



**ACSC MID-WINTER
WORKSHOP
MEETING – 1/16/2021
10:00 A.M.**

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**A.C.S.C. MEETING – 2021 Mid-Winter Workshop
Saturday – January 16, 2021 – 10:00 AM**

AGENDA

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1. **CALL TO ORDER** – A.C.S.C. Chairman Robin Morley
We welcome you to our first online workshop reports. Please go to the website www.shagdance.com to review these reports.
2. **MINUTES** – A.C.S.C. Secretary Becky Berry
3. **TREASURER’S REPORT** – A.C.S.C. Treasurer Cecil Martin
4. **A.C.S.C. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT** – A.C.S.C. Chairman Robin Morley
5. **A.C.S.C. VICE CHAIRMAN’S REPORT** – A.C.S.C. Vice Chairman Lisa Caveny
6. **S.O.S. CHAIRMAN’S REPORT** – S.O.S. Chairman Ronnie Gregory
7. **NEW BUSINESS**
8. **OLD BUSINESS**
9. **CLUB PARTY INFORMATION**
10. **ADJOURN**

****** Next Meeting will tentatively be held April 23, 2021.**

******Next elections will be held in January 2022 for two SOS Board seats and in July 2022 for four ACSC Board seats.**



Minutes from the ACSC Winter Workshop will be sent to you and submitted for approval at our next **in person** meeting. Due to COVID-19 we have not been able to meet to approve these minutes.

I received requests for 16 Anniversary Certificates during late 2019 and all of 2020. The following are the clubs that celebrated an anniversary:

Atlantic Beach Shag Club – 30 years

Bluefield Area Shag Society – 15 years

Burlington Shag Club – 35 years

Causeway Shag Club – 20 years

Eastern NC Shag Club – 35 years

Eno Beach Shag Club – 30 years

Florence Shag Club – 35 years

Franklin Shag Club – 10 years

Golden Isles Shag Club – 30 years

Hilton Head Island Shag Club – 25 years

Islanders Shag Club – 35 years

Sand Hills Shag Club – 30 years

Shag Atlanta Shag Club – 30 years

Society of Brunswick Shaggers – 25 years

South Strand Shag Club – 25 years

Sumter Shag Club – 35 years

Congratulations to each of these clubs.

If you need a certificate, please fill out the form and email it to me at acscsecretary2018@gmail.com. I am now working on certificates for the year 2021.

As we start this new year and officers are changing, please remember to send to me your updated club information and go to www.shagdance.com and update your club information there also. Lisa Caveny has included an application in her information that you can use to update this information.

Sincerely,

Becky Berry
ACSC Secretary

**Association of Carolina Shag Clubs, Inc
Financial Statement as of December 31, 2020**

Balance as of January 1, 2019 5,648.96

<u>RECEIPTS:</u>		<u>Yr to Date</u>	
4100	Membership Dues	\$ 5,125.00	
4200	Management Fee Income	\$ 15,000.00	
4400	Interest Income		
4600	Other Income	\$ -	
	Total Income	\$ 20,125.00	
5100	Member Club Reimbursement	\$ -	
	TOTAL NET RECEIPTS:		\$ 20,125.00
	TOTAL REVENUE:		\$ 25,773.96

<u>EXPENSES:</u>			
6110	Office Supplies	\$	318.59
6120	Bank Service Charges	\$	-
6130	Printing	\$	527.51
6160	Postage & Freight	\$	330.64
6170	Equipment Rental	\$	-
6210	Lodging	\$	2,700.00
6220	Travel-Mileage	\$	3,015.43
6230	Travel-Meals	\$	1,424.50
6240	Event Registrations	\$	-
6250	Meeting Expense	\$	5,787.92
6280	Sponsorship/Advertising	\$	-
6290	Sponsorship-Junior Shaggers	\$	-
6300	ACSC/SOS ICON Awards	\$	625.82
6310	ACSC/SOS Parade	\$	1,009.80
6990	Miscellaneous Expense	\$	-
	<u>Total Expenses</u>	\$	<u>15,740.21</u>

Balance as of August 31, 2020 \$ **10,033.75**

Balance: First Citizens Bank, Columbia, SC \$ **10,033.75**

Cecil Martin
Treasurer

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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.

