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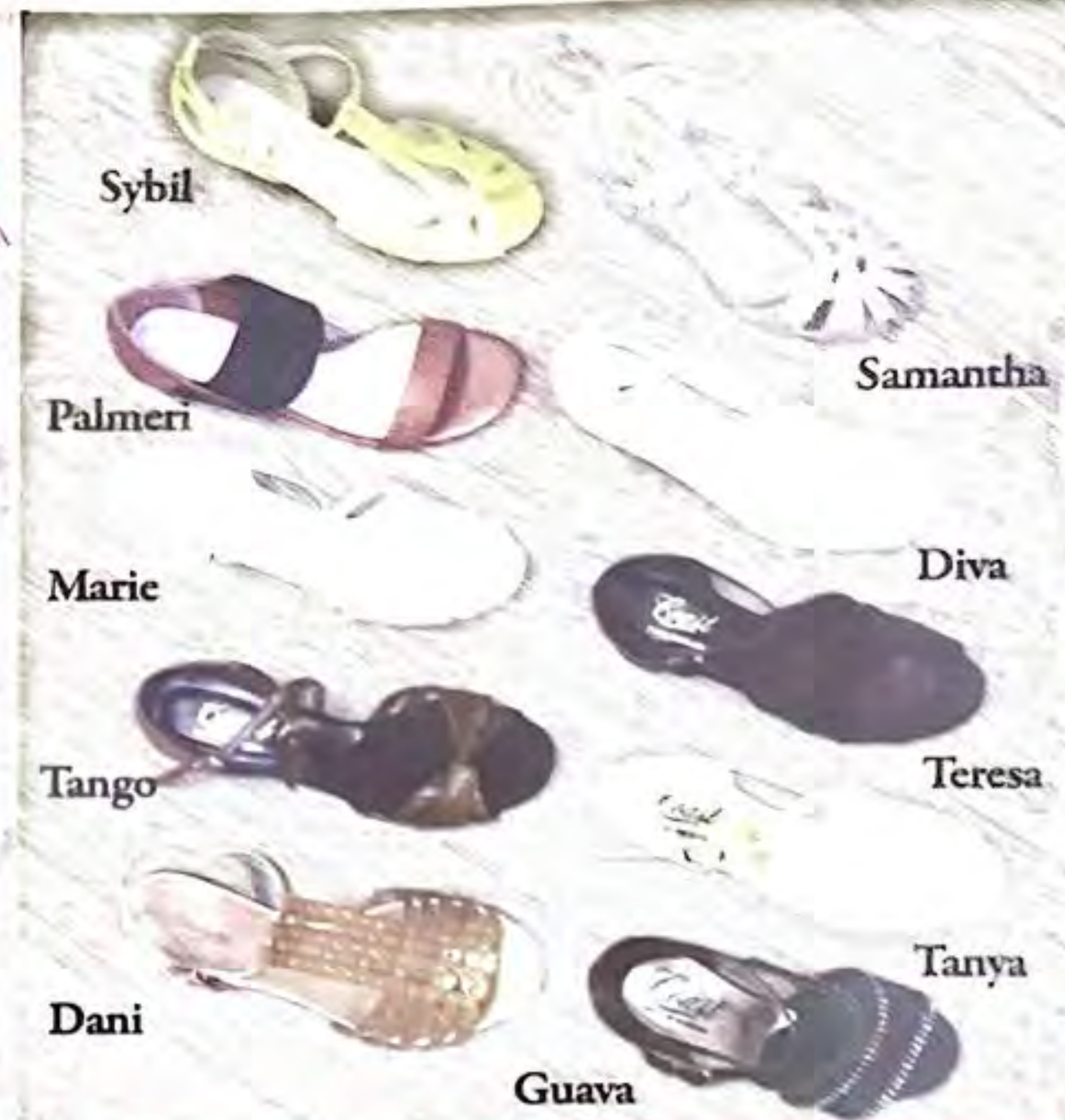
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SOS President Ron Whisenant

HELLO EVERYONE! SPRING SAFARI 2015-This is what all of us have been waiting on. Mid April, headed to the beach to enjoy a little sunshine, meet up with our

old friends, anticipating meeting new friends while we are here. Listening to some great music, doing some shag dancing, our dance of the south. Having a few cold beers, enjoying the local bar menu foods, a little seafood at our favorite places, did I say having a few cold beers? Migrating to all of the SOS beach clubs to see all of our favorite bar tenders, door people, club owners, sharing a cocktail or two, meeting our group of shag club friends that have arrived here in the "garden of eden". Ocean Drive. Come on, party till the lights go out. Jump start this spring ritual of reuniting friendships, sharing with one another for a glorious ten days of SOS. Forget all of your troubles, dance like no one is watching, and enjoy the time of your life. SOS, it just doesn't get any better than this. Life is short. Live it to the fullest each day.

Mid-Winter was a huge success. Weather was marginal, but everyone was ready for some needed time at the beach and some adult time in our paradise of Ocean Drive. Despite the roads being a mess, this did not deter the masses from having a great time. The ACSC Winter workshop was combined with Mid-Winter this year, and proved to be the right decision. The workshop was a well attended successful event. SOS reached a new high in SOS memberships sold at the beach for this event.

Did someone say "lets have a parade"? Hard to believe we will enjoy the twenith annual SOS parade event. Shag clubs have been working on this event for some time now. The shag clubs will provide you with a great afternoon of entertainment, displaying their ideas, skills, and love of this event, and a tribute to the best party on the east coast, SOS. Come out and show your suooprt on the last Saturday of Spring Safari. The event starts at 1:00 pm. See you there.

