

Comments & Important Reminders

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Shagging
Friday Nights
Time Out Lounge
Best Western
1-85/40, exit 141
9 pm - 1 am

Business
Meeting
Every Third
Friday 8 pm
unless noted
otherwise

Don't Forget February 12th !!!

I trust all of you have made it through Christmas, New Year's, all this snow, and are ready to go to work on the Meals On Wheels benefit. We need help of all kinds, from just attending the event to being a sponsor. It is going to take all of us pulling together to again make it a success. So let's get going! Also, get your tickets soon as you don't want to be left out . . . we just might run out of space to fit us all in!

Business Meeting

Our next business meeting will be held on February 18th at 8:00 in the Time Out Lounge. Surprise me - attend a meeting for the first time and introduce yourself. See you there!

Winter Workshop

The ACSC Winter Workshop will be held Feb. 25-27 in Statesville by the Twister's Shag Club. It will be held as "A Repeat Cyclone" at the skating rink. (See flyer inside.) Those of you who attended the Fall Cyclone know what a great time there is to be had. Let's show up in full force to represent the Burlington Shag Club.

Mid-Winter ACSC Meeting

Peg and I attended the meeting at Mid-Winter last week. I think it was an experience for Peg, I'm just not sure what kind of experience. This is always a good meeting for a newcomer to attend since Dr. Sawyer gives an interesting commentary about SOS and the ACSC. One meeting down and only two more required meetings to go. Maybe I can talk Peg into going to these. Ok, going with me. Better yet, Carl and Jesse can attend for us!

SOS Membership

As in years past, we will be able to get our SOS memberships with a discount of \$5 if ordered through the club and ordered before 3/1/00. If you want to do this, you must have your money (check made out to Burlington Shag Club) and application to Peg or me by 2/25/00. If you give your application to anyone other than Peg or me, the club will not be responsible if it should get misplaced.

Spring 2000 SOS

Remember the dates have been changed; if you are planning to go any time other than April 7-16th, you will be going at the wrong time. Mark your calendars.

Also, Judy Vick is asking for volunteers to man the Company Store during SOS. You get to meet lots of nice folks doing this. You should give it a try. Contact Judy Vick, and if you don't know her, let me know and I will put you in touch.

Helping Hands

We have again adopted one of our Christmas families to help throughout the year. If you want to donate money, food, clothing, or whatever, please contact Linda Maccia to find out sizes and/or what the family might need.

*Shagging
Exhibition at
Colonial Mall*

*Friday Night,
February 4th
7-8:30 p.m.
Center Court*

*We need every
member to come
and help put on
this exhibition
and promote
our benefit for
Meals On Wheels*

**DON'T
FORGET
YOUR
VALENTINE!**

Relax,
Fix A Drink,
and Settle into a
comfortable chair!

You are being
fore-warned!

It will take you
a while to get to the
end of this newsletter.
It has a lot of
reading material, so
turn the page
and get started!

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Piedmont Party Shaggers

The first party of 2000 will be held by the Eno Beach Shag Club on March 25th. Details are being finalized now. Will have more info in the March newsletter.

New Look For Time Out Lounge

The Time Out Lounge will only be open for the BSC on Friday nights for a short time. We even might be asked to relocate to the Ramada on any given Friday night if the renovations make it necessary. So, if you go over to the Time Out Lounge and we are not there, try us at Masters. They are shooting for a grand re-Opening of April 1, and we look forward to seeing the changes.

Benefit Promotion

The Burlington Shag Club will be at Colonial Mall, Center Court on Feb. 4th to promote our Meals On Wheels benefit. We will be there, dancing and promoting, from 7 - 8:30 p.m. Please make plans to come out and help.

Dance Classes

Free dance classes will begin on January 28th and go through April 28th. Please contact Ron Wilkerson to volunteer to help teach a class. These classes will be at 8:00 on the second and fourth Friday night each month.

**February Birthdays**

3	Janet Johnson
4	Mike Gumula
5	Dennis Campbell
8	Bob White
11	Ron Wilkerson
14	Vickie Campbell
15	Bob Diffenderfer
15	Frankie Johnson
20	Evelyn Cheek
24	Dwight Barnette
24	Sue Hepler
25	Aurelia Curtis
27	Joan Stewart
28	Ralph Johnson