Becky Rogers, ACSC Secretary
Cecil Martin, ACSC Treasurer
Robin Morley, ACSC Chairman
Lisa Caveny, ACSC Vice Chairman
Ronnie Gregory, SOS Board Chairman
Ron Whisnant, SOS President

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,

Robin Morley

ACSC Chairman

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Association of Carolina Shag Clubs

Icon Selection Committee

Novelene Powell, Icon Committee Co-Chair

Dot Smith, Icon Committee Co-Chair

January 16, 2021



Before we announce the new Icons, I'll tell you a bit about how Icons are selected. Each year the Association may select up to 5 shaggers who meet the established criteria for the prestigious Icon Award. From a list of Icons who volunteer to serve on the selection team, nine names are drawn to serve as evaluators. After carefully studying the application forms and without consulting with other evaluators, they score each applicant on his/her own merits – Not in comparison with other applicants. These scores are submitted to the Icon Committee Co-Chairs – Novelene Powell and Dot Smith – who tally the final results.

If your club's nominee is not one of those selected, you may "tweak" or revise your materials to resubmit the person's name before the November 1st deadline.

This year we are please to announce in alphabetical order, the 2021 Icons.

Dianne Dyches, Islanders Shag Club
Margaret Griffin, Raleigh Shag Club
Patricia Robinson, Columbia Shag Club

Our sincere congratulations from the ACSC/SOS Board and the ICON Committee to the new inductees and **Welcome** to the Icon Family!

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Association of Carolina Shag Clubs Icon Selection Committee

Novelene Powell, Icon Committee Co-Chair

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2021 Icon Recipients

**Islanders Shag Club, Charleston, SC
DIANNE DYCHES**



**Raleigh Shag Club
MARGARET GRIFFIN**



**Columbia Shag Club
PATRICIA "PAT" ROBINSON**





WELCOME NEW PRESIDENTS...

**HOW TO START A RIPPLE EFFECT
THAT CREATES A WAVE OF
POSITIVE ENERGY ON YOUR SHAG
CLUB IN 2021?**

By Lisa Myers Caveny, ACSC Vice Chairman

Online Winter Workshop – January 2021

We all have just come through one of the toughest years imaginable...Who would have ever thought that our world would shut down due to a virus from China, that we would grieve at the loss of so many who have succumbed to this horrible pandemic, that friends and family would be separated for almost the entire year due to social distancing and simply out of fear. FEAR...a small 4 letter word that has made so many isolate from those they love and activities they enjoy...including our beloved dance, the Shag.

Focus on the Vast View Ahead

2020 is now in our rear-view mirror and with a new year, comes opportunity. Remember that our view out the front windshield is wide and the rear-view mirror is a narrow view of what is behind us. I gave thought to this program each time this past year as I traveled to the ocean's shore for a sense of peace. I needed to walk on the beach, breath the salt air and know that "normal" would someday return to me life. I've always found the ocean to be a place of promise, constantly changing, each day bringing tiny treasures for us to find on our walks. The broken shells seemed to resemble our pandemic year. They were broken, but there was still beauty. Our shag community has been deeply affected by this pandemic, most of our shag clubs have not been able to safely meet to dance, to socialize or to conduct in person meetings. The last time our ACSC Association gathered was at the January 2020 Winter Workshop at North Myrtle Beach. Our Workshop was entitled,

“A PRESIDENT’S GUIDE TO DEVELOPING 20/20 VISION IN 2020.” It was a fun meeting, we kidded about the incoming new Presidents needing a big bottle of aspirin for all the headaches of leadership, and we laughed at all the “Recycled Presidents” who continue to step up year after year to serve, because no one else will. As I reflect back now...12 months later...I certainly didn’t think we would have all needed on hand not only that huge bottle of Aspirin, but Mucinex, Vitamin C, Vitamin D3, Zink and a Z-pak!! Add to that an array of face masks, hand sanitizers and Clorox wipes and you could step out into our crazy Pandemic world.

Each January our main focus is to help new incoming Presidents with where to start their journey, where to look for answers and what resources they have available through our Association to guide them in becoming a successful club President. What I share here will be a gentle reminder of actions you are encouraged to take to start to make a positive change in your club...a Ripple that can positively affect your transition, help build confidence and excitement with your new board members and your club membership. It’s been a long time since many have felt safe to gather...so it may take some persistence on your part to encourage, when safety guidelines allow, to get members to venture back inside to gather. Check with your state and local CDC guidelines so not to gather in groups too soon. We all want to regain our freedom to return to dance...but your responsibility is to the safety of your members.

