



May

Newsletter

2023



Welcome to May everyone!!!! I hope everyone is doing well, and for all of you that were at Spring Safari SOS I know that you all had a wonderful time attending parties and dancing at all the clubs at Ocean Drive. Once again Rock Hill Shag Club was the talk all around SOS this year and I am so proud of our Rock Hill Shag Club and the members that we have in our club.

I was attending the ACSC Meeting and Rock Hill Shag Club was mentioned 5 times about the hard work and the events that we participate within our world of shagging. Gary Humphries who is in charge of all of our Jr Shaggers throughout the shag clubs mentioned about how Rock Hill Shag Club was involved with our Jr Shaggers and the shag lessons and parties the we offer to our Jr Shaggers. So great job goes out to all of our Jr Shag instructors!!! What really concerned me about other shag clubs is that out of 92 shag clubs, there was only 3 shag clubs that were involved with Jr Shaggers. We need to keep our dance alive not for only our children but our grandchildren as well. When we have events for our Jr Shaggers please come out and support our Jr Shaggers and watch these kids dance. So if anyone has a child or grandchild, get them out to our Jr Shag lessons. Contact Debbie Brown as she is our liaison for the Jr Shaggers for our club.

Next Rock Hill Shag Club was mentioned about the money that our club has raised for the Hall Of Fame Foundation (HOFF) in the past. Rock Hill Shag Club has raised almost \$40,000.

3rd on the list was that Candy Long is on the ACSC Board as Vice Chair and is doing a great job and she attends as many shag clubs as she possibly can to find out what other shag clubs have to offer.

4th on our list is Rock Hill Shag Club has done it again!!!! We had a lot of participation with decorating, walking and riding our float that was entered in the Spring Safari SOS Parade in the vehicle category. I am proud to say that we won 1st Place!!!! So thank all of you that were assisting with all of the hard work it takes to attain this award. SPECIAL THANKS GOES OUT TO RON BLANEY!!!! He was our chair person for this event. Great Job Ron!!!!

Last but not least, we had submitted one of our members for nomination for the ICON Award. Once the nomination has been submitted, it goes before a committee for nomination and selection. It takes a LOT of hard work throughout the years and a lot of accolades to be considered for this award. CONGRATULATIONS to Debbie Brown for being an ICON recipient!!! That just goes to show that a lot of hard work pays off.

April's monthly party was a great one as well. We voted in 5 new members and 1 renewal. In the past few weeks, we have had quite a few visitors and they enjoyed being with us on our Friday night M&G so much that they have become members of our shag club. So keep inviting friends to come out and join us. It goes without mention that our Social Committee, Floor Committee and Yard Committee are doing a great job!!! Thank You all for the work that you do for our club.

Our Friday Night Meet and Greet is back on schedule after SOS so keep coming out on Friday night's to enjoy the music, dance, drinks and great food. Lots of fun!!

We will have a business meeting this month to take care of a few items and vote in new members. We have also started traveling to some of the other shag clubs around our area and visiting clubs a little beyond our area. So if any of you can, come with us and join in when you can. Its a lot of fun. We will be making announcements about clubs we are going to attend. So sign up!! As you see in my letter to all of you, Rock Hill Shag Club is a hard working group of members that come together to have great times. That is what it takes to keep a club like ours going. We have a few members that are dealing with some medical issues, just remember that all of you are in all of our thoughts and prayers.

I believe that is all I have for the month of May. If I have missed anything we shall cover it at our monthly party. I hope to see all of you at our May Monthly Party. KEEP DANCING!!!

Larry E Snipes

President

Rock Hill Shag Club



May News

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What a fun month we finished out with. The Aril party “Spring Is In The Air” had a good turn out with some fantastic music played by DJ Daddy George. Thank you to all on the Social Committee who came out early to help set up for the party and clean up afterwards, Without you we could not do what we do.

We had great participation from members as well as 26 guest, 6 of which joined RHSC. We also had a group of members who went to Camden Shag Club for their Derby party and a large group of us who attended Boppers Shag Club party. Both clubs were very welcoming and all had a wonderful time. As an active shag club we try to attend other club parties and invite other clubs to our club. By doing so, we are meeting and making new friends. With that being said there is a party (Shagfest) coming up June 22-25 in Jacksonville, FL which should be a lot of fun.

