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## S.O.S. President **Ron Whisenant**

Hello Everyone! The weather has been absolutely beautiful and hot since Spring Safari. This brings me to tell you that Spring Safari was beautiful and hot, also.

If you missed this event, you missed a great opportunity to see all of your old friends, and make a few new friends. The weather, perfect, the dancing in the clubs was non-stop, and the comradre, fantastic. I hope that you experienced every moment of this event.

Spring Safari showcased the largest parade ever held in NMB. The largest crowd of friends and local residents viewed the "Sweet Sixteen," parade produced by the ACSC shag clubs, and directed by Parade Chairman Don David.. Spring Safari 2010, will go down in our archives as the largest event and parade that SOS has ever experienced in numbers.

Just think, Fall Migration won't be long now, Mark your calendars for September 16th, the beginning of Fall Migration, Fun Sunday and Fun Monday. The Enhancement Committee has a great line up for Sunday and Mondays that have FUN in front of them. You will be entertained, I promise.

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## SOS Board Chairperson **Helen Still**

Hello all,

What a wonderful Spring SOS! It was absolutely fantastic with 10 days of perfect weather

and non-stop fun. This just may have been one of our best Spring SOS events. The crowds were great in every club! Participating clubs owners did a super job providing various activities, great dj's and special entertainment (not to mention the food) for our enjoyment. The partnership between these clubs and SOS ensure us of having fantastic places to shag, listen to "shag" music and enjoy being with our friends.

Once again the parade was awesome. Kudos to Don David, his committee and certainly to the participating shag clubs who placed an entry in the parade. It would certainly be interesting to find out how many man hours it takes to put these entries together from start to finish. The time, effort and creativity the clubs put forth is quite amazing. It goes without saying that some of these clubs are quite serious about this parade and do an outstanding job with their entry. If you missed this past parade perhaps you can make a special effort to be there next year. It will be interesting to see what they come up with next year.

On behalf of the SOS Officers and Board and the ACSC Officers, we want to thank all the shag clubs who have invited us to your parties during SOS. We truly appreciate the invitations, because it gives us an opportunity to visit and talk with so many of you. We do our best to attend as many as time will permit, but we can't possibly make them all. If we didn't make your party please give us another chance.

If you haven't visited our website, [www.shagdance.com](http://www.shagdance.com), before or it's been a while, you will want to check it out. The history of the ACSC officers and SOS Officers and Board members, since its inception, has been added. Please look this over so you will know who our past and present leaders are. You will also find that our shag club parties, etc is updated on a daily basis, so you can have the very latest in updated information. However, remember that we need to receive notice of all changes or additions to your club information and /or the information about your club party in order for it to be placed on the website. We would especially like to see each shag club add [www.shagdance.com](http://www.shagdance.com) as a link to your home page.



## • Pirates Cove



Our summer workshop will be held in Fayetteville, NC, July 9-11. The flyer can be found on shagdance.com, so just print it out, complete the form and mail it in. We do conduct business on Saturday morning, but it is a great weekend party as well. Please encourage your members to attend this workshop!

I hope you all have some great summer plans with your family. Be safe and have fun. Tell your family and friends how much you love them. And always be willing to offer a kind word and a helping hand, for it just may be the day someone needs to hear one. It's not always about what we do, but how we do it and not always what we say, but most importantly how we say it. Have a great summer!

*Helen*



**ACSC Chairman  
Judy Vick**

Happy summer to everyone. It seems like it took a long time to get here but I think everyone is ready to enjoy the warm weather. It seems like we just enjoyed Spring SOS and now it's time for the Summer Workshop and Jr. SOS. These are two big week ends that everyone will enjoy.

The Summer Workshop will be held in Fayetteville, N.C. Contact FASA for info if you want to attend. Jr. SOS will be held in North Myrtle Beach, July 14-18. If you have never been to a Jr. SOS you need to take your children or grandchildren this year. The whole family will enjoy this time. Last year over 800 registered for this event.

I still would like to encourage everyone to support your local shag clubs. Without your support they may not be there the next time you want to go dancing. When you travel around to the different clubs, you meet the nicest people. We are ONE big FAMILY. Get out and support one another.

I hope everyone has a safe summer and if I don't see you in Fayetteville or at Jr. SOS I'll see you at Fall SOS. We have a lot planned and I hope you're planning on being there.

See you out,

*Judy*

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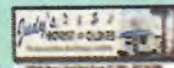
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## ABSCDJ'S President Steve Baker

Greetings to all,

All of our members hope you are having a wonderful and prosperous summer. I hope everyone has had some time at the beach this year, to relax, listen to some good music and dance. Donna and myself brought Alivia, our granddaughter to OD a few weeks ago. I am amazed that one could play with a bucket for over an hour without moving! Wouldn't that be nice, not to have a care in the world.

Our members have been playing everywhere working shag club events, weddings, clubs, etc. Just think, before you know it, SOS will sneak up on us and it will be time to migrate back to OD and whose knows, some of you may have some bucket time of your own!

If the Association of Beach and Shag Club DJ's can help you, please give me a call @ 919-676-2159 or email me @ sbaker4@nc.rr.com

See Ya at the Beach!

