

# 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:**

Saturday, **October 4th** is the Highway Cleanup. Meet at McDonalds parking lot on Highway 70 (Carbon City Rd) at 9:30 am. Supplies are provided.

Sunday **October 5th** is the final Deck party scheduled for 2014. Meet and greet at Friday Friends from 4 - 8 pm.

On Saturday, **October 11th** – DJs Gene Hensley and Tommy Samole will be our DJ's for the October Party. Mark your calendar and come join the fun!

Sunday **November 2nd** will be a "Raise the Barn" party in Shelby. Don't miss this fun event. Details are on page 6.

#### Membership

The cost of party admission for Associate Membership is now \$8. Regular Membership Admission remains \$5. We encourage you to consider becoming a regular member for only \$20.

#### **Dance Lessons**

Robin and John will be starting up shag dance lessons soon. Lessons are held at the Elks Lodge. The Fall schedule is as follows:

Sept 25th 6:30pm and 7:45pm

Oct 2nd

Oct 9th

Oct 16th

Beginners I at 6:30pm, and Beginners III at 7:45pm. Beginners III is Elements of Shag, pivots, basic variation patterns. You can also contact Robin or John for private group or individual private lessons. You can find more information at at:

http://www.sandybeachshagclub.com/lessonsindex2014.htm

### A Message from President Dorothy Barrier



The leaves are changing, the days are getting shorter and fall has finally arrived but, only after another wonderful SOS. I had a blast and I do believe that is true for all that attended. The weather was a little less than

stellar, but the dance floors were smokin' hot, the music was the best in the world and being with old friends and making new ones was priceless. I hope if you have never had the SOS experience that you will try to attend at least once.

I want to congratulate Jeff and Lela on their wedding that was held during SOS and thank them so much for making all of us a part of their most important day. It was a beautiful ceremony and I wish them many years of happiness.

We have our last Deck Party at Friday Friends on Oct. 5th with our own Steve Coley as DJ, and our next monthly party is Oct. 11 with Gene Hensley and Tommy Samole playing our favorite dance tunes. I look forward to seeing everyone at both of these events.

As you all know our Megafest was once again a huge success and again I want to thank all of you that donated your time and brought door prizes and Chinese auction gifts. We have the best and most involved shag club around.

We had a good showing for the downtown Morganton Festival and several of our members also volunteered their services at the beer garden on Friday and Saturday night. This is a good way for SBSC to give back to the community.

I want to remind everyone that no outside alcohol is allowed at our monthly party at the Elks Lodge and at our deck parties at Friday Friends. Both of these facilities go out of their way to accommodate us. Bringing alcohol in that is not purchased at these facilities is strictly against the ABC laws. I trust that you will follow the rules and purchase your drinks at the bar. Please always remember to tip your waitresses and bartenders. These folks live off their tips. We would not want either of these facilities to have reason to get rid of us.

I would like to thank Bill Honeycutt for spearheading the Deanes Short memorial at the beach. I hope that everyone that went to SOS took a moment to see this wonderful memorial to our dear friend, and a big thanks to all that donated to the cause.

As always, my door is always open to any suggestions you may have.

Dance till your feet hurt!

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#### Find us on Facebook!

Just type Sandy Beach Shag Club in the search box. We also have a photo albums page.



#### Raise The Barn

by John Carpenter

On November 2nd, 2014, SBSC is going to co-sponsor a party on behalf of Shelby Shaggers and Rutherford County Shag Club. The purpose is to lend a helping hand and give these clubs a show of financial and neighborly support. This is something that can hopefully be done in the future for any clubs that can use a little boost of support from their neighbors. The flyer is also included in this edition of the Sandkicker.

I had a remarkable thing happen last night. My 85 year old mother told me that she is putting a check in the mail for the "Raise The Barn" party. She had seen the flyer I had posted on Facebook. She said that she loved the idea and wanted to participate. I was stunned! My mom who lives in Pennsylvania, wanted to be a part of our shag community because she understands what an amazing group we are! I am sure it doesn't hurt that I am her son, but this is the essence of what we are all about. I know you have heard me expound on this before, but we are so much more than a dance club. Lives are changed here in such positive ways. Lifelong friendships are made, marriages, sharing pictures of grand children, joint trips to other shag clubs, cruises, and forming bonds that will never be broken.

