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The Newsletter of Sandy Beach Shag Club

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February 2013

Fabulous February

Come Roll With Us at Mimosa Lanes

Sunday, February 10th
3:00p.m.—7:00 p.m.

Join Us for Our February Party —”Putting on the Ritz” Saturday, February 16th

7:30-11:30 p.m.
Morganton Elks Lodge
DJ Gene Hensley
(More Details on Page 2)

Shag Lessons

We will complete our Beginner I classes on February 7th; this class is 2 hours beginning at 6:30. We will start a Beginners II class that will be at 6:30 pm on March 7th, 14th, 21st, and 28th. There will be two Lead and Follow classes on the 7th and 14th. Each will be \$5 a class to be held at 7:45 pm following the Beginners II class.

Line Dance Lessons: February 21st and 28th (6:30), March 21st and 28th (7:45) Instructors for these lessons will be named later. As always, you can go to our website for lessons: <http://www.sandybeachshagclub.com/lessonsindex2013.htm>

Adopt-a-Highway Cleanup

The clean-up of Saturday, February 2nd, was completed. We continue to meet in the McDonald’s parking lot at 9:30 am near the ATM machine. The McDonalds has been torn down, but is being re-built.

A Word from Teresa Wilson

Sandy Beach Shag Club will have a Fabulous February!

We are starting out with a members special event "Come Roll with Us" on Sunday, February 10, 2013, 3 P.M. until 7 P.M. Bowling, dancing, and an all around good time at Mimosa Lanes. Grier, thank you in advance for allowing the Club to use your business!

Saturday, February 16th is our dance event "Putting on the Ritz". Put on your best party dress girls, and guys bring out those special jackets and lets have a "pretty" good time. Our ladies have started a tradition with the "Lady Soul Train Dance" (This is when all the ladies will form 4 lines, like two of the "soul train" lines and strut your stuff two by two down one of the two lines) everyone seems to get a big kick out of "moving" down the line. The 50/50 drawing will be back. Here is a break down of the ticket prices: **50/50 Ticket price: 1 Ticket \$1.00 7 Tickets \$5.00 18 Tickets \$10.00 40 Tickets \$ 20.00**

We have decided to set up and decorate the hall on Saturday starting at 10 AM. We need guys to help move and arrange tables and girls to cover the tables and place the décor. Many hands make light work.

Also in February is the Winter Workshop! Lots happening ~ Lots of fun.

Our March party theme will be "Spring Fling". More to come! Want to have some input? Contact Robin Little: email robin.little@yahoo.com or call [828-302-1675](tel:828-302-1675) or me Teresa Wilson: email spinal_gal@yahoo.com or call [828-430-0573](tel:828-430-0573)

Spread a Little Sunshine

Several of our members, have taken spills recently and could use a little cheer! Please remember these ladies in your prayers and maybe drop them a note letting them know we are thinking about them.

Joyce Kincaid—812 Carolina St. SE, Valdese, NC 28690

Ruby Webb—400 Lenoir St. Apt. 5, Morganton, NC 28655

Sarah Huffman—417 4th Ave. NW, Hickory, NC 28601

Dancing in the New Year— By Lee Wagoner

Wow. What a start to 2013. Dancing in Statesville, a super great party at Sandy Beach, and my first, but not my last, Mid-Winter at Ocean Drive. How was the start of your New Year?

First, thanks to Murl for the great music at our January party and thanks to all the beautiful ladies who took the time to do the birthday dance with Bill Arcebal and myself. We truly enjoyed it.

And thanks to everyone who entered the Chili Cook-off and congrats to the winners. There were some friendly jabs among competitors about who would win, but it was all in fun and a great idea to keep club members involved. I entered, but didn't win, and my only real disappointment was that I didn't get to try Bill's winning concoction. Maybe next time.

Mid-Winter was a great experience. Many Sandy Beachers stayed at the same hotel, thanks the recommendation of John and Robin. Sunday morning breakfast at the Hampton Inn seemed like a Sandy Beach party.

