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Club / SOS / Area Info

February Prez's letter

January's LHSC party was cancelled due that "beautiful" white covering of winter snow. NOW it is time to do some fas' dancin'. February is the month for Super Bowl, Valentines and more fas'

Warm up on the dance floor at the VFW!!! Continue to Mix and Mingle in the New Year!! LHSC Board have some great ideas for the upcoming 2017. Please send me a text, email or phone me with your suggestion.

Please mark your calendars for our March 11th party....LHSC will be 30 years old. How did that happen!!

Amazing!! We have plans to "stroll" down memory lane with items from the past 30 years.

Hope your team wins!!! I got to pull for the team down the road-the Falcons!! Keep on shaggin'!

Ann Sigmon, POTLHSC

THE OLDER YOU GET THE BETTER YOU GET UNLESS YOU'RE A BANANA BETTY WHITE



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One day in February is not special,



but you are!!



Val & Tyne

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The continuing stories of the 'Bad Boys of Shag'....

The featured article this month is about some famous names in the early days of shag. It's a reprint by Bo Bryan, the Author of the 'Shag Book'. Some of the names have been previously featured or mentioned in your BBN Billy Jeffers

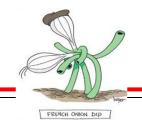
OF BAD BOYS IN THE LAND OF SHAG (Part 2)

I got to know Chicken Hicks, who was tall and rail thin, with arms as long as railroad ties, skinny as toothpicks, with sledge hammers attached to the business

Chicken had what boxers call "heavy hands." His fists looked about seven inches across at the knuckles. The knuckles themselves were knobby and big around as the old style light switches on a diesel transfer truck. When he slugged you on the upper arm, which he would do on occasion if he liked you well enough to tease you a little, it would hurt like a hammer swung by a girl, because he wasn't trying to hurt you, just remind you that his nickname indicated no lack of firepower.

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Chicken was a street fighter. His dancing ability, as a boy in Carolina Beach, had always to be defended, along with his honor, due to that nickname. He was never shy of offering proof that he was not a chicken but the cock of the walk, a proven rooster and a veteran of the pit.

The young girls still loved him when he was logically too old to flirt. They would sidle up to him on the edge of the dance floor and wait for him to stop talking, which might take a while. They would ask him to dance, and then, as if the invitation surprised him, he allowed himself to be led onto the floor, a silver haired, silver-tongued barbarian, out of another age, when giants slept under the boardwalk and fist-fighting was done for exercise.

He danced around the girl as though she were a small goddess fresh out of cheerleader's training camp, him a renegade high school dropout who would spirit her away to Fort Lauderdale, while her mama wasn't watching.

Wendy Gill talked me into going to S.O.S. in '93. I showed up with a cynical attitude, with all of my literary pretensions in place. I was married at the time, with three young children. My marriage was on the rocks. My literary career was not so much in tatters as still waiting for a story to tell.

I could say a lot about the sentimental journey of coming back to Ocean Drive, finding faces in the crowd thirty years obscured by flight from my own roots. I could say that I felt at home in a crowd of mostly strangers, and that the glamour

of the dance seduced me all over again. The hair on the back of my neck stood straight up. The sap of nostalgia welled in my eyes, and I thought, "This is worth something, I could write about this. I know this story."



But it turned out that I didn't know the story at all. The research, the adventure of writing about the shag led me to the roots of dance culture in the western world. I never would have believed it, when I was fourteen, dancing with a doorknob, that I was learning steps passed down from ancient Africa and Western Europe, before the French Revolution.

<u>February <mark>Birthdays</mark></u>

January New Members

2/5 Libby Burns2/21 Bill Perry

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Libby Burns
Jamie & Patty Clontz
Ken Creamer
Doug & Geneva Massey

*Note: Birthday Babies get in FREE!

2017 YTD Membership: 17





After S.O.S., Wendy took me to interview Billy Jeffers.

Billy was a shy man. He lived modestly with his memories and a considerable legend. He was touted to me as the person who had invented the shag.

Billy Jeffers made no such claim. He seemed to know instinctually that something more lay behind the cultural phenomenon lately attributed to him. When I asked if he had invented the dance, he sort shrugged and laughed, "I don't know," he said, "that's what people tell me."



Final Part 3 will be next month in BBN.

Shad Alberty

1935-1996



Shad & Brenda Alberty

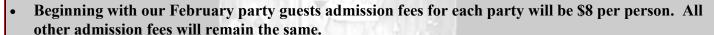


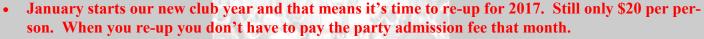
* Stay tuned for more stories/pics from the Shag World *





Club Member News







Time to re-up ya varmints!



Editor's *Heartfelt* Words of Wisdom



What a bummer....we had to cancel our January party cause of that darn white stuff. Hope everyone was safe and enjoyed their 'White After Christmas' weekend. So lets double up and have a 'HUGE' February party this coming Saturday Feb. 4th. Call your friends & neighbors cause this will be a 'sweetheart' of a party. Who knows you may meet the love of your life there.

Jim 'Heart Rocker' Mauldin

Editor







Visit our website for all the pics!

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None

1/2 & 1/2 Winner

None Guest Winner

None Member

Winner

None BBN Q Winner

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LHSC Party Schedule



3/11 Terry Hopper

Roy Childress 4/1 5/6 Billy Waldrep

Daddy George 6/3

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 Feb. Class Sign-up

Send email to: jmldn2@charter.net include name(s) & mobile #

When: Wed. Feb 1,8,15,22

Beginners: 6:30pm

Intermediate 7:00pm

• Next Steps 7:30pm

Where: Hickory VFW

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



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2017

April April 21-30

Spring Safari

July

July 14-16

Summer Workshop

July

July 18-23

Junior SOS

September

September 15-24

Fall Migration

VALENTINE'S DAY

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To view SOS live: For all Shag Clubs' events visit: **Pavilion Webcam**

www.shagtours.com Local Area Happenings

Fri. Feb 3,10,17,24 @ Finish Line Lounge Twister's S.C. Mooresville





Sat. Feb? (a) Elks Lodge Sandy Beach S.C. Morganton



Next month's party theme: '30th Birthday Party'

THIS IS WHAT



