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Hello Shaggers!!

Could you imagine what our world would look like if we didn't have folks that acted on their ideas?

I know that I can't and I am extremely thankful for our charter members who had enough foresight to desire a club where folks could gather for great fellowship, fun and especially a place where we could shag!

Brushy Mountain Shag Club has grown significantly from when the club was established back in 2003! What started with a few dedicated and committed shag members now boasts a membership of over 125 just eight years later! It is extremely pleasing to me, when we can go to out-of-state events and have representation such as we did at the Sparkle City Celebration last month! We had 22 members to attend this South Carolina event and were recognized as 2nd place winners for having the most members attend this party! The MESS group from Tennessee may have beat us slightly with 28-30 in attendance, but BMSC "sparkled" brightly! Everyone appeared to have a blast! Thanks BMSC....you are what this club is about and why we are growing stronger every day!

Don't forget that we have Fun Monday tickets for sale. We started with 100 tickets to sell thru our club and have just a few remaining! Great job to all of our members who helped sell the tickets! If you sell 20 tickets, you will get one ticket free! You could be the lucky winner of one of five drawings of \$7,500, \$2,000, \$1,000, \$500 or \$250. All you have to do is buy a ticket for the price of \$10. Your donation will help to support "Caring for Kids" charity and also benefit the SOS Charitable Foundation. Please visit www.shagdance.com for information on Fun Monday and the SOS Charitable Foundation for a full picture of where your money is going. The drawing will be on September 19, 2011, during fall SOS and you do not have to be present to win.

Happy 60 birthday to Becky Doran! Gary pulled off a terrific surprise party for Becky Friday night. "Genuine" Gene Hensley spun the tunes for a wonderful evening and many enjoyed a great meal prepared by the Elks Lodge. Becky took pleasure in the surprises and being in the company of great friends and of course, great music!

I hope you dance!

Pat Hicks



Revenue guy checks out petite nurse....



“A small body of determined spirits fired by an unquenchable faith in their mission can alter the course of history.”-- Mohandas Gandhi

Did you know?

That Lisa and Joe met at a beauty pageant?

It's not at all surprising that tall and good looking, "oh no....it's Joe" Samuel snagged petite and cheerful nurse Lisa! Joe, who hails from Mount Airy, took a job as a revenue officer with the NC Department of Revenue in Lexington after graduating from NC State. He joined the Lexington Jaycees and, being one of a handful of single members, was assigned a job as escort for a contestant in the Miss Lexington Pageant. Joe's escort was one of Lisa's close friends that she had encouraged to enter the pageant.

Still living at home in Lexington while attending Davidson County Community College, beautiful Lisa had reluctantly entered the pageant. "I told her that if she entered, I would," said Lisa. "Joe was her friend's escort!

"Lisa had a great personality, but I have to admit that the swimsuit competition was the clincher," said Joe. "She had me at **LEGS!** She finished as first runner-up, but she really won the big prize. **ME!**"

Joe was transferred to North Wilkesboro six weeks after they met, but continued to travel to Lexington on weekends. Lisa transferred to UNC-G where she received her Nursing degree and the two were married in 1977. They have two grown children, Jordan and Leigh, who are both married and live in the Raleigh area, and a nine-month old granddaughter, Natalie.

The Samuels' first experience with dance lessons was Western square and round dancing in the late 70's after Joe's vertigo caused him to give up his two favorite activities, tennis and volleyball. They were charter members of the Tory Oak Twirlers and were active members until their children's activities, particularly soccer, took over a large part of their lives. Joe was a soccer coach, referee and part-time sports reporter for the Journal-Patriot for 15 years. Lisa established and coached the Wilkes County's first all girls' travel soccer team almost 20 years ago.

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.....and their ideas began BMSC history



BIRTHDAYS



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NEWS

Comfort Thoughts

- Josh, Shirlene & Jacky Severt
- DJ Danny Kimrey
- Congrats to the Hausers on the birth of Chloe Alysse

Did you know?

That the Samuels first started dancing as a result of Joey's vertigo?

In 2000 friends Mike and Mary Southwell asked Joe and Lisa if they wanted to join them in taking shag lessons in Statesville. They were hooked from the first lesson and joined the Statesville Shag Club. Trying to get friends to travel to Statesville to take lessons proved difficult, so they began teaching lessons at the Wellness Center, the Wilkes YMCA and later at their church, St. Paul's Episcopal. The Bassment Jazz Club opened in downtown North Wilkesboro and to help promote attendance to this new establishment the Samuels approached the owner and encouraged him to offer a monthly shag dance. The Samuels suggested shag DJ's and a small group of faithful shag souls, the vast majority taught by Joe and Lisa, gathered downstairs at The Bassment Jazz Club (now known as Talia's) in August, 2003. After only two successful dances a small group voted to start the Brushy Mountain Shag Club. Based on the overwhelming attendance of local dancers and support from surrounding area dancers it was obvious that a larger facility was needed. The partnership with the North Wilkesboro Elk's Club was then established. Joe served as President for the first 2½ years and Lisa and Joe continued to offer Shag Lessons.

