



United We Dance

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 Jim Black, blac1778@bellsouth.net

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News

Upcoming Events:

The Highway Clean-up originally scheduled for Saturday, Dec. 2 has been CANCELLED. No make-up date is scheduled.

Morganton Christmas Parade is scheduled for **Tuesday, Dec. 5** at 6PM. If you are walking with the SBSC float, please arrive early. The float will be in spot 241. That is beside Slates chapel. The same place we were last year. Can't wait to see you guys.
Robin

The SBSC Christmas party will be **Saturday, Dec 9**. Buck Crumpton is scheduled to DJ. **Please email Jim Black at blac1778@bellsouth.net letting him know the number of your group planning to attend for dinner.** More information is on Page 3.

Dance Lessons

Thursday the 7th of December, Susan Duncan will be teaching the River Waltz at 6:30 pm. at the Elks Lodge. Neil Carroll will be there to help the men with the lead. You do NOT have to have a partner for River Waltz.

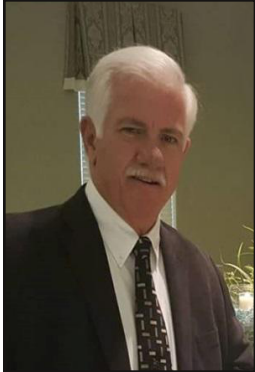
ALSO - Check out details for a new Line Dance opportunity with Judy and Sam Wright on page 3!

Volunteer Opportunity!

Members, We are in need of a member to take over the responsibility of Newsletter Editor. This is a position requiring little more than an hour or two of time a month (really!), and you will have plenty of support and resources. You will have the chance to learn a new skill (or brush up on an old one) and be at the cutting edge of the SBSC news, information and activities. Please contact John Carpenter or Jim Black with your interest.

A Message from Our President

by Jim Black



Believe it or not October and November have come and gone. Our first project of October was Adopt a Highway. Our crew numbered only 5 club members and we were able to finish the job in 1½ hours. Just think how much better it would be if we had

at least 10 people helping each other. This is a worthy cause and deserves a better effort from our club. Please help on our next scheduled day which is December 2nd. We meet at 9:30 in the McDonalds parking lot on west Union St.

Betty Brown was our DJ at our Halloween extra dance and as always had a great selection of music. The winners of the Costume contest were: Grier Franklin, Robin Little and Alice Smith and Bill McCurry. There were a lot of creative costumes and everyone seemed to have a great time. We had a lot of delicious food and I want to thank everyone that brought a snack.

Beginner dance classes started on the 12th and there was a good number in the class. If you are in the Elks Lodge on a Thursday

night, go out and talk to some of the class members, give them some encouragement and invite them to join our club.

Our next event was held at the Catawba Brewery on the 5th of November. It was a fun Sunday afternoon with pizza from Buck's Pizza and some of our favorite music, provided by DJ Mike McDaniels.

Our November dance, "The Blue Jean Ball" was held on November 11th. An added feature was a home-made soup contest. Leah Turner won top honors for her recipe. DJ Mike Harding was spinning the tunes we all love.

Ours is a great club with some great members, but it could be even greater if more people would take part in the volunteer work we do. Please consider joining a committee, there are plenty of ways to get involved.

See you at our December dance, meal at 6:00 and dance to follow at 7:30, for another great night of fellowship, with Buck Crumpton as the DJ.

Learn the River Waltz and/or Couples Cruisin'.

I will teach River Waltz first!! Neil Carroll will be there to help the men with the lead and I will teach the dance steps. All men should be able to twinkle...lol

You do NOT have to have a partner for River Waltz so please feel free to come learn the dance if you are interested.

I will also do a quick teach of cruisin' but in order to teach as a couples dance you will find it much easier if you know this dance prior to class because of the unique turns!

Hope to see you at these fun events!
Susan Duncan

Another Milestone Is About to Happen!

by John Carpenter

Members of Sandy Beach Shag Club have been blessed for the past several years. We have had one of our members who has steadfastly worked very hard behind the scenes.

Hers has not been a glamorous job. It is one that goes by without much recognition, little thanks or acknowledgement of her work during this time period. The person I am referring to is Candace McGuire. She and her husband Larry have been spending time with personal issues and activities and she has not skipped a beat making sure each and every one of you is provided with proper communication concerning the monthly events and happenings of our club. I hope that you will take the time to show your appreciation of her efforts.