Last year we encounter a lot of road construction. That project is still ongoing as I write this article. I am hoping that the job will be finished before our spring event, but the parade will be on. You will be advised of any route change (if any) at the earliest possible time.

Enjoy your time while at SOS. Have as much fun as possible, but please remember that we are guests in the city. Please observe all of the cities laws, be polite and courteous to your fellowman, and enjoy the lifestyle that has become a time honored tradition, SOS. Be safe in your travel, and live life to its fullest! If I can be of help to you in any way while you are here, please don't hesitate to give me a call. My cell is 803-371-4731, or ask any of the ACSC/SOS Board members to assist you.

THANK YOU for helping to make SOS all that it can be. Your support is what makes this the greatest show on earth.

Ron



SOS Board Chairperson Helen Still

Hello everyone,

Winter has come and it's finally gone! This winter was certainly a cold one and we are so thankful to have nicer and warmer days, which has helped us to forget all that snow and ice. We have been enjoying these warm sun shiny days and hope you have too. Now we can look forward to fun in the sun and a fun filled Spring SOS.

Our first mid-winter workshop in now in the history books! It was fantastic and very beneficial to all the presidents, especially our new presidents. I want to give a special welcome to all the "New Presidents" and perhaps some first timers to SOS too. If this is your first trip I can assure you it won't be your last. If you have any questions or if we can help in any way, please feel free to stop any board member - they will be more than happy to assist you.

Don David and his team have been busy putting this year's parade together. I have had conversation with City Manager Mike Mahaney and it appears that we will be able to use our regular parade route, which is down Main Street and turn right on Ocean Blvd. You can expect to have some good belly laughs along with the same fun-filled and exciting parade entries. We appreciate all the shag clubs who have taken the time and effort to showcase their parade entry. It's a lot of work but it's always a lot of fun! This is always such a fantastic way to close out Spring SOS. The parade will begin at 1:00 so be sure to get your spot along the parade route on Saturday April 25th.

I do want to thank Don David and his team for all the work they put into organizing and working during and after the parade. You can help by making sure you have a trash bag to put trash in at the staging area. Please partner with us and be sure to leave your area clean of debris.

Our next big event for all of us to gather will be for the summer workshop July 10 - 12 in Fairfax, VA, hosted by the Northern Virginia Shag Club. Rodney and I have already visited this location and the hotel is super nice and there are lots to see and do in this area. Make your plans now to attend. Visit www.shagdance.com or www.nvshag.org for more information.

The Enhancement Committee is in full swing planning another fantastic Fun Sunday and Fun Monday for Fall Migration, so please start making your plans to attend SOS in September. One way we can all help them out is to purchase the Fun Monday tickets. This money will pay for the bands, etc. So when they pass out the fun Monday tickets to your shag club please take them back to your club and sell them to your members. This is a wonderful event, which you will enjoy and perhaps you will be one of the lucky winners. It is with your support that we can continue this event.

We are so fortunate to have North Myrtle Beach as our home away from home. It's certainly the perfect place for us to gather for SOS plus it makes for a great vacation spot. This has been said many times, but it bears repeating: Please remember to obey the laws and rules of NMB. Also remember that no alcohol is allowed on the street. We sure don't want your fun week or weekend to turn into a

costly one due to a moment of bad judgment. We want you to have fun, and please be careful.

Life is so precious and we need to cherish and appreciate our friends and most certainly our families. We have lost two board members within a few short months with the passing of Sonny Brown (ACSC Secretary) and Pat Smith (SOS Registrar). As we gather to have our SOS Board meeting this time we will once again be faced with holding our meeting without these folks. I know that both of them would want and expect us to continue the good work that we do...and we will. We will always remember and cherish them as individuals for their efforts and friendship.

We invite all of you to stop by the SOS Company Store (next door to O.D. Arcade on Ocean Blvd). to see the Spring SOS t-shirts, light weight wind jackets, wind chimes, wine bottle corks, state glasses, and much more. Be sure to register for the \$50.00 gift certificate. Winner will be drawn on Saturday after the parade!

We want you all to have a great time, but again remember we are guests here at Ocean Drive and we must obey the laws. As I've said before, don't let a moment of bad judgment put a damper on your SOS time down here.

I look forward to seeing many of you out and about! Have a great SOS!

Helen



ACSC Chairman Ken Akin

Welcome to 2015 Spring SOS! One of the highlights of Spring SOS will be the "The Third Beginning" Parade and it will be evident that the shag clubs members have spent many hours since last year designing their

parade floats with hopes of being a winner this year! The attire and floats are so interesting and unique with lots of thought and detail. Don David has again placed his order for favorable weather with no rain!

The first ACSC Winter Workshop Meeting combined with Mid-Winter was January 17, 2015 at the O D Resort Main Ballroom and was one (1) of the two required ACSC meetings, along with one (1) optional meeting of either Spring SOS or Fall SOS. Many of the 2014 presidents attending were serving another term for 2015 and a great number of the newly elected 2015 presidents had previously served as president or officer of their club and had attended past ACSC meetings. Attendance by the president or designated representative at these workshop meetings is a required and important part of membership in the ACSC. The objective of the ACSC workshop agenda should be informative and include up-to-date requirements of ACSC membership. One ACSC shag club president was asked to highlight their shag club and share ideas that have been successfully used in their shag club. Comments after the ACSC Winter Workshop meeting indicated this was one of the best well planned workshops ever and thanked the ACSC Board and especially Robin Morley, ACSC Vice Chairman and Lisa Caveny, ACSC Secretary, for their part

in the Workshop Agenda!

