

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:

On **September 9** we have been asked to dance at the Historic Morganton Festival from 9:30 am to 10:30 am. These events showcase our Club and give a lot of people that don't know about us an opportunity to see us in action and is a great deal of fun.

One of the very best things that SBSC does for the community is to clean our stretch of highway in the Adopt A Highway project. Have you participated? If not, please join us on

Saturday, October 7th. We meet at 9:30am behind McDonalds very close to where you turn to go to the Elks Lodge, but over by the BB&T ATM machine. It doesn't take much more than an hour and it is always great to have a nice turnout for our project.

Mark **Sunday September 3** on your calendar for the Annual Sandy Beach DJ Megafest VII !. Games, prizes, shooters, dinner and 12 fantastic DJs for your dancing pleasure. This event is SOLD OUT. No walk-in's will be permitted at the door.

Dance Lessons

September 7th- Line Dance Lessons! 6:30 p.m. More advanced 7:30 p.m. Morganton Elks Lodge!

Shag Lessons conducted by Robin and John Carpenter at the Elks Lodge are scheduled for

October 12th- 6:30pm - Beginners I;

- October 19th- 6:30pm-Beginners I, 7:45pm- Lead and Follow Pattern
- October 26th- 6:30pm-Beginners I, 7:45pm- Lead and Follow Pattern

November 2nd -6:30pm-Beginners I

Any questions please call Robin Morley at 828 443-5995!

ALSO - Check out details for a new Line Dance opportunity with Judy and Sam Wright on page 4!

A Message from Our President



Well, I did it, my first Adopt a Highway on the 5th of August and even though it was not the most glamorous of jobs, it was very rewarding and a lot more fun than I thought it would be! I'm even more proud each time I see the name "Sandy Beach Shag Club" on the Adopt a Highway sign now

that I know I had something to do with making that stretch of road clean!

We should all give Jim Noggle a big "THANK YOU" for his untiring help in heading up this great community service! We need more members as dedicated as Jim has been to this committee!

Our next Adopt a Highway will take place on October 7 th . We will meet at McDonalds at 9:30 a.m. Jim will have all the equipment we need. He just needs us there to help! Please come! It will be the most fun you ever have picking up trash!!

What a night we had at COMMA on the 10th helping raise money for the Historic Burke Foundation! There were story tellers, singers, bell ringers, banjo pickers, fiddle players and, of course, some of the finest shag dancers around! We were well represented with some of our best, and the crowd seemed to love our dancing!

Some of the people talked about how we brought back some great memories of their youth with our music and dance. SBSC was able to make a lot of people smile, and we had a great time doing it!

This was the first attempt of the Historic Burke Foundation at such a presentation, and they plan on doing it again! Since we were received in such a possitive way, I bet they ask us to help out again next year, so get ready!

As you know, our Annual Megafest will be

Sunday, September 3rd, , and our final planning meeting was hosted again by Sanford Clark at his cabin in the woods last Sunday! What a great cabin and a wonderful place for a meal, getting together for some great fellowship, and, oh yes, some planning!

I hope if you were there, you will give Sanford a great big "THANK YOU" for hosting this meeting, and if you were not there, I hope you will consider helping next year. You really are missing out on a lot of fun and a great way to get to know some of YOUR fellow shag club members if you don't participate!

Our last outing of the month, and maybe one of the most important and rewarding of all, was at the J. Iverson Riddle Developmental Center on Tuesday night the 29th. We had 22 shaggers there demonstrating the shag to staff and clients of the center.

After the demonstration, we went down off the stage and danced with whomever wanted to dance, clients and staff alike. None of this would have been possible without the music of our own Ron Spencer as DJ for the evening! Thanks, Ron for a great job!

And, thanks to Karen Clarke for arranging for us to participate in this event! The look on the faces of those in attentdance was worth all the effort we put forward!

