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ELECTRIC CITY SHAG CLUB

"Best Little Shag Club in Dixie"

SHAG "N" TALES

June 2025



**ECSC dances every Tuesday night from 6-9 at
Raines on Main
312 South Main Street, Anderson SC**

President's Message

Hey ECSC Family!

Take a load off and kick back—**no Weekly Update this time** because this Monthly Update has all the stuff you need. So, grab your favorite beverage, settle in, and catch up!

May Highlights

We danced, we laughed, we shagged! Here's a quick look at what made May one to remember:

Tea Party at OD Arcade – We wrapped up SOS Spring Safari with a splash! **35 members** showed up for our ECSC Tea Party, dancing with DJ Mike Swords while enjoying White Russians, Long Islands, beer, and rum punch. What a way to finish off the beach vibe!

Raines on Main was Smoking! – All three of our DJs—**Norman Mills, Riki Vernon, and the newly minted Hall-of-Famer Mike Swords**—joined forces with newlywed **guest DJ Buck Crumpton** to bring the heat. Add in amazing food, service, drinks, and even more dance space (bye-bye pool table), and you've got a great month.



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Vinyl Party at the American Legion – A fantastic night with 80 members and guests! DJ's Mike Swords and Norman Mills spun all the right vinyl while we munched on delicious pizza from Brothers Italian Cuisine. We had Dance Cards, a 50/50 drawing, and even a quick membership meeting. **A huge thank you**, in no particular order - Cathy Cooley, Vicki Bolt, Rose Ann Stamey, Dionne Mills, Joy Skelton, Sheila Cannon, Ladelle Holcombe, Phyllis Walters, Belinda Moore, Jean Bailey, Amy Cambell, Martha Clardy, Nancy Lamar, Carole Smartt, Bonnie Valine, Leona Hurley, Mike & Wanda Robertson, Mitch, Judy, Michael, Maggie and Lisa – my apologies if I missed anyone, we do appreciate your effort helping set up and clean up—your energy makes our events shine!

Speaking of members, we're now at **171 strong—including 20 new members!** Welcome to the family!



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President's Message

Mark Your Calendars!

June 26 – Shag Expedition to First Baptist Church in Pendleton (10 AM). We need **4-5 couples** to demo our dance—reach out to Maggie Weathers if you're in!

June 27–28 – JR Shag Fest hosted by Carolina Shag Club at SpareTime, Greenville. Check the flyer below!

July 10 – Thinking about helping shape the future of shag? That's the deadline to apply for an SOS Board position (2 one-year and 2 three-year spots). Let me know if you want the details or see the links below.

- Requirements - <http://shagdance.com/adobe/sos-forms/Nomination%20of%20SOS%20Board%20Positions%20.pdf>
- Application - http://www.shagdance.com/forms/SOS_Application_Form/SOS_Application_Form.php



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August 2 – JR Shaggers Summer Workshop at Spartanburg Shrine Club, hosted by Upstate Shag Club. See the flyer below!

August 22 – Downtown Greenville Friday Shag Night with Joey Werner and the Carolina Coast Band. They would like ECSC as well as other local shag clubs to have lots of dancers there to share our State Dance with the public that will be there observing. Let's pack the floor, fly our club banner, and proudly wear our ECSC shirts! A wooden dance floor may be in the works. Let's represent! Stay tuned for more info.

Sept 11–21 – SOS Fall Migration. Don't miss **Fun Sunday (Sept 14)** and **Fun Monday (Sept 15)**, **ECSC Tea Party (Sept 19)**.

Oct 17 – Inland SOS at Western Carolina Sailing Club - *bringing the beach to the Upstate!*

Dec 5 – ECSC Christmas Party at Palmetto Event Center. Save the date—this one's going to sparkle!