So this party that is going to be held to honor and support two of our neighbors is so much more than what it appears on the surface. There are others that we can and will help in the future. Sandy Beach Shag Club has been so generous in the past and continues to remain so. We



just witnessed many members' generosity with our DJ Megafest Party. We have put our club on the map with another nomination for a CBMA award. I hope we will realize the difference we can and do make in the lives of everyone around us. We all find a way to do our part, to contribute to the greater good of everyone around us. I ask that you look into your shagging heart and help this effort make a resounding difference, so that we can embark on a mission of kindness to not only our members, but to our shag community everywhere.

Thank you so much for your support! – John Carpenter

#### 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

### "Raise The Barn Party"





Sunday, November 2<sup>nd</sup> from 4pm until 8pm.

A Donation of \$10 would be appreciated!



When neighbors would help neighbors, the old way was to all get together to raise the barn. Join us in helping Shelby Shaggers and Rutherford County Shag Club in building their clubs with some fundraising. Let's all pitch in and "Raise the Barn!"

B.Y.O.B. and bring crock pots of your favorite soup, and some snacks!

DJs Mike McDaniel, Frank Price, Steve Coley, Ron Teague, and the Boogie Woogie Kings-Smokey and Pope.

50/50

**Chinese Auction** 

Hopefully we can continue this mission to help our neighbors anywhere needed!

Location: Full Plate Catering and Event Hall, 335 East College Ave., Shelby, NC



For more information, call John Carpenter 803 760 2947

# Community Service 2014 Adopt -A-Highway Cleanup

The next hghway cleanup will be:

Saturday, October 4

The alternate date will be Saturday October 11

Saturday, December 6

The alternate date will be Saturday December 13

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

October Birthdays	
Steven Arndt	10/1
Barbara Shukis	10/2
Brenda Wynne	10/2
Kim Annas	10/3
Robin Morley	10/3
Richard Price	10/3
Lela Duke	10/4
Debbie Hensley	10/4
Debbie Friesland	10/7
Peggy Connelly	10/10
Candy Long	10/12
Renee' Gilbert	10/13
Marie Young	10/16
June McGee	10/21
Jan Hefner	10/23
Susan Taylor	10/25
James Bentley	10/27
Connie Yokum	10/27
Wilma Black	10/28
Karen Clark	10/29
Robin Little	10/29

#### 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 Dorothy Bairrier 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)

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Membership: John Carpenter, Robin Morley

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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!

#### The Music.. The Dance.. A Personal View #11

by Ron Spencer



Yes OH Yes!
Dadgum, What A SOS!
Now that's some great
poetry. There are some
great 2014-SOS
memories I will cherish
forever; some lesser
memories...well, don't
ask, I'll tell you later. I
guarantee everyone
that was there had a

blast as I did and has something to say and tell. We all come back with a story. I would like to hear yours. Thankfully I have this great "power of the pen" to share two strange but "precious memories". This SOS was never really about the dance or the music for me. In fact, if you looking for music and dance, it ain't in this article; this is about memories.

Memory #1...many reading this have been to Wayne and Jan's home at the beach. They open it up to Sandy Beach each year for a float party and rehearsal. What a absolutely wonderful couple that finds the joy of life is in being givers. They had a house full of guest staying for SOS including me...dangerous for them. Can you imagine the risk of me at your house? Just ask Grier and Dorothy. It's like paying for flood insurance.

They, along with their children have three of the most gorgeous, pampered, friendliest, cleanest dogs I have ever seen. In fact, dog doesn't even seem to be a proper word for them, let's call them doggies. Many of you have met and played with Jasmine, Sam and Gibbs. They have their own personal big screen TV, sofa and sports channel, really...they love sports. They have their special place on the golf cart and in the car. One doggie sleeps with his nose in Wayne's left ear, that's his personal ear. They are so well behaved...until Wayne and Jan leave the house. By the way, Wayne has

given me copyright permission to write this; just not sure he realizes what's coming.

