

Sandkicker

Newsletter of the Sandy Beach Shag Club

Morganton, NC

www.sandybeachshagclub.com

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MISSION

Sandy Beach Shag Club is a non-profit social dance club that promotes the Carolina Shag Dance. Our mission is the bringing together people of like minds with the goal to preserve the Carolina Shag Dance and the music to which we dance. We are members of the Association of Carolina Shag Clubs.

For any information, go online to www.sandybeachshagclub.com or contact John Carpenter: johncarpenter@sandybeachshagclub.com

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News

Upcoming Events:

Saturday, August 6, 2016 - Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup. A great way to get a little exercise. Rain date is the 9th. Come out and enjoy the Spring weather. Details on page 7.

Sunday, August 14 - Pool Party at the home of Charles Bridges and Elizabeth Ferguson. Details on page 2

The Sandy Beach Megafest will be Sunday, September 4 with 12 DJs, dancing, dinner, shooters, prizes. and a whole lot of fun!

A special **CONGRATULATIONS** to Robin Bivens for being named the new SOS Photographer! We all love Robin's contribution to SBSC!!!

Dance Lessons

Dance lessons begin September 29. Beginners 1 is going to be September 29, October 6, Wednesday October 12, Thursday October 13. Lessons start 6:30pm until 7:30pm. The cost is \$20 for 4 weeks. Pleasr arrive at least 15 min. early to register. We will then have a Lead and Follow class for the first two Thurdays only. \$5 per class starting at 7:45pm and going to 8:45pm. Further details on page 3.

SBSC Megafest

Registration is nearing completion and seating is limited.

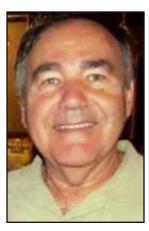
Please be a part of your club and get your registration finalized.

The cost of Megafest registration will go to \$30 per registration after August 8th. Get your seats now. Time is slipping away so please join us. — John Carpenter

Art Prints

We have Vic Gillespie prints for sale at \$50 each, with \$25 dollars going right back to SBSC, the other \$25 will be returned to the artist. Vic is a longtime contributor to, and supporter of, ACSC and SOS. He has donated several prints to us over the years, so let's make SBSC a little extra money! I have seen the print and I know that I certainly would love one. It is a tribute to Fat Harold, Dr. Phil Sawyer and Eddie Monsieur.

A Message from President Steve Coley



Hi, SBSC members. I hope you are doing well. By the time you get this letter, we will have had our July 30th party. Here's hoping everyone had a great time!

DJ Megafest VI is just around the corner. It is not too late to volunteer and help our club's biggest party be a

success once again. If you cannot attend, you can still help by donating an item for the Chinese Auction.

If you are a golfer or have friends who are, the first ever Deanes Short Memorial Golf Tournament will be held Saturday, September 3rd and is primarily sponsored by the Elks Lodge. If you are not aware of the details, ask around as many SBSC members are golfers and Lodge members. Jeff Morse, Alan Brown, and John Carpenter are just a few.

SOS Cards and Fun Monday Tickets are sold out! You can still get either at SOS in North Myrtle Beach.

Important dates to remember:

Saturday, August 6 th . Adopt A Highway Clean Up

Sunday, August 14 th . Pool Party at the home of Charles Bridges and Elizabeth Ferguson.

Sunday, Sept 4th. DJ MEGAFEST

Saturday, September 10 th . SBSC Shag Demonstration in downtown Morganton.

And then.....Fall SOS...... Dorothy and Grier have opened up their home at Ocean Drive once again for us to get together on Thursday, September 22 nd, from 5-7. This party will replace the free pour we've had for many September's. Stay tuned for more details to come.

Just a reminderwe will not have a regular party in August due to preparations for Megafest in early September.

Stay cool...stay safe! Love you all!!!!
Steve Coley
SBSC President

You are All invited

To the spectacular home of Charles Bridges and Elizabeth Ferguson. They are hosting a pool party!

SBSC is invited to a pool party in Claremont at the Bridges Residence on Sunday August 14th beginning around 1:00. We've done this for several years and have had a great time. There will be corn hole and any yard games that you would like to bring and play. Charlie lets us ride his "toys" around his large property and that is worth the trip in and of itself. They have a beautiful pool and a beautiful home.