Then we headed South for the Spring SOS with a large group in attendance. The Shooter party in the back of Fat Harolds was a huge success with some very yummy shots. Thank you to the ladies who helped pour and serve. The bar tender, Brenda, did an awesome job mixing the shots and keeping them coming.

The Shag is the South Carolina State dance.. We need to encourage our children and grandchildren to learn the dance and to participate in some capacity to keep it alive. With that being said RHSC and CSC are participating together to have a party for our Junior Shaggers May 13, 2023 from 2-5pm at Lynn’s Dance Club in Charlotte, NC. Tobitha and Ashley Stewart will be teaching a step to all. This is a lot of fun and the Juniors seem to enjoy. If you have any youth who would like to learn, please bring them.

This month theme will be Black and White and our DJ will be Glen Pridgen out of Fairmont NC. Please plan to come out and support him and the club.

See you on the dance floor

BB Morrison
Social Director



JUNIORS CORNER

Debbie Brown - Junior Liaison

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JUNIOR SHAGGERS “SPRING FLING PARTY”: It is in the works, so mark your calendars and plan to bring your kids and grandkids. **DATE: MAY 13 - TIME: 2-5 pm - PLACE: Lynn’s Dance Club in Charlotte.** Charlotte Shag Club will be co-hosting this event with us. We will have snacks and refreshments. Tommy Samole has volunteered to be our DJ for the afternoon (thank you Tommy) For those kids who do not know how to shag, we will have a class teaching the Basic. We will also have a class for an intermediate step. Both of these will be taught by Pro Dancers – Ashley & Tobitha Stewart. Ashley & Tobitha are always so generous when it comes to our juniors. They always volunteer to teach workshops for our juniors at no cost. They are also the backbone of the Junior Shag Dance Team, along with Kayla Henley and Michael Norris. They do everything pertaining to juniors free of charge because they love our kids and our dance so much. Last, but not least, we will be giving away numerous Door Prizes. If you wish to contribute to snacks, desserts, waters, or Door Prizes, please contact me right away. (see phone # and email above) I have already had a few folks to make donations. Thank you for your continued support.



FAT HAROLD’S HARDWOODS CLASSIC: This competition took place April 7-8, Easter weekend, and did include a Junior Division. Our club only had one to compete, Lauren Cookman. Congratulations to all who competed and especially to the winners.

Junior Division: 1st Place: Tucker Brown & Gracie Pandure
2nd Place: Billy West & Ava Farlowe
3rd Place: Mack West & Maci Walters
4th Place: Easton Brown & Graylen Kirby
5th Place: Ben Smith & Lauren Cookman

Next competition on the books for juniors will be the **USA GRAND NATIONAL DANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS** in Atlanta over Memorial Day Weekend, May 25 -29. This competition is for all types of dance from shag to swing to ballroom, and everything in between. It gives everyone a chance to try something new and dance in several different divisions. It is a fantastic weekend of dance. If you have never been, I encourage you to give it a try.

After GNDC, we will all be heading back down to Ocean Drive for **JUNIOR SOS, July 11 – 16**. Please check out the website (www.juniorshaggers.com) and register online (this saves a lot of time). If you have older kids/grands, be sure to have them check out the requirements for being an Ambassador during this week. One last thing, those who are seniors in high school or college students, they can apply to the **JSA Scholarship**. Go the the same website above for the application and requirements. **Deadline to submit your application is May 31.**

Thank you all for your continued support of our junior shaggers. RHSC you are the best.

Love to all....*Debbie*

Shaggin' in Rock Hill



We started our new ADULT BEGINNER I SHAG CLASS on Tuesday, March 14. We had (30) to register for our class. I think that is wonderful. It was great to see so many folks of all ages wanting to learn our state dance that we all love. We had a few that

were repeats that just wanted to brush up and improve their basics. I was so very proud of the way they caught on and were eager to learn. As we teach in all of our classes, both adults and juniors, “practice may not always make perfect, but it sure does make improvement”.

We taught in this (5) week class: the basic, the start, female turn, the trail, the male turn, and the bellyroll. Some catch it right away, some feel a little overwhelmed, but all of them hung in there. They all think I am a Drill Sergeant. I have found that the juniors are a whole lot more quiet than adults. Imagine that. As soon as we stop dancing, the adults start talking. Then I have to whistle. It is great. We have so much fun in our classes. I truly look forward to each week. You will always know who really does practice. But we do give them a chance to come in early the next week and work on areas they have trouble with or to catch up if they have to miss a class. It is a progressive class so we move forward each week. I appreciate the opportunity to teach all ages. It is my passion.