Minutes of January Business Meeting

January 14, 2000 - Peg Hansen

- 16 members were present
- There was no treasurer's report.
- Meals On Wheels still need sponsors and silent auction items. Bob Maccia has volunteered to pick up any donations.
- Door Duty will be handled by Meals On Wheels personnel.
- Friday, Feb. 4th, BSC will have demonstration of shagging from 7-8:30 p.m. at Colonial Mall. Roy will be playing. We need dancers to support this.
- Friday, January 28th will begin free shag lessons, beginning at 8:00 p.m. Lessons will be given on the 2nd and 4th Friday of the month. Instructors are needed for this. To date, the following instructors have been scheduled:
 - Feb 4 - no lessons due to exhibition at Colonial Mall
 - Feb 11 - Ralph and Jeanne
 - Feb 18 - no lessons, Business Meeting
 - Feb 25 - Ralph and Jeanne
- News about the free shag lessons will appear on the marquee at Best Western and be in the Times News. Flyers for free shag lessons will be placed in the hotel lobby and by the lounge door. Lessons will end April 28th.
- The Shag Club spent \$1,075 for our Christmas Cheer families. The club received a thank you card with a picture from the family with the six children.
- A motion was made and seconded to keep in touch with the mother of the 2 children to see how she is doing. We will keep in touch with her to provide the necessities of clothes, paper products, etc. as long as she remains in school.
- Received a thank you card from the Hurricane Relief Fund for the \$500 donation.
- Feb. 25-27 is ACSC Winter Workshop, hosted by Twisters.
- The lounge will be closed on Saturday night until April 1st for remodeling. There will be a grand opening on April 1st; the shag club will continue to meet on Fridays in the lounge. There is a possibility that some Friday's, the lounge will be booked for other events, but the hotel will advise us weeks in advance and make arrangements with the Ramada for the club to meet.
- The re-up party is January 28th.
- Linda Maccia is working on scheduling different entertainment, such as NASCAR NIGHT, 50's party, etc.
- Our Piedmont Party Shaggers will be scheduled for June 10th, we will try to book the Elk's Club.
- The Elk's Club will also be checked on for the Christmas Party on Saturday, Dec 2nd or 9th. It was moved we also check on Quarry Hills.
- Meeting adjourned 8:50.

Weejun's Shag Cruise 2000

Dotty Whaley

Saturday 9:00 a.m. - our departure date finally arrives, YEAH! We load up George and Vickie (Lewis - hereinafter GL and VL) and all our matching luggage and we're off. Arrive 30 miles outside of Tampa about 7:00 p.m. and check in at our favorite Holiday Inn Express. (The same one BW and I stayed at last year when we almost got a divorce loading up the next morning and BW threatened to take me back to Burlington. Remember?) Walked next door for dinner and called it an early night.

Sunday 10 a.m. - load up and head for the Port of Tampa. GL's navigating, BW's driving. Get within about 1 mile of the ship and BW said, "this looks familiar", and turns left. We're passing by all these huge oil tanks and I say, "Honey, I don't remember this, we didn't come by all these tanks last year". Being the typical man that he is, he continues on. We get thoroughly turned around and he finally decides to call On Star to direct us to the port. A really nice lady, Teresa, comes on line and said, "Hello Mrs. Whaley, how can we help you?" BW said, "this is Mr. Whaley, we're in Tampa, trying to find the port". She locates our vehicle on her equipment and proceeds to direct us to the port! Don't you know he'll never hear the end of that? We told everyone on the ship and now we're telling all of you! So give him a hard time, OK?

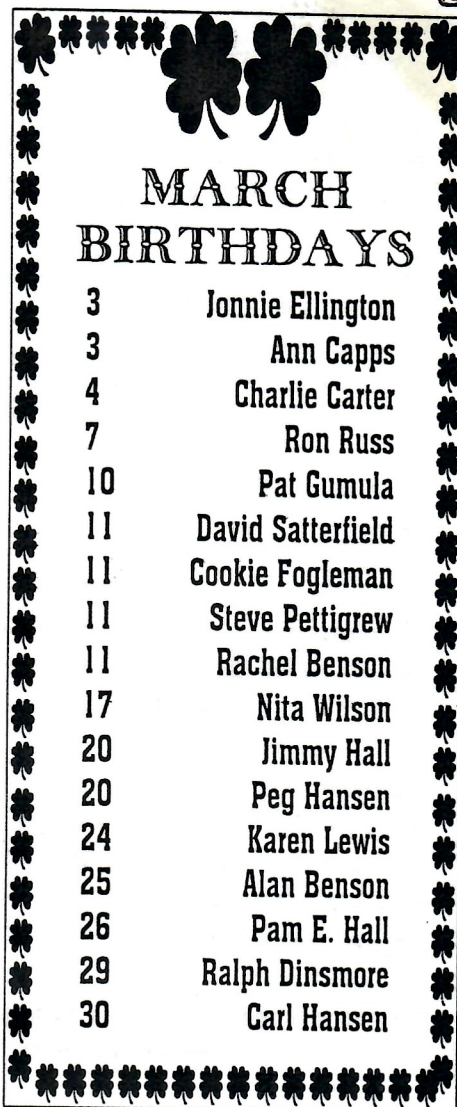
Once we unloaded, parked, and checked in, we find out the ship has been delayed due to fog. It finally docks around 1:30 p.m. and the Port Authorities announce it will be 5:00 p.m. before we can start loading, so we walk next door to the aquarium. They know the ship was delayed and they let us in for half price. It cost the four of us \$28 just to go in for a sandwich and a few drinks! I had packed our favorite "libations" in my carry-on bag so we began our week long journey of inebriation. We're not feeling any pain by the time we're allowed to board the ship. Our foursome walks in to find our cabins are amazingly the first two rooms right of the Main Foyer, side by side. Great! No luggage yet so we head up to the Lido Deck for the Rum Swizzle Party. Introduce GL and VL to Roddy and Brenda McCarson, our Weejun's hosts, Mike and Pat Robinson from Palmetto Shag Club in Columbia, SC, and Murl and Cindy Augustine from CSRA in Aiken, SC.

