



# Sandkicker

The Newsletter of Sandy Beach Shag Club

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## News At A Glance

Important news at a glance– Next party May 12th (Re-up). Our first deck party is May 20th at Friday Friends on the Catawba River, from 4 until 8pm. The party is a free party so invite your friends to come and see what SBSC is all about. The next trash pickup is June 2nd (see below).

## Adopt a Highway Trash Pickup June 2nd, 2012

A highway cleanup is scheduled for Saturday, June 2nd, at 9:30 AM! We will meet in the McDonald's parking lot near the ATM machine. Trash bags, safety vests, gloves (cloth and latex), and pickup tools will be provided. It usually takes about an hour and a half to complete the one-mile cleanup. Call 828-310-6099, if you need additional information! We Need Your Help! Rain date is April 14th.

## Shag Lessons

Shag lessons for May have not been determined at this time. Robin and John will announce the schedule in the near future.

## Update On Judy Boston

Judy Boston had extensive chemotherapy last week and will be starting the stem cell treatment tomorrow. Please take the time to share a kind word, card, phone call, thoughts and prayers. Her address is :  
Wake Forest University Medical Center  
Medical Center Blvd.  
Judy Boston Room 917  
Winston Salem, NC 27157  
Her phone number that connects directly to her room is 336-702-6917.

### SBSC Birthdays for May 2012

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

Robin Bivins	5/4
Alicia Simpson	5/4
Donald Hartsoe	5/6
Sherry McGimsey	5/10
Judy Mitchell	5/12
Dorothy (Dot) Barrier	5/15
Suzanne Willis	5/17
Kathy Hutchings	5/18
Joyce Kincaid	5/18
Leah Turner	5/19
Bernie Arcebal	5/20
Shirley Davis	5/20
Denny Young	5/20
Patty Blackwell	5/21
Rosemary Clark	5/21
Kevin Hefner	5/23
Suzanne Land	5/24
Larry Butler	5/27
Jerry Austin	5/28
James "Jim" R. Noggle	5/30
Roy "Herman" Taylor	5/30
Mike Carlisle	5/31
Bobby Dockery	5/31

SOS was wonderful without smoke. It was amazing being able to see across the clubs without a smoky haze. You could wear your clothes without changing them due to the smoke, and your hair did not stink. It is a pleasure to hang out in the clubs in North Myrtle Beach.

## Your participation in your Club's Committees is needed!

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Social/Planning: Dorothy Barrier  
 Clean-up: James Bentley  
 Adopt-A-Highway: Jim Noggle  
 DJ Committee: Steve Coley  
 Membership: Robin Morley  
 Door: Sam/Annette Smith  
 Food/Hospitality: Shirlene Wike  
 Decorations: Teresa Wilson  
 Website: John Carpenter  
 Information/Newsletter: Susan Whisnant/John Carpenter  
 By-Laws: Steve Coley  
 Ticket 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! Please help us to continue our mission of having one of the best shag clubs anywhere!

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It is extremely important that our success continues. Please consider a position as an officer, board member, newsletter editor, committee chair or member, in the new year. Our Club year begins May 2012. Leadership is needed for our future success!!!

The excitement that you see does not just happen. We make it happen. The more of us that are part of the team, the easier it is to happen.

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*"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  
Wonderful Snacks, cash bar, and DJ  
All in a smoke free environment

For more details contact: [johnthomas@hotmail.com](mailto: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 bins.

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#### SBSC Party Dates for 2012

May 12th-Gene Hensley  
June 16th-Tommy Samole  
July 21st-Buck Crumpton  
August (no party)  
September 1st  
October 13th-Norman Mills  
November 17th-Roy Childress  
December 15th-Steve Coley

#### SBSC Deck Party Dates for 2012

May 20, 2012  
June 24, 2012  
September 30, 2012  
October 21, 2012

## **The next ACSC Summer Workshop will be July 13 - 15, 2012**

Each July the Association of Carolina Shag Clubs gathers its members for a weekend of information sharing & planning. Much of the work of the ACSC is handled during this working weekend. However, you know what happens when a group of shaggers get together. Someone brings some music. Everyone has their dance shoes. The next thing you know there is a major party going on. Now you have a picture of the Summer Workshop. Lots of shaggers. Lots of work. One massive party. The information below will assist you in making your way to the workshop.

