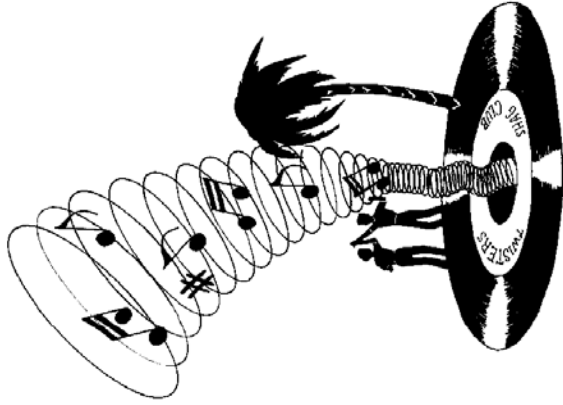


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The President's Letter

Hi friends,

As I write this, the early July forecast includes a lot of hot weather. Then we have the ACSC Workshop in Jacksonville, Florida on July 13-15, and the following weekend is Junior SOS at North Myrtle Beach. Wow!



But there will be some relief for the “deep fried” among us after that. On Saturday, July 28 we will have our annual Frozen Fantasy Party. The emphasis is on “frozen” and “party”. There will be multiple ways to cool off. There will be opportunities to take a dip in the lake or a ride on a boat. Large fans will also be on site to help keep everyone who is outside comfortable. And if things still get too hot for you, there is plenty of A/C inside our hosts’ (Mike and Celia’s) home. Of course there will be plenty of music for your listening or dancing pleasure, and lots of good food, too.

If you have never been to this party, allow me to explain. Every member and every guest is encouraged to bring a dessert item. Typically, this means an ice cream, a frozen drink, a refreshing shot or jello shooter, or anything else you can imagine. Most people will make sure there is a “kick” in them. If your item is good enough you might even win one of the prizes that will be awarded in several different categories. Look for more details about this popular event elsewhere in this issue.

We are also working feverishly (no pun intended) to finalize plans for Fall Cyclone 22. This will be our “reunion” year. To those who have had fun during the first 21, let me say Cyclone 22 will be all about YOU! We hope to have new guests, long-time guests and folks who haven’t been to our party in years that come back to “the reunion”. Look for some tweaks and changes to make this our best Cyclone, ever. We also hope to offer some special incentives to our fellow shag clubs. We want everyone to help us “blow out” the candles at our 22nd Fall Cyclone. Look for all the party details to be posted first on www.goshagging.com.

If you haven't been participating in our "posse trips" lately, you have really missed out. First, we went to Boone Shag Club's annual party held at the Appalachian Ski Mountain Resort. It was a super venue, the weather was awesome and we had a lot of fun.

The following weekend we went to Lancaster Shag Club's annual party. The food was good and the desserts were among the best we've ever tasted. We won some prizes, narrowly missed winning the half and half, and again... had a lot of fun.

The bus trip to the Oldies party in Winston-Salem was another memorable event. A few of our new members, and some of our shag lesson students went with us. We partied going to the party, at the party, and all the way home from the party. We had a blast.

Our shag lessons have been very successful. Peggy and I taught about 40 students in Beginner I and 30 in the Beginner II class. We sincerely appreciate those of you who have helped us to perpetuate the shag. The next sets of lessons begin on July 17th.

Our hats are off to our veterans this month. We will have a post-Independence Day celebration at The Inn on Friday, July 6th. Look for the flyer and the rest of the monthly DJ listing in this issue.

Speaking of "The Inn", many of you have been coming out and having fun every week. Attendance has been good and the "honor system" cover charge is working. Still we all need to help make sure our guests contribute, too. Remember, all money goes to the lounge to help them pay the DJ's and other shag night expenses.

Finally, we have continually stressed the importance of every member supporting our "home" location, and coming out to dance when you can. We have also warned that other locations could be (and have been in the past) coerced into adding another unneeded shag night at any time. If you don't understand "the big picture" of how too many shag nights or shag locations hurts everyone, please read my article later in this issue. Let's work together to make our "home" the place to be without diluting the crowds.

Shag-4-Fun!