If you have plans to attend SOS, I hope Wilma and I will see you there! Some of you have asked about getting together as a group while there. Grier and Dorothy have again graciously agreed to open their home for a cookout on the last Thursday of SOS, September 23 at 5 p.m. Thanks in advance, Dorothy and Grier! I'm sure we will have fun as usual! The address is 916C Edge Drive, North Myrtle Beach.

Please don't forget that the Club will be dancing at the Historic Morganton Festival on September 9th at the Pepsi Stage area from 9:30 – 10:30 a.m. We really need as many of you as we can get for this event! It's a lot of fun! The crowd really gets involved, and some will join in and dance with us!

We have a great club! Let's show up at the Festival and show just how great we really are!

Please be there or be square!!!

THANKS for all each of you do to make our club great!!

And, remember...."UNITED WE DANCE"!

Some Random Thoughts

by John Carpenter

By the time this newsletter gets sent out, our 2017 version of the Sandkicker DJ Megafest party will be days away. I hope everyone will enjoy this event, as much work has gone into it from many people. We have nearly 250 members and I hope that next year our members will do a better job of supporting our own biggest party and fundraiser. Nuff said.

Robin and I went to Alaska with a number of members from Sandy Beach Shag Club, Don Hartsoe, Gene and Pat Hensley, Gayle and Alan Brown, Janice Fox, Les Harbison. There was one conclusion that we all had and I wanted to share it with you as I hope many of you will consider the next SOS cruise!

We went on the Celebrity Millenium and we are going on another Celebrity ship next August that is even bigger and better than the one we went on. Celebrity is the best cruise line we have ever been on and it is truly "Modern Luxury"!

Amongst many things that were simply wonderful being in Alaska, one of the favorite things that most of the nearly 140 shaggers did was hang out at the Martini Bar. This bar had a frozen top where soon to be utilized Martini glasses were chilled and ready to be filled with an assortment of phenomenal drinks. The bartenders all were highly skilled at juggling shakers, bottles, and anything they could get their hands on.

On two nights they had something called Silent Disco, where everyone put on these headphones that have three channels of Disco music and the headphones would light up three different colors depending on which Disco channel you were listening to. You could switch channels and groove to your own beat, or pick one that others around you were listening to. Imagine Silent Shag! Now that could be a really fun thing to do somewhere!!

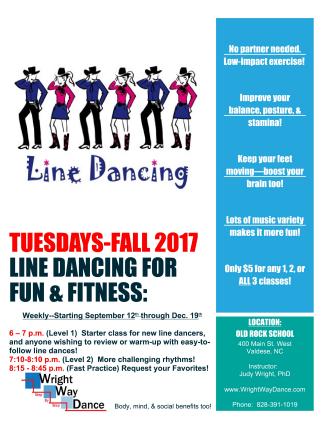


SOS is just around

the corner. The singles community of shag is about to be recognized in a way like never before. I have incorporated our singles community like never before at the Megafest party, and soon it will be done at SOS.

SOS is going to experiment with having some singles nights at some of the clubs, notably Pirates Cove. I believe the first one will be the evening following Fun Sunday activities. Couples are invited too, but the lineup at the club will incorporate more things geared to the singles crowd such as more line dancing for the women, more slow songs, and more ways for singles to connect.

Many of us will travel to North Myrtle Beach for SOS. Please be safe and enjoy your time at SOS. There will be a number of Beach Parties in front of Ocean Bay Condos. They are open to everyone and if you haven't been, you will truly have a blast! Bye for now!



LINE DANCE

Hope your summer has been fun! You're invited to continue the fun with lots of low-impact aerobic benefits by coming to any one, two, or all three line dance classes to be taught each Tuesday evening at the Old Rock School, 400 Main Street West, Valdese, NC, in the Waldensian Room (enter side door and down the ramp). Only \$5 cover at the door. No preregistration needed. No partner needed! Come 15 minutes before class as follows:

- 6-7 p.m. LEVEL 1: Especially for those new to line dancing who want to learn how to do the most popular social line dances typically done at parties, and anyone who wants to review, warm-up, or just get more exercise! You'll also learn the vocabulary used in line dancing and the five basic rhythms used in all social dances.
- 7:10-8:10 p.m. LEVEL 2: Just a bit more challenging line dances, but easy to follow with lots of practice time! New line dances will be taught each week and reviewed the following week. So, lots of variety with line dances and music styles.