*Steve*



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## S.O.S. Janet Harrold

The consensus regarding the 2010 Spring SOS parade was "the best ever"! I have had phone calls and people approaching me that just happened to be at the beach and had not even heard of SOS but saw the parade and commented that it was wonderful and loved SOS and will be back...isn't that great... we do leave a good impression. I have been fortunate that Don David "parade guru" asked me several years ago to be the "head judge", which includes sitting in a lifeguard chair with umbrellas shading the judges from the hot sun (you know we might melt)...but we have the best seat in the house. We also have the most difficult job during SOS judging the all the unique themes that the shag clubs put together. Kudos to all the shag club entries and the Hall of Fame for participating each year.

September 17, 2010, first day of SOS Fall Migration is approximately 12 weeks away by the time you receive this Carefree Times. Fat Harolds, Ducks/Ducks Cafe, OD Cafe, Spanish Galleon, OD Arcade & Lounge, and Pirates Cove always have great entertainment, music, and food available for the entire ten days. Fun Sunday and Fun Monday promises great performers, shag clubs selling their wares and food, and don't forget to visit the sponsor tents to see what they have to offer you. There is always a huge crowd so please be considerate and kind to your neighbor.

Vickie Harrison and her sweet husband, Paul, spend much of their time during SOS taking photos of the different events and smiling faces. So if you see a cute little blond or a good looking bearded guy with a camera, "smile" you may possibly be in the next issue.

Thank all for continuing to send photos, articles, and the advertisers and sponsors, which keeps the Carefree Times a special publication for all to enjoy. NOTE: The advertisers and sponsors that offer discounts during SOS and some all year when you present your SOS membership card and PLEASE patronize them when you visit the beach. Visit the SOS website [www.shagdance.com](http://www.shagdance.com) for any information regarding accommodations all year.

So have a wonderful summer, keep cool, and will see you in the Fall.

*Janet*



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# Parade Talk

It was simply a "happening!" The 16th annual ACSC/SOS Spring Safari Parade known as "Sweet Sixteen" was indeed sweet. It was the largest parade ever. (Seems like I say that every year, but it's true.) Almost 1100 hundred people took part, and it went off without a hitch. Well, we were about 10 minutes late leaving the gate due to some last minute arrivals, but heck, we don't want to leave anyone out. I was holding my breath at two different times when it started to drizzle, but I remembered what Phil Sawyer has told me on more than one occasion. He said "It'll never rain on our parade!" I think that has more meaning than what lies on the surface.

Our Grand Marshalls were Donny & Susan Trexler and Paul Craver, all very deserving of the honor. There were 14 floats entered and 8 other entries in Best Vehicle and Best Shaggin' Troop for a total of 22 official entries. In addition there were many other celebrities, shagging Icons, show cars, the "Surf Patrol" from 94.9 The Surf (the Official Radio Station of SOS), our Hall of Fame folks, and the "Official SOS Parade DJ" Murl Augustine, all in all one hell of a parade!

I want to thank my Judges for a job very well done: Ms. Becky Stowe of Beach Memories, Harold Worley of OD Beach Club and the Spanish Galleon, Ted Bell of 94.9 The Surf, and Head Judge Ms. Janet Harrold of Jan Harrold Advertising. Ted Bell told me a day or two later that it was so hard to pick a winner because all the entries were so good. Hey, I personally think they all won 1st. place.

The Official Results are:

Best Club Vehicle--1st. Place .....Twisters Shag Club  
2nd. Place ....Smoky Mountain Shaggers

Best Shaggin' Troop--1st. Place...OD Shag Club  
2nd. Place .Coastal Shag Club



Most Original Theme-1st. Place..Rock Hill Shag Club  
2nd. Place..Monroe Shag Club  
3rd. Place...Boppers Shag Club

Best Shag Theme--1st. Place...Burlington Shag Club  
2nd. Place...Winston-Salem Shag Club  
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Congratulations to all who entered the Parade. You certainly put on a great show for the literally thousands of spectators who gathered on the streets to watch. And rest assured that there is NO PARADE, NO WHERE, NO TIME, NO WAY that can be compared to "our" Spring Safari Parade!!

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# Brooklyn Fillinger Wins Dewey Kennedy Scholarship



Eddie Monsour (left), Brooklyn Fillinger and Jason Cagle

ATLANTA, GA. - Brooklyn Fillinger of Conway, S.C. was awarded the \$2,000.00 Dewey Kennedy Scholarship for 2010 at the Grand Nationals dance event over the Memorial Day weekend

The scholarship was presented to Miss Fillinger by Eddie Monsour of Fayetteville, N. C., chairman of the Hall of Fame Foundation and Jason Cagle of Charlotte, N. C., a member of the scholarship committee. Miss Fillinger, a 2010 graduate of Conway Senior High School, plans to enter the College of Charleston premed program in the Fall. Miss Fillinger was selected from the largest and most competitive group of entries in the history of the Dewey Kennedy Scholarship awards, which began in 1996.