\*\*Note— This is a great party too and it would be great to have some SBSC people there!

**July 13 - 15, 2012**

**ACSC 2012 Summer Workshop  
Hosted by First Coast Shag Club in Jacksonville, FL**

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### **Our new newsletter will begin next month!**

Thanks to the following members who have stepped forward to assist with the production of our Sandkicker Newsletter. Please let these people know how much you appreciate their helping us with this great project. Lee Wagoner, Debby Kiracofe, Kimmie Rogers, and John Carpenter will all work as a team. The June newsletter will be done by this group.

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The Sandkicker staff invites you to be a contributor to our Newsletter. If you would like to start a column, or contribute articles to the newsletter, this will be greatly welcomed. There are many interesting facts in our Shag World that our readers would enjoy. If you have ideas that you think would be good, please let us know what you are thinking. We certainly look forward to hearing from you.

Please email John Carpenter at [johnthomas@hotmail.com](mailto:johnthomas@hotmail.com).

**Area Happenings-Check out what is happening around us!**

Two great websites for Shag Dance Information: [www.shagdance.com](http://www.shagdance.com) and [www.shagtour.com](http://www.shagtour.com)

**Next Monthly SBSC Party May 12th, 2012**

Our May 12th party features DJ Gene Hensley. See you there!!!

[www.sandybeachshagclub.com](http://www.sandybeachshagclub.com) -

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**Boone Shag Club**

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

The Boone Shag Club meets Tuesdays at 7:30pm in the Meadowbrook Inn in Blowing Rock.

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**Lake Hickory Shag Club**

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

Next party: Saturday, May 19th  
7:30-11:30 VFW Hickory  
DJ Billy Waldrep  
\$5 Members and \$7 Guests

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**Brushy Mountain Shag Club:**

North Wilkesboro, NC

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

Their next party is May 19th with DJ Norman Mills  
At the Elks Lodge in N.Wilkesboro from 8pm until 11pm  
\$5 members and \$7 guests

## Thoughts On SOS-by Lee Wagoner



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

If their feet aren't in the right place, at least their hearts are.

*Christian M.  
Chensvold*

Most of you know that recently a large contingent of Sandy Beach Shag Club members attended SOS at OD. This enthusiastic group represented the club well during the parade and worked hard to increase our presence throughout the week.

If you haven't ever been to SOS, you really ought to go. Just picture a typical Sandy Beach party...on steroids. Great music, friendly people and perhaps the most fun you can have with your clothes on.

With that in mind, let me suggest a few changes that people who attend SOS should heed.

- 1) Don't sit on the sidelines watching. Dancing the shag is what most folks are there for. Don't sit at a table at the OD Arcade, Fat Harold's, Duck's or Pirate's Cove and watch others dancing. Get out there and dance. It doesn't matter whether you are the best dancer or not...you won't get any better watching someone else cut a rug.
- 2) Do be aware of those around you. When the dance floors are crowded, space can be at a premium. This is not the time to be showing off those moves that take a lot of floor space. Having to deal with a tight space can actually help you refine your moves. While Pam and I were dancing last week, we actually had physical contact with a couple who had plenty of room but decided to use more space than they really needed. After they bumped into Pam for the third time, with no apology, Pam and I switched places. When they bumped me, I bumped back and the male dancer nearly hit the floor. I guess the point I'm making is this...be considerate of those around you.
- 3) Be open to a DJ who may play music you are not totally familiar with. If you like the old stuff, try finding a DJ who plays newer stuff. If you like the new stuff, find a DJ who plays a bunch of old stuff. Exposure to various types of music helps you learn to dance to anything.
- 4) Have fun. A positive attitude will go far and you will find what SOS really means to folks who have been there for years.



