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Lake Hickory Shag Club
Promoting and Preserving Shagging and the Heritage of Beach Music



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President's French Quarter

Please don't break our heart by not showing up for our **Mardi Gras Theme Dance** February 6th. It will be a sweetheart of a dance I promise. We will have a special gift for the ladies. Find the special message for a member to get in free at Feb Party. I have posted a special letter for all to read in this month's newsletter. Many of the older members will be taken back to yesterday. The younger members can get a feel of a different time at the beach. View all New Year's Party pics on our club web site.

Jim 'P.L.P.' Mauldin, President

"Allo Ma Cherie..."



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Who Dat?..... (Jim & Judy Mauldin)

Special Thanks for our contributing article by Lela Merrill-Savage (letter dtd 9/2/15 received by our club)



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Dear Jim,

Your interest in shag dancing has come to my attention and I thought you might be interested in an essay published in a book called, "A Life Not Too Ordinary" by Deck Savage entitled **"A Week at the Beach."**

It is a true story and depicts someone that worked at the Old Pavilion during the summers of 1953-57 and danced the shag every night. Deck remembered learning the shag after school in a church basement. This story captures the true spirit of this wonderful dance and puts you right there in the midst of the teenagers that helped start it. Girls came to the beach with their parents or in groups to stay for a week in Myrtle Beach. It was a more innocent time.

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Here is an excerpt:

(Cont'd from pg 1)

There won't be much happening till about sunset, that's when I get off work and so do most of the other guys. The cats are ready to play. The nite crew lives in a different world. I keep a small locker over at the beach shop bathhouse. That's where I keep my threads. It's Sunday evening so I'm starting fresh. Gotta look good. I slept in this morning, didn't have time to cruise the Boulevard for new blood so I'll have to work the dance floor. Not a problem, on to Plan B. I shower, get my tailor made pants and shirt out of my locker. The pants are brown with little gold specks in the fabric, the pockets have flaps, fastened by a pearl button, and the right leg has a small pocket for my comb. My shirt is a dusty rose color, three-fourth length sleeves, open collar, an Old English D monograms the pocket. I'll have to decide which shoes to wear, my white bucks or the tan Jammers, they are both a penny loafer style shoes. I'll go for the Jammers. I may have to do some footwork on the dance floor. They spin better than the bucks. Slide back the hair, pop a breath mint. I'm ready. The cat is out of the bag and on the prowl.

There's a pretty good crowd already at the dance floor, I see Wayne, Judd, Neil, Anthony and Johnny are already there. I'll have to move fast, these guys are good.

I grab a seat on my favorite wooden bench, sit on the back, put my feet in the seat, the king is on his throne. Johnny's already doing his thing on the floor, looks like he's captured one already. A cute little black haired thing, not a bad dancer either. Johnny's fast, he's smooth and he's good. It's hard to stay ahead of John Barringer. There's a cute little blond over there, looks real nice, tan shorts, white blouse, wearing penny loafers, great legs, cute smile! I think we just made eye contact. OK, time to move.

A female friend of mine is standing by the lamppost, her name is Myra. She works at the spaghetti house across the street. She was in my Senior Class, good dancer, not many local girls come here. Myra's just got off work and is on her way home. I walk over, speak, and kiss her on the cheek as I always do. I take her by the hand, she knows the routine. I break out with a spin, she is behind me. I reach back with my right hand and she takes it. I pull her by in a triple spin, which she does flawlessly. We are about four feet apart facing each other. I advance in a boogie walk for four steps, she goes into a backward shuffle as she retreats, smooth move. I reach out and with my left hand, spin her toward me to my right side, my right arm goes around her small waist. We bump our hips together. As we bump, she turns to the right, double spin.

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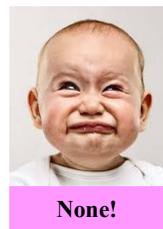


****February Birthdays****

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|-------------------|-------------------|
| 3 Jim Mackie | 22 Martha Stetz |
| 4 Katie Sellman | 23 Mike Honeycutt |
| 8 Cathy Marlow | |
| 12 Rebecca Teague | |
| 13 Susan Pearce | |
| 15 Kit McDonald | |
| 17 Arthur Killian | |



****January New Members****



None!



