

Danville Shag Club



March and April 2023

MESSAGE PRESIDENT, NORA EATON

Hello Everyone,
I hope this letter finds each of you well and in anticipation of birds chirping and flowers blooming. We have truly been blessed with a mild winter. Fingers crossed it holds.

We are heading into March with all things good and prosperous with the Danville Shag Club. We had a record breaking Light Show at Ballou Park this year at Christmas. Looking to our future,

we will continue to dance at 2 Witches the first Thursday of each month. From 6 to 9 we have some good DJ's lined up; in March it was Dane Joyce, this was Dane's first time in Danville and he did a great job and kept the floor busy. In April, John Williford will be spinning the tunes. and our own Eldridge Meeler will be our DJ in May.

Mark your calenders on June 17, at 2 Witches from 2PM to 5:30 we will have our Membership re-up party with DJ George Dunn. May is the month for nominations for our new board and committee chairmen. Please contact Cathy Rutledge to join the board and make some new changes which will benefit us all.

If you have any suggestions on making our club better or stronger, we are always open to new ideas. Thank you so much for making our club so great. We as a unit can do anything.

Look forward to seeing you on the dance floor.

Nora

INSIDE THIS ISSUE

President's Message.....	1
Board Members Info.....	2
Member Spotlight.....	3 & 4
Birthdays.....	5
Prayers/Concern.....	6
Sympathy.....	6
Editors Note.....	7
VA Hall of Fame.....	8
Recipe.....	8
Event Photos.....	9/10
Sister Club Event.....	11

Officers of the Board

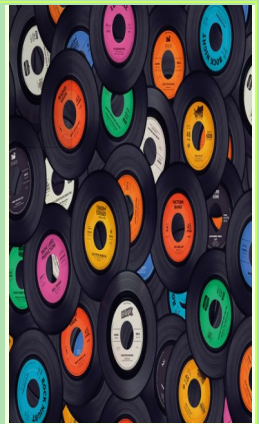
- President—Nora Eaton
- Vice President—Amy Bolen
- Secretary—Ann Hayden
- Treasurer—Bill Hayden

NEWSLETTER EDITOR:

Amy Bolen—
amyb32@gmail.com

BOARD MEMBER INFORMATION

Position	Name	Email
Officers of the Board		
President	Nora Eaton	neaton56@gmail.com
Vice President	Amy Bolen	amyb32@gmail.com
Secretary	Ann Hayden	ahayden55.ah@gmail.com
Treasurer	Bill Hayden	b.hayden@chatmossable.com
Committee Chairs		
Public Relations	Amy Bolen	amyb32@gmail.com
Membership	Dennis Rutledge	drutledge@womackelectric.com
Nominations	Cathy Rutledge	cathyrdh74@gmail.com
Historian	Amy Bolen	amyb32@gmail.com
Special Events	John & Janice Gilstrap	gilstrap@comcast.net
Telephone	Ernie Holcomb	peholcomb@bellsouth.net
Ways and Means	Jimmy Wilkerson	jwilk3@verizon.net
Past President	Sandra Strader	sstrader0207@comcast.net



Danville Shag Club
 P.O. Box 10478
 Danville, Va. 24543
 info@danvilleshag.com
 434-251-5574

Where Friends Meet to Enjoy the Lifestyle, Music and Dance.



Like us on Facebook → Danville Shag Club

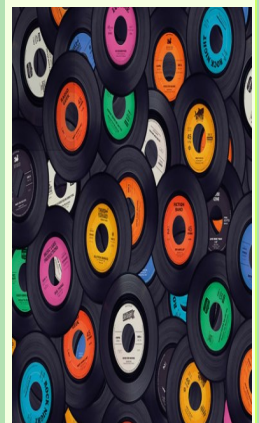


UPCOMING EVENTS

Date	Day	Place & Time	DJ
April 6th	Thursday	2 Witches 6:00 - 9:00PM	John Williford
May 4th	Thursday	2 Witches 6:00 - 9:00PM	Eldridge Meeler
June 17th <i>RE-UP Party</i>	Saturday	2 Witches 2:00PM to 5:30PM	George Dunn

114
Members

As of
02/08/2023





Dennis & Cathy Rutledge

Where were you born and lived?

