

# Cape Fear Shag Club Newsletter



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### **MESSAGE FROM OUR PRESIDENT:**

Hey Shaggers - Bernie here. Hope all are doing well. It's going to be a full summer. Lots going on and your shag club is going to be a big part.

**March 9** – Participating in The First Emerald Ball, in conjunction with the Steve Haydu LoTide run the following Saturday. The Ball is sold out. Our club will be well represented.

**March 10** – Cape Fear Shag Club monthly meeting. Dress as your favorite leprechaun! Two DJs, Jerry Fougere and myself. This will also be the last opportunity to get your picture taken before they are turned in to Pat Ellis for the club directory.

**March 17** – Steve Haydu LoTide run/walk at Carolina Beach Saturday. Always a great time. The Cape Fear Shag club is trying to bring the "Spirit" award home for the third time in four years.

**April** – No meeting due to SOS.

**April 4** – Wrightsville Beach Elementary School has requested the CFSC presence to teach shag to kindergarteners up. The classes will start at 8am and end at 2pm. A school lunch will be provided. Each lesson will have from 20 to 30 students and last twenty minutes or so. Fits right in with our mission statement. Another fun time.

**April 14** – Azalea Festival Shag Contest. We are once again a \$2000 sponsor. Thank you to the members that stepped up with their contribution of \$100 or \$200 to cover our sponsorship cost. In addition and due to another member's generosity all those contributors will have a reserved seat at the contest. This year the contest is a one day event. That night for \$10 attend a dance party with DJs Fred Rouse and Mike Worley also at the Hilton. Another great time and Cape Fear Shag Club exposure.

**April 28** – SOS – After the fun filled parade we will have the CFSC cookout the second Saturday of SOS. Food and fixin's provided by the club. The cookout will be in the same place it has been the last two times. The very backside of Tilghmans. If you want to bring a covered dish even better.

**May 19** – Our Junior Shagger fundraiser meeting. Auction items needed. Contact myself, Donnie Davis or any other board members. Please do not wait until the last minute.

Well that takes us through May. Lots to do . . . lots of exposure . . . lots of fun!

We all, each and every one of us like to hang out with, talk to, dance with many of the same people we hang with during the hum drum existence of everyday life. That doesn't mean they are cliquish. That's just the nature of the beast. One of the things that I like so much about our club is that many of our members during the meeting become social butterflies, flitting from person to person. Some greet our guests as friends they have known for decades. A welcoming smile, hug, handshake and most of all a dance with that person or persons goes a long way in making all feel welcome. That's the way it should be. After all we share one common factor with everyone there – the "Shag." There is always someone who is willing to take a beginner aside, spend a little time teaching the basic or an advanced step. There have been times as the visiting DJ is breaking down his equipment some members are still trying to learn/teach a step or two. Once again. The way it should be.




Thanks for your time and effort. Oh Yeah, we still need a social committee chairperson. If you want to take for one meeting or the rest of the year please contact myself. Entails nothing extravagant or too time consuming. Any monies spent on shag club business is reimbursed.

Thanks Again

**Bernie B, President**

As you can see, we still have some vacancies in our much needed committees. If you can give any time at all to help in any of these areas, please let any of the board officers know. For those that have served in the past, thank you for your service and if you might be able to help us out maybe just one month at a time, let us know that as well.

### COMMITTEE REPORTS:

- **By-Laws** = although the board members are also members of the by-laws committee, we need someone to chair. For a copy of the newly voted by-law changes please download from our website.
- **Treasurers Report** = ending reconciled balance for January is \$15,248.27.
- **Hall of Fame** = no report
- **Historian** = we will provide the camera – you take the pictures! Pictures are posted on the website so we can spread the fun we have at our meetings. If you can aim and shoot – you can do this!
- **Membership** = Martha Helms reports that we have 135 members to our club! Welcome to all and thank you for renewing your membership and happily we continue to grow each month. If you haven't renewed or just want to join for the first time, you can find a 2018 membership form at the end of the newsletter or on our website. Download the form and send it in! Come join the fun!
- **Music** = Keith Thompson is heading this committee and already has many DJ's lined up! March DJ's are Jerry Fougere and our own Bernie Braak. 
- **Newsletter** = looks like I've got March/April covered for this newsletter – I'd be more than happy to relinquish to someone that would like to take a stab at it! Just let me (Linda Meyer) or any of the board members know!
- **Communication** = Donnie Davis will continue to keep us posted on all our communications. If you are not receiving emails from Donnie, please check with either her or Martha to be sure we have the correct email address for you. You don't want to miss anything! 
- **Social** = Still looking for someone to take this committee – or just one month! Who would like to volunteer to help out with our cookout at SOS? After the parade, we will converge to our usual spot at Tilghmans's and enjoy good food, good company, and just hang out. 
- **SOS** = Just a reminder that Spring Safari is April 20-29 and our picnic is after the parade on the 28<sup>th</sup>. Fall Migration is Sept 14-23<sup>rd</sup>.
- **Special Concerns** = Good to see the following people are on the mend – Connie Fussell, Herb Craft, Linda Newton, Ed Jones. Prayers for a speedy recovery to Johnny Mack Holden after a long hospital stay. Please let Toni Decker know if any of our members has a special concern (tshields17@gmail.com).
- **Ways and Means** = no report
- **Website** = I must say, I do enjoy keeping our website updated. Any suggestions anyone has on how to make it more interesting, by all means, contact me, Linda Meyer! We do get many people visiting our area that check out our website and send emails inquiring about everything from taking lessons to asking where they can dance!

