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# Sandkicker

Newsletter of the Sandy Beach Shag Club  
Morganton, NC

[www.sandybeachshagclub.com](http://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](http://www.sandybeachshagclub.com) or contact John Carpenter: [johncarpenter@sandybeachshagclub.com](mailto:johncarpenter@sandybeachshagclub.com)

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## News

### Upcoming Events:

The next Sandy Beach Dance Party is scheduled for **March 14**, which will be the Mini Megafest!

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

### Dance Lessons - (Updated Schedule)

Due to the weather limitations, we will start a new set of lessons March 19th, and then the 26th, April , 1st (**Wednesday**) and 9th. We will do our Beginners 2 class at 6:30pm and our intermediate/Lead and Follow class at 7:45pm. If you have any questions about this updated schedule, please let us know.

Please wear comfortable leather bottom shoes if possible. You must join Sandy Beach Shag Club to take Beginners 2 and Intermediate/Lead and Follow. We will have applications available. The cost to join is \$20. Please show up early for the first lesson to register!

Following this set of lessons, shag lessons will not resume until May. Private lessons will be available during this period. Call Robin with questions at 828 443 5995 or email her at [rsmorley55@hotmail.com](mailto:rsmorley55@hotmail.com).

A Line Dance Lesson is scheduled for March 5th at 6:30pm at the Elks Lodge. There will also be additional Line Dance Lessons TBA, to be held in April while there are no shag lessons.

### Time to think about SOS!

The parade float design is underway! Construction is running a little behind schedule. Help is needed to construct the float to have it ready for the April 25th SOS parade. If you are willing and able to help, please contact Robin Little ([robin.little@yahoo.com](mailto:robin.little@yahoo.com)) ASAP! Thanks in advance!

## Website

A great deal of work goes into updating our website and keeping the information current. Please check out the new updates of our Calendar, and the Lessons page. Most all of the links have been reviewed and updated. If you have something that you would like to have included on the website, contact John Carpenter and he will do his best to accommodate you.

## A Message from President Dorothy Barrier



I hope that everyone is staying safe and warm. I am ready for warm weather and the beach. Speaking of the beach, Spring SOS is not that far away. There is still a ton of work to be done on our float. We are in dire

need of volunteers to work on the float that will be entered into the SOS parade. Please email Robin Little and let her know when you would like to help with the float at : [robin.little@yahoo.com](mailto:robin.little@yahoo.com) . The weather has sure put us behind on getting the float ready. Any and all help is needed and appreciated. Also don't forget to let Robin know what your costume will be. Our float is Shrek themed, so you will need to dress as a storybook character.

SBSC will be having a general meeting on April 2nd at the Morganton Elks Lodge at 7:00. This is a very important meeting. The election of new officers will take place at this meeting. The SBSC board will meet following the general

meeting. Remember this is your club and your input is needed.

On March 8th we will have our mini megafest. We will have 4 DJ's at this party. Our theme for the party is disco. Pull out your polyester leisure suits, your gold and silver jumpsuits and of course your platform shoes. We are expecting a large crowd, so we will need plenty of good snacks for the evening.

Please note on your calendar that we have made a change for the August party. This party will be held on August 1st instead of August 8th. Our DJ will still be Jeff Foster.

Thank goodness spring is just around the corner and warmer days are coming. If you are planning on going to spring or fall SOS please get your SOS card as soon as possible from Robin Morley.

Have a good evening and I will see you on the dance floor!

Dorothy Barrier, President  
SBSC

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sandybeachshagclub.com](mailto:dorothybarrier@sandybeachshagclub.com)

### **SOS Cards And Cruise Raffle**

We still have SOS cards. Cards are \$30 each. Please send a self-addressed stamped envelope and check payable to SBSC to Robin Morley 100 Smith Street Morganton, NC 29655.

I also have SOS cruise raffle tickets. This is a great way for SBSC to make a little extra spending money with no investment. They are \$10 per ticket. If you have already purchased a cruise and you were to be the "Lucky One", you will be reimbursed for your cruise. We will be selling these at our Mini-Megafest March 14, 2015. For all cruise raffle tickets that SBSC sells we get to keep half of the money. Drawing will be held at the Summer Workshop July 11, 2015.

### 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

## Shag Dance Dot Com

by John Carpenter

There are many tools and resources for the Carolina Shag Dance community. A number of people put out calendars of events, party flyers, and general information regarding shagging activities in their local and regional area.

There is one website that has just about everything that a shag dancer could want in finding needed information in our shag world. That site is [www.shagdance.com](http://www.shagdance.com). This website is sponsored by the Association of Carolina Shag Clubs through the Society of Stranders (SOS) and has everything you need regarding shag clubs, events, and information to help your club be as great as it can be. I have found that many people do not look very thoroughly at the websites that they go to. We have a tendency to merely find what we want, and skip the rest.