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Our AED & Why It Matters

History – In case you missed the Membership Meeting before the Vinyl Party here is a little recap - I've recently been shared some history on how our club AED (Automated External Defibrillator) was obtained. Very briefly - in 2019 a man was dancing at Fat Harold's at the end of SOS Mid-Winter and he suddenly went down to the floor with no pulse. Help quickly gathered around and CPR began. An AED was retrieved and connected to the man and used several times until a pulse was achieved. This event was witnessed by our own Lisa Caveny. Lisa then wrote an article for Carefree Times about this event. In 2021 Lisa also wrote a letter to the SOS Charitable Foundation about this event and brought to light that our membership is getting to the age where the use of an AED is more likely needed. The SOS Charitable Foundation wrote a check to ECSC for \$1500 on September 25, 2021.

When the Fun Monday event expenses are all paid the remainder goes to SOS Charitable Foundation Inc. and Caring For Kids of Horry County. Some of the proceeds indirectly at that point came back to ECSC so that we have our own AED to use at our events should we need it. This spring there were 12 ECSC members that took AED & CPR training, some for a refresher and some for the first time.



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Fun Monday Tickets – Win Big, Share the Dance!

Fun Monday events are open, no ticket required. It's likely that people that don't know about Shag could go there and get an introduction and maybe join the rest of us in loving our State Dance and help keep it going. Ticket purchasers do not need to be club members or even need to be present to win any of the five drawings - **\$5,000, \$1,000, \$500, \$250, \$250**. Some of our board members and Committee Chairs currently have Fun Monday tickets to sell. **Mary Ann McBride** is heading up this effort, she has tickets to sell or better yet a ticket packet to give you if you could help sell them as well to your family and friends or use as a conversation starter about shag dancing to strangers. We will need all the funds & sold ticket stubs plus any un-sold tickets to be turned in **before August 15th** so we can verify/organize and send back to the Fun Monday committee by August 25th. The drawing will be September 15th, during the Fun Monday event – no need to be present to win. Please do not feel bombarded if you are asked by more than one member if you have a ticket yet, there are several selling them. We want everyone to have the opportunity to participate and we won't know if we don't ask. See the Fun Monday flyer below.



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Got Ideas? We're always looking for ways to make our club better. Got a suggestion? Want to lead an event? Just want to say hi? Talk to any board member—we're all ears.

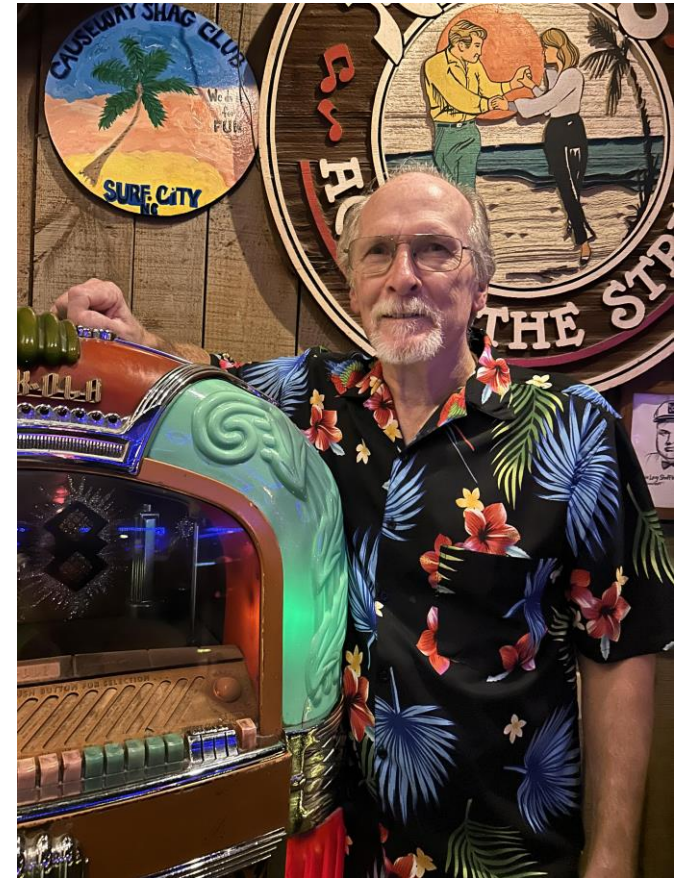
Keep Our ECSC Family in Your Hearts Please keep our members who are recovering, ailing, or going through tough times in your thoughts and prayers. Our community is only as strong as the love we show each other.

