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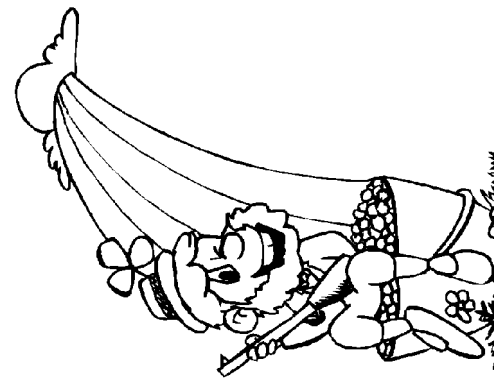
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Our shag club is known as the "Fun Bunch", and it our goal to have fun, first and foremost. We try to include shag news, and party flyers from other clubs in this newsletter. All info must be received by the 15th of the preceding month to be included. We offer \$20 subscriptions to the TSC News for non-members.

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Note: Statements in this publication are directed to members of our shag club, and should not be taken out of context by others. Opinions expressed by authors may not reflect TSC's!

Next TSC Meeting: Tuesday March 6th

The President's Message

Hello again TSC Members!

The task before me is to somehow write my "last President's letter". Of course I will cover the usual stuff which will not be too difficult, but coming up with the words to say "so long" as your President are harder to come by.

As for the "usual stuff", be sure to attend our March meeting to learn more about the details of the "Rewards Program" (described elsewhere in this newsletter) that is being implemented. It's a great new benefit to our membership.

We will also be talking more about the upcoming Bowling Party, 91.7 WSGE Night, and the big Ellen Taylor/Wine Tasting Party.

Now here is the "so long as your President" part of this note. Twister's Shag Club has continued to grow this past year and as your President, I have enjoyed serving and being part of our club. Along with my fellow Board Members, we have tried to help make our club "The Club" to belong to.

One of the ways we do this is by offering many opportunities to gather and party throughout the year. You, as members, have supported us by attending many of these events.

The entire Board greatly appreciates your support and we want to say "thank you" for allowing us the opportunity to serve.

Your newly elected Officers have already begun to plan and arrange more fun activities for the upcoming year. I know that with our members behind them, they will make TSC an even better club to belong to.

Once again, on behalf of myself and the rest of the Board, thanks for your support this past year. See you at our March meeting.

Roger

Let's Have A Party And Go Bowling, Too

On Sunday afternoon, March 18 at 3pm, TSC members and guests are invited to a big party at the Northcross Lanes At The Lake. The facility is located on Highway 21, just South of the I-77, exit 25 intersection just down from Wendy's.

Northcross Lanes is a nice, big facility with a full bar, pool tables, all types of games, a Texas Hold'em Tournament, and of course... a lot of very nice bowling lanes.

Maybe you know how to bowl, maybe you don't. Maybe you haven't tried in years. Maybe you don't want to, but you do want to have fun with friends. Perhaps you might even want to come take some photos of the group and just have a good time. In either case, join all your fellow members at this annual outing.

We will start at 3pm sharp, so please get there before start time so you can get your shoes and pick out a ball. Then plan on having a big time. We expect to see a big group of TSC members there.

Remember, they have plenty of food there, and beverages too.

Fundraiser For 91.7 FM At Havana

On Friday night, March 23, Twister's Shag Club will host a fundraiser for WSGE 91.7 FM at the Havana Social Club. All of the \$5 admission will be donated to the station. We plan to have a ½ and ½ drawing to help raise funds, too.

Music will be provided by station DJ's Kyle Beam (The Right Reverend Of Beach Music), Johnny B (Barkley), 6 AM Tim (Johnson) and Frank Price.

WSGE does a lot to promote our music and dance, and the DJ's there work as volunteers to keep our favorite tunes on the airways. Invite everyone you know and let's fill Havana that night, and show these DJ's and the 91.7 Management how much we appreciate what they do for us. See you there!

Special Friday Night At Havana

On Friday, March 30 at 8pm, Havana Social Club will host a Dance Showcase. If you like the glitz, glamour, flair and other attributes of different dance styles, do not miss this event.

There will be exhibitions of the Salsa, Waltz, Tango, East Coast Swing, Cha Cha, Rumba as well as *the shag* featuring Carl and Ellen Taylor as well as some other shaggers you know.

Havana does a Showcase twice per year, and we'll be working our normal Friday shag night around this program as follows:

Dance Showcase – 8pm to 9:30, cost \$10 (includes shag night cost)

Friday shag night – 9:30pm to close, admission \$2 (after 9:30 only)

From what we've been told, this Showcase is a great event. We highly recommend you check it out. And even if you can't get there early to see the show, come on out after 9:30 for shagging!

Then, A Free Ellen Taylor Workshop

On Saturday, March 31 starting at 2pm, Twister's Shag Club members (only) are invited to a free shag workshop hosted by our wonderful friend Ellen Taylor. The workshop will be held at the Havana Social Club. The club is picking up the tab for this workshop. So come out and enjoy *another* member benefit.

