



# The Colonial Crier

newsletter of

**Colonial Shag Club, Inc.**

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

**February & March 2021**

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

## President's corner

### A Not So Happy Anniversary

On Saturday, March 6<sup>th</sup>, it will have been one year since the Colonial Shag Club met to dance. I don't know about you, but that didn't make for a happy year for Cyd and me. We miss our friends. We miss the music. We miss the dancing. I even miss cooking bar-b-q for 125 of my closest friends. I'm guessing most of you missed these things also. You might even be missing me, just like I'm missing each and every one of your smiling faces.



Well, your CSC board met this week to see what we could do to get us back together dancing on Saturday nights. Hell's bells, we'd be happy to dance any night. Or day. But it won't happen in the next couple of weeks. We need time to work out how to open and be reasonably assured that we've done everything we can to prevent our members from contracting the latest iteration of our current pandemic while attending one of our socials. Unfortunately, just like anywhere else you go now, except Texas, we'll have rules to follow to keep us safe.

Over the next two months, the board will meet again to see how the current state of the pandemic will affect when and if we can dance. If the number of cases continue to decline, if the vaccines appear to be effective, and if Jupiter aligns properly with Mars, we hope to start back dancing on June 5<sup>th</sup>.

There will probably be fewer members attending initially. Since we need a certain number of paying members to break even and pay our bills, there is the possibility that, with fewer attendees, we will

need to raise our entry fee. We may even need to go to a reservation system to control the number of attendees if we get a good response. Part of the decision making process will include input from our members. Would you return? Would you be willing to pay more? What measures would you like to see put in place to keep us all healthy? You can give us your input by email at [shag@colonialshagclub.com](mailto:shag@colonialshagclub.com). We want any comments, positive or negative, that will help us put together a plan that works and keeps everyone's welfare uppermost in mind.

I hope all of you are doing well, staying healthy, practicing your basic, and looking forward to getting together again.

Until then, please remember our sick and departed members and their families in your prayers.

Signed,

Tim Kroskey

Your CSC President in good times and bad.

## Colonial Shag Club

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Of The:



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Through the National FastDance Association, our club  
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# The beat goes on thanks to our

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*Newsletter* — Lloyd Pitzen

*Social Media* (Facebook) — Lisa Jones, Connie Sledd

*Website* — Joe Mitchell

*Dance instruction* — Jerry Nichols

*Junior program* — Joe Mitchell

*Membership* — Cyd Kroskey

*Music* — Tim Kroskey

*Nominating* — tbd

*Photographers* — Alan Michaelis, Malcolm Mann

*Social* — tbd

*Venue negotiations* — Joe Mitchell, Jerry Nichols, Harry Walthall

*Venue Operations* — J R Jones

*Venue Supplies* — John Bright, Christina Campana, Malcom  
Mann, Stan Crocket, Patty Swan

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



### March

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|--------------------|-------------------|
| 1 Matt Rehim       | 14 Lynn Patykula  |
| 2 Deborah Williams | 19 Greg Howell    |
| 10 Larry Brown     | 20 Debra Janezeck |
| 10 Anne Mercer     | 21 Ray Talaie     |
| 11 Patti Nohilly   | 22 Jim Frederick  |
| 11 Toni Nolker     | 24 John Polson    |
| 11 Patty Swan      | 25 Joan Ward      |
| 12 Robert Calloway | 28 Larry Black    |
| 12 Al Lukac        | 31 Steva Williams |
| 14 Ruby James      |                   |

### Belated happy birthday wishes for February

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|--------------------|--------------------|
| 1 Carolyn Felder   | 12 Cindy Matheson  |
| 1 Kendall Hockaday | 13 Janet Zenarolla |
| 2 Shirley Baucom   | 16 Nancy Mason     |
| 2 Tammy Ortery     | 17 Suzanne Kolesha |
| 2 Laura Smith      | 18 Betty Hargrave  |
| 2 Laura Spencer    | 18 Jim Shannon     |
| 7 Greg Forrest     | 22 Janie Tompkins  |
| 7 Brenda Pollock   | 24 Cyd Kroskey     |
| 7 Nancy Sanabria   | 27 Debbie Fertitta |
| 9 David Miller     | 27 Diane Underhill |
| 10 Bill Williams   | 28 Pat Hughes      |
| 11 George Oehler   |                    |

**SOS Spring Safari in North Myrtle  
Beach rescheduled June 19-26, 2021**

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## Lorraine Jackson passed away on February 20<sup>th</sup>



The following was posted by Elizabeth J. Vincelette on Facebook on February 20<sup>th</sup>

My heart is broken. Today, my mother, Lorraine Jackson, passed away after a nearly two-month battle with Covid. She fought so hard, and after a seeming improvement, had a sudden decline.

Rather than remember her during these recent events, I prefer to celebrate her at her best. Full of energy, she was happiest on the dance floor among friends and especially with Earl Hill, whom she loved so deeply.

Originally from Florence, Alabama, Mom was a true southern cook and a lady—well, most of the time. She loved a sly, and maybe inappropriate, joke. She could fold a fitted sheet better than anyone. She was quick to laugh.

My way of speaking and gestures are from her, most of my looks, and especially my hands. As I look at her ring, now on my finger, I see her hands, not mine. I'm sad, stunned, and trying so hard to realize it's real.

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