Thanks for reading, dancing, and being the heartbeat of ECSC. Let's keep the music playing, the floors hopping, and the joy of shag dancing alive and well!

“Let's Dance”

Jim

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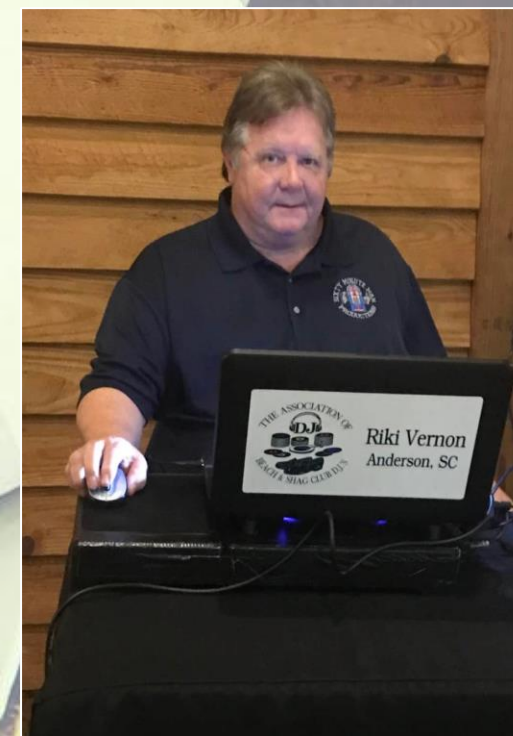
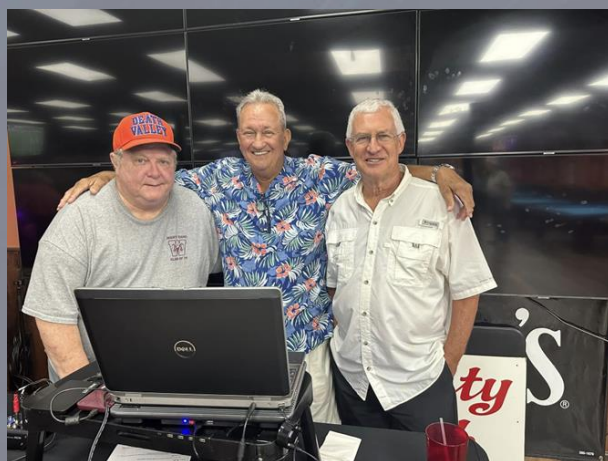
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Tuesday Night DJ Schedule



June 3	Mike Swords
June 10	Norman Mills
June 17	Riki Vernon
June 24	Jayne Worley – Guest DJ





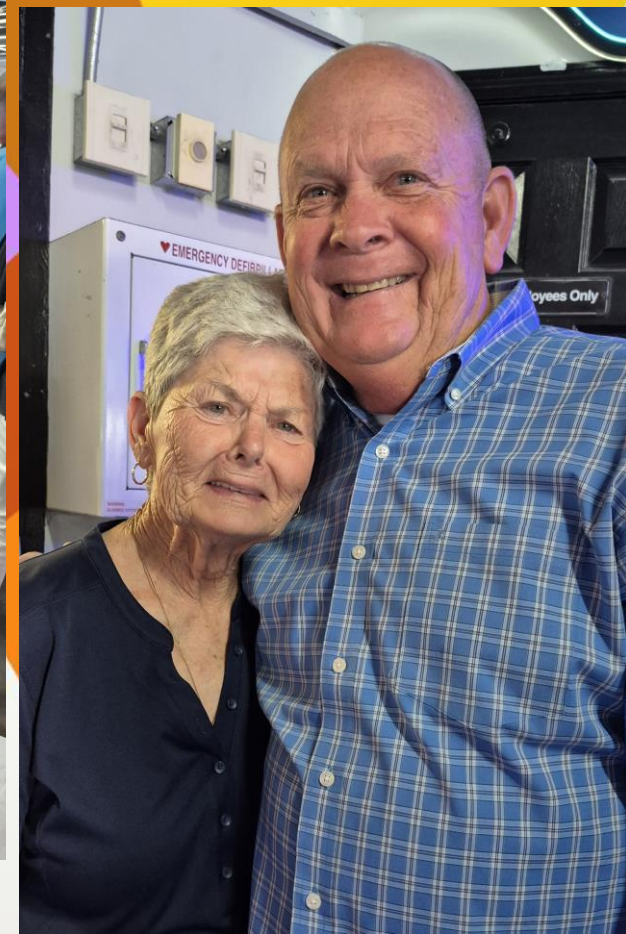
Calling all Line Dancers!