One final thought. While I'm not trying to run the current administration off, our elections are only 3-4 months away. If you think you'd like to serve our club in a greater capacity, now is the time to let Dorothy Barrier, John, Robin, or someone know that you would be willing to serve as an officer or board member. Our growth is up to every member, so give it some thought.

See everyone at the February party. Keep on shagging.



Our mark on the world is as fleeting as the tide washed sands. But it sure is fun to

The Mid-Winter ACSC Business Meeting 2013—John Carpenter

On February 17th, 2013, Robin and I braved the worst torrential rain that I can ever remember facing, from the time we left Morganton, until the time we arrived at North Myrtle Beach, SC. Those people that had been at the beach already, bragged of 70 plus degree weather that Thursday afternoon and sunburn that was unexpected. We had a great time this year at Mid-Winter. Many SBSC folks came to enjoy the weekend, and it was one of the larger Mid-Winters that I can remember in recent years. Robin was busy with attending meetings every day, and I was able to enjoy spending time talking with many of my friends there.

The purpose of this article is to share a bit of what happens at the business meetings that occur on Saturday of our S.O.S. functions. The meetings begin at 10am, and it is always advisable to get to the O.D. Café early, to get a good seat. Dorothy Barrier and I attended the meeting as representatives of Sandy Beach Shag Club. It was Dorothy's first ACSC meeting. Doughnuts and coffee are served and with a hot cup of coffee, we were ready to get started. When you enter, you get your packet, sign in, and indicate how many members your club has.

Ken Akin, Chairman, opened up the proceeding and gave his report. He was followed by our own Robin Morley, who indicated she was going to be giving all the new presidents, a new president's packet that she has created, and indicated they would all meet briefly after the meeting. There are over 30 new presidents following elections that take place in many clubs in November and December.

Following Robin, there were reports from Helen Still, SOS Chairman, who discussed the SOS Cruise that is going to be in October 2013. I am going to be including a flyer on this. This will be another really fun cruise that is like a mini SOS at sea. Next, Ron Whisenant, SOS President, thanked everyone for the kindness and condolences following the passing of his beloved wife, Peggy. He gave his report about SOS card sales and they have been very good. Parade Chairman, Don David gave his report on the upcoming Spring SOS parade, and the name. It is going to be called **two 9's and a 1 equals a whole lot of fun**. This is the 19th anniversary of the parade. Of course, SBSC is hard at work on their next float, and hopefully we can find some way to integrate this name into our entry. One of the last things discussed is that two SOS Board seats are up for election. Don David and Doris Keaton are seeking re-election and the slate of potential candidates is announced at the Winter Workshop in Fayetteville, NC, and voted on at that time.

The last thing on the agenda is always club delegates that address the meeting to advertise any big parties that they have coming up. When that finishes, the meeting is adjourned. This is a very condensed version of the meeting, but I wanted to give you all some insight as to how SBSC is impacted by the content and nature of these important meetings. I invite any of our members who are at any of the SOS events, to join me in attending these meetings. The future of our dance is molded and improved through the dialogue and discussion at these meetings.

SBSC Birthdays for February

Gary Baldwin	2/2
James Black (Jim)	2/2
Jeff Morse	2/2
Michelle Weiner	2/4
Libby Burns	2/5
Jerry Sutherland	2/8
Cathy Marlow	2/8
Charles Monahan	2/9
Freddy Rabon	2/9
Patsy Bentley	2/11
Rita Sutherland	2/11
Mary "Marylda" Webb	2/13
Delaney Jessup	2/16
Jennifer "Elaine" Claveria	2/17
Debra Gurley	2/19
Donnie Sanders	2/20
Phil Carpenter	2/22
Elbert Taylor	2/24
Shirlene Wike	2/25
Nena McNeely (Arlene)	2/28
Michael Burns	2/29
Allen Goodson	2/29

You are only young once, but you can stay immature indefinitely. –

Ogden Nash

2013 Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup

We will meet on the first Saturday of the month that a cleanup is scheduled. We will meet on the second Saturday, if the cleanup has to be rescheduled because of bad weather.