Everyone can use a little tune-up on their dancing, and Ellen is just the person to help us out. But as awesome as this workshop will be, you haven't heard anything yet. There's much more going on.

At 6pm there will be food. Then, there will be a wine tasting! That's right, TSC's own Robin Nantz will host the wine tasting featuring Richard Childress wines from North Carolina.

And then, after the wine tasting Clyde Waller will start playing music so we can have some fun dancing and socializing.

The food, wine tasting and dancing will cost \$10. But, they are also open to TSC members and others who would like to join the fun. So, mark your calendar now, and consider inviting a friend!

New Membership Reward Program

TSC has a long history of offering you a lot of benefits. And starting this month the club will be doing *more* to recognize, acknowledge and even “reward” you for some of the efforts you put forth to help TSC succeed. Thanks to the efforts of a Committee of dedicated members who have spent many hours designing a great plan, TSC is fulfilling its promise to start a reward program at the first of our club year. Here’s an overview.

A list of various things that members do for our Club throughout the year was compiled, and point values were assigned to many of those tasks. From now on, every time you do one of the things on that list, you will be given the corresponding amount of points. Then, you will be able to exchange your points for things that TSC sells (shirts, can huggers, throw blankets, decals, etc.), for tickets to events TSC hosts, apply them to the cost of your membership renewal, or use them for other things throughout the year.

You will be in control of your own rewards. You can chose how many points you want to accumulate *and* what to do with them!

Just supporting the two committees you signed up for when you filled out your membership application or renewal form should earn you at least 50 points. And since ten points has a value of \$1 in this program, that means TSC will now be giving you an additional \$5 benefit for doing what you already do. WOW!

In general, individual members will be responsible for ensuring that their completion of a task, participation in an activity, or other effort is documented by signing an attendance sheet, or via some other simple method. Our Secretary will keep paper records for the time being. But, our goal is to use an automated system (barcode, password or otherwise) to document this new member benefit.

You cannot exchange points for cash, transfer them to, or combine them with other members. But, you can accumulate points for as long as the program lasts (and your membership is maintained). And by the way, you don’t have to be signed up for a particular Committee or task to earn points for efforts. You can jump in and help with any effort, at any time, and still get credit for it.

Once again, the goal of the program is to give TSC an additional opportunity to *thank* members for their efforts and support. TSC will try to be as fair as possible in awarding points, and will have a substantial list of things you *could* be awarded points for doing. But, please treat these points like a gift or a bonus and recognize that not *every* effort can *always* result in an award of points.

Here are just a *few* examples of tasks TSC will be recognizing:

- Writing a newsletter article – Up to 15 points per article used
- Providing other material used in our newsletter – Up to 5 pts
- Helping with stamps/labels/mailing – 5 points each time
- Coordinating and submitting member ads – 5 points per month
- Submitting website enhancements – Up to 5 pts per idea used
- Submitting links or items for our website – Up to 5 points
- Submitting groups of photos of TSC activities – Up to 10 pts
- Preparing photo posters of events/activities – Up to 20 points
- Teaching a full, seven week set of dance lessons – 50 points
- Teaching a one night dance class – 7 points
- Showing up to be a partner, move tables, sign-ins, etc. – 2 pts
- Chairing a Social event or activity – 50 points
- Helping with a social event – 10 points
- Helping with a planned membership drive event– 6 points
- Taking TSC event flyers to share at non-TSC events – 5 points
- Helping with the Day Care Christmas effort – Up to 10 points
- Participating in public shag demonstrations or other activities on behalf of TSC – Points to be determined

The efforts of committee chairs and others who spend many hours helping TSC are also on the list. Our Secretary has a much more complete set of tasks. Just ask her if you would like to see it.

Twister’s Shag Club is starting something new; something to make our club better, that no one else we know of has ever done! And like any innovative idea, there will be opportunities to improve it. So, if you have a suggestion of how to make this program better, please jot it down on a piece of paper and give it to one of the Club officers so they can discuss it at their next Board Meeting.

Now, let’s all get excited about this new reward program. It should be a very nice addition to TSC’s long list of membership benefits!

March Shag Club Meeting

The March meeting will be at Fat Boys on Tuesday, March 6th. Music will start around 7pm. The meeting will be at 8pm, and we'll have more music and dancing afterwards.

Remember, Fat Boys offers us a very special price on their buffet. There aren't many places where you can go eat all you want for \$5.99. So take advantage of this offer. Besides getting to enjoy some good food, you are supporting a facility that supports TSC by offering us a place to have shag lessons every week.

Finally, Charlie Binder's was the luck winner of last month's TSC Treasure Chest Drawing. Charlie won \$61 just for being at the meeting. You can be the winner this month if your name is drawn.