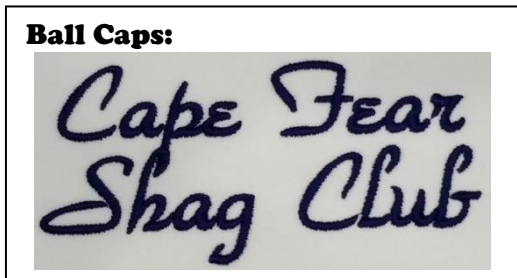
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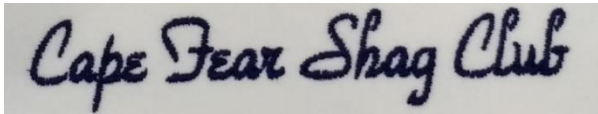
Pat Ellis put together a Cape Fear Shag Club Directory back in 2015. She has agreed to do another directory. If you are a member for 2018 you will be included in this directory. Bernie will be available to take pictures at this March meeting or if there is a usable picture on our website of you, Pat will use that picture. If you have a picture you would rather use, you can send it to Pat Ellis at patriciaellis074@gmail.com.

**THIS AND THAT:**

- This is our 30<sup>th</sup> year! Show your love for CFSC by having a new shirt embroidered. Here is what the logo will look like – just buy your own t-shirt, sweatshirt, button-down, whatever kind of shirt you want and bring it to Mona Baker on any Sunday at Salty’s along with \$8.00. Not only can our embroiderer do shirts, she can also do ball caps and visors – also for \$8 each. The logo won’t fit on the ball cap or visor – just the club name. Be sure to attach your name on items that you bring to us.



**Visors:**



- Shag Lessons at Wrightsville Beach!

Ken and Sandy Jones will be teaching Shag lessons on Thursdays at the Wrightsville Beach Recreation Center starting on March 8. Come learn from the best! If you want to register ahead of time, go to this website and print out the registration.

<http://nc-wrightsvillebeach.civicplus.com/DocumentCenter/View/2198>

- Starting Tuesday, March 6 come dance at The Monk! Cover charge is \$5 and the party continues. The Monk is located in the University Landing Mall, 417 S College Rd. PasoFino has closed but that didn’t stop shaggers from finding another venue. Thanks Lee for looking into this. Let’s keep the Tuesday dance party going! Lee Pearson and Bernie Braak will be alternating Tuesday’s from 7-10pm.

- Upcoming Junior Events

Here are upcoming events that are for Juniors including workshops and contests with Junior Divisions.

**March 23rd, 24th and 25th 2018**



**Junior Cyclone III** Mooresville, NC  
 Three big days of Shag Fun!  
 Workshops, Fun Contests and Social Dancing Galore  
 Visit [JuniorCyclone.com](http://JuniorCyclone.com) for more info

**July 17th - 22nd 2018**



Junior SOS  
 O.D. Beach and Golf Resort, North Myrtle Beach, SC  
 5 days of workshops and fun in the sun!

- March 17 – 12pm – 3pm Castles for Cancer

Learn more about Castles for Cancer and to register a Team, go to:

<https://www.hopeabounds.org/event/castles-for-cancer/>

Hope Abounds, Inc. is pleased to present the Inaugural Castles for Cancer benefit. Teams will compete for the title of "Castles for Cancer Champion!" This charity event is designed to help raise funds to support women, children, teens and their families who are traveling through the journey of active cancer treatment.



### Sandcastle Building Competition

Saturday, March 17, 2018

Surf City Welcome Center — Surf City, NC

12:00 pm—3:00 pm

Registration—11:00 am Awards—3:30 pm

Family friendly

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Free for spectators to come cheer  
on their favorite team!



