



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

President's corner

This ain't no joke.

Let me start off by saying I hope each of you is safe and is not affected by the coronavirus. Who'd a thunk it a month ago that we'd all be hiding out and staying the length of a six foot pole from our friends and neighbors. I take this personally, because I used to be a six foot Pole, or Polack, if you will. I'm only 5-11 ½ now. A wee bit of shrinkage.



But that's not why I called you together here. Under the powers vested in me under Article V. Section 7 of the Constitution of Virginia and the bylaws of the Colonial Shag Club and 44-146.17 of the Code of Virginia, under the emergency powers granted to me in cases of dire emergencies and civil unrest, I command you to continue to dance.

This order shall be carried out under penalty of boredom, weight gain, loss of interest in sex, food, alcohol, or outdoor activity. All members of Colonial Shag Club shall assemble at 6pm each Saturday at their place of residence or such place as is acceptable to dance without a gathering of more than ten individuals. From 6 to 7pm, a lesson taught by Jackie and Charlie, Sam and Lisa, or downloaded from YouTube or the CSC website shall be watched and an attempt should be made to learn the steps. At the completion of the lesson, from 7 to 10pm, CSC members are required to listen to their favorite shag music and practice the lesson steps and have a damn good time doing it. At 8pm, a special song should be played to remember your club president with a president's

pick. This would be a song you can shag to, but not one that we hear at our weekly socials.

What I'm trying to say is that we miss seeing all of your smiling faces and dancing feet every week. Let's pray that everyone stays healthy and we can get back to doing what we love; shagging on Saturday night.

See you on the dance floor

Tim Kroskey

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Ways & Means (50/50 raffle)— J R Jones

While the deejay schedule is put on hold, the birthdays go on



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| 10 | Carolyn Freeman | 21 | Ken Lantz |
| 11 | Pat Crank | 23 | Sheryl Barlow |
| 12 | Tim Miller | 25 | Michelle Calloway |
| 16 | Marie Kiesel | 26 | Joe Mitchell |
| 17 | Ed Gilmore | 27 | Dee Scherr |
| 17 | Andrew Medvec | 29 | Cindy Bruno |
| 18 | Heldur Liivak | 30 | Elizabeth Green |

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 get the latest info on our club events, go to

Colonialshagclub.com

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The following is an excerpt from National Fast Dance Association website.

The Shag has moved Westward out of the Carolinas. Shaggers can be found as far North as New England and as far West as St. Louis and Utah. The Bop has extended its popularity out of the Southeast into the Northeast and Midwest. The Lindy or Lindy Hop is enjoyed all along the Eastern and Western seaboards. The Push and Whip are spreading in Texas and beyond. The Jitterbug, once nearly extinct, has had a rebirth in Chicago and areas of the Southeast. The Swing, whether East or West Coast, is currently the fastest growing fast dance style. Swing dance clubs can now be found in every major city.

Many dance conventions are offering spectacular and sophisticated national competitions for our dancers. The shag and swing communities are doing a great job in bringing in younger dancers in their teens. They are contributing a new excitement and vitality and are taking our dances to new levels of performance and enjoyment. Our basic 6- and 8-count dance styles make transitioning from one dance style to another very easy. East Coast dancers can dance with Shaggers. Boppers and Hand Dancers can easily dance with West Coasters. Jitterbuggers and Lindy Hoppers can play off one another. The dances and music (all triple-count for the most part), are all coming together to make a great blend and mixture of fast dance styles.

Our Events

Club social – Studio in Fair Parkway, Ne dance lesson; Cover charge You may bring beer, wine, an	All events on hold	Feet Dance 5 Kiln Creek 7 one-hour ne else (including Saturday ndent from iving taken
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Other Shag Dance Events

Virginia Beach Shag Club <i>Mix & Mingle</i> every Wednesday night at Royal Courtyard, Virginia Beach, See VBshagcl		
Boogie or <i>Big Wood</i> See <i>Boog</i>		t
Lessons b Edwards ; <i>Woody's</i>	All events on hold	n
Northern <i>KC's Cra</i> Kilmarno		
Franklin S every mon See Faceb		



Last month's newsletter had a graphic with the words "March—in like a lion and out like a lamb." The opposite happened. While plants bloomed, the coronavirus spread aggressively.

Hopefully, our nasal passages bring in the fragrance of wisteria and not the virus