We will meet in the McDonald's parking lot near the ATM machine at 9:30am. Trash bags, safety vests, gloves, and pickup tools will be provided. It usually takes about an hour and a half to complete the cleanup. Call Jim Noggle, (828) [310-6099](tel:310-6099), if you need additional information.

Cleanup Date	Alternate Date
April 6	April 13
June 1	June 8
August 3	August 10
October 5	October 12
December 7	December 14

“Ask not what your Shag Club can do for you, but rather what you can do for your Shag Club”

Party Information

All Parties are held at the Morganton Elks Lodge.

Members \$5 Guests \$7

7:30pm until 11:30pm

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johnthomas@hotmail.com



All 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 etc.

Also, All members are asked to help with the clean-up at the end of the party by putting trash in the correct recycling

Mark Your Calendars 2013 Party Dates

February 16

March 23

May 18

June 29

August 3

September 1

October 26

November 16

December 14

Your participation in your Club's Committees is needed!

Social/Planning: Dorothy Barrier

Clean-up: James Bentley

Adopt-A-Highway: Jim Noggle

DJ Committee: Steve Coley

Membership: Robin Morley/John Carpenter

Door: Sam/Annette Smith

Food/Hospitality: Dorothy Barrier

Decorations: Teresa Wilson

Website: John Carpenter

Information/Newsletter: Debbie Dale/John Carpenter

By-Laws: Steve Coley

Tickets and SOS Cards: Sanford Clark and Scott Rogers

Parade/Float : Doris Shelton, Ken McFarland and Robin Little

If you haven't already done so, you can send an email to John Carpenter to select the committee you would like to serve on. It takes a village!



February 2013—Gary Barlow

This 2013 year has started us off with a loss to our shag family. A lady has passed whose obituary helps define her love of our dance. Her obituary states that “she enjoyed shagging and line dancing; she was always heading to the dance floor when the music had a good beat.” Patricia (Patti) Brittain will be missed; as a matter of fact Patti and her husband, Benny, have been missed for a while before her sudden passing on January 11th. When they weren’t at a monthly dance it was usually they were attending a hospital gala, a Valentine banquet for a cancer victim or a fund raiser for Yokefellow. Patti’s demise was brought on by a cold virus that had entered her heart. The irony here is for such a small stature of a lady she had the biggest heart, even before her first sneeze. I can’t tell you how many times I have visited a Yokefellow, a hospital visiting room or Lenoir Service League that I didn’t run into her doing volunteer work. Our friendship goes back to 1963 when I was a freshman at Lenoir High School. I would be hanging around the student lounge. She would be feeding quarters into the Wurlitzer jukebox. Guess who would be leading a group in a Stroll or the Bus Stop (dances were not called line dances then). Yes it would be Patti along with Carol (Beach) Austin, Joe Davis, and Dennis Whitener who with their spouses are now members of Sandy Beach Shag Club. Her influence and memory will be kept active just like her life. We send our condolences to Benny and family.

We shaggers are a resilient group. We have lost too many precious members recently but we continue on. I believe this is what our lost ones would hope we would do. Our club has some forward looking plans for 2013. The club will need many volunteers to make the plans materialize. Do not be afraid to step up, you will be glad you did.

“SHORT” Stories (Volume I, Book 5)—“Dancin on the Edge” by Alan Brown

Well, howdy out there! First, I want to give you a big "told you so!" I think Murl Augustine was a big smash hit at our last party, just ask Loretta M. how his butt feels! He's always been one of my personal favorites and I think he had a good time and will be back. Ok, getting down to business.....It's February and **cold!** We're up to about 1995 now, a bittersweet year for DTAB. (Speaking of sweet, you guys better be gettin' ready for V-Day.) Anyway times were good and Short and I started going with Dan Dobson to the annual Pro-Am golf tourney every Feb at yes....duh...the Beach! We had a pretty good routine by then, Jan--Mid-Winter, Feb- golf trip, March- golf trip, April-SOS, May- golf trip, summer- home, Sept--SOS, Oct--golf trip. Also, Winter and Summer Workshops for ACSC.....you got the idea it was all about shagging, the music and the love of the dance! Deanes really instilled that in me with his energy, enthusiasm and non-stop dancing.....and he loved to dance more than eat or drink!!