One of the highlights of the 2015 ACSC Winter Workshop meeting was the announcement by Phyllis Drake, Co-Chair of the Icon Committee, of the recently chosen 2015 ACSC Icons. The purpose of the Icon Award is to recognize individuals who have made contributions within their local (Full member, ACSC) shag club. Nominees for this award have made significant efforts and contributions to their local shag club. The ACSC welcomes the following newly elected Icons: Kathi Baloyot of the Fayetteville Area Shag Association, Don Bunn of the Raleigh Shag Club, Larry Castle of the Atlantic Beach Shag Club, Elaine Wilson of the Carolina Shag Club and Cookie Woods of Eno Beach Shag Club. Congratulations to these ACSC 2015 Icons! Visit www.shagdance.com for a complete list of all ACSC Icons.

The Northern Virginia Shag Club will host the ACSC Summer Workshop July 10-12, 2015 at the Hyatt Dulles in Herndon, Virginia. For more information on sites to visit and tours contact Dave Bushey at dbushey@gmail.com or visit WWW.NVshag.org. What a perfect time for attending workshop and having a chance to visit historical sites in the northern Virginia area. This ACSC Workshop is a Northern Virginia Shag club party and attendance is not limited to just club presidents or their designees.

During 2015 Spring SOS do not hesitate to contact me by cell phone at 803 640-3567 if you have questions or concerns. Seeing everyone at SOS is always a pleasure and after all this cold, rainy and snowy weather I hope everyone will have a relaxing and enjoyable time dancing and spending time on the beach with friends! Enjoy 2015 Spring SOS!

Ken



SOS Board of Directors Ronnie Gregory

Fellow Shaggers,

Welcome to SOS and the largest party at the beach! After a long cold winter, spring is finally here and once again we meet at the

place we all love. Lots of things have been happening, beginning with the new Winter Workshop. It was a great success and I believe most everyone liked the new workshop format. Welcome to all the new presidents of the ACSC Clubs and thanks for all your hard work and dedication to your club and the ACSC. Please ask any Board Member any questions you might have or what we can do to help support you. We are glad all of you are here. Lots of things will be going on during this 10 days of SOS. Lots of parties, dancing, meeting new friends and most of all enjoying the music and the dance. The big event of the week is the SOS Parade, which is always a lot of fun. I hope you and your club have an entry in this terrific event. It gives you and your club a chance to show off all your talents and togetherness. Please keep in mind a lot of people have worked hard to make sure you have a fun and safe SOS experience. The City of North Myrtle Beach and it's wonderful people have

been so good to SOS and very hospitable. Let's all make sure we do our part to obey the rules and keep clean this beautiful City that we are here to visit. A big thanks to all SOS Clubs, their owners and staff. These people work so hard for us and we just want you to know how much we appreciate what you do. We are missing some of our friends that are not with us anymore but their spirit and all of their memories still dwell within our hearts. They are truly missed but they are not forgotten. This board appreciates each and every one of you and thanks to all of you for your support of SOS. I hope I get a chance to speak to each and every one of you during this 10 days in paradise. Have a wonderful SOS and be safe.

Shag on,

Ronnie



ACSC Vice President Robin Morley

Welcome Shaggers,

I know that each of you have been anticipating the salty air and sunshine. Welcome to our shagger's paradise for the next ten glorious days. We can already anticipate how this all works. We unpack, seek out our Carefree Times to find

when our favorite DJ's play, favorite dance workshops and contests, and favorite food and drink specials. Our first night is such a large time seeing the folks that we haven't seen since our last SOS. I want to give a huge shout out to Janet Harrold and Vickie Harrison for the hard work and long hours that make the Carefree Times a staple for our households at SOS.

Our Spring Safari Parade is one of the highlights of our coming week. I would like to thank each ACSC Club that is participating in the parade. What great fun and hard work we share with those that line the streets of North Myrtle Beach. The smiles, the waves, the beads, and the laughs makes us all leave with a light heart full of fun and fellowship.

Please visit the Company Store for the latest SOS clothing and memorabilia. If this is your first SOS, the Company Store is located next door to the OD Arcade. Stop in and shop! I promise, you will not be disappointed.

As your days at SOS come and go we realize very quickly how fortunate we are to have the friendships that have been made through the Carolina Shag. We realize how fortunate we are that we have SOS and Ocean Drive where we enjoy our dance, our shag community and our shag family. It takes each of us to keep our dance, our music and our lifestyle alive and well. To each of you I thank you for the role that you contribute to our dance. I truly believe that it takes all of us to make our shag community such a huge success.

I so enjoying serving as your ACSC Vice Chairman. I hope to be able to visit the shag club parties while we are here at Ocean Drive. Thanks for your support!!!

See you on the dance floor,

Robin



ACSC Secretary Lisa Myers Caveny

I don't know about you all, but Summer Time is calling ME!

Oh, it won't be long before old man winter packs his bags and moves on out of here, and the warm Southern sunshine will be beaming down on all of us!!

January's first Mid-Winter Workshop was a HUGE success, with all ACSC shag clubs having a representative to attend the mandatory meeting which was held at the OD Resort on January 17th. Congratulations to all the NEW incoming Presidents...May you have a successful year ahead and make a positive difference in your home shag club.

I hope you enjoy Spring SOS and our time together along the coast. It is so wonderful to see everyone and make new friends. Please remember to visit the SOS Company Store and buy yourself something new! Mrs. Judy loves to see everyone...And the store is full of gift items, t-shirts and everything SOS!

