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'Best Little Shag Club in the Valley!'

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## Lake Hickory Shag Club

Promoting and Preserving Shagging and the Heritage of Beach Music

**President's Blackboard**

It's time to celebrate the 'Return to School', that time every parent so much lives for at the end of summer. We have planned our own event to commemorate this time honored urchin exodus from our home - to the school zone! This will be a 'Kids FREE Zone' (except for our Junior Shaggers of course, whom we consider as mini-adults). For our school dance, chaperones will be provided for your dancing enjoyment. Dance till you drop!

'Golden Toilet Brush' Award Recipient

Jim 'I get no respect' Mauldin

POTLHSC / Head Bathroom Monitor →

Yearbook quote from my teachers: "Voted most likely to be sent to the Principal's Office".



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Through the National FastDance Association, our club dance activities are licensed by:



## BLUES Blog®

Who elected you Class President?...



Becky &amp; Tu Schule

## The story of the 'Teacher and the Grasshopper'...

By Jim Mauldin



We have another HOFer to share with you this month, Walt Graves. Walt and I go back a little over 50 years (I think fire was just discovered and the wheel invention was just around the corner). It was a summer day 1961 and the boys and I were enjoying our day sitting around the foundation Center (now Hickory YMCA) being fussed at by the manager, Mr. Brown, for throwing paper on his floor. Walt just came in from the beach and said "Boys come here, I need to show you something!" He had the seven of us line up along the food counter and said "Now follow me and I'm going to show you how to fast dance." .....and he did! And boy did I love it....you see being of small stature, I didn't play sports but I could dance and soon found that while the bigger boys was playing their sport I was having more fun dancing with the girls (who loved to dance, but their jock friends didn't). In other words...fast dancing (shaggin) was my sport. We (the Original Mag 7) would roam the Carolinas showing off our new dance skills thanks to the *Teacher* who now shares an awesome story of how he got started 'Fast Dancing'. So grab your favorite beverage, sit back, and enjoy this funny true story.

"Be smooth &amp; don't start over when you make a mistake Grasshopper" -Teacher



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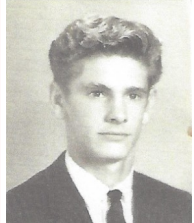
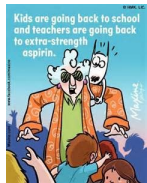
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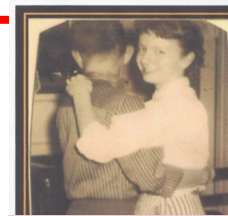


Walt HHS 1962

## Walt Graves

### Hickory Icon & Beach Legend

- Beach Bum 1960 (Title given by some of the Original Old-Timers)
- Original Beach Boy-Hall of Fame 2000
- Sand Flea Living Legends 2003
- National Hall of Fame 2005 (Charlie Boone Award recipient)
- National Shag Dance Contest (Studebaker's 2005 & 2006)

Beth Graves  
(His better 1/2)

### True story

ence at Fast Danc-  
in the 1950's &

of my first experi-  
ing as it was called

1960's. It all begin in the start of summer in June 1958. It was a Monday night with not much to do so I decided to thumb to Ocean Drive (now North Myrtle Beach) from Cherry Grove to see if any one was fast dancing at the Pad or O.D. Pavilion. No one was at the Pavilion so I walked over to The pad and low and behold there were two brothers on the dance floor with two of the best looking chicks I had ever seen, fast dancing. What makes this so unusual was the two brothers had a combined weight of between 700 hundred to 800 pounds but fast danced like they were walking on eggs. They would not tell me how much either one of them weighted and in my best interest just leave it at between 700 and 800 hundred pounds. Their last name was Bennett, can't remember their first names so I will call them Fat Brothers and they were from Bennettsville's, S. C. and were tobacco farmers with their father. The deal was they could come to the beach on Monday, Tuesday, and Wednesday nights to fast dance and farm tobacco the other 4 days of the week. Their father did the opposite, he worked the tobacco crop the first part of the week and enjoyed the last part of the week fishing at the beach with his wife. Now I know why they had the best looking chicks in the Pad, they were the best fast dancer's I had ever seen and I wanted to be able to dance like they did. They were dressed in cut off bib overalls and wore penny loafer's or danced bare footed, it didn't make any difference, they were great.

The first night, Monday, when I met them and asked them to teach me to fast dance they said they would but I could only watch. This went on for about 4 hours, we all went our separate ways and I was told to be back at the Pad on Tuesday night for lesson #2. When I got to the Pad on Tuesday night they already had me a partner, a sister of one of their partners. and for the next 4 hours I was taught how to hold my partner's hand, the basic fast dance step, turns, boogie walk, duck walk, and pivot, but the most important part, IF YOU MAKE A MISTAKE, NEVER STOP (will Explain Later) and everything went fine.

Wednesday Night around 8 pm I showed up like I was supposed to for my most important and last lesson. When I entered the Pad both brothers were standing there with a new partner for me and said "It is time to see what you learned so get to it". I took my new partner's hand and proceeded to start to Fast Dance when it happened, I made a mistake in the dance and against all advise I stopped and tried to start over but this was a NO-NO.