Mike

Club Meeting Night

Our monthly meeting will be held on Tuesday, July 3rd at Fat Boys Restaurant (I-77, Exit 36) in Mooresville. Social hour starts at 7pm. The business meeting begins at 8pm. Don't miss the food. The full buffet is still only \$4.99.

Cindy Rea won the Treasure Chest of \$34. She was not present so this amount will be added to the Treasure Chest drawing in July. The Day Care Drawing winner of \$100 was Roger Trexler.

We have membership application from C. D. and Judy Osborne, and Dot Russell. Come out and meet these applicants and make them feel welcome.

Dance Lessons

By Nancy Massengill

I would like to thank each and every member of Twisters who has shown up to help with dance lessons. You are deeply appreciated. I know that a number of you are only able to help a few weeks out of each set of lessons, but you are appreciated. It is the willingness of our members to help that promotes the "Dance of the Carolinas" and makes our classes a success.

On July 10 we will have a one-night "lesson" with tips and individual help available. There will be no charge.

The next set of lessons, both I and II will begin on July 17, so if you know someone who is interested in learning to shag, let them know. You might even help TSC gain some great new members.

Attention TSC Members: Do you need a 2012 SOS Membership Card? Benefits are available at various beach businesses all year long. See Dean for yours.

Fun Monday Raffle Tickets Available

Every year the Enhancement Committee works to make Fall SOS better by coordinating the Fun Sunday and Fun Monday events.

Fun Monday and Fun Sunday are essentially outdoor concerts held at the beach that feature some great entertainment.

This year the Mojo Blues Band will be back from Austria to play some of the best music you've ever heard. Many of their songs have been shag hits over the years.

There will also be other groups performing during these two days for the enjoyment of all. It's an event everyone looks forward to.

The funds to pay for all the bands and entertainment come from the sale of raffle tickets. Money left after the bills are paid is donated to "Caring For Kids", a great local charity.

Raffle prizes range from \$250-\$7500. Our own Kathy Thompson won \$2000 several years ago. Tickets are only \$10 each and you do not even have to be present to win!

Please consider buying some of these tickets even if you are not going to be able to go to SOS. You will be helping to perpetuate a great shag event, and you will also have an opportunity to win a lot of money.

See Mike to buy tickets. Our club needs to sell at least the 100 tickets we were issued by the Committee. In the past we have sold far more than the original 100 because our members have stepped up to the plate and participated.

Speaking of participating, if you can help us sell tickets please let Mike know that too. Every ticket we sell will make a difference.

Note: Increase your odds. Once again we will run a special deal. Anyone who spends \$20 can get a 1/5th share of *ten* tickets.

The Big Frozen Fantasy Party

Our Frozen Fantasy Party is planned for Saturday, July 28. Mike and Celia have agreed to host this event at their home once again. We will need volunteers to help with setup and teardown. Come have fun, and please also volunteer to help.

Start getting your frozen desert recipes ready. The party will start at 4 pm, and last until. If you know Mike very well, you know he means “until” and “until” doesn’t happen until late at night. Strange things have been known to take place at this party long after the sun has gone down!

Mike and Celia’s house is on the lake and they have a nice dock. Swimming, boating, skiing and other water activities are encouraged. Bring your boat if you wish. There is plenty of space to park it.

We plan to have a DJ. So you can dance on the deck, or just kick back and enjoy the tunes. Inside, you can play pool or play some other arcade games.

At about 6:30 there will be a full meal, courtesy of the club. Soft drinks and water will be provided. BYOB... or just enjoy some of whatever Frozen Fantasy you choose to bring.

Speaking of the Frozen Fantasies, we hope you will bring your favorite frozen drink, shooter, jello shooter, ice cream, cake or other creation for our contest. Make sure it has a “punch” to it. (Judges like that!) We’ll have several categories, and give away some nice prizes for the best entries in each one. We will have some refrigerator/freezer space for items that need to be kept cool.

By land: From I-77 exit 36, go west on 150 approximately three miles. Turn on McCrary Road. Go to the end of the road and turn right onto Riverwood. Go about ½ mile. The house is on the left at 305 Riverwood. It has white columns. Please pull into the natural area to park. There may also be parking marked for you at an adjacent lot or home.