I have a terrific committee by my side each week and they also pick up my slack if I have to miss. They are all the best and I appreciate each one of them so very much. I am blessed to have them all. Thank you all. See photo of my team: Dean Baker, Ron Blaney, Don Crump, Larry Snipes, Debra Ledford, BB Morrison, and Denise Stevenson. (Chris Stevenson not shown).

We have new Adult Beginner I Shag Class starting on Tuesday, May 2 at the Elks Lodge. This class will run for (5) consecutive weeks. Please contact me at shagdeb@gmail.com or 803-242-6104 to pre-register. The class is limited to (30) people. Please share the flyer with your friends who may be interested in learning our state dance. Thank you all.

Debbie Brown - Shag Instructor

Thank You



I am so very honored to have been nominated and to receive the “Shag Icon Award”. This is the highest honor a shagger can receive for all the work they do for their club.

I just want to thank each person who took the time to write a letter on my behalf. Larry for the nomination, letters from Dean Baker, Mike Copeland, Rick Morrison, and Debra Ledford. Debra headed up the Icon Committee and was in charge of getting all the letters and information together and making sure it was all submitted correctly. I have read each one of the letters and you are all so very kind. I am so thankful to each one of you. I was very surprised when I got the call that I had won. The good news came at a time when it was much needed. During Spring SOS, Dennis and I attended an Icon Reception on Wednesday which was very special. All of the Icons over the years were in attendance. On Saturday morning at the ACSC meeting, I was presented with my plaque. Thank you to our members who were able to attend and show me support. You are the best.



I love this club very much and it is my honor to work in any way to support our club. We have such a wonderful group of members who also work hard to improve our club and bring us all closer together. I have been a member of this club since 2006 and have served as President, Secretary, Treasurer, Social Director, Governor’s Board, Float Co-Chair for 10 years, Winter Beach Blast Chair for 10 years, and many other committees. I hope to continue to work and serve the Rock Hill Shag Club for many years to come. This is the BEST CLUB around. Thank you all for allowing me to serve our club.

Love to all,

Debbie Brown



Prayer REQUESTS



Contact

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2023 Secretary

803-984-2578

Or at

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May



5/3 Denise Stevenson
5/3 George Barnett
5/4 Connie Elkins
5/10 David McManus
5/11 Terry Barker
5/11 Darnelle Sweatt
5/13 Carla Davis
5/15 Phil Long

5/15 Darene Weatherlow
5/20 Donna Sullivan
5/21 Matt Starnes
5/23 Leslie Walker
5/24 Steele Windle III
5/25 Jane Ligon
5/29 Doug Huss
5/30 Frankie McConnell

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

5/2 Mike & Marita Copeland
5/3 Gary & Cindy Craddock
5/18 Doug & Gene Huss
5/21 Ronnie & Brenda Jackson
5/22 Gary & Judy Whitley
5/25 David Simpson
5/28 Randy & Tracy Raynor

MAY 2023 PLAY DATES:

RON BLANEY: NONE

TOMMY SAMOLE: May 4 – CLASS in Camden
May 6 – Lake Norman Shag Club
May 12th – Rutherfordton Shag Club
May 13th – JR. Shaggers Spring Fling Party @ Lynn's
May 16th – LWSC – Tuesday Shag
May 17th – Redd's on Union – Concord
May 20th – Sandy Beach Shag Club

PHIL LONG: May 5 – RHSC

FRANK PRICE: May 11 – Charlotte Shag Club Thursday @ Lynn's
May 12 – RHSC

DEAN BAKER: NONE

TOMMY DAVIS: NONE

LARRY SNIPES: May 2 – LWSC – Tuesday Shag
May 6 – LWSC Monthly Party
May 23 – LWSC – Tuesday Sha

GENE HENSLEY: May 3 – Redd's on Union – Concord, NC
May 6 – Brushy Mountain Shag Club
May 20 – Two Rivers Shag Club