Membership Information

Allen Brown, Phyllis Brown, Teresa Flowers and Sabra Heagle have submitted applications to join TSC. They will need to be at our March meeting to be voted on. Come out and meet these folks!

TSC Membership Renewals

The March meeting is the first meeting of our club year. That means, if you haven't renewed, you need to take care of it now!

As we go to press, about 30% of you still haven't turned in your renewal forms. Please do it at our meeting, on a Tuesday or Friday night, or mail it to the address on the front of this newsletter.

Renewal forms have been included in your last two newsletters, and are also available on the front page of www.goshagging.com.

Havana's Upcoming DJ Schedule

March 2: Clyde Waller
March 9: Wilkie Whaley
March 16: Mike Rink

March 23: WSGE 91.7 FM DJ's
March 30: Ed Timberlake
March 31: Clyde Waller

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March Shag Lesson Schedule

This month we'll have one-night classed designed for those who know most of what would be taught in our Beginner I and Beginner II classes. Classes may include tips about style and form, different steps, etc. The classes will be \$5 each for guests, and free to TSC members. As always, there will be dancing before and after shag lessons on these Tuesday nights.

Instructors will not be TSC members, so please make an extra effort to make them welcome, and to thank them for their efforts.

Our March 13 instructors had not been confirmed at press time. On March 20 our instructor will be Geoff Burdick. Our March 27 instructors will be Sonny and Judy Carver.

We hope to see you on these special Tuesday nights in March!

One More Reason to Love Shagging

By Iris Binder

As soon as I know where I'm going on vacation, I log on to the Internet to find the shag club in that area. They usually have a web site with a contact person. Then, I make a phone call to introduce myself and ask if we can join them for a dance or two. It never fails; we meet the nicest folks with a love of shagging. And if vacation just happens to coincide with Valentine's Day or Independence Day or Christmas, we hit the jackpot!

We can attest to the fine hospitality of the folks in Atlanta, GA, Hilton Head, SC and Bowling Green, KY. They made sure we had fun, learned some new steps, and met lots of their members, too.

Boating Skills And Seamanship Class

Submitted By Lee Cavin

With spring and summer fast approaching, some of you may be getting ready for the upcoming boating season by making sure your boat is properly maintained and ready to hit the water. I'm sure you have covered all the bases from the proper amount of life preservers to checking your fire extinguisher and making sure it is fully charged, as well as your navigation lights working properly. But what kind of boating condition are you in? A good idea before hitting the water might be a Boating Skills and Seamanship Course to bring you up to date on your own boating skills. If you think this might be a good idea, you're in luck. The U.S. Coast Guard Auxiliary in the Lake Norman area will be offering classes throughout the year to give people, who are interested, the chance to attend a one day class. And that is all it takes. Contact one of the numbers listed below and get registered. You won't be sorry!

Start	Location	Course	Contact
Cornelius			
Jun 23	Bond Community Center	BS & S	704-664-1933
Davidson			
May 19	North Harbor Club	BS & S	704-664-1903
Mooresville			
Mar 24	Shepherds Fire Dept	BS & S	704-664-1933
Apr 21	Shepherds Fire Dept	BS & S	704-664-1933
Aug 18	Shepherds Fire Dept	BS & S	704-664-1933
Oct 20	Queens Landing	BS & S	704-664-1933

Get Your 2007 SOS Cards

The 2007 SOS cards are still available. TSC members (only) can get one from our Club for \$25. (They will cost \$35 at the beach, or through SOS.) You can also buy one for your non-TSC member friends for \$30. Ask us if you need more information about SOS, the membership card or benefits of getting yours through our club.

The Superbowl Party

The Superbowl has come and gone, and the Colts are this year's champions. Whether or not your favorite team won the game, you had a great opportunity to have fun with friends while watching it.

Celia Hunter and Mike Turbyville were our hosts for the party. They had TV's going upstairs and down. There was plenty of great food and beverages, including their famous chili and cornbread. Those items alone made the party fantastic.

There was a good crowd of TSC members, and a few guests. Everyone had a fantastic time.

NFL Team Trucks were won by four attendees, and three more won cash in the "pool". Speaking of "pool", some of our members enjoyed a game or two of pool, a few played the full-size video game, others talked, laughed and just enjoyed the evening.

Thanks Celia and Mike. It was an outstanding event. If you missed it for any reason, make plans to be part of the next outing!

Ready for Spring SOS?

By Janice Musgrove

Here it is the middle of winter in north Florida and the temperatures have been down in the twenties.

Mid-Winter has come and gone. We got away one week on a cruise and got to shag to "Brown Eyed Girl" that was played with an island sound. That just didn't stand up to our desire to dance.

So you can imagine how ready we are for SOS!! We have our condo, we've set aside the dates on the calendar and we can't wait to see all of you. Hope each of you will set the dates on your calendar and make the trip to the beach, too. Just imagine our Tea Parties if all Twister members were able to be there to celebrate this special time together. It won't be long until April!

