

# SOS Carefree Times

## 2017

### Summer Edition







**S.O.S. President  
Ron Whisenant**

Hello All! I hope that you are having an enjoyable summer. It seems that the breach has been full ever since Spring Safari ended. It is a great time to be here in the early months of summer, especially for the college and high school influx on the beaches to celebrate a much earned vacation for many.

The 2017 Spring Safari was a very satisfying event for SOS. There were many people sharing the beaches and beach clubs during the last ten days of April. The weather was very nice to sun on the beach most days along with some shopping time on the rainy afternoons. The beach clubs were busy with bands and dancing in the afternoons and at night.

Congratulations to Donnie and Wendy Schultz, along with their parade volunteers for a great parade. This group provides the direction and guidance to make this event happen each year. The weather was perfect and lots of enthusiasm and participation in the streets between the shag clubs participating and the parade observers. Don David was able to participate in his first parade ever after directing this event for the past twenty years. Thank you Don David for a job well done!

The Summer Workshop will be held in Mooresville, NC on the second weekend in July, hosted by the Lake Norman Shag Club. The workshop is a required meeting for all shag club presidents and will have a large attendance. It is also a great party that will be hosted by Lake Norman shag club. It is a great weekend to be with your dance friends. Hopefully I'll see you in Mooresville in July.

It's going to be a busy summer. The SOS@SEA group will be headed to Alaska to find the Fat Harold's / Ducks / Pirates Cove / OD Arcade shag clubs of Alaska. Just imagine shagging in the Yukon wilderness. We may have to come up with a song for this trip. How about "The Polar Bear Crawl" or "Shamma Lamma Salmon Leap".

Fall Migration is not far away. September 15 - 24th will bring us to the largest of all of our SOS events. There will be a lot of good things going on. Fun Sunday and Fun Monday will surely provide a weekend full of music and entertainment in the street with old and new friends. Thank You to the Enhancement committee. They make the Fun times abound during Fall Migration in Ocean Drive. Come on down and enjoy good times with good friends!

**Ron**

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**SOS Board Chairman  
Don David**

Greetings everyone! Well, we are in the midst of another summer, my second most favorite time of the year with fall being the first. I hope that most of you will be able to enjoy your grandkids often, and cookouts with your family and friends, the kind that if you're like me sometimes produces overlooked ribs and undercooked chicken. But most of all I wish it to be filled with "raindrops, love, and sunshine".

I was very pleased to see that we left the parade in very capable hands. Donnie and Wendy Schultz did a super job with their very first outing. The parade continued as the winning crown of Spring SOS. Now Fall Migration looms in the near future with an exciting lineup for Fun Sunday and Fun Monday. Make your plans and reservations now.

But in the meantime we have the Summer Workshop to look forward to. This time it will be hosted by the Lake Norman Shag Club and will be held in Concord, NC July 14-16, so you know we're in for a "large time"! Hey guys, there's a great Bass Pro Shop located there! Plus lots for the ladies too! Enjoy your summer and most of all be safe. See you soon....

**Don**



**S.O.S.  
Janet Harrold**

So far it has been a beautiful Spring!!! SOS Spring Safari was a success and awesome weather!!! I'm sure the summer will hit soon but hopefully will not be too hot. If you are down this summer to visit, the clubs have entertainment every night. Fat Harold's still has Jeppy McDowell teaching FREE Shag lessons every Tuesday night and Judy Duke is there on Wednesdays to share all her years

of knowledge of the dance. So bring your favorite shag shoes or purchase a new pair when you arrive and enjoy Ocean Drive.

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Have a wonderful summer, keep cool, and see you in the Fall.. Remember keep smiling you may show up in the next Carefree Times. Remember you are making memories when you think you are just having fun at the time. Thank you Joanne and Vickie for your help with these publications. Couldn't be done without you!!

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**Janet**





**ACSC Chairman**  
**Ken Akin**

Summer Greetings

Spring SOS was another winner! The SOS Parade has always been a highlight of the week and those observers lined up along the parade route are always amazed at the ideas the ACSC club members have chosen for their decorations. Shag clubs are anxious each year

for the announcement of the next year's parade name so the club members start implementing their plans and designs for the next year. The parade presents an opportunity for shag club members to work together to display their talents on the day of the SOS Parade.

The Lake Norman Shag Club is finalizing plans to host the 2017 ACSC Summer Workshop (Hot Summer Nights) at the Concord North Carolina Convention Center on July 14-16, 2017 in Concord N.C. The host hotel, the Embassy Suites, has no available rooms but many overflow hotels with availability are within a short walk across the parking area. The ACSC Summer Workshop Registration begins at 3:00 PM on Friday followed by a Chinese Auction, Hospitality, dancing from 6:00 PM to 12:00 PM with a Jr. Shag Exhibition at 6:30 PM.