After several rum swizzles, we go back to our cabins and while some of our luggage has been delivered, we're informed because of the boarding delay we don't have to "dress" for dinner and the life boat drill has been re-scheduled for the next morning. So off we go, sans shorts and all, for GL's and VL's first dining experience. We're seated with Mike and Pat and Murl and Cindy (for the whole week! What fun!) I want to unpack once dinner is over, so we go back to our cabins. I unpack, BW watches. GL and VL go to this cute little piano bar one level up and over our cabins. There are keyboards built all the way around a circular bar and you can play and/or sing. They did neither, just watched, but it was fun. BW and I turned in early.


Monday a.m. GL and BW are up with the sunrise I think. Off to breakfast and their first Bloody Mary of the day. VL and I show up later, eat, and we all order the "drink of the day". At 2:30 p.m. in the Kaleidoscope Dance Club Murl gets us rocking. Meet and shag with a bunch of new friends til 5:00 p.m., then back to Lido deck for sunning and drinks.

We all get gussied up for the Captain's Gala. My, our men did us proud, even Rick Turner (RT)! One of our new friends, Cindy from Rhode Island, even commented on his shirt!!

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**MARCH
BIRTHDAYS**

3	Jonnie Ellington
3	Ann Capps
4	Charlie Carter
7	Ron Russ
10	Pat Gumula
11	David Satterfield
11	Cookie Fogleman
11	Steve Pettigrew
11	Rachel Benson
17	Nita Wilson
20	Jimmy Hall
20	Peg Hansen
24	Karen Lewis
25	Alan Benson
26	Pam E. Hall
29	Ralph Dinsmore
30	Carl Hansen

We wish a speedy recovery to Judy Satterfield who recently had surgery on both of her feet. Hope you will be back on the dance floor real soon. 

We send our sincerest condolences to Mike York who lost his father on January 24th

We also send our most sincere condolences to Roy Childress whose father passed away on January 28th.



After dinner, it's back to the Lido Deck and Butch is playing. I finally agreed to let BW change if he could do it all by himself. I think GL might have helped some, but he came back totally matched up, belt, shoes, and all!! We danced until Butch said uncle, then turned in for the night.

Tuesday a.m. - GL and BW up with the chickens again - Lido Deck - Breakfast - Bloody Marys. VL and I get there when we get there, eat and order the "drink of the day". Figure out there's a different color glass each day so we have to have one of each color, don't you know? We're in the Grand Caymans today. Off load and shop til you drop. Or you can tour, NOT! Or you can feed the sting rays, NOT! I bought a charm instead, we'll pretend we fed them! Ran into RT, ET, Terry, and Marilyn, had a Kodak moment. Then BW and GL are rushing us back to the ship. Not sure if they were worried about getting left or getting their next drink!

Ate dinner in the SeaView Bar and Grill tonight. Back to cabins to change, met GL and VL in Michaelangelo's Lounge for kaoroke. Participate? Yeah, right! Hooked up with Mike, Pat, Murl, Cindy, Cleon, and Dana in the Kaleidoscope. Proceeded to get all tore us. Buddy lapped danced with Murl. Did several lemon drops. Don't remember much else, Oh Yeah, got big time sick!

Wednesday a.m. - GL and BW, Lido Deck, breakfast, bloody mary, drink of the day, (only so VL and I could have the glasses!). Cozumel today. Boy am I out of it! Feel so bad, want a Diet Pepsi in the worst way. Finally settle for a bottle of water and a bag of chips. I'm downing the water outside a shop so fast the bottle collapses, and a guy standing outside the shop said, "Oh My God!" We just laughed and went in. It's a silver jewelry shop. VL and I take our time in this one, savor each piece. Finally make our selections and move right next door to the next shop. BL and BW were so patient you'd thought they had something up their sleeve. Had a Kodak moment and then headed to Carlos and Charlie's for lunch and more, more, more. Lunch was great, but I couldn't eat as much as I wanted because I still was not feeling well after last night. BW bought us all "Do Rags". VL helped us put them on and we moved to the drinking side of the room for the "more, more, more". GL and VL leave with RT, ET, Terry, and Marilyn. BW and I stay and hang with the Weejun's crowd. They did a chain dance around the floor with waiters at each corner squirting tequila shots in your mouth as you went by. People were dancing on the stage, the tables, and chairs. Pete was performing oral naval massages on any woman standing still long enough. Thought Brenda was going to take advantage of Roddy (her husband - you nasty minded readers!) as he was whooping it up on top of his table! BW ties his shirt up under his chest and begins another lap dance with Murl. And in the midst of all this, here I stand with my bottle of water, sober as a judge. We meet this guy from the Holland Ship and he looks at my water bottle and asks what's up? I explain to him that I'm the designated driver and I have to get most of the people in this bar back on the ship by 5:00 p.m. (It's several miles, we had to take taxis.) He said, "So you're driving once back on board? I said, "Yeah, I've got the keys and-everything!"

