



P. O. Box 53214 – Fayetteville, NC 28305

Hi there FASA Members. Here is your FASA Monthly News for January 2025. Happy New Year!

1. FASA MEMBERSHIP MEETING:

The next FASA Monthly Membership Meeting is Tuesday, January 14th, 6:30 pm, at the Elks Lodge. Please mark your calendars and plan to attend so we have a quorum!

After the meeting we will continue socializing at Mi Casita on Ramsey Street. Please join us for dinner, snacks and/or a drink.

The Minutes of the December 2024 Monthly Membership Meeting are attached. Please review the minutes prior to the meeting so you are prepared to make a motion to amend the minutes if you find an error or to approve the minutes as they are written.

2. 2025 FASA BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND CHAIRPERSONS:

FASA Board of Directors 2025	
President	Andy Privette
Vice President	Leslie Dumas
Recording Secretary	Peggy Perry
Corresponding Secretary	Penny Council

Treasurer	Beverly Hobgood
Sergeant at Arms	Chuck Herington
FASA Chairpersons 2025	
DJ's	Beverly Hobgood
Membership	Vacant
Phone Tree	Dwayne Baggett
SOS Cards	Beverly Hobgood
Website/Publicity	Kathi Baloyot

3. FASA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE:

Here we go again. Another year of organizing, eating, dancing, and generally working hard and having fun. I would like to thank those who agreed to serve on the board this year and in advance, those who will be willing to serve as committee chairs and help with parties, covering the door, decorating, providing food, etc. The club depends on all of us to pitch in a little.

This coming party will be the first opportunity to renew your membership or join. Annual dues are \$30.00 and someone at the check-in table will be happy to take your information and provide you a new membership card for this year. In the past years those who joined or renewed were not charged for attending the January party; to be discussed at this coming board meeting.

Also there are \$40.00 SOS cards available that you will need for all the coming North Myrtle Beach events in January, April, and September.

I look forward to serving as your 2025 president and seeing old friends and new faces. I will be absent for this first party but hope to see you all in February.

Happy New Year, *Andy Privette*

4. MEMBERSHIP:

It's "Re-Up" time, meaning it's time to renew your membership in FASA. A FASA member will be on hand at meetings and parties to accept your **cash or check** in the amount of \$30 for your 2025 dues.

Per FASA By-Laws (approved 9/12/2023):

ARTICLE 4. MEMBERS

SECTION 2. Club dues shall be \$30 per person per year, due and payable no later than January 31 each year. Applicants who join August 1st or later in the year will pay \$20 in dues.

5. PRAYERS, THOUGHTS AND CONCERN FOR:

- The family and friends of Dawn Carr who passed away on December 4th. We especially extend our sincere condolences to Dawn's longtime partner, David Sessoms, who provided her with wonderful care in the past years as she faced many medical challenges. Dawn was a longtime and very active FASA member. She was also a member of the Fayetteville Area Shag Association Hall of Fame and served on the Perpetual Board of Directors as Recording Secretary since its inception. Dawn's

obituary: <https://www.echovita.com/us/obituaries/n/c/fayetteville/dawn-carr-18977290>

- The family and friends of Maurice Robertson who passed away on December 27th. Maurice was a longtime FASA Member. His loving partner, Virginia “Ginny” Powers, passed away a few months before Maurice. No funeral arrangements are made at this time. Maurice’s

obituary: <https://www.cityviewnc.com/stories/maurice-b-robertson/>

6. FROM FASA MEMBER DAVID SESSOMS:

To all of our FASA friends,

I want to thank you for all the calls, texts, emails, and other contacts that I have received since Dawn passed away. Especially a big thank you to those of you who came to her memorial service on December 9th, it meant a lot to me and also to her family to know how much she was loved.

Dawn was one of the founding members of FASA and one of the best dancers to come out of the Fayetteville area. She could follow any male dancer and always made her dance partner look better. I’m living proof of that, when I was dancing with Dawn even I occasionally got compliments on my shagging. While Dawn had been fast-dancing/shagging since her early teens, I didn’t learn until

being assigned to Fort Bragg in 1986 and taking shag lessons from Don Bunn. Of course my main reason for taking lessons, after meeting Dawn, was so that hopefully I could get to dance with her at some point. I heard female shaggers watching her on the dance floor with O.B. Knowles, Chip Brantley and others, say that they wish they had such a smooth and graceful basic.

While we haven't been active in FASA since Covid hit in early 2020, we have missed dancing and all of our friends tremendously. Unfortunately, several other medical issues kept us from getting back on the dance floor, Dawn with a series of illnesses and a broken leg after a fall at one point, and I started having problems with my balance. But we frequently talked about hopefully being able to see our friends and get back on the dancefloor, but that was not to be.

FASA and all of her friends here and at the beach meant a lot to her.

Once again, thank you for your support at this difficult time.

David Sessoms
Dawn's shag partner
Dawn's Uber driver
Dawn's occasional chef
Dawn's gopher

Dawn’s adult supervision
 And she was my best friend

7. FASA 2025 CALENDAR OF EVENTS:

The scheduling of parties and DJs for 2025 has not been finalized. The “FASA Calendar of Events 2025” will be updated as plans are completed.