Saturday's Workshop schedule includes the ACSC Summer Workshop from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM and a Celebrity Cruise Line Presentation for SOS At Sea VI after the workshop meeting with the afternoon and evening schedule including a Porch Party, Hospitality, dance workshop, dinner and dancing and special entertainment at 9:00 PM. For more workshop information contact Terry Hopper (tehopper@charter.net).

One of the stipulations for ACSC membership requires each shag club president or designee attend both the ACSC Summer and Winter Workshop and one (1) other ACSC meeting held on the last Saturday of Spring SOS or Fall SOS. Shag club members are also encouraged to attend the workshops and as many as thirty members from one shag club have attended a workshop with their club president.

The 26th Anniversary of Junior SOS will be July 18-23, 2017 at the Ocean Drive Beach and Golf Resort in North Myrtle Beach and the attendance at this event increases every year. Presently, there is an enormous group of talented junior shag dancers who definitely will be the preservers of the South Carolina State Dance. Junior SOS presents a perfect opportunity for activities and shag lessons for the juniors at one of the biggest and greatest junior dance events in the world. Visit Junior Shag Association for more information. Also, The Ellen Taylor Foundation, a non-profit charitable organization founded by Ellen Taylor contributes assistance to many junior dancers attending shag events. During Junior SOS The Ellen Taylor Foundation continues to provide volunteers to help distribute donated new or slightly used shag shoes.

As I have mentioned before--I am always available for questions or concerns. Contact me at kjakin13@gmail.com or 803 640-3567. Safe travels during the summer!

*Ken*



**ACSC Vice President**  
**Robin Morley**

Summertime is calling me!!! Our summer has arrived and we are all so busy sharing fun times with family and friends. I promise you that a little Carolina Shag is involved. We are all so fortunate to have such a large shag family and share our lovely dance.

Our dance is alive and well! As you travel this summer, please take the time to visit [www.shagdance.com](http://www.shagdance.com) or our Facebook page, there you will find so many wonderful events that are being hosted by ACSC Shag Clubs. This is a fantastic way to meet new shagging friends and visit new places.

The North Myrtle Beach Museum is also a great place to visit while at NMB. The museum shares our history of the dance and also the history of the area. I learn something new each time I visit. I am once again excited about Jr. SOS. This is such a great time to see our youth in action on the dance floor. The Junior Shag Association is working hard for our young folks to promote your dance. Please visit the JSA at [www.jsa.com](http://www.jsa.com) and look at all they are doing to preserve our dance. It is truly amazing.

I know that you are all are excited about the Summer Workshop that will be hosted by the Lake Norman Shag Club. I hope that you will take away valuable information from the workshop that will assist you in making your club more successful. This is certainly our goal!

In closing, have a great summer!!! Please stay safe in your travels, and DANCE!!!

*Robin*



**ACSC Secretary**  
**Lisa Myers Caveny**

I can't think of a more fun time of year than Summertime!! It's during these months that I will work hard all week and head toward the coast as often as possible for some warm sunshine, salty breezes and beach music! It is my motivation to get my work finished in 4 days instead of 5!

I hope that many of our Shaggers will make plans to attend the 2017 ACSC Summer Workshop held by the Lake Norman Shag Club this July 14th - 16th. They have an awesome weekend planned with so many fun things to see and do...Concord Mills Outlets, Charlotte Motor Speedway, Lake Norman itself is beautiful this time of year, and there's wineries, huge malls and tons of restaurants within just a short drive of our host hotel. For those of you with Grandchildren, the Great Wolf Lodge is also very close by...so make this a fun family weekend. There is dance floor space to accommodate a crowd, great dj's, and plenty of socializing...So come attend the ACSC Summer Workshop and make new friends!

My hope is that as you experience summer fun with family and friends, summer vacations and all things fun...that you will be safe in your travels and find time for yourself to relax and unwind. Dance as often as possible and walk in the sand every chance you get.

I am honored to serve as your ACSC Secretary. I am most grateful to have you all in my circle of friends and a part of my Shag family. Blessings always,

*Lisa*





**ABSCDJs President  
Dennis Brumble**

Warm summer days are now upon us and it is time for one of my favorite events – Junior SOS! This is truly a remarkable event that everyone should consider attending. Gene Pope and the entire Junior Shag Association Board do an excellent job with this event and this year they will be celebrating 26 years of ensuring the future of the greatest dance in the world!

