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President's Letter...Audrey Borja

So, as I write this letter we are coming to the end of 2023 and another year of fellowship, music and dancing. I hope that you all are well and looking forward to a healthy and festive season. With our Christmas celebration and the times together with family and friends it keeps us very busy.

We have had some good dance nights this year even though the attendance was meager, we have managed to stay a-float for which we are thankful. Recently a few



of our BBC members attended a dance at the Montpelier Center for Arts and Education with many of the Richmond and Colonial Shag club members. We had a nice evening dancing on a beautiful hardwood floor. It was good to get out of town and share time with other shaggers. Another event that some of us attended was at a Northern Virginia Shag Club (NVSC) member's home. The NVSC had a Wine Tasting gathering for their annual Capital Caring Fundraiser. It was so

good to see new and old friends for such a meaningful cause.

The BBC wine tasting outing as not yet occurred, but we still have it on our plans for the new year. As you all know we are aggressively looking for a new places to dance and to have more exposure to attract interest in our club. Over the years we have had over 100 members and we want to bring our membership up to the same level that we have enjoyed in the past.

While we are grateful to have the Moose Lodge in Fredericksburg to dance to the tunes of our exceptional local DJs we will continue to look for alternative venues. We will be trying some Breweries in the area in the new year to just see if they are a good fit for us.



We are not giving up our pursuit and will be happy when we have some other places to bring our spirit.

We will have our BBC Christmas potluck on December 13 when we will all bring our special dishes to share. We will have a little business meeting to review the state of the BBC and to announce our charity giving for the year. Also, we will recognize those members that have worked hard to support our various forms of dance and specifically our mission: to preserve the Carolina shag dance and to bring folks together for a good time among friends. We have so much to be thankful for and we want each of us to join in the good-medicine, healthful fun.

So as the year ends, embrace your strength, stay well, keep the spirit and be happy. And, of course, dance when you can~

May the good times roll!





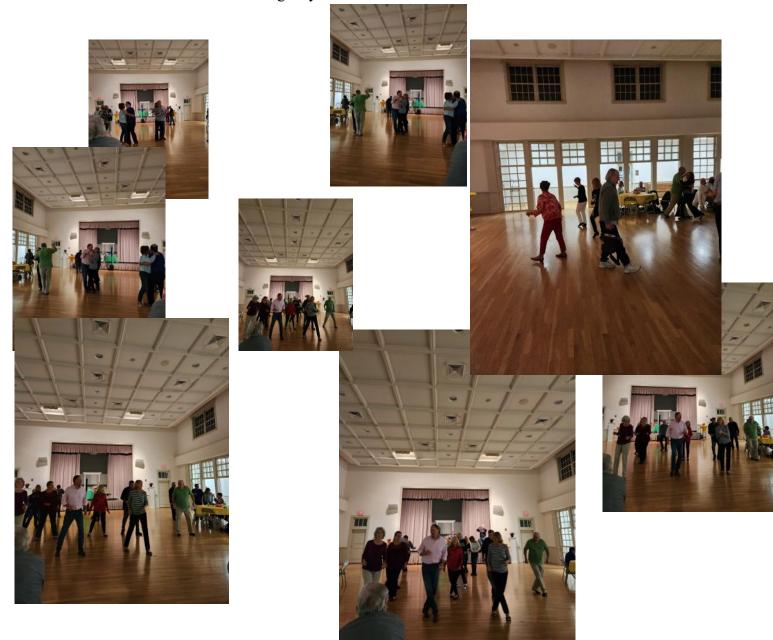






Montpelier Center for Arts and Education

We had a great time at the Montpelier Center for Arts and Education when several BBC members joined the Richmond and Colonial Shag Clubs for a dance and fellowship backed up by the DJ Brutte Vaughan. Way to go Brutte! The dancing was fancy stepping on a beautiful hardwood floor. The folks were so hospitable and inviting that our evening turned out to be well worth the drive to get there. Thanks to Wes Kirchner and Ron Lipps the careful and willing drivers that kept us all safe and sound on the ride. Just to remind you that BBC members should keep an eye out for places to dance in and around our area. You will be glad you did!



