



VIRGINIA COUNTRY MUSIC ASSOCIATION

March 2025



Hello Virginia Country Music Members,

I hope everyone has recovered from the BIG snow and the bitter cold.

Thank you for your support at the February jamboree.

Thank you to the TimeLine Band for keeping the dance floor full at the Newport News Jamboree with your great sounds. Also thank you to the Roadhouse band for keeping us moving at the Portsmouth Jamboree.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone at the Jamboree's in March.

Stay safe and wellPat Penello

We would like to extend our condolences to the Shelor family at the loss of both their mother, Audrey and father, Otto.

In memory

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Oscar "Otto" Shelor



Our local country music world once again lost another great musician and friend. Otto, as he was affectionately known was a lover of country music. He played the mandolin all of his life and was a member of the Virginia Country Music Association receiving the Pioneer Award in 2015. Otto Shelor could be found at Hardee's, Farmer's Market, the Moose Lodges, Frank's Truck Stop and the VCMA Jamboree's. We send our prayers to his family.

Upcoming Jamboree's

March 2 nd	Dallas Band	Newport News Moose Lodge
March 16 th	Bandit	Portsmouth Moose Lodge
April 6 th	Route 17	Newport News Moose Lodge
April 13 th	Nashville Rockers	Portsmouth Moose Lodge
April 27 th	Country Ravens	Newport News Moose Lodge

Directions to Newport News Moose Lodge

I-664N -From Monitor/Merrimac (M/M) – Proceed 9.4 miles and take **EXIT 3, Aberdeen Rd.** -Keep to the left at the fork in the ramp. Turn **Left on to Aberdeen Rd.** and go approximately 1 mile and turn right onto **60th Street.** The Moose Lodge is about a half a block on the left. (Approximately 11 minutes from the M/M)

64W – Hampton Roads Bridge Tunnel (HRBT) - Merge onto **I-664 S via EXIT 264** toward Downtown/Newport News/Suffolk. Then 2.53 miles and take the **Aberdeen Rd exit, EXIT 3** and keep to the right at the fork on the ramp. Go approximately 1 mile and turn right onto **60th Street.** The Moose Lodge is about a half a block on the left. (Approx. 17 minutes from the HRBT)

Directions of the Portsmouth Moose Lodge from Newport News

I-664 – From Monitor/Merrimac – Merge onto I-664S and take Exit 15B. Take Exit 297 and turn left onto US-13N/US460E, Turn left onto George Washington Hwy N. Moose lodge is on the left. (Approx 1 mile)

Prayers and Concerns

Keep in your prayers: Jerry Hayes, Ann Haslip, Faye Pate, Ivy Stoliker, Libby Pierce, Estell Westall, Emily Hall, Faye Porter, Eunice Taylor, Dave Bailey, Shirley Lindsey, Mary Cardwell, Dale Wonch, Nancy Rodgers, Sherry Boyd, Chuck and Beverly Kronenburg, Wayne Hooker, Iris Morgan, Wayne Allison, Betty Allison, Gerald MacDonald, Peggy Langford, Bill Foreman, Charlie Bryant and Gisela Hayes.



The family of Otto and Audrey Shelor

Please contact Liz for those that need to be added to the list of concerns. (757-689-8769)

VCMA WEBSITE Visit www.VCMA-hamptonroads.com

Welcome To: Marsha Martin, Gail Jerrell, Barbara and Gary Hansen, Maria and Jerome Chillis, David Jerrell, and Judith Hinch as the newest members to the Virginia Country Music Association. We look forward to seeing you.

Welcome

BAND SCHEDULES

The Country Ravens

Check with band members for details and locations.



Bethlehem Ruritan Community Center

140 Manning Road in Suffolk 7:30 pm – 9:30 pm.

Contact: George Fowler 757-539-2214 (Home) or 757-617-5955(Cell)

*****Donations at the door are given to the band*****

March 21 st	Dallas
April 4 th	Code Blue
April 18 th	Mac Express Band
May 2 nd	Country Rebels
May 16 th	Lassiter and the Weeds Band

Newport News Moose #1119 757-826-0766.

Dances every Friday night in the Ballroom. 7pm – 10pm

The cost is \$5.00 at the door.

March 21 st	Last Call
March 28 th	Route 17



NOTE FROM YOUR NEWSLETTER EDITOR:

If you are not getting this newsletter by email PLEASE send me an email Spooler9780@aol.com . I will send you back an email to acknowledge I received it and will also add you to the distribution list. I realize there are those that may have given me in the past only to continue to not get them and I am not sure why however I want to make sure I have done everything I can to make this right.

Respectfully,
Stephanie

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