Stick Your Toes in the Water

No matter how cold the weather, if I walk on the beach...I'm going to find my way down to the lapping shore and stick my toes in the water. As a new club President, you need to "stick your toes in the water" by completing the online **Club Update Form** and submit to Mary Gregory and Becky Berry via www.shagdance.com. Your name and photo will be updated and displayed to represent your home shag club, along with where and when you dance. This information is automatically sent to all of us for our records with your personal contact information. This is your official announcement to all other Presidents and serves as an informal introduction.

A new club President should know a bit of your club history, have respect for those that served before you, and just general knowledge of the membership body.

What date was your club founded? Do you have Hall of Fame members? Do you have ICON recipients? A good leader doesn't forget about those who have worked hard for your club.

How many club members do you have on roster and what goals will you set to increase those numbers?

Do you have a special Club Anniversary coming up during 2021? A special Anniversary Certificate is available from your ACSC Secretary to commemorate your founding in 5-year increments. Refer to the forms section on shagdance.com to apply for your clubs certificate of recognition.

It's A Big Ocean Out There...You Don't Have to Swim Alone

A new club President, along with a new board comes new ideas, opportunities for growth and new vision to rally your club members and start to rebuild after Covid 19. A President is not a dictator, but a facilitator of members talents. Find out the strengths of your new Board and realize that many times there are business owners, volunteers and crafty people who could fill spots for fund raising, creative party planning and those with warm, outgoing people skills who are needed to recruit new members. Communication with your membership will help to uncover an ocean of resources. If you're a seasoned leader, you already know that you can't swim alone and you need to take on a teamwork approach. Don't be threatened by giving credit for a job well done by someone other than yourself...Your success can be driven by the work of your Board and your volunteers.

A good President will remember that an opportunity has been afforded you with a new title and responsibilities, one to be proud of. We are also proud of you for your desire to step into a leadership role, and as a leader...You should strive to serve all members. There are going to be members that you simply do not like, but you are to rise above that mentality and lead with no exclusions.

As a new club President, it is always good to acknowledge the work of any Past Presidents who are still active within your membership. When you've served and your time is up...one of

the main feelings that is overwhelming for that segment of your membership is a feeling of loss and sometimes a “stepping away”, “taking a break” attitude. Past Presidents have shared with me over the years that they feel they are no longer needed, and they want to be asked to be a part...but at the same time trying to allow the “New” leaders to thrive. It’s a tough adjustment and you’re only going to understand this feeling when you are called a Past President yourself. The ACSC has a special Past President’s Pin and Certificate to honor the service of your outgoing President. Refer to the forms section on shagdance.com to apply. When opportunity arises, make an effort to Thank members for their contributions to your club. Some contributions are monetary, some with time, others with new ideas that need to be given a chance. Collectively it can work together to make your club experience growth and to bring members together in friendship.

The most important part is to remember that you are not alone in your endeavor to be a productive and successful leader. You are now a part of a growing Association that is proud to serve 95 shag clubs... just think of the wealth of experience that number brings together 4 times a year. My greatest desire is for you to have fun in your leadership role and for your club to feel a part of the ACSC.

Deep Water Requires a Life Preserver

Hopefully, the passing of the ACSC President’s Resource Binder

has already occurred for the incoming President. The ACSC organization, the materials that we share, the net-working that occurs between Presidents during meetings create a feeling of safety, like that of a life preserver. We strive to provide you with materials that act as a resource to help you with questions concerning programs and services that you might find helpful in your new role. The binder is broken down into 10 chapters that cover topics such as By-Laws, Membership, and Forms. We strive each year to update information and new sheets will be included at our meetings that should be added to your current binder. If for any reason you have not been given the President's Resource Binder, please send a request in writing to Becky Berry, your ACSC Secretary.

In preparing for your first Board meeting, you may want to review your club By-Laws and the ACSC By-Laws to become familiar with where to find answers. When I served as my club President, I copied the club bylaws and put them into a binder and handed out to each of my board members at our first meeting along with a calendar of our meeting dates. Since there hasn't been many opportunities for meetings, remember that as a club President, you may find yourself having to make personal phone calls and emails to get members back active and excited about the future of your club. The ACSC encourages you to share programs and important items covered during our National Board Meetings and Workshops, because you are ONE person who is serving a group of people...If you include your new Board in the materials, you are also grooming future

e leaders of your shag club. In the event that you should need anyone from the ACSC or SOS Boards, you can find our contact information on shagdance.com and an updated printed list in your future in-person meeting packets. It is not our job to tell you how to run your club, but we offer assistance if you should need direction or ideas.