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	2000 S.O.S. Membership Application	
Includes mailed out issues of the S.O.S. Carefree Times • Photocopies are acceptable		
Name: (1) _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	
Mailing Address: _____		
City, State, Zip: _____		
Telephone: (day) (____) _____	(night) (____) _____	
Were you an S.O.S. member in 1999? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		Are you a member of a shag club? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
Name: (2) _____	<input type="checkbox"/> Male <input type="checkbox"/> Female	
Mailing Address: _____		
City, State, Zip: _____		
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Were you an S.O.S. member in 1999? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No		Are you a member of a shag club? <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
() Memberships @ \$30* ea. = Total due: \$ _____		S.O.S. / Box 4688 / Columbia, SC 29204
METHOD OF PAYMENT: <input type="checkbox"/> CHECK <input type="checkbox"/> CASH		

Make your check payable to Burlington Shag Club and give it and this form to Lynda or Peg by February 25th to get the discount. After that date, you will have to mail directly to SOS address.

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ALAMANCE COUNTY MEALS ON WHEELS



Saturday, February 12, 2000

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I-85/40, exit 143 - Burlington, NC



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\$20/person at the door-Dance only

CASH BAR
3 LOCATIONS

Shag
Vendors

Accommodations - Ramada Inn
336-227-5541 - \$49/night
Ask For Shag Club Special Rate

☆ Special Exhibition ☆

The National Shag Dance Team

10:15 - 11:00 p.m. - Ballroom

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**February
Business Meeting
& Birthday Night**

Friday, February 18th
8:00 p.m.
Time Out Lounge

DJ - Roy Childress

If you would like to submit an article to be considered for the newsletter, please let me know. The deadline for the March newsletter is February 25th.

**CURRENT
MEMBERSHIP
200**

WELCOME

New Members

Charles Brown
Nancy Brown
Allen Chavis
Barbara Hill
Jill McFadden
Christy Medlin
Barbara Melton
Len Ellis
Mary Cantu
Eddie Geringer
Sharon Gist

**We're glad to have
you with us!**

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Once Roddy decides to head back, I can finally convince BW it's time to leave. I had looked forward to coming back to Carlos and Charlie's for a whole year! We were here last year and I wanted to participate so bad. It looked like so much fun, everybody dancing and drinking. I've never seen a DJ that could "rock" a place like that DJ did. You'd have to see it to understand - it is totally awesome! Strangers bump into you, spill drinks on you, pull you onto the dance floor, and it's so much fun, you don't even care! And I had to pick the night before to get tore up! Roddy asked us where we wanted to go next year and I told him I didn't care as long as we made a pit stop at Carlos and Charlie's for me! I'm determined to go again and P-A-R-T-Y.

Murl, Cindy, Roddy, Brenda, and several of their cohorts stopped at the last bar just before you board the ship and did another shot. Brenda said she did not remember boarding and Murl got sick. Needless to say, we all called it an early night. Except GL, he's the only one from our table who showed up in the dining room that night and don't you know RT had a ball with that? Asked GL if he was having dinner with all his friends!

Thursday a.m. - Lido deck, same routine. VL and Marilyn sunning. Guys check out the topless deck. Rest of us are drinking, Murl's on entertainment mode. We awarded him "Entertainer of the Week" after the balloon episode. (You had to be there or see the pictures!)

Shagged in Kaleidoscope with Butch this afternoon. They finally ran us out at 5:30 p.m. Back to cabin to change for dinner, another formal evening. BW said he was not going to attend, so I only took him one formal outfit. We changed his mind and dressed him up in blue jeans, tux jacket, and a button cover. Way Cool! Back to Lido Deck after dinner for shagging with Murl. It's cold - winds blowing a gale. Meet Jason from PA and Arthur Murray School of Dance - we could all tell! Cute guy though. He and BW had a dance off - guess who won? Jason bowed at BW's feet. Tell you anything?

Off to the casino. This is not the first time, I just forgot to mention it before. BW and I play roulette. Money lasts a lot longer at roulette than it does with the one-armed bandits!

Friday a.m. - New Orleans - got tickets right off for "concealing smiles" - \$10 per person fine! Have a real Bloody Mary and then found an A&P grocery store - bought me a damn Diet Pepsi - ME HAPPY NOW!!! GL inspected the produce and meat departments! GL started off as leader of the pack, but I had to take over before we found any shops. Boy did VL and I have fun. GL and BW stood outside while we shopped. Friends from the ship would come by and pick on them because VL and I had to do each shop and the guys only got to move a few feet each time we changed shops. They had the most beautiful Mardi Gras masks you've ever seen. Decisions, decisions.

We held a "board" meeting at Pat O'Brien's. Discussed Hurricanes, Cyclones, and Tornadoes. BW and GL had two hurricanes. We also had alligator bites and catfish fingers. After the meeting, we went to another restaurant and ordered different dishes so we could try them all - seafood gumbo, jambalaya, red beans and rice, and of course VL "cajun" BLT. Went in a Voodoo shop. No Lynda, we did not buy you any spells, potions, or dolls. It was very weird, we didn't stay long. GL and BW decided they needed another Hurricane for the road, so we walked back to Pat O'Brien's. They get their drinks and we head for the tram. Driver tells us we cannot ride with open cups. GL and BW refuse to throw their Hurricanes away so we walk back to the ship. This trip to New Orleans was just a tease, we're going back! Right, Peg?