Most golf trips started Thursday but we would *have* to go on Tuesday to get in extra dancing. I'd say, "Short, nobody will be in the clubs on Tues." He'd say, "They will be at 2001, we're going." Well, there we would be, 300 golfers, maybe 30 women and a few shag-ho's. Back then and even now there's not that many true shaggers at The "Numbers" as 2001 was referred. That didn't stop Short, he'd grab whoever would dance and be right out there on the edge of the dance floor struttin' his stuff and teaching them to shag. Since all the golfers were mostly in tennis shoes, once Short got going we had it made. He wouldn't turn anyone down for a dance and would always make a point of saying, "you should go ask this one or that one, they're not getting asked." We got to know **Crazy George** Parrish the house DJ pretty well, (may he also rest in peace) as we closed the place down many nights. He gave me a 45" of Begin the Beguine by Johnny Mathis one night when I asked him to play it, which is one of my all time fav's, hmm, I need to look for that. 2001 was fun for me 'cause even I felt like a pro shagger then!!

“SHORT” Stories continued

Wednesday was shag club and spaghetti night at Harold's, Short would be in his "spot" right on the edge, just as you came to the main floor from the entrance and we'd close it down. Thursday was slow at OD and there was usually a band at 2001 soit was just like that old 45" that you kept playing over and over as a kid.....wow, we had some great times!! So maybe you're saying, "what was bittersweet?"

This is the history part for Gary and Marlene 'cause I know they are listening out there! In 1995 I was elected (or agreed probably) to become President of SBSC in May following Carolyn Beane, now Parks. That March for St. Pat's Day, (and Short loved telling this story), we were at the beach golfing and after a couple days I got to feeling bad so I told him after golf to go on out I'd be fine. Not so, I passed out in the room and ended up at the ER! Well, they ran a bunch of tests on me, etc. that came to no conclusion. I remember the nurse asking me, "Mr. Brown, were you drinking that green beer? (yes) Did you drink any wine? (yes) Did you drink any liquor? (yes) Well, we think that you are just dehydrated from drinking and we'll release you soon." So, it cost me \$1000 to find out what I already knew! But, the rest of the bittersweet story is that by August I was bionic with a pacemaker and triple by-pass surgery! The Pres. had to have a lot of help that year from all the good club members to keep it going and as you can see it's still ticking!! I had to practice HTSS for a while and that's not fun but the moral of the tale is don't check in to Grand Strand High Rise ER, the rooms are too expensive!!

See you on the hardwood at the next party!

PS: I'm sending a big shout-out to the newest members of my fan club, currently down at NMB: Teresa, Susan and Alice. Also, Midget, who helped with their initiation.

Area Happenings-Check out what is happening around us!

Two great websites for Shag Dance Information: www.shagdance.com
and www.shagtour.com

Area Clubs—please visit each club's website for more info.

Boone Shag Club

www.booneshagclub.com

The Boone Shag Club meets Tuesdays 7:00-9:30 in the
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Lake Hickory Shag Club

www.lakehickoryshagclub.com

Next Party: Saturday, February 9th

DJ Billy Waldrep

8:00-11:30 VFW Hickory
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Statesville Shag Club

www.statesvilleshag.com

The Statesville Shag Club dances at the VFW Post 2031 in
Statesville the second and fourth Friday of every month.

RE-UP Party: February 1st, DJ Daddy George

February 8th, DJ Steve Coley

February 22, DJ Roy Childress

8:00-11:00
\$5 Members and \$7 Guests

Brushy Mountain Shag Club:

North Wilkesboro, NC

www.brushymountainshagclub.com

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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 ww.sandybeachshagclub.com or contact the President, John Carpenter: johnthomas@hotmail.com

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Turner*

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