It is very hard to find someone that can replace a newsletter editor, and it will be very difficult to replace Candace! If you look at the present format of our newsletter, Candace introduced a very professional looking format that we have all grown to appreciate. I can tell

you first hand, that this involves a great deal of time and coordination with other club members that feed her information.

On a number of items, Candace has searched out information on her own as the sources can be very difficult to locate.

If you have ability, or an interest in this area, we really need a small team of people that can help put the newsletter together. Candace and I would certainly provide assistance and instruction going into the future.

This will probably be the last issue of the Sandkicker with Candace's input. I know I am going to miss her staffing the editor's desk greatly! Please let her know that you are going to miss her work too!



Christmas Party

Our Christmas Party at the Elks Club is December 9th. Dinner will be served a 6:00pm and dancing will follow at 7:30pm.

As you know, we offer our members a wonderful dinner at no cost for our regular membership. We also make this available to all of our Associate Members for \$15. Another option is to join the club before the dinner (\$20) and attend all parties for \$5 instead of \$8 and enjoy the dinner at no extra cost. This is not a Black Friday or Cyber Monday deal, it is an every day deal. We would love to have you as a regular member if you are not already one. I have attached a membership application that you can fill out and bring with you on the 9th if needed.

Our Elks chef, Cathleen Braun, will be preparing the meal. **While we are not taking reservations, we would like to get a head count of those planning on coming. Please email Jim Black at blac1778@bellsouth.net letting him know of your plans to attend.** Again, this is just to help us get a number for Cathleen.

The cost of the party will be collected at the door as usual as you enter prior to the meal, and if not attending the meal, throughout the evening as usual.

LINE DANCE


Hope your summer has been fun! You're invited to continue the fun with lots of low-impact aerobic benefits by coming to any one, two, or all three line dance classes to be taught each Tuesday evening at the Old Rock School, 400 Main Street West, Valdese, NC, in the Waldensian Room (enter side door and down the ramp). Only \$5 cover at the door. No pre-registration needed. No partner needed! Come 15 minutes before class Tuesday evenings through December 19 as follows:

6-7 p.m. LEVEL 1: Especially for those new to line dancing who want to learn how to do the most popular social line dances typically done at parties, and anyone who wants to review, warm-up, or just get more exercise! You'll also learn the vocabulary used in line dancing and the five basic rhythms used in all social dances.

7:10-8:10 p.m. LEVEL 2: Just a bit more challenging line dances, but easy to follow with lots of practice time! New line dances will be taught each week and reviewed the following week. So, lots of variety with line dances and music styles.

8:15-8:45 p.m. FAST PRACTICE: Non-stop action (with your requests)!

NOTE that this 2017 Fall Semester of classes offers you 14 weeks of step-by-step instructions to give you confidence and lots of exercise in fun ways! There will be two exceptions to the weekly TUESDAY EVENING schedule, as follows:



No partner needed.
Low-impact exercise!

Improve your
balance, posture, &
stamina!

Keep your feet
moving—boost your
brain too!

Lots of music variety
makes it more fun!


Only \$5 for any 1, 2, or
ALL 3 classes!

Line Dancing

TUESDAYS-FALL 2017
LINE DANCING FOR
FUN & FITNESS:

Weekly--Starting September 12th through Dec. 19th

6-7 p.m. (Level 1) Starter class for new line dancers, and anyone wishing to review or warm-up with easy-to-follow line dances!
7:10-8:10 p.m. (Level 2) More challenging rhythms!
8:15-8:45 p.m. (Fast Practice) Request your Favorites!



Body, mind, & social benefits too!

LOCATION:
OLD ROCK SCHOOL
400 Main St. West
Valdese, NC

Instructor:
Judy Wright, PhD

www.WrightWayDance.com

Phone: 828-391-1019

*No Classes the week of 11/7/17 [Elections]

*Monday, 12/11/17

Looking forward to seeing you again soon and to meeting new friends!

Judy & Sam Wright

Email: wright2dance@hotmail.com

P.S. You may check for updates on our facebook page for wrightwaydance or on our website: www.wrightwaydance.com.

P.P.S. Our couples' classes this Fall are currently on hiatus.