Dennis: Born in Danville 1959...besides college (Blacksburg) and 2 years in Columbia SC....Danville has been home

Cathy: I was born in Danville. I have lived in Pittsylvania County my entire life.

Tell us about your Family:

Dennis: Parents from Worchester and Lowell Mass. Moved to Danville in 1952...started a family. I was the youngest Of 4....2 brothers and 1 sister. My Dad was a saint and My mom was entertaining. I guess that's why I am so lovable and funny. Divine intervention brought me to Cathy and her two children who needed me almost as much as I needed them. I now share the love of their five children and could not be more grateful.

Cathy: In 1986 a wonderful man walked into my life and changed everything. We were married in 1993 and we have a great life together. I have a son and daughter that both live in Danville and are married. I have four granddaughters and one grandson, ranging in ages 13 to 5. They play softball, dance, take gymnastics, and play T-Ball. My parents were wonderful loving people. They were always supportive of me and my brother and sister.

How long have you been shagging and how did you get started?

Dennis: Learned the College Bop in school and always loved beach music. I told my wife I would never be a good dancer but would at least try to learn to shag. Maybe shagging for 10 years.

Cathy: Ten years . We took lessons and got hooked.

Continued....



Continued from previous page...

Tell us a little bit about yourself:

Dennis: God didn't make me attractive or coordinated but gave me an innate ability to love people and find the good in almost everyone. I work hard, love working in my sales career, and cherish my family and friends.

Cathy: I graduated from Dan River High School. I attended Averett College for a year before going to Dental Hygiene School in Jamestown NC (near Greensboro) I received my Associate Degree in Dental Hygiene. Hygiene was my true calling because I really loved my profession. I retired in March 2021 after 47 years.

Tell us about your hobbies:

Dennis: I love to watch sports and reading history and politics. Travel and family are my focus as I head into retirement. Keeping Cathy happy is my goal.

Cathy: I love to work out, do yoga, read, shag, spend time with my grandchildren, watching them in their prospective activities. I do a few crafts. I enjoy spending time with friends and family. Traveling is a real passion, I love seeing new and interesting places.

Give us a Quote/Words you live by:

Dennis: The best things in life are the people we love, the places we have been, and the memories we create in our journey.

Cathy: Always live in the present and be thankful to God for all of his blessings.

Editors Note: Please let Nora or Amy know if you enjoy the Member Spotlight and would like to be a part of telling your story.



MARCH BIRTHDAYS

Suzanne Moore	March 6	Beth Galloway	March 16
Ron Russ	March 7	Rawley Bennett	March 21
Patsy Holcomb	March 10	Philip Motley	March 30
Jimmy Wilson	March 13		

APRIL BIRTHDAYS

Flo Smith	April 9	David Galloway	April 20
Doug Hudson	April 10	Rodney Pleasants	April 23
Terry Hogan	April 16	Debbie Watlington	April 29
Sue Ward	April 16	Philip Wells	April 29
John Gilstrap	April 19		

MAY BIRTHDAYS

Susie Bradley	May 3	Stephen Matthlery	May 18
Jim Fuquay	May 10	Janice Gilstrap	May 20
Richard Plaster	May 11	Ken Ashworth	May 31
Frank Mardavich	May 18		

SPECIAL NOTE:

Thank you for reaching out and providing your correct birthday information.

We sincerely apologize for the errors and hope we have it more accurate now. Thank you again for helping us keep this newsletter going and getting things right. Contact Dennis Rutledge to verify or update your membership information.
drutledge@womackelectric.com

THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Please continue to pray for our members and their families:

Jackie Farmer on his rotator cuff surgery. Is at home and doing well with healing and physical therapy.

Doug Keaton on his ankle/foot surgery in March.

Sandra Strader with her fight against cancer.

Amy Bolen's mother, Mary Collins who is fighting Stage 4 cancer.

