Kendall and Stephanie Hockaday, Dinky Slaughter and Barbara White, and Sid Strawderman and Jane Renger.

## Joan Byrnes

#### Take a Lesson...

## July Schedule

Beginner Classes - 11, 18, 25

Rogers and Nancy Verser

<u>Intermediate Classes</u> - 2, 9, 16, 23,

Dickie and Joyce Burnley

<u>Line Dance</u> - 9th and 23rd Sue Moore

## **August Schedule**

Beginner Classes - 8, 15, 22, 29

Kenn and Shug Ward

<u>Intermediate Classes</u> - 6, 13, 20, 27

Parker and Bev Dillard Special Classes to be determined

<u>Line Dance</u>- 6th and 20th



If you have any new or gently used shag shoes you no longer want or wear, and would like to donate to the Junior Shag Association, bring to the club any Tuesday or Thursday night and leave at the club desk.

Deadline to donate shoes will be July 9<sup>th</sup>. I will make sure these get to Jr. SOS held in July at Myrtle Beach. The kids so appreciate having the proper shoes to boogie down with!

Contact me <a href="mailto:nswall@msn.com">nswall@msn.com</a> if you have any questions and thanks RSC for your continued support of the Junior Shaggers Association!

Nancy Wall





#### **Host & Hostess Committee**

It's summer time!! We wish everyone a great time full of events and trips. Speaking of events, the main avenue that the club has to keep everyone informed about upcoming items is

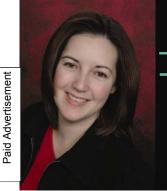
through the club's yearly membership form. Incorrect information, no information, etc., results in "cloudy" announcements to everyone. So when you renew your membership, please clearly record the required information for continuous announcements Summer through Winter.

## Allen Batchelor



- July 7 Shag Jam 2-4pm
- July 17-20 **Junior SOS** (North Myrtle Beach)
- July 27 Pool Party
- August 2-3 **Annual Boogie on the James**
- August 11 Shag Jam 2-4pm
- September 1 Shag Jam 2-4pm
- September 13-21 Fall Migration SOS (North Myrtle Beach)
- October 6 Shag Jam 2-4pm
- November 3 Shag Jam 3-5pm with Sunday Social following 5-9pm.
- December 1 Shag Jam 2-4pm
- December 21 Jingle Bell Ball (ACCA Temple)

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



## Jane Renger

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



## 23rd Annual John Mansini, Sr. Golf Tournament benefitting Camp Fantastic

It was another banner year for the **23rd Annual John Mansini, Sr. Golf Tournament** where all proceeds go to **Camp Fantastic**, a summer camp for kids between the ages of 7-17 with cancer. The camp is located in Front Royal, VA and many families from the Richmond area have been able to take advantage of this camp due to events like ours.

The event was held at **Stonehenge Golf & Country Club**, where 24 teams participated. The weather was perfect and the course was in great condition. None of that would have mattered without the support of the golfers, sponsors and prize contributors. A special thanks goes out to the countless club volunteers for their efforts before and during the event. Without all of the above, the success of this event would not have been possible.

This year, **Tripps Restaurant in Midlothian**, stepped up and contributed 120 box lunches to get the day started. **Sibley's Barbeque**, in Chester, served a BBQ dinner to end what was the perfect day. Also contributing to the perfect day were our winning teams:

1st Place - Carroll & Lisa Cox and team 2nd Place - Paul Scott and team 3rd Place - Howard Overbey Jr and team

We would like to give a huge thanks to our winning teams, as well as the 50/50 winners, who all donated all of their winnings back to Camp Fantastic!

As always, we encourage everyone to support the team sponsors, hole sponsors and the many businesses who donated prizes, to show them how much we appreciate their support.

The reward of all of this was \$11,705.30 which will go to Camp Fantastic. According to our estimate, this brings our total contributions to approximately \$200,000 since we began our support efforts.

Mark your calendars for June 2, 2014 for the 24th Annual John Mansini Sr Golf Tournament to be held at Stonehenge Golf & Country Club.

We look forward to next year and would like to acknowledge and express our huge appreciation to all!

Leonard McAdams, Co-Chairman

Dickie Robinson, Co-Chairman



#### **Ways & Means**

As of June 4, 2013 we have taken in \$1,237 from the 50/50 raffle. 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 doublewall 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 \$39 dollars and are also available in various colors. We also have **shirts for the ladies**. See me for more details.

The next RSC Brunswick Stew will be held in October. The date has not been determined but information will be on the RSC website as soon as it is determined.

Thanks to everyone for their support. Your support is important to the club and is appreciated.

## Robert McAdams



## **Care & Concern**

Condolences to the following members who recently lost a loved one: **Henry W. Geisz's** wife, **Brenda Allison Geisz**, on May 06, 2013, after a lengthy illness. **Doug Strother** lost his father, Douglas Strother, on May 29. Lifetime member, **Irma H. Cross**, passed away on June 11.

**Mary Harward** underwent hip surgery on June 7 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.

If you know of any club member who should be included in our newsletter, please let me know. You can email me at <a href="mailto:thomassoncw@verizon.net">thomassoncw@verizon.net</a>.

## Carol Thomasson



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#### **RSC Party Features**

- Thursday Night Early Bird Party At Visions in Holiday Inn Select
- Friday evening heavy hors d'oeuvres
- Saturday brunch & buffet dinner
- Free pours Friday and Saturday
- Pool party on Saturday with RSC
   DJs Cliff Merritt & Pete Saunders
- Entertainment on Saturday
- Silent Auction
- Large Dance Floor
- Seating for Everyone
- Smoke-Free Ballroom

For more information, contact **Joan Byrnes** at (804-270-1454) **jbyrnes425@verizon.net**Check our website at **www.RichmondShagClub.org** for updates

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