8:15-8:45 p.m. FAST PRACTICE: Non-stop action (with your requests)!

NOTE that this 2017 Fall Semester of classes offers you 14 weeks of step-by-step instructions to give you confidence and lots of exercise in fun ways! There will be three exceptions to the weekly TUESDAY EVENING schedule, as follows:

*Monday, 10/2/17

*No Classes the week of 11/7/17 [Elections] *Monday, 12/11/17

Looking forward to seeing you again soon and to meeting new friends!

Judy & Sam Wright

Email: wright2dance@hotmail.com

- P.S. You may check for updates on our facebook page for wrightwaydance or on our website: www.wrightwaydance.com.
- P.P.S. Our couples' classes this Fall are currently on hiatus.





Community Service 2017 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.

October 7, 2017 - Rain date Oct 14

December 2, 2017 - Rain date Dec 9 February 3, 2018 - Rain date Feb.10 April 7, 2018 - Rain date Apr. 14 June 2, 2018 - Rain date Jun. 9 August 4, 2018 - Rain date Aug. 11 October 6, 2018 - Rain date Oct. 13 December 1, 2018 - Rain date Dec. 8

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.

September Birthdays

Diane Young	9/1
Ron Spencer	9/2
Libby Carlisle	9/4
Robert Rizoti	9/11
Steve Coley	9/13
Joseph Few	9/15
Debby Buff	9/16
Gerri Hensley	9/16
Jeff Cardwell	9/18
Regina Spake	9/18
Karen Arndt	9/19
Michael Glasscock	9/19
Kelly Sanders	9/19
Robert Bentley	9/22
Lola Weikel	9/26
Don McMullin	9/27
Debbie Hardin	9/29
Candace McGuire	9/29
Phil Bolick	9/30

SBSC 2017 Party Schedule:

Sept 3- DJ Megafest (Sunday) Sept- SOS- No Regular Party Oct 14- Betty Brown Nov 11- Mike Harding Dec 9- Buck Crumpton

Sandy Beach Officers

President	Jim Black
Vice President	Grier Franklin
Secretary	Susan Duncan
Treasurer	Leah Turner
Members-at-Large:	John Carpenter
Past President	Steve Coley

If you know of any member that has had an accident, surgery, family death etc. please take the time and send Joyce Kincaid or John Carpenter an email. They will gladly get a card in the mail. Our club family is very large and sometimes the right person doesn't get the information so please just take a moment and let Joyce know.

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 Tuesdays at 7:30 pm 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,September 9 - DJ Betty Brown

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, 139 Jordan Lane Statesville NC 28677

Saturday, September 30 – DJ Don Staley

7:00-11:00; \$5 paid members, \$8 Guests

The "Shag Connection" APP is now available at APPLE & GOOGLE APP stores

Download the only APP dedicated to Beach Music and Shag Dancing. This APP will become your one source to find out what's going on in the Beach Music and Shag Dancing world!

Brushy Mountain Shag Club:

North Wilkesboro, NC www.brushymountainshagclub.com 8:00pm-11:00pm Saturday, September 9 - DJ Larry "Bigfish" Calhoun Holiday Inn Express, 1700 Winkler Ave., Wilkesboro, NC \$5 members and \$7 guests

Shelby Shag Club:

Shelby, NC American Legion 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.

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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:	Sheila Young, John Carpenter, Joyce Kincaid
Door:	Sam/Annette Smith
Food/Hospitality:	Wilma Black, Trula Baker, Janice Fox
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:	Jim Black
Parade/Float:	Robin Little-Chairman
SBSC Sandkicker DJ Megafest	Co-chairs John Carpenter and Sanford Clark

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

Regular Members \$5, Associate Members/Guests \$8 7:30pm until 11:00pm

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.