Dewey Kennedy was an old-style beach shagger from the 1940s who loved the camaraderie of the dance community. He enthusiastically supported the young dancers, coaching their practices and cheering their competitions. When he passed away in 1996, a group of adult shaggers established the Dewey Kennedy Scholarship, open to high school seniors and college undergraduates. Through the efforts of dedicated junior shaggers and other dancers, donations to the Dewey Kennedy Scholarship are collected and held by the Hall of Fame Foundation, accruing interest. Other members of the scholarship committee are Norfleet Jones and Al Cain of North Myrtle Beach, SC, and Ron Whisenant of Rock Hill, SC.

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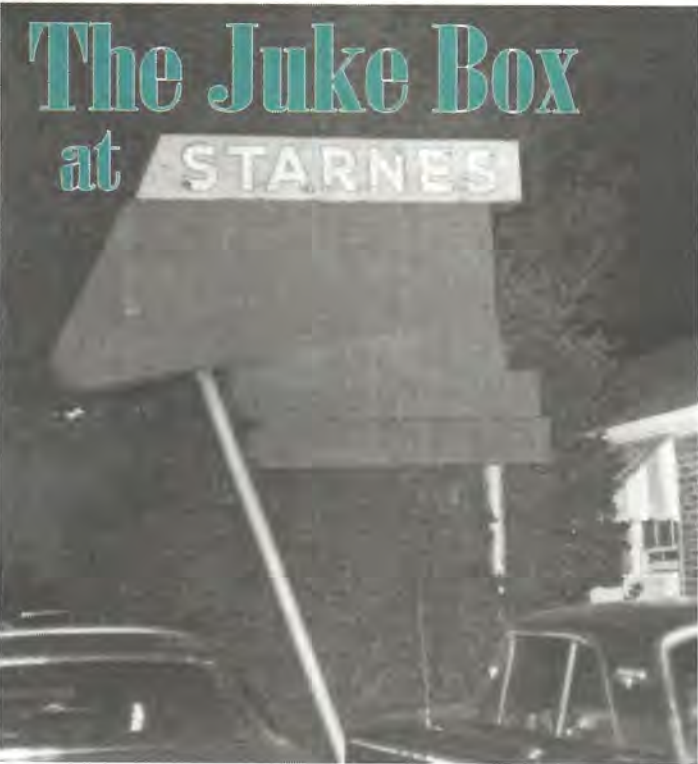


# 2010 SOS PARADE





# The Juke Box at STARNES



the intricate societal bonds that were once cultivated by the presence of the mills. It was as though they were gardens stripped of their hedges and left unattended, to be slowly overtaken by weeds. Neighbors who were once close knit co-workers seldom crossed paths any longer and they gradually grew as strangers to one another. Daily strokes and workplace interaction that once lifted their spirits suddenly vanished and slowly their self determination melted into puddles of apathy.

## ...majestically stood up there on that stage like royalty

But fortunately its economy got a reprieve when many new and diverse industries found their way into Greenwood and absorbed much of its displaced workforce. They trained them with new skills that employed cutting-edge technology and opened their eyes to new ways of seeing things. Trusty old Barlow knives that were once staples to the transplanted "lint heads" were now outmoded and no longer handy to their daily work routines. They were reluctantly closed and pocketed away for an occasional off-duty whittle or a one-piece apple peeling. Changes seemed to come quickly and decisively. Greenwood's laid-back, small-town ideology was now speeding up to a faster pace-

of-life that demanded much more effort and produced much greater stress. The complex man welcomed it but the simple man disdained it. Spare time to just sit under that old shade tree and watch cars pass by became harder and harder to find. Many places and things that looked to be antiquated on the outside were renovated and given new face lifts. All of this served to bury the old ways of life deeper into the past and distance them from the memories of those who lived them. Change whether brought on by progress or born

By Foster McKinney  
SOS Treasurer

I hail from the small town of Greenwood, South Carolina, which is located just forty-five miles south of Greenville. Greenwood has gradually grown closer to the median of the "small town" spectrum with a population size that now surpasses the twenty-two thousand mark. It once stood as a mighty textile town but has now seen many of its cotton mills that ran nonstop around the clock in three daily shifts--everyday except for Saturday and Sunday--shut down their looms and give in to foreign imports. The mill villages still stand today but the mill village way of life began to die out when the looms stopped. Designed and built to attract workers and to provide for their everyday needs the mill villages were often self-contained furnishing everything from basic houses, schools, churches and medical clinics to merchant stores, banks, restaurants and movie theaters. But they could no longer offer







out of necessity is inevitable. It brings on a newness that glitters and shines for a while, but often leaves us yearning for the simple pleasures that we once held in our hands but saw slip through our fingers.

Greenwood was once popularized by its extraordinarily wide main street. Prior to "uptown development" efforts to make it into some sort of mall, it boasted as one of the widest in the world. Greenwood was also home to actor, Grainger Hines; musical group, "The Swingin' Medallions"; legendary high school football coaches, John McKissick and "Pinky" Babb; institution of higher education, Lander College--now Lander University; and Lander's off-campus student activity center, "Starnes." Actually Starnes was not part of the college. It was a local bar or "juke joint," if you prefer to call it, that entertained much of Lander's student body.