Junior SOS is July 18 – 23, 2017 and is hosted by The Ocean Drive Beach and Golf Resort with scheduled events at The OD Resort Ballroom, OD Beach Club, Duck's, Fat Harold's, OD Pavilion, Pirate's Cove and Saville's on 2nd. Don't forget to bring a pair of shoes to donate to The Ellen Taylor Foundation for Junior Shaggers Shoe Program. The Shoe Salon will be open at the OD Resort during JR. SOS. Be sure to check [www.juniorshaggers.com](http://www.juniorshaggers.com) or ABSCDJs The Association of Beach and Shag Club DJs Facebook page for event schedules.

Last Fall SOS our Association held our second annual memorial service on the beach behind the horseshoe to remember the DJ's and family members and friends of our DJ's that have passed away or suffering from illness. We will once again have this memorial service conducted by our chaplain Archbishop Kevin Twohig on Friday September 22, 2017 at 11:00 AM. I will provide more information in the Fall SOS Carefree Times.

Enjoy your summer and I hope to see you at Junior SOS.  
We will see you on the dance floor!

*Dennis*

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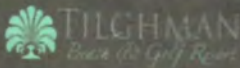


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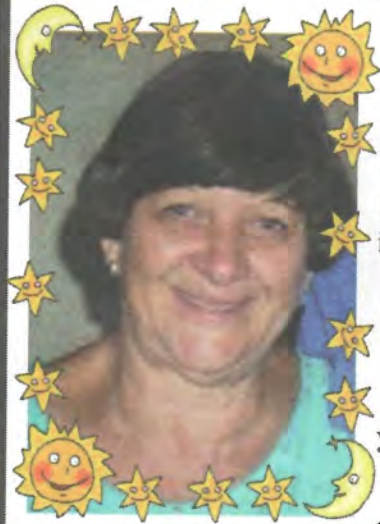
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*Robin*

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By Nick Mathis  
Chairman, HOFF

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Four hours later everyone was back at the clubhouse where they received a free lunch. After the golf shop pro checked all scores, the following winners were announced:

### 1st Place Tie:

Marion Suitt's team of Nuchie Palma, Eddie Anderson and Connie Parrish split 1st and 2nd Prize money with Mike Maxwell's team of James Harlow, George Holden and Gerry Blake.

### 3rd Place Winners:

Nick Mathis' team of James Ray, Craig Hampton and Mike Cullen.

### 4th Place Winners:

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### Closest to the Pin Winners:

Larry Sawyer, Ralph Harrellson, Earl Robinson and Jack Hodges.

### Longest Drive Winners:

Jack Hodges (men) and Cris Falls (ladies).



Special thanks go out to all the golfers who participated in our golf tournament and to the ladies (Dolores Augustine, Sally Edwards, Nita Hammond, Annette Johnson, Frankie Johnson, Anne Rabon) who drove the beverage carts and kept these golfers very well hydrated. We also would like to thank the pros at Eastport for their help and cooperation in making this a fun outing for every level of golfer in the field from low handicaps to true duffers and to Lulu and the staff at Fat Harold's Beach Club for providing us with a place to have a fun "Pairings Party" on Friday night.

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- Thursday, July 27 (Horseshoe)  
Gary Lowder & Smokin' Hot  
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- Thursday, August 3 (Main Street)  
Black Glass Band (Rock)
- Thursday, August 10 (Horseshoe)  
Midnight Allie (Beach/Variety)
- Thursday, August 17 (Main Street)  
Painted Main (R&B/Variety)
- Thursday, August 24 (Horseshoe)  
The Holiday Band (Beach/Variety)
- Thursday, August 31 (Main Street)  
BrickHouse Band (Variety)
- Thursday, September 7 (Horseshoe)  
The Embers ft. Craig Woolard (Beach)

Thursday, September 14 (Main Street)  
CC & Co. (Motown/Top 40)

Thursday, September 21 (Horseshoe)  
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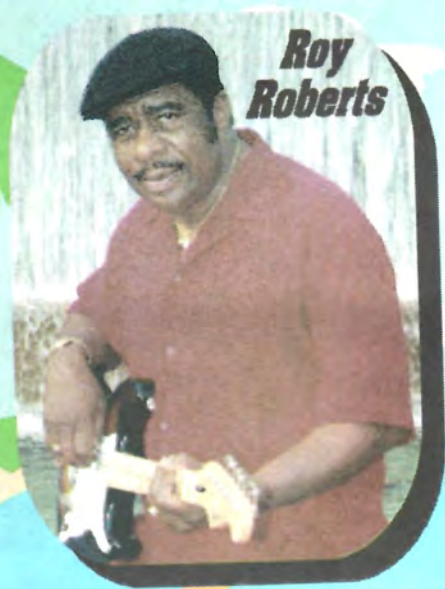


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# THE WATERING HOLE

Things non-shag, humorous, thought provoking, serious, politically incorrect, asinine at times.

