

R & B Shag Club of Spartanburg



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DECEMBER 2009

Association of
Carolina Shag Clubs



Member Since 1985

American Bop
Association



Member Since 2008

A Message from your President:

Well, another year has come and gone. It's been kinda a "Ho-Hum" year with few exceptions. We Ho, Ho, Ho'ed and Hummed our membership to almost 300 members. We traveled very well from the Gulf Coast to Cincinnati with many stops in between and brought home the travel attendance trophy from M.E.S.S. for the third time.

We provided our dance floor for numerous events in the community and will be expanding that benefit to "Tunes on Trade" in Greer this year. We hosted a "Learn to Shag" night with the Marriott for about 500 folks and have plans to do it again. We assisted in bringing a new shag club—Lake Lure--on board with the Association of Carolina Shag Clubs (ACSC.)

After a many-month's break, we restarted Sunday Night Shaggin' at Wild Wing Café with shaggers from 60-100 miles away in regular attendance.

We again experienced a fantastic Sparkle City Celebration and pool party with everyone agreeing that it was the best yet. The American Bop Association (ABA) that supports bop, shag, and swing dancing came calling at SCC and their members will be back again in 2010. **Kathy & Steve Day** will represent our club at the annual ABA meeting in Nashville in January. Contracts for Sparkle City Celebration are now in place through 2013 with very little increase in cost to us and our attendees. Our relationship with this first class hotel is better than ever and continues to grow.

The dates are set for another good year at the VFW for our once-a-month parties, and we have a great slate of officers ready to take over the business end of R&B in January and continue our successes and growth. **Chuck Johnson** will lead us on to bigger and better accomplishments.

We have just opened a new venue-The Cellar--for shaggers around the area to enjoy on two days each month. The **Out-of-Towners Band** will play on the second Thursday each month and **David O'Quinn** will DJ on the fourth Thursday each month.

The Marriott gave us a Big Shag Night last Friday in Club 299 featuring "Little Stevie Wonder" AKA David O'Quinn and Billy Waldrep AKA Billy Roebuck. They are thinking about doing this again in addition to our great "First Saturday" each month.

We experienced sadness again this year with the death of a true friend in the loss of **Doug Higgins**. He will be greatly missed but never forgotten. He is now joining **Stokes Smith, Sid Talbot, Earl Godfrey, Stan Blanton, and Albert Elston** as one of the **Shadow Shaggers** above. I think about them each time I hear that shag song.

Again, we gave back to the community with a lot of support for Music on Main, the Shriners Hospital Benefit, Mobile Meals, St. Luke's Free Medical Clinic, and Children's Security Blanket. Next year, we return to supporting the American Red Cross in what could be the biggest shagging event ever in Spartanburg at the Interstate Fair Grounds in the House of Flowers. Years ago, we assisted the Red Cross with benefit concerts at Duncan Park and we are happy to be working with them again.

None of these good things would have happened without the support of our great "Shag World" family. All of you need to give yourselves a pat on the back and a big hug for the good you have done in supporting all the events and in helping to make "Shag Spartanburg" a reality. And you just thought you were only having fun!

I think just about everything has been covered in this review of 2009 as best my Ginko induced brain can remember. Just remember that doors are everywhere, and we need to keep opening them.

Remember to call 864-591-3120 for reservations for the "**Once in a Blue Moon**" New Year's Eve Party at the Marriott.

See you Saturday, December 19, at 8:00 at our Christmas Party at the VFW.