Please plan to attend. Charlie will have wings for appetizers and guests can bring a snack, food item, dessert etc. The address is 3724 Bunkerhill School Rd, Claremont NC 28610 (phone 704-902-3026). You can put this in your GPS or hunt it on MapQuest or any other mapping program.

What Makes A Social Club, What Breaks a Social Club?

by John Carpenter

How long have you been a member of a social club, any social club? Think back to why you decided to become a part of that group. One reason for many people is the sense of belonging. If you don't feel like you belong, more than likely you either won't last long in the group or you certainly won't participate in the group. Generally, a common activity is the bond that members share. In any Shag club that is obviously a desire to dance.

All social clubs are a house of cards. At any moment, any number of things can happen that would blow away everything that stands. You have heard me say it before if you have been around for awhile. Is this Negative thinking? No, it is a realistic appraisal of how things work based on observation and history. What can appear to be solid, strong, and healthy, can quickly disintegrate into weak, flimsy and unhealthy. It is pretty similar to our health. I think that is why we hear many people say "Life's short, live every day to the fullest!"

So, think about this for a minute. What makes a social club? By that I mean, what key factor in your opinion makes a great social club? Is it the parties, the location, the people, the extra activities, the friendships, the fun, the dancing, the music, or one of the many other features involving the club? I want to share an earlier experience involving a social club I belonged to. I was a member of a club and I went to the events, but I never attended a single meeting, and I never volunteered to help in any way. I never got involved. Sadly, I got out of it what I put into it, which wasn't much. What makes a social club is vibrant members! A vibrant member is a member that has his/her own special talent which they lend to the group. They have something special to contribute. Imagine any social organization, church, or school where everyone contributed their special talent to the rest of the group. Can you imagine how amazing that would be?

What breaks a social club is apathy. That would range from apathy from just joining an organization to apathy of being a part of that organization that you hold membership. We are all apathetic at times. Some of the brightest bulbs, the doers, the movers and shakers, those that really care, become



apathetic. One reason is they burn out. They try and try and try and do and do and do, but nothing ever seems to change, or they have just been doing it so long they need a break. We see this happen all the time. People are like rechargeable batteries. If they don't get a good charge from some source, they die from lack of energy and just enough water thrown on their fire to extinguish the flame.

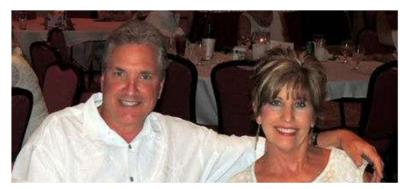
Some people's biggest fear about becoming part of a group, or staying in a group is that they will be called upon to work. The concept of "work" is very interesting. We hear all the time, "It is a work of love", "I don't consider it work, but passion". If you love what you do, or if what you do brings you joy, it is not really work! The point here being, that apathy can result from the perception of something being work, or what was once joyful, has become work. That is why it is important for members of a social organization to lend their special talents so that everyone involved can feel joyful about their contributions. Everyone needs to take care of the doers, the movers, the shakers; to be charging stations to keep them moving forward, to lighten the load.

It is much the same in the bee hive where the worker bees tend to the needs of the queen bee whose responsibility is to keep the hive alive! So, whether you are a new member, an old member or someone on the outside looking in, remember, we are a house of cards, and only through your contribution of special talents and avoiding apathy will the social nature of our "hive" stay alive and healthy!

*As an aside, SBSC had its best ever re-

up that I can remember in the history of the "new" Sandy Beach Shag Club. We had the lowest percentage of non-renewals since I have been keeping records, and from my recollection and archives of our old information.

Thank you so much for your assistance, your special talents, and your lack of apathy!



Carolina Shag Dance Lessons

With Robin Morley and John Carpenter*

Sandy Beach Shag Club

500 Golf Course Road, Morganton, NC at the Elks Lodge

Dance lessons will be Beginners 1 at 6:30pm until 7:30pm.

The cost is \$20 for 4 weeks.

We will then have a Lead and Follow class for the first two Thursdays only (September 29^{th} and October 6^{th}) - \$5 per class starting at 7:45pm and going to 8:45pm.

Beginners 1 is going to be 29th of September, 6th of October, Wednesday the 12th of October and Thursday the 13th of October. Please wear comfortable leather soled shoes if possible. No partners are necessary! Shagging is about having fun! Learn the basics of the Carolina Shag!