I hope you'll all remember to come out to the Parade and cheer on your shag club float...and wave to us all! It is so much fun and takes me back to my childhood. After all, everyone loves a parade!! I have just celebrated my FIRST year of serving on the ACSC Board, and I am so appreciative of this opportunity. God bless each of you. I thank you for your friendship and your support. I am proud to be part of such a hard working team of people who also serve on the ACSC/SOS Boards, and all the club Presidents who work hard to better our Association. What a great group of people!!

Happy Spring!

Lisa

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ABSCDJ'S President Eddie Anderson

Midwinter and our own DJ "Throwdown events are behind us and both had great success with a lot of fun and good music. Though the weather was cold and sometimes wet, the beach is and always will be the best place to

have a party.

Our Association performed the annual ritual of selecting new Hall of Fame members during this year's DJ Throwdown. The 2015 honorees were Ferrell Watts from Kannapolis, NC, Cliff Merritt from Hopewell, VA, Bill Harper from North Myrtle Beach, SC, with Gene Laughter from North Myrtle Beach receiving Honorary HOF award. This was a great induction ceremony for well deserving folks who have devoted their lives to our music and tradition. Another award for the outstanding DJ contributing more than just the music, but for the contribution of serving the dance and DJ community went to Mike Rink from Cornelius, NC.

Now you can look forward to a grand Spring SOS scheduled for April 17th through the 26th. All of the clubs will be rocking with an abundance of great DJ's from many locations and states all converging to bring you the best in beach and shag music. Be sure to check out the DJ schedules from the various clubs and help support us all. As we move toward the second weekend you may also look for your favorite DJ's participating in the annual Spring SOS parade. This event is one of many venues that SOS has to offer and you certainly don't want to miss this one.

Summer will soon be upon us and please remember that you don't need a special event to spend time at the beach. Many of our DJ's will be providing you the best music possible throughout the year. So make plans to visit whenever possible.

We the DJ's and our Association greatly value your support and look forward to seeing everyone on the dance floor.

Eddie



SOS Janet Harrold

At the time I am writing this article Spring is not here yet. But with lots of luck when you arrive for Spring Safari the skies will be blue and sunny in Paradise.

The SOS clubs Fat Harolds, Ducks, OD Arcade, Pirates Cove, and OD Beach Club/Galleon are working hard preparing for your arrival and there is no limit to entertainment. A pair of your favorite shag shoes, wood dance floors, favorite dee jays, dance partner, FRIENDS, and a few adult beverages. What else you ask? How about a huge and fun SOS Parade held Saturday, April 25 @ 1:00 PM...don't miss this special one.

ENJOY and THANK the club owners and their staff for making every SOS fun for all.

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So let's put our troubles on the back burner and enjoy an "ah ha" ten days....SMILEyou never know when someone is snapping your photo for the next issue. And, as always, thank you Joanne and Vickie for all you do to help make this publication what it is.

Janet



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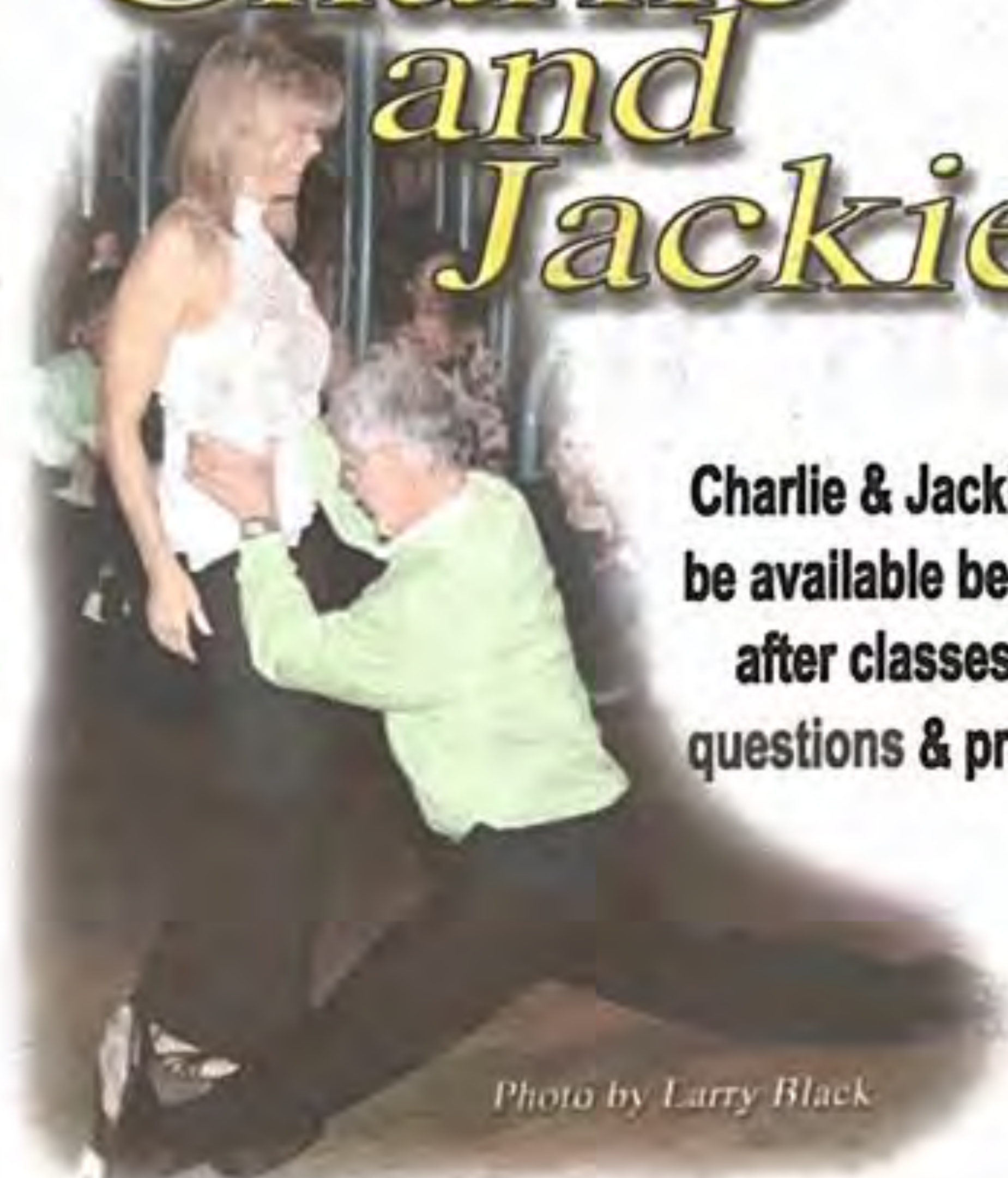
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I would like to take the time to thank some terrific friends that have helped me take pictures during the SOS events. Gil Bradley, Mary Gregory and Judy Baker...Thank you from the bottom of my heart, you are all so appreciated. I don't know what I would do without them! If you catch them out snapping those pictures during SOS...be sure to Thank them!!!