### SBSC Litter Pick Up Schedule:

Here's the schedule thru Dec. 2012. We will meet at 9:30 each Saturday. The alternate pickup schedule, in the event of bad weather, is the following Saturday. We meet in the parking lot near McDonald's restaurant. Trash bags, gloves (cloth & latex), safety vests, and pickup tools are provided. Call Jim Noggle 828-310-6099 if you need more information

Saturday, June 2, 2012...Alternate: Sat., June 9

Saturday, August 4, 2012...Alternate: Sat., August 11

Saturday, October 6, 2012...Alternate: Sat., October 13

Saturday, December 1, 2012...Alternate: Sat., December 8

### A Dream Come True

On April 28th, 2012, I had a dream come true! There were two goals that I had envisioned for Sandy Beach Shag Club. The first was to revitalize the Sandkicker party. This came true last Labor Day Sunday. My second dream was our club having a float in the SOS Spring Parade. I never imagined what happened that Saturday. Our members came together and had more fun than I have ever seen this group have. Wayne and Gary were so good together as Skipper and Gilliagan. Arlene was a perfect Ginger. Steve worked hard in the hut with the music. Mary Ann was classic played by Joyce. I loved Marvin and Connie as Mr. and Mrs. Howell. Ron stole the show as the king of the natives. Regina and Kenny were also amazing in their role. Everyone did such a great job. Robin Little, you are so good at what you do. John Little worked so hard. Leah and James, you put so much of your time and effort into this project. Thanks to the Hefners for letting us have our final run through at their house. I hope we get to do this again. I have to start making some new dreams because two of my biggest are now fulfilled.

SBSC members you are the best! Thank you so much for all you have done, and will do in the future!

John Carpenter

## T.H.U.S.– by Gary Barlow

SOS 2012 can go down as a very memorable episode in the Sandy Beach Shag Club's leap to a higher level in the shag world. Let's look back to a year ago when we were discussing bringing back the "Sandkicker" party :**WE DID THAT**. After the Sandkicker our club started working on our first Christmas parade and **WE DID THAT**. Next thing we know 25 members were traveling to Augusta, GA for our first group, two day park and party. By the way "thanks for the show of appreciation and generosity". **WE DID THAT**. At our first 2012 membership meeting I could feel the apprehension to go forward with our attempt to enter our first SOS parade. I knew it was time to take that leap and with a little discussion John agreed for the club to forge ahead with the project and **WE DID THAT** . The Gilligan's Island float construction was started after one committee meeting on March 3<sup>rd</sup>. We had three eight hours work days on March 5<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, and 19<sup>th</sup>. I have seen this time and time again on these activities where you would have an individual or two to really rise to the occasion. On this one it was Marvin Yokum and John Little. Marvin showed up with blue prints and tool box. John had his power tools and helpful nature. They even let me (forced me) use the drill, nail gun and stapler, which are items I never touch. Robin and Joyce worked on the SOS flags and painted the S.S. Minnow. Joyce and Wayne pulled double duty posing as the Skipper and Mary Ann. Skipper was a "hit" with the crowd. Ron Spencer, Carol Huffman, Ken and Regina Reep did a boog-a-loo down the parade route leading 20 or more natives and castaways. All the participants walking beside the float made us the crowd favorites. I was very impressed with how they interacted with the crowd. I don't believe they passed one child without hanging a lei around their neck. The parade was "**BIG**" for our club. That was verbalized time and time again. SO WE DIDN'T PLACE! We did have a great time. Our club showed much support for each other. We rocked the crowd! We can use this as a learning experience. The next SOS float must be larger, music louder, elaborate decorations and more enthusiasm from a larger group on the float. Dance like there's no tomorrow.

**SANDY BEACH  
SHAG CLUB**

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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 [www.sandybeachshagclub.com](http://www.sandybeachshagclub.com) or contact the President, John Carpenter: [johnthomas@hotmail.com](mailto:johnthomas@hotmail.com)**

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*Treasurers: Scott Rogers, and Leah  
Turner*

*Members-at-large: Jim Noggle  
and Dorothy Barrier*

*Former President: Arlene Coley*

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