By water: Marker 12, the end of Kiser Island. Go North. At marker 16 look straight ahead. You will see the water tower at 12 o'clock.

Go toward 1 o'clock toward MC1 and MC2. McCrary Creek Island on the right. Bear left then right. The dock is two-levels. The house has a sun deck with white railing.

Bring a lawn chair and a cooler of your favorite beverages, too!

More Frozen Fantasy Party Thoughts

By Khris Sloop

The Frozen Fantasy is one of my favorite parties! This year it is on Saturday, July 28. Mark it on your calendar because you don't want to miss it. There will be all kinds of adult beverages to try as well as good food, munchies and plenty of frozen treats to try.

Bring your own concoction to enter into the contest. Who knows, you may win something. Do not turn down the offer if you are asked to be a judge, either.

The Party will be held at Celia and Mike's beautiful house on the lake. Bring your swim trunks, lawn chairs and plenty of sunscreen. If you have a pop up canopy those are nice too! The DJ will be jamming some of our favorite shag tunes and the patio will be turned into a dance floor. Bring your shag shoes or just dance barefooted and have fun.

Whatever you do, please don't drive if you end up having too many! None of us want to lose any of our friends because of that. We can always get you a ride, or a room.

I will see you at Frozen Fantasy later this month!

We would like to have an article from YOU next month! Please send in something by July 25th.

Shag Lessons Students Celebrate

By Peggy Cavin

We have been celebrating the graduating class of each set of shag lessons with food and a cake at our normal Friday night at The Inn. Students come an hour earlier than our normal 8pm start time to get on the dance floor and dance to slower music before our regulars come in. This gives them a chance to practice their steps before other shaggers begin coming in to dance. For many it is the first time they have been out shagging with others at a lounge.

Because of unforeseen circumstances our regular, Friday dance location was unable to open on July 29th. (We found out at 4pm.) Mike called around and was able to move the party and our dance night to the Galway Hooker's. A sign was placed on the doors at The Inn, emails were sent, and phone calls were made to announce the move and to provide directions for our guests. But we were still worried that attendance would suffer due to the late notice.

WOW! Around 80-90 shaggers still came out to help celebrate with the graduating class. Over half of those ordered food before the dancing began, and the food was awesome! The Galway Hooker was very attentive to our every need while Clyde Waller played some outstanding music from 7pm until midnight.

The dance floor was concrete, but it was smooth and slick. Many of our students danced for the majority of the night. We were proud of each and every one of them. Mike and I want to make sure our love of the music and shagging continues for years to come and it's wonderful to get this type dedication from our students. It feels so good to know we have students already getting excited about taking more lessons when the upcoming sessions start on July 17th. That means we have some serious people that want to enjoy our lifestyle and help keep our dance alive.

Shagging offers an opportunity to meet new people from all over the country and make friendships that will last a lifetime. The lessons are a great way to get new members for our club, too. We are looking forward to seeing you and or students again, soon.

Ramblings from the Road

By Wayland Massengill

Dear ladies and germs. As I sit beside the still waters of Lake Erie in Buffalo, NY I have taken a moment to review previous additions submitted by me to our highly regarded publication. Being the literary genius that I am, I carry a strong sense of responsibility to my readers to maintain a certain quality of entertainment value.

In so doing, I have discovered an alarming number of errors in the text of my articles. Apparently I have been victimized by the "auto correct" feature on my iPhone. That being said, any errors that may have slipped by our Grand Poobah editor are mine, and mine alone. Thank you.

In my travels here in the first couple of weeks of summer vacation time, there seems to be an over abundant number of knuckle draggers that have forgotten how to use that little lever called the turn signal. Heaven forbid that anyone would want to be warned of any lane changes that other vehicles make, with or without input from the ice age Neanderthals that occupy space behind the wheels. Even the Lock Ness Monster pokes her head up before scaring the hell out of unsuspecting ale swilling Scotsmen. Nonetheless, these amoeba minded organisms are among us, so watch out for and anticipate their hair brained movements as best you can. I think those that procure their license from K-Mart during a Blue Light Special are the main culprits in this case. Lack of class affects the remainder. However, we the smart ones of the species, shall continue to signal our intentions in advance if for no other reason than to avoid being run over by Fred and Barney.