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| May 3 | Vinyl Party/Loafers Raleigh, NC |
| May 15-16 | Living Legends/Fat Harolds N Myrtle Beach, SC |
| May 21-25 | Grand Nationals Atlanta, GA |
| June 5-6 | Ducks Beach Club-CSA N Myrtle Beach, SC |
| June 13-14 | SOS/HOFF/AI Cain Memorial Golf N Myrtle Beach, SC |
| June 27 | Charlotte HOF Announcement/Lynn's Charlotte, NC |
| July 4-5 | Fat Harolds July 4th N Myrtle Beach, SC |
| June 13 | Charles Gurley Mixed Doubles/Loafers Raleigh, NC |
| July 14-19 | Junior SOS N Myrtle Beach, SC |
| July 25 | Bunk Leach Mixed Doubles/Thirstys 2 Greensboro, NC |
| Aug 30-31 | Fat Harolds Labor Day-CSA N Myrtle Beach, SC |
| August 14-15 | The Gathering/Thirstys 2 Greensboro, NC |
| September 18-27 | SOS Fall Migration N Myrtle Beach, SC |
| September 26 | Wall of Fame Inductions/Thirstys 2 Greensboro, NC |
| Oct 2-3 | Loafers/CSA Raleigh, NC |
| October 9-10 | Shag Attack/Hall of Fame Induction N Myrtle Beach, SC |
| November 5-8 | Carolina Beach Music Awards N Myrtle Beach, SC |
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Well I hope you have a safe and fun SOS and I hope to see you there. Mary Gregory