## To contemplate or not to contemplate, that is the question!

I love to contemplate. Webster defines the word in several ways: To gaze attentively, to study carefully, think about intently, to have in mind as a possibility sometimes in a religious or mystical way. Yep, I do all that! I find it very rewarding, although not necessarily serving to solve any problems that I may be facing. But to me it's somewhat relaxing, and somewhat entertaining. There are various places that work well for contemplating. I enjoy sitting in our outdoor swing overlooking our small koi pond, listening to the waterfall. There's something about the sound of moving water that puts me in a relaxed contemplating state of mind. On my early morning walks, there is always something to ponder. (Webster missed this definition.) And on the beach sitting in a chair underneath an umbrella listening to the ocean while surf fishing I do a lot of contemplating. I will occasionally open one eye to peek at my rod tip, and to see if there are any uh..."fishermen" walking up and down the beach.



There are unlimited things to study about: Your past life and what could have been, both positive and negative. Your future life and what may or may not happen, and how your actions could affect it. And how long you have left. That's the biggie! The one we most likely don't want to think about. But the real truism is that none of us will leave here alive. And putting that thought on the back burner changes nothing. So be ready!

One thing very rewarding to me is to sit out on a clear summer night, again in our swing or a lounge chair, and gaze at the moon and the stars, way too many to ever count. The moon just hangs there seemingly motionless. I wonder why it doesn't fall away, why we never see but one side. And our closest star the sun never changes, always brilliant and always sending out the perfect rays to heat the earth and maintain the seasons. Will it ever burn out? Will it ever explode? It's been operating for thousands of years. Some will argue for millions of years, but I'm not going there. Even my contemplation doesn't run that deep. All I do know is that it is an all encompassing and ever changing perfect system created by God, the most awesome and powerful being in the universe as we know it. And I don't think we've even scratched the surface.

But there is one thing I contemplate about often....Why is it I have to put up with those pesky mosquitos on those warm moonlit nights? I'm gonna ask Him one day....

Next on the WATERING HOLE- Nascar...Cale and the Tale (Tail)

Don David



2017

# Living Legends Fat Harold's



Photos: Monty Lee



# 2017 Fat Harold's Living Legends Association

By: Janet Harrold, Living Legends Board Member    Photographer: Monty Lee

Friday, May 12 was a social night in the back room of Fat Harold's Beach Club reserved especially for Living Legends members, nominees, and guests. A large crowd enjoyed the food prepared by Jack Rainwater....and Lulu Quick, who is a Living Legends Board Member, socializing, and dancing to music played by Tom Hamrick.

Saturday, May 13, the night was kicked off by Bayless Mack, Living Legends Board Member, to welcome all to the 2017 Induction with thanks for everyone's support for Living Legends. A plaque that was made for Janet Morris was shown to the crowd. Janet Morris has coordinated the Induction program with volunteers for the past twelve years. She could not attend this year due to her health. Monty Lee snapped a photo of the plaque that was made to present to her and it was sent to her daughter to show to Janet. The plaque will be placed on the Living Legends Wall in Fat Harold's. She was missed by all!! Unfortunately, Janet passed peacefully two weeks after Living Legends....she was definitely a Legend!!!

R.I.P - Our shag world has lost a true Living Legend

**Janet Morris**

**5-26-2017**



A list of the deceased member that have passed in the past few years was read and followed by the deceased nominees that will be placed on the Commemorative Plaque on the Living Legends Wall at Fat Harold's Beach Club.

Each new Inductee was announced and their best memories were read as they came to collect their plaques. The weekend was great and many thanks to Harold Worley, Living Legends Board Member, for the use of the back room at Fat Harold's.



## Female Inductees

Nancy McCorkle Hamrick, N. Myrtle Beach, SC

Lynn Smith, Loris, SC

Sarah Richardson, N. Myrtle Beach, SC

Frankie Johnson, N. Myrtle Beach SC

Sally Edwards, N. Myrtle Beach, SC

## Male Inductees

Danny Bean, High Point, NC

Wayne Williams, Columbia, SC

Bill Barber, Murrells Inlet, SC

Jerry Green, Jr. Columbia, SC

Kenneth Carter, Winston-Salem, NC





# 23rd SOS Parade





# WHAT A GREAT TIME THAT WAS !!!

The way the Clubs go all out is nothing less than amazing!! Everyone did a fantastic job and we would like to thank all the participants that helped make our first SOS Parade so successful. There were 17 entries and many others that just wanted to enjoy the ride. Huge thank you to our Grand Marshals, Mr. Harold Worley and Jason "The Judge" Justice, along with 94.9 for hosting our Grand Marshal Mystery Game. The winner of that game also rode in the parade, Lisa Davis from Cheraw, SC. We thank you Murl Augustine for being our Official SOS Parade DJ for another year.