Starnes was an old defunct motel that had been sparingly converted into a unique and highly popular hangout over a span of decades. No other place on earth could ever duplicate it, replicate it, nor ever shut it down; but it meant nothing to an outsider. It had a simple elegance of its own that shifted you from "dead-still neutral" into "pleasure overdrive" the minute that you entered through its back door. It had a backdoor, doorbell ringing protocol that gave it an unmistakable "speak easy" feel; a cozy little hideaway where you could just grab "fun" by the coattail and forget

all about the outside world for a while.

The bar stood on the left as you entered. You walked up, ordered your beer from one of its owners, Harold or Katie Price, both of whom were always friendly and seemed to know everyone by name. They were simple folks who cherished the old ways of life. I vividly remember them still using those old-timey, heavy-duty tin can openers even though pop-tops had been manufactured on aluminum beer cans for years. They simply popped the can into its slot, rotated it around to the side opposite the pop-top and plunged the lever down to forge a perfect "V" well suited for both sipping and guzzling. Once served, you did an about-face, sipped or guzzled your beer, stood there for a while as though you were in nobody's way and watched the foosball, pinball or shuffle bowling machine wizards dazzle the crowds.



Finally you drifted past all of these diversions on up three or four short steps onto a wooden dance floor lined with some of the prettiest young ladies that you have ever set your eyes on; they say it's because of the water there in Greenwood. You eased across the dance floor and finally made your way up one more step onto a small stage, which from below seemed like a steep precipice, to where the plug that sparks all diversions stood in all of its lighted splendor and majesty--the "jukebox

at Starnes."

It played nonstop from several hours into the second shift on up until several hours into the third







shift, everyday except for Sunday, and it always held slots for those timeless beach classics. I can hear them now; "Hello Stranger," "Walking up a One Way Street," "With this Ring" and many more that seemed to never wear out.

Those tunes were played for decades by a jukebox that majestically stood up there on that stage like royalty, and never once came remotely close to being dethroned by deejays or live bands. It played those tunes to many who have long since come and gone in many different directions. Most graduated, fell in love and got married, while some fell by the wayside. Some even have children who are now grown who also stood up there on that same stage in front of the "jukebox at Starnes" and fed it quarters to hear the same timeless beach classics that their parents played. It never folded or yielded to change for the sake of progress.



But sadly the one and only thing that could possibly ever "pull the plug" on Starnes finally yanked. Fire gutted the entire building, fortunately while unoccupied, and left what had taken decades to evolve into a lasting tradition, smoldering in ash and rubble; a tradition that can never be

rebuilt nor recaptured again. It was a simple pleasure that we once held in our hands but saw slip through our fingers with change. A time and a place that can only be revisited through the memories of those of us who rang its doorbell and passed through its back door; memories that seem to focus in much clearer as though they had happened yesterday when we hear "Hello Stranger," "Walking up a One Way Street," "With this Ring" and many more of the timeless beach classics that will never wear out on the "jukebox at Starnes."









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# Living Legends Event Draws a Full House

The 27th annual Living Legends invitational event held May 14-15, 2010, at Fat Harolds Beach Club in N. Myrtle Beach, SC. opened to a full house. Represented were many individuals from the early and formative eras of this beach area, as well as those who followed in later years. There were the survivors of the "before Hazel" years, and many more that came after that 1954 hurricane that cleared the old landmarks. The place called "The Pad", so some talk of years as "before the Pad" and "after the Pad" to identify their earlier times at this beach, all through the 50's and 60's. Many places have come and gone through the years, but the commonality of the music, the dance, and the beach lifestyle holds a loose bond for those who return through the years.

By the 70's, many felt that the music and dance we identified with had gone underground during the Motown, Disco, and "Beetle" years, etc. However, it survived and surfaced again in the 80's with the call to all stranders, started by Gene Laughter, a genuine OD lifeguard out of the past who was a marketing genius. So, those identifying with our Living Legends, the "SOS" was a great big reunion of much older "teens" remembering their youth and for many, re-connecting with life-long friends, gone for a time and busy with family, work, and life. If the "SOS" is a new phenomenon for you, with no connection to its past, you are welcomed, though not a living legend yet, but rather, of the "after SOS era" which started in 1980.

As time went on with classes and contests, and clubs...more people adopted the "shag" and the music became a regional drawing card and a novel thing for many new to this area, who often remark about the positive vibes and energy sensed when this group has "get togethers". It's like everyone gets older, of course, but they decide not to participate in getting "old".

Friday, the Living Legends party highlighted the Arlin Strader Trio featuring Ray Malach on keyboard, Joe Long on sax and Dean Carbone on Vibes, playing during the food and social hours, 7-9 PM, followed by DJ's Judy Collins and Jay Nelms, Friday and Saturday evenings. Plaques were given out to Legends committee volunteer members who helped with mailings, registration, updates, etc.

Four special plaques were presented by Harold Bessent to John Paul "Beaver" Greenway for his many years of MC duties, and to the three people most responsible "for bringing the Legends of OD together in an annual event at Fat Harolds Beach Club...to Louise Hunsucker (posthumously and presented to nephew, Rick Shore Walden) to Shirley Leach, wife of "Bunk" Leach, HOF, and to Janet Lawrence Morris.

