



The Colonial Crier

newsletter of

Colonial Shag Club, Inc.

a member of the Association of Carolina Shag Clubs (ACSC)

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Hampton, Newport News, York County, Poquoson, Williamsburg, Virginia Founded In 2001

a note from the club President

Last Dance

Yes, December is my last dance. There's a new sheriff coming in January. He's a refined man; whereas, when I'm bad, I'm so so bad. So treat him nice. Please give him the same help and support you've given me.



My last President's note. My last chance in print to tell you how much fun this year has been and how I'll miss writing this note and my five minutes with the microphone for announcements. And the president's pick. I don't care who you are, that there was fun.

It's also my chance to thank everyone who has helped make the Colonial Shag Club socials the friendliest destination for fun, food, music, and dancing on the Peninsula.

I thank the board for allowing me to color outside the lines on occasion and try something different.

Setting up, cleaning up, and jumping in to participate helped make it fun for all of us. An extra thanks to the guy who's always there behind the scenes getting it ready for Saturday night's show and so much more. We couldn't do it without him.

To all of our faithful members who show up every Saturday night bringing snacks, desserts, a smile, a hug, and a welcome to new guests. Thank you.

To the Silly Little Lady that on a moment's notice will whip up a flyer or a poster to advertise our events. Thank you.

To all of the committee chairs and members, the volunteers for the 50/50, Facebook, webpage, photographs, membership and all of the other things that keep this club functioning. Thank you.

The Newsletter guy. He takes my words and delivers

them to you each month so that you don't have to friend me on Facebook to find out what bizarre thoughts might be rolling around in my head. He gives you all of the shag news that you can use. Thank you.

To our dance instructors. Without these wonderful, talented, caring, giving instructors that show up early every Saturday night to teach our brand new and experienced members this dance that we all love, our club could not grow and progress. Along with the instructors, I'd like to thank the experienced members that step in to help with the basic lessons. It wouldn't work without you. Thanks to all of you.

DJs. We are lucky to have a great group of deejays. And lots of them. Reading the room and keeping the dance floor full. Making it fun every week. Thank you.

And to the folks who tricked me into being President this year, THANK YOU. My mentors. The walking, talking, club historians. The arbiters of what I could get away with and who helped make this year as fun for me as I tried to make it for you. With a special thanks to the special lady with the special socks.

And finally, to the lovely lady who was by my side every week, no matter how much work I caused her or how much time it took, dumb idea or not, laughed at my jokes, and seems to really like me. My love and thanks. I couldn't have done it without my ICE.

If I forgot someone. Please forgive me. CRS is an insidious disease. But maybe, just maybe, there will be another day to thank you. As Arnold Schwarzenegger said,

"I'LL BE BACK."

Now let's dance.

Tim Kroskey

**No Colonial Shag Club social
on December 22nd**

The beat goes on thanks to our club board of directors and committees

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Music — Jerry Nichols
Nominating — Dee Fertitta (chairperson), Pat Hughes, JR Jones, Jerry Nichols, Laura Smith.
Photographer — TBD
Social — Elena Gilmore
Venue negotiations – Joe Mitchell, Jerry Nichols, Harry Walthall
Venue Operations — J R Jones
Ways & Means (50/50 raffle)— Janie Tompkins

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the music goes on thanks to our colonial tunesmiths

<u>December</u>	22 (no social)
1 Jerry Hardy	29 Greg Howell
8 Brian Eubank	<u>January</u>
15 David Miller	5 Jerry Hardy
21 Chris Coolican	12 Larry Black
(Christmas party)	19 David Miller
	26 Cindy Black

See colonialshagclub.com for any updates to deejay schedule

Happy birthday — December

2 Joey Braudrick	19 Frank Roundy
2 Ed Everett	21 Danny Baker
2 Karen MacDougall	22 Jimmy Jones
7 Janice McGrew	25 Sandra Alford
9 Hal Lare	26 Belinda Gray
13 Valerie Mitchell	26 Donna Reese
14 Michael Zarecky	27 Lin Hines
16 Marilyn Eubank	27 Renee Lare
16 Peggy Hemphill	28 Jerry Nichols
16 Delaine Milton	

Colonial Shag Club

A Proud Member Of The:



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Through the National FastDance Association, our club dance activities are licensed by:



Dance lessons at the club's Saturday night socials
6-7pm

- A six-week series of *beginner* shag dance lessons begins the first week of each **odd-numbered** month. The lessons are progressive — starting with the basic steps and adding a few turns/moves in the following weeks.
- After six weeks of beginner lessons, *beyond basic* lessons will be given for the remainder of the month.

Holiday Shagging
on Monday nights

Eagle's Nest
723 Parkview Dr, Chesapeake
6-9pm

December 10th — deejay Bob Vance
December 17th — deejay Lloyd Pitzen

(This time slot is typically used for Larry Williams & Steva Williams shag lessons. Larry and Steva are taking a holiday break)

Coming to The Banque
on Sundays in December

- 3rd Soul Intent band
- 9th The Janitors
- 30th New Year's Eve Eve party with Ammon's Allstars band (midnight celebrated at 10pm with balloon drop and champagne toast). Tickets now on sale

Doors open at 4. Band starts at 6:15

The Banque, 1849 East Little Creek Road, Norfolk 757-480-3600

Our Events

Club social — Saturdays 7-10pm at Two Left Feet Dance Studio in Fairway Plaza Shopping Center, 1405 Kiln Creek Parkway, Newport News. Social is preceded by one-hour dance lesson; (i.e., lesson 6-7pm)
Cover charge — \$5 regular member, \$7 everyone else
You may bring your own beverage and snacks (including beer, wine, and alcohol)