As you know, this is not done over night or by just a couple of people. This takes a group effort to organize such an event. We couldn't have done this without these people!!



**Judges:**  
Janet Harrold  
LuLu Quick-Rigsby  
Ted Bell  
Minette Thompson



**Helpers:** Linda Gilliam and her grand-daughter Meredith Stone, David Galloway, Al Guazzo, Doug Keaton, Art Rosenkeimer, Gerry Anders and Dave Greife. A very special thank you to my wife, Wendy Schultz for all that you do!!! (not all volunteers are pictured)



Last but not least, we would like to thank Stages Video Productions for recording this event for us, they do a wonderful job every year. Each of the winners will receive a DVD at the Summer Workshop provided by Stages.



Congratulations to all the Winners and participants... You ALL were winners and we appreciate and thank you!

We all look forward to next year!!

Donnie Schultz - SOS Parade Chairman





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# Photo Booth Fun



## JUNIOR CYCLONE II

By Mike Rink

The second annual Junior Cyclone was a huge success thanks to a dedicated group of DJ's, instructors, volunteers, and Twister's Shag Club members. This year's event offered juniors an even bigger and better opportunity to learn about the music and dance we enjoy, while making new friends and improving their skills.

There were three days of basic, intermediate and advanced lessons, line dance instruction, and even some fun games. Ashley and Tobitha Stewart, Mike and Debbie Pace, Kyler Byrum, Sydney Kemble-West, Kayla Henly and others served as instructors and activity leaders. It was also great to have Judy Duke along with members of the Competitive Shaggers Association and the Junior Shag Association there helping out.

This year juniors and adults also enjoyed a class taught by Larry Edwards with help from Alan Stokes and yours truly on how to play and edit music on various electronic devices including laptop computers, iPads and even iPhones. We have a great group of juniors learning all about our dance as well as some who may eventually be in the DJ booth playing your favorite tunes. In fact, some of them were showing off their skills at this event.

Speaking of DJs, special thanks go to Larry Edwards, Butch Metcalf, Jeff Foster and Tripp Turner for their efforts during the weekend. They were great.

One of my favorite moments was caught on camera by event photographer Monty Lee. It was a photo of a junior who had been brought to Junior Cyclone last year by his grandparents, showing his dad (who had come this year) the basic step. He had gone from borderline unwilling participant to confident, eager dancer (instructor?) in one year. Way to go Hunter Matthews.

The other activities, games and giveaways as well as the fun mixed doubles contest were great. But 2018 promises to be a "leap forward" in all areas of the event. So make your plans early. Junior Cyclone III will be March 23-25, 2018. If you want to help perpetuate our music and dance, you need to attend this event and bring a junior!





# 2017 SOS Parade







# 23rd Annual SOS Parade Winners

## Most Original Theme



1st-Sandy Beach Shag Club 2nd-Lake Norman Shag Club 3rd -Bass Lake Shag Club

## Best Shag Theme



1st-OD Shag Club 2nd-Junior Shaggers Assoc. 3rd-Winston Salem Shag

## Shagging Troop



1st -Society of Brunswick Shaggers 2nd -Camden Lugoff Area Shag Society

## Best Club Vehicle



1st - Smoky Mountain Shaggers 2nd - Lake Wylie Shag Club





The Charlotte Area Shaggers Hall Of Fame held their annual induction announcement party at Lynn's Dance Club in Charlotte, NC Saturday, June 17, 2017. Proceeds from our events are used to support the Hall Of Fame Foundation, the Beth Mitchell Scholarship and the Ellen Taylor Foundation. Please join us this November 18, 2017 at Lynn's Dance Club for our induction party for the 2017 inductees. The Charlotte Area Shaggers Hall Of Fame appreciates all the people who support us at our two events each year. These events continue to help others long after the parties have ended. We thank you for coming from near and far, and welcome you back in November.

Johnny Church

President, Charlotte Area Shaggers Hall Of Fame

**Female**

Linda Hagemeyer  
Gerry Hamilton  
Margaret Lovelace  
Sharon Tatlock

**Male**

Jerry Daugherty  
Dick Hagemeyer  
Mike Honeycutt  
Pat Lovelace

**Youngbloods**

Krystal Bravo  
Kyler Byrum

**Honorary**

Sammie Benton

**Posthumous**

Johnny Beacham



Pictured above: Pat Lovelace, Margaret Lovelace, Linda Hagemeyer, Dick Hagemeyer, Mike Honeycutt, Sharon Tatlock, Sammie Benton. Not pictured: Gerry Hamilton, Jerry Daugherty, Krystal Bravo, and Kyler Byrum.



