



THE SHAGGIN' SHEWS



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Message from Your Vice-President:

Greetings!

Please continue to remember Kathy and Leon. I am sure they will be back with us soon; I sure miss them!

What a great February!

We had another great Chicken Pickin'! The preliminary numbers indicate that we cleared approximately \$4,000. A big thank you goes out to our chairpersons: Donnie and Sue, Shirley and Stan and Stella and Chad! They worked their derrières off! "Butt", what a good time. Least we forget, our special entertainment, Donnie, Donnie, Dave, Stan, Chad and Hoyt (last names withheld to protect the innocent)! This only means two things, a large donation to Hospice and more fun!

Several of us attended the ACSC "Winter Workshop" this past weekend. We learned a lot and played some. Yes, one person shopped a lot, "just sayin'". I wonder who that could be?

We are fortunate to have a great club filled with great caring people.

Stay tuned! We will have a great year!

Terry

V.P.

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- Vice-President...Terry Hopper
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REMEMBERING WHEN (I started shagging)...

The time was the summer months, in Salisbury, NC, during the late 60's and early 70's. School was out, I was home from college (unless it was one of those years I had to go to summer school, which is another story for another time) and life was so much simpler back then. Every Wednesday night, in the Crystal Lounge on the Catawba College campus, a dance was held. I planned my entire weekly schedule around these dances. Oh what a lineup of stars came there. The Drifters, the Tams, Maurice William and the Zodiacs, Gene Barbour and the Cavaliers, The Monzas, The Impalas, Billy Stewart, The Catalinas, Billy Scott and the Georgia Prophets, The Embers, Willie T and the Magnificents, The Showmen, The Entertainers, The Five Dutones (remember Shake a Tailfeather) and I'm sure many more that I just can't remember. It was indeed a Who's Who of the performers of beach music as we know today!

Usually the night started by meeting up in the parking lot of Blackwelder's BBQ. There, we got our "dance mood" adjusted, if you know what I mean. Remember, the drinking age (legal) then was 18. Cherry Lemon Sundrop and lemon gin, um! At least it sounded good at the time. Someone always had some PJ mixed up. By the time we got to the lounge, it would be packed. Just for the record, alcohol was not sold at the lounge since it was on Catawba's campus. It was interesting the way the crowd "split up". In Rowan County, small high schools had merged to form the 4 county high schools, plus Salisbury High. Salisbury High wasn't going to have us country kids come into their city school. Anyway, the county schools each took over a corner of the room. So, all the East Rowan people kind of stayed together, the South Rowan, the North Rowan and the West Rowan did the same. Sure, every now and then lines would cross because you may know someone at another school but most of the time we were in our group. The great thing was we all got along!!! No fights, nothing but young people having a good time. Oh and did we dance! Yes, we "shagged" but then I seem to remember we just called it "hand dancing". Oh, but when "Shake a Tailfeather" or "Shout" played you better back up and give me some room!! These times were special. I even remember one summer I had taken a third shift job in Cannon Mills. I quit after the first week because I couldn't stand the thought of missing a dance at Catawba. (Of course, maybe it's because of the sheep they kept inside the fence at the Rockwell mill staring at me as I ate that meal you eat at 3am. What is that meal called, it's not dinner, it's not breakfast.) Pardon me as I digress.

Anyway, I do remember those dances with great fondness and I am sad for the young people of today that seem they can't be together 10 minutes without trouble breaking out! Thanks for allowing me this stroll down memory lane.

Ken Hayes

MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Bill Cavin	3/3
Leonard Atwell	3/3
Sue Warren	3/12
Linda Wolfe	3/12
Deborah Gentry	3/12
Beth Galloway	3/16
Carol Duggins	3/17
Randy Byers	3/20
Bob Honeycutt	3/23
Helon Page	3/25
Bonnie Weber	3/25
Tony Barr	3/28
Jerry Shue	3/29
Glenda Brown	3/31
Gene Hensley	3/31



Recipe for Mack's Spicy Crackers

1 box Zesta crackers
 1 pack Hidden Valley Ranch Salad Dressing & Seasoning Mix
 1 tablespoon of ground cayenne pepper 1 heaping
 tablespoon of crushed red peppers
 1 1/3 cups of canola oil

Place the crackers in a 1 gallon zip lock bag. Mix all of the ingredients and pour over the crackers. Turn the bag over in different positions at least every ten minutes during the first hour.

