

Shagging is adopted as the official popular dance of North Carolina.

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Social Dancing & Dance Floor Etiquette Hey! Can We Talk? by *Sam Lail* Part 2 of 2

- 6. **Keep your opinions to yourself.** It is not polite to correct your partner on the dance floor. Remember, this is social dancing! If someone Does ask for help or instruction, kindly take them off to the side away from the other dancers.
- 7. **Dance class instructors should do the teaching.** If you are in a dance class, let the instructor tor teach. The instructor will ask for your help if needed.
- 8. **Use Selective Floor Placement.** Establish your slot and continue to dance in it. Usu ally the first couple on the dance floor will establish the slot.
- 9. Dance small. Don't dance all over the floor as nobody likes to be pushed around the floor. Also, save the arm waving, long and wide footsteps, and wild leg movements for elsewhere. Aerials, drops, and slides are best left for jam sessions, competitions, and performances. These type patterns are not appropriate for the social dance floor. You are not the only one on the dance floor and you could hurt someone!
- 10. Leaders are responsible for looking out for the safety of their partners since they are directing their movements. Keep them out of danger and be aware of the dancers around you.
- 11. Leaders, make your partner comfortable. If you are dancing with a less experienced dancer, dance to their skill level. Work as a team, don't showboat.
- 12. Leaders, keep it quiet. If you must count and give verbal leads, keep it low enough that just you and your partner can hear. It can confuse those around you.
- 13. Pay attention to the beat of the music. Just because you can count doesn't mean you're on beat.
- 14. Be aware of the dancers around you. Bumping into other dancers is inevitable. If you bump into someone, kick someone, step on someone's foot, or if they bump into you, always apologize whether it was your fault or theirs. (Even a short non-verbal gesture will do in some situations.) Show concern that no serious injury occurred.
- 15. **Take care of your personal hygiene.** For your partner's sake, avoid eating garlic, onions, or spicy foods, and always brush your teeth and shower before going out dancing. If you perspire a lot, pace your dancing, or bring extra shirts, T-shirts, blouses, etc., and change sweaty clothing. Sometimes mints or deodorants will be the right choice!

Are you part of the problem, - or part of the solution!







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Friendliness I believe is the key to having a great Shag Club. I know it's easy to say and sometimes we may not feel very congenial, but it is the hallmark of a successful Club. Over the years I've been to a lot of Shag parties and the friendly ones are the one you always remember.

- What makes a good party? Pluses: Good Music, Good Floor and Good Drinks (cheap helps also) Minuses: Stopping the music for a lot of talking especially for nominal giveaways. Keep it simple it ain't rocket science.
- 3. What is the goal of a Shag Club? It's a social/dance club gathering to have fun and promote the Shag Dance. I also believe it's not just about numbers it's about having fun.

So in closing if we are going to succeed this year we need participation from all the members. Everybody has a talent to add to the mix so let's work together and make this year memorable.

Thank You,

J. Mike Honeycutt, **POTLHSC**







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

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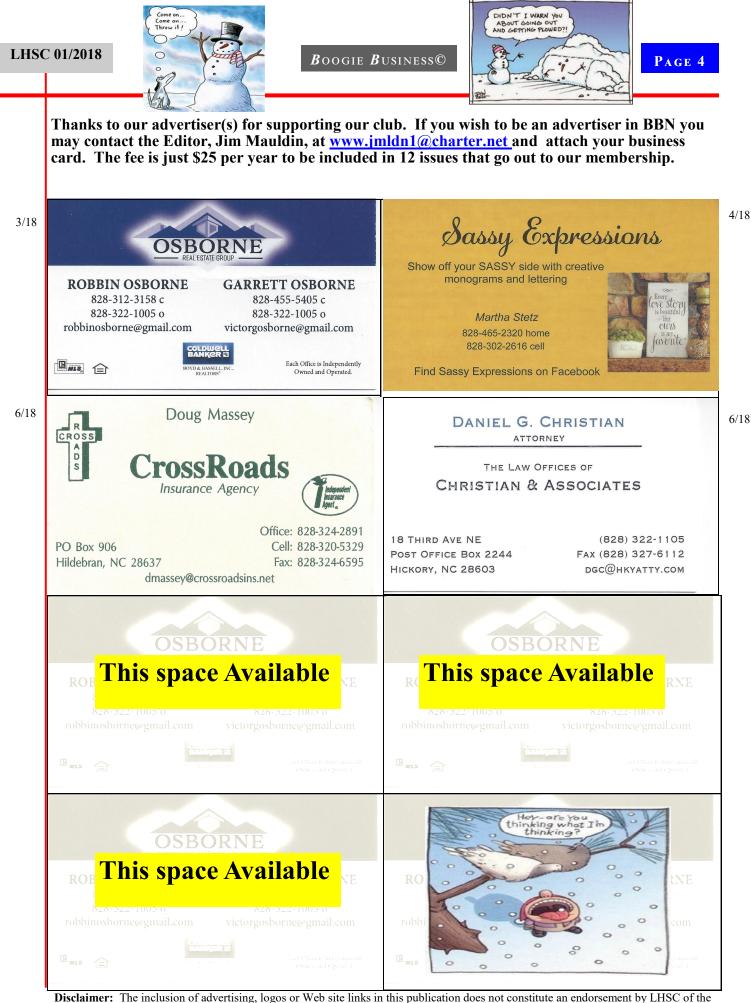
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