**Maggie Weathers will be teaching a new line dance
Tuesday, June 3 at 6:00 at Raines on Main**

Tea Party OD Arcade May 2



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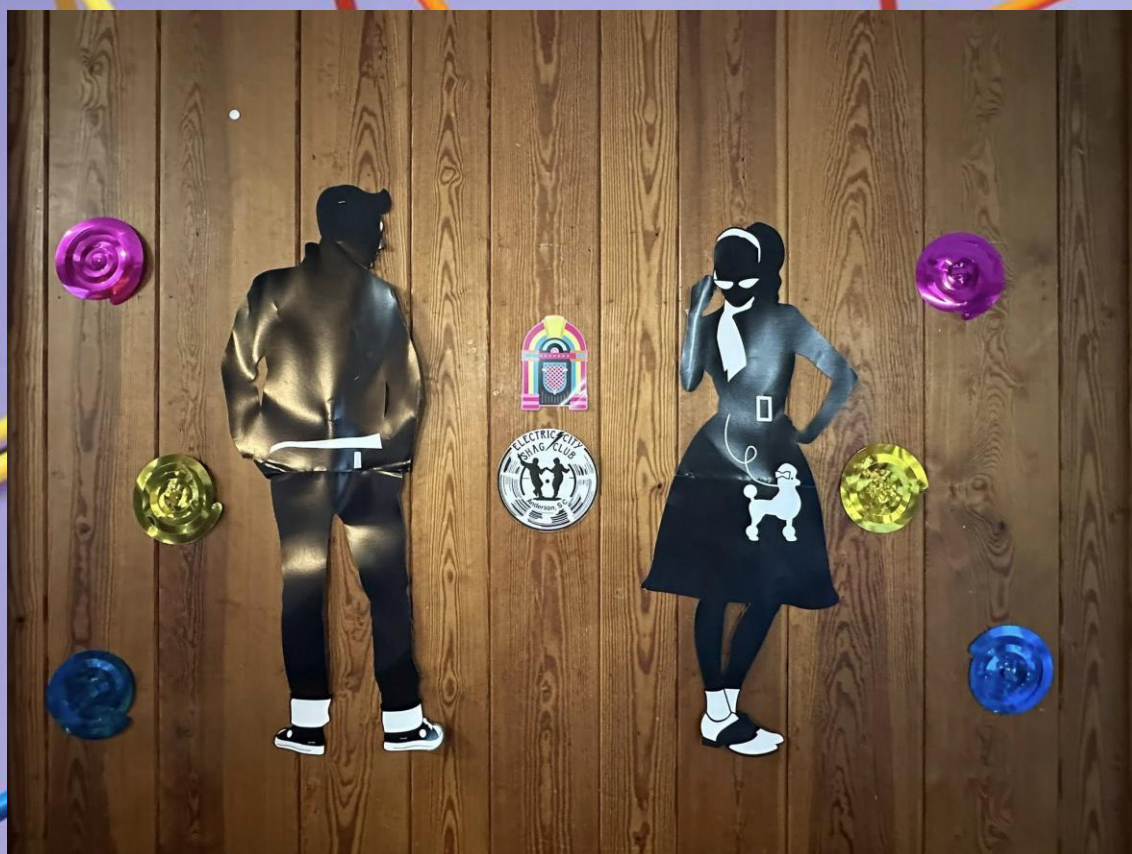
