



# MAY/JUNE 2022 ONCJC NEWSLETTER

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Hello everybody and welcome to June. I want to give you some information of events that are coming up so you can mark your calendar now.

A general membership meeting will be held on June 15 at 6:45pm. Please come and find out what is going on at the Club.

Our annual Charity Dance will be Wednesday, June 22, with a theme of "The Sensational 70's." Reach in the back of your closet and drag out those old bell bottoms or tie-dyed shirts and come with money in your pocket (for our charity) and be ready to dance to some tunes from that era.

An ice cream social will be held in July but I'm not certain of the date so come every week in July and you won't miss it. Really, I'll get that date and put it in the July newsletter.

2022 is the 25<sup>th</sup> year the Club has been in existence. That is quite an achievement. So, to celebrate this milestone we will be holding a dance at the Slovene Center on September 17<sup>th</sup>. Please plan to join us for an evening of fun and surprises.

This is also an election year and we have the following positions that need to be filled;

- Vice-President (A member must have held at least one term as Trustee to hold the position of President or Vice-President.)
- Treasurer (A member must be a member in good standing for one year to run for Treasurer.)
- Trustee (A member must be a member in good standing for six months to run for trustee.) We will have 2 trustee positions open.

Thanks for allowing me to be your President, *John Inks*.


## MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS

Starting September 2021 ONCJC resumed membership renewals and welcomed new members. Renewal forms will be pre-populated with existing information on file. Revised membership dates will appear next to your name on the check-in sheet. To reduce congestion at check-in, membership applications and renewals will be taken between 8:00 and 8:30 pm by our Membership Chair, Jeff Pifer, who will update our master membership roster. Due to the surge in covid during May ONCJC has extended May memberships through June. If you are still not comfortable returning at this time you may mail your \$48.00 renewal fee to:


ONCJC  
P.O. Box 167  
Cuyahoga Falls, OH 44222

Your pre-populated membership application will be available for your review and signature the next time you are at club. We hope to see everyone back soon!

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## To Save the Dance...Our Choice



For many I speak with, it appears that our Great Dance is at a critical turning point. The unfortunate COVID Pandemic, the generational interest in other activities, our aging dancers, and the extinction of places to dance are making it a challenge to keep Shag Dance at the forefront among our passions.

Admittedly, there are numerous shag enthusiasts that hold our love of dance dear to their hearts. Many support the unified efforts to preserve and enhance this heritage that has become such a vibrant part of the Southern Beach Lifestyle. For these, their passion of Shag remains strong to this graceful dance that emerged from the roots of a soul music and an exciting era that focused on youthful expressive freedom.

Although it's easy to think of yesterday and feel all is well and good, realistically, today our dance is confronted with an aging shag demographic, still passionate, but in many ways lacking with generational support. Many of those that have enjoyed this dance during their youth with tremendous adult support seem to be walking away to other interests. Seemingly drawn to the lust of other dance venues and digital lifestyles, while battling young family and social pressures, it has become harder and harder to attract the mid and younger generation back to the roots of this great dance. Thus, many feel Shag Dance will be a challenge to sustain without commitment from every part of the shag dance community, especially the younger and middle-aged segment.

Thankfully, our ACSC clubs, SOS, club owners and dedicated instructors that provide dance venues, as well as those that produce this sacred music and host wonderful competitive events, continue to drive our passion and thirst for shag dance. By supporting each of these elements, we all are helping maintain and propel this Great Dance into the future.

*Think about it... It's Our Dance to Save...or... Ours to Let Die.*  
*Like many others... I'm Just Not Ready for that Burial!*

Jim Hern, President, Competitive Shaggers Association

Hello Everyone

Truth be told, I stole this article from our friends in West Virginia from the Charleston Shag Club Facebook page and newsletter. In reading this article I was reminded of the struggles that our Club has faced and will continue to face in the future. Yes, it's true we are not a shag club, but when you read this article again, please insert the words East Coast Swing for the word shag, you'll see what I'm saying. I could not have written this any better. As Jim Hern writes, "It's Our Dance to Save..... or..... Ours to let Die"

Proud to be your President and I'm not ready for the burial either.

*John Inks*



## WANTED - DOOR GREETERS



Renew old friendships and make new ones. Consider being a door greeter to welcome Club Members and guest visitors from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm.

If wanting to attend a lesson, that time will be covered during the lesson.

Your help as a "Door Greeter" will be greatly appreciated.

<i>A big Thank You to our JUNE Greeters</i>	<b>8</b>	Becky and Bill Rhodes
	<b>15</b>	Nanette Wilson and David Rhodes
	<b>22</b>	Beth and Jim Gagnon
	<b>29</b>	Cheryl and Bruce Minnich

### Current Board Members



Bob Poulson, Delbert Stewart, Jeff Pifer, Maria Mayo, Vern Friborg, Carol Kgl, Bennie Rock, John Inks, Cheryl Minnich

### ONCJC DJs



Ed, Mary, Jerry, Lou, Roy, Dave  
 YOU MAY FORGET WHAT THEY PLAYED,  
 BUT YOU'LL NEVER FORGET HOW THEY  
 MADE THEM FEEL!