Saturday's program and inductions started at 8:30 PM remembering our Legends who have passed on since the last Legends event in 2009, followed by honored the eleven now deceased on the nominee list who were brought into the membership and names engraved on the Legends Commemorative Plaque that hangs on the wall at Fat Harolds. They are, as the Plaque reads. "Living in our hearts and minds". Each person was represented by a spouse, friend, or significant other as their names were announced.

"Greek" Beasley, Long Bow Key, FL  
Mike Lewis, HOF DJ, Chapel Hill, NC  
Becky Nunn, Rock Hill, SC  
Jim Rainey, Archdale, NC  
Reamonia Matthews Snow, Longs, SC

Tommy Funderburk, Charlotte, NC  
Kitty Novotny, Portsmouth, VA  
Sidney "Buster" Peele, Fayetteville, NC  
Bobby Smith of "Pour Souls", Charlotte, NC  
Russ White, Houston, TX



Photo by: Fritz Eckhardt

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Jan Morris thanked Gary Bass for stepping in to MC for recuperating "Beaver" Greenway, and announced that Janet Harrold will be co-chairing this event with her in future years.

MC, Gary Bass continued with induction of those Living Legends voted for 2010. They were presented in four groups as Janet Harrold spoke the comments that each inductee had chosen for the program, and Jan Morris gave out the plaques.

## 2010 Living Legends Inductees:



Photo by Jack Thompson

Ben Umstead, Treasure Island, FL - Bill "Hams" Morris, Durham, NC/Little River, SC  
Joe Burchette, Mayo, SC - Bill McGinnis, Jacksonville, NC - Jim "Fuzzy" Pringle, Fripp Island, SC  
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Barbara Black, Rock Hill, NC/ N Myrtle Beach, SC - Alana & King Holmes, Blythewood, SC  
Charles & Betty Jernigan, Garner, NC - Booker Clark, Sheffields Ford, NC/N Myrtle Beach, SC  
Tony Eldreth, Pfafftown, NC - Skip Skeen, Myrtle Beach, SC  
Steve Dean, Greensboro, NC - Mickey Greene, Albemarle, NC/N Myrtle Beach, SC  
Kristye McDonald, N Myrtle Beach, SC - Judy McDougal Tucker, Charlotte, NC  
Shelia McGarity, McConnells, SC - Teresa Dew, N Myrtle Beach, SC  
Vivian Burick Weaver, Greensboro, NC

Voting activity was so high this year that although all these had large number of votes from the members, it was evident that the senior members had spoken loud and clear to tap those with long histories at this beach area to go in NOW. That's why the unusual number of inductees for this year. Congratulations to all the new "Legends".

Article by: Jan Morris, Chair, Legends Committee



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*Spring SOS Shag Club Parties*





# Surfin' with 94.9 THE SURF



Summertime, and the livin' is for the opera *Porgy and Bess*. Well, it's certainly love this time of year, folks at

In addition to our regular live Friday from 6 A.M. until 7 P.M., our to another, all over the Grand Strand, have three weekly Beach Parties all until 9 The Surf Team is outside on the Street, each Friday Ray broadcasts live at Hotos, and then we finish off the 5 - 9. WHEW! In addition, we are

begin another great Beach Party series for five Saturdays beginning June 26 on the outside deck at House of Blues from 6 - 10!

Once a month, we entertain the crowds and showcase the stores on Main Street with the Main Street Block Party. Participating businesses take turns as host, and there are always great giveaways and door prizes. Check out our website for the schedule.

T Bear brought on the bands in Myrtle Beach for the grand opening of the Boardwalk in May, and the same weekend Ray was at the Little River Crab Festival. We've also been at the Paradise Island Beach Music Festival in Carolina Beach, Grand Strand Sports and Fishing Festival, several locations along the Grand Strand at Graham Golf Cars (yes, that is spelled correctly!), Bandit Golf Liquidation, and Thee Furniture Warehouse in Shallotte. So much to say for easy livin'!!

94.9 The Surf is proud and excited to be a part of the newly created International Beach Music Hall of Fame. In May 2009, the South Carolina General Assembly passed a resolution that established Coastal Carolina University as the designated site for this. Recognizing that "beach music" is an important part of our culture, lifestyle and heritage, it is indeed fitting that the university as an educational entity would be the perfect fit to house the history of this original American art form. Plans are underway to determine criteria for inclusion, and 94.9 The Surf will soon be airing "educational history moments" of early artists and records that were influential in the evolvement of beach music as we know it today. The Surf enjoys a close association with CCU, and we're so pleased to be affiliated with the International Beach Music Hall of Fame!

Of course we are looking forward to the Junior Shaggers when they visit Ocean Drive in July. The Surf recognizes the importance of including and encouraging young people to become involved in this music and dance in order to continue the traditions that so many have enjoyed. It is a testament in itself to see parents and grandparents bring their families to Junior SOS. If you haven't visited Main Street to see what's going on with these kids, do yourself a favor and plan to be here July 13-18!

The Surf has settled in to our new studio location in North Beach Plaza (541 Highway 17 N), and we're enjoying our new home and new neighbors! Please stop by and see us when you're in town! Until we see you again, keep surfin' with The Surf, either by radio or Internet, and have a great summer!