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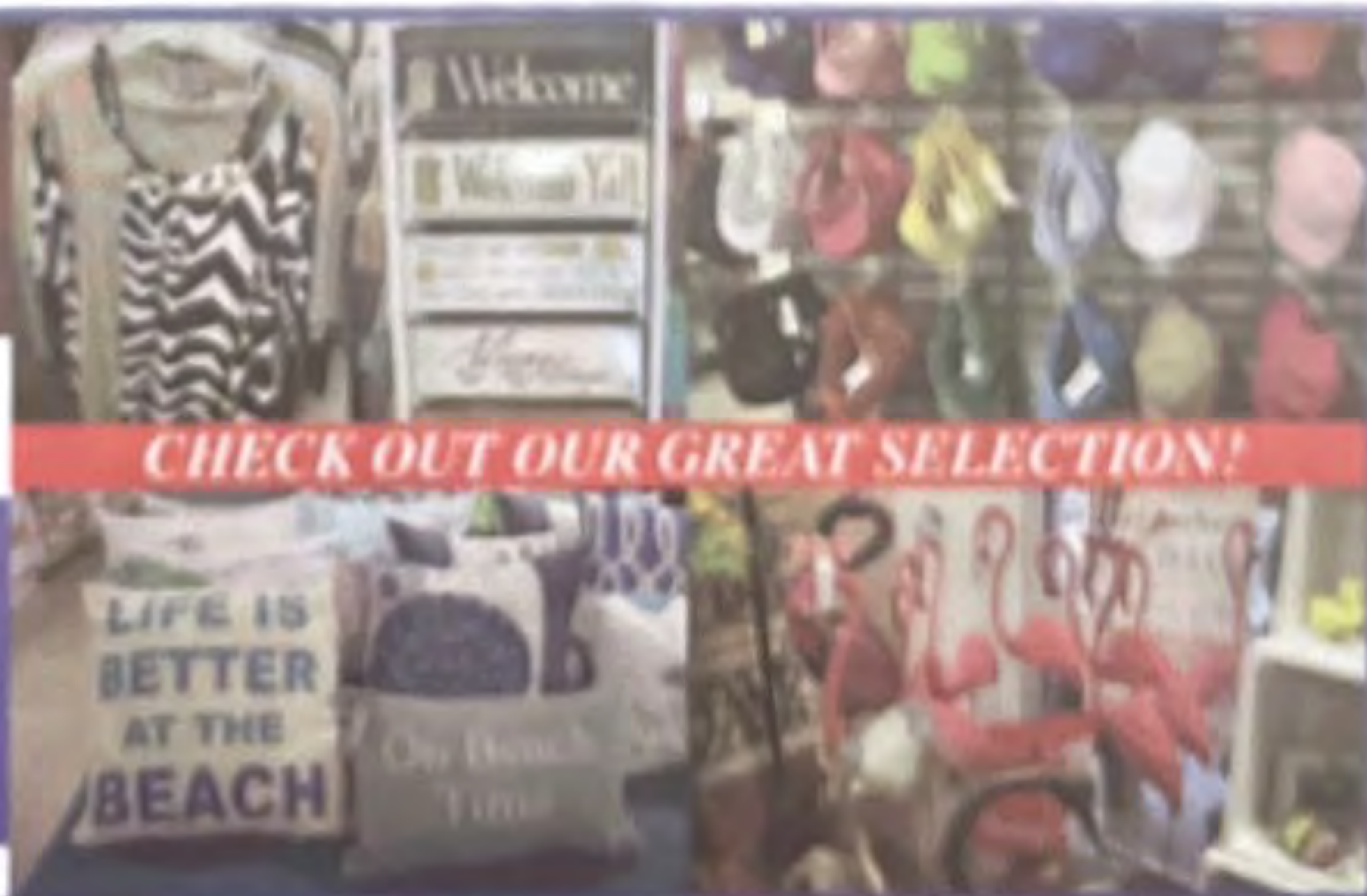
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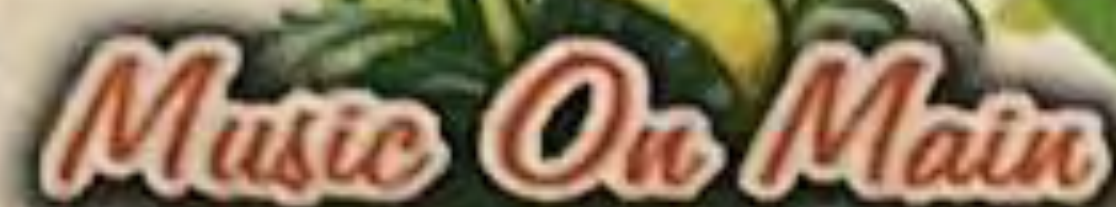
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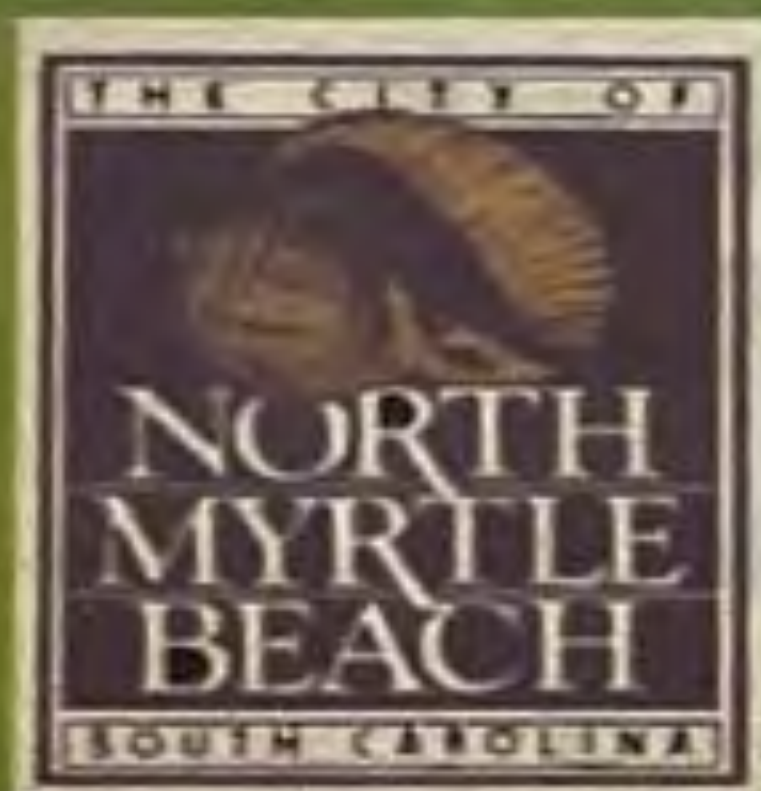
