A Proud Member of:

Carolina Shag Club Newsletter

"For the Love of Shag"

December 2017

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





From Your Club President, Dede Ward

Hi Everyone,

Has it been a year already??? What a ride we have had this year! Your board faced some challenges this year, met them head-on with class, and found solutions. Some highlights from the year: A great new Wednesday night home at Friars Tavern was found, the most money ever for our charities was raised at the Hangar 8 party, and the club surpassed our profit goal at Meet Me in the Middle. So congrats, Carolina Shag Club members - well done!

Remember our Christmas party this year will be held on December 9th at the Hejaz Shrine Club in Mauldin. You can renew your shag club membership at this party and buy SOS tickets for 2018. We will be selling SOS cards on Wednesday night starting in December also.

When the New Year comes around, let's all support our great new board that will be elected at the Christmas party.

We also need to promote Saturday, April 7, 2018 - the shag club's annual fund raiser for Camp Courage and the Ellen Taylor Foundation for Junior Shaggers at the Shrine Club (on Beverly Road) featuring THE TAMS! You can help by buying or selling sponsorships/reserved tables. The details will be on the web site and in the January newsletter.

See you on the dance floor!

Dede

Executive Board members:

President – Dede Ward President-Elect – Terry Gordon Vice President – Steve Woodard Secretary – Syble Hendricks Treasurer – Susan Blackwell Members-at-Large – Karen Lewis, Julia Palmer, Sandy Templeton Past President – Dan Ellington

Committee Board members:

Communications – Steve Woodard Junior Shag Program – Jeff Ward Ways and Means – Nancy Brockman MMIM – Steve Woodard Social – Ann Allen DJs – Jeff Ward Charities – Susan Welch Newsletter – Skip Watkins Historian – Ann Fulbright Benevolent – Karen Lewis Web Page – Dede Ward Membership – Jill Woodard

We currently have 266 members. Renew at the Christmas Party Dec. 9th.





December 2017

Our Club Links



The Carolina Shag Club online information: Email us at: www.carolinashagclub.org thecarolinashagclub@gmail.com

Follow us on facebook at <u>https://www.facebook.com/carolina.shagclub?fref=ts!</u>





Wednesday nights at Friars Grill (1178 Woodruff Road, Greenville) is CSC Shag Night! Come early and enjoy Happy Hour prices for select drinks and appetizers! Beginner shag lessons at 6:00 p.m.; Advanced lessons at 6:45 p.m. with Jeff and Dede Ward.

Also featuring a <u>Second Saturday at Friar's!</u> Join your friends every 2nd Saturday for music, dancing, food & drinks. Music starts at 7:30 p.m.

J J J J

- Dec. 5th **Carolina Ale House Monthly Dance**, featuring DJ Billy Waldrep. A <u>Free</u> shag lesson ("Stutter Walk Back" step) by Danny Scott and Susan Welch from 6:30-7:00 p.m.
- Dec. 9th Carolina Shag Club Christmas Party. Note: the reservation time for members has already passed.
- Dec. 15th **Shag Dinner & Dance at Stoney Point** near Greenwood, S.C. "Join us for a delicious dinner selection and good music on Friday, December 15th. Norman Mills is the DJ. If you plan to eat, better make reservations soon! Great place to dance! Danny (Scott) & Susan (Welch) will be there!" See the flyer at the end of the newsletter.
- Dec. 31st New Year's Eve Party at Embassy Suites Hotel, Greenville S.C. See the flyer at the end of this newsletter for more details.
- Jan. 26th-28th, 2018 **Electric Storm 2018** in Clemson, S.C. Hosted by Electric City Shag Club. For tickets, contact Lisa Caveny at <u>lmcaveny@aol.com</u> or call 803-984-4144.
- April 7th, 2018 **Carolina Shag Charity Classic** at Greenville, S.C. Shrine Club. A fundraiser for Camp Courage & the Ellen Taylor Foundation for Junior Shaggers. See the flyer at the end of this newsletter.



Carolina Shag Club members teaching shag:

- Dede and Jeff Ward teaching private and group lessons in the <u>Greenville</u> area. Teaching on Wednesday nights at Friar's Grill on Woodruff Road, Greenville, S.C. Beginner lessons at 6:00 p.m.; Advanced lessons at 6:45 p.m. Call Dede at 864-238-2960 or Jeff at 864-415-8290 for more information.
- Danny Scott and Susan Welch teaching <u>Monday</u> nights at TW Boon's in downtown <u>Greenwood</u>. Beginner, Intermediate, and Advanced group lessons beginning at 6:30 pm with Beginner. A new session of Beginners starts every 6 weeks. Private & small group lessons are also taught in the upstate area as requested. Contact Danny at 864-729-3054 or Susan at 864-729-3018. Email <u>susantwelch@gmail.com</u> for details.
- Steve & Jill Woodard Teaching <u>Monday</u> nights at McPherson Park in <u>Greenville</u> (fee based) and first <u>Tuesday</u> night each month (Free) at Carolina Ale House (with <u>FREE</u> valet parking; tips encouraged) in downtown <u>Greenville</u>. Also, private or group lessons in the <u>Greenville</u> area. Call Steve at 864-477-0728 or Jill at 864-477-0731. Email jill.woddard@gmail.com or <u>swoodardjr@gmail.com</u>
- Suzie Robinson-Park and Phillip Park teaching Beginner 2 classes on <u>Wednesday</u> and Beginner 1 classes on <u>Thursday</u> in the <u>Spartanburg</u>, S.C. area. Private lessons are also available. Call Suzie at (828-216-5029) or Phillip at (828-713-4473). Email them at <u>suzielgl@yahoo.com</u>
- Kae Childs Private or group shag lessons in Greenville, Columbia and Charleston. Phone 843-886-9920 or email: <u>kchilds10@hotmail.com</u>













