



The Colonial Crier

newsletter of

Colonial Shag Club, Inc.

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

December 2017

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

a note from the club President

December always seems to be the busiest month of the year. This is true not only for the Colonial Shag Club but probably in your personal life as well. We have our annual Christmas Party in mid-December, membership renewals, and of course Christmas and New Year's Eve. We take pride in our Christmas Party because we have always tried to make it our best event of the year. This year we have changed our night from Saturday to Friday and our venue from the St. Michaels Hall, which we were fortunate to have for the past 10 years, to the Newport News Marriott at City Center. If you haven't yet purchased your tickets for the Christmas Party, be sure to do so by Saturday December 2nd before the price increases (see details on page 2).



Congratulations are in order for Joe and Rosalie Mitchell for their induction, on November 11th, into the National Living Legends of Dance. There were twenty three dancers from around the US inducted this year and we are very proud of Joe and Rosalie being included in the 2017 Legends.

Congratulations also to Jerry Nichols for being selected, on November 18th, to be inducted into the 2018 Virginia Shaggers Hall of Fame. There were nine shaggers selected, and we are all very excited to have Jerry included in this group of inductees.

December is my last month as President of our club. I have been privileged to serve as your president for the past four years and appreciate the wonderful support given me by our members. As you all know, our club is not guided by one individual, but by our board of directors and our members. I wish to thank all who served on the board for the past four years and have made this club one of the best shag clubs in the ACSC. When the club was started in 2001, we set a goal of being the *Friendliest Shag Club in the ACSC*. I am very proud of the fact that we have come close to meeting that goal. I say this because I frequently hear from visitors just how

well they are treated and how much fun they have when they first dance with us on a Saturday night.

Tim Kroskey will be your new president, and I ask all of you to offer him your support. Tim will be looking for members to fill the various Committee Chairs and will need members to volunteer their time and talents to make his job easier. Tim will benefit from having several board members who have been on the board for the past few years. I feel Tim will make an excellent president. And, with the support of our wonderful members, the Colonial Shag Club will continue to grow and be considered the *Friendliest Shag Club in the ACSC*.

Again, I wish to thank everyone for your help and support during the past four years. The Colonial Shag Club has the very **finest members anywhere**, and I am truly blessed to be a part of the *Friendliest Shag Club in the ACSC*.

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to ALL

Harry

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."

No
club social
Saturday December 16

The beat goes on thanks to our

club board of directors and committees

Directors and Officers

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Committees

Audit — Lisa Jones

Budget — Rosalie Mitchell

Beverage — Joe Mitchell

Cards — Diane Capps

Charity — Suzanne Kolesha, Tim Kroskey

Christmas party — Marion Butsavege, Rosalie Mitchell, Connie Sled Communications

Newsletter — Lloyd Pitzen

Social Media (Facebook) — Lisa Jones

Website — Joe Mitchell

Dance instruction — Darla Frederick

Elections — TBD

Junior program – Joe Mitchell

Hospitality — Sheila Kerr-Jones

Membership — Heldur & Beth Liivak

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

the music goes on thanks to our colonial tunesmiths

2 David Miller

23 Jerry Hardy

9 Greg Howell

30 Chris Coolican

Happy birthday

2 Joey Braudrick

22 Jimmy Jones

2 Eddie Everett

25 Sandra Alford

2 Karen MacDougall

26 Belinda Gray

6 Linda Holt

26 Donna Reese

7 Janice McGrew

27 Lin Hines

9 Hal Lare

27 Renee Lare

14 Michael Zarecky

27 Jean Miller

16 Marilyn Eubank

28 Jerry Nichols

16 Peggy Hemphill

16 Delaine Milton

Ticket price goes up \$5 as of December 3. Last day for ticket sales is December 9



Colonial Shag Club

CHRISTMAS PARTY!

December 15th

Newport News Marriott*

Ticket Prices until December 2nd

Members - \$ 40.00

Associates/Guests - \$ 45.00

* 740 Town Center Drive, Newport News, VA 23606

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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.

If your address, phone number, or email address has changed, notify membership@colonialshagclub.com

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.