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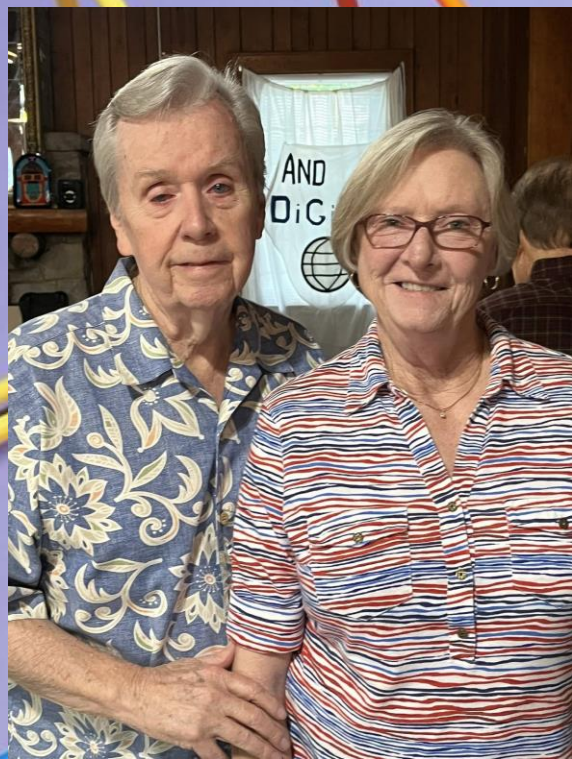
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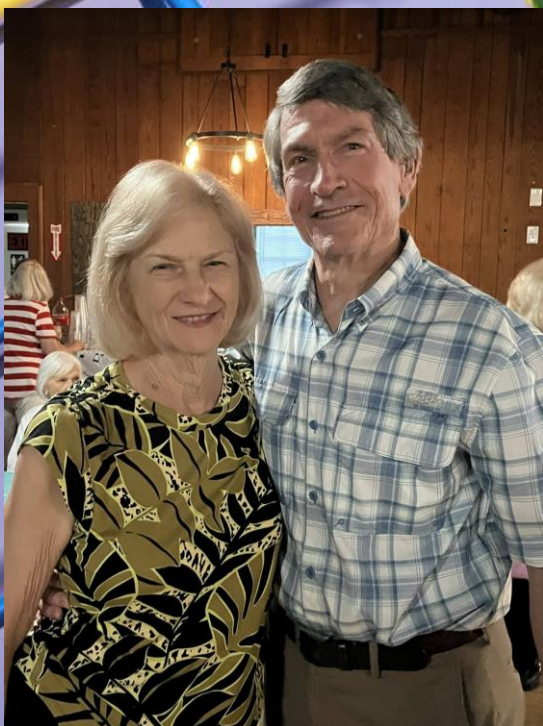
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**happy
birthday**

