



BARBARA "SHUG" WARD (2020)

"Shug" Ward, and her husband Kenn, joined the Richmond Shag Club in 2000. Upon joining, Shug (and Kenn, VSHOF, 2019) started taking beginner lessons taught by Kevin and Joan Byrnes (VSHOF, 2010) and in 2002 they received RSC's "Most Improved Couple" dance award. Shug continued to dance and remain an integral part of the Richmond Shag Club.

She also joined the Club's Social Committee and suggested some innovative ideas that would help the club in the future to better budget for events and parties to assure we could still have fun, but not lose money. In 2004, Shug (and her husband, Kenn), began teaching beginner shag lessons for the RSC and they have taught every year through the 2020 COVID-related shutdown, teaching both beginner and intermediate classes.

In 2005 and 2006, Shug served on the RCS Board of Directors as "Hospitality Committee Chair" and has continued greeting, welcoming and enrolling new members and renewing existing members at the desk one month out of the year through the COVID-related suspension of Club gatherings in 2020!

In 2005, she and Kenn also started doing Shag demonstrations, representing the Richmond Shag Club at various events, nursing homes and parties. In addition to dancing and teaching and doing demonstrations, she has also found time to do volunteer work at RCS's annual charity Golf Tournament, RSC'S annual "Boogie on the James" party and helping with social committee projects whenever she is needed.

Shug has become a fantastic Shagger and dances with all the guys and all the guys enjoy dancing with her! She and Kenn have been seen on the dance floor at Shag parties everywhere and at the biggest Shag Party, SOS! Shug Ward is truly an Ambassador of the Shag!