Palmetto Shag Club Newsletter
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Home of Southern Comfort

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PRESIDENT'S CORNER

As we come closer to ending our calendar year, we have a lot to be thankful for. First of all, we have maintained and increased membership for the past two years which is extraordinary considering most clubs are experiencing decreases. We are also selling out our big parties early and in some cases having to create a waiting list, this is due to the effort and quality our team members put into our events.

Our next Club Party will be the Christmas Party with Furman Dominick and Billy Fanning playing your favorite tunes. This event will held on December 5, 2026 at the Barn off of I-26 and the Airport exit. A lot will be going on at this party since we will be holding an election for new Club officers that will be taking over January 1, 2027. I ask that you support this new administration in any way you can. Your support, attendance, and effort is what makes Palmetto Shag Club one of the best in the Association of Carolina Shag Clubs.

Our New Year's Party is filling up fast, so get your money in as quick as you can if you plan on attending. DJ John Smith will be spinning your favorite tunes and keeping the dance floor full, so don't miss out.

Palmetto Shag Club's Thursday shooter party at Fall Migration was a huge success. We had unlimited servings for our members as long as no one showed signs of being over served and we were gracious to any visitor that showed interest in our party, but attempted to hold them to one serving. You never know who we may be our next new member.

Also, a reminder that our flyer for next year's Southern Comfort Party is out. Let us know if you plan to come. As always it will be a sell out.

Billy Fanning, President

Palmetto Shag Club

Home for the Holidays

December 5th

DJ's Furman Dominick & Billy Fanning

The Barn

680 Cherokee Ln #3501
West Columbia, SC 29169

General Membership Meeting 6:30pm
Party: 7:00—10:00pm
Open Bar

Meal: Smoked Turkey and Ham, Marcaroni & Cheese, Dressing & Gravy, Green Beans and Dessert

MEAL WILL ONLY BE SERVED FROM 7—8 pm due to SCDHEC Food safety concerns

Come & Enjoy

PALMETTO SHAG CLUB 2027 NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

October 04, 2026

The PSC Nominating Committee members, Novelene Powell (chair), Danny Crews, Tony Cromer, Susan Hyde, and David Stout, hereby submit the proposed slate of candidates for 2027 to be voted upon at the Annual Christmas Party Business Meeting on December 5, 2026:

POSITION:CANDIDATE
President: Stephen Robinson
Vice President: Clark Thomas
Secretary: Susan Martin
Treasurer: Cecil Martin

Directors at Large
inda Fanning
Butch Smith
Wade Wolverton

Bio's for the 2027 Board Slate



Candidate for President Stephen Robinson

Hello, I am Stephen Robinson and requesting your support for the position of President of the Palmetto Shag Club. My wife Sherry and I have been members of PSC for 8 years. During that time, I have served PSC as your Sergeant at Arms, as a Director at large, and now currently serving as the Club Vice President. During my previous four years I have been involved in the design and construction of the PSC SOS Floats and as the Chairman of the Southern Comfort Pool Parties. Professionally, I was a Senior USAF Officer (25 yrs) and Vice President of Truist Bank/Insurance/Risk Management Division (20 yrs). Common sense management coupled with sound financial decisions will continue our Palmetto Shag Club success. If selected, I will look forward to serving the Club as a dedicated and involved Leader, a Club Representative and a Good Will Ambassador. I am looking forward to serving our members and the Club in 2027.



Candidate for Vice President Clark Thomas

Hi, I'm Clark Thomas, and I'm seeking the position of Vice President of the Palmetto Shag Club. I've been a member of PSC for nine years and currently serve on the Board as a Director. I graduated from the University of South Carolina with a degree in Engineering and retired three years ago after a career in industrial automation and electrical equipment. My wife, Laura, and I have three children, all of whom are pursuing their own careers. If elected Vice President, I will work hard to support our club, build on its successes, and help ensure that PSC continues to be a place where we can enjoy great shag dancing, good friends, and plenty of good times together. I appreciate your support and look forward to helping make the Palmetto Shag Club even better!



Candidate for Secretary
Susan Martin

Hi, I am Susan Martin and I am seeking the office of Secretary. I have been a member of PSC in good standing for 20 years, and served as Secretary in 2012, 2025 and 2026, VP in 2013 & 2014, President in 2015, 2016, 2019& 2020 and Immediate Past President in 2017, 2018, 2021 & 2022 and Director at large in 2023 & 2024. I am a graduate of USC with a BS in Chemical Engineering. I retired after 30 years as a Technical Planning nd Business Manager at the Savannah River Site and 3 years of nuclear facilities business consulting in Canada and England. Cecil and I have 2 sons and a daughter, one grandson and 4 granddaughters. I am a member of Riverland Hills Baptist Church. I will work hard as your Secretary to continue to support the fun for everyone.