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- 4 Wayne Burgess**
- 7 Rick Wilson**
- 10 Jim Hoff & Janine Rahn**
- 12 Mike Robertson & Jan Smith**
- 14 Mary Del Beusse**
- 16 Phillip Park**
- 17 Skip Watkins**
- 20 Julia Palmer**
- 21 Janette Ragsdale**
- 27 Sandy Hinton**
- 29 Hannah Elgin**
- 30 Eleanor Swillen**



2	Richard and Amy Campbell
9	Ken and Wanda Whitener
12	Bobby and Joy Skelton
14	Jack and Fredda Crumpton
14	Phillip and Suzie Park
16	Danny and Lily Blue
20	Wayne and Christina Scott

PRAYERS AND CONCERNS

- If anyone in our club has news that they would like to share concerning member illness, death, surgery, etc.....any news that an ECSC member might want to request prayer, bereavement, concern, or well wishes...please see below.
- Rose Ann Stamey has taken on the role of gathering that information. Please email Rose Ann at shagold@charter.net or see her at Raines on Main on a Tuesday night if you have a concern that you would like to share with ECSC members.
- Pat Germanier has agreed to continue her love of sending out the greeting cards on the club's behalf.
- Thank you, Pat and Rose Ann!

Mark Your Calendars!

August 2 – Junior Shag Workshop – FREE – Spartanburg Shrine Club

September 19 – SOS Tea Party – OD Arcade

October 17 – Inland SOS – Western Carolina Sailing Club

December 5 – ECSC Christmas Party – Palmetto Event Center

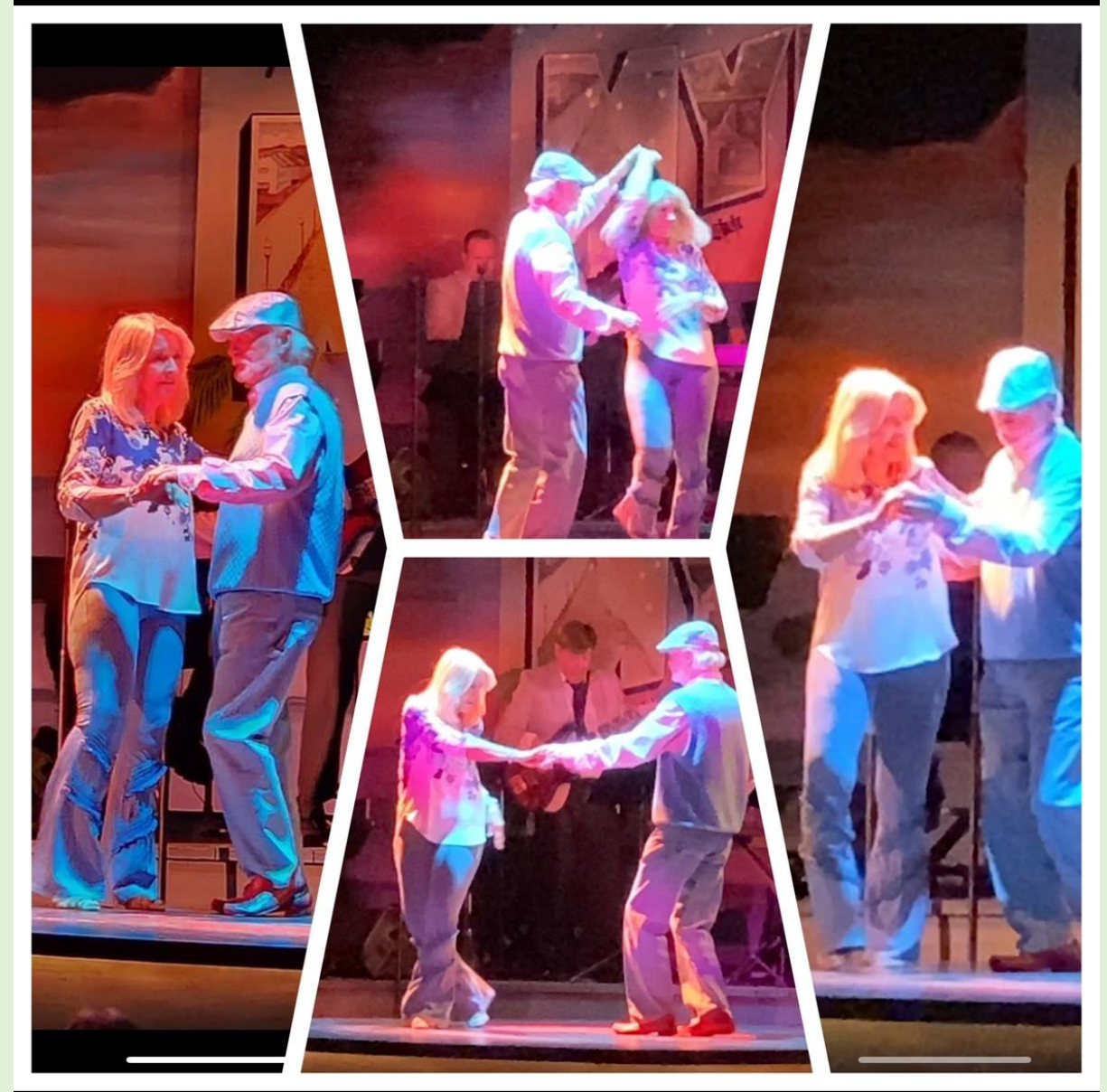
Watch for weekly updates with more details!