The measurements for the peppers is not an exact amount. I was told to put in whatever I thought my friends could tolerate. I have made it several times and always vary the pepper amounts. I like it hotter than the amounts listed above.

Enjoy.

Mack Robinette

(These are the crackers that were on the munchies table at CP)



MEMBERSHIP

LNSC currently has **149** members.

Welcome to all our new members!

Winning the ½ & ½ was, of course, a thrill and a welcomed windfall, but it did not compare to the fun we had with all of the great members of LNSC that were there. We also missed the ones that could not make it. It was our fourth and we plan to attend as long as able to. Whoever does the selection on the shag event of the year obviously has never been to Chicken Pickin. Thanks to the hard working people that made it such a success.

Since we moved to the mountains we seldom can make the monthly get together. We do miss everyone and that made it more special to attend Chicken Pickin. We live at a place called Linville Land Harbor that is just two hours from the Lake Norman area. It is a resort community with golf, swimming, fishing, shuffle board, billiards, canoeing, and tennis. It is a short distance from skiing at Sugar and Beech. We also have a large facility that has three shag events each year. There is a golf house for smaller parties and events. There is a lot of bang for your buck here, including water & sewage, police and security, garbage pickup, road maintenance and snow clearing, bath house and laundry room, and cable. We have great neighbors that like to party. There are some great property deals here and if anyone is interested we would love to host them for the day and show them around. The summers are at least 10 to 15 degrees cooler here. We know most of the realtors if you would want to look inside a property. They have a very comprehensive website at www.linvillelandharbor.com.

We hope to make it to Fall SOS and party with the best people in the shag community **LNSC**.

William Randall & Malcolm Kello

Hi Everyone, since we have partied with you on several occasions, I just wanted to pass on some information about a party that is just up your alley. Your very own, T.K. and Mary Robinette, will be doing the workshop at the Beckley Area Shag Club, Beckley, WV, Mountain Boogie Walk on May 16 - 17, 2014. This is a great party, held in an actual airplane hangar, with a GREAT, professional floor, you really don't want to miss it. They open the hangar door, the sun is going down, it is picture perfect and you are in the beautiful mountains of West Virginia. I could go on and on but you just need to come and experience it yourself. I have attached a flyer for your convenience. Just a word of warning, the hotels fill up fast and the party always sells out.

Hope to see you there,

Reba Mitchell

(see flyer on next page)

Beckley Area Shag Club's
20th Annual Mountain Boogie Walk
May 16-17th, 2014 **Hern's Hangar**
Airport Road Exit 125B off I-64E, Beaver WV

DJ's: John Smith & Ed Timberlake

Instructors: T.K. & Mary Robinette

Tickets are \$65 - 1 day tickets will not be sold
Get yours early - This party always sells out!

Huge
Master
Dance Floor



Free soft drinks, water, set-ups and snacks
BYOB and BEER-----

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- Friday *7:00 pm - BBQ and always late night coffee & doughnuts - 50/50 drawing
 - Saturday *11:00 am *FREE Shag workshop - Pizza served following the workshop
 - *6:30 pm *Catered Buffet Dinner by Kay's Katering
 - Late Night Doughnuts and coffee with 50/50 drawing

Reservations: *Sleep Inn/Beaver* \$70/night 304-255-4222 Ask for "shag club rate"
The Sleep Inn is located 1 mile from the Hangar (Room requests kings, non-smoking, etc.) are limited due to the size of the Sleep Inn).

Reservations: *Microtel Inn & Suites/Eisenhower Drive*, Beckley, 3 miles from the Hangar and is 100% non-smoking. 304-255-2200. Single \$59.99, Double \$64.99, Suite \$69.99.
Shuttle Service to and from hotels Friday & Saturday nights

Tickets will not be mailed so fill out everything below and make certain your e-mail address and mailing address may be read easily. We will send you a confirmation by e-mail if possible and by mail if you do not have an e-mail address.