Back on board, we eat at SeaView again and our foursome adjourns to the casino. Roulette again. Win, lose, win, lose - fun either way!

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Saturday a.m. - another fun (COLD) day at sea. BW and I missed breakfast because of the time change. I wanted to start packing before Weejun's Free Pour. Didn't do it last year - I'm a quick learner. We make it to the lounge and Murl and Butch are taking turns at DJ. Dance and dance, group pictures, lots of Kodak moments. Murl dances with Murl (see my photos) - free pour begins - drunk again! They finally cut us off at 6:00 p.m. VL got sick - back to the cabin. GL, BW, and I were invited to RT and ET's cabin for a drink. GL didn't tell us we had to bring our own chasers. So we all watched RT take a shower (no big thang!) and went back to our cabins to change for dinner. It's pay day for the wait staff. Aren't they happy now? VL was finally able to join us and stay for the entire meal without being sick. She figured out all she had to do was get high before hand! After dinner, GL and VL turned in early. BW and I went to the casino. Roulette again, played a couple of hours. I was up \$80 so we quit. Sure was fun, call it a night.

Note: There are several things I forgot to mention during the writing of this novel. Rather than trying to go back and insert them in their proper place, we're going to put them right here.

1) The ship was showing a movie in our cabins called "The Astronaut's Wife". I'm not gonna tell you what the movie was about, just to say everyone on board was talking about it. It came on different times and you never got to see the whole movie. Well, Roddy finally saw the ending and told our whole group. Once finished, Pat said he can't be talking about the same movie I've been watching, that can't be the way it ends. We finally saw the end and it was the same movie. It was so funny that you would hear everyone on the ship talking about it, but no one had seen the whole movie!

2) This was just funny to us and we thought we'd share it. We're in the casino one night, Brenda's playing the slots and we're having a drink with Roddy. He said he didn't know how she could sit there all night long playing those machines, he didn't trust anything with its back to the wall and took on all comers!

3) Monday afternoon, our foursome was invited to Roddy and Brenda's suite (notice I didn't say cabin) for drinks and snacks. What a room! Hot tub, bar, their own balcony, one bed (big enough for two people) - the works! Told BW he had to work extra hard this year so we could afford a room like that next year!

Sunday 7:00 a.m. - I finally set the clock and shower first! Breakfast at SeaView, collect our "carry-off" bags and proceed to Polo Lounge till they call our color tags. We're the first ones called - off we go, collect our luggage, guys go for the car, load up, and we're on our way home. 72 degrees in Tampa. As we make our way north, it gets colder. We make a lot of stops. Finally arrive at the Lewis' around 10 p.m. Unload, hugs and kisses. BW and I get home, unload only what we need, and hit the hay.

What a week! BW said it was the most fun week he can remember in his entire life! Once we get the scoop for next year's cruise, we'll fill you in. As they say in the movie Tombstone - "Well...Bye".

Danville Shag Club
I.R.S. Dance
 "I'd rather shag than pay taxes"
 Deejay: Murl Augustine
 Saturday, April 1st, 2000
 8:00 pm until 1:00 am
 Stratford Inn
 2500 Riverside Drive
 Danville, Virginia
 \$8.00 per person
 \$16.00 couple

50/50 Raffle

Stratford Inn
 Dinner \$65.00
 per night including
 1-Bottle Champagne
 for \$5.00
 plus for any one desired

B.Y.O.B. Set-ups will be provided. Beer while it lasts. Heavy Hoo'd occurs

Meal will also be at the Stratford Inn on Friday March 31, 2000 from 9:00 pm until 12:00 am

DJ Schedule

February 4
 Ron Russ

February 11
 Harold Beaver
 Benefit Pre-Party

February 18
 Roy Childress

February 25
 Bill Ostrowski

Christmas Cheer 1999 - Linda and Bob Maccia



As you all probably know, we chose two families to help for Christmas 1999 - and we picked two wonderful families. One family has 6 children, ages 12, 9, 7, and triplets, age 2. The other family is a single mother with a 6 month old and a 2 year old. Both families really needed help and we were so happy that we, the Burlington Shag Club, could give it.

Bob and I went to see the families prior to shopping and we were amazed. The family with 6 children only asked for "Santa gifts" for the children, the mom and dad did not want a thing. The father works a swing shift in order for the mother to finish her studies to become a nurse, attending ACC. They had 3 children, wanted one more, and she had triplets! At our first visit, the mom specifically said that there was no way they could do anything for the 6 children for Christmas; it was just too much for them to handle. She was so vibrant, happy, and appreciative. All the children needed clothes and shoes, and the children had made their own Christmas list for Santa. Would you believe there were only three items on each child's list and one of those happened to be either a pair of jeans or a specific t-shirt? The triplets list, which the mother had made, was almost nothing and Pampers was one of the few items. When I told the mom we were providing Christmas Dinner for the family - turkey, dressing, and all the trimmings, she nearly fainted. She was thrilled, to say the least. We met all 6 children and they were precious; very sweet, very well-mannered, and beautiful. We never got to meet the dad; he was at work.