Shag Lessons

Scotty and Cheryl Hughes have been dancing for 27 years and teaching Shag lessons for 21 years!

They teach private or group lessons.

**If you or someone you know is interested, send Cheryl a text message at
864-617-0552**



Carolina
Shag Club
Greenville, SC



CAROLINA SHAG
CLUB

PRESENTS:

2025

GREENVILLE JR SHAG FEST!

-FRIDAY, 6/27- DJs JIM COLEY & JEFF WARD
7-10PM - WELCOME VINYL PARTY
8:30 - "ANYTHING GOES" CONTEST

-SATURDAY, 6/28- DJs KEITH & BEN SMITH
3:30 - REGISTRATION
4:00 - JR. SHAG WORKSHOPS
5:30 - JR. SHAG CONTEST
7:00 - JR. MIXED DOUBLES
8:00 - SOCIAL DANCING



REGISTER @ [EVENTBRITE.COM](https://eventbrite.com)

SPARETIME - 822 CONGAREE RD., GREENVILLE SC



JUNIOR SHAGGERS SUMMER WORKSHOP

**SATURDAY
AUGUST 2nd
1PM-5PM**

SPARTANBURG SHRINE CLUB
1450 Fernwood-Glendale Road
Spartanburg, SC

SHAG LESSON INSTRUCTORS
National Champion Shaggers
Michael Norris & Jessica McAlhany Edwards

HALL OF FAME DJ-BOBBY VAUGHN



FREE Event with Door Prizes! Snacks and Drinks provided!

EVENT HOSTED BY:

Upstate Shag Club	R & B Shag Club
Electric City Shag Club	Carolina Shag Club
Rutherford County Shag Club	Mountain Shag Club
Sandy Beach Shag Club	

FOR MORE INFORMATION, CONTACT:

Loretta O'Donald 864-425-1400
lorettaodonald@gmail.com

SOS Fun Monday

September 15, 2025

12 PM TO 5:30 PM, Main Street OD



The Swingin' Medallions



**East Coast Party Band
featuring Jackie Gore**



Gary Lowder & Smokin' Hot



**MC
Ray
Scott**

**SOS Fun Monday
SPONSORS:**

SOUTHERN THREADS ON MAIN

**1st Ticket Drawn \$5,000 ~ 2nd Ticket \$1,000
3rd Ticket \$500 ~ 4th Ticket \$250 ~ 5th Ticket \$250**

22nd ANNUAL!

MEET ME IN THE MIDDLE

FOR A SAND FLEA REUNION

HOSTED BY:

**CAROLINA SHAG
CLUB**

JOIN US AT:

Party Location: The
Embassy Suites - 670
Verdae Blvd - Greenville,
S.C. 29607

Included with ticket:

- *Multi-level workshops with Steve Balok & Myers Floyd
- *Line Dance lessons with Dionne Mills
- *Hospitality Room Both Nights
- *BLACK & WHITE theme Sat. night + Buffet Dinner
- *Auction and Split the Pot Drawing



EXPANDED LARGE DANCE FLOOR!

Featuring Music by These Great DJ's:
BUCK CRUMPTON, NORMAN MILLS, BOBBY
VAUGHN, & BECKY WILSON -schedule TBA

AUGUST 15th & 16th!



MUSIC | FOOD | FUN

TICKETS

Tickets purchased before July 1st are \$90 - after \$95.
No one-day tickets will be sold.
To reserve a table (10 people)- include everyone's
payment (\$900/\$950) + \$20.

