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Hello everyone!! I hope all of you are doing well. Can you believe that June is here and half the year is gone!! We have have had a busy first half of the year. The second half of the year is going to be just as busy and just as fun with what we have planned. June is going to be a great month beginning with our Meet & Greet's and then our Members Only Party on June 10th as well as our Monthly Party June 17th. Our membership continues to grow as we voted in 18 new members to our Rock Hill Shag Club last month. WAY TO GO GUYS & GALS!! Keep on inviting your friends to come out and enjoy the music, dance and fellowship that all of us enjoy.

Our party last month was a special one as we dedicated our dance floor in the memory and honor of Ducky Moore. Ducky's family was there to cut the ribbon and start the dancing off with the DJ playing Ducky's favorite line dance song "The Charleston". We also have a plaque and stand with Ducky's name on it to be displayed each and every time our dance floor is out and ready for dancing. I want to thank all of you that donated for the plaque and the the ones that put it all together for display. It Looks Great!!

Last month we had a great crowd at our Black & White Party and the DJ Glenn Pridgen played some pretty awesome music and kept the dance floor full. To all of our Social Committee members, great job with the decorations!! You are so awesome when it comes to setting up for our parties!!!

I mentioned this month was going to be a great month for parties. We have our Members Only Party on June 10th and it is a truly a members only party. So that means it is for our

members only. This is to show our members that we appreciate our members not only for being a member of Rock Hill Shag Club, also for the hard work and sacrifice that we all put in to make our parties the best. We will have BBQ with all the fixings, special drink, shooters (of course), water, sodas and beer provided. Special guest Freddy Tripp of the Fantastic Shakers will be entertaining us. Its gonna be a great party!! It will be at Debbie and Dennis Browns house 4029 Ivywood Dr. Rock Hill SC.

June 17th is our monthly party and will be a Sock Hop. I can't wait for this one. I'm sure they will be poodle skirts, rolled up blue jeans and rolled up shirt sleeves that will be worn that night. It's gonna be a lot of fun!!

June 25th from 2:pm - 6pm at the Moose Lodge, Jr Shaggers will be having a Jr Shaggers Pre SOS party. This will be for our Jr Shaggers and they will have dancing, games, hot dogs with all the trimmings, chips, games and dancing. We may still need a few items donated. Check with Debbie Brown. I want to thank Phil Long and Ron Blaney for being DJ's this party. So bring your children, grandchildren and get them dancing. I would also like to see some of our members come out to watch these kids dance and have a great time.

As summer is among us, I know that some of you will be traveling and going on vacation. Some of you will be going to other shag events throughout the state. If you go to other shag events or just visit other shag clubs, and if you have a Rock Hill Shag Club name tag, please wear it as it represents you as a Rock Hill Shag Club member. We want to let other folks know that we are proud of our club as well. So travel safe where ever you go and get back safely so you can enjoy our summer events!!

SEE ALL OF YOU ON THE DANCE FLOOR!!!

Larry Snipes
President
Rock Hill Shag Club



June News

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I can't believe we sailed through May and already into June. The "Black and White" party was a big success with over a hundred people in attendance. Everyone seemed to enjoy the shooters and themselves. The DJ, Glenn Pridgen did a fantastic job keeping the floor packed and played some great songs. It was good to see Brenda and Ronnie Jackson from N. Myrtle Beach.

The Social Committee is made up of some wonderful people who come through every month to help set up for our parties. I want to thank each and every one of you for all your time and hard work. You did an awesome job and I appreciate all of you. It wouldn't be a party without you.

We had a big group of new members voted in and also some new applications submitted at the party. It's nice to see visitors coming to our parties and deciding to join our club. That says a lot for us as a club that they want to be a part of it.

I want to let you know we will be partnering with the Elks Club of Rock Hill again this year in their Back to School Drive starting in June. More information will come once I have more details but a box will be placed in the back room of the Moose Lodge on Fridays and at our party to collect items needed.

We have several parties coming up this month. The first is our Members Only party on June 10th that will be at Debbie and Dennis Brown's home in Rock Hill. If you've never been, you will want to come. The club is providing BBQ, sides, beer, a special drink, shooters, games and pool fun so bring your swim suit. Our monthly party will be June 17th with DJ Craig Jennings spinning the tunes. Our theme for this party is "50's Sock Hop" so feel free to wear your 50's attire. Invite a friend and come party with us.

See you on the dance floor.