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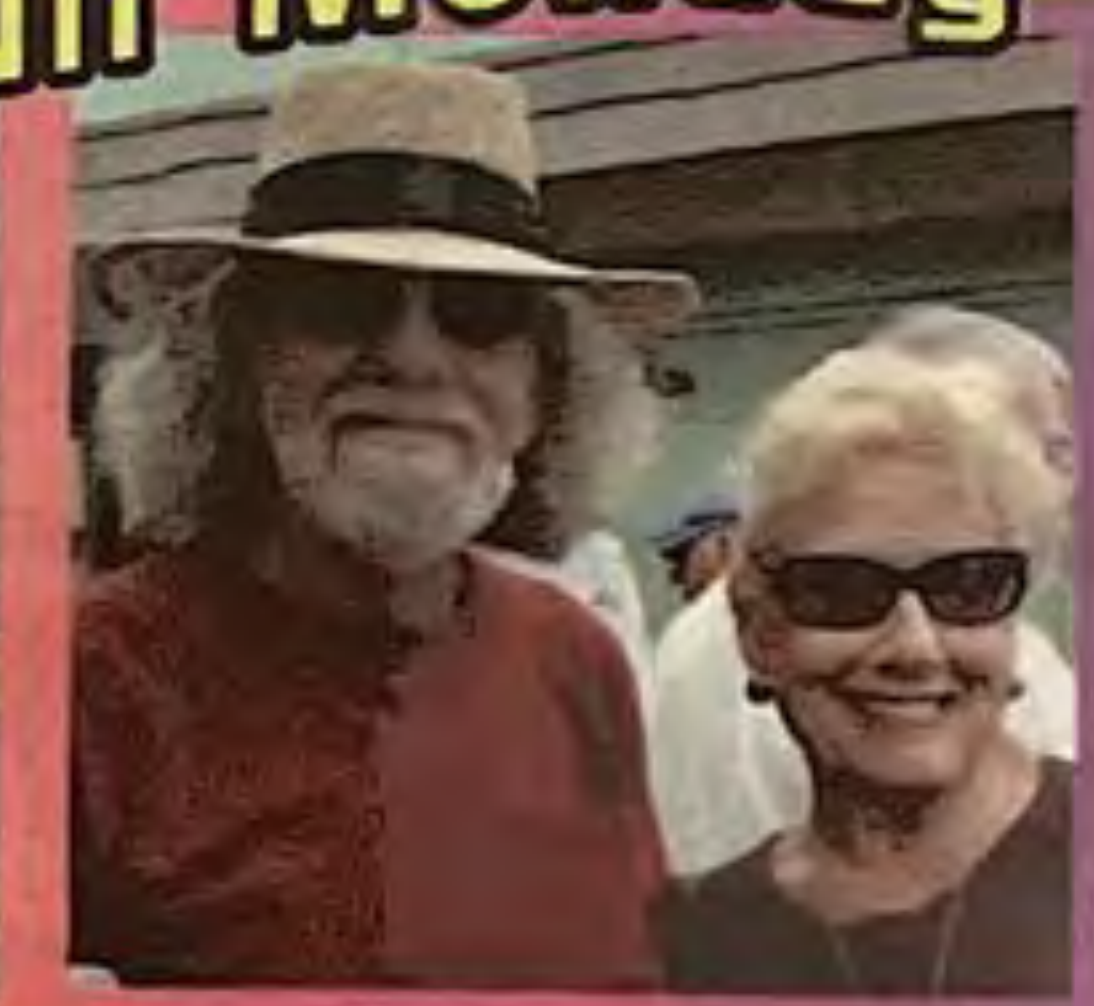
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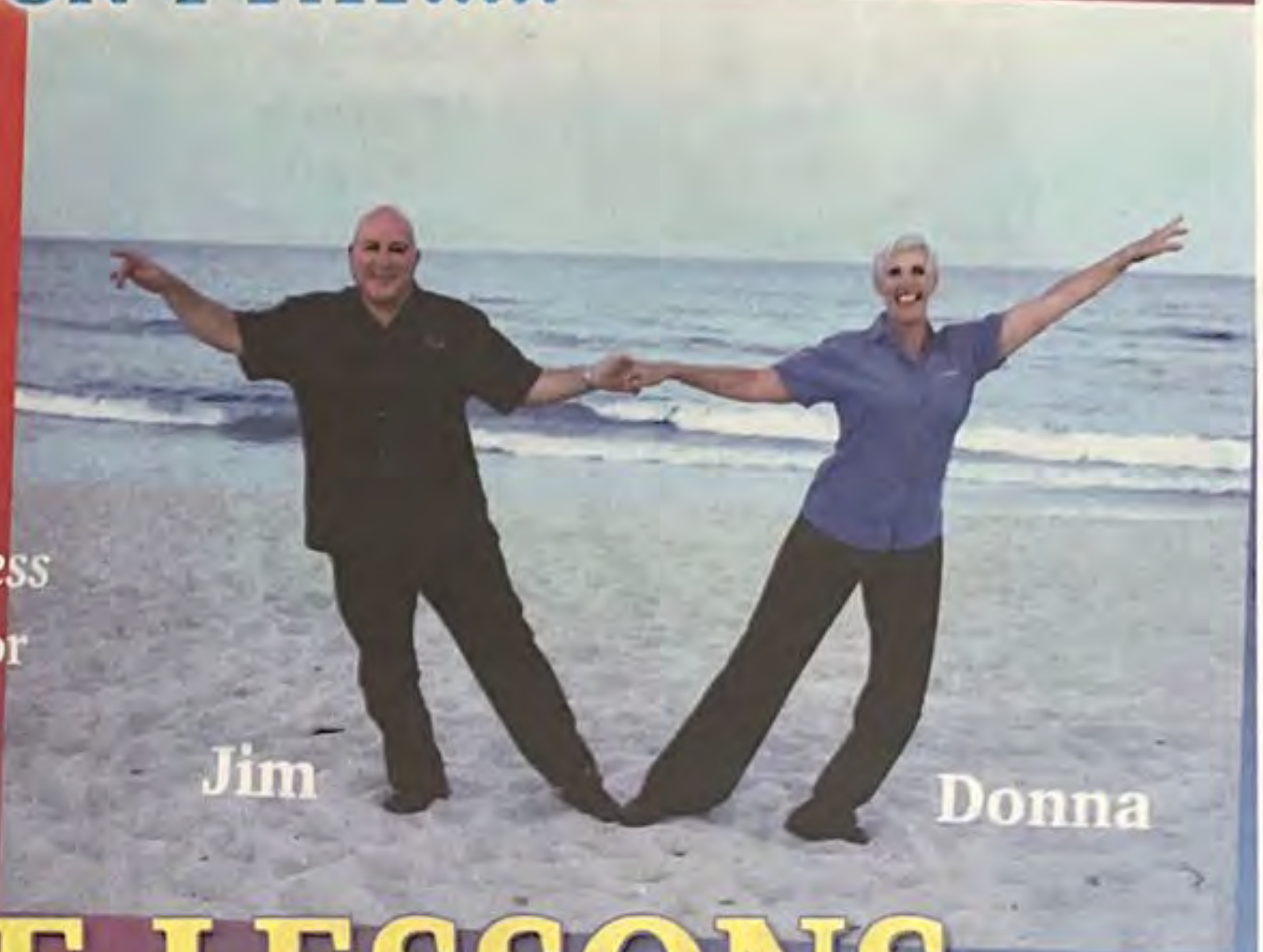
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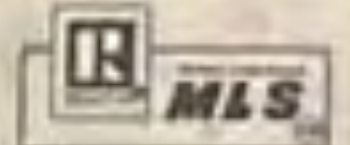
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Welcome to 2015 Spring Safari

