

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:

A General Membership Meeting will be held at the Elks Lodge **January 7th** starting at 6:30. Hot Dogs will be served.

Our annual Chili Cook-off will be held at our regular party on **Saturday**, **January 23rd**. We will pay prize money for 3 places. This is also our tailgate party so come dressed in your favorite team colors or jerseys. Billy Waldrop is our DJ. Please put this date on your calendar so you do not miss out on the fun and excitement!

Sunday, **January 10**, 3:00 - 6:30 p.m. - Sunday- Catawba Brewery.

Thursday, **January 21** - 6:30 p.m. Line Dance - Morganton Elk's Lodge

Dance Lessons

There are no shag dance lessons schedued at this time, but check the Web site www.sandybeachshagclub.com for the latest information and upcoming lesson schedules.

Line dance lessons are on Thursdays beginning Jan. 21. We start at 6:30 at the Elks Lodge on Golf Course Rd.

SOS CARDS

2016 SOS cards are now available for \$30 each. Please make checks payable to SBSC, and follow these instructions! You are welcome to purchase by mail. Send a self-addressed STAMPED envelope to Robin Morley 100 Smith Street Morganton, NC 28655. SOS cards will also be available at any SBSC function. You will need a new SOS card for Mid-Winter in January.

Love is in the Air

Over the Holidays, two couples got engaged that are all members of SBSC. Mike Carlisle and Libby Sears, and Beau Norman and Patti Queen. Romance is blossoming here at SBSC and we wish these couples the best of luck going forward!

A Message from President Steve Coley



I hope everyone had a wonderful Christmas and a Happy New Year. I know you have been busy and hopefully you can find a few breaks to rest during January before our next party January 23rd. More details about this later in my letter.

Congratulations to SBSC once again for

winning a first place award in the Morganton Downtown Parade for Best Costume! Thanks to Robin Little for once again heading this up and to all members who participated in the event. The energy level in the early stages hanging around waiting for the judging and the parade to start was great, and it picked up even more for showtime!

A General Membership meeting will be held Thursday, January 7th at the Elks Lodge. We plan to have hot dogs so please plan to attend and show your support to the club by voicing your opinion, or volunteering.

Plan to attend the Catawba Brewery in downtown Morganton on Sunday January 10th from 3:00-6:30 for an indoor version of our "Deck Party". We had a great time there March 2015 and I expect the same this time around. Steve Coley will be the DJ.

Mid-Winter at Ocean Drive will be held the week ending Sunday, January 17th. This is also the Winter Workshop meeting. You only have a couple more chances before then to get SOS cards that you need if you are coming to Mid-Winter. Make sure you catch up with Robin Morley to get yours.

Our annual Chili cook off and Tailgate party will occur at our regular dance Saturday, January 23rd. This is an opportunity to support your favorite sports team. First, Second, & Third Place Prize money will be awarded for the best Chili. Billy Waldrep will be the DJ.

Please continue to follow events involving SBSC by reading Robin's Morley Monday as well as any updates Susan Duncan sends out to the club. Both are sent out via e-mail, so if you need to update your e-mail address, please see Susan Duncan so you will receive these communications. Also, you can check our Facebook page for information. I hope to see a big turn out for our General Membership Meeting on January 7th.

Steve Coley President, SBSC

Sandy Beach Officers

President Steve Coley
Vice President Sanford Clark
Secretary Susan Duncan
Treasurer Leah Turner
Members-at-Large: Libby Burns

Mike Carlisle

Past President Dorothy Barrier

Partnerships Can Be Everything

by John Carpenter

In our world today, partnerships can be very important. They can be everything. As a shag club we have formed a number of partnerships. We are partners to the Association of Carolina Shag Clubs, Friday Friends, our charitable benefactors, and most importantly to the Morganton Elks Lodge.

During our relationship with the Elks Lodge, we once moved away from the Elks Lodge and went to a bar called Thumpers. This was short-lived as the old SBSC went under not long after. So except for that period of time, our entire existence has been as a partner with the Elks. We all know what a special place we have to dance and socialize! If you have traveled around to other clubs, I am sure you would agree that there are very few venues that rival what we have as our "home".