The other family, the single mom with the two babies was a little different story. The mother is 23, and has no support and no family here at all. She is going to school at ACC, but is unable to work; has no car and has basically lived on practically nothing. She had no TV, no radio, no pots and pans, only one frying pan for cooking. She only asked for clothes - clothes for her children, and I asked what she herself needed and she needed pajamas, socks, and a pair of shoes. Needless to say, we left her and her children and I was determined she was going to have a TV and she was going to have it soon. (This first visit was about 3 weeks before Christmas). We went home and got some things together; clothes of mine (that didn't fit me any longer, of course!) and I went to my sister Pam, and she had some things. I called my daughter Lori; she gave us some things and she also had a TV that she and Stephen were not using anymore. We packed up about 3 bags of clothes, diapers, warm clothes and pajamas for the 2 year old, the TV, a radio, a brand new set of pots and pans, toaster, can opener, bouncy seat for the baby, and within 24 hours we were back at the apartment with all that stuff. This girl, 23, and all alone except for her children, was speechless. She actually hugged the

box of pots and pans. She told me she had never, ever had a set of pots and pans. My daughter sent clothes for the babies and some blankets. She was so appreciative and so excited about everything, she hugged us both and she cried and I cried. We left her apartment and we felt good. There were still things to buy for her, but they would come at Christmas. About a week later, the mom called me to let me know the TV had "blown up" and the picture tube had gone, so there she was again without any TV. It took about 6 days, but we were on a mission - shopping for a TV, and we found one.

Bob and I shopped for 3 weeks and we were determined to get as much as we possibly could for these 8 children with the money allotted, and we did. Each child got an outfit and a pair of shoes; toys, games, dolls, books from Santa and the family of 6 had a big Christmas dinner with all the trimmings. The young mom didn't need the Christmas dinner prepared, so we got gift certificates for her to use as she needed them from the food store.

The Saturday before Christmas we delivered the single mom and her children's presents because she needed some things as soon as she could get them. We were able to buy some clothes for the mom and shoes and of course clothes, pajamas, Pampers, and a little food for the children - and a brand new TV.

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THE CSRA SHAG CLUB

SHAG CLASSIC XI

MARCH 17, 18, 19, 2000
JULIAN SMITH CASINO, AUGUSTA, GA.

FRIDAY 7PM-1AM

FREE HOT DAWGS 7-10 - Granville Elliott
FREE POUR (WHILE IT LASTS) 10-1 - John Smith

SATURDAY 12PM-12MIDNIGHT
CAROLINA BBQ 5:30 pm

FEATURING 12-4 - Walter Upchurch
SHAG WORKSHOP 4-8 - Dennis Hydrick
with ELLEN TAYLOR S10 8-until - Judy Collins
10:30 am - 12:00 noon

SUNDAY 12PM-5PM

FAMOUS SMORGASBORG 12-5 - Muri Augustine

FREE BEER - BYOB - WE SUPPLY MIXERS

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FOR MORE INFO CALL: Ken Akin 803-649-4262 or Muri Augustine 803-652-7407

NAME _____ #TICKETS _____
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Make checks payable to CSRA Shag Club
 Enclose a SELF-ADDRESSED-STAMPED envelope
 Mail to Harry R. Kight, 249 Cheltenham Dr., Aiken, SC 29803
 Call 803-648-9778 for info Please ensure you have enclosed a self-addressed-stamped envelope with your coupon and check. Thanks

NO REFUNDS

We did go back on Christmas Eve to deliver a few little things, and the TV was on, the children were warm in their new winter clothes and Mom had new things too. Again, she hugged us good-bye, thanked us warmly and asked that we share her feelings of gratitude with all of you. What a feeling when we walked away - that's what Christmas is all about.

Christmas Eve, before noon, we delivered things to the family with the 6 kids along with a full turkey dinner. Bob and I "smuggled" the bags of toys and clothes inside the house while the children were in the other room. The triplets were in their little high chairs eating lunch and they sat there and smiled and chattered as we brought in all the food. Again, Dad was working, and Mom was speechless when she saw all the things. She was so happy that they could have a real Christmas Dinner with the whole family. She hugged me and thanked Bob and me over and over and she cried, and of course, I cried. She told us that their children would not have had anything for Christmas if it hadn't been for us, the Burlington Shag Club, who adopted them for Christmas.

I love Christmas and every year I think this is "the best one yet", but something really happened this year. Aside from shopping for our own family and getting excited about our own grandchildren, Bob and I saw this year what Christmas really is about. There are a lot of people in the world who have nothing compared to us and being able to share with them just a little bit of what they need and what their children have dreamed about was really the best Christmas gift we had.