Learning to Shag As A Social Dance

By Sharon Carter

With our boys being young adults and pretty much not needing “parents”, Edward and I wanted to have some “partner time”. So, we decided to take a dance class. Yep, we chose Shagging... in a social way.

We grew up with friends and family members shagging down at Wrightsville Beach and Carolina Beach. Being Natives of North Carolina, we felt we should check it out, too.

We jumped right in, and we have been shagging for a year and a half now. Learning to shag has been a wonderful experience for us. It continues to offer us an opportunity to enjoy each other’s company in a physical, mental and spiritual way!

Boy, do I love gazing into his eyes as he sashays me around the dance floor. He’s so smooth and romantic to boot!

Thanks to all who took the extra time to work with us on new steps and techniques. It’s amazing, literally, to think back and remember how awkward it felt to count, step and keep up in time with the music. Not to mention doing all this with a partner!

To all the new comers and those interested in learning, its well worth the time and effort. We thoroughly enjoy helping others learn the basic steps. We have a great time encouraging them to keep trying. It will get easier over time. So again, many thanks to our instructors, our new friends and new shaggers who continue to make learning to Shag, as a Social Dance, a wonderful and passionate experience! See ya on the dance floor!

Are you getting a weekly email message, and at least one phone message from TSC each month? If not, please let Mike Rink or Walter Smith know immediately. Thanks!

This Month’s Birthdays

Susan Dahl	03/03	Margaret Hosford	03/15
Mike Turbeville	03/03	Jim Hill	03/18
Doris Black	03/04	Bill Hale	03/25
Richard Harrington	03/04	Joanne Sloop	03/26
Doug Honeycutt	03/04	Margaret Hutson	03/30
Dianne Harrington	03/08	Pete Riley	03/30
Gene Hunter	03/08		

Next Month’s Birthdays

Marcia Felts	04/08	Rees Brody	04/18
Bob Rea	04/09	Allen Brown	04/19
Sue Davidson	04/10	Deborah Weise	04/19
Sabra Heagle	04/10	Rick Thompson	04/26
Ross Eason	04/11	Jean Vaughn	04/27
Sharon McGraw	04/17	Peggy Fournier	04/30

Valentine’s Day Party

Submitted by Pat Bouknight

Could anyone ever guess we would 175 people to attend the Valentine Party? WOW!

Love was in the air from roses, candles, and a wonderful buffet of food to a buffet of Valentine candy. The party had prizes like roses, candy, teddy bears, and gift certificates from Mickey and Mooches.

Thank you, Pam and Geoff Siege, for making the Valentine’s Day Party one of the largest and most favorite events that Twisters hosts during the year.

We had guests from several different shag clubs. So word about the Havana Social Club on Friday nights is getting out there. People are seeing what a great time we have there on Friday nights. For those of you that missed the party, it was great.

What's Happening In The Shag World

GoShagging.com Has More Items And Details!

Note: Party flyers & club mail can be viewed at monthly meetings.

March 1-3: DJ Throwdown at North Myrtle Beach. Three bands will play on Thursday (admission \$10) and 50 members of the Association of Beach and Shag Club DJ's will be playing music the rest of the weekend for free. \$6000 reverse raffle, too. For more info, call 919-676-2159 or email sbaker4@nc.rr.com.

March 10: Mardi Gras Party ("Meet the Area Shag Clubs' Party") in Eden, NC hosted by Steppin Out Shag Club. \$5. DJ: Roy Childress. 336-540-2582 or realdj@triad.rr.com for more info.

March 10: St. Patrick's Day Party hosted Gaston Shaggers. DJ: Wilkie Whaley. 704-827-1770 or patsyfuller@carolina.rr.com.

March 17: St. Patty's Day Party hosted by Lancaster Shag Club. \$5. DJ: TBA. 803-286-5694 or double_517@yahoo.com for more.

March 22 - 23: Boogie in the Burgh hosted by Steel City Boogie. \$70. DJ's Joanne Johnson, Tootie Brown, Craig Jennings, Jack Moore, Sue Kestner. 412-825-5168 or jerry@jktivachgroup.com

March 23: WSGE 91.7 FM Fundraiser hosted by Twister's Shag Club at the Havana Social Club. This is a benefit for the non-profit radio station at Gaston College. This is our area's only station that plays beach and shag every week, so come out and have some fun and help keep them on the air.

March 30: Dance Showcase hosted by Havana Social Club from 8-9:30. Regular Friday shagging follows. \$10 for both, or \$2 after 9:30pm. See article in this newsletter for more info.

March 31: Ellen Taylor Day with Twister's Shag Club. Featuring a workshop, food, and a wine tasting followed by open dancing. More details can be found in this newsletter.