John Gilstrap will be having knee surgery on March 21, 2023



SYMPATHY

The DSC family extend our Deepest Sympathy to:

The passing of Jim Fuquay's sister-in-law, Vickie Fuquay.

Roseanne Lloyd's mother passed in February.

Dennis Rutledge's brother passed in January after a long illness with ALS.



Assn. of Carolina Shag Clubs



Society of Stranders



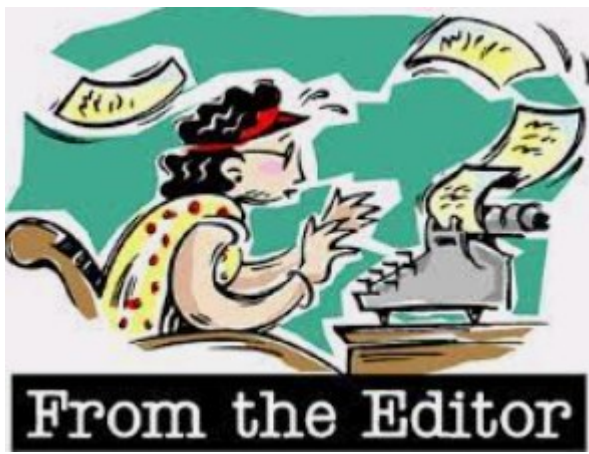
Beach Music



Danville Shag at Myrtle Bch



Fast Dancers



**NEWSLETTER
DEADLINE
IS
APRIL
21, 2023**

Hi Danville Shag Club members!

I hope this newsletter finds you well and your feet are often on that dance floor.

January and February are now gone. I attended the ASCS workshop in North Myrtle Beach, SC in January representing the Danville Shag Club. There were lots of conversation on how to “bring our Dance back” with new events and communications. Three SOS Board members were up for re-election and successfully elected again. They are Ronnie Gregory, Susan Harrell and Dwayne Baggett.

I’ll be looking for information to add to the May and June edition soon. If you have something exciting or even not-so-exciting, please send me an email at amyb32@gmail.com.

You’re missing some great Thursday night Shag events. We are missing you too! Please come and support this wonderful shag club.

Also support our sister shag club and their annual Mardi Gras event on March 25, 2023 from 7PM to Midnight. I’m attaching the flyer to the end of this newsletter.

Hope you are all having a great 2023 and I sure hope to see you on the dance floor very soon.

Deadline for May/June Newsletter is April 21st.

WE NEED YOU!

Send in your

articles,

prayers,

concerns,

recipes,

accolades,

celebrations, notes and

any pictures to

amyb32@gmail.com.

Amy B.

Congratulations
to
Linda Sayer
for being inducted to
the Virginia Shaggers
Hall of Fame!

Recipe!

From NORA EATON:

Easy Black Bean Dip

8 oz Block Cream Cheese

1 can Black Beans, drained and rinsed

1 jar salsa

8 oz package Mexican mix Cheese

Layer cream cheese, beans, salsa and top with cheese in 8 x 10 dish.

Thursday Nights!







Steppin' Out Shag Club



MARDI GRAS PARTY!

Saturday, March 25th 2023
7PM to Midnight

Reidsville Elk's Lodge
1014 Cypress Drive, Reidsville, NC

\$15.00 per person.
Includes Meal. Huge buffet provided
by our members.

Cash Only Bar

Beer and Wine = \$4.00

Mixed Drinks (House) = \$5.00

Specialty Drinks \$6 to \$10.00

Elks Lodge has all ABC permits and licenses to serve you.

Reserve a Table: Please call or email Steppin'
Out Shag Club President Doris Keaton to give a
head count and reserve a table for your shag club.

Doris Keaton: dkeaton@triad.rr.com or (336) 549-2582

Any and All Welcome!

* 50/50

• Chinese Auction

DJ: Rockin' Ron Russ



Accommodations:

Gill's Inn & Suites, 2100 Barnes St, Reidsville, 336-342-0341 (King \$79.48, Double \$89.02)

Ask for Shag Club rate when making reservation. Our Shag Club will provide transportation to and from Gill's.