Lead and Follow classes teach you the essence of our social dancing as it is equally important to be a great Lead, and a great follower.

*Robin and John have been teaching the Carolina Shag for over 10 years together as instructors for Sandy Beach Shag Club. Both are Association of Carolina Shag Clubs Shag Icons, and were inducted into the National Boppers Hall of Fame this year.

The Wig Bank of Caldwell County together with Ali & Madison Bumgarner

come to our

Avance tickets: \$20 | \$25 at the door For tickets, call The Wig Bank of Caldwell County at 828-758-9111 or visit WigBank.org.

AUGUST 5PM-



CALDWELL COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS, LENOIR

Dance the night away to the music of The Extraordinaires and DJ Johnny B!



The Wig Bank of Caldwell County is a non-profit organization that serves cancer patients by providing a comfortable place for respite and care as well as support services for their families at no cost.



2016 Official Fall Bash Flyer - March 1, 2016



MOUNTAIN EMPIRE SHAG SOCIETY FALL BASH 2016

October 21 - 22
Park and Party
ONLY 216 TICKETS WILL BE SOLD

Guest DJ Steve Coley and MESS DJ Larry "Bigfish" Calhoun

Free shag workshop with Steve and Kathy Day

To learn more about MESS & view photos of the hotel, visit www.messdance.com



TICKETS

Two day ticket only \$60. No one day tickets will be sold. You must be 21 or older to attend. Tickets are non-refundable, but are transferable. You are responsible for selling your own tickets.

HOST HOTEL

PARK & PARTY at the Holiday Inn, 101 West Springbrook Drive, Johnson City, Tennessee 37604. Call 423-282-4611 to reserve your room & mention Mountain Empire Shag Society to receive the \$82.00 special group rate. Cut off date for the special rate is October 7, 2016 at midnight.

FRIDAY & SATURDAY

Hospitality Suite on ground floor including FREE beer, MESS-A-Holic Punch, wine, drinks, snacks, & LOTS OF FUN! Great vendors again. Dancing in the ball room both nights and 50/50. **No BYOB in the dance area**. FREE beer provided by MESS in the dance area as long as it lasts.

SATURDAY

Breakfast, FREE shag workshop, and buffet dinner as well as all the fun things offered on Friday.

For more ticket info, contact: Debbie Calhoun at 423-239-5906 or email to shagqueen@hotmail.com. Mention MESS Fall Bash to ensure a response.

TICKETS WILL BE HELD AT THE DOOR Confirmation by email or SASE. Make checks (\$60.00 per ticket) payable to M.E.S.S. and please print your info clearly. Mail to: MESS Fall Bash Tickets, 317 Merman Road, Kingsport, TN 37663							
Address:	Number of TicketsAmt. Enclosed Zip:						
Phone:	Email:ag Club Affiliation						

2016 Deanes G. Short Memorial Golf Tournament

Date: September 3rd Saturday
Tee Time: 2:00pm Shot Gun Start
Captions Choice teams of 4Players

Location: 4664 Silver Creek Plantation Golf Course Tee Time: 2:00pm Shotgun Start

Entry Fee: \$50.00 per golfer First 72 golfers will be guaranteed a spot

Prizes: 1st place team \$300.00
2nd place team \$200.00 3rd place team \$100.00
You supporting the Morganton Elks Lodge by
playing golf will be rewarded by Dinner being
provided to all golfers at the Morganton Elks
Lodge. Guests are invited to attend dinner at a
charge of \$10.00 per guest. Please RSVP by
August 24 with number of guests.

Deanes G. Short Memorial Golf Tounament Sponsored by

Morganton Elks Lodge & Sandy Beach Shag Club

CONTACTS: Eddie Hicks:hickseddie@yahoo.com

Pamela Edge: pedgeelkslodge@yahoo.com



Sandy Beach Shag Club







Through the National FastDance Assn., our dance club activities are licensed by:





Sandkicker Megafest VI Dirty Dozen DJs

Johnny B
Steve Coley
Buck Crumpton
Mike Harding
Gene Hensley
Roger Holcomb

Sunday, 9/4/16 3:30 – 11:00 PM

The Elks Lodge 500 Golf Course Rd Morganton, NC 28655 Mike McDaniel Norman Mills Frank Price Tommy Samole Rodney Still Billy Waldrep



Cash Bar Only. Beer, Mixed Drinks & Wine at very reasonable prices!