**Kay Maddox**

easy...or so the song goes, written in 1935 summertime to be sure; and while we 94.9 The Surf aren't slowing down one bit! in-studio broadcasts Monday through announcers are hopping from one location doing live remotes and Beach Parties. We summer long...Wednesday nights from 6 porch of Duck's Beach Club on Main from 3 P.M. until 7 on the oceanfront deck weekend on Sunday evenings at Filets from excited to announce that the Surf Team will



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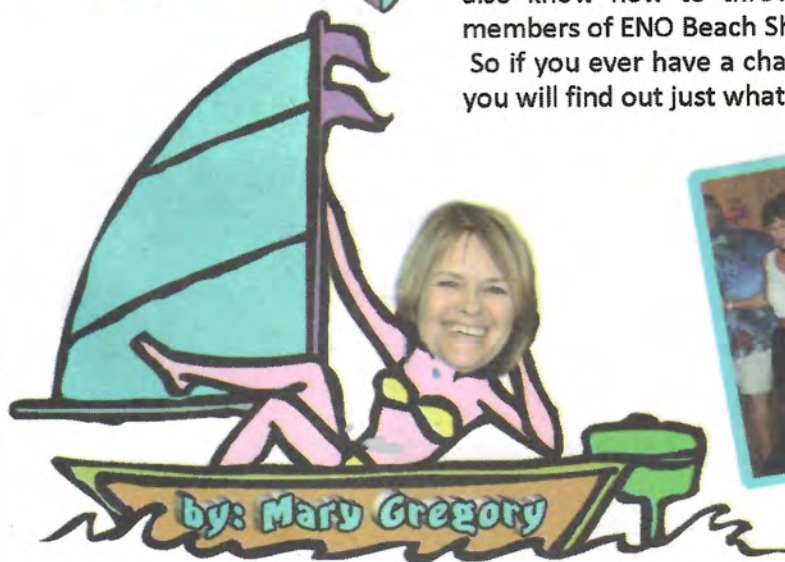
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# On The Road with Mary

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# THE BASIC SHAG STEP

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The shag "basic" is counted "ONE-AND-TWO, THREE-AND-FOUR, FIVE, SIX". Each of these eight words represents a step. Pretend there are six blocks on the floor, each the length of your foot. (A tile floor works great for this.) Then follow these directions. Pay close attention to exactly where your feet are supposed to be on each count. The male steps are shown on the left side. The female steps (which are exactly opposite) are on the right

MALE INSTRUCTIONS		COUNT		FEMALE INSTRUCTIONS
Men lead with their <b>LEFT</b> foot. On the "ONE" count, start by moving the <b>LEFT</b> foot forward, as shown in the following drawing.		<b>"ONE"</b>		Women lead with their <b>RIGHT</b> foot. On the "ONE" count, start by moving the <b>RIGHT</b> foot forward, as shown in the preceding drawing
On the "AND" count, move the <b>RIGHT</b> foot forward as shown. <i>Note that both feet are now even, as if having stepped up to a line.</i>		<b>"AND"</b>		On the "AND" count, move the <b>LEFT</b> foot forward as shown. <i>Note that both feet are now even, as if having stepped up to a line.</i>
On the "TWO" count, move the <b>LEFT</b> foot back as shown.		<b>"TWO"</b>		On the "TWO" count, move the <b>RIGHT</b> foot back as shown.
On the "THREE" count, move the <b>RIGHT</b> foot all the way back and behind the other foot.		<b>"THREE"</b>		On the "THREE" count, move the <b>LEFT</b> foot all the way back and behind the other foot.
The "AND" count is a weight shift to the <b>LEFT</b> foot, or just a step in place with the left foot. <i>Do not move it forward or backwards.</i>		<b>"AND"</b>		The "AND" count is a weight shift to the <b>RIGHT</b> foot, or just a step in place with the right foot. <i>Do not move it forward or backwards.</i>
The "FOUR" count is a weight shift to the <b>RIGHT</b> foot, or just a step in place with the right foot. <i>Again, do not move it up or back.</i>		<b>"FOUR"</b>		The "FOUR" count is a weight shift to the <b>LEFT</b> foot, or just a step in place with the left foot. <i>Again, do not move it up or back.</i>
The "FIVE" count is a step back with the <b>LEFT</b> foot. <i>Note that both feet are now even, as if having stepped back to a line.</i>		<b>"FIVE"</b>		The "FIVE" count is a step back with the <b>RIGHT</b> foot. <i>Note that both feet are now even as if having stepped back to a line.</i>
The "SIX" count is a step up with the <b>RIGHT</b> foot. That's it! <i>Now you are ready to start over by stepping forward with the LEFT foot to the "ONE" position.</i>		<b>"SIX"</b>		The "SIX" count is a step up with the <b>LEFT</b> foot. That's it! <i>Now you are ready to start over by stepping forward with the RIGHT foot to the "ONE" position.</i>



# History of The Shag

The dance that we call the "shag" has its roots in a 1930's ballroom dance called the Lindy or the Lindy Hop. The Lindy was different from the "Latin" ballroom dances because it had a basic step requiring six beats of music. To do the dance, someone had to first show you how to do the basic step. The Lindy was done to big band music.

In the 40's when the soldiers went out to dance, they just grabbed a woman and started throwing her around the dance floor; thus, the Jitterbug was born. The Jitterbug, a four beat dance, was also done to big band music.