## Happy Birthday May Members

6	David K		23	Tom G
7	Delia P		23	Margaret G
9	Lee F		23	Pete S
9	Maria M		24	Joseph M. S
15	Cathy R		24	Stanley S
17	Janet L		24	Delbert G. S
19	Patrick C		29	Carol K
19	Gail C		30	May G
19	Zanna F		30	Kathy S
19	Monika S		30	Bob S
22	Rachel G			

## Happy Birthday June Members

1	Nanette W		17	Joe P
3	John L		18	John E. I
4	Helen G		19	Mary P
16	Binnie P		21	Barbara B
16	Les M		22	Larry S

### Other Dance Venues

**La Danse** lessons. For more information go to their website at  
<https://ladansecleveland.com/calendar/>

Riverfront Ballroom for details call 330-992-3234 or visit their at  
<https://www.riverfrontballroom.com>

**Avon Oaks Ballroom.** For details check their website <http://avonoaksballroom.com/>  
 Dancing at the **Overlook** by Lynda Tuesday nights from 6:30 to 9 pm.

**Slovene Center** has a dance/event almost every night – check out their website –  
<https://www.thehallhub.com>



## 2022 ONCJC ACTIVITY SCHEDULE

\*Date/Time to be posted at a later date.



DATE	ACTIVITY	CHAIRPERSON	
June 8	Board Meeting	John Inks (anyone welcome)	Slovene Center 5:45 pm
June 15	General Membership Meeting		Slovene Center 6:45 p.m.
June 22	70's Charity Event	Mary Armstrong-Friberg	Slovene Center
July 13	Board Meeting	John Inks (anyone welcome)	Slovene Center 5:45 pm
	Ice Cream Social		Slovene Center
Aug 10	Board Meeting	John Inks (anyone welcome)	Slovene Center 5:45 pm
Aug **	Tailgate		Slovene Center
Sept 14	Board Meeting	John Inks (anyone welcome)	Slovene Center 5:45 pm
Sept 17	25 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Dance	Kap Chermak	Slovene Center
Oct 12	Board Meeting	John Inks (anyone welcome)	Slovene Center 5:45 pm
Oct *	General Membership Meeting		Slovene Center
Oct 26**	Halloween		Slovene Center
Nov 9	Board Mtg/Veteran's Salute	John Inks (anyone welcome)	Slovene Center 5:45 pm
Dec *	Elections		Slovene Center
Dec 10	Christmas Dance	Carol Kyle/Cori Voltz	Spring Lake Party Ctr.
Dec 14	Board Meeting	John Inks (anyone welcome)	Slovene Center 5:45 pm
*** 2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of each month is BIRTHDAY CAKE & CLUB SHIRT NIGHT			

### *SHARE YOUR MOVE, PRACTICE YOUR MOVE NIGHT*

Check the Dance Schedule, The Newsletter or the Website at [www.oncjc.org](http://www.oncjc.org)

For more information

FROM ABOUT 7 TO 7:30 the dance floor is open for practice



Share a favorite move with others in a small group. It's easier than trying to learn something on a crowded dance floor.



Practice a move you are learning while the floor isn't crowded



Get help with a line dance (depending on who is available) or put your heads together and you'll probably figure it out.



Just learning East Coast Swing? A chance to practice the basics. Don't be afraid to ask for a leader/follower to help you. We were all beginners at one time.



No music during sharing/practicing time, but songs can be requested before the session ends.



We're trying something new, so we'll be patient and see how this evolves

Have fun! 😊

JUNE LINE DANCES			MAIN FLOOR LESSONS
Date	First Dance	Second Dance	
06/01	Won't You Dance With Me	Jerusalem EZ	No Lesson. Open dancing at 7 pm
06/08	Night Fever	Train Swing	"Share Your Move" Practice your move from 7 to 7:30
06/15	Colorado (Couples) Cha-Cha	Ms. Jody's Thang	No lesson. Open dancing at 7 pm.
06/22	Tush Push	Little Red Book	"Share Your Move" Practice your move from about 7 to 7:30 pm
06/29	Some Enchanted Evening	Uptown Funky	East Coast Swing move taught by instructor from R&J Ballroom *LESSON starts at 6:45 pm* sharp