Colonial Shag Club

A Proud Member Of The:



Colonial Shag Club, Inc.
P.O. Box 12104
Newport News, VA 23612-2104

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



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)

Other Shag Dance Events

Virginia Beach Shag Club *Mix & Mingle* Wednesdays at The Yacht Club at Marina Shores, 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

Virginia Beach Shag Club Christmas party – Saturday December 2

Boogie On The Bay Shag Club Christmas party Friday December 8 at Garden Inn Chesapeake/Suffolk, Harbour View Blvd, Suffolk

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).

Have you seen her?

If you attended any beach music Sunday event at the Banque, you may have seen her moving and grooving in front of the stage.

If you attended any band performance at the Spanish Galleon in North

Myrtle Beach during SOS, you may have seen her moving and grooving in front of the stage. And you may have seen her on stage. The Band of Oz and the Embers have been known to invite her on stage for a song as shown in the picture below with the Band of Oz for *Back that thang up*



She is Catherine Richards, who lives in Chesapeake, Virginia. Catherine was named the *Fan of the Year* at the 2017 Carolina Beach Music Awards in North Myrtle Beach on November 11th.

2017 Carolina Beach Music Awards

- Female Vocalist – **Rhonda McDaniel**
- Male Vocalist – **Craig Woolard**
- Rising Star – **James Michael Brown Band**
- Song of the Year – *Should Have Been Loving You* — Gary Lowder & Smokin' Hot
- Group Album of the Year – *Blackwater Rhythm & Blues* — Blackwater Rhythm & Blues Band
- Solo Album of the Year – *Life In The Key Of Lesa* — Lesa Hudson
- Entertainer of The Year – **Jim Quick**
- Smoothie of the Year – *The Last Thing on My Mind* — Rick Strickland
- Compilation Album of the Year – *Carolina Shag VI* — Sisbro
- Group of the Year – **Band of Oz**
- National Dance Song – *24K Magic* — Bruno Mars
- Collaboration or Duo – *We Are Beach Music* — Multiple Artists
- Song Writer – **Rick Strickland** — *The Last Thing on My Mind*
- Instrumentalist – **Hugh “Tuff” Blanton** — Bass in Jim Quick & Coastline
- **CBMA Fan of the Year** — **Catherine Richards (Granny)**

Who decides who gets the awards?

The awards are voted on by the *Carolina Beach Music Academy* members. The Academy is made up of Industry Professionals and beach and shag music fans from all over the world.

To become a member as a shag music fan requires submitting an application with the required yearly fee — Academy membership is \$35 to be able to nominate and vote. Associate membership is \$25 to vote only.



No
Virginia Beach Shag Club
social
on
December 20
and on December 27

Gotta move

When the **Virginia Beach Shag Club** (VBSC) put up their figurative “home sweet home” sign at the Marina Shores Yacht Club in Virginia Beach on May 3rd this year, their nomadic shadow dissipated.

The shadow has returned. Plans are in the works to demolish the Yacht Club and let apartments sprout up in its place. VBSC expects to keep their sign up until late in year 2018.

Banque Christmas party

Sunday, December 3

Soul Intent band

Tickets are \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door.

Doors will open at 4pm, and the band starts at 6.

Prime rib and BBQ buffet \$12.99

The Banque

1849 East Little Creek Road, Norfolk

757-480-3600

Congratulations to the following Hampton Roads shaggers for being selected for induction into the [Virginia Shaggers Hall Of Fame](#)

- [Jerry Nichols](#) — Colonial Shag Club
- [Jackie Matthews](#) — Virginia Beach Shag Club
- [Bob Person](#) — Virginia Beach Shag Club

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

go to twoleftfeetdancestudio.net

To get the latest info on our club
events, go to

Colonialshagclub.com



Joe and Rosalie Mitchell inducted into the
National Living Legends of Dance
organization



Want to see flyers for shag
opportunities in Hampton roads
and beyond? Take a look at
Boogie on the Bay Facebook page
– Upcoming shag opportunities
photo album

**Two Left Feet Dance
Studio will host a New
Year's Eve Party.** \$30 pp.
By reservation only. Call
Rick for information at
813-4371