In the late 40's and the early 50's, two unique things were happening in the Myrtle Beach area that had a direct bearing on how and why the dance developed here. The boys and girls who worked on the beach each summer formed a very tight-knit group of "cool" kids who ruled the dance floors at the nightspots and pavilions up and down the beach. This music, called "race" music, or to those of us who liked and approved of it "soul" music, was simply the black music that we now call "rhythm and blues". This black music was not sold in the music stores or played on the radio stations in the south at that time but for one or two exceptions. Since the only place you could hear this type of music was on the jukeboxes at the beach, the term "beach music" evolved.

The lifeguards and dancers at that time knew that to dance meant to meet ladies. To dance a dance that was slower and smoother than the Jitterbug meant that you could meet ladies even easier. They quickly adapted to this new music by adding two steps back to their basic to slow down the dance. This "new" dance, called fast-dancing, was actually a return to the six-beat basic of the Lindy.

This dance, that was once considered risqué, if not down-right vulgar, has now been with us for sixty years and is honored as the State Dance of South Carolina.

Submitted by Jeppy McDowell in a previous Carefree Times publication. Jeppy has taught shag lessons for years and teaches free beginner shag lessons at Fat Harolds Beach Club every Tuesday night, and teaches private lessons as well. Many of us have heard and read different versions of the History of the Shag... but this is my favorite.

Janet Harrold

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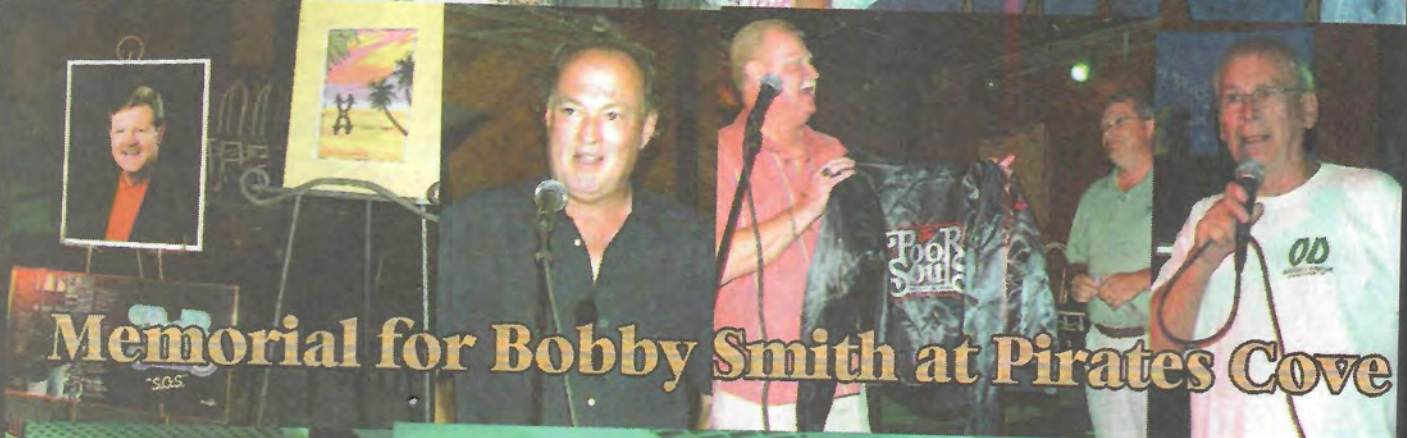




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Sept 3-4	Fat Harolds Labor Day	N Myrtle Beach , SC
October 2	Loafers	Raleigh , NC
November 5-6	Memories	Atlantic Beach , NC

### NON-SANCTIONED CONTEST

July 30-31	Bunk Leach Mixed Doubles/Thirstys 2	Greensboro , NC
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### EVENTS

August 20-21	The Gathering/Thirstys 2	Greensboro , NC
August 28-29	Harry Driver HOFF/SOS Golf Classic	N Myrtle Beach, SC
September 17-26	SOS Fall Migration	N Myrtle Beach , SC
October 8-9	Shag Attack/Hall of Fame Induction	N Myrtle Beach , SC
November 10-14	Carolina Beach Music Awards	N Myrtle Beach , SC

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## Chicken Hicks & Friends Charity Mixed Doubles Contest

By Linda Reeder

The 40's were the golden years of dance at Carolina Beach when Myrtle Beach was just a blip on the map. This is where Chicken Hicks first hitchhiked from his hometown, Durham, during the summer of 1943, to the place where the majority of people came to dance. There were jump joints everywhere with just a jukebox and a dance floor. It was here that Chicken began "fas' dancin'" (what became to be called the shag) and made this resort town his home. During the 40's, each "cat on the boardwalk," as they were called, had his own signature dance style as Chicken certainly did! He and his friends would laugh at the lifeguards, fight with the service men and continue to dance with all the girls.