I mention this because times change and organizations like the Elks go through their ups and downs just like our own shag club has. I am very active as an Elks member and it is a wonder organization that does much in our community to help with the Veterans, foster children, local athletic teams, impoverished school children who otherwise might go home hungry on weekends, scholarships for deserving college bound students, and so much more to name here.

Just like the shag club, the Morganton Elks Lodge needs funds to operate. The shag club for the most part has been given preferential treatment over the years as we have been the biggest longstanding customer and partner of the Elks Lodge. We receive grant money from the National Elks Lodge to help us with a number of our projects, but the balance comes from fund raising and membership dues. We

have a significant number of members in the Elks Lodge that are also shag club members. I have to say that they are the most helpful and supportive members we have as a whole. I encourage each and every one of you to consider joining the Elks Lodge. Much of the membership dues



go directly towards our operating expenses and our charitable donations. If you have been to eat with us, or hang out in the bar with Barry and our other fantastic staff, you know we have a great deal of fun. We are always open to suggestion on how to make the Lodge more fun for our members.

As you know from my emails to you, there is a New Years Eve party and by the time the newsletter comes to you, this time will have probably passed. I hope a number of you joined us, as every little bit helps.

Down the road if things get really tough, we may as shag club members, be called upon to help support the Elks Lodge. I am considering having a "Raise the Barn" party for our lodge. Remember, partnerships are everything and if we had to find another place to call "home", what would be our future as a shag club?



Departing Long Beach (Just outside Los Angeles) Saturday, Oct. 15, 2016 15-night trip going to Hawaiian Islands Visiting: Kahului, Honolulu, Nawiliwili, Kona and Hilo and Ensenada, Mexico



Prices below are per person and include taxes and fees! \$1,783.19 Interior **Balcony** \$2,463.19 Ext. Balcony \$2,513.19 Prices for 1st 100 cabins only Pricing based on double occupancy and availability.

Contact Michael Graham/Cruise Planners in order to enjoy our group amenities, which include dances, events, and a \$100 on board credit for every cabin! 843-732-2582







Lake Norman Shag Club's 28th Annual

Pebruary 11, 12, 13, 2016 OD Areade & Lounge - North Myrtle Beach, SC











Thursday	DJ's		
5:00 - 8:30	Mike Felts		
8:30 - 12:00	Curtis Treece		
Friday			
4:00 - 8:30	Jr. Norfleet		
8:30 - 12:00	Donnie "Fish" Meadows		
Saturday			
2:00 - 5:00	Tootie Brown		
5:00 - 8:00	Gene Hensley		
8:00 - 11:00	Jeff Foster		

Friday	Special Events	
4:00 - 5:00	Line Dance Lesson	
6:30	Hot Dog Dinner	
8:30	Entertainment * *Highlight of club's Select a couple from your club to dance in the "Joint Club's Spotlight Dance"	
Saturday		
2:00 - 3:00	Wine Tasting	
3:00 - 4:00	Workshop – Downis & Frankis Johnson	
6:30	Chicken Dinner	
8:30	Surprise Entertainment	

Contact Information: Carol Duggins: 704-907-8983 or Jim Berry: 704-577-8650 – www.lakenormanshagdub.com
Limited to the first "250" PAID – ONLY \$335/person – Three Fun Filled Days & Nights
Discount Room Rates at Avista Resort 877-238-4487 – Mention "LNSC Chicken Pickin" reservation #2063094 A portion of the Chicken Pickin' proceeds will be donated to Hospice.

Tickets@\$35 Address ress (confirmation) ______Shag Club____ Mail Checks Payable to LNSC Chicken Pickin' by the Sea to: PO Box 2095, Cornelius, NC 28031 Email Address (confirm

All About Travel/Tours, Inc., 308 Main Street, North Myrtle Beach, SC 29582 843-281-0480 or 1-800-452-3880

November 20, 2015

Dear Shaggers and Beach Music Lovers,

The message is clear – Carolina Beach Music and the Shag need to stay alive and active forever! So here is something that may interest you and your shag club members.....