Candidate for Treasurer
Cecil Martin

I am Cecil Martin and I am running for the position of Treasurer for Palmetto Shag Club. I grew up in Columbia and moved back here in November 2005 after living in Raleigh, NC for over 20 years. I have been a member of PSC in good standing for the past 20 years and served as your Treasurer in 2011, 2025 & 2026 and your President in 2013 & 2014. I have also served as the Treasurer of the ACSC since 2017. I am a graduate of USC with a BS in Engineering and a MBA. I retired after over 35 years in the electronics industry, owning a manufacutere's representative company for electronic components in Raleigh, N.C. and serving the souteast for 18 years. Susan and I have 2 sons and a daughter, one grandson and 4 granddaughters. I am a member of Riverland Hills Baptist Church. I believe I am well qualified and wourl be happy to serve again as the Treasurer for Palmetto Shag Club.



Candidate for Board of Directors
Linda Fanning

I am Linda Fanning and seeking to continue as a Director at Large for the next year. I have been a member of the Club for 26 years. I have served the Club as your Secretary as well as having worked diligently on Decorations, Food, Door, and Chinese Auctions activities for the Club. I have chaired most of these activities over the years. As a member of ten different Shag Clubs, I recognize the effectiveness of good leadership and how it can guide a club to success. Since my husband and I travel frequently to other Shag Club events, I am also able to bring back good practices that I see for our Club from those travels. I am married to Billy Fanning and we have a son and daughter, as well as 5 Grands and 3 Great Grands. We are members of Pomaria Luthern Church. My husband and I have always worked hard for the club and will continue to do so.



Candidate for Board of Directors Butch Smith

My name is Butch Smith. My wife, Jenni, and I have been dancing together since our dating days starting in 1976. We have been members of PSC for the last 10 years. We have loved the camaraderie and friendships we have gained by being a part of the shag community. I have been employed with Epting Distributors as the Technical Service Advisor for 37 years. Jenni and I have two sons and are the happy grandparents to four grandchildren and a new granddaughter coming soon. When we're not dancing, I enjoy spending time with our family and also spending time in my woodworking shop. I have served as Vice President, President, and Past President for the Club. I am looking forward to being a Director at Large and will work hard to continue promoting PSC and our wonderful state dance.



Candidate for Board of Directors Wade Wolverton

Hi I am Wade Wolverton. I am a native of Lexington County and I have lived in Pelion for 30 years. I studied computers and business administration in school and have a BA from the University of South Carolina. I have worked in various IT positions for over 30 years and currently work for a local HVAC controls company. I have experience working and volunteering for two shag clubs. I have been a member of the Palmetto Shag club for approximately 5 years. I also play and collect guitars in my spare time and I always has some sort of construction project going on.

Welcome our New Members in October

MARIA BOLTIN-ZIDLICK
PAM BUSSERT
MIKE GREENE
BRAIN GRANT
JENNIFER GRANT
BEVERLY HALLMAN
CHUCK HALLMAN

Palmetto Shag Club and Capital City Shag Club's Dancing Together

November
Thursday, Nov 5 - DJ Mark Swygert
Thursday, Nov 12- DJ Barney Mims
Wednesday, Nov 18- DJ Billy Fanning
Thursday, Nov 26- No Dancing due to Thanksgiving

December
Thursday, Dec 3 - DJ Barney Mims
Thursday, Dec 10- DJ Billy Fanning
Wednesday, Dec 15- DJ Mark Swygert
NO Dancing due to Christmas Holidays

Chicken will be provided. Bring your favorite Dish or donate to the Green Box
VFW Lexington — 424 Cedarcrest Drive
Doors Open at 6:30p

NEW YEAR'S EVE 2026
CHEERS TO THE NEW YEAR - 2027



PARK & PARTY - DOUBLE TREE COLUMBIA
HOSTED BY PALMETTO SHAG CLUB

December 31, 2026

DJ John Smith

Double Tree Columbia - 2100 Bush River Rd, Columbia, SC 29210 - Bush River Road at I-20 Room Rates $110 - Book Online at https://bit.ly/nyeparty2026 or call 1-866-247-3572 and reference group code:931. Reduced Hotel Room Rate ends on November 30, 2026 or when they run out. suites are available at an additional cost.
New Year's Day Full Cooked Breakfast is served from 7 - 10 am for Hotel Guests.

Mangers Reception from 5- 7 pm in Lower Lobby includes Adult Beverages and Appetizers.

Ballroom Doors open at 7:00 pm

Dinner Served at 8:00 - 9:00pm

Garden Salad, Sliced Roast Beef with Bordelaise, Herbed Baked Breast in Lemon Sauce, Sour Crewm and Scallion Smashed Potatoes, Blend of Vegetables, Rolls, Chef's Dessert, Ice tea and Water Service.