As I write these words, I am looking forward to the weekend of June 16-17. Nancy and I go to Savannah this weekend to watch our youngest, Katherine Saye Massengill receive her MBA. Katherine 4.0'd them into submission and has done us proud. So we shall road trip, "Goose and Juice", and enjoy a weekend away.

As always, be careful in your travels. Keep the music playin' and the wheels right side down. I'll see ya where the road ends, and the party begins!

What's Happening In The Shag World **(GoShagging.com Has More Items And Details)**

July 3: TSC monthly meeting at Fat Boys.

July 13-15: ACSC Summer Workshop in Jacksonville, FL.
Details and a party flyer can be found at www.shagdance.com.

July 18-23: Junior SOS. See www.juniorshaggers.com for info.

July 26-29: Shaggin On The Santee hosted by Orangeburg Area Shag Club. \$65-\$75. DJs Murl Augustine, Furman Dominick, Jeff Foster and Jim Bowers. 803-473-0639 or fdinwyboo@yahoo.com or www.theoasc.com for more info.

July 27-29: Sparkle City Celebration in Spartanburg, SC. Hosted by R&B Shag Club. \$65-\$70. DJs David Graham, David O'Quinn, Pat Patterson, Mike Swords, & Billy Waldrep. 864-583-4656 or drakepg@aol.com or www.rbshagclub.org for more info.

July 28: Frozen Fantasy Party. Details elsewhere in this issue.

Aug 3, 4: Meet Me in the Middle Party in Greenville, SC hosted by Carolina Shag Club. \$50-\$55. DJs Jack Moore, John Wilson, Terry Hopper, Billy Waldrep and Nick Columbus 864-915-9851 or jrcoley@charter.net or www.carolinashagclub.com

August 10-11: Runway Boogie hosted by the Beckley Area Shag Club. 304-573-1965 or shagbasc@suddenlink.net for more info.

Aug 16-19: Shag Tracks hosted by Choo Choo Shag Club in Chattanooga TN. \$65. DJ's Tottie Brown, Mike Hall, Butch Davidson and Ken Hughes. rmmkellar@aol.com or www.choochooshagclub.com for more info.

Sept 14-23: Fall SOS at North Myrtle Beach.

October 5 - 6: CSA Contest hosted by the Beckley Area Shag Club. 304-573-1965 or shagbasc@suddenlink.net for more info.

Nov 2-4: Fall Cyclone 22 in Mooresville, NC. Details to be announced this month on www.goshagging.com

Upcoming Birthdays

Wayland Massengill	07/01	Barbara Zimmerman	07/16
Bruce Tinsley	07/08	Jimmy Melton	07/24
Donna Kelly	07/10	Suzanne Fulton	07/25
Marcia Long	07/11	Dick Bigham	07/26

Dick,
What can I say? What can I do...
To make this birthday special for you!
Should I wish you a happy and healthy year,
A day full of luck and lots of good cheer? Or...
Forget all that mush and just buy you a beer?
Love, Kathy

Fall Migration Rental Available September 15-22

Two bedroom ocean view lower level condo at Wyndham Ocean Blvd. Walking distance to all the clubs. Two private bedrooms, 2 full baths, full kitchen and living area. Sleeps 8. Master has King bed and second bedroom has 2 Queens. Everything is very nice. There are 3 outdoor/2 indoor pools, 6 outdoor/2 indoor hot tubs, exercise equipment, game room and free Wi-Fi. Only \$600. Contact Celia Hunter 704-572-4733.

Happy Anniversary Khris & Teresa!

From Nancy and Wayland

Happy Birthday Marcia!

Thanks for all that you do.

Love, G

Happy Birthday Jimmy!

I hope this is the best birthday ever!

Love always, Dean

Happy 8th Anniversary To The Love Of My Life!

I can't wait to see what the rest of our life brings.

Love you babe! Teresa

These two did not make last month's deadline:

Happy Anniversary Iris!