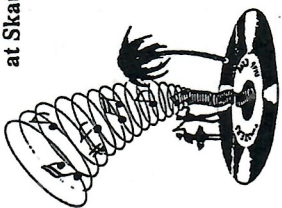
The young mom with the two little ones really needs clothes for the children. If any of you have grandchildren who have outgrown some things (both children are girls), and would like to give them to her, please let me know. The baby wears a 12 month size and the older girl wears a size 3. The mom wears a size 10. This young mom has had it really hard and she virtually has no money during the course of a month to buy very much of anything, just the bare necessities and she truly is trying very hard to make ends meet and help herself to a better way of life.

We talked with the larger family and they had the best Christmas ever. Everything fit, all the toys were great, and the family enjoyed a Christmas Dinner and they wanted to thank everyone for making this Christmas wonderful.

Thank you from us, and thank you from all of them. This Christmas really was "the best one yet"!!!

Winter Workshop & Cyclone 100

Twister's Shag Club hosts The Association of Carolina Shag Clubs' Winter Workshop and a repeat of our Fall Cyclone party. Join dancers from 90+ clubs and ten states at Skateland, near I-77 and I-40 in Statesville, NC.



February 25-27, 2000

We expect 900+ attendees!

Information Hotline:

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You must use these phone numbers and mention this event to get rooms/discounts!

Don't drink and drive! We offer continuous shuttle service Fri-Sat with 22 passenger buses.

DJ's: **Friday** Judy Collins. **Saturday** Gene Hensley, Ron Arey, Mike Rink and Harold Beaver. **Sunday** Eddie Teeter.

Also **Sunday** ★ **THE FANTASTIC SHAKERS** ★ (10am-1pm)

Party Hours: Fri 8:00pm-1am. Sat 11am-1am. (Workshop 2-3:30pm.) Sun 9:30-2pm.

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FREE beverages ~~all weekend~~. **FREE** workshop by Pres Rick & Maureen Little.
FREE munchies all weekend. **FREE** late night coffee and pastries both nights.
FREE meal Saturday 5-7pm. **FREE** breakfast cooked for you Sunday morning.

Proceeds from our Saturday lunch will be donated to the Junior Shaggers Association!

Tickets \$40 each if postmarked by 2/12, then \$45. Hurry! Orders are already pouring in!

Print Name(s): _____

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Mail to TSC, PO Box 2310, Cornelius NC 28031 Include a self-addressed, stamped envelope or \$1 S&H



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Dear Friends,

I want you to know how grateful I am for your donation to the NC Hurricane Floyd Relief Fund. Your gift is being used to help needy individuals in our state rebuild their lives. Thanks to you, the relief fund has already assisted flood victims by addressing critical medical, housing and financial needs. The fund is being administered by the United Way of North Carolina at no cost, meaning every cent that you donated will benefit storm victims directly.

As tragic as natural disasters, they also tend to bring out the best in people, as you have shown. The outpouring of generosity and support from individuals and organizations all over the world has truly made a difference. Your continued commitment can be critical to their recovery. It will mean a lot to our families in eastern North Carolina and it will help ensure a faster recovery for them.

My warmest personal regards,

Sincerely,

James B. Hunt Jr.

Weejun's Shag Cruise - Another Version ..., Evelyn Turner

Saturday morning, Rick and I head out to pick up Terry Brooks and then stop in Columbia to pick up Marilyn Livingston from Columbia Shag Club. Arrive Tampa at 6:00 pm and head to Shells, a great place to eat. Rick and I go to the dog track to watch some races.

Sunday morning, we killed some time at a huge flea market in Tampa. We bought another piece of luggage since the 3 bags we packed were so full, we could not have bought any souvenirs. From there, drove straight to the port and found out we could not board for another 4 hours! We walked a block to great sportsbar where a lot of other passengers were, including the Weejun's gang.

We get on board, find our cabins, luggage is there, we quickly unpack and head out for the 1st party of the week. Then we go to the Ecstasy Dining Room which is beautiful. Rick and I then go to the casino (one of our favorite spots all week long) and finally go to the room around 2:00 a.m.

Monday, after an "All Day At Sea" with all our old and new friends, we go to cabins and dress for the Captain's Gala, and I must say, we all looked MAAAAVELOUS!

Tuesday in the Grand Caymans, we take the tender to the island. Rick, Marilyn, Terry, and I did the tour thing & really enjoyed it! Went to a place called Hell, then to a giant sea turtle farm. There must have been thousands of turtles, real tiny and all the way up to 800 pounds. Did you know the giant sea turtles mate for 72 hours? Some of our folks thought that was a great idea! Rick and I had to try a turtle sandwich while we were there. Then to the Rum Cake Factory where you sampled 12 flavors of cakes; and after a few minutes, you could tell that you had sampled all of them! Then we went to a British Pub to have some "ale". I got a very light ale, but

Rick & Terry wanted "stout". You will probably never see this again, but they both left the glasses almost full! Went downtown for some shopping and ran into Buddy & Dotty and George & Vickie (B & D, G & V). Back on the ship, we clean up for dinner and Rick and I head to the casino.

Wednesday, it's Cozumel time! Rick, Marilyn, Terry, & I head out for shopping. After a while, I really needed to go to the restroom and the only place we found charged you 50¢. I wasn't too sure about the place, so I paid for Marilyn and made her go in with me! To our amazement, it was very clean, thank goodness. The guys were thirsty - we finally found a place that sold American beer! From there, it's to Carlos and Charlie's. Dotty's description was right on target, This is one of those places that if you can't stand crowds, loud music, or seeing people have fun, you might as well stay outside!