FASA CALENDAR OF EVENTS 2025					
JANUARY		FEBRUARY		MARCH	
14	Membership Meeting	11	Membership Meeting	11	Membership Meeting
25	FASA Party-Hosts: DJ David Pendergraft		FASA Party-Hosts: DJ Brooke Briscoe		FASA Party-Hosts:
APRIL		MAY		JUNE	
8	Membership Meeting	13	Membership Meeting	10	Membership Meeting
	FASA Party-Hosts: DJ		FASA Party-Hosts: DJ		FASA Party-Hosts: DJ
JULY		AUGUST		SEPTEMBER	
8	Membership Meeting	12	Membership Meeting	9	Membership Meeting
	FASA Party-Hosts: DJ		FASA Party-Hosts: DJ		FASA Party- Hosts: DJ
OCTOBER		NOVEMBER		DECEMBER	
14	Membership Meeting	11	Membership Meeting	9	Membership Meeting
	FASA Party-Hosts: DJ		FASA Party-Hosts: DJ		FASA Party-Hosts: DJ

8. FASA JANUARY PARTY:



Saturday—January 25th—7 to 10:30 pm
DJ David Pendergraft
Members \$10—Guests \$15
Cash Bar Available—Refreshments Served
Fayetteville Elks Lodge
3269 Gables Drive, Fayetteville, NC 28311
Please bring a dessert to share!



Happy New Year, FASA!

Renew Your Membership for 2025! Only \$30!
Annual dues are payable by cash or check by January 31st at the
membership meeting or party.

“Like” and “Follow” us on Facebook: “Fayetteville Area Shag Association”



Our Website: www.fasadance.com

9. DECEMBER PARTY THANKS:

A special and grateful thank you to FASA Member Dwayne Baggett, owner of “Shag Life”, for generously sponsoring our wonderful Christmas Party. The catering company,

Kinlaw's, served some delicious food. DJ Ken Jones played some fantastic music and Peggy Perry decked the halls with lovely table decorations. Thank you to FASA members who provided desserts! It was a great celebration of the season.

Thanks also to FASA members and guests who brought toys for disadvantaged children to make their Christmas brighter.

10. HAPPY JANUARY BIRTHDAYS TO:

A belated birthday to longtime FASA member Nancy Duggins who celebrated her landmark "80th" birthday on December 4th! Best wishes for continued health and happiness!

3	Pat Trujillo
13	Ann Searcy
16	Peggy Perry
25	Peggy McLamb
25	Andy Privette

11. CAROLINA SHAG LESSONS:

FASA Member Peggy McLamb began teaching Shag Lessons at Hope Mills Recreation Center in December. She asks all FASA members to support the class by attending the lessons. She especially hopes some of our male

shaggers will attend and become “SCUDs”. That acronym stands for “Shag Class Utility Dancer”. It means you serve as a dance partner for the ladies who are taking the class without a regular partner. Let’s lend a helping hand to Peggy and have lots of fun!



Hope Mills Parks and Recreation

5766 Rockfish Rd. Hope Mills, NC 28348 910-426-4109



CAROLINA SHAG DANCE

AGES: 18 & UP MONDAYS, 7:15-8:15 PM

**Per month:
\$20 - residents
\$25 - non-residents**

**Dec. 30-Jan. 27, 2025*
*no class January 15
February 3-24, 2025
March 3-24, 2025**

Do you love beach music? Have you always wanted to learn how to Shag? The Carolina Shag is a casual, fun dance that anyone can learn. You do not have to have a partner to register; singles & couples are welcome! Advanced registration is required.

For more info. & to register: www.townofhopemills.com

Peggy is also our club's Line Dance Queen. She teaches at the Hope Mills Recreation Center. Here is the link for 2024 classes. Hopefully it will be updated for 2025 very soon: <https://www.townofhopemills.com/499/Line-Dance-for-Fun>

12. UPCOMING SHAG EVENTS:

Shag Club Parties are listed by month on this shagdance.com link: <http://shagdance.com/clubparties.htm>

13. ASSOCIATION OF CAROLINA SHAG CLUBS (ACSC) AND SOCIETY OF STRANDERS (SOS):

The cost of SOS (Society of Stranders) Cards will increase from \$35 to \$45 per person for 2025 if purchased at an SOS event. If purchased from FASA, at a Membership Meeting or Party, the price is \$40. This is the first price increase in 33 years.

Beverly Hobgood has acquired 2025 SOS Cards and is ready to sell them to you!

14. REMINDER:

The FASA website www.fasadance.com. If you need to contact a FASA Officer or Committee Chairperson, their phone numbers are available on the website under the Tab "Officers,

Chairpersons”. Please FOLLOW and LINK the FASA Facebook page!

<https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100073049688473>

15. ENJOY THE HOLIDAY:



16. P.S. If you have news that you would like included in the FASA News Email, please let me know.

Kathi Baloyot

Publicity Chairperson / Webmaster