You will be on our master list when you check in at the Hangar!

Mail to: Beckley Area Shag Club, P.O. Box 395, Beckley, WV 25802

Contacts: Charlie Cline @ 304-228-9938 cwcline@suddenlink.net

Karen Callahan @ 304-573-1965 email: shagbasc@suddenlink.net www.beckleyshagclub.com

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Shag Club _____

Address _____

e-mail: _____

I guess all good things have to come to an end, and that held true for the 2014 Chicken Pickin'. This one was one for the record books. I'm not talking about the number of people we had in attendance, but the weather our members and guests had to endure to get to the beach. Many of our people arrived early to beat the snow at home, so we decided to go to the Arcade on Wednesday night to gather, drink and eat a little. Mike Felts and Donnie Warren decided we needed music so they went to the DJ both and got the system working. Mike played a few songs and then Donnie took over, with his cell phone!!! These two had the room moving, and it was only Wednesday night with ice outside. There ended up about 50 people at the Arcade Wednesday night.

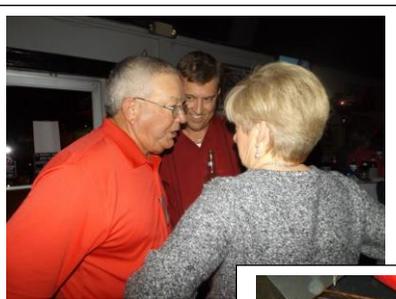
High noon on Thursday people started to arrive in time to decorate the Arcade. It took a couple hours, and a few beers to complete our jobs, but it was completed in plenty of time for everyone to go home, get dressed, and return for the party. Mike Felts got the party off to a good start making his last official appearance as a DJ. He says he's retired now. We'll see!! As the night progressed ½ and ½ tickets and raffle tickets of the Diamond Necklace were going right and left. Beth Galloway sold over 100 tickets on the necklace by herself, and that was all we had to sell. We ended up having almost 120 people show up that night.

Friday night was another great event. The dance floor was full all night. People that weren't able to get to the beach on Thursday just kept coming in. We had between 180 and 190 people that night. As far as we know nobody had an accident on the way down. I've heard times up to 10 ½ hours travel times. It just goes to show you we have some dedicated people in our shag family. Sandi Surratt was the winner of the Diamond Necklace. I know she was happy.

Saturday got off to a good start with the workshop given by Dennis and Frankie Johnson. It was a nice way for Frankie to celebrate her birthday, working. Everyone seemed to really enjoy the new step they learned. We had a great group of people at the Chicken Pickin'. They were buying ½ and ½ tickets, and bidding on the silent auction items like crazy. We had an excellent chicken dinner provided by the Arcade, followed by our special entertainment. I didn't realize our men were so talented. They really put on an amazing show. The ½ and ½ was won by one of our members, William Randall. I think his share was \$1038. Not too bad for a small investment. I think when the party was over everyone was glad they had come.

Thanks to all the people that made this happen. I know there was a lot of hard work put into this event. Special thanks go out to Donnie & Sue Warren, Stan & Shirley Bush, and Chad & Stella Duggins. They were our chairpeople. Hospice was the real winner in this whole event. Part of the proceeds from the Chicken Pickin' will go to them. We won't know the exact amount until all the numbers are in, but it will be a nice amount I'm sure.

Bill Cavin



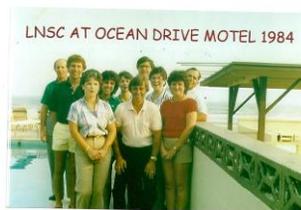
SPECIAL OCCASION AT LNSC

This 'shag life' that we all enjoy so much is made up of many components. There is the dance, the music, the DJs, the beach, the lounges and clubs at Ocean Drive but most of all it is the people that over the years have become such good friends. Much of the time those good friends come together in the many Shag Clubs that are part of this 'shag world'. If we belong to one of these shag clubs then we have to thank those individuals who had the vision and determination to form the club. Lake Norman Shag Club is a growing and thriving club made up of a great group of folks. We would not be here today without the 'beginning'. Late last year your Board discussed how the club could recognize and honor those members of LNSC that formed the club and have over the years supported and helped the club grow. The Board decided it would be appropriate to honor those 'charter' members and with their 2014 membership renewal they would receive 'lifetime' membership status.