Thursday, another day at sea. Had lots of fun all day long. Tonight is the Formal Gala. You know, I think we outdid ourselves again, dressed to the nines. Hit the casino, Rick's playing Black Jack (and winning) and I love those slot machines (won \$60 Tuesday and another \$150 tonight).

Friday - New Orleans. Our group headed out early for one of those famous New Orleans breakfast pastries (a French word that I don't know how to spell!) Then to French Quarter for shopping and sight-seeing. Ran into B & D and G & V. B & G were waiting for their ladies to shop, but you could tell their patience was getting thin. We all wound up at Pat O'Brien's for refreshments, then headed back. Our group stopped at Riverwalk and had a variety of cajun foods and did more shopping.

Saturday, another day at sea. Weejun's sponsored a free pour for our folks, thanks to Roddy and Brenda McCarson who were great hosts. It's the last dinner at sea. All week long, Rick and I tried many different foods, some I didn't even know what they were, but we figured since the food was already paid for, we'd try it. After dinner, one last stop in the casino. To the room and we put our luggage outside the door so it can be picked up and waiting for us at baggage claim the next morning.

Sunday morning, quick breakfast, head back to cabin to get final things and go to designated area to be called for disembarking. Load up and head home. This was absolutely a fun-filled week. We had a wonderful time and sure do hope we can do it again!!!

For all your shagging information, check out
www.shagdance.com



JUST A REMINDER ...

YOUR MEMBERSHIP WILL EXPIRE AT THE END OF FEBRUARY IF YOU HAVE NOT RENEWED BY THEN. AND WHEN YOUR MEMBERSHIP EXPIRES, YOU WILL NO LONGER RECEIVE THE SHAG RAG, OUR MONTHLY NEWSLETTER. SO PLEASE BE SURE TO GET YOUR RENEWAL IN SOON!



Be sure to get your tickets for the Meals On Wheels Benefit soon. Remember, the National Shag Dance Team will be there, and they are worth the price of admission themselves. Please support your club - we really do want to hit that \$20,000 amount to donate to Meals On Wheels.

A Special Thank You....

Rick and I want to publicly thank Bob and Linda Maccia for all the time and energies they put forth working for our Christmas Cheer families. It had to have been a lot of work trying to find everything needed for them as well as make time for their own families. Everyone in the shag club supported the idea, but without someone to actually do all the leg work, it would never have gotten accomplished.

It takes someone really special to be able to do all the things they did, and that is what the two of them are - Really Special!

Thanks again.
Rick and Evelyn Turner

Burlington Shag Club - Membership Application

Name _____
Address _____
City, State, Zip _____
Home Phone _____
Employer (his) _____ work phone _____
Employer (hers) _____ work phone _____
Birthday (his) _____ Birthday (hers) _____

Would you be willing to work on a committee if asked? _____
Do you have a special talent to contribute to the club? _____
Do you know the basic shag step? _____
Would you be interested in taking lessons? _____

Annual Dues: \$10 per person, \$20 per couple
Membership runs from January through December

Check _____ Cash _____
New _____ Renewal _____
Signature _____ Date _____

Mail To:
Burlington Shag Club, P. O. Box 1174, Burlington, NC 27216

Club Use Only
Membership No. (his) _____ Date issued: _____
Membership No. (hers) _____ Date issued: _____

SPECIAL EVENTS CALENDAR

- Feb 4 Shag Exhibition at Holly Hill Mall, 7 - 8:30 p.m. to promote the Benefit Dance for Alamance County Meals On Wheels
- Feb 11-12 *Burlington Shag Club Pre-Party and Benefit Dance for Meals On Wheels. Pre-party at Time Out Lounge on Friday night, Dance at Ramada Inn on Saturday night.*
- Feb 18 Burlington Shag Club Monthly Business Meeting 8 pm & Birthday Night.
- Feb 25-27 Winter Workshop. Hosted by Twister's Shag Club. For info, call 704-892-1114. Flyer inside.
- Mar 11-16 Shag Cruise, hosted by A.C.S.C. to Grand Cayman and Cozumel. For more information, call Denise Owings 800-233-5144.
- Mar 17 Burlington Shag Club Monthly Business Meeting 8 pm & Birthday Night.
- Mar 17-19 Shag Classic XI, Augusta, GA, hosted by CSRA Shag Club. Flyer inside with more details.
- Mar. 25 Piedmont Party Shaggers, hosted by Eno Beach Shag Club. More details later.
- Mar 25 Shag Day, Spartanburg, SC, hosted by R & B Shag Club. For more information, call 864-427-5316.
- Mar 30-Apr 2 Smoky Mountain Boogie, Gatlinburg, TN, hosted by Smoky Mountain Shaggers, for more information, call 423-539-2275.



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SHAG RAG
February 2000

Happy Valentine's Day
We'll see you at the
Benefit Dance on
Saturday, February 12th

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