Sandy Beach Officers

President	Jim Black
Vice President	Grier Franklin
Secretary	Susan Duncan
Treasurer	Leah Turner
Members-at-Large:	Robin Little
	John Carpenter
Past President	Steve Coley

Find us on Facebook!

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



Llville Land Harbor Carolina Shag New Years Dance

Slow Dance, Ballroom & Line Dances

Sunday, December 31

LLH Recreation Building, Main Hall

8pm - 12:30am

Midnight Champagne Toast

7:30pm - *FREE* Shag Step Lesson

Taught by Becky & Gary Doran

Admission: \$10 per person

DJ - "Genuine" Gene Hensley from Huntersville, NC

To reserve your seat/table contact:

Becky Doran 336 902-4477 or luv2shagnc22@gmail.com

**Ice provided. Please bring your choice of beverage and
snacks to share with your table.**

Pineola Inn - \$71. 828 733-4979

Shady Lawn Lodge - \$74. 828 733-9006

Community Service

2017 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.

The Clean-up originally scheduled for Dec. 2 has been CANCELLED. No make-up date is scheduled

February 3, 2018 - Rain date Feb.10

April 7, 2018 - Rain date Apr. 14

June 2, 2018 - Rain date Jun. 9

August 4, 2018 - Rain date Aug. 11

October 6, 2018 - Rain date Oct. 13

December 1, 2018 - Rain date Dec. 8

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

December Birthdays

Carole Huffman	12/2
Judy Wright	12/4
Jimmy Crisp	12/5
Linda Fanning	12/6
Mary McNew	12/6
Michael DeWitt	12/8
Janie Butler	12/10
Mark Benedict	12/11
Richard Colton	12/12
Charles "Tommy" Helton	12/12
Terry Griffin	12/13
Leah Link	12/13
Patti Queen	12/13
Julie Lee	12/15
Pam Wagoner	12/15
Ruby Webb	12/15
Margaret Butler	12/16
Arlene Coley	12/17
William Honeycutt	12/19
Harold Willis	12/24
Martha Stewart	12/25

Last SBSC 2017 Party

Dec 9- Buck Crumpton

Party dates for 2018

Jan - no party

Feb 17, 2018 Lamar Walker

March 17, 2018 Tommy Samole and Roger Holcomb

April - no party

May 19, 2018 Johnny B

June 16, 2018 Buck Crumpton

July 21, 2018 Gene Hensley

August - No party

Sept Megafest

Oct 20, 2018 Donnie Meadows

November 17, 2018 Mike McDaniels

Dec 15, 2018 Steve Coley and Richard Conner

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, December 2nd - Frank Price

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, 139 Jordan Lane,
Statesville NC 28677

Saturday, December 2 – Mike Harding

7:00-11:00; \$5 paid members,
\$8 Guests

The "Shag Connection" APP is now available at APPLE & GOOGLE APP stores

Download the only APP dedicated to Beach
Music and Shag Dancing. This APP will
become your one source to find out what's
going on in the Beach Music and Shag
Dancing world!

Brushy Mountain Shag Club:

North Wilkesboro, NC

www.brushymountainshagclub.com

8:00pm-11:00pm

Saturday, December 16 - Christmas Party
with Steve Coley DJ

Sunday, December 31 - New Years Eve
with DJ Johnny B

Holiday Inn Express, 1700 Winkler Ave.,
Wilkesboro, NC

\$5 members and \$7 guests

Shelby Shag Club:

Shelby, NC

American Legion

613 E. Gold St., Kings Mountain NC

\$5 members and \$8 guests

Rutherford County Shag Club

located at the Twisted Pear

181 N. Main Street, Rutherfordton, NC

Friday December 1

Music starts at 7. One Chef Restaurant will
begin taking food orders at 5:45. Orders for food
will be delivered. Twisted Pear and One Chef
Restaurant as they support Rutherford County
Shag Club.

Two great websites for Shag Dance Information:

www.shagdance.com,

www.shagtour.com

The Heart and Soul of Our Club

Participation in your club's committees is a fun way to meet new friends and contribute to the health of our club. Contact these Committee 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, Joyce Kincaid
Door:	Sam/Annette Smith
Food/Hospitality:	Wilma Black, Trula Baker, Janice Fox
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:	Jim Black
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: blac1778@bellsouth.net

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.