First day, I did not close the bed room door when we left for town. When we all got back for the evening, someone had all my overnight bag stuff all over the floor, not sure but I think Sam brushed his teeth with my brush. They ate half can of Carole's nuts, some oatmeal cakes and checked out some other items with their teeth and sniffers...yum. Wayne said the problem would be solved if I would just shut the door when not in room.

I have heard stories of shagger doggies that are jealous when other people share their space, they pout and also do strange things. You know, like we men that pout. The door remained shut when no one was in the room but open when I was in there. On another occasion I had stepped in the adjoining bathroom for a shower...gone less than 5 minutes. When I stepped out, there was a huge wet spot near the center of the bed. I promise, the roof was not leaking, no cups with liquid around.

Carole wasn't even around to pee in the bed. I'm sure if Kenny had to pee, he is nice enough to pee in his own bed. After hours of serious meditation and reaching into my head for unusual wisdom, I narrowed it down to three things; aliens, Al-Qaeda or maybe a doggie. My belief was confirmed when I walked in the kitchen and saw my "pink cooler" had little teeth marks on the lid. I knew Carole didn't do it; she always opens the lid easy and fast. I'm thinking...maybe doggie thinks I been at SOS long enough. The moral of this story is (not sure if any) but man oh man...Jan and Wayne, we had a blast and love you and your doggies so much.

Memory # 2...what a great evening at Jeff and Lela's wedding. Great food, great music,

lots of kinky women and nice gentlemen. Jeff made a statement the next day that befuddled (word?) me. He said this word for word. Other smart people heard it..."the wedding has not yet been "consummated". I'm thinking...a big word like that coming from a smart man like Jeff...this thing better get done, I just couldn't figure out what it was. I meditated on "consummated" because they didn't really eat that much at the wedding and Jeff got way too much class to even think of that other word. Being a very nice man, I scooted up to Lela and she was smiling. She had a glass of berry juice and was so pretty and happy as always.

The time seemed right for consummated talk. Being the gentleman I am and a simple man, I told Lela this was about the only word I hadn't used in the dictionary, could she help me with it. She said "Ron, it means we are not through drinking our berry juice". Man oh man; I was so relieved and happy for them.

Consummated would soon be finalized and understood by all. What a unique SOS for me, little music and less dancing but what a time!

Mama would be proud...well maybe. Everything expressed is the simple way I see it and just A Personal View.



#### **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
Saturday, October 25, 2014
7:30p-10:30p, 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 October 4, 2014 with Eddie Anderson

VFW 1615 12th Street Dr. NW, Hickory, NC

\$5 Members ~ \$7 Guests -Juniors \$3 Members Drawing – \$25 cash prize Guest Drawing for free membership Party starts at 7:30 until 11:30 pm

#### Statesville Shag Club

http://statesvilleshag.com

The Statesville Shag Club dances at the VFW Post 2031 in Statesville the second and fourth Friday of every month.

October 10 with Buck Crumpton
October 24 with Betty Brown
8:00-11:00; \$5 Members and \$7 Guests

#### **Brushy Mountain Shag Club:**

North Wilkesboro, NC
www.brushymountainshagclub.com
Saturday, October 4, 2014 with
DJ Norman Mills
8:00p-11:00p
N. Wilkesboro Elks Lodge

#### **Rutherfordton County Shag Club:**

\$5 members and \$7 guests

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

# Mark Your Calendars 2014 SBSC Party Dates

October 11th Saturday – DJs Gene Hensley and Tommy Samole November 15th Saturday – DJ Betty Brown December 13th Saturday - DJ Buck Crumpton

#### **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 July is open-no party

February7th August 1st

March 7th September 6th, Sunday, DJ Megafest

April is open-no party October 3rd
May 9th November 14th
June 13th December 12th

#### **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

All members are encouraged to donate a snack. For this, you will be entered in a drawing for a door prize or free admission to the nezt party. 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.