Chicken was inducted into the Shaggers Hall of Fame in its second year, 1984. When he passed away, July 4, 2004, Cooter Douglas started a contest to carry on his memory and the event has been held each year since. Thirsty's 2 was proud to host its first Chicken Hicks & Friends Charity Mixed Doubles contest in 2009 where Cooter and Leslie Melton Jennings were co-hosts of the event. All proceeds benefit the Hall of Fame Foundation. The club has now made a permanent home for this event when it held the second contest on May 1, 2010. There were three divisions of dancers with a total of 37 outstanding couples competing. The first place winners were: Age 40 & under - Brennar Goree & Kristal Taylor; Young & Old - Milton Nowell & Kayla Henley; Over 40 - Debbie Rickard & Milton Nowell.

Thirsty's 2 will continue to host this great contest to honor our friend, Chicken Hicks - a legend who danced his way through life!

### Chicken Hicks & Friends Charity Shag Contest

The winners are:



#### 40+ DIVISION

1st Place: Milton Nowell and Debbie Rickard  
2nd Place: Archer Joyce and Phyllis Tiller  
3rd Place: Allan Grider and Melissa Calabrese



#### 40 & YOUNGER

1st Place: Krystal Taylor and Brenner Goree  
2nd Place: Geoff Burdick and Leslie Jennings  
3rd Place: Trae Anderson and Krystal Bravo



#### OLD & YOUNG (25 year age difference)

1st Place: Milton Nowell and Kayla Henley  
2nd Place: Mike Pace and Leslie Jennings  
3rd Place: Trae Anderson and Marie Taylor

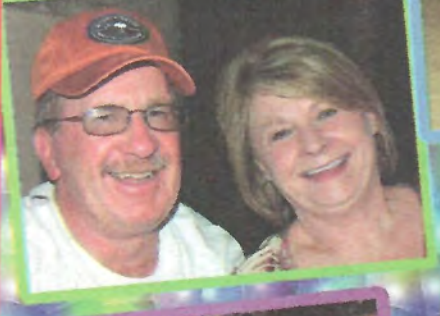




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**UPDATE regarding Defibrillators in all SOS member clubs:** SOS has purchased and mounted defibrillators in Fat Harolds, Ducks, OD Cafe, OD Arcade & Lounge, and Pirates Cove. Prior to Fall Migration a training class will be held for all the new employees and refresher for all employees that originally had the training. Should anyone have an emergency from heart attack, or stop breathing for any reason please let an employee know immediately.

An AED (Automated Electronic Defibrillator) Training Certification was conducted on July 26, 2007 at the Ocean Drive Resort. The two instructors were from Saint Ropers Hospital in Charleston, South Carolina. We had fourteen staff members from the SOS clubs participating in the training sessions, along with Hector Phifer, Peggy, and myself. We were divided into three groups with three persons working in each group. Each trainee had to perform all of the facets of CPR, attaching and operating the defibrillator on the victim. It was a very interesting, intense four hour course. Fat Harold's Beach Club had already certified seventeen people through his certification training for the AED that he had purchased. This gives SOS thirty one trained (certified) technicians to work with the AED in case of emergencies that might occur in the SOS clubs.

The instructional portion of the training taught the proper methods of calling for help, secure the area as safe, checking for signs of breathing, and performing CPR. Practicing on a mannequin (dummy) following along with the VCR guidance tape is interesting and informative. It taught us that if you find someone in distress (conscious or unconscious) to determine that the person is in a safe area (out of danger), yell for help,



send someone to get an AED if available, and call 911. Once that is done, you check the victims breathing. If the victim is not breathing, tilt the head back, lift the chin to open the airway, pinch the nose and cover the mouth with your mouth. (In the AED case, there is a plastic mask that covers the victim's nose and mouth. Insert the tube into the face mask. Make sure that you have a good seal around the nose/mouth. Give two short puffs of air into the victim's mouth, and watch for chest rise when puffing into the victim. After the two puffs, place the heel of one hand onto an imaginary line between the victim's nipples, inter-lock the fingers of the other hand or place the heel of your other hand on top of the hand on the chest and do thirty (30) chest compressions. Count along with the compressions for rhythm. Return to the mouth and give two (2) short puffs, watch for the chest rise, immediately begin another thirty chest compressions. You must continue this progression until help arrives. As soon as a defibrillator is available, open the case, turn the unit on, remove the pads in the case and place on the victim's chest area. The pads show a picture where to place. Peel the backing off of the pad and attach in the proper area as directed. Once the AED is connected to the victim, it will diagnose if there is a heart beat. If no heart beat is found the machine will charge and announce to stand clear of the victim. When the victim is clear the machine has instructed you to initiate the shock. After the shock, the AED will diagnose the victim for a heart beat and will instruct you to either shock or start CPR (2 puffs/30 chest compressions). This is done for a period of two minutes; the machine is monitoring the victim's response to the CPR. Continue the CPR until help has arrived (EMT) or until the victim is conscience and breathing on their own.



The importance of the two puffs and thirty compressions are putting oxygen into the blood stream and circulating the blood by massaging the heart. You must continue this repetition until trained help arrives (EMT). One day you may find that you are in a position to help save someone's life. If so, I hope this information will come flooding into your racing mind, and you can help someone. If you ever have the opportunity to take a CPR class, I encourage you to do so. It can make a difference for someone..





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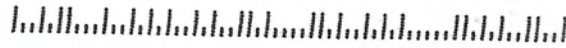
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