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Happy Feet Do Six Steps

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NOTE! Check your BBC weekly email communications for upcoming events. The dates posted below are proposed dates for dance lessons.

Beginner Steps for November

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BBC will REVIEW & Teach Basic Steps

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Dec Intermediate Steps for Dec Teach & Review of Pivot Step

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To be determined based on level of class improvement.

Those who would like to take more comprehensive dance basic steps or more advanced lessons, they are available through the dance instructors on a private basis.



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Battlefield Boogie Club

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In Myrtle Beach, shag dancing is as big of a draw now for tourists and locals alike as it was in the 1930s and '40s. Generations of dancers continue the traditional steps that many believe were born here in the strands of the Carolinas. The dance is commonly referred to as the Carolina Shag, and in South Carolina's culture its roots run deeper than those on a palmetto tree.



As the official "State Dance" of South Carolina, the shag is a relatively simple dance though it can be altered to present a very complex choreography. In its simplest form, it consists of a shuffle that is performed in eight-beats. Dancers count their movements "one-and-two; three-and-four; five, six" with "and" being a distinct step. Veteran dancers regularly embellish these steps with twirds, twists and other whimsical movements as they gracefully swirl around the floor—usually hand-in-hand.

Music choice is an important element for the shag just as it is with any other dance. "Beach music" is the soul of shag dancing. Many describe it as a lifestyle—the type of music that conjures up images of the ocean, driving in a convertible, and relaxing on sunny days. Beach music is derived from R&B hits from the '40s and '50s and many local radio stations are dedicated to this genre. Serious shaggers will refer novices to standards such as "Summertime's Calling Me" by The Catalinas, or "Carolina Girls" performed by Chairmen of the Board. The Tams, Temptations, and Isley Brothers have also had hits that are popular with shaggers. Now other music

genres such as country and rock are lending their sounds to create the backbone beat for the dance. Most other dances simply move to the beat that was recorded, but for the shag, DJs will speed up or slow down a track to the requisite 120 beats per minute.

Myrtle Beach is home to a number of shag clubs and shaggers from across the U.S. who come here to compete in dance-offs. Go ahead and give it a whirl. And who knows? You may soon be back to the Grand Strand for your new love of shagging. *****

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The basic shag is counted: "One-And-Two, Three-And-Four, Five, Six." Each word represents a step. Imagine six blocks on the floor the length of your foot, then follow these directions. The male steps are represented below. The female steps are exactly the opposite.

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LOGO ITEMS

BBC logo items are on sale every Wednesday night and through e-mail. Don Borja can be reached through his e-mail (ledgestonemanor@aol.com) and Dennis Bushor on Wednesday nights. They are our BBC member representatives for logo sales. Please support your club while getting quality merchandise at reasonable prices. We recently added shoe bags to our inventory. So, if you don't have these items, check them out and plan to get one of each.

Weather Emergencies!

Watch your Bugle Call emails for weather emergency notices.

We try to be cautious in coming out to dance. Lets think safety! Thank You!

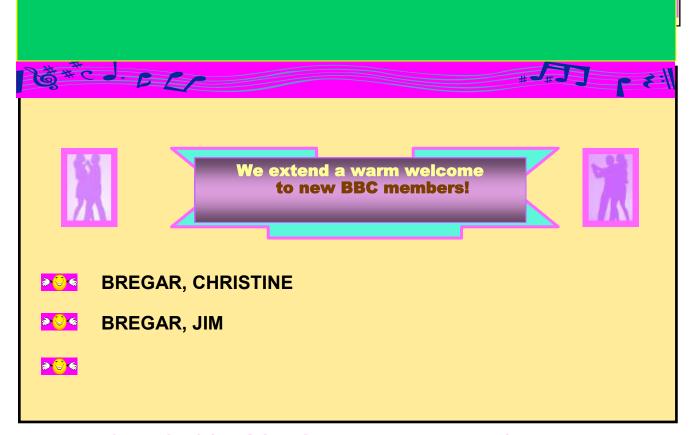
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