BB Morrison
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JUNE 2023 PLAY DATES

RON BLANEY: June 25 – Jr. Pre-Jr SOS Party

TOMMY SAMOLE: June 1 – Lynn’s – Charlotte Shag Club

June 3 – Relay for Life – Downtown Hickory, NC

June 6 – LWSC – Tuesday Shag

June 17 – Blowing Rock CC Yearly Shag Event

June 21 – Redds on Union – Concord, NC

June 24 – Lake Tillery Shag Club

June 27 – LWSC – Tuesday Shag

PHIL LONG: June 25 – Jr. Pre-Jr SOS Party

FRANK PRICE: June 30 – RHSC M&G

DEAN BAKER: NONE

TOMMY DAVIS: NONE

LARRY SNIPES: June 2 – RHSC M&G

June 13 – LWSC Tuesday Shag

June 25 – Jr. Pre-Jr SOS Party

GENE HENSLEY: June 7 – Redd’s on Union, Concord, NC

June 16 – Winston Salem Shag Club

June 17 – Boppers Birthday Bash

June 23 – RHSC Meet & Greet



JUNIORS CORNER

Debbie Brown - Junior Liaison

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JUNIOR SHAGGERS “SPRING FLING PARTY”: It was another great Junior party with (25) in attendance. That is awesome. Thank you again to Charlotte Shag Club for co-hosting this event with us. Vickie Smith, you are the best. We were once again blessed to have pro-dancers, Ashley & Tobitha Stewart with us to teach a “Basic” and an “Intermediate” step. It was terrific. Ashley & Tobitha are always so giving with their time when it comes to juniors. They go out of their way to do workshops and coach those who compete. Thank you my friends. Our DJ for the afternoon was Tommy Samole, who did a terrific job as always. Thank you to our RHSC dance instructors for donating the funds for the “gift cards”. There were enough so that every junior received at least one. We were also fortunate to have some of the Junior Shag Dance Team members with us. (Thank you Graylen, Ian, Saddie, Maci, Bennett, Lauren, & Maxwell.) They took the floor to do an exhibition dance. This gives all the beginners a chance to see just how good they can get and how far they can go in our dance with a lot of practice and dedication. We had an unexpected treat with Pro-Dancers - Scott Campbell & Nikki Kontoulas, who also took the floor for a short exhibition. All we can say is “WOW”!

Thank you to everyone who made this event for our juniors happen. A special thank you to my Junior Committee members for attending and dancing with our juniors and helping where needed; especially Debra for filling in for me until I finally arrive. You are the best. We look forward to our next event which will be our **PRE- JUNIOR SOS PARTY on Sunday, June 25 at the RH Moose Lodge (see flyer)..** If you would like to help with food or donate some door prizes, please contact me ASAP at numbers above.









USA GRAND NATIONALS DANCE CHAMPIONSHIP

Established in 1995, GNDC is the largest and most diverse Carolina Shag and West Coast Swing Dance Event in the World. It hosts all different styles of dance from shag to swing to cabaret and everything in between. Due to covid, this event has not happened since 2019, which marked it's 25th anniversary.

IT IS BACK IN 2023 – MAY 25-29 – IN ATLANTA, GA.

This is such a fun-filled weekend with dancing going on from early in the mornings with floor trials to social dancing with new friends to wee hours of the next morning. Kids will meet and establish new friends from all over the country and even overseas. That is how far dancers come to compete at the GNDC. It takes tons of practice, hard work, and dedication to get to this level. Hats off to all who competed. There are workshops for all different styles of dance taught by the best of the best instructors. Then comes the competitions: Shag Jack & Jill, Pro-Ams, Non- Pro Carolina Classic – and that is all before the Opening Ceremonies on Friday night. Then comes the big dogs – Rising Star, Pro Carolina Classic, and Showcase (which is awesome), then more Social Dancing and a Vinyl Party from 11 pm until ????. Saturday brings Jack & Jills (all levels), an afternnon of shagging and a Junior Pizza Party, Ice Cream Social, more competitions in the higher levels , Masters Carolina Classic, Teams and so on. Saturday night after midnight comes the Theme Party & Costume Contest. It is just amazing all that goes on. Sunday brings more workshops, Masters, Pro-Am Routines, Junior Shag, Cabaret, and Champions Strictly. Then Sunday night it all comes to an end with the Awards Ceremony where everyone dresses up. It is such an amazing event. Thank you to Michael & LeAnn Norris, owners of GNDC, for putting on such a wonderful event that brings all dancers together.

We had (3) of our club juniors to attend this event and compete in several divisions: Lauren Cookman, (daughter of Ruth & Duncan), Landon and Logan Sellers (grandsons of BB & Rick Morrison). This was Landon and Logan's first time at GNDC. They danced in Junior Shag and Pro-Am Strictly. They did such a terrific job and took home tons of memories. Lauren has competed at GNDC several times. She danced in several divisions. She competed as a newcomer in the Swing Jack & Jill Division and walked away with 2nd place. Congratulations Lauren. Also, Rick & BB danced in the Shag Jack & Jill Division. Way to go.

Lauren is also a member of the Junior Shag Dance Team. With covid, the team has not been able to complete since 2019. During that time, the team had a lot of its members to "age out"

as juniors. The newly formed team for 2023 is made up of (14) juniors aging from 9 to 20. Half of the team are returning members and half are completely new to the team and to competing. This brand new team competed against (3) other teams at GNDC, which were made up of experienced dancers. They did a fantastic job and left it all on the floor. We are so very proud of the special group of juniors who placed 2nd in the team division. This is fantastic for these young folks to place 2nd only to a team made up completely of Pro Dancers. Congratulations team. You were fantastic. Attached are a few photos of our club juniors.