It's been a good run. I'm looking for more great years together.

Charlie

Happy Birthday Iris!

Wishing you the best.

With all my love, Charlie

Make sure you get your personal ad in next month!

The Best Way To Keep Shag Nights Going

By Mike Rink

Have you ever considered that there could be a negative side to having new places or more nights of the week to go shagging?

In the late 80's and early 1990's shagging was quickly growing in popularity. Local shag clubs started up in many towns. The number of lounges offering shag nights was increasing, too.

But over the last ten years some of the shag clubs that were once big and strong have fallen on hard times. In a few, the core membership aged out and the club didn't do enough to bring in "new blood". A few experienced problems with internal "politics". *But many more shag clubs have had problems that were directly tied to losing their place to dance.* In fact, many lounges have discontinued shag nights due to lack of support and attendance.

Some time back I wrote an article that compared individual shaggers to small magnets. As you know, when a bunch of magnets are together, their attractive forces are much stronger. There is "strength in numbers". It's the same way with a bunch of shaggers. The bigger the group, the more other shaggers are drawn to them... and to their location. We've all seen this happen. Whenever word gets around that a big group of shaggers are dancing at a particular lounge, other shaggers will go there to dance and socialize with them. This helps the lounge be successful.

An opposite and affect occurs if you have a large group of magnets in one spot and then start taking off small groups of them and putting them in other places. The main group of magnets gets weaker. The smaller groups of magnets that changed location rarely have much strength. Some end up so weak that they are no longer magnets. Again, the same thing happens with shaggers. Dilute the main group and it gets weaker. They are unable to draw the same crowds. The smaller groups generally struggle, too. Even worse, the locations used by the main group and each of the smaller groups all suffer... often to the point of failure.

Despite these consequences, we continue to see new nights starting up at new locations.

Whether it is someone wanting to be able to dance closer to their own home, displeasure with some aspect of an existing location, a DJ looking for a job, or whatever else, when folks convince newer locations to start a shag night, they probably never consider that the overall impact of their actions could be the dilution of existing crowds and the end of shag nights there... as well as at other area locations. And any time a shag night fails (no matter where it happens) the loss hurts every shagger and every shag club in the area. It negatively impacts what lounges and businesses think about shaggers and shag nights, too.

Despite many obstacles, our shag nights have been relatively successful for our entire 22 years. But, we are not immune to shag night problems. And there are now many nights and/or locations in the immediate Lake Norman area offering shagging! Do you see the potential impact this could have on our night and our location?

We are not located in the heart of a major city (like Charlotte or Atlanta) and we don't have a huge population base to draw from. There are only a certain number of shaggers in this area who are going to go out to area shag nights and shag related activities.

Many of us can remember times when we went out multiple nights of the week to various locations. But the majority of area shaggers now go out shagging only once a week (or less). This makes it even more important for us to support our club's home location and our shag night when we do go out!

Some of your suggestions have already improved TSC's shag nights. And we can make them even better with more feedback. But your attendance is also very critical to shag night survival!

So remember, each of us can help ourselves and our shag club, as well as other area shaggers, shag clubs and shag lounges if we concentrate on supporting the nights and locations we have and try to make them better. Plus, we will be able to have much more fun if we all go out on our night, to our location, together as one bigger, stronger group! That's also the best way to keep shag nights going and ensure we all have a place to go dance.

Beckley Area Shag Club Party

By Dean Melton

Jimmy and I went on our first trip to a Hanger Party hosted by the Beckley Area Shag Club. It was a great event that we will surely do again. The weather was good and the music even better. We really enjoyed watching the Jr. Shaggers perform. We had plenty of shooters and before the party was over we had others joining in on the TSC shooter toast. The next time this party comes around you should make plans to attend. I can't wait until the next trip.

The Jivin' June Jam In Lancaster

By Peggy Cavin

Mike and I traveled to Lancaster to attend this yearly party. Our GPS gave us the wrong directions. When we finally arrived we were greeted by a welcoming committee handing out something in a red shooter cup. It was a nice way to start a party!