Champagne Toast at Midnight
Cash Bar

$60 per Person



New Year's Eve Park & Party
All reservations must be received no later than December 20, 2026 or before Sell out
Make checks payable to Palmetto Shag Club and Mail to: Palmetto Shag Club
P. O. Box 7232 Columbia, S.C. 29202
or process on-line at www.palmettoshagclub.com using a Credit Card or PayPal

Name(s): _____ Amt. Enclosed: _____

Address: _____ City:_____ State: ___ Zip: _____

Phone :_____Email:_____ ACSC SHAG CLUB_____

Confirmation by Email NO ONE UNDER 21 ADMITTED No Refunds

Southern Comfort 29 Park & Party

Columbia, S.C.

May 27 - 30, 2027

Hosted by Palmetto Shag Club

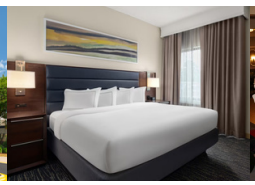
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$125 per person

Come Cruise with Us





Double Tree by Hilton 2100 Bush River Rd, Columbia, SC 29210. Bush River Rd at I-20 Room Rate: $125 Book online at https://bit.ly/socom29 or call 1-866-247-3572 and referencing group code: 91A. Reduced Hotel Room Rate ends on April 29, 2027 or when rooms run out. Spacious Ballroom with Professional Dance Floor.

THURSDAY May 27 Pre-Party



Congaree Ballroom
6:00pm - 8:00pm Registration
7:00pm - 10:00pm DJ Keith Williamson

FRIDAY May 28

7:00am—10:30am Buffet breakfast for Hotel Guests
2:00pm—9:00pm Registration

Lexington Hospitality Suite
4:00pm—6:00pm DJ Gene Hensley

NATIONAL FASTDANCE ASSOCIATION MEMBER

Congaree Ballroom
6:00pm— 9:00pm DJ Billy Fanning

9:00pm Charlie Womble & Jackie McGee Spotlight Dance

9:00pm—Mid-Night DJ Buck Crumpton

SATURDAY May 29

8:00am - 10:30am Buffet breakfast for Hotel Guests
10:00 am—1 pm and 4:00 pm— 9:00pm Registration



Pool Party
Noon — 3:00pm DJ Furman Dominick
1:00 pm—2:00pm Complimentary Beer & Wine

Lexington Hospitality Suite
4:00pm - 6:00pm DJ Skip Mallios

Congaree Ballroom
10:00am - 1:00pm DJ Mark Swygert
10:00am - 11:00am Line Dance with Brenda Taylor
11:00am - Noon Shag Workshop with *Charlie Womble & Jackie McGee*
12 Noon - 1:00pm Open Dance
6:00pm— 9:00pm DJ Frank Price
7:00pm - 8:00pm Buffet Dinner Served at Ballroom
9:00pm Juniors Dance for Dollars
9:00pm - Close DJ John Smith

SUNDAY May 30

8:00 am - 10:30 am Buffet breakfast for Hotel Guests



Super Hospitality Suite

Dance Floor — Open Bar
Heavy hors d'oeuvres Friday
Bar Snacks on Saturday

Our Fabulous Pool Party

Line Dance Lessons with Brenda Taylor

Shag Workshop with Charlie Womble & Jackie McGee

50/50 & Auction

Fabulous Vendors



$125/ person
Reserved Tables of 10 are available for more info contact Susan Martin at susan.martin956@gmail.com or call (803) 609-8170

Make checks payable to Palmetto Shag Club and Mail to: Palmetto Shag Club, P. O. Box 7232, Columbia, S.C. 29202 or process on-line at www.palmettoshagclub.com using a Credit Card or PayPal

Name _____ Amt. Enclosed: _____

Address: _____City:_____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____ Shag Club _____

Confirmation by Email No One under 21 No Refunds—Name Changes Allowed



It's Time to Re-up or Join for another wonderful membership year.

Benefits of PSC Membership in 2026/2027

Free entrance to our **4 Regular Parties.** These parties include great DJ's, wonderful decorations, club sponsored food an open bar and the best of all.... All of your PSC Friends

1. **Re-up Party — August 1, 2026— DJ Keith Williamson**
2. **Christmas Party — December 5, 2026— DJ Furman Dominick & DJ Billy Fanning**
3. **Winter Party — February 20, 2027 — DJ TBD**
4. **Membership Appreciation — April 3, 2027 — DJ TBD**