YUP! It's that time to SPRING AHEAD! Change those clocks when you get home from the meeting! Sunday March 11 we go back to daylight savings time and get to enjoy the outdoors longer! Don't be late for church!

- April 14 - Azalea Festival Riverwalk Shag Contest – Contest rules below. For contest application, go to <http://ncazaleafestival.org/event/riverwalk-shag-contest-on-the-banks-of-the-cape-fear/>



1. Each couple will perform one (1) dance on Saturday. Contestants are responsible for bringing their music labeled with their name, order, title, artist, and length of time to the registration table one hour prior to start time (12:30 PM). If a second dance is needed, the music will be selected at random by the Judges. Length of songs are limited to three (3) minutes each.
2. Attendance by at least one of the competing partners is mandatory at the contestant's meeting held forty-five (45) minutes prior to start time. Rules, regulations, and questions will be addressed at this time.
3. The dance order in the first round will be determined by drawing prior to the competition at the contestant's meeting. A dance-off will be performed in case of a tie.
4. Each couple will consist of one male and one female. All couples are required to report to the staging area, beside the scorekeepers, when their division is announced.
5. Couples will be judged based on the following categories: Execution, Togetherness, Repertoire, Smoothness and Degree of Difficulty.
6. Scores will be on a ten (10) point scale. 1-Needs Work, 10-Excellent. The highest combined total will determine the final ratings and winners.
7. Any contest rulings will be governed by a majority vote of the Shag Contest Committee and the Judges. Rulings will be final.
8. The deadline for early entry is April 1, 2018. Entries will be accepted the day of competition, if room is still available.
9. Each Division will be limited to 6 couples.
10. All decisions of the judging panel are final.
11. Awards will be cash prizes for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, and 3<sup>rd</sup> places.

Be prepared for some entertainment! We will have a handicapped mixed double contest with our contestants.

*For more information contact:*

*Committee Chair, Jan Piner*

910-617-1132

*bettyhsantiques@gmail.com*

- How about this GEM! Rhonda Cooper does this look familiar? I found this in the paperwork when we cleaned out the storage unit. Morning Star News April 8, 2002!



Rhonda Cooper and Charlie English enjoy some time Sunday on the dance floor during Shaggin' on the Cape contest at the Hilton. STAFF PHOTO | NICOLA CAPPELLO

# Shaggin' the day away

Event brings out dance lovers from around the region

By Millard K. Ives  
*Staff Writer*

Coming out of a cha-cha move, Souny Gentry extended his right arm before grabbing his wife, Debbie's, fingers and nudging her right hand over his shoulder.

After a series of spins, he dropped down, crisscrossing his feet before coming up into another spin as Smokey Robinson crooned in the background and the audience cheered.

"It's hard not to enjoy something this fun," said Debbie Gentry, who was one of a number of contestants to shake their "groove thang" this weekend in Shaggin' on the Cape.

The event was held at the Hilton Wilmington Riverside and was part of the N. C. Azalea Festival.

The event featured more than a dozen couples from around the re-

## WHAT IS THE SHAG?

**ORIGINATED:** 1950s.

**INFLUENCES:** beach and rhythm and blues music, and some say the dance uses the jitterbug, swing and Lindy Hop as its inspiration.

gion. Penny Mitchell and Mickey Hull of Clemmons met at a shag club a couple years ago and are getting married this year.

They danced to *Save the Last Dance for Me*.

"We both love the shag," Ms. Mitchell said.

According to Eddie Baker, president of the Cape Fear Shag Club, the shag originated in the mid-1950s as a combination of beach and rhythm and blues music.

Some contestants say the dance is the jitterbug, swing and Lindy Hop rolled together with a couple other dances.

"I call it the sedated boogie," said Jerrie Rogers, a member of the Cape Fear Shag Club.

Contestants competed for various prizes. Mr. Baker said when the dance is judged, contestants must show a lot of poise and coordination.

"It's really hard to get down and dirty here," Ms. Rogers said.

One of the participants was the national Junior Shag champion, Leslie Melton, 18, of Wilmington and her 18-year-old partner Grant Garmon of Virginia Beach.

"It is such a great way to express yourself," said Ms. Melton, minutes after bringing the crowd to their feet with a series of spins.