As we entered the door, we were greeted by Judy Vick at the registration table where we paid and got our bracelet for the night. Ray Scott and Gene Sistare were the DJ's for the night and they played some awesome music. A lot of work went into the party and it showed. The decorations were something to be proud of. Their theme was Cruising For Fun and they had a ship on the wall.

The Junior Shag Team called Dance Fever was there and they put on a great exhibition. Did we ever move that way? Their legs looked like spaghetti. Their version of line dancing is always fun to watch, too. The kids participated in the dancing all night. They came around asking people to dance. I was asked by one of the young men to dance. When he asked me if I knew the Duck Walk, I panicked. I told him I'd certainly give it a try, and I made a good stab at it. The dance ended and I thanked him with a smile. Gosh it makes you feel good to dance with the young shaggers. Jane Jacobs's two beautiful daughters were part of the team. I told Jane that they were really great dancers to which she replied, "They are learning". Learning? They are exceptional. How can they improve?

I am always amazed at these young kids. They raised over \$1000 for their upcoming trip to Florida. Awesome, is all I can say about those kids. Thanks go to all their parents who take the time to take them to events such as this. I know it takes a great deal of dedication for them to travel all over so they can perform. I am not sure the team feels it is a “performance”. It looks more like just a fun time for them. There were smiles and laughter all night!

The dinner consisted of a very delicious shrimp boil and chicken bog. The dessert table looked like you were in a professional bakery. I think we sampled a little of everything.

The night ended with Mike missing the 50/50 by a very few numbers. When Mike and Walter get together buying tickets they seem to be pretty lucky! But his raffle ticket-buying sidekick wasn't able to be there with us this time.

Thanks Lancaster for a wonderful time. Well be back again!

Posse Trips

By Teresa Sloop

It had been some time since we had been able to do a posse trip, but I really enjoyed the one to Beckley. It is always a great time hanging with the gang. This one was so overdue for me that it was more fun than I expected.

The hangar is an interesting place for a party. The view was beautiful and the dance floor, fantastic. The juniors were awesome and it was such a treat to see how much they enjoyed the dance.

We even attended a wine tasting. And yes, Susan Dahl, we did drink the wine without asking them to make Sangria. Ha ha. I found a couple wines I really liked. It was a great time all around.

Next time you see a notice for a posse trip you should try it. We aren't called “The Fun Bunch” for nothing. A good time was had by all in Beckley, and we will be going somewhere else, soon.

Winton's Sock Hoppin' Oldies Party

By Peggy Cavin

What a time 24 Fun Bunch members had dancing the night away. Saddle oxfords, poodle skirts, slicked back hair (our social chair), neck scarves, and going steady were memories of our high school days brought back by Winston's Oldies Party. We all remember the old Sock Hops in our school gym, and this party was in a gym.

If you didn't go, you missed a great trip. But we covered for you. The bus was cool, and there was plenty of laughter, drinks, snacks, chicken salad sandwiches (thanks Nancy) and dozens of shooters flowing freely throughout the night on and off the bus. Frank Transeau was waiting to welcome our bus as we pulled up and he showed us the way into the gym after our traditional picture was made. He said he made all the hungry shaggers inside wait until we got there to eat! Their normal "mile-long" buffet table was set with everything your heart desired. Our group settled into the far corner table and had a few shooters before we hit the food line. Somehow we just couldn't settle down from our ride up the road.

I think I tasted some of every shooter and jello shot on the way up. I think Scott might have had second helping of everything. He rode back to Exit 28 that night with Nancy's plastic Ziploc baggie full of ice wrapped around the back of his neck. Shooters are not supposed to hurt you, Scott! As any good man would do, he was blaming others (Lloyd & Cindy) for his predicament. After all, this was his first bus trip and there will be plenty more.

The music was good; our group kept the floor full as we switched dance partners all night. The Winston Salem Shag Club had collected about 45 door prizes and our members won several of them. We all chipped in as we do other parties and bought 50/50 raffle tickets. We lost by a few numbers. If we had only one more couple going on the bus to chip in with us, we might have won \$400 to split. (Wonder who I might be talking about?? Ha ha.) At least we made sure we had plenty of chances to win the money.

