

ACSC



Good Morning ACSC Presidents,

Thank you very much for coming to www.shagdance.com to read our reports that we would have shared at Mid-Winter 2021. It has now been actually one year since we have had the opportunity to meet. I personally feel that we can see a glimmer of light at the end of the tunnel and the process certainly needs to start our rebuilding of our shag community, ACSC and SOS.

Included in the material will be reports of all the ACSC Officers plus SOS Board Chairman and SOS President.

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As I stated I do believe that we are seeing just a glimmer of hope relating to Covid-19. Our first and primary concern is the safety of the ACSC Clubs and our SOS Card Carrying Members. No matter what the state of emergency may bring your safety is our concern.

If you are a new president, we certainly thank you for your dedication to your club and to the Association of Carolina Shag Clubs. If you have any questions, please never hesitate to ask.

The Summer Workshop that was to be held in July in Williamsburg VA has been cancelled. The reason for the cancellation is the unknown of the restrictions of the virus. It also has been suggested that we move the summer workshops to Fall SOS. I personally feel that this needs to be addressed in a meeting with discussion of the presidents before a vote is called. So please be thinking about your club and perhaps what is best.

Mid-Winter is a time that our Icons are announced. We have not been able to celebrate or honor our 2020 Icons. We will be doing that at our next meeting at NMB. We certainly want to thank each club for submissions. We are so fortunate to have those that give time, efforts, loyalty and service to our ACSC Clubs. Novlene Powell and Dot Smith do an excellent service for the ACSC with their selection committee that serves on a rotating basis. Thank you, ladies and committee members, for this service. The 2021 Icons will be revealed in a report given by the Icon Committee. A special congratulations to the ACSC Icon Class of 2021.

I would like to thank the clubs that have me on their email list. I save them and go back to read. Once again, I am so intrigued at the cool ideas that you all come up with. Our ACSC clubs were out in force over the holiday season helping those less fortunate. I received an email from the South Strand

President stating that they were sending out weekly member information. I see where clubs send birthday and get-well cards! This is just a "feel good" for the member. Folks never forget kindness! If you remember I wrote an article several years ago on "The Two R's". This is recruitment and retention needed for your memberships. I believe in my heart that it truly works.

COVID-19 is a subject all to its own. Our shag community has truly suffered. I want you each to know that when we finally come together that we will celebrate each precious life that we have lost. This is something that is important to our boards and we will see that it happens. Let's continue to keep those that are suffering from loss, working the front lines, and those that keep us safe in the forefront of your thoughts and prayers. Our combined boards of ACSC/SOS work together to keep you safe. We appreciate your patience and support during this time of the unknown.

The Lake Norman shag club presented ACSC/SOS with a check of \$1.000.00. This was given to help with our loss of income. We certainly thank each member of the LNSC for this momentary gift.

In January of the Mid-Winter meeting, it is my duty that I report to the ACSC Board of Advisors the status of our Association. First, let me say that it is an honor to serve as your chairman. We have 95 full member clubs and 30 subscribers. We have one club that has proposed membership, waiting on the voting process. That club is the Kingston Shaggers. We did have one club that proposed membership but sadly had to withdraw. We are financially sound. The ACSC allowed dues to be waived for 2021. Due to the loss of income the \$400 reimbursement checks will not be issued. This is a temporary measure of savings.

Is your club utilizing www.shagdance.com? This is an excellent site to encourage your officers and membership to use. One can learn the history of ACSC and SOS, look at the ACSC Reference Manual, advertise your party monthly or annually, by-laws, calendar of events, purchase SOS Card, familiarize yourself with board members and any current events or bulletin information. Our webmaster Mary Gregory does an excellent job on our website. We also have the SOS FB page that is administered by Vickie Harrison. On our page it is designed for our ACSC Clubs, ACSC Subscriber clubs and our SOS Partner clubs. This is a quick reference for parties and bulletin information. Please encourage your members to visit our website and FB Page. These ladies do an incredible job in bringing you the information you may need.

So, you can certainly see that all our information filters down and causes a ripple effect. Vice chairman, Lisa Caveny will share with you how the ripple effect does play a part in our ACSC Clubs.

Please feel free to contact me with any concerns.

Best regards,

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