



United We Dance

Sandkicker

Newsletter of the Sandy Beach Shag Club
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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:

Annual **Mid-Winter** Break at North Myrtle Beach is January 15-18, 2015.

Next SBSC Monthly Party- **January 10, 2015** with DJ Roy Childers and DJ Eddie Teeter. Mark your calendars!!!

March 7th will be DJ Throwdown at North Myrtle Beach.

SOS Cards

We still have SOS cards. If you are attending Mid-Winter January 15-18 you will need a 2015 card. Please do not wait until the last minute! Cards are \$30 each. Please send me a self-addressed stamped envelope and check payable to SBSC to Robin Morley 100 Smith Street Morganton, NC 29655.

Dance Lessons

Line Dance Lessons will start on January 8, 2015 at 6:30 p.m. Please come join the fun! Dates for Line Dancing are January 8, 15, and 22.

Beginners I and Beginners II classes will start back on Jan 29, 2015! More information to follow! Please share our activities as you promote SBSC.

Sending Kind Thoughts

Please keep Alice Smith, and all of her family in your thoughts and prayers during this time after the loss of her husband, Steve.

Keep Jerry Fox in your thoughts and prayers. Jerry suffered a stroke and is in Grace Hospital on the 6th floor. Jerry is responding but he has a long road ahead of him.

Please remember Carollyn Pruett during this time also.

A Message from President Dorothy Barrier



I don't know about you, but I am so ready for the New Year. I find the holidays to be exhausting, but I do love the holiday season and I hope that everyone had a very Merry Christmas.

SBSC had a really good Christmas party and dinner. I hope everyone enjoyed their meal. It was catered by Timberwoods and I think they did a really good job.

The New Year is upon us and I for one am looking forward to a really good year. Our first party is January 10th and then Mid-Winter Boogie is the next weekend. If you have not purchased your 2015 SOS card, now is the time to do it. Please contact Robin Morley.

I would like to take a minute to reflect on this past year with Sandy Beach Shag Club. We have had some rocky roads at times, but we have managed to get through them and I do believe that our club is stronger than ever. We all had a blast at Spring SOS and in my mind, our float was the winner. Our club puts its heart and soul into our floats and we can proudly say that we build our floats from the ground up, thanks to the imagination of Robin Little and Alice Smith. I for one am looking forward to see what they have designed for this year.

We had some fun deck parties at Friday Friends and the weather actually cooperated with us for a change. Our September Megafest was a wonderful party and a huge success through the efforts of dedicated volunteers.

Fall SOS is always a grand event and our club had a huge turnout. Everywhere you go at SOS, people have heard about Sandy Beach Shag Club.

We have had some great monthly parties and as always our Halloween party is lots of fun with some really creative costumes.

I want to personally thank everyone that volunteers their time for the good of our club. Our club is always decorated beautifully due to the time and efforts of people like Robin Little, Alice Smith, Libby Burns and Annette Williams. Thanks to Leah Turner for taking care of all the finances. Thanks to Jim Noggle for heading up the Adopt a Highway Program. Thanks to Susan Duncan for taking the best minutes at a meeting and promptly getting any message out to our club that needs to be sent.

Thanks to Robin Morley for her great Morley Monday's and for overseeing the SOS cards. Thanks to John Carpenter for heading our Megafest and for keeping me in line and being such a good mentor. Thanks to Sanford Clark for always being there and helping out wherever we need him. Thanks to James Bentley and Steve Coley for booking our DJ's that keep us dancing.

Thanks to all our members that support our club in other ways, such as bringing snacks and helping in areas such as decorating, donating for our Megafest Chinese auction, highway clean up, and other efforts. A big thanks to Candace McGuire for helping with this newsletter. If I have left anyone out, please accept my apologies and know that I am truly appreciative of all our members.

As most of you know along with the joys of the Christmas Holidays, there was also a lot of sadness. We lost a very valued member- Steve Smith. What a great guy. Lee Wagoner lost his father and Jim Noggle lost his brother over the holidays. Jerry Fox suffered a major stroke and is still in critical condition. Please keep Alice Smith, Lee Wagoner, Jim Noggle and Jerry Fox in your thoughts and prayers. On a much

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brighter note Susan Whisnant and Jim and Georgia Cates are now the proud grandparents of twin girls.

I have said it before, Sandy Beach Shag Club members are a family. We care about each other and we support each other in good

times and in times of tragedy. 2015 is going to be a good year. We are going to dance right through it!