The January meeting of Lake Norman Shag Club was a very special occasion. There were 4 of the 9 charter members in attendance, Bill Cavin, Sarah Little, T.K. Robinette and Jean White. These members were recognized during the meeting as being part of the beginning of LNSC. Jeff Bundy shared a brief story about how each has supported LNSC through their participation on the Board, chairing committees and many other contributions over the years. He also announced their lifetime membership status. This recognition came as a complete surprise to these individuals and as you would expect they were very humbled and appreciative of the honor. These new 'lifetime' members thanked the club for this honor and commented on how excited they were to see LNSC be so successful with such great folks who work so hard to make the club successful.

I hope you were there to see the big smiles on the faces of Bill, Sarah, T.K. and Jean. We all owe these members and the other charter members a big Thank You for all they have done from the beginning of LNSC to today.

Jeff Bundy



Please share my feelings about the Honor of Life Time Membership for the Charter Members. What an honor it was when I found out about it from Sarah. Lake Norman has really grown from those early days. Although I haven't been active for a couple of years, the club means a lot to me. I am proud to have served as Vice President and President of this fine club. As you know I am a man of few words. I will just say **Thank You Lake Norman Shag Club....**

Junior Little

MEMBER SPOTLIGHT**Gene and Pat Hensley****SPINNING TUNES AREN'T THE ONLY THING THAT GOES ROUND AND ROUND.....**

The wheels on the car went round and round as bubbly **Gene and Pat Hensley** made the trek from their birth town of Asheville to where they now make their home in Huntersville, NC. The couple built their current home in 1986, but secretly hope to one day buy a place in Land Harbor in Linville, NC.

Pat has been in mortgage banking since 1973 and has been employed with Wells Fargo Home Mortgage for 14 years. Gene started his career in 1972 in various types of insurance and retired from the insurance industry in 2004. Now, Gene actually has three full-time jobs....He has been driving a school bus for North Mecklenburg County Schools since 2005 and he has been a DJ since March 1995 and as if that's not enough, he maintains/landscapes 4 yards. So, as you can see Gene's a very busy man. On top of all his paying jobs, Gene receives great satisfaction doing the housework and laundry and keeping Pat happy while she holds down an extremely busy job that requires a great deal of travel.

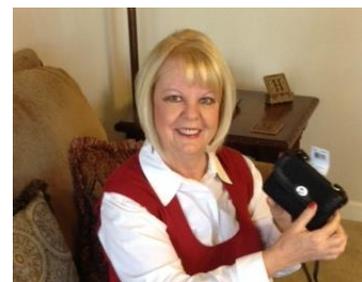
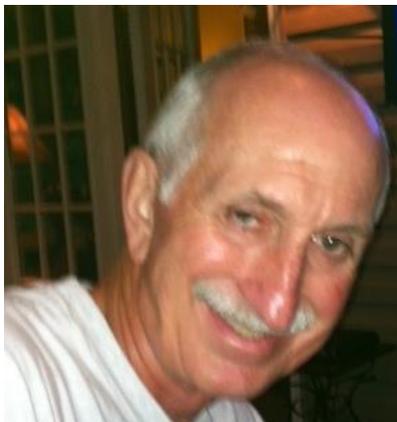
Gene and Pat met at a roller skating rink and started their life together 48 years ago as a sophomore and junior at the same high school in Asheville. They will be celebrating their 46th wedding anniversary on June 8th. (which is also Pat's birthday) Gene graduated in 1968 and Pat in 1969 from Clyde A Erwin High School in Asheville. In 1969, Gene received his draft papers to go into the Army. Pat moved back in with her parents and Gene went to basic and AIT training. He received orders to go to Hanau, Germany where Pat joined him 3 months later and they stayed in Germany for almost 2 years. Their son was conceived and born in Frankfurt, Germany and was 6 months old when they returned to the United States. When their son was 9 months old they moved to Charlotte, NC.