## 2022 LINE DANCE VIDEOS

1. **Crusin'** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AhSI2zc67is&t=75s>
  2. **Little Red Book** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AatrP9-Xx9w&t=35s>
  3. **Miss Jody's Thang** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MQtREA7uDLI>
  4. **Almost Cha-cha** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=R3uqf4Lr7d4&t=39s>
  5. **Colorado Cha-cha** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3674YrVQ-nM>
  6. **Some Enchanted Eve** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vuw57An9DN4>
  7. **Swamp Thang** <https://www.google.com/search?q=swamp+thang+line+dance+instruction&ie=UTF-8&oe=UTF-8&hl=en-us&client=safari>
  8. **Tush Push** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=mAtuUUHfmtA>
  9. **River Waltz** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WASDktUDSDU>
  10. **Uptown Funky** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZzkFVjX4Ut0>
  11. **Mambo #5** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=3eeHQCYgQaI>
  12. **Cab Driver** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=SHLype3e2Nk&t=202s>
  13. **Train Swing** <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nriQe88JLfA>
  14. **Barn Dance** [https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PCLZDyTJ6l4&list=PLFHhWpgk3ZBu\\_uge2-YpWC2\\_gANz\\_FT18](https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=PCLZDyTJ6l4&list=PLFHhWpgk3ZBu_uge2-YpWC2_gANz_FT18)  
<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=fgoY0TrnE2Y>
- First video shows basic steps only – not done as mixer. Second video shows how to change partners.**

## CLUB APPAREL AVAILABLE ONLINE

Control and click on the following link: [www.embroideryondemand.com/ohio-north-coast-jitterbug](http://www.embroideryondemand.com/ohio-north-coast-jitterbug)  
 Select an area and start shopping. The ordering format is easy to follow. Items shipped directly to you.

Several men and women shirt styles. Sizes XS through 4XL. Men's tall available in select shirts. Sizing charts listed where available. Caps, totes, shoe bags, jackets, and other items also available.

All items embroidered with ONCJC red, white, and blue club logo. Club Logo will be embroidered on left side of shirt. Larger version of ONCJC logo available for back of jackets and certain shirts.

Items are non-refundable once logo is applied. Any questions can be directed to Sharon at 636-343-5309.  
**ALL SALES FINAL!**

## *ONCJC's Charity Dance June 22, 2022*

The Charity Dance is scheduled for June 22. The theme this year is "The Sensational 70s." Our Board members will be dressing in their finest 1970s-related garb and will be competing with each other in soliciting donations from the club members and guests in attendance.

This year, the Board members will be joined by any of our club members who would like to dress up and participate in the fundraising activities. Dressing up in your 1970s duds is encouraged, even if you do not want to compete with the Board members. Our DJs will be spinning your favorite seventies tunes, and snacks will be provided. Do not forget to bring cash for donating!

Our charity for 2022 is Family Promise of Summit County. The mission of Family Promise is to help homeless families with children stay together and achieve sustainable independence. The article below describes our charity.

### *ONCJC's Charity for 2020 **Has Been Carried over to 2022** – Family Promise of Summit County*

The Charity Committee has chosen Family Promise of Summit County (Family Promise) as the club's charity for 2022. The mission of Family Promise is to help homeless families with children stay together and achieve sustainable independence. Family Promise's vision is to keep families together, alleviate the trauma of homelessness, and assist families in securing a stable home environment.

According to the National Center on Family Homelessness:

- Homeless children in families comprise the fastest growing group of homeless persons in the United States.
- The average age of a homeless person in the United States is just nine years old.
- One in every 30 children – about 2.5 million – experience homelessness every year.

In 2004, Family Promise opened as an emergency hope center for families with children experiencing homelessness in order to offer families a bridge out of despair into hope as they battle one of the toughest obstacles of their lives.

Family Promise is the only program in Summit County that serves families with children experiencing homelessness, 24 hours a day, keeping the family unit intact. "Family" is not defined by Family Promise, meaning children and their loved ones can stay together despite traditional and non-traditional labels.

Families receive overnight shelter, transportation, meals, and access to the center, which includes day rooms, kitchenettes, showers, washer/dryers, and computers. The center even includes a pet kennel to keep the entire family together! Families also receive case management services to help them progress toward sustainable independence, equipping them with the skills to break the cycle of homelessness. All of this happens through a network of more than 25 interfaith congregations and more than 800 volunteers with the support of local businesses, schools, and social service agencies. In addition, families are provided with school supplies; clothing; bedding; bus passes; household items; hygiene products; cleaning supplies; employment assistance; educational assistance; well-baby programs; financial literacy programs; aftercare programs; referrals; nutrition programs; and, links to outside services. These services are made possible through financial and in-kind donations, collaborations, and a team of volunteers.

Additional information is available on the Family Promise website at <https://www.familypromisesc.org/>.

We look forward to providing financial assistance to this worthy charity as a result of our fundraising efforts in 2022, thanks to the generous donations from our ONCJC family members!

## Prom Highlights



See many more photos at [ONCJC.org](http://ONCJC.org)  
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