Throw a Pebble and Watch the Ripple Effect

Your club members may not have heard any club news in quite some time. Many people feel disconnected, some have found other interests to occupy their time. Communication is Key: A Club Website, Facebook Group Page, Phone Tree and Email blasts are effective ways to keep your club members informed. Review your club's website. During this time of not being able to get together face to face, you can review what the general public sees when researching your club. Google your shag club...What do you see? Browse other shag club websites for new and innovative ideas...it is ok to copy what is working for others. A website and Facebook Group Page are two different resources to showcase your club.

A website is usually used by new people who are interested in dance lessons or business travelers in your area who love beach music or the social aspect and looking for a place to mingle.

If your club has a newsletter, now is the time to use that communication tool to stay connected and to share a word of encouragement. Your ACSC Board loves to see what your club

is doing...so add us to your email list. As President, it is nice to remember those who may be sick and encourage members to mail cards...especially during this time of Covid 19. Social media plays a part in our day to day lives in staying connected with our families, friends and groups that we join online. The good thing about using a tool such as Facebook or mass email is that it costs nothing, and it reaches the bulk of your members with very little effort. You can get the word out quickly on an event, announcement or just to stay in touch. It has been a challenge during this Pandemic to try to predict when it will be safe again to gather. No one has a definitive answer...so I would say it's best just to be honest and encourage your members to keep watching for upcoming news. We at ACSC have struggled with this terribly, it's still too early to predict when we think it will be safe to return to the beach for an SOS event. It's all about safety. We have lost tremendous revenue, as has the City of North Myrtle Beach and all our Beach Club partners. All have suffered greatly in the cancellation of our annual beach events...Shaggers have been missed at the beach this past year. Our shaggers are our priority and no matter how bad we want to return, we know that until groups can gather safely...we wait. Be transparent with your information and just speak from the heart...give no predictions and don't speculate. The ACSC and SOS Boards work closely with the CDC guidelines, the Mayor of North Myrtle Beach, the City Manager and our partner Beach Clubs...Everyone will be ready to ride the wave to reopen our events...In the meantime, stay afloat, stay positive and keep watching for exiting news to come.

We are ***ACSC/SOS Strong***

and we will return to our beloved Ocean Drive.

In closing, take a quiet moment...close your eyes, allow your mind to hear your favorite beach tune, envision your feet sliding across the wooden dance floor of your favorite beach club and remember the taste of your favorite ice cream after a night of dancing. Listen to all the laughter, and feel those tight hugs from all that you see...Feel the wave of emotion that swells inside your soul. We will be reunited again....It's coming.

Can't you feel it!!

Start with a Ripple and watch the Wave of positive energy as it covers your membership in 2021!!

Congratulations new Presidents and Welcome everyone to the Association of Carolina Shag Clubs!!

Using COVID in a positive way...

C Communicate Using Various Sources

O Open Minded to Embrace New Ideas

V Vision for Growth

I Individual Talents of Your Members

D Dance For Fun in 2021!

2021 Check List For New Shag Club Presidents

The role as President of your shag club is important. The future success of your club will be largely dependent on your leadership and your willingness to embrace those that came before you, and your willingness to bring all ideas developed by your club to those that will lead presently and on into the future.

Below you will find a check list that hopefully may help make your job easier!

Much of what you will need as a reference is found in your ACSC President's Binder and also online at www.shagdance.com.

- Shag Club Update Form
- ACSC President's Reference Binder
 - Chapter 1 – Club By-Laws
 - Chapter 2 – Newsletters & Flyers
 - Chapter 3 – Parties & Events
 - Chapter 4 – Fundraising Ideas
 - Chapter 5 – Increasing Membership
 - Chapter 6 – Negotiating With Lounges
 - Chapter 7 – Common Problems
 - Chapter 8 – ACSC Requirements
 - Chapter 9 – ACSC/SOS Structure & By-Laws
 - Chapter 10 – Forms & Applications
- ACSC Annual Dues
- ACSC Past President's Pin & Certificate
- ACSC Membership Requirements – Meeting Attendance
- Review Club Business Issues
- Review the Need: Performing Rights Music Coverage
- SOS Card Membership Sales
- Fun Sunday/Fun Monday Ticket Sales
- Communication with Board and Membership
- ICON Nominations
- Develop Agenda for Board Meetings
- Communication Tools
- Breathe, Smile and have Vision for your year ahead!!!