All About Travel has hosted over 20 shag and beach music cruises, with bands like The Embers, featuring Craig Woolard and Too Much Sylvia. In the past, 99% of them sailed out of Florida making the distance from your area either a long drive or an expensive airline ticket. Well, that is about to change! The 2016 Bahamas, Beach Music and Boogie Cruise will sail out of BALTIMORE, MD, on October 9, 2016, for a 7 night shag/beach music cruise. We will have 2 award winning beach music bands, The Holiday Band and The Castaways, along with DJ's, Joey Warren and John Hall of YourBeachMusic.com. Shag lessons will also be offered by Phillip Mitchell and Diane Jessie of the Richmond Shag Club.

Now in order to help us, help you.....we would like to offer your shag club the following. All About Travel is willing to pay your shag club \$25 per person for every club member that signs up for the cruise! So, you can do the math. In order for this to work for both of us, we need you to get the word out. The Flyer needs to be published in your Club Newsletter and/or put on your Club's Website...your choice.

We will have a "cut-off, as far as the number of folks that we can take on the cruise. For this cruise we will "fill up" at 300 folks or approximately 150 cabins. We suggest that you act fast to ensure that all of your club members are able to join us and you can make some money for your shag club.

We would love for your shag club to be a part of this historic Shag and Beach Music Cruise out of Baltimore. Please feel free to contact us at 843-281-0480 or 1-800-452-3880 with any questions or concerns that you might have.

Respectfully,

George Driscoll, CTC, All About Travel, North Myrtle Beach, SC 29582

Please see the flyer on the next page



Bahamas, Beach Music and Boogie Cruise



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(Rates are based on double occupancy and include port charges and government taxes and admission to all private events)



\$250 Deposit (refundable deposit)

Must cancel by June 24, 2016

For reservations and information

Call Today!

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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:

Feb. 6 - Rain date Feb. 13

Apr. 2 - Rain date Apr. 9

Jun. 4 - Rain date Jun. 11

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.

SBSC 2016 Party Schedule:

January 23	Billy Waldrep	Chili Cook-off Contest
February 27	Richard Conner	Putting On The Ritz
March	no party	

April 2 Gene Hensley Dirty Dancing

May 14 Buck Crumpton Re Up June 11 Frank Price Hot Dogs

July 30 Donnie Meadows

August no party

September 4

Labor Day Sunday Megafest

October 8 Mike Harding - Halloween

Costume Contest

November 5 Roger Holcomb

December 10 -DJ TBA

Christmas Party & Member Dinner

January Birthdays	
Lee Wagoner	1/1
Sarah Huffman	1/5
Charlotte Harding Link	1/5
Glenn Boston	1/6
Charlotte Watson	1/6
Jim B. Brinkley	1/8
Teri Craver	1/8
John Fike	1/8
Catherine (Cathy) Johnson	1/9
Bill Arcebal	1/11
Kaye Cuthbertson	1/11
Larry McGuire	1/12
Tammie Blankenship	1/14
Andy St. John	1/14
Sam Smith	1/15
Juliet "Tat" Valencia	1/20
Randy Bivins	1/22
Terry King	1/25
Susan Green	1/28
Gary Ogle	1/28
Bish Ballard	1/30
Terry Goble	1/31

FOR SALE

I am retiring as of Dec 31, 2015. I will not be needing all these cars I have. I will sell my 2009 Honda Accord, V6 engine, Sliver in color, 35,009 actual miles on it. 28-30 MPG on highway, look new, black leather interior,4 door, not a dent, scratch or dink on it anywhere. Housed in my garage, never been in the sun or rain unless I am driving it. Purchased in Morganton new by myself.

No lien on the car, title is clear. Nothing whatsoever is wrong with it, just do not need it. I will drive my F-150 Ford truck most of the time. \$17,000.

Thanks,

Sanford Clark

sclark@cniag.com

229-349-3520

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
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 January 9 - with DJ Randy Rowland 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 30 - Ervin Ellington 8:00-11:00; FREE to paid members, \$5 Guests

Brushy Mountain Shag Club:

North Wilkesboro, NC
www.brushymountainshagclub.com
Sat. January 23 Re Up Party Gene Sistare
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
Jan. 23 with Steve Jenkins
Black and White Party
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 John Carpenter-Chairman
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.