



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 John Carpenter: johncarpenter@sandybeachshagclub.com

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News

Upcoming Events:

Steve Coley will DJ at an event at RockBarn Golf and Spa coming up **Friday July 17** from 7:00-10:00. This will be a free event on the patio, weather permitting, and in the ballroom otherwise.

The Adopt-A-Highway Cleanup is scheduled for Saturday **August 1**. The group meets at the McDonald parking lot on Highway 70W in Morganton at 9:30 am.

The next Sandy Beach Dance Party is scheduled for **August 1** with DJ Jeff Foster.

Save the date! for all SBSC Members: Pool party at Charles Bridges and Elizabeth Ferguson's home in Claremont. This has been a fantastic party every year and you will regret missing this one on **August 2nd**. Additional information to be provided soon.

August 15 is the Summer Bash at the Caldwell Couty Fairgrounds benefitting the Wig Bank of Caldwell Co.

DJ Megafest

Tickets are now available for the annual DJ Megafest scheduled for September. Contact John Carpenter for tickets and additional information for this blockbuster event. **Tickets are limited** so don't delay. See more information on page 5.

Dance Lessons

There are no lessons currently scheduled at this time. Shag and Line Dance will both pick up in the Fall. Stay tuned.

A Message from President Steve Coley



The month of June has passed very quickly. If you missed out on any SBSC activities, here's a chance to catch play catch up as well as learn about upcoming events.

We finally received some mild weather at the right time for our Friday Friends Deck Party Sunday June 28th. Mac

Mast was our DJ. Attendance was very good and all had a good time dancing and spending time together. Our regular party for June was a success even though attendance was not as high as other months. This seems to be a normal thing for summer months due to travel and many other activities for folks to participate.

Fun Monday tickets are now on sale. James Bentley is heading up a big part of the sales as well as Ron Spencer and Les Harbinson in addition to each board member. Don't miss out on a chance to win \$7,500 while supporting a good NMB charity "Caring For Kids". The drawing will be held on Monday, September 21st. Four other tickets will be drawn as well. You have a chance to win between \$250 and \$2,000 if you miss out on the big prize. You do not have to be present to win.

The club has 100 tickets to sell and traditionally we have been able to support this charity selling all 100 tickets. Ticket sales support the free entertainment by some great bands and artists that you can see downtown during Fun Sunday and Fun Monday. About one half of the 100 tickets are sold so we need more participation from our members to reach our goal of 100.

We have sold about 60 raffle tickets for the beautiful framed beach print we had on display at our June party and deck party. We will draw

the winning ticket at our regular party in October. Proceeds will go to support Junior SOS by starting a SBSC junior program if we can raise enough money from ticket sales. Please support this worthy cause by purchasing a ticket for \$5 or buy 5 tickets for \$20. See Arlene Coley or Dorothy Barrier for tickets.

We will not have any deck parties in July so our next scheduled SBSC event is Saturday August 1st at the Elks Lodge. Jeff Foster will be the DJ playing from 7:30-11:00.

A Megafest Meeting has been scheduled for Sunday July 26th . Please plan to participate by attending this meeting. Robin's Morley Monday will spell out things such as food and beverages; what the Club will do and what you will be asked to bring. This is always a great time at a great place. Thank you Sanford! Contact John Carpenter if you have any questions about Megafest as well as being on a committee.

I will be the DJ for Rock Barn Club on Friday July 17th from 7:00-10:00. This will be a free event on the patio, weather permitting and in the ballroom otherwise. The same shrimp boil theme is scheduled. About 40 SBSC members were at the May event and everyone enjoyed the atmosphere, dinner, and dancing. There's no reason we can't have a larger crowd by inviting friends and members that did not know about the May event. Please make sure you contact the restaurant at Rock Barn for reserved seating on the patio. I look forward to seeing many of you there and hope this will serve us a SBSC deck party.

I'll be attending the ACSC Summer Workshop the weekend of July 11th hosted by Northern Virginia Shag Club. I'll recap highlights of the meeting in the newsletter published after that date. Thanks and I'll see you very soon.

Steve Coley

In Memoriam of Outstanding Shag Supporters

by John Carpenter

This past two months in our shag world have been difficult for me personally. A number of people that I have known, some well known throughout our shag world and some not, have passed. I want to let you know about these people because all of them had a connection to me in this wonderful shag lifestyle that we enjoy.

Dancing brings us all together in so many ways that we do not realize. So, I want to share some small tidbits with you. Those we lost are John Hutchins, "Fat Harold" Bessent, Eddie Monsour, Dave Bushey, and Dr. Phil Sawyer.

John Hutchins was a former Exalted Ruler of the Elks Lodge here in Morganton. He was the leader when I became an Elk member. He and his wife Dawn took shag lessons from me and Robin years back and I enjoyed teaching them both how to shag. We visited John's house and it was the first and only time I taught someone to shag in their own home.

John taught me the meaning of being an Elk Member and the importance of a good relationship between the Morganton Elks Lodge and our shag club. John lost his battle with cancer only recently.

Fat Harold was known throughout the shag world for having been the owner of one of the most recognizable shag landmarks anywhere. Of course I am talking about Fat Harold's Beach Club which many SBSC members have visited. Fat Harold did much to promote our dance, our music, and our lifestyle. He was truly an iconic figure in our dance and his name will always remain as a beacon of light that shines on our love of this wonderful dance and the places we go to enjoy it. I encourage you to learn more about his life and the many things he did to give to others so that our world, especially our dance world, would be a better place.