# Rock Hill Area Shag Club VEGAS NIGHT Fundraiser for Hall of Fame Foundation

By: Candy Long Photos by: Judy Baker

I know you will know what I mean. You start a project, you work hard toward your goal. It's hard, demanding, and there's a deadline. But you wouldn't trade it for the world! That's how we feel at Rock Hill Area Shag Club when our annual Hall of Fame Foundation Fundraiser doors open. We have a strong commitment to The Hall of Fame Foundation. Today our 2017 VEGAS NIGHT has come and gone. We are already preparing for the 3rd Saturday of June, 2018. We moved to a new venue this year that really kicked it up a notch. Each year, we learn new ways to make it better. More importantly, each year we meet new friends and see what's good in the world. In these times, it's so rewarding to see people give so freely of their talent, their hard work, their wallet. The club that throws this party and especially the crowds that come support it, get it. They know that love shines through and someone in need is helped. Rock Hill Area Shag Club continues to raise our goal and every year, the shag community comes through for The Hall of Fame Foundation.

**And this, my friends, is what SHAG is all about!**





# 2017 ACSC ICON RECEPTION





# Shaggin' in Saluda



Shaggin' in Saluda 5, held on May 27, 2017 was a great party!

Shaggin' in Saluda started in 2013 with the presidents of 5 neighboring shag clubs deciding to bring their clubs together to "Get to know our neighbors", have a great party, and raise money for charity.

The founding Host Clubs were Mountain Shag Club(NC), R&B Shag Club(SC), Upstate Shag Club(SC), Electric City Shag Club(SC), and Mountain Empire Shag Society(TN). North Carolina, South Carolina and Tennessee are represented with these 5 ACSC Shag Clubs! In 2017, Sandy Beach Shag Club(NC) joined us as a Host Club.

Also included in the evening is a tribute to our fallen veterans as well as the veterans in attendance. A Bake Goods Silent Auction and 50/50 also helped to raise funds. This year \$2195.00 was raised for The Ellen Taylor Foundation for Junior Shaggers!

This party is held at the Party and Event Center in Saluda on the Saturday of Memorial Day Holiday Weekend. We hope you will plan to attend Shaggin' in Saluda 6!

by Paul & Debbie Peterson







# VIRGINIA SHAGGERS HALL OF FAME CLASS OF 2017

by Roger Elling

The Virginia Shaggers Hall of Fame held their 29th Annual Induction Ceremony this year on March 24-26, 2017 at the Fredericksburg Hospitality House and Conference Center. Eight very deserving dancers were voted in by the membership from nominations submitted by the members. We are proud to announce the following as new members:



Audrey Borja, Battlefield Boogie Club, Locust Grove; Sharon Davis, Virginia Beach Shag Club, Virginia Beach; Janis Gilstrap, Danville Shag Club, Danville; Jerry Hardy, Colonial Shag Club, Newport News; Lana Nichols, Colonial Shag Club, Smithfield; Don Ruth, Boogie on the Bay Shag Club, Portsmouth; Sandra Strader, Danville Shag Club, Danville; and Harry Walthall, Colonial Shag Club, Williamsburg. All of these inductees have demonstrated a love for the music and dance and exemplified exceptional talents in teaching, organization, leadership and dedication.

The weekend started on Thursday night when early arrivals attended the Battlefield Boogie weekly dance at Shannon's Bar and Grill, which was conveniently located in the Fredericksburg Hospitality and Conference. We had a great time and appreciate the hospitality extended by the club.

Friday's free pour started the weekend off on a "high" note. With pizza and sub sandwiches served, along with some very liberal libations, that put everyone in a "let's get this party started" mood that set the tone for the rest of the weekend. Later in the grand ballroom, music was provided by Jerry Canada who was inducted into the ABSCDJ Hall of Fame this past March and Larry Black. A fifty/fifty was held (imagine that?) along with a raffle for eighteen (18) gift baskets donated by members, other shag clubs and the hotel.

Saturday started with a full breakfast and then on to line dance lessons. After the line dance instructions, our very own members provided dance steps instructions to any and all attending, and was very well received in a unique one-on-one format. The VSHOF is very thankful and honored that we have such a great and professionally recognized group of instructors. Another free pour then on to the main ballroom for the grand festivities and buffet dinner. Great music was again provided by Jerry and Larry to keep everyone a-movin, shakin and dancing and of course another fifty/fifty drawing later in the evening. Steve Booth did another excellent job as our master of ceremonies, introducing the new inductees, recognizing the Board of Directors and members we have lost this past year. He also acknowledged Tim Sullivan for his past years' achievements, first place Rookies Revenge, induction into the National Living Legends of Dance and receiving The Shag ICON award.