Life's Short, Let's Shag
Tom Armstrong

Happy Birthday!**DECEMBER '09**

01 Wes Collins
 03 Ernest Bennett
 09 Ernest Marlowe
 10 Lorene Bevis
 11 Robert Pitts
 12 Laurie Rochester
 15 Brenda Hayes
 17 Hollie Higgins
 17 Debbie Stith
 18 Marge Roberts
 19 Richard Mitchell
 19 Kay Overly
 20 Jeanne Dinsmore
 20 Mark Gordon
 23 Jack Moore
 24 Richard Andrews
 25 Christina Graham
 29 Steve Day
 ?? Deanna Ewing

JANUARY '10

02 Stan Rochester
 03 Mike Swords
 04 Roy Bishop
 07 Laura Catto
 07 Pat Jones
 09 Regina Lail
 09 Travis Sims
 11 Eddie Baker
 12 Mickey Campbell
 13 Brenda Heatherly
 13 Sonny Quinn
 14 Ellen Knothe
 14 Johnny McCraw
 15 Bill Coggins
 15 Diann Higgins
 15 Pam Land
 16 Danny Rhodes
 17 Candy Hanna
 19 Sherry Collins
 19 Jo Ed Mitchell
 20 Larry Brehmer
 21 Roger Hayes
 21 Pamela White
 22 Peggy Stacey
 24 Cathy Campbell
 27 Homer Miller
 31 Alan Caldwell

GOOD NEWS

Congratulations and best wishes to **Peggy Stacey & Hershel McCray** who married Saturday, November 14. Their new address is 702 Larado Court, Moore, SC 29369.

REMINDERS

Our check-in desk for the VFW parties does not set up until **7:30** pm before the **8:00** party begins with the DJ playing. Please plan to arrive no earlier than 7:30 when the sign-in tables are open for your registration.

We do not have a clean-up crew following the parties and we must leave the VFW ballroom in as good shape as we found it. Before you leave to go home, take plates, napkins, cups, and other stuff to the trash cans when you finish with them. Put drink cans in the special barrel by the bar and other stuff in the other barrel.

We appreciate folks helping pack up decorations because only 4 or 5 members decorate and it's a time consuming task to put away what took hours to get out of the small storage room. Please put round and long table cloths in separate stacks.

Have fun making memories that will last a lifetime—dance!

Christina & David Graham

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RECENT NEW MEMBERS

It's great to welcome these new members: **Larry Brock, Reno & Olide Bucci, Dot Perry, Robert Pitts, Loretta Smith, and Ann & Charles Wilkins.**

When you see someone with a **red** guest name tag or recognize our new members, prove our friendly reputation by introducing yourself and ask them to dance. Our membership roster now lists 286 fun-loving folks.

SOS CARDS

Phyllis has 20 SOS cards to sell at our party at the special shag club rate of **\$30** each; at the beach, they are \$35. You need the card for the three SOS gatherings: **Mid-Winter Classic SOS**—Jan 14-17, **Spring Safari SOS**—April 16-25, and **Fall Migration SOS**—Sep 17-26. The card also is good for discounts at many restaurants, shops, and rental units. They also make a nice Christmas gift.

PHOTO TABLE

Check the table to see pictures from the Halloween Party and other interesting photos. Carolyn is doing a fantastic job with our photos.

Also on display will be little oval **shag bumper stickers** that you can order from the list on the table.

SMITH'S DRUG STORE NO.2
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ROAD TRIPS

For additional information, check the web site shagdance.com and check flyers on Information Table at our parties.

- DEC 31 ONCE IN A BLUE MOON** New Year's Eve Party at The Marriott at Renaissance Park, Spartanburg
JAN 8 B.B.KING & "Lucille" 8:00 Peace Center, Greenville 800-888-7768 www.peacecenter.org
JAN 14-17 MID-WINTER CLASSIC SOS NMB (Need a 2010 SOS Card)

SHAGGING AROUND SPARTANBURG

- ★**Jan 2, "First Saturday"** at the Marriott 8:00—Midnight DJ David O'Quinn
Every Sunday Wild Wing Café at corner of Main & Church in Spartanburg **7:00-10:30**
Every Wed McKibbons Pub at Phoenix Inn 246 Pleasantburg Dr. Greenville
Thursday, Jan 8, Out-of-Towners Band & Jan 22, DJ David O'Quinn at The Cellar,
 Fernwood-Glendale Rd (beneath Four Seasons Restaurant)