Request for Anniversary Certificate by ACSC Member Club

The Association of Carolina Shag Clubs wants to recognize and honor your club anniversaries. We will prepare a certificate upon request for your club's 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th, 45th, and 50th anniversaries. To request a certificate please complete the following:

Person requesting the certificate: _____

Position of this person: _____

Email Address of person submitting: _____

ACSC Club Name: _____

Approximate Date Club Formed: _____

Address to send the certificate:

Please mail completed application to:

Becky Berry, ACSC Secretary
1381 A. Jefferson Drive
Florence, SC 29501

Or you may scan and email to accsecretary2018@gmail.com

Shag Club Update Information

Please highlight or put an asterisk beside info which has changed.

For SOS website use! Please email this form to mgregory5@triad.rr.com and cc: acscsecretary2018@gmail.com

Click inside each box to enter data.

Full Member:		Subscriber Member:	
Date submitted:		For Year:	

Reply to each with only one answer. Do not list multiple names, #'s, etc. Turn this in at any A.C.S.C. meeting or mail to the current A.C.S.C. Secretary or email it as shown above.

Club Name:			
Club Address:	Address:		
	City, State:	Zip:	
President:	Name:	Phone:	
Vice President:	Name:	Phone:	
Secretary:	Name:	Phone:	
Treasurer:	Name:	Phone:	
One email Contact:			
Hotline Phone Number:			
Website:			
Name of Newsletter:			
Annual Dues:	\$	Fiscal Year Begins:	
Month New Officers Take Office:			
List day, facility, city, etc. where regular club meetings are held:			
List day, facility, city, etc. where regular shag nights are held:			
List any other information about your club you'd like us to know:			
Is there a radio station in your area that plays shag music?			
Station Name:		AM/FM Channel:	
City of Origin:		Phone Number:	

Format, or information about special shows, etc. related to beach/shag music:

Your Name

Phone Number

PAST PRESIDENT'S PIN REQUEST FORM

Shag Club Name: _____

Shag Club Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Past President's Name: _____

List the Year(s) Served as President: _____

Example: 2018 - 2019 (That would be one year of service)

How would you like the years to be listed on the Certificate: _____

Name of person submitting this application:

Please provide your phone number in case of questions:

What address do I mail the completed Certificate and Past President's Pin:

Is there a special meeting or date when you need the Certificate and Pin: Yes or No

If Yes, please list date: _____

Please complete this form and mail to:

Lisa Caveny, ACSC Vice Chairman
1570 The Crossing
Rock Hill, SC 29732

In a hurry? Scan completed form and email to: acscvicechairman@gmail.com

Note: A Full Member Shag Club President must have served at least one (1) **full** year term to qualify for a pin. Only one (1) pin will be given to each person, no matter how many years they have served.



Greetings and Happy New Year from your **SOS** Board Chair,

It has been a very trying year and a half for **SOS** and our card-carrying members and friends. So much has had to be delayed or canceled on behalf of the hurricane and virus. There has been so many effected by these tragic events and yes, we have lost so many that were so close and dear to each of us. We will never forget who they were and all the contributions they gave to **SOS**. Their legacy remains in our hearts, but now is the time that we must look forward to a new year with hope for better days ahead and a return of the lifestyle and dance that we covet so much. I know that none of you have lost your dream and desire to further our dance and lifestyle. Even though we continue to make plans for the Spring Safari and the Fall Migration, we will continue to monitor the situation and make a decision to keep us all safe.

When the time is right and it is safe once again, the Board is going to challenge you to help us get **SOS** restarted. We want you to know, that we have been meeting behind the scenes (Zoom), planning for future events and most importantly keeping **SOS** financially solvent. It has been a tough two years, with little income for **SOS**, so we had to get very creative and work out all the details. As hard as it has been, we have had a lot of positive suggestions, such as Carefree Times online, which we have had very good response about this and we continue to address other serious issues.

Our objective is to keep **SOS** on a solid foundation. I want to thank the **SOS** Board personally for all their hard work and dedication and after much sole searching, our objectives were met by keeping you safe and keeping the dance alive. Now we need YOU. When the time is right **SOS** will be re-started and we will need help selling **SOS** Cards, supporting our

partner clubs, sponsors and anything else that needs to be done to get us on track.

Better times are ahead for each and every one of us, as long as we stay positive and do what needs to be done in your local club, **SOS** and community. We still have many that are being affected by COVID-19. We have lost many of our friends that have contributed so much and we all honor them and will never forget them.