Monthly DJ Schedule @ Friar's Tavern



- Dec. 6th John "Soup" Campbell
- Dec. 9th Christmas Party at Shrine Club (no Second Sat. at Friar's for December)
- Dec. 13th John Wilson
- Dec. 20th Todd Gettys
- Dec. 27th Billy Waldrep

Birthdays

Birthdays are taken from the club's membership database thru November, 2017.

Syble Hendricks	December 1
Suzie Robinson-Park	December 2
Terry Gordon	December 6
Sapp Funderburk	December 8
Barbara Owen	December 9
Pat Achille	December 10
Jimmy Bright	December 10
Margaret Sibley	December 11
David Drake	December 14
Anne Nuttall	December 15
Bob Vaughn	December 17
Ann Vaughn	December 18
Susan Welch	December 18
Judy Long	December 19
Gary Shamilin	December 19
Becky Wilson	December 19
Mark Gordon	December 20
Jamie Brown	December 21
Butch Metcalf	December 21
Gail Pang	December 24
Christina Graham	December 25
Joe Vaughn	December 25
John Wilson	December 26
Susan Lollis	December 27
Jane Nivens	December 27
Libby Price	December 27
Mary Ellen Fisher	December 28





December 2017





December 2017

There are no Member Service publications for this month.

Requests for publication/ads in Member Services Section can be requested through the President of Carolina Shag Club. Requests will be evaluated by the President to determine eligibility.

Looking For Shag Information? Please Visit:

Carolina Shag Club For Anderson Shag Club events For Spartanburg Shag Club events Mountain Shag Club Columbia Shag Club CSRA Shag Club Mountain Empire Shag Society General Shag Info www.carolinashagclub.org www.shagginjacks.com www.rbshagclub.org/ www.mountainshagclub.com www.columbiashagclub.net www.csrashagclub.com/ www.messdance.com www.shagdance.com or www.shagtour.com



<u>Comic Corner</u>



Q: Who is Santa's favorite singer? A: Elf-is Presley.

- Q: What's Santa's dog's name?
- A: Santa Paws!
- Q: What did Mrs. Claus say to Santa Claus when she looked up in the sky?
- A: Looks like rain, dear!

One thing I learned from drinking is that if you ever go Christmas caroling, you should go with a group of people. And also...go in mid-December.

Spotted outside a church: "Honk if you love Jesus. Keep on texting while you drive if you want to meet him."

My neighbor put up his outdoor Christmas lights today. However, I beat him to it. I put mine up three years ago.



Shag Club Happenings, Parties & Photos



Club members had some fun 'raggin' one another on Team Colors Night. Art McCurry proudly wears his Gamecock gift hat received from Ann Fulbright.



Members load up the dance floor for a slow dance as Billy Waldrep plays for the crowd. Billy often draws out a sizeable group from the Greenville and Spartanburg area.



Upper left – Money 'litters' the floor as CSC holds a 'Dancing for Dollars' fundraiser on Nov. 22nd. The effort is to help fund a wood-based dance floor at Friar's Grill. Friar's has plans to remodel and the club requested that they include wood flooring instead of a laminate material. It was announced that evening that \$1478 was raised. CSC's board also pledged up to another \$1000 for Friar's floor.

Upper right-DJ Buck Crumpton and Billy Waldrep observe the floor as dancers move around the money that was tossed for contributions.

Page photos by Skip Watkins



December 2017

Photos at Friar's Grill



At left, line dancers take the floor on Nov. 22nd after the 'Dancing for Dollars' fund raiser.

At center, Judi Dickey of Greer and Donnie Hall of Fountain Inn take a dance break to visit and socialize on Nov. 8th .

At right, DJ Todd Gettys checks out the list of songs on a CD on Nov. 15th.

Page photos by Skip Watkins



At left, many of the club members enjoy the food, drinks and just visiting with friends on November 11th. The evening was 'Wear Your Team Colors' night. There was lots of Clemson Orange and Carolina Garnet, mixed with the usual red, blue, gold and greens of other schools. Nobody lost this evening.

At right, Danny Scott of Simpsonville, S. C. sits with his mother Pat after the shag lessons have ended back on Nov. 8th. Pat has come out for CSC dance nights for several years.



More Shag Club Partying...