Joe and Lisa's favorite shag songs are "Getaway Car" by Hall & Oates and "Lady Soul" by the Temptation.

Joe retired in 2006 after 32 years with NCDR and Lisa retired in 2008 after working five years at New River Mental Health and 25 years teaching in the RN program at Wilkes Community College. She travels with her new job, with Joe in tow quite often, as a Regional Director with Hurst Review Services. Joe is Chairman of the Wilkes Library Board, a member of the Wilkesboro Town Planning Board and a mentor in the Communities in Schools. They spend five months in Linville Land Harbor, enjoying gardening, hiking, card playing and traveling.

(As a clarification to my initial description of Joe, as "oh no, it's Joe," this is a personal joke between Joe and myself stemming from my fear of dancing with him! With Lisa having moves as smooth as glass, I knew that I just couldn't compare! Look out Joe...it's time to conquer my fears--Judy)

BMSC Members Dance the Weekend Away at Sparkle City



SCHEDULE OF EVENTS - THROUGH OCTOBER 2011

Saturday, August 20	BMSC Summer Shagging	Elks Lodge N. Wilkesboro	8:00 - 11:00	DJ Steve Coley
Friday, August 26	North Tower \$10	Blackmon Theatre, MA	7:30 - 10:00	North Tower
Saturday, August 27	Statesville Summer Sizzler	Statesville VFW Post 2031	4:00 - 12:00	Deejays Gene Hensley & Sistare
Wednesday, August 31	Craig Woolard Band \$10	Blackmon Theatre, MA	7:30 - 10:00	Craig Woolard Band
Thursday, Sept 1	Band of Oz	Blackmon Theatre, MA	7:30 - 10:00	Band of Oz
Friday, September 2	Too Much Sylvia	Blackmon Theatre, MA	7:30 - 10:00	Too Much Sylvia
Friday, September 9	Statesville Shag Club	Statesville VFW Post 2031	8:00 - 11:30	DJ Danny Kimrey
Friday, September 9	The Fantastic Shakers	Blackmon Theatre, MA	7:30 - 10:00	Fantastic Shakers
Saturday, Sept 10	BMSC Autumn Shagging	Elks Lodge N. Wilkesboro	8:00 - 11:00	DJ Norman Mills
Fri-Sun., Sept 16-25	SOS Fall Migration	Myrtle Beach, SC		
Thursday, Sept 22	The Embers	Blackmon Theatre, MA	8:00 - 10:00	The Embers
Friday, Sept 23	Statesville Shag Club	Statesville VFW Post 2031	8:00 - 11:30	DJ Mike Worley
Saturday, Sept 24	Linville Land Harbor	Linville Recreation Bldg	7:30 - 11:00	
Saturday, October 1	Pajama Party	Boone Shag Club		DJ Gene Hensley
Friday, October 14	Statesville Shag Club	Statesville VFW Post 2031	8:00 - 11:30	DJ Roy Childress
Saturday, October 15	BMSC Shag or Treat	Elks Lodge N. Wilkesboro	8:00 - 11:00	DJ Gene Hensley
Fri-Sat., Oct 21-22	MESS Fall Bash	Johnson City, TN		
Friday, October 28	Statesville Shag Club	Statesville VFW Post 2031	8:00 - 11:30	DJ Gene Sistare
Saturday, October 29	Sandy Beach Shag Club	Morganton Elks Lodge	7:30 - 11:30	DJ Mac Mast

Don't Forget to Support Brushy Mountain Shag
 Membership - \$15
 Door Prizes Available - Support Area Shag Clubs - Bring those Yummy Desserts

Listen Up BMSC Shaggers!!!

If you are going to Fall SOS, please consider dancing for the Guinness record for shag dancing on September 24. The minimum number of people they need is 250, and the max is 2,000, so we're going for 2,000!! We'll all dance just the basic step. There will not be any fancy hotdog steps, everyone will be dancing the same. Join the fun, it is a 'once in a lifetime' dance! The dance is at the new Aquatics Complex, and a shuttle will take us there, so no problem! Please let me know as soon as possible if you want to dance, we need to get signed up Meet me with your white shirt and black pants on!