They have one son, Greg, daughter in law, Pam and two grandsons. AJ is 14 and Ashton is 11. Grandsons AJ and Ashton keep their grandparents busy attending events and cheering them on regardless of whether they are playing basketball, baseball or football.

Gene and Pat were first introduced to the shag world in 1991 with TK and Mary Robinette as the instructors at the Holiday Inn in Cornelius, NC. This is also where Gene started his career as a DJ. He has been a member of the DJ Association for years and is a lifetime member.

They are very proud to be members of Lake Norman Shag Club and Gene really enjoys his DJ times with the club. They have gained many wonderful friends. Their favorite song is, "I Need You Now" by Lady Antebellum. They really have many favorite songs.

They love spending quality time together just hanging out on their screened-in-porch and building a fire on the patio. They enjoy shagging, attending shag events in different areas and spending time with family and friends. Gene spends lots of time in his office playing and working on music and really enjoying sharing his music with friends.



IMPORTANT NOTICE

I want to share something important with each of you. Please pass along to your members: If you haven't made your reservations for SOS Spring Safari, which will be April 4 - 13, 2014, you will want to go on and make them as soon as you can. We have been informed that the City of North Myrtle Beach will have a big Quidditch game going on with college students coming in from many of the major colleges around the US. You can go to you tube and pull up Harry Potter Quidditch and watch the animated videos. Now how they will really play the game would be interesting to see. We don't want this to become a problem with our folks staying in their normal places, so please encourage them to go on and make their reservations now for our SOS Spring event.

Looking forward to seeing all of you at the Winter Workshop in Columbia.

Helen Still / SOS Chairperson

JOYS & CONCERNS

Please keep the following people in your thoughts and prayers:

- Kathy Swartz is still in ICU.
- Sam Wilson had hernia surgery.
- Benny Brown will be having back surgery.
- Jerry Shue and Marianna Haas are recovering from surgery.
- Sonny Brown and Roger Lemmond as they continue their battle.

**If you would like to help Kathy and Leon Swartz:
Kathy Swartz's family and friends are uniting to raise money to help with the medical battles.**

Below is a link to the site: www.youcaring.com

http://www.youcaring.com/medical-fundraiser/kathy-swartz-s-hospital-fund/141938?fb_action_ids=761228933888293&fb_action_types=og.likes&fb_source=other_multiline&action_object_map=%5B600308680049689%5D&action_type_map=%5B%22og.likes%22%5D&action_ref_map=%5B%5D

(if the link does not work, copy and paste in to your web browser)

HAPPENINGS

- March 1 - LNSC Meeting/Dance
- March 29 - LNSC Meeting/Dance
- April 4-13 - SOS Spring Safari
- May 3 - LNSC Meeting/Dance

Next Meeting

- Saturday, March 1**
- DJ - Gene Hensley**
- Meeting at 7PM**
- Dancing at 8PM**

NOTE FROM YOUR EDITOR

Deadline for the April Newsletter is March 22.

Send those articles, notes and /or pictures to me at:

bundyj@bellsouth.net

Pam Bundy

LAKE NORMAN SHAG CLUB

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www.shagdance.com

www.shagtour.com

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LAKE NORMAN SHAG CLUB

Lake Norman Shag Club was organized in 1983 to promote the ever-popular dance of the south, "The Shag."
Lake Norman Shag Club meets the 1st Saturday night of each month at Cowan's Ford Golf Club.

Directions: From I-77 Take Exit 25. Go west on Sam Furr Rd (Highway 73). Go past Cowan's Ford Dam; Turn right at the next light (Club Drive) 1 mile on the left. Address is 761 Club Drive. From Hwy 16. Take Hwy 73 East, go 2 miles, 2nd red light, turn left on Club Drive, 1 mile on the left.