Sale starts Feb 1st, 2025. Pay at Carolinashagclub.org,
scan QR code below, or make checks out to:
CAROLINA SHAG CLUB.

Send checks to:

PO Box 17213

Greenville, SC 29606

For questions, contact: (864)314-6236,
(skipwatkins@bellsouth.net)



carolinashagclub.org

Hotel Rooms: \$158 + tax per night -
includes Breakfast and 2 Cocktail Drinks!
Call the Embassy Suites direct at
1-800-218-8712 to book your reservation.
You **MUST** use code "SHAG" to receive the
Carolina Shag Club room rate.

OFFICIAL 2025 FLYER



FALL BASH 2025



Mountain Empire Shag Society Inc October 17th & 18th

Holiday Inn, Johnson City, TN at Exit-20 on I-26

**This is a true "park & party" event like the old days.
Park the car on Friday. Get back in the car on Sunday.**

All events at the host hotel.

Beautiful 6500 sq ft ballroom & 1024 sq ft (32 x 32) dance floor

Friday evening dinner, Saturday lunch, & Saturday evening dinner.

Free wine, beer, MESS punch, and setups during hospitality sessions.

Cash bar in the ballroom & no outside alcohol of any kind allowed.

DJ - Buck Crumpton from Fountain Inn, SC

DJ - John Smith from Andrews, SC

Shag instructors - Ashley & Tobitha Stewart from China Grove, NC

Returning shoe vendor - Carolina Shag Shoes (Nanci Donald) from Pinehurst, NC

No service animals or pets allowed in any party areas.

Through the National FastDance Association, this multi-day event is properly & legally licensed by:



TICKETS - Only 234 two-day tickets will be sold (no 1-day tickets sold) for 21 or older.

Tickets non-refundable, but transferable. You are responsible for selling your tickets.

HOST HOTEL: Holiday Inn, 101 West Springbrook Drive, Johnson City, TN 37604

Room Rate: \$119 per night + 17.5% taxes & fees.

You MUST purchase your tickets first & you'll receive a "tickets confirmation" email.

When you receive your "tickets confirmation" email, you must use the TICKET CODE & the phone number in the email for room reservations at the hotel.

DO NOT call the central reservation center for the hotel because they have no access to Fall Bash reservations.

BOTH DAYS - dancing in the ballroom & 50/50. FREE beer, wine, MESS punch, soft drinks, & water each day in hospitality until gone.

FRIDAY - FREE hospitality catered buffet dinner

SATURDAY - FREE shag workshop, lunch, & catered buffet dinner

SUNDAY - Pack it up. Go home. Rest up for Fall Bash 2026

Need more party info? Contact Larry Calhoun at 423-398-5129 or email bigfishdj@outlook.com. Website: www.messdance.org

PARTY BRACELETS WILL BE ISSUED AT THE REGISTRATION STATION

Confirmation by email or SASE. Make checks (\$85.00 per person) payable to MESS & please print your info clearly.

Mail to: MESS Fall Bash Tickets, 2943 Southbridge, Kingsport, TN 37664

Name(s): _____ Number of Tickets _____ Amt. Enclosed _____

Address: _____

City/State/Zip: _____

Phone: _____ - _____ - _____ Email: _____

Preferred Shag Club Affiliation _____

SOS & ACSC Workshop DATES



2025



**SOS Mid-Winter &
Winter Workshop**

January 16-19

SOS Spring Safari

April 24 - May 4

SOS Fall Migration

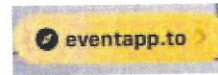
September 11-21

How to Install the SOS App.



1. Scan this QR Code either with a QR Reader or your Camera



Or if you use your Camera:
It will come up



Click on the eventapp.to (box)

1. If Android Phone Click on the Install Icon at the top  and then click install. (it will be installed)
2. If iPhone, If you Scanned by **QR Code** or clicked on the "**eventapp.to**" box the following screen appears:
3. Then click on this icon:  and **scroll down** and click on "**Add to Home Screen**"



4. Name it: **SOS APP** and Click **ADD**.