April 5-8: Smoky Mountain Boogie in Pigeon Forge. \$65. DJ's Larry Calhoun, Rich Kopels, Ed Timberlake, Chris Aiken. 865-291-7941, metaltiger@comcast.net, smokymountainshaggers.com

April 13: SOS Kickoff Party hosted by TSC at the Havana Social Club. More details to be announced, soon.

April 14: Annual "I'd Rather Shag than Pay Taxes" Dance hosted by Danville Shag Club. \$10. DJ Mike Rink. Always a successful event. BYOB, but Set-up's and heavy hors' doeuvres provided. 434-548-4095 or jerrick@dancom.com for more info.

April 21-29: SOS Spring Safari at North Myrtle Beach.

May 31, June 1-3: Southern Comfort X in Columbia, SC. Hosted by Palmetto Shag Club. More information to be announced.

June 8-10: Sand Gnat Shag-A-Ganza in Jekyll Island, Ga. Hosted by Golden Isles Shag Club. \$50 - \$60. DJ's Paul Spalding, Jim Bowers, Murl Augustine and Betty Brown. Call 912-267-9077 or email shagdancers@bellsouth.net for more info.

June 23: Boogie to Boone hosted by Boone Shag Club. \$25 before June 1st, \$30 after. DJ's George Brown and Larry Calhoun. Smoke free dance floor. Barbeque dinner. Free beer, wine and Buffalo Juice. BYOB . 828-265-0445 or milanofa@appstate.edu

June 23: Turntable Treasure Vinyl Party hosted by Twister's Shag Club at the Havana Social Club in Cornelius, NC. More details to be announced on www.goshagging.com.

July 18-22: Junior SOS at North Myrtle Beach, SC. For more details, see www.juniorshaggers.com

Sept 7: Pre-SOS Party hosted by Twister's Shag Club.

September 14-23: SOS Fall Migration in North Myrtle Beach.

Nov 2-4: Fall Cyclone hosted by Twister's Shag Club. Multiple DJ's, free shag workshops from pro dancers, free munchies, free meals, non-stop free adult beverages and much, much more. Details will be announced first on www.goshagging.com.

**Happy Birthday Richard Harrington!
You're the best thing that has ever happened to me and you
deserve a very special day. Love ya lots! DI ☺**

**Happy Birthday to our leader, Susan, from your TSC
friends. Wishing you another good year, and many more.
Joanne, Ramona, Claire, Dean, Rhonda, Frank, Donna,
Deborah, Dorance, Kay and Roger.**

**I have timeshares and have reserved a 3 bedrooms deluxe
cottage at Fairfield Resorts (walking distance to
everything) for the Spring SOS, and a Presidential for the
Fall SOS. I plan to rent both of them. If you are interested,
call me at 704-572-4733. Thanks! Celia Hunter**

**Happy Anniversary to my darling Gamecock. March 5 will
always be special to me. I can still remember that sweet
“pick-up” line you used it Ducks. “How old are you?” The
rest is history! Love, Robin**

**Happy Anniversary Robert! Our years together have been
the best in my life! I love you forever and a day. Sharon**

Happy Birthday CD. Love, Pam

Happy Birthday Dianne. Love, Richard

**Happy Birthday Maggie. It's been six months since the
“Junkyard”. Love, Gil**

The Nominating Committee

By Chairperson Greta Moretz

Last month TSC elected new officers for the coming year. The nominating committee had the task of finding ready, willing and able candidates who met the requirements of “officership”. With a field of nearly 150 members to chose from, you would think that was no big deal, right?

Since I was unable to go to Mid-Winter where the first meeting occurred, I guess I thought it would be easy sailing once we met again. But, on a Sunday afternoon we met and I returned home 3 hours later. My husband, Warren, asked where else I had been. When told we still had to meet again, I'm not sure he believed me.

Following another 2-3 hour marathon, we finally left with a slate of nominees available to serve. We left relieved that the process was complete, but concerned about next year as well. Capability, experience with the local and regional Shag World, leadership and Twister's devotion are alive and well. Maybe next year more willingness to serve will be there, too.

“Thank you” to all outgoing officers for your time, devotion and good work.

Thanks to all the members of the Nominating Committee for the many hours spent, the cooperation offered, and the objective and judicious pondering everyone offered while working toward our goal. Politicians could learn from us.

**Thank You Havana Social Club For
Supporting Shagging And Twister's
Shag Club. We Appreciate All You Do
And All You Offer Us Each Week!**

The 2007 ACSC Winter Workshop

By Peggy Cavin, Twister's Shag Club

We arrived in Charleston on Friday for the ACSC Winter Workshop, "Doin' the Charleston" Party. The Omar Shrine facility was an awesome building for a party. It was a smoke-free location with plenty of dance floor space. It was also just a short distance from all the hotels and the new, beautiful Cooper River Bridge.

We got there in time for a Charleston style dinner; shrimp creole, squash casserole, scalloped potatoes etc.