- The **PSC Long Island Ice Tea and White Russian Party** at Spring SOS and Fall SOS at OD Arcade.
- Entrance to our **DJ Marathon** that includes great DJ's and club sponsored food at the Lexington VFW. We request a $5 donation for our sponsored Charity.
- A Club sponsored **New Year's Eve Party at Double Tree by Hilton** which includes DJ John Smith, heavy hor d'oeuvres, Champaign toast and a cash bar. More Info will be provided later on this event and cost for the Party. The Double Tree will also be providing a Managers Reception and a wonderful breakfast.
- Our Weekly Dancing together opportunities with Capital City Shag Club at the Lexington VFW with Club sponsored Fried Chicken.
- The Bi-monthly Palmetto Shag Club Newsletters to keep you informed about upcoming events and other items of interest in the Shag World.
- PSC Shag Notes—email provides you real time information about Shag opportunities that are available.
- $5 discount on SOS Cards each year.
- The Club will also sponsor our Annual Southern Comfort Party

SOUTHERN COMFORT 29

Double Tree by Hilton Hotel

May 28—30, 2027

More Info to Come

WOW!!! DOESN'T THIS SOUND LIKE A LOT OF FUN...

So Now... It's time for you to either Re-up your membership or Join Us as a New Member. We would love to have you join in the Fun!

Palmetto Shag Club Membership Application

$60 **2026-2027**

Per person for One Year Membership or Renewal

Payable to Palmetto Shag Club
P. O. Box 7232, Columbia, SC 29202
(Membership Year August 1, 2026—July 31, 2027

New Member ☐ Renewal ☐ Cash ☐ Check # ☐

First Name #1 **Last Name**

First Name #2 **Last Name**

Street Address

City **State** **Zip Code**

Primary Phone #1 **Secondary Phone** **Birthday (mm/dd)**

Primary Phone #2 **Secondary Phone** **Birthday (mm/dd)**

Email Address #1 **Email Address #2**

We encourage each member to participate in the preparation and/or clean-up of at least one club party during the year and serve on one or more of the following committees.

Please Select:
☐ Decorations ☐ Door ☐ Dance Floor
☐ Food Service ☐ Southern Comfort ☐ Split Pot

NOTICE: Membership in PSC shall be extended to persons who are dedicated to the preservation of the shag and the music associated with it and who conduct themselves with appropriate social demeanor.

Signature #1 **Date**

Signature #2 **Date**

Membership Dues:
☐ **1 New Member $60** ☐ **1 Renewal $60**
☐ **2 New Members $120** ☐ **2 Renewals $120**

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PSC Shag Notes
Keeping you Informed

Shag Notes are emailed to our member's Weekly to the email addresses you provide on your membership application. I youare not receiving Shag Notes or want to provide information for the publication contact: Susan Martin at 803-609-8170 or Susan.martin956@gmail.com .

Don't forget to Wear your Name Tags to all PSC Shagging Events. It's a Great way to get to know each other.

2026 PSC Board

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2026 PSC Committee Chairs

Communications: Susan Martin
Webmaster: Cecil Martin
Membership: Judy Cartwright, Sandy McKellar and Jody Pittman
Decorations: Linda Fanning
Food: Margaret Cromer
Bar: Stephen Robinson & Butch Smith
Split Pot: Clark Thomas
Dance Floor: Cecil Martin & Billy Fanning
Financial Review: Susan Hyde
By-Laws: TBD



November

3 Eva O"Brian
5 Vana Dabney
Dan Hoffman
Ron Pugh
9 Mike Greene
12 Nancy Corbett
Annette Martin
14 Vivian Davis
15 Cecil Martin
16 Vickie Heyward
17 Jennifer Grant
22 Diane Branham
24 Keith Williamson
25 Pauline Ballenger
27 Donna Humphries
28 Karen Cheatham
29 Michele Jent

December

2 Irving Branham
Robert Parker
Mike Pettitt
4 Melissa Michelson
5 Renee' Baker
6 Linda Fanning
9 Maria Boltin-Zidlick
13 Susan Bluemel
Tony Cromer
Andy Herbert
14 Troy Dixon
Tom O'Neal
16 Bobby Tronco
17 Philipp Law
21 Frankie Hinson
22 Bonnie Thompson
26 Liz Smith
27 Brenda Dixon
28 Linda Pierson
29 Jody Pittman
30 Linda Fröhlich



PSC Events for 2026

Christmas Party. Dec 5
The Barn
DJ's Furman
Dominick
& Billy Fanning

NYE Party
Double Tree by Hilton
December 31
DJ John Smith

Save the Dates
2027 PSC Events

Winter Party - Feb 20 - Barn

Member App - April 3 - Barn

DJ Marathon - May 9 - VFW

Souther Comfort - May 28-30 Double Tree

Re-up - August 7 - Barn

Bonus Party - Oct 2 - Barn

Christmas - Dec 4 - Barn

NYE - Dec 31 -Double Tree