A special "Thank You" to Valerie Canada, along with her team of minions, for a terrific job they accomplished to make this event a true success and are working to make next year's ceremony even bigger and better. The VSHOF Board of Directors would like to invite everyone to attend our party and induction ceremony next year March 23-25 2018, with the venue TBD and confirmed. Please visit our web page at [www.VSHOF.com](http://www.VSHOF.com) for additional information and updates.





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19 Spring Safari 95

**Ode to Gaston Shagger's S.O.S.**

*by Deb Ogden*

It was fall S.O.S. and all down Main Street  
Came drunks everywhere (with names we won't repeat).

There were shirts of teal with chickens on the back,  
Gaston Shaggers all the OD Arcade did attack.

There was drinkin' and shaggin' and Murl Augustine;  
After Long Island iced tea, our moves they were mean.

There were line dances, blues, and steps old and new  
And also we heard a condom or two.

Judy Collins was there to spin us some tunes;  
(Are you sure you don't blow those things up for balloons?)

Our "hat lady" Gayle came out for some fun  
And had sweaty guys dancin' and some on the run.

We watched Jackie and Charlie dance with their great style  
And found they would easily give you a smile.

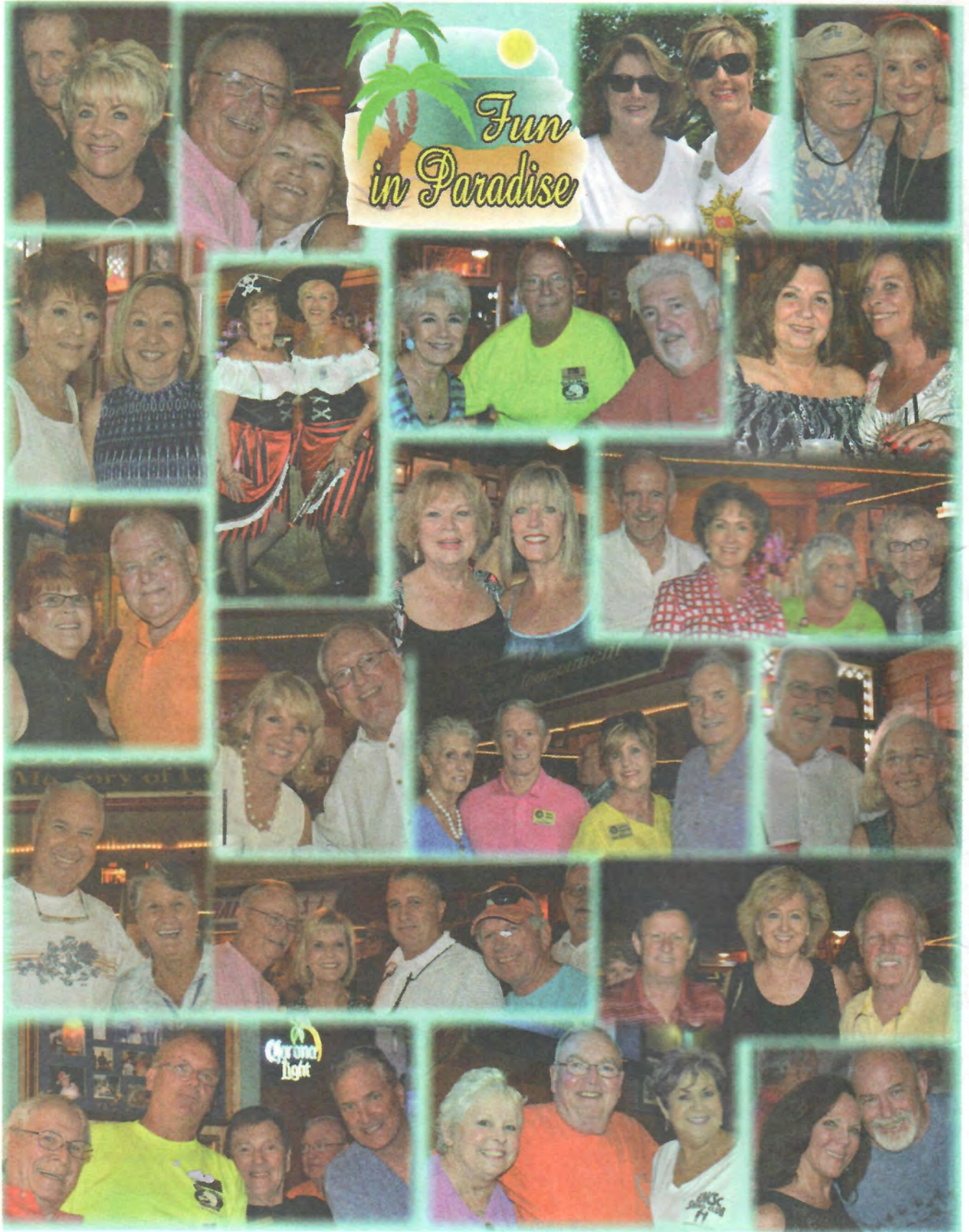
We danced and danced 'til our feet said, "No more,"  
So what did we do—we all went next door

To party and shag in the cool ocean breezes;  
We may not be kids, but no one heard wheezes.