The party was in full swing, soon, and later that night we were just a few tickets away from winning cash in the ½ and ½ drawing.

Saturday there was a line dance class by Lee Anderson and shag workshop by our wonderful friend Ellen Taylor with her favorite DJ Mr. Carl Taylor. Hot dogs with all the fixings were provided.

Saturday night there was a Lowcountry Cuisine Dinner; the famous shrimp and grits, crab cakes, trio grilled veggies, pork tenderloin and a chocolate fondue. Wow!

Betty Brown, Jim Bowers, Larry Calhoun, Murl Augustine and our very own Mike Rink provided the music for the weekend.

Various shag clubs and beach clubs sponsored "hospitality rooms" and other items. We enjoyed partying with all the different people.

The guys from the Islanders Shag Club put on a great party. We would especially like to thank Nancy Strother (President) and co-chair Michael Burnett for their great southern hospitality during the whole weekend.

The weather was wonderful all three days. We left Charleston around noon on Sunday and it was 75 degrees. We arrived home around 4pm where it was 46 degrees. I'm ready to return to Charleston! Good thing Spring SOS is less than two months away!

Again, thanks go out to everyone in the Islander Shag Club that had a part in providing us with everything needed for a great party!

Mid-Winter 2007

By Claude McKinney

Well it was off to OD about 2pm on a Thursday afternoon. I had hitched a ride with one of five ladies that had headed to Mid-Winter SOS. They had made reservations at the Avista Resort Hotel where they were to rendezvous later that day.

I was told it was one of the chosen places to stay by some of the TSC members because you could walk to Ducks, Fat Harold's and the like while being on the beach and not missing out on a thing.

After unloading enough luggage and libations for a month, we got settled in and then got started on a tour of what, where, who and why OD is the shag capital of the world. My first day and night of what was to be the norm each day was truly as much fun as I had ever experienced in my life.

We ended up closing down Fat Harold's by consuming the last two cheeseburgers at 2 a.m. We asked the staff what time they started this all over again and their response was, "We'll be here at 11 a.m. for the Friday festivities."

Breakfast consisted of coffee and bagels back at the room and then off to shopping at the Tanger outlet shops for Greg Norman golf shorts and shirts along with golfing hats.

Back to Avista and ready for the Twisters Tea party where Brian Wilson was sighted at the party in Shorts and Sandals shagging away at the cool music coming out of the OD pavilion, while Bob and Jeff made sure everyone had their tea cups full.

Saturday and Sunday were the best days during Mid-Winter for dancing and seeing all our friends having fun. By Monday morning it was shirt off, 77 degrees and walking the beach with a gorgeous young lady that had just shown me what the fuss is all about at North Myrtle Beach, SC the Shagging capital of the world. Can't wait until the Spring S.O.S. How about you? Come join us. We are the TSC Fun Bunch.

First Impressions

Submitted By Bill Blanton

A Georgia State Trooper pulled a car over on I-95 about 2 miles south of the Georgia/South Carolina state line.

When the Trooper asked the driver why he was speeding, the driver answered that he was a magician and a juggler and he was on his way to Savannah to do a show that night at the Shrine Circus and didn't want to be late.

The Trooper told the driver he was fascinated by juggling, and if the driver would do a little juggling for him then he wouldn't give him a ticket.

The driver told the Trooper that he had sent all of his equipment on ahead and didn't have anything to juggle. The Trooper told him that he had some flares in the trunk of his patrol car and asked if he could juggle them.

The juggler stated that he could, so the Trooper got three flares, lit them and handed them to the juggler.

While the man was doing his juggling act, a car pulled in behind the patrol car. A drunk, good old boy, from S.C. got out and watched the performance briefly. He then went over to the patrol car, opened the rear door and got in.

The Trooper observed him doing this and went over to the patrol car, opened the door and asked the drunk what he thought he was doing getting in his car.

The drunk replied, "You might as well take my ass to jail, cause there's no way in hell I can pass that sobriety test."

**Please Get Your Items Submitted For
The April Newsletter By March 20th**

Jesus And The Burglar

Submitted By Sharon Carter

A burglar broke into a house one night. He shined his flashlight around, looking for valuables; and when he picked up a CD player to place in his sack, a strange, disembodied voice echoed from the dark saying, "Jesus is watching you."

He nearly jumped out of his skin, clicked his flashlight off, and froze. When he heard nothing more after a bit, he shook his head, promised himself a vacation after the next big score, then clicked the light on and began searching for more valuables.

Just as he pulled the stereo out so he could disconnect the wires, clear as a bell he heard, "Jesus is watching you."

Freaked out, he shined his light around frantically, looking for the source of the voice. Finally, in the corner of the room, his flashlight beam came to rest on a parrot. Did you say that?" he hissed at the parrot.

"Yep," the parrot confessed, then squawked, "I'm just trying to warn you. "

The burglar relaxed. "Warn me, huh? Who in the world are you?"

