



# Christina Brooks Woodruff - 2013

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Born in Sanford, NC on June 5, 1985, Christina began shagging at an early age. Even before she learned she would watch her mother practice for contests and give critiques. From this she learned the basics, but when she saw them do a belly roll, her comment was, "Oh gross! I will never do that." Soon thereafter Christina attended her 1<sup>st</sup> Junior SOS in 1998 and was hooked. Since that time she learned from Percy Thornton, Wes & Sandra May, Susie Beaver, Sam West, Scott Campbell and many others. During this time she has indeed learned a lot about the shag dance, including how to do a very smooth belly roll. She has danced in many contests as a junior and an adult, won the Non-Pro Division of Nationals in 2008 with partner Ricky Ward and danced as a member of the 2009 National Shag Dance Team. In 2006 she was awarded the Dewey Kennedy Scholarship. Although she has received many accolades from shag, she is most proud to be the 2005 recipient of the Beth Mitchell Scholarship. Following in Beth's footsteps, Christina loves teaching. Having graduated with a degree in Elementary Education and a Masters in Special Education, she now teaches 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> grade students with disabilities. She is grateful for the opportunities dance has brought into her life. Dance and love of music have inspired many positive influences in her life and shaped the person she is today. Christina cherishes the many friendships created and endless memories thanks to the dance.