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- Mark your calendar for June 2  
Carolina Beach Music Festival!
- Some fun events happening at Carolina Beach:

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**14th Annual Steve Haydu St. Patrick's Day Lo-Tide Run (910-547-3820)**  
March 17, 2018

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**Island Men Mac N Cheese Festival**  
March 24, 2018

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**2nd Annual Public Safety Day (910-458-2540)**  
April 7, 2018

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**1st Annual Beach BACON & Beer Festival**  
April 14, 2018

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**Island of Lights Fashion Show (910-617-5945)**  
April 14, 2018

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**Kure Beach Street Festival (910-458-8216)**  
April 28, 2018

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**Carolina Beach Street Arts Festival (610-909-7643)**  
May 5, 2018

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- If anyone has anything they would like to include in our next newsletter, please just send your information to [lindaameyer@gmail.com](mailto:lindaameyer@gmail.com)
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# ★ HAPPY ★ BIRTHDAY!

<p><b><i>March Birthdays:</i></b></p> <p>Herb Craft Rusty Hosaflook Ed Jones Lou Smith III Robert Stewart Lisa Thompson</p>	 <p><small>© wonderclparts.com</small></p>	<p><b><i>April Birthdays:</i></b></p> <p>Tommy Bradshaw Sarah Burris Jan Gresham Linda Gordon Johanna Kjesbu Jim Mancini Johnny (Marks) Holden Terry Pate</p>
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**THIS IS THE COMPLETE 2018 SHAG CLUB SCHEDULE! NOTICE THAT AUGUST DATE HAS CHANGED**

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January
12-14: Mid-Winter
27: CFSC Meeting
February
14: Valentine's Day
17: CFSC Meeting (change due to Women of Hope)
March
10: CFSC Meeting
30: Good Friday
April
1: Easter Sunday
20-29: Spring Safari
May
13: Mother's Day
19: JR SHAGGERS
June
9: CFSC Meeting
17: Father's Day
July
4: Independence Day
14: CFSC Meeting
August
18: CFSC Meeting – change
September
14-23: Fall Migration
October
13: CFSC Meeting
31: Halloween
November
10: CFSC Re-Up
22: Thanksgiving Day
December
8: CFSC Christmas Party
25: Christmas Day

Board meeting dates are the previous Wednesday a week before the regular meeting – exception July, October





## Cape Fear Shag Club

New Member: [ ]

### Membership Application - 2018

Renewal: [ ]

**Applicants, please complete all sections and print to ensure accuracy in our files.**

Cape Fear Shag Club (CFSC) brings together individuals who love the shag dance and its music, and who want to preserve, promote, and share the shag experience with others. We are a private club operated and governed by our members.

New members are voted in by the Board of Directors. The vote will take place after the application has been reviewed. The applicant will be notified by the Membership Committee or the President.

Those applying for membership in November and December will be granted membership through the end of the following year with voting privileges to begin at the January meeting.

**Membership dues must accompany this application. Make checks payable to Cape Fear Shag Club.**

**Annual renewal membership dues are \$100**, providing membership through the end of the following calendar year with no cover charge (excluding special events). Annual membership dues must be paid by the January meeting.

**New member dues are \$30**, providing membership through the end of the following calendar year with at \$10 cover charge for each meeting. After July 1, new membership dues are prorated to \$20.00, providing membership through the end of the current year.

**Renewal dues are \$25**, due January 1 each year with a \$10 cover charge for each meeting. Membership will be terminated if not paid by the January meeting. Lapsed members will pay the new member rate to reinstate.

Mail application and dues payment to: **Cape Fear Shag Club, PO Box 3762, Wilmington, NC 28406**. Alternately, bring completed application and dues payment to a regularly scheduled CFSC meeting.

Name: _____	Email Address: _____
Mailing Address: _____	City: _____
State _____	Birth _____
Zip: _____	Date: _____ Month: _____ Date: _____
Preferred Phone #: _____	Alternate Phone #: _____

The success of CFSC is directly tied to member participation and support. We ask each member to choose how you will support the club activities. Please place a check next to any committees you will work on and support.

<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Membership:</b> Assist in recruiting members, doing door duty at the meetings and social functions	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>SOS:</b> Assist in planning club SOS events, help with SOS card distribution.
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Social:</b> Assist in planning and organizing CFSC social events	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Special Concerns:</b> Member hospitality.
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Communication:</b> Contribute or gather articles, photographs, assist in layout and production, assist in contacting members via email or postal.	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Ways &amp; Means:</b> Assist in CFSC fundraising events.
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Music:</b> Assist in coordinating DJ's for events	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Hall of Fame:</b> Assist in recognizing individuals for their contribution to the Dance.
<input type="checkbox"/> <b>Historian:</b> Assist in keeping CFSC historical records	<input type="checkbox"/> <b>ByLaws:</b> Assist in maintaining organization rules.

None of the committee's appeal to you? Then please suggest putting your unique talents to use in some way we haven't thought of! What skills will you put to work for CFSC?

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