Eddie Monsour was a great leader in our shag community. He was the director of the Hall of Fame Foundation that is one of the great

philanthropic ventures seeking to assist shaggers and others who need assistance. He was a great dancer and was inducted as was Fat Harold into the Beach Shaggers Hall of Fame. Eddie had a voice that was very commanding and he spoke on numerous occasions at Association of Carolina Shag Clubs' meetings. Eddie was awarded the Shag Icon award in 2005 and was a member of the Fayetteville Area Shag Club.



Dave Bushey was the past president of the Northern Virginia Shag Club and was deep into preparations for the ACSC Summer Workshop that will be held starting July 10th of this month near Washington, DC. He found out he had cancer and it progressed rapidly and he left us June 25th. He attended our Megafest party with his wife Angie last year while he was still president of his club. Robin and I had gotten to know Dave very well during these last several years as our lifestyle brings us all together at SOS and we held the same passion for our dance.

Lastly, we lost one of the true fathers of our shag world. He was one of the true mentors of many who like I, want to see our dance, our music, and our lifestyle prosper and flourish. If it was not for Dr. Phil Sawyer, the SOS we have come to love would not exist. The Association of Carolina Shag Clubs might have never existed. He helped to start ACSC and was responsible for the purchase of SOS.

He lived in Columbia, SC and was an avid South Carolina Gamecock fan as I am. He would tell me stories about so many different things when I would get together with him and talk. He remembered everything so well including dates and names and listening to him talk about our shag history was spellbinding. I

had the opportunity in May to visit him while he was in the hospital with his wonderful wife Miss Chick. I also had lunch with him in his favorite eatery in Columbia, The Mousetrap, not too many months before my last visit with him.

He was the first Shag Icon inducted in 1995. Many of you own his book, Save The Last Dance For Me. If you don't own it, I suggest you consider owning it. It is truly a piece of shag history. He was a member of the first shag club in ACSC, the Columbia Shag Club.

Our dance and everything involved with it is a fragile existence. Each one of our Sandy Beach Shag Club members represents an

important part of the framework that makes up our local club, our regional presence, and our national representation.

The future of our great Carolina Shag lies in the hands of those that love it now, and to those who we pass it on down to. Each one of these amazing people who have passed on to that Shadow Shaggers Heaven have left us big shoes to fill. Each one had a profound role to play in my shag life and it is our destiny to join together and pass our passion on to others as they did.

Important Sandy Beach Megafest Dates

It is now time for us to get all of the plans worked out for our big event. We have some great new ideas and we are always open to any suggestions that you feel can make this party work even better. Please help out and let me know if you can come to our organizational meeting on July 7th. Just email me if you can make it. This is very important!

I will have a meeting with those willing to head up an area or share heading it up with someone on **Tuesday July 7th** at 7pm. Location will be confirmed, but is likely Friday Friends.

A Megafest Committee meeting at Sanford's cabin is scheduled for **July 26th** at 4 pm. This will be some work with lots of fun!

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



MADISON AND ALI BUMGARNER
and The Wig Bank of Caldwell County
along with SunTrust Bank
present the second annual
Summer Bash

Saturday, August 15th from 5pm - 11pm
at the Caldwell County Fairgrounds, Lenoir

Dance all night long to the music of
The Extraordinaires
DJ Johnny B
and **The Entertainers!**

Tickets are \$20 each in advance, \$25 each at the door.
Tickets are available at The Wig Bank of Caldwell County
by calling 828-758-9111 or by visiting www.wigbank.org

SUMMER BASH
The Extraordinaires
Johnny B's
THE ENTERTAINERS

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

Community Service

2015 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.

2015 Adopt-A-Highway Schedule:

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.

SBSC 2016 Party Schedule:

January 23

February 27

March – no party

April 2 – Mini Megafest

May 14

June 11

July 30

August- no party

September 4 – Labor Day
Sunday Megafest

October 8

November 5

December 10

July Birthdays

Sanford T.Clark	7/1
Eddie Hicks	7/1
DeEtta Gentry	7/2
Judy Glasscock	7/3
Robert (Bob) Baker	7/4
Steve Hurd	7/6
Steve Killian	7/6
Linda Ouzts	7/8
Lori Condrey	7/10
Susan Monahan	7/11
Doris Shelton	7/12
Malcolm Cooke	7/13
Neil Carroll	7/15
Grier Franklin	7/15
Janet Spann	7/15
Keith Ollis	7/16
Susan Duncan	7/17
Hannah Owen	7/17
Kelly Kever	7/19
Pam Penley	7/20
Ray Penley	7/20
Marsha Williams	7/23
Michael Morris	7/24
Danny Wright	7/26
Allen Gurley	7/28
Bo Hensley	7/29
Judy Foster	7/30
Carollyn Pruett	7/30
Kimmie Rogers	7/30
Marvin Yokum	7/30

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!

August 1 - Jeff Foster

September 6 = Megafest (Sunday, Labor Day
Weekend)

October 3 - Frank Price

November 14 - Roger Holcomb

December 12 - Mike Harding

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

July 25th – Larry Calhoun
otherwise as Big Fish

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

July 18 - with DJ Billy Waldrep

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.

July 10 - with DJ Roy Childress

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

Brushy Mountain Shag Club:

North Wilkesboro, NC

www.brushymountainshagclub.com

July 11 - TIKI Party with DJ Frank Price

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

8 pm

American Legion

613 E. Gold St., Kings Mountain NC

\$5 members and \$8 guests

Marion Dance Venue

Corner Tavern

84 South Main Street

Marion, NC (828 559 2153).

Beach and shag music on 2nd and 4th
Friday nights (7-10:30 PM)

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 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

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: johnccarpenter@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.