I challenge you to not only go through all the links of our own website, [www.sandybeachshagclub.com](http://www.sandybeachshagclub.com), but also all of [shagdance.com](http://shagdance.com). Several questions I am asked frequently are, "Where can I stay at SOS?" and "Where can I buy shag items such as SOS T-shirts?" This information can be found on this great website.

The areas of importance on the left side of the [shagdance.com](http://shagdance.com) main page are SOS, Fun Sunday/Fun Monday, Company Store, ACSC, Club Info, Club Parties, Calendar, Icons, General Info, Sponsorship, and Site Info. The top links are Home, Photos, Mid Winter, Fall Migration, Workshops, Schedules, and Spring Safari.

One of the most important links is in the center of the main page. It is titled, "New!! –President's Corner Click Here". This area was created and maintained by our own Robin Morley, Vice Chairman of ACSC. I encourage you to take a look at this area and see what Sandy Beach Shag Club's influence is having on the Association of Carolina Shag Clubs as a

whole. If you are not familiar with this website, this will be a great opportunity to let you see our shag world on the grander stage. Do you know who the ACSC officers are? How about the SOS officers? There is much history of our organization included on the website.



The Club info area is an area that is very interesting to view. You can see the entire 92 full member clubs listed here, complete with president's pictures and their contact information. Links to each club's web sites are also provided. The Club parties link is a calendar of events that clubs have submitted. This is a great resource if you are interested in going to other shag club parties. All 2015 SBSC parties are listed here. The next link has the Calendar of ACSC and SOS events. If you have never been to a Workshop, you are truly missing a real treat. The Workshop activities are some of the best shag fun you will ever have. The business meeting is a highlight of the event and the Vice Chairman of ACSC is responsible for creating the presentation that highlights the meeting.

The next section is our Shag Icons. Can you name most of the Shag Icons? How many come from our own club? Check it out and see how many you know. This is the highest award that a shagger can attain within the framework of the ACSC. The next area is general information followed by an area that highlights the sponsors and advertisers that assist in the overall success of SOS. The last link is the Site Map. This will take you to some very interesting information including some history of ACSC and SOS.

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## March Birthdays

Leigh Mazaleski	3/2
Dan Hatcher	3/8
Jim Cates	3/9
Elizabeth Ferguson	3/9
Reba Abernethy	3/10
Rita Deal	3/11
Judy Pearson	3/11
Randy Spake	3/14
Dawn Rabon	3/17
Scott Rogers	3/17
Deborah Few	3/19
Jay Mazaleski	3/20
Pope Armstrong	3/21
Susan Whisnant	3/26
Charles Bridges	3/27
Tim Crotts	3/27
Bill Scherpereel	3/28
Debbie Bradley	3/30
Gene Hensley	3/31
William "Bill" Smith	3/31

Who can tell me what the White Book is, and what it is used for? Coming soon, we are going to be having some contests to win prizes and this could be a great example of a contest question.

All of this information is managed by Mary Gregory the Webmaster for SOS. She works tirelessly updating information. She monitors all the changes in presidents and parties and keeps all of the information up-to-date. If you go to SOS, you will see Mary at some point. Make sure that you thank her for all of her hard work! I truly hope that you will explore the vast information at your disposal at [www.shagdance.com](http://www.shagdance.com)! Our members represent the current strong influence of Sandy Beach Shag Club on the success of our greater organization. Your getting involved and understanding the entire realm of our shag world is a great asset.

## Attention! Important Member Meeting

We are going to have a Shag Club meeting and Board meeting that will take place at 7pm April 2nd (Thursday) at the Elks Lodge. A Board Meeting will follow. This is our election for new officers meeting. Under special (extreme) circumstances you can vote by absentee ballot.

In order to comply with the by-laws, the slate of officers will be announced one week prior to the April 2 meeting, on March 26th. An email will be sent out to everyone on our distribution list with the slate of Officers. A quorum is not necessary as the by-laws state that Officers shall be elected by a vote of those members present and eligible to vote.

Not only will we conduct elections for Officers of the Club, but we will also be voting on our newest Honorary Lifetime Member of SBSC. Nomination forms can be found on the website at <http://www.sandybeachshagclub.com/HonoraryLifetimeMember2-8-15.pdf> , and will be available at our MiniMegafest party March 14th. All nominations must be submitted prior to the election date of April 2nd, 2015. Please remember that this is a service award and not necessarily a popularity award. Individuals that are chosen for this award should be members that have made outstanding contributions to the Club, given personal support and guidance, and been very active and involved in supporting the Club. The qualifications as specified in our SBSC by-laws for this award are printed on the next page.