ROCK HILL SHAG CLUB PRESENTS

ADULT SHAG CLASS

**LIMITED
TO
(30)
PEOPLE**

Tuesdays: May 2, 9, 16, 23, & 30

Time: 6:30 pm

Cost: Couples \$90

Singles \$50

**ALL FEES PAID IN ADVANCE
AT 1ST CLASS
CASH OR CHECK
NO CREDIT CARDS**

5 LESSONS

- Basic & Start**
- Female Turn**
- Male Turn**
- Trail, Tuck Turn**
- Belly Roll**



To register in advance, text Debbie @ 803-242-6104

OR e-mail: shagdeb@gmail.com

Location: Elks Lodge, 535 Hollis Lakes Rd., Rock Hill, SC

JUNIOR SHAGGERS SPRING FLING PARTY



HOSTED BY: CHARLOTTE SHAG CLUB &
ROCK HILL SHAG CLUB

SATURDAY - MAY 13, 2023

2:00 - 5:00

LYNN'S DANCE CLUB

4819 S. Tryon St., Charlotte, NC

REFRESHMENT & SNACKS PROVIDED.

**DOOR
PRIZES!!**



COME JOIN THE FUN &
LEARN THE BASIC STEP &
AN INTERMEDIATE STEP
TAUGHT BY PRO SHAGGERS:
ASHLEY & TOBITHA
STEWART



Rock Hill Shag Club

5/5/2023 DJ:

**PHIL
LONG**

No Membership
Required

**GREAT
GRILL!!**

FRIDAY NIGHT



MEET & GREET

**NO COVER
CHARGE**

DANCE DANCE DANCE

DOORS OPEN 7 PM

50/50 DRAWING

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RH Moose Lodge 1025 Ebinport Road Rock Hill SC

Rock Hill Shag Club

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ROCK HILL SHAG CLUB **BLACK** AND *white*

SATURDAY - MAY 20

DOORS OPEN 6:30

(Business Meeting at 7:00 for members!!)

MEMBERS: \$5 GUESTS: \$7



SHAG CLUB *white* PARTY

DOOR PRIZE

**FREE
SHOOTERS**



50/50 DRAWING

DJ: GLENN PRIDGEN



RH Moose Lodge, 1025 Ebinport RD, Rock Hill, SC



seven days
of fun...
shaggin'
in the
sun!



JULY 11 - 16, 2023

JUNIOR SOS

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ROCK HILL SHAG CLUB

MEMBERS ONLY



Party

SATURDAY, JUNE 10TH

4:00 UNTIL

BBQ WITH ALL THE TRIMMINGS

SPECIAL DRINK, SHOOTERS, WATER, SODAS, AND BEER PROVIDED

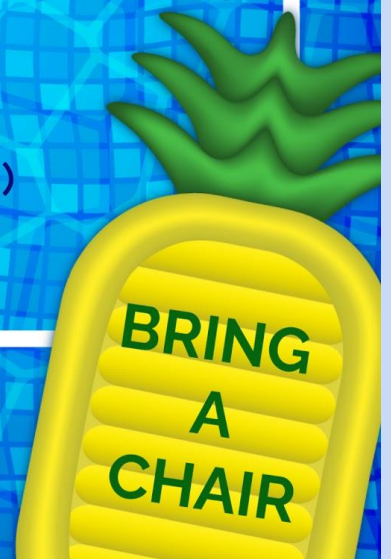
SPECIAL GUEST

Freddy Tripp

(of Fantastic Shakers fame)

Place: D & D Resort

(home of Debbie & Dennis Brown)
4029 Ivywood Dr., Rock Hill, SC





YORK CRESCENT
SHRINE CLUB

SHAG NIGHT

JUNE 24TH 2023

BBQ DINNER - \$30 COUPLE

50-50 CASH BAR

LIVE DJ - SHAG MUSIC

7PM - TILL MIDNIGHT

*Lancaster Shag Club invites you
to our*



**ANNIVERSARY
CELEBRATION**

*Saturday, June 24 - 7pm- 11pm DJ Gene Sistare
Jackson Shrine Club, 1449 S Plantation Rd, Lancaster*

*Dinner will be served at 7:30. Tea and soft drinks provided.
BYOB only. Tickets \$35 per person. Purchase by June 14.
Send check addressed to :*

*Lancaster Shag Club, P.O. Box 2125, Lancaster, SC 29721
Inquiries call Renee' Baker 803-287-5860*



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