Christmas dinner and dance Friday December 21st at The Marriott at City Center in Newport News

Other Shag Dance Events

Virginia Beach Shag Club *Mix & Mingle* Wednesdays at Royal Courtyard, Virginia Beach. See VBshagclub.com

Boogie On the Bay Shag Club social — Friday nights at *Big Woody's* in Chesapeake Square Mall in Chesapeake

Lessons by Boogie on the Bay Shag Club instructors Tom Edwards and Marsha Ruth — every Tuesday night at *Big Woody's* in Chesapeake Square Mall in Chesapeake, 7-9pm

Northern Neck Shaggers — dancing every Thursday night at *KC's Crabs and Cues* on Rt. 200 a few miles north of Kilmarnock, Virginia. Deejay Greg Howell. See *Northern Neck Shaggers* on Facebook

Friday December 7 — Boogie on the Bay Shag Club's Christmas dinner and dance at Hilton Garden Inn, 5921 Harbour View Blvd, Suffolk

Friday December 14 — Virginia Beach Shag Club Christmas Dinner and Dance at Lesner Inn, Virginia Beach

Board Meetings

Typically, a board meeting is held the second Monday of each month at Two Left Feet Dance Studio. If interested in attending any particular board meeting, check with a board member for exact time.

Any regular member is welcome to attend a board meeting as a "visitor."

2018 Carolina Beach Music Awards

- Female Vocalist - Lesa Hudson
- Male Vocalist - Craig Woolard
- Rising Star—Carolina Coast Band
- Song of the Year— *Got The Rhythm* by Too Much Sylvia
- Group Album of the Year - *Throw Me A Rope* by Too Much Sylvia
- Solo Album of the Year - *Hits & Picks 2* by Rick Strickland
- Entertainer of The Year - Jim Quick
- Smoothie of the Year - *This Love* by Tim Clark Band
- Compilation Album of the Year - *Tranquil Bay* by Patman & Robin Records
- Group of the Year - Jim Quick & Coastline
- National Dance Song - *Barefootin* by Scotty McCreery
- Collaboration or Duo - *Dear Lover*- Terri Gore & The Sweet T's
- Song Writer - Rick Lee - *Got the Rhythm* performed by Too Much Sylvia
- Instrumentalist - Casey Meyer - guitar (Jim Quick & Coastline band)
- Shad Alberty award - Brennar Goree and Autumn Jones

For your Beach Music listening pleasure ...

Larry's Beach Party" Live radio show - WFOS 88.7 FM - Saturdays from noon to 4pm. Listen on line at www.cpschools.com (select WFOS Live Radio).

To see what's happening at
Two Left Feet Dance studio

go to twoleftfeetdancestudio.net

Colonial Shag Club Christmas Party



December 21th
**The Marriott at City
Center, Newport News**

7:00 – 11:00 pm

**\$40.00 members/\$45
guests ***

**Seated Dinner! Great
music!**

**30x30 dance floor!
Cash Bar**

**Rooms are available for \$109 for a
limited time**

***After December 9th, tickets will be \$45/\$50**

2019 SOS events

in North Myrtle Beach (unless otherwise specified)

- Mid Winter, January 16-20
- Spring Safari April 25 - May 4
- Summer Workshop July 12-14 in Charlotte, NC
- Junior SOS, July 16-21
- Fall Migration, September 12-21

Notice — for regular members

It is time to renew your membership.
 Dues are due and payable by December 31.
 To renew, fill out membership form and submit it
 along with \$20 to the club (at a social or mail to
 club address)
 Form is available on website and at club social

2019 Board of Directors



President — Mel Hemphill
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 Recording Secretary — JR Jones
 Corresponding Secretary — Joe Mitchell

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- Timothy Kroskey
- Marion Buttsavage
- Sheila Kerr-Jones
- Lana Nicholls

Are Colonial Shag Club events open to the public?

The events are open only to members; however, a nonmember may simply show up at the door, enroll as a regular member or associate member at that time, pay the admission fee, and dance the night away.

There are two membership types

- *Regular* – \$25 enrollment fee first year (prorated for remainder of the first calendar year). \$5 admission fee to each Saturday night social
- *Associate* – no enrollment fee. Merely fill out a form with name, etc. at the first event attended each year. \$7 admission fee to each Saturday night social

Congratulations to the following Hampton Roads shaggers for being selected for induction into the
Virginia Shaggers Hall Of Fame

- Patty Walker — Colonial Shag Club
- Sandra Alford — Virginia Beach Shag Club, Boogie on the Bay Shag Club, and Colonial Shag Club
- Brenda Kennedy — Virginia Beach Shag Club
- Larry Maynard — Virginia Beach Shag Club

Noteworthy results from the

US OPEN Swing Dance Championships

that was held on Thanksgiving weekend in Burbank, California

- Brennar Goree and Torri Zzaoui took first place in the Strictly Shag - Open division
- The Junior Shag Team took first place in the Team division — choreographed by Brennar Goree

Torri and Brennar took first place at the US Open Swing Dance Championships in the Classic Swing division in 2010 and at the National Shag Dance Championship in the Junior II category in 2010.

In the 2000's decade, Brennar was a Junior member of the Colonial Shag Club. Back in those days, attendees of the club socials were occasionally treated to the sight of skillful shag dancing by club juniors such as Brennar, Justin Poston, Chelsea (Hornberger) Williams, and Kim Myers.

Brennar and his mother, Cindy Black, took first place in the Strictly Shag - Open division at the 2015 US Open Swing Dance Championships

New Year's Eve party

Two Left Feet Dance Studio

December 31, 8pm -1am

\$30 per person

Heavy hors d'oeuvres

By reservation

Call Rick at 757-813-4371