All members are encouraged to attend this meeting and support our election process which helps to keep our club successful. Please review the election procedure below. For the entire by-

laws, please go to the Regular Member Only Section in the left column of main page of [www.sandybeachshagclub.com](http://www.sandybeachshagclub.com). Contact John Carpenter if you have misplaced the User ID and/or password.

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## ARTICLE VII: ELECTIONS

A. *Nominations will be conducted by the nomination committee. See Article VIII, section 2 (G).*

B. *Officers shall be elected by a vote of those members present and eligible to vote, including absentee votes, on election date.*

C. *Members of the same household may serve as officers and/or Board members at the same time or may split duties of the same office, but shall receive ONLY one vote in votes cast as a Board member or officer.*

D. *In the event of a tie vote for any office, a new vote shall be immediately taken for that office until the tie is broken.*

E. *In the event there are two (2) or more candidates for any office, the candidate receiving the most votes win.*

F. *Absentee votes will be allowed under extreme circumstances; judgment of the circumstances shall be the responsibility of the presiding officer.*

G. *To cast an absentee vote, an active member must:*

- 1. Submit the vote in their handwriting;*
- 2. Seal the vote in an envelope and clearly mark the outside with the date of the proposed election; and*
- 3. Deliver the sealed vote to the Secretary prior to the election.*

H. *Absentee votes will remain sealed until the election and then opened and duly recorded by the Secretary. It shall be the Secretary's duty to maintain records of Regular Active Members from whom absentee votes have been received.*

I. *Nominations can be taken from the floor at the beginning of the annual meeting in April.*

**Honorary Life Member** – Any member in good standing may at any time nominate prior to the meeting at which the vote will be taken, another member for an Honorary Life Member designation. Such nomination shall be submitted in writing to the Board. Upon such nomination the Board shall consider such person for designation as an Honorary Life Member. Upon approval by two-thirds of its members present, the Board shall cause the names to be placed before the Regular Active Membership for vote. The Board shall present the names of all approved members to become an Honorary Life Member. It shall take a majority vote of the Regular Active Membership present at the time of the vote in order to bestow an Honorary Life Member designation upon the nominated member. Voting by the membership shall take place by written secret ballot. Honorary Life Members are considered Regular Active Members for all other purposes of the Club. The consideration for making such nomination should include but not limited to the following:

- a. The number of years of membership in the Club and being involved in shag activities;
- b. The amount of activity and involvement in supporting the Club;
- c. Personal support and guidance provided to the Club;
- d. Has made outstanding contribution to the Club and to the promotion and preservation of the shag dance and shag music.

Prior Honorary Lifetime Members Are:

Deanes Short -2008  
Robin Morley - 2008  
Susan Whisnant -2009  
Marie Young - 2010  
Louise Dockery -2011  
John Carpenter-2012  
Robin Little -2013  
Steve Coley-2014

## 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. Cool but sunny weather greeted the February Cleanup Crew. Along with our fearless leader Jim Noggle, volunteers included: John Carpenter Sanford Clark, Arlene Coley, Steve Coley, Shirley Dale, Glenn Duncan, Mark Deal, Candace McGuire, Robin Morley, Jace Ollis, and Keith Ollis. Good job folks!



*Many thanks to our February volunteers!*

### 2015 Adopt-A-Highway Schedule:

- 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

## Area Clubs and Happenings

Check out what is happening around us! Please visit each club's website for more info.

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### Boone Shag Club

[www.booneshagclub.com](http://www.booneshagclub.com)

June 27th – Boogie to Boone  
with Sam West

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](http://lakehickoryshagclub.com)

[shaggers@lakehickoryshagclub.com](mailto:shaggers@lakehickoryshagclub.com)

March 14 - with DJ Jerry Burrage

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.

March 13 - with DJ Mike Harding

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

### Brushy Mountain Shag Club:

North Wilkesboro, NC

[www.brushymountainshagclub.com](http://www.brushymountainshagclub.com)

March 21st - with DJ Don Staley

8:00p-11:00pm

Elks Lodge, 100 Finley Ave.,  
N. Wilkesboro

\$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](http://www.shagdance.com),

[www.shagtour.com](http://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 Committee: 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!

### 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!

March 14 - Mini Megafest	September 6 = Megafest (Sunday, Labor Day Weekend)
April - No Party Scheduled	
May 9 - Norman Mills	October 3 - Frank Price
June 13 - Gene Hensley	November 14 - Roger Holcomb
July - No Party Scheduled	December 12 - Mike Harding
August 1 - Jeff Foster	

### 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.