Love to each of you,
Dorothy Barrier, President of Sandy Beach Shag Club

Happy New Year to All

by John Carpenter

The year 2014 has come and gone. We face the prospects of the upcoming year with hope and determination to make our world a better place and to have fun while doing it. We cannot change what cards we are dealt, but merely make the best of what we have.

Please be kind to all, even in the face of our differences, love each and every person, as difficult as this can sometimes be. We all realize the delicate nature of life. Tell your mother and father . . . if they are still with you, how much you love them as often as you can. Tell your children how much you love them as often as you can. Tell your significant other how much you love them as often as you can. Do things for others and not yourself, as often as you can.

I thank you all for the kindness that you have given me and Robin throughout 2014, and hope that we can find ways to thank you and make 2015 a happy and joyful new year.



Sandy Beach Officers

President	Dorothy Barrier
Vice President	Robin Little
Secretary	Susan Duncan
Treasurer	Leah Turner
Members-at-Large:	Libby Burns
	Sanford Clark
Past President	John Carpenter

Community Service

2015 Adopt -A-Highway Cleanup

Consider making a New Year's Resolution to benefit the community of Morganton by joining the highway cleanup group. 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.

2015 Adopt-A-Highway Schedule:

- Saturday, February 7 -
Alternate will be Saturday, February 14
- Saturday, April 4 -
Alternate will be Saturday, April 11
- Saturday, June 6 -
Alternate will be Saturday, June 13
- Saturday, August 1 -
Alternate will be Saturday, August 8
- Saturday, October 3 -
Alternate will be Saturday, October 10
- Saturday, December 5 -
Alternate will be Saturday, December 12

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

January Birthdays

Lee Wagoner	1/1
Kathy Valentine	1/3
Charlotte Harding	1/5
Sarah Huffman	1/5
Glenn Boston	1/6
Helen C. Still	1/6
Charlotte Watson	1/6
Jim B. Brinkley	1/8
Teri Craver	1/8
Bill Arcebal	1/11
Kaye Cuthbertson	1/11
Larry McGuire	1/12
Andy St. John	1/14
Sam Smith	1/15
Carol Hurt	1/20
Alan Parks	1/20
Randy Bivins	1/22
Terry King	1/25
Gary Ogle	1/28
Richard McGee	1/29
Bish Ballard	1/30
Sally Nicks	1/30

Dates for 2015 parties

Dates for 2015 parties have been set. DJ's are being lined up for fun and all that needs to be added is YOU! Be sure to note these dates and plan accordingly!

January 10th - DJs Roy Childers and Eddie Teeter
February 7th
March 14th
April is open-no party
May 9th
June 13th

July is open-no party
August 1st
September 6th, Sunday, DJ Megafest
October 3rd
November 14th
December 12th

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

Shut-up and Dance!

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, January 24 with
The Booger Brothers

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.

January 9 with DJ Don Staley

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

Brushy Mountain Shag Club:

North Wilkesboro, NC

www.brushymountainshagclub.com

January 24 - Re-Up Party
with DJ Gene Sistare

8:00p-11:00pm

N. Wilkesboro Elks Lodge

\$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

335 E. College Ave. Shelby, NC

\$3 members and \$6 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 friends and contribute to the health of our club. Contact these Committee Chairs or president Dorothy Barrier for more information about participating in these events and activities.

Social/Planning: Robin Little, Dorothy Barrier (robin.little@yahoo.com)
Clean -up: James Bentley (bentley.jamesa@yahoo.com)
Adopt-A-Highway: Jim Noggle (nogbog44@yahoo.com)
DJ Cmmittee: Steve Coley, James Bentley (slcoley913@yahoo.com)
Membership: John Carpenter, Robin Morley
(johncarpenter@sandybeachshagclub.com)
Door: Sam Smith, Annette Smith (samueal@bellsouth.net)
Food/Hospitality: Dorothy Barrier (dorothybarrier@sandybeachshagclub.com)
Website: John Carpenter (johncarpenter@sandybeachshagclub.com)
Information/Correspondence: Susan Duncan (susanduncan@sandybeachshagclub.com)
Fun Monday Tickets and SOS Cards: Dorothy Barrier (dorothybarrier@sandybeachshagclub.com)
Decorations/Parade/Float : Robin Little (robin.little@yahoo.com)
It takes a village. 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
Members \$5, Guests \$8; 7:30pm until 11:30pm

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.