With a pitcher of tea in our hand we sing,  
"We can't wait for the Safari in spring!"







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# Remembering The Fab Four-T-5's of Beach & Shag Music

By Mike Little

Where did you buy your "Beach Music" in the sixties and seventies? That is, if you were around back when and were dancing to this music to what we now call the "shag". I say beach music in quotes for there is a long-time debate as to when the music we danced to in the fifties and sixties started to be called "beach music". There were no compact discs, or CD's as we call them today. We only had 45's and 33's and in the 1950's and earlier, 78's You purchased these jewels in music stores that generally sold musical instruments, as well.

In Anderson, South Carolina, where I am from, you purchased your music mostly from John B. Lee's. You could also buy 45's in drug stores, or pharmacies as we call them today, and department stores such as Woolworth's. The music stores had the most and best selections. However, I remember going to Walgreens in Augusta, Georgia. They had the best selection I knew of at the time, but we did not have a Walgreens in Anderson back then. Still, the absolute best place to buy beach music back in the sixties was the Beach Music Center in Myrtle Beach.

Not too long ago, one of my neighbors was going through some old memorabilia he had collected over the years and came across a list of music from the Beach Music Center that he had saved over the years which was dated from the late sixties or perhaps the early seventies. Sharing the list with me generated the idea for this article.



The Beach Music Center was owned and operated by Rufus Oates and was located on Broadway in the downtown area of Myrtle Beach, near the corner of Broadway and

Main Street. Rufus opened the store in early 1963. The store was filled with musical instruments with a huge show window with instruments displayed. In addition to the multitude of brass, drums, cymbals and other equipment. In the back of the store, on the left hand side, there was an area that contained only the records. It was a huge area in comparison to the

other sources mentioned. You could spend hours looking for the popular records you heard on the jukeboxes of Ocean Drive which was the center of the shag music. The Beach Music Center was **The Place to buy The Music**. I remember one of the last records I purchased from the store was *Swing Your Daddy* by Jim Gilstrap. This was in 1975.

Rufus Oates later moved the operation to Ocean Drive, about thirty miles north from where the Beach Music Center was. He changed the name to Judy's House of Oldies, naming the operation after his daughter who worked the store along



with Rufus and his wife Ester. The Ocean Drive town is now called the Ocean Drive Section of North Myrtle Beach. The store only carried records at the time, 45's and 33 LP's. Again, this was **the** place to go to buy your music. CD's had not really made their presence, and singles were still prevalent at the time. Deejays had emerged into the clubs and parties playing the music on vinyl as a result of the disco craze, which created deejays in addition to those on the radio.

Judy's House of Oldies is still family operated. Rufus' daughter, Judy Oates Collins, who worked at the Beach Music Center in the 1960' and 70's, continued on with the operation after Mr. Rufus died in 1999. His younger daughter, Jeannie Oates Elmore, continues on in the family business along with her husband, Lanny. Under the guidance of Judy and Jeannie, the store has continued to furnish beach music to the shaggers and music lovers of the genre. The music now appears on compact discs (CD's), and the store added shagging shoes a number of years ago, along with shag dancing instructional videos.



**The legacy of Rufus Oates continues on.**





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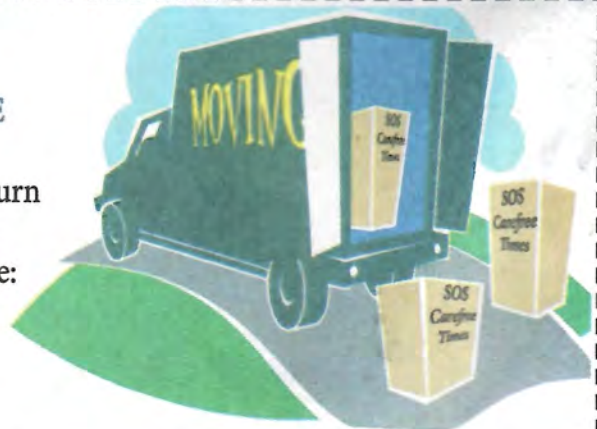
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