At left, members of Spartanburg's R&B Shag Club have their "Support Your Favorite Team" night. Their party hosts were Dot Smith of Spartanburg, S.C. & Carolyn Wingate of Moore, S.C.; both are also members of CSC.

At right, David Graham, a CSC DJ sits at the bar, awaiting a drink at the Shrine Club. Behind him are Suzie Robinson-Park and Sandra Blackwell. All are from the Spartanburg-Moore-Boiling Springs area.

Page photos by Skip Watkins



A Letter to Carolina Shag Club Members from Jeff & Dede Ward

The month of December will be our last month to teach on Wednesday nights for the Carolina Shag Club. It's time for us to take a break and relax a little more! We have enjoyed teaching you shag steps for the past 12 years! We hope we've given you a love for the dance, appreciation of the music, and showed you the importance of our shag family. We have so many special memories from teaching at Dockers, The Phoenix, Runway Cafe and Friars, and are blessed that you have been a part of our lives. We will continue to see you out on Wednesday nights and at all our shag club events.

Steve and Jill Woodard, pro dancers (and former students of ours) will be teaching starting in January. Please watch the newsletter and website for their information.

For December, we will be teaching a Beginner Class at 6:00 p.m., plus classic Carolina Shag steps at 6:45 p.m.; so if you want to learn these or just refresh your style, please join us!

- December 6 Belly Roll
- December 13 Pivot
- December 20 Boogie Walk & (maybe) Duck Walk
- December 27 Male & Female Hot Dog Steps

Jeff and Dede Ward

Note – as Chairman of the Newsletter, I'd like to express my personal thanks to Jeff and Dede for their efforts on behalf the club over the years. While keeping in mind the efforts of our other volunteers, many of our club events were made a success at least in part, due to their work. These events include but were not limited to Camp Courage, Junior Shaggers, Hangar Parties and others.

I encourage CSC members to join me in wishing them the best of luck, much success and good will in the future.

Again, "Thanks" to both of you.

Skip Watkins Newsletter Chairman



December 2017



Enjoy a great New Year's Eve Celebration for the Upstate! Embassy Suites on Verdae in Greenville is offering a great New Year's Eve package with three of our upstate DJ's! Music begins at 7:30 p.m.

There are two ways to buy tickets:

1.) Buy the Embassy Suites Hotel package for \$180 that includes a beautiful suite, a Pre-Party with free drinks and hors d'oeuvres from 5:30 pm till 7:30 pm., and cooked to order breakfast the next morning. This package includes **two party tickets** for the dance. Party tickets include a champagne toast at midnight, party favors, and a big midnight breakfast. To purchase the package, call 800-218-8712 and ask for the "Shag-in-2018" package.

2.) Buy Party ONLY tickets for \$40 each. This ticket includes the ballroom dance and includes the midnight champagne toast, party favors, and the enhanced midnight breakfast. Cash Bar. These tickets may be purchased through PayPal at <u>www.paypal.me/ShaginNYE</u>.

You may also dine at Craft670, Embassy Suite's restaurant, and enjoy the New Year's Eve Special....not a part of the package but is a great dining experience! Reservations suggested.

Contact the hotel's liaison, Danny Scott at 864-729-3054 for more information.



Merry Christmas Everyone!!

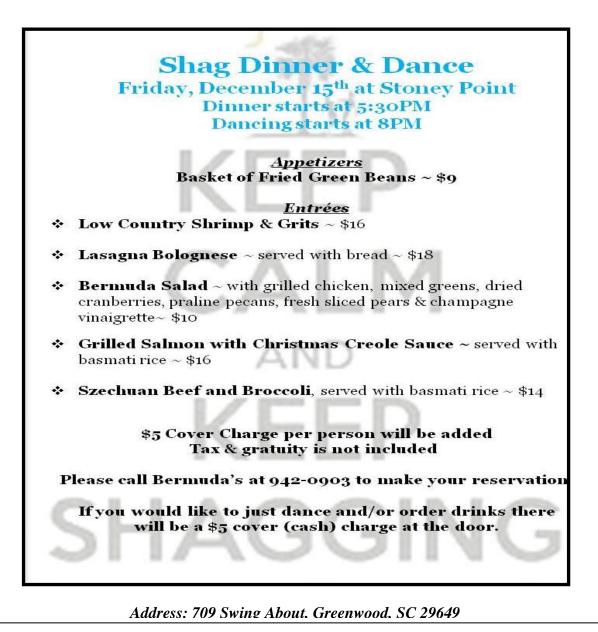
I hope you'll join us at Stoney Point on Friday, December 15th!

Norman Mills is our DJ and he will play all your favorite tunes. This is a great party to bring your non-dancing friends to. Tracy always has Bermuda's decorated so pretty at Christmas, and even if you don't dance, it's fun to be there!

I am attaching a menu that looks scrumptious! The Chef has been preparing really delicious meals for us each month!! I've heard that there are already some pretty big groups that have reserved tables, so get your table reservations in soon!!! Or, just come join us for dancing at 8:00!!

See you on the 15th!! Christmas Hugs to all of you!!

Susan & Danny





December 2017