Next up is JR SOS 2023 the week of July 11 – 16 in North Myrtle Beach. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend this great event. Registration is now open at www.juniorshaggers.com. The cost is \$20 per person, which gets you a free t-shirts, workshops taught by the best instructors around, and tons of other fun for the week. Check out the schedule so you don't miss a thing. I have attached the flyer, so please be sure to share it with friends. See you there.



JUNIOR SHAG



LOGAN w/Saddie



LANDON w/Olivia



LAUREN w/Bennett

JACK & JILL – SHAG & SWING





COSTUME PARTY – JSJT
“Pirates of the Caribbean”



ALL JUNIORS

SHAGGIN' IN ROCK HILL



Well, we just finished our second Adult Beginner 1 Shag Class with (26) in attendance. I must say this was one of the best classes yet. Everyone learned the start, basic, female turn, trail, male turn, and belly roll. This is a progressive class, learning a new step each week. Everyone has the opportunity to come early each week for extra help if it is needed. This helps to keep the class moving so no one gets left behind.

We have had several members from this class and the previous class to already join our club. I expect more will be joining soon. Thank you to everyone who participated in the (2) classes we have had this year. I appreciate you all and hope you will continue to practice and come out and dance. Our next class will be an Adult Beginner 2 Class starting sometime in August. Keep an eye out for the next flyer with the dates. Just remember, in order to take this Beginner 2 Class, you must be able to do a start, basic, male & female turns correctly and with ease. This next class steps it up a notch, so please keep practicing. If anyone would like extra help, just give me a call and we can get together. Always helps to refresh a bit. I cannot end without saying a huge "THANK YOU" to my co-instructors: Dean Baker, BB Morrison, Donnie Crump, Denise & Chris Stevenson, Debra Ledford, Ron Blaney, & Larry Snipes. You are all the best and I enjoy working with each one of you. We make a great team.

See you all on the dance floor!! Enjoy the summer and dance, dance, dance!!



Prayer REQUESTS



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2023 Secretary

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June



6/1 Ron Blaney
6/4 Tim Deaton
6/5 Diane Bailey
6/8 Pat Hensley
6/12 Gary Whitley
6/13 Debbie Green

6/20 Cathy Covington
6/23 Kay Funderburk
6/23 Penny McDonald
6/25 Frank Price
6/26 Perry Bishop

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

6/5 Lamar & Jane Williams
6/6 Larry & Janice Walker
6/6 Amanda Newhouse
6/8 Gene & Pat Hensley
6/15 David & Beth Galloway
6/16 Perry & Loris Bishop
6/16 Wayne & Kathryn Wooten
6/17 Dennis & Debbie Brown
6/20 Barry & Terry Branch
6/23 Steve & Maria Williams
6/26 Randy & Carla Davis
6/26 Ron & Penny Blaney

Rock Hill Shag Club

6/2/2023 DJ:

**LARRY
SNIPES**

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

MEMBERS ONLY



Party

SATURDAY, JUNE 10TH

4:00 UNTIL

BBQ WITH ALL THE TRIMMINGS

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

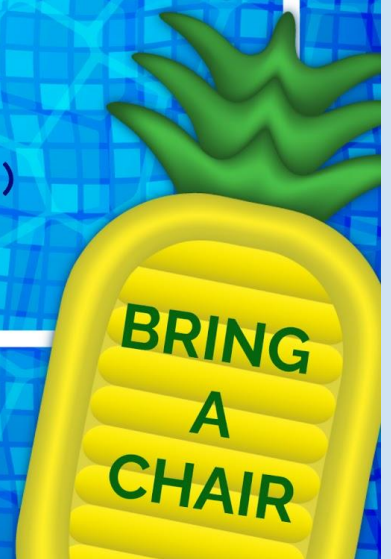
SPECIAL GUEST

Freddy Tripp

(of Fantastic Shakers fame)

Place: D & D Resort

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



ROCK HILL SHAG CLUB

JOIN US FOR OUR

50's

SOCK HOP
PARTY

Wear your 50's
Attire!!



INVITE YOUR FRIENDS!

Date: Saturday - June 17

Time: Doors Open - 6:30

Cost: \$5 Members

\$7 Guests

Free Shooters

Door Prize

50/50 Drawing



RH Moose Lodge, 1025 Ebinport Rd., RHSC

Rock Hill Shag Club

6/23/2023 DJ:

**GENE
HENSLEY**

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Rock Hill Shag Club

Hosts

PRE-JR SOS PARTY!!



Date: Sunday, June 25

Time: 2:00—6:00

**Place: RH Moose Lodge
1025 Ebinport Rd., RHSC**

**HOT DOGS WITH ALL THE TRIMMING!
MUSIC, DANCING, GAMES, & PRIZES!**



**DJs: Larry Snipes, Ron Blaney,
& Phil Long**



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Rock Hill Shag Club

6/30/2023 DJ:

**FRANK
PRICE**

**GREAT
GRILL!!**

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CHARGE**

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FRIDAY NIGHT



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