"Moses," replied the bird.

"Moses?" the burglar laughed ... "What kind of people would name a bird Moses?"

"The kind of people that would name a Rottweiler "Jesus."

We Have Shag Club Throws For Sale

Nothing could be better than a nice, throw blanket with the TSC logo on it. See Frances to get yours for only \$25.

Queenie's Medical Moments!

By Pam Siege

Do you know anyone that has diabetes? I bet you do. Most all of us have someone in our lives that has it. Sometimes it helps to know a little about what others are going through. Who knows? We may even develop it ourselves. But, I hope not!

What is diabetes? Your blood glucose is too high (sometimes called blood sugar). You need some glucose in your blood for energy, but too much isn't good for you! Glucose comes from the food we eat. It also comes from our muscles and liver.

The blood takes the glucose to the cells in the body. The pancreas releases insulin, a hormone, into the blood. Insulin then takes the glucose from your food to the cells.

If your body doesn't make enough insulin, the glucose can't get into the cells and then stays in the blood stream. Then our blood glucose gets too high and we develop diabetes.

Signs Of Diabetes:

- Being very thirsty
- Urinating often
- Feeling very hungry or tired
- Losing weight without trying
- Having sores that heal slowly
- Having dry, itching skin
- Losing the feeling in your feet or having tingling in your feet
- Having blurry eyesight

After many years, diabetes could possibly lead to problems with your eyes, nerves, kidneys, and teeth.

The most serious problem it can cause is heart disease or stroke.

Treatments For Diabetes:

- Work towards obtaining your ideal body weight
- Follow a diabetic diet
- Exercise regularly
- Take the medication as your Dr. tells you to

Recipe For Diabetics: Easy Chicken And Onions

1 Tbs. olive oil
½ tsp. salt
½ tsp. black pepper
2 onions, halved & sliced
2 chicken breast halves, boneless & skinless
½ tsp. curry powder
¼ tsp. salt
¼ tsp. black pepper

In a large skillet, heat olive oil over moderate heat
Add onions, salt & pepper, stirring, 15 minutes or until golden brown

Remove onions from the skillet and keep warm.

Wipe the skillet with a paper towel and spray with PAM (It makes me so mad having a cooking spray named after me.)

Pat chicken dry and season with salt and pepper and curry powder.

Heat on medium-high – 8 to 10 minutes on each side or until done.

Place onions on plate and top with chicken.

Serve immediately!

Calories: 250

Protein: 28 Grams

Carbohydrates: 14 Grams

Fat: 8.5 Grams

Remember take care of your body! No one else is going to. Always remember, laughter is the best medicine! Here's to your health!

A cheerful heart is good medicine! Proverbs 17:22. So stay happy and healthy!

Want To Be On A TV Show?

Greetings!

My name is Daniel Markell and I am the Casting Producer for the hit show Wife Swap on ABC Television. I recently ended up on your website, about shag music and dancing, and I am curious to find out more. We are always looking for amazing families with huge personalities that would be interested to see how another family lives.

In case you are unfamiliar with the show, the premise of Wife Swap is that one parent from each household swaps places for seven days to experience how another family runs their lives. It is an incredible family experience and opportunity to both learn and teach different family values. The show is a fascinating story of what happens when two married couples see themselves and their spouses in a whole new light. The New York Post says, "It should be called 'Life Swap' because it's not just the wives who learn something here. It's the families."

The only requirement for applying is that you are married (or living together) with at least one child over the age of 6 and under 18 living at home!

Also, not that money is an incentive, but the family that is selected receives \$20,000. So, if you or any one else you know is up for the experience of a lifetime, please feel free to contact me to find out how to apply for the show today!

Whoever contacts me MUST say they found out about this from Twister's Shag Club or they will not be considered.

Best regards,

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The Winter Shag Blast

By Donna Hord

Recently a group of us went to the Winter Blast hosted by the Capitol Area Shag Club in Raleigh, N.C. It was held in Wrightsville Beach and what a fun time we all had. The party was held at the Blockade Runner. All the Social hours were held at a large house next door. In this house was a large room where they had the food and then a larger family room with a fireplace with lots of chairs where we all gathered to socialize.

The Raleigh Shag club went out of their way to make everyone felt welcomed. I worked the room at one of our socializing times meeting people and introducing myself as a member of the Twister's Shag Club. I got such warm responses about our club and especially about the Fall Cyclone.

One of the chairpeople of the Raleigh Shag Club told me they were trying to pattern their party after ours, but he knew nothing could compare to "The Fall Cyclone".

We saw a lot of familiar faces. Unlike some parties we've attended, the members of the Raleigh Shag Club actually had folks asking visitors to dance, which was a welcomed change.

The weather was good, fellowship was great and we all had a huge time. Man what a fun weekend!!