We sell group chances on our Fun Monday tickets, too. Ask Mike about that. It's a great way to support SOS and maybe win cash.

Entertainment for the evening was a salute to our Troops. It was an awesome job! Finally, we had a Fun Bunch Soul Train as we left the building, dancing all the way out the door as others cheered us on. It doesn't matter where we go, we always have a party!

There was one incident during the trip that you needed to see to believe. On the way to the party, the bus driver had to slam on brakes to avoid hitting a car that had made a sudden, stupid move in the middle of the Interstate. Mike was helping Tommy and Wilma pour shooters at the time. Mike proved he is a true Fun Bunch Member. Despite hitting the floor backwards and sliding toward the front of the bus, he didn't spill a drop out of Tommy And Wilma's container. No one was hurt and we continued on.

After the party, there were more jokes and laughter on the way home. The group was wide-open thanks to Scott and Kathy, Jerome and Patricia, and of course... Dick. After all the "good nights" were said and the hugs were giving, the last group off the bus mentioned Waffle House. So a few of us stopped in for a late night snack. I don't know where we put it after all the food we had been eating. This is definitely one of the yearly parties you do not want to miss. I've folded my "oldies" outfit and placed it neatly in my drawer anxiously waiting the arrival of next June. We will be back. Thanks Winston-Salem Shag Club for putting on this event and giving us another opportunity to have a good time with friends.



Big Day At The Lake

By Suzanne Fulton

With most of Lake Norman's water's edges privately owned, there are extremely few places where the public can enter the lake to swim and have a little fun. The little beaches at most public parks have "no swimming" signs posted.

If you would like to give some underprivileged children a unique day on Lake Norman full of fun, boating, floaties, hot dogs and role models, please volunteer for, or sponsor Big Day At the Lake.

Now in its eighth year, this annual event involves Charlotte-area kids served by Big Brothers & Big Sisters of Greater Charlotte, a nonprofit organization. Dave Yochum, publisher and editor of Cornelius Today & Business Today newspapers organizes community volunteers and sponsors willing to dive in and collaborate to entertain selected, deserving children and their Big Brother/Sister mentors on July 21.

Many Lake Norman families and individuals host a few of these folks at their lakefront property and/or on their watercraft. The day ends with a huge picnic for all, thanks in part to Duke Energy.

Sponsors, donors, volunteers for various tasks and boat hosts are needed for a successful day of fun at Lake Norman. Want to learn more? Visit www.bigdayatthelake-lkn.com.

**Attention TSC Members:
We will have some space available
for your article in the next issue!
Please send in something for all of
your fellow shaggers to read.**

Beckley Area Shag Club's 11th Annual RUNWAY BOOGIE

AUGUST 10th and 11th, 2012

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Party hours: Friday 7:00 pm - 1 am - Sandwiches and snacks provided

Exhibition Dances Both Friday & Saturday Nights

Saturday: 2 FREE WORKSHOPS with Pizza afterwards

Party Hours: SATURDAY NIGHT DOORS OPEN AT 5:45 pm - 1am

Saturday at 6:30 a buffet dinner will be available

The Holiday Band performs at 8:00 on Saturday Evening

Shuttle Service to and from the Sleep Inn, Microtel and Hangar both nights!

This party always sells out ---- get your tickets early

Send \$70 per person with self-addressed stamped envelope: BASC, PO Box 395, Beckley WV 25802

Charlie Cline cwcline@suddenlink.net 304-228-9938

Karen Callahan shagbasc@suddenlink.net 304-573-1965

Sleep Inn, Exit 125 B-I-64E, Beaver, 304-255-4222 Room Rates \$70.00 per night.

Mention Beckley Area Shag Club when you make your reservation. Shuttle service to

and from the Hangar Friday & Saturday nights! Microtel Inn & Suites, 1001 S

Eisenhower Drive, East Beckley WV 304-255-2200 Exit 124 (5 miles from Hangar)

100% non-smoking \$79.99 for a single (suites extra).

You must provide a name with each ticket purchase. Tickets are non refundable but may be transferred

Name(s): _____ Primary Shag Club: _____

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