(exciting conclusion cont'd on next page)

I'M SO FAR BEHIND  
I THINK I'M FIRST

### \*\*August Birthdays\*\*

- |                    |                     |
|--------------------|---------------------|
| 8/1 Kay Schieren   | 8/14 Denise Sigmon  |
| 8/3 Tammy Bolick   | 8/15 Charles Forbes |
| 8/5 Tammy Burris   | 8/16 Marlene Barlow |
| 8/6 Shane Bishop   | 8/20 Doc Holiday    |
| 8/7 Linda Stafford | 8/21 Rick Munday    |
| 8/8 Gary Barlow    | 8/24 Ellen Parsons  |
| 8/10 Teresa McNair | 8/28 Karen Church   |
| 8/12 Bill McCurry  |                     |



### \*\*July New Members\*\*

- Donna Bumgarner  
Kenny Bumgarner  
Carol Lupton  
Rick Lupton  
Ellen Parsons  
Susan Steiger  
Bob Steiger



\*A big part of any organizations' success is 'active' membership both current and new. (Be advised & be second to find 3 clue words to Q: 1 - 'YEAR').

GET INVOLVED!

I HOMESCHOOL  
BECAUSE  
I HAVE SEEN  
THE VILLAGE  
AND I DON'T  
WANT IT  
RAISING  
MY CHILDREN



\*Note: Birthday Babies get in FREE!

3/2016 - 2/2017 YTD Membership: 102





Walt &amp; Beth\* Graves

- Now, let me say this, I had on my clean white long sleeve starched shirt, dark blue long pants and penny loafers, boy did I look good. This made no difference to the Fat Brothers because they proceeded to get on each side of me, each one grabbing an arm and grabbing me by the seat of my pants and out the door we went. They were bare footed, dressed in their cut off bib overalls but that made no difference. We crossed Ocean Blvd, went through the ride area and out onto the beach.

When we got to the ocean they kept going until they were knee deep, then tossed me into the ocean. I only weighed about 120 pounds so this was not hard to do. They then picked me up again and back through the ride area, back across Ocean Blvd. and back into the pad. There they stood me up, soaking wet, told me to continue to fast dance, but remember if you make a mistake DO NOT STOP and since that time I have made many mistakes in my dancing but you can bet your sweet bippy that until this day I have never stopped in the middle or anywhere else when Fast Dancing to try to start over. To this day I will always be so Thankful and Grateful to the Fat Brother's for teaching me how to Fast Dance.

As Paul Harvey would say, "Now you know the rest of the story, Good DAY!"

**Editor's note:** For those fortunate enough to know Mr. Graves this is only one in about a million+ beach stories he has to tell. Hopefully one day he will write a book of his many exploits & travels up and down the Carolinas' coastline, so all can enjoy the adventures of these early so called 'Beach Bums'.

\* Beth is also a National Shaggers HOF (Charlie Boone Award) recipient.



*\* Stay tuned for more shag stories from Ocean Drive \**



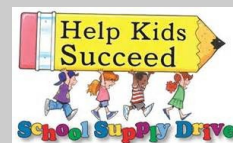
### Club Member News

- SOS Cards available for sale at the party.
- Update next month on the Junior SOS from our own 'Mini-adults'.

**H.O.M.E.W.O.R.K.**  
HALF OF MY ENERGY WASTED ON  
RANDOM KNOWLEDGE!!!



- VERY IMPORTANT:** We need you to bring School supplies, backpacks, etc for donations to the underprivileged kids at Southwest Elementary School in Hickory. We will have a special BIG box to place them in at our dance Saturday night August 6th.



Join us for a  
**PIGOUT BBQ!**

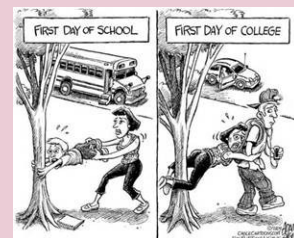
**Who:** Members\*

**What:** **FREE** Members' Appreciation Cookout

**When:** Sunday Aug 21st, 2-6pm

**Where:** VFW Hickory

\*Single Members can bring 1 guest



**Mark your calendar:  
Sunday Aug 21st**





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for all the pics!

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Party Pics

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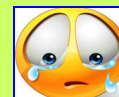
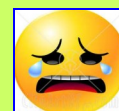


Ellen  
1/2 & 1/2  
Winner

Donna  
Guest  
Winner

None  
Member  
Winner

None  
BBN Q  
Winner



## LHSC Party Schedule



Dates

DJ

8/6 Roy Childress

9/10 Terry Hopper

10/1 Mac Mast

11/12 Walter Upchurch

Time: 7:00pm—11:00pm



Shag  
Lessons



LHSC  
Party location:

VFW Post 1957  
1615 12th St Dr NW  
Hickory, NC 28601  
828-328-8281

## \*For August Class Sign-up\*

Send email to: jmlndn2@charter.net  
include name(s) & mobile #

When: Wed. Aug 10, 17, 24, 31

- **Beginners:** 6:30pm
- **Technique/style:** 7:30pm

Where: Hickory VFW

Instructors: Jim & Judy Mauldin  
\$20 per person /  
Juniors (under 21) Free

## Important Shag Dates:



To view SOS live:  
Google—OD  
Pavilion Webcam

For all Shag Clubs' events visit:  
[www.shagtours.com](http://www.shagtours.com)

## Local Area Happenings

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

Sat. Aug 13  
@ H.I. Express  
Brushy Mtn S.C.  
N. Wilkesboro

Sat. Aug 20  
@ VFW  
Statesville S.C.  
Statesville NC

Sat. Aug No Party Date  
@ Elks Lodge  
Sandy Beach S.C.  
Morganton  
United We Dance

**2016**  
**September**  
September 16-25  
Fall Migration

**2017**  
**January**  
January 13-15  
Mid-Winter Break

**April**  
April 21-30  
Spring Safari

**July**  
July 14-16  
Summer Workshop



Next month's party theme:  
**'Shaggers Outta Luck'**  
Party!  
When you can't go to S.O.S. you can still party like there's no tomorrow!  
— POTLHSC