(For more details contact John Carpenter (803-760-2947)

Email: johncarpenter@sandybeachshagclub.com

Your Registration covers:

Music by 12 great DJ's

Free Line Dance Class

Catered Dinner (6:00 PM - 7:30 PM)
Snacks <u>Provided</u>
Free Shooters! Times ~ TBA

Non Smoking Event

Large Oak Dance Floor: 30x40 (1200 Sq. Feet)



Half & Half Drawing, Chinese Auction Theme Baskets and Shag Bingo For Prizes.

Registration for this event includes an Associate membership to SBSC for all those currently not members. Registration is \$25.00/Person \$30 after August 8th, 2016. No registrations will be available at the door. Please fill out this information for all participants, on a separate sheet if needed. Your registration is non-refundable, but may be transferred to another person provided all information is mailed and received by us at least one week prior to the event so we will have it at the door.

Name:		# of Regist	rants	(your name(s) will be at door)
Address:	City	State	Zip	
Email:	Phor	ne#	P	lease complete for each registrant!
Primary Shag Club Affili	ation:			If none, please indicate none.
Please check if yo	u would like to receive	a copy of the SBS	C newslet	ter. Must have a legible email for
the newsletter. Associat	e members may attend	SBSC General Me	mbership	meetings but have no vote.
(Checks Payable to: Sar	dy Beach Shag Club) (A	All registrants will	receive a	wristband at the door.)
Please mail application/	registration(s) for each	attendee and payr	ment to:	
Attn: John Carpenter, 10	00 Smith Street, Morgan	ton NC 28655		
Area Hotels: Hampton Ir	nn (828) 432-2000, Quali	ty Inn (828) 437-01	71, Comfo	ort Inn (828) 430-4000, & Others
within 5 miles. Visit Ash	eville, Boone, Blowing	Rock, or Morganto	on and the	n attend the party on Sunday.
Seats will be filled in the	order your requests ar	e received. Once	our numbe	er of seats have been filled, we will
cut off our sales and ret	urn any checks over ou	r limit. Nominated	three time	es for a Cammy Award for "Best
Shag Club Party". This y	year we will provide res	erved seating for a	any group	of 18 people or larger on a first
come first serve basis.	The names must be ser	nt with all requeste	ed info and	d the registrations of all in the grou
must be paid to qualify.	Absolutely NO PERSO	NAL ALCOHOL P	ERMITTED	INSIDE OR CONSUMED OUTSIDE

Community Service 2016 Adopt -A-Highway Cleanup

HIghway cleanup is only 6 times a year and a great way to get some exercise. It is not difficult, and all materials are provided.

2016 Adopt-A-Highway Dates:

Aug. 6 - Rain date Aug. 13

Oct. 1 - Rain date Oct. 8

Dec. 3 - Rain date Dec. 10

We meet at 9:30 am in the McDonald's parking lot on Carbon City Rd. (Rt. 70) near the ATM machine. Trash bags, safety vests, gloves, and pickup tools are provided. It usually takes about an hour and a half to complete the cleanup. For additional information, call Jim Noggle, (828) 310-6099.

In Memoriam

Please note: I am sad to report that we had a member pass away earlier this week. **Bill Owen**, who had been a member since 2013 died following an illness while he was in Delaware fixing his boat. He is survived by his wife, Hannah Owen. More information will follow.

If you know of any member that has had an accident, surgery, family death etc. please take the time and send Joyce Kincaid an email. She will gladly get a card in the mail. Our club family is very large and sometimes the right person doesn't get the information so please just take a moment and let Joyce know. Her email is macmarch2001@yahoo.com.