I will ask you once again, for your support of **SOS** and together we will endure and conquer these hardships. We CAN and we WILL move forward. **SOS** is just a word, "YOU" are what it stands for. Working side-by-side, we can do great things.

Stay safe and hope to see you soon.

Ronnie Gregory

 **Board Chair**

facebook

join our
group +

SOS - Society of Stranders

ACSC Presidents: Please pass this information to your members. We would also love to have your Shag Club post your Events/Party Flyers on our SOS Facebook Page!



Vickie Harrison
SOS Facebook Administrator

Join our SOS group page, we would love to have you. We offer SOS PROFILE pictures so you can share your love for our lifestyle and SOS. We do this at different times for Winter, Spring & Fall. With Covid changing our way of life for the time being, we are offering a profile picture that confirms that we are all SOS STRONG. Our facebook group keeps growing, we have almost 14,000 members now. I am the administrator of the group page and I intend to keep our shaggers well informed with SOS schedules, updates, photos and events. We limit our advertising on the facebook page to the participating partner SOS clubs (OD Resort, OD Arcade, Fat Harolds, Pirates Cove, and Ducks) and ACSC Shag Clubs. **We would love to have your SHAG CLUB to post their events and parties.** We want this fb page to be informative, interesting and FUN for you!

Hope to see you on our facebook page.

Vickie Harrison

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Hello to all my Shagging Friends,



I sure do miss all of you and hope you all are staying healthy and happy. Hopefully, this year is going to be so much better.

Thanks to all of you that have already sent in your Club Update Forms. Those of who have not, it is time to send it in. We do have an online form (that is working now) I know some of you have had problems with it recently but I have fixed it now.

Just a reminder, on the front page of shagdance.com, there is a link [UPDATE YOUR CLUB INFORMATION ONLINE](#) Click on it and it will take you right to the online Form, show below:

Form Page: OnlineForm2021 - Personal - Microsoft Edge

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Shag Club Update Information

Date Submitted:

Full Member Subscriber Member For Year:

If your Club Name is not listed, then enter your Club Name Here:

Select Your Club Name Below:

Club Address City, State: Zip Code

President: Presidents Phone Number:

Vice President: Vice President Phone Number:

Secretary: Secretary Phone Number:

Treasurer: Treasurer Phone Number:

Sergeant at Arms: Sergeant at Arms Phone Number:

One Email Contact: Web Address:

It is working fine now, so you should not have any problems with it and this is the quickest and easiest way to get your information to all of us that need it. At the bottom of the screen, you will see "Select Your Photo: Choose your file": When you click Choose your file, it takes you to your file on your computer, iPad or phone. You can select any photo of yourself (President) that you want (the size limit is 2 MB. See bottom of the form below:

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Treasurer: Treasurer Phone Number:

Sergeant at Arms: Sergeant at Arms Phone Number:

One Email Contact: Web Address:

Name Of Newsletter: Annual Dues: Fiscal Year Begins: Month New Officers take office:

Where club meetings are held (list day, facility, city, etc): Where Shag Nights are held (list day, facility, city, etc):

Beach Radio Station Name in your area: AM/FM Channel: City of Origin: Phone Number:

Format, or info about special shows, etc. related to beach/shag music: Your Name:

Your Phone: Select Your Photo Choose File No file chosen

Submit

Click the SUBMIT button and you are finished.

Thank you all for submitting this form, every year so you can keep your club information updated.

Keep safe, healthy and happy!

Mary Gregory

SOS Webmaster



From Your **SOS** President,

As we enter 2021, the dance scene remains quiet. Mid-winter Workshop another cancelled event in our **SOS** history. Spring Safari appears to be in danger of cancellation due to the slow progress of distributing the vaccine to slow the Covid virus spread.

There are a few clubs hosting dance parties. These events will be tested under Covid scrutiny rules. This is a different situation compared to **SOS**, however, similar in many ways. Let's hope for the cure soon so that we can get back to our dance, lifestyle and those "infectious hugs n kisses" that make **SOS** and shaggers famous.

We continue to sell a few **SOS** memberships through the internet and will continue to urge everyone to continue their support for the lifestyle when possible. Sales were \$150,000.00 in our last accounting. We have adjusted expenditures accordingly.

We look forward to a strong return for **SOS** once we are safe. We shall prevail over this virus! Stay safe!

We are "**SOS STRONG**"!

Ron Whisenant

 **President**

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