Items Of Note For This Month

- The March Meeting is Tuesday, March 6th
- The newsletter deadline for April is Tuesday, March 20
- One-Night Shag Classes will be held all month on Tuesdays
- The WSGE Fundraiser is Friday, March 23
- The Dance Showcase will be at Havana on Friday, March 30
- We will have an Ellen Taylor day on Saturday, March 31 with dance instruction, food, a wine tasting, and them open dancing.
- All 2006 TSC Memberships expire prior to the March meeting, If you haven't renewed, please do it as soon as possible.

Having Fun In Twister's Shag Club

By Sharon Malmberg And Robert Cothran

What fun we have already had in the Shag world this year, and to think that we are not even 2 months into 2007!

We started off with Mid-Winter, and what a blast! The weather was perfect; unseasonably warm with lots of sunshine each day.

When the sun comes out, so do the sun worshippers! We were amazed to see the number of people on the beach partying in bathing suites at that time of year as if it was Spring or Fall SOS!

Club tents were up, coolers full and the music, conversation and laughter were continuous! Now that is a beach party!

We visited with old friends, made new friends, danced to great music at the various clubs, over-indulged ourselves at the Long Island Iced Tea party and enjoyed a Boulevard burger each day! It was yet another great SOS!

We then attended the Valentine's party at Havana Social Club. What a first class party! Everyone was so friendly, the decorations were festive, the food was outstanding (Excellent job, Nancy!), Mike played great music and the dancing was non-stop! We had a great time, and it appeared everyone else did too. And thank you Twister's for the beautiful roses. I was one of the lucky ones with a heart on the back of my chair!

All this fun in just a few weeks! We can hardly wait for the rest of the year to unfold!

Mark your calendars now for all of the Twister's events. They are certainly worth it! See you there!

We Need A Photography Chairperson

If you are interested in doing this, please contact a Board member!

Another Disaster I Experienced

By Dean Hajnos

Warm weather is on the way and it time to reminisce in anticipation of this summer's events. Last summer I got home late from a night out on the lake. I walked from the boat through the yard barefoot, as I have many times before. There was a sting on my ankle and I wondered what a bee was doing out at night. I slapped my ankle and felt no bee. Luckily it was gone.

After letting out my girls (two Labrador retrievers) and getting ready for bed, I remembered the bee sting and looked at my ankle. The two puncture wounds left no doubt; it had been a copperhead. One of my dogs had been bitten by a copperhead years ago. The vet said as long as the dog weighed fifty pounds it would be all right. I figured I weighed more than fifty pounds so I was good to go. My medical insurance has an 800 number for 24x7 advice from a nurse. I called, and of course got an answering machine. I left a message and laid down on the bed waiting for a call back.

The next morning I woke up without the call back. When I tried to get up, I nearly went through the ceiling from the pain in my ankle. I laid back down and it was fine. So that was the trick; keeping my ankle elevated. I crawled around the house with my ankle in the air while I fed my girls, let them out, showered, got dressed, and called my neighbor for a ride to the emergency room. (This became the second emergency room in North Carolina where personel working there recognized me. This is not good.)

I got back from the hospital and there was a message from the nurse apologizing for not calling and wanting to know if I was OK.

There was no way I was going to ease her conscience by returning the call. The next day the phone rang again. I answered and it was the nurse, wanting to know if I was all right. I told her this was Dean's brother and that I was here for the funeral, and that I was inside the house to settle his affairs.

It's just so easy to get into trouble.

CASC WINTER SHAG BLAST

Susan Dahl

Eight of us went to the Winter Shag Blast at Wrightsville Beach. We had a great time, and everyone was so nice. Dorance was our “token male”, but we had two other men (from Wilmington and Raleigh) who hung out with us. Glenda and Clyde Waller were also there for the fun and games.

We saw some other familiar faces that we only see at SOS and Cyclone, and it was good to talk and dance with them.

We had people still talking about how they loved our Fall Cyclone party, and how friendly we were. Several men came over and danced with us more than once.

The DJ on Friday and Clyde on Saturday announced that a group from Twister's Shag Club was there. Of course we all yelled! We thought we were good representatives of Twister's.

Susan, Joanne, Ramona, Claire, Donna Hord, Deborah, Dorance, and our friend, Teresa all had a great time.

By the way, I was glad to hear that TSC had a super turnout at the Valentine's Dance while we were gone. We heard it was a great party, and fun was had by all, too.

Day Care Support Continues Year Round

By Margaret Hutson

The dynamic duo (Margaret Hutson and friend Kathy Fisher) fixed treats for the Davidson Cornelius Day Care Center.

I baked cookies while Kathy stuffed bags with marshmallow gummy and conversation hearts, along with small bags of M&M's. We delivered the goodies to the Day Care on Monday, February the 12th to make sure the bags could be distributed on the big Valentine's Day. As always, we enjoyed helping area kids.

**What is the most important “second opinion”?
Health? Retirement? Asset protection? Long term care?**

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