Shag Life

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If your name is drawn and you have already paid for your cruise, you will be reimbursed the money you have paid.

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3 beds/2 baths/2000sf. First floor master suite with screened-in porch; 2 decks off upstairs bedrooms; fenced backyard; new dishwasher and HVAC June 2014; fireplace; shed. Cedar Avenue is 1 block from lovely McLean Park, which has 2 tree-shaded playgrounds (one each designed for tots and pre-schoolers); a gazebo; a pond with a fountain, ducks, and carp; a 1/4 mile walking/fitness trail around the park; 2 lighted covered pavilions with 25 picnic tables. Go another 2 blocks and you're at the beach - Ocean Park has public restrooms, outdoor showers, parking, picnic tables, and a concession stand. SOS hotspots within 4 blocks! Other easily walkable destinations include: the Horry County public library, a comprehensive public fitness center, grocery stores, multiple restaurants, hardware stores, post office. This particular neighborhood is a long-established and very friendly one - folks look out for and enjoy each other. Call/text 540-748-5374 or email pontius.karen@gmail.com





24th Annual DJ Throwdown

The Association of Beach and Shag Club DJ's had their 24th annual DJ THROWDOWN at Ducks during the weekend of March 5-7, 2014. The party began on Thursday night with The Band of Oz, Anson Funderburgh and The Fantastic Shakers. Let me say this, even with the weather being terrible, 600+ partied til the lights came on. All of the bands were superb! I know those who were there at Ducks would agree.

Friday and Saturday had great crowds. Over 80 DJ'S entertained everyone with their special tunes. On Saturday, Ashley and Tobitha Stewart provided Shag lessons to help you with that new step. Ducks provided tables of food for everyone so their energy level would stay at it's peak. A vinyl party for the purists kept the folks dancing in Duck's Cafe. This is a special weekend for the DJ'S. The new inductees into The Beach Music DJ Hall of Fame are announced on Friday Night at Fat Harold's, those being Bill Harper, Farrell Watts and Cliff Merritt. None other than Gene "Swink" Laughter, the founder of SOS was inducted as an Honorary Member. On Saturday night Mike Rink received The Richard Nixon Memorial DJ award for outstanding service. Topping the weekend off is the grand prize drawing at midnight, Saturday night.



Mark your calenders now for the 25th annual DJ THROWDOWN, March 3-5, 2016 at Ducks. Don't forget you raffle tickets 'cause we gonna give away \$10000.00!

Steve Baker

DJ Hall of Fame Induction

The Beach Music Deejay Hall of Fame induction ceremony was held at Fat Harold's Beach Club on Friday night March 6th during the annual ABCDJ's Throwdown. Inducted into the Honorary Beach Deejay Hall of Fame was the original founder of SOS, Gene "Swink" Laughter from North Myrtle Beach. Gene was under the weather with an illness and unable to attend and Larry Edwards accepted the award on behalf of Gene.

Inducted into the Regular Beach Music Deejay Hall of Fame were Cliff Merritt from Hopewell, VA, Farrell Watts from Kannapolis, NC and Bill Harper from North Myrtle Beach. These three deejays represent many years of playing music for shaggers all over the southeast and the induction ceremony was attended by over three hundred of their fans.

Larry Edwards

Chairman, Beach Music Deejay Hall of Fame



Special Paver Dedication during DJ Throwdown for Cliff Merritt





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 famous icon

shaggers on them 



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DJ Schedule

Friday, April 17

Noon-5 Billy Fanning
5 - 9 Terry McPhail
9 Until Murl Augustine

Saturday, April 18

Noon - 5 Danny Navey
5-9 Walter Upchurch
9 Until Mike Harding

Sunday, April 19

Noon - 5 Norman Mills
5 - 9 Chuck Clodfelter
9 Until Steve Coley

Monday, April 20

Noon-5 Terry McPhail
5 - 9 Mike Harding
9 Until Larry Calhoun

Tuesday, April 21

Noon - 5 Larry Calhoun
5 - 8 Terry McPhail
8 Until Murl Augustine

Wednesday, April 22

Noon - 5 Butch Metcalf
5 - 9 Walter Upchurch
9 Until Steve Coley

Thursday, April 23

Noon - 5 Butch Metcalf
5 - 9 Murl Augustine
9 Until Larry Calhoun

Friday, April 24

Noon - 5 Furman Dominick
5 - 9 Donnie Meddows
9 Until Murl Augustine

Saturday, April 25

Noon - 5 Rodney Still
5 - 9 Steve Coley
9 Until Butch Davidson

**GIFT CARDS
NOW AVAILABLE!!**

Shag Workshops with Ellen