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**Born in Monroe, N. C. on March 17, 1972, Patrick, now known as Patrick Muscatello, learned the basic at age 9 from his mother, Carol and stepfather, Bobby. He danced in the first ever Junior contest at "The Bushes" in 1981, becoming a mainstay at shag contests throughout both Carolinas, dancing in exhibitions for fun and charities. Chosen as one of the Juniors to attend the South Carolina Governor's proclamation of the Shag as the Official State Dance in 1984, he also appeared in the movie "Shag", People magazine in 1988, and later in the book, Shag, The Dance Legend. Patrick competed in the National Shag Dance Championships in 1989, 1990 and 1992, the Grand Nationals in 1996, and taught youngsters the shag in North Carolina and Tennessee. Patrick credits former pros Jack Smith, Joe Putnam, Charles Gurley, Jet Jackson and Bob Myrick as his greatest influences.**