Note: Birthday Babies get in FREE!

I turn to the left, also a double. We face each other left hands to right hand and step back as the music ends. She steps forward and gives me a hug and a smile. She knows what we have just done. She has just helped me paint a picture. These cuties are gonna be drooling over me all week. It's all in the game. She goes back to her lamppost and I go to my bench. I glance over to the blonde cutie who is definitely looking my way, time for the move. I point my right index finger at her, my thumb is cocked like the hammer on a gun. I extend my arm toward her, the thumb moves forward, the gun has fired, and I give a small hiss as I wink with my right eye. I raise my finger and blow the imaginary smoke from the gun barrel. I give her my best smile. Bulls-eye, looks dead center. She smiles and gives a small hesitant wave with her right hand. The deed is done, contact is made.



I hope you enjoyed reading this small insight into the past of the Old Pavilion, and a look at the kind of dancing that was done in the late 50' s. If you would like to read more, [this book is available on Amazon E-books for \\$2.99](#) or hard copy as well. Thanks for this moment of your time. I appreciate it very much.

Lela Merrell-Savage, Sedalia, MO.

P.S. Johnny Barringer was a good friend of Deck's and is in the Shag Hall of Fame. He still lives in Myrtle Beach and is still dancing the shag!! Unfortunately, Deck passed away a couple of years ago. His memories linger on in a lot of lives.

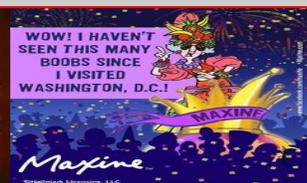


Your New 2016 LHSC Officers & Directors

- President - Jim Mauldin
- V. President - Chip Smith
- Sec. - Robbin Osborne
- Treas. - Ann Sigmon
- Sgt-at-Arms - Will Sloan
- Directors - C.B. Wolfe, Jock Stetz, Kellie Robbins, Mike Honeycutt



Congratulations to our LHSC Officers & Directors who were elected at our January Annual Meeting/Party & will take office on March 1, 2016. In order to help us make YOUR club a big success this year, we need both your support at our parties and help volunteering with our committees.



- \$20 LHSC Membership Renewal starts 3/1/16. (includes 1 'Get-In-FREE' party ticket per paid member for 2016-17 club year).
- New LHSC Party Hours: **7pm til 11pm**



January's New Year's Resolution Party



Congratulations to Chase, winner of the New Year's

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LHSC Party
Dates



Dates	DJ
2/6	Billy Waldrep
3/12	Butch Metcalf
4/9	Daddy George
5/7	Eddie Thompson

VFW—Hickory
7:00pm—11:00pm



Shag



Lessons

Chip & Jackie Smith

REGISTER AT:
www.learnhowtoshag.com

Next Classes

Start: **Wed. February ?th**

Beginners: 6:30pm
Intermediate: 7:30pm

VFW—Hickory

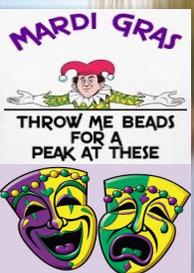
Important Shag Dates:



To view SOS live:
Google—OD Pavilion

For all Shag Clubs' events
visit: www.shagtours.com

2016
April April 15-24 Spring Safari
July July 8-10 Summer Workshop
July 12-17 Junior SOS
September September 16-25 Fall Migration



Local Area Happenings

Tue. Nights
FREE-no cover
Shooter's Lounge
Hickory 7-10pm
7:30-8pm FREE Line Dance & Basic Shag & Style Review

Sat. Feb. 27th
@ H.I. Express
Brushy Mtn S.C.
N. Wilkesboro

Fri. Feb. 5,12,19,26
@ Finish Line Lounge
Twister's S.C.
Mooresville

fine to Party Gras!

Sat. Feb. 6th:
Lake Hickory S.C.
Hickory

'Mardi Gras Party'
Who is in your parade?

Sat. Feb. 20th
@ VFW
Statesville S.C.

Sat. Feb. 27th
@ Elks Lodge
Sandy Beach S.C.
Morganton