

President's Message

Surely you realize by now that I am a real proponent for Friday nights supporting themselves leaving the balance of our finances for other things. We managed through a cold, flu filled January of low attendance to a February and March of improved attendance that has more than balanced the scale. Maybe, just maybe we have moved from the long, lingering winter to a spring promising warmer days and many fun options. I hope so because four of our most enjoyable events happen in the next three months. Plan to participate!

1. **IRS Dance – I'd Rather Shag Than Pay Taxes-** With DJ Mike Harding, Kay's famous Chinese Raffle, Dennis's 50/50 and heavy hors d'oeuvres this BYOB event on **Saturday, April 14th, 7-11 PM** at the Pepsi Building will be the best \$10 you have spent in a while. Don't miss this one.
2. **SOS – April 20-29** at North Myrtle. Join many of your club members and distant friends as we enjoy another ten days of sun, surf and shagging good times around the streets of Main and Ocean Drive. Need your SOS card? See Mark. He has a few left.
3. **Ninth Annual DSC Charity Golf Tournament – Friday, May 18 at Goodyear Golf Club.** The tournament actually starts months earlier with club volunteers soliciting donations from Danville and the surrounding area, preparing lunch on game day and enjoying one of the best kept secrets of the shag club year. *The secret* is the fun spent together on that Friday! Oh indeed, if you have not joined us on this day in the past you have missed a terrific time. Contact our Ways & Means Chair and Tournament Director, Dennis Rutledge. Simple say, "I want to help."

We need Chinese Raffle items for both the IRS Dance and the charity golf tournament. Please donate. Kay does wonders with it all. Call us for pickup or better, bring it this Friday, April 6th on shag night.

4. **Last week of June.** This will be an important week for our club. On **Tuesday, June 26** we will hold our Annual Membership Meeting. Two big items are on the agenda. Sandra Strader is chairing a committee of four to consider updates and changes to the club bylaws. The changes will be voted on at this meeting. You will receive these suggested changes thirty days before and as a member you have the right to vote on their acceptance. The elections of board positions will occur on this night, as well. All positions are open and I encourage you to consider one. If you have never served, chairing a committee initially may give you the experience to be an officer in the near future. Contact our Nominations Chair, Porchia Merricks, with questions. Your involvement can bring new, refreshing ideas to the table. On **Saturday, June 30** we have planned our **Annual Re-Up Party**. It will be held again at 2 Witches. Details are forthcoming but with Membership Chair, Cathy Rutledge, spearheading things you can bet on another special evening. Mark it down!

The Tip of the Hat this month goes to a gentleman who had great impact within our club and throughout the shag world. We are 135 members strong and close, like family and feel the void left with the passing of one of our own. George Hundley was a long-time club member, a former club officer, a favorite DJ and like many of us, a late-night SOS ice cream junkie but most of all he was an inviting, enlightening friend with a grand smile, a strong handshake and a magnetic personality. George never met a stranger. He will be missed. Please keep Dorothy in your prayers.

See you on the dance floor. Ernie