August Birthdays

Donald Price	8/3
Vickie Houser	8/4
Harry Green	8/5
Debbie Dale	8/7
Beau Norman	8/7
Gary Barlow	8/8
John Little	8/9
Susan Martin	8/10
Bill McCurry	8/12
Alice Smith	8/15
Marlene Barlow	8/16
John Carpenter	8/22
Annette Smith	8/23
Bill Hardin	8/24
Ellen Parsons	8/24
Charlene Carpenter	8/31

SBSC 2016 Party Schedule:

August - no party

September 4 – Labor Day Sunday Megafest

October 8 Mike Harding
Halloween Costume Contest

November 5 - Roger Holcomb

December 10 - Eddie Teeter
Christmas Party & Member Dinner

Sandy Beach Officers

President Steve Coley
Vice President Sanford Clark
Secretary Susan Duncan
Treasurer Leah Turner
Members-at-Large: Mike Carlisle
John Carpenter

Past President Dorothy Barrier

Area Clubs and Happenings

Check out what is happening around us! Please visit each club's website for more info.

Boone Shag Club

www.booneshagclub.com
Tuesdays at 7:30 pm
Moose Lodge #1805, 607 Deerfield Rd.,
Boone, NC. Bring your favorite snacks and
enjoy a variety of music and dancing with us!
Moose Members - \$3.00, Guests - \$5.00

Lake Hickory Shag Club

lakehickoryshagclub.com shaggers@lakehickoryshagclub.com Saturday, August 6th - DJ Billy Waldrep Back to School Theme 7:30 until 11:30 pm VFW 1615 12th Street Dr. NW, Hickory \$5 Members ~ \$7 Guests -Juniors \$3

Statesville Shag Club

http://statesvilleshag.com
The Statesville Shag Club dances at the VFW Post 2031 in Statesville.

Saturday, August 20 - DJ Fast Eddie 8:00-11:00; FREE to paid members, \$5 Guests

Brushy Mountain Shag Club:

North Wilkesboro, NC
www.brushymountainshagclub.com
Saturday, August 13 - DJ Steve Coley
8:00pm-11:00pm
Holiday Inn Express, 1700 Winkler
Avenue, Wilkesboro, NC
\$5 members and \$7 guests

Rutherfordton County Shag Club:

Rutherfordton, NC
First Friday of each month with DJ
Mike McDaniel
8:00 -11:00 . Free basic shag class at 7.
Rumor Has It - A Wine Bar
211 N. Main St.Rutherfordton, NC
\$0 members and \$5 guests

Shelby Shag Club:

Shelby, NC American Legion Saturday, August 27 613 E. Gold St., Kings Mountain NC \$5 members and \$8 guests

Two great websites for Shag Dance Information:

www.shagdance.com, www.shagtour.com

Find us on Facebook!

Just type Sandy Beach Shag Club in the search box. We also have a photo albums page.



The Heart and Soul of Our Club

Participation in your club's committees is a fun way to meet new frends and contribute to the health of our club. Contact these Comittee Chairs or president Steve Coley for more information about participating in these events and activities.

Social/Planning: Arlene Coley, Sanford Clark, James Bentley

Clean-up: Mike Carlisle

Adopt-A-Highway: Jim Noggle- Chairman

DJ Committee: James Bentley, Steve Coley

Membership: John Carpenter-Chairman, Robin Morley, Shirley Dale,

Joyce Kincaid, and Arlene Coley

Door: Sam/Annette Smith

Food/Hospitality: Sandie Clark, Jean Lande, Ellen Parsons

Decorations:

Robin Little, Alice Smith

Website:

John Carpenter webmaster

Information/Correspondence: Susan Duncan, John Carpenter, Robin Morley

Newsletter: Candace McGuire, John Carpenter

By-Laws: Wayne Harris Fun Monday Tickets and SOS Cards: Robin Morley

Parade/Float: Robin Little-Chairman

SBSC Sandkicker DJ Megafest Co-chairs John Carpenter and Sanford Clark

Help us to continue to have one of the best shag clubs anywhere!

Party Information

All Regular Parties are held at the Morganton Elks Lodge 500 Golf Course Road, Morganton, NC

Regular Members \$5, Associate Members/Guests \$8 7:30pm until 11:00pm

Wonderful Snacks, cash bar, and DJ. All in a smoke free environment. For more details contact: johncarpenter@sandybeachshagclub.com

Members are encouraged to donate a snack. Please bring a serving dish too. Sample items are: peanuts, chips/dip, cookies/brownies, Cheetos, pretzels, pickles/olives, dips, etc. Also, All members are asked to help with the clean-up at the end of the party by clearing your table and putting trash in the correct recycling bins.