GOOD MUSIC

- **Beach Bob with Kathy Cole** at **103.3** from 2:00-6:00 or beachboboldies.com. To request your favorite tune, email beachbob@wolt_fm.com
- Tune your computer in to beachshag.com to hear **Fessa John Hook's** radio show of great music and news of the shag world.
- Check out grandstrandradionetwork.com, and you can get **94.9 The Surf** at 949thesurf.com.
- **Beach, Boogie, & Blues** on **WQOL 95.9** with **Buck Crumpton** on Saturday, 9:00--- Noon

2009 OFFICERS		
President	Tom Armstrong	585-7395
Vice President	Chuck Johnson	574-5528
Secretary	Phyllis Drake	583-4656
Treasurer	Stan Sanders	574-7662
Past President	Johnny McCraw	316-4906
2009 BOARD MEMBERS		
David Blackwell		472-6459
Darrell Massey		576-3778
Danny Rhodes		576-5177
Leslie Rufus		590-7427
Jerry Steifle		587-1180
2009 Committee Leaders		
Membership	Open unless needed	
Bylaws	Edward Peeler	576-8606
PR & Publicity	Tom Armstrong	585-7395
Budget & Finance	Stan Sanders	574-7662
Ways & Means	Carolyn Wingate	576-2070
DJs	Danny Rhodes	576-5177
Decorations	Kathy Blackwell	472-6459
Historian	Phyllis Drake	583-4656
Special Projects	Armstrong Johnson Drake Peeler Sanders	
Newsletter	Phyllis Drake	583-4656
Scrapbooks	Carolyn Wingate	576-2070
Webmaster	David Blackwell	472-6459
Dance Floor	Chuck Johnson	574-5528

BOARD MEETINGS

Members are cordially invited to attend the Board meetings on the second Monday of each month. The next meeting is **Monday, January 11, 7:00 pm** in the **Main Library**. **The Board welcomes your input.**

SHAG CLASSES

Club members currently teaching shag are **Kathy & Steve Day** 578-9097 or 472-5162 or 457-4244, **JoAnn & Wayne Waddell** 476-2001. **Cv Miller 828-674-5432**

NEWSLETTER

Please send me information by the second Wednesday of the month. Please share trips you have taken, major events in your lives, and other info that will interest our shaggin' friends. drakepg@aol.com or 864-583-4656 **Thanks, Phyllis**

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www.rbshagclub.org
www.shagdance.com
www.shagtour.com
www.keepshaggin.net



Mark your calendars or clip and save

**R&B SHAG CLUB CALENDAR
2009**

**Saturday December 19
Christmas Party
DJ David Graham**

8:00-Midnight

2010 Calendar

Sat, **Jan 23**

Sat, **Feb 27**

Fri, **Mar 26**

Sat, **Apr 17**

In VFW CLUB

325 Carolina Drive Ext. Roebuck SC 29376

(Off Hwy 295/Southport Road

between Hwy 221 & Hwy 296)

(Turn across from Holden's Ranch)

585-5290

Mail to this Shagger:

December Host / Decorator

Kathy Blackwell Decorations Committee Leader

Membership dues are \$15 per person for the calendar year Jan--Dec. Members and guests must be 21 years or older. Members will receive a monthly newsletter with information about club parties, special events, our members, and other shag clubs' events. Party fees for member are \$3 per person for each party. Non-member / guest fees are \$5 per person for each party. Guests will receive 2 newsletters per year.

To join, mail this application with your check to the R&B Shag Club of Spartanburg address.

R&B Shag Club of Spartanburg

Membership Application

Name _____

Spouse's Name _____

Address _____ Apt. _____

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Birthdays His mo _____ da _____ Hers mo _____ da _____

Work Phone His _____ Hers _____

Home Phone _____

E-mail (Club business only) _____

Date _____

New _____ Renewal _____

**I would be happy to help with
(PLEASE Check one or more.)**

- Decorations
- Membership / Sign-in Desk
- Music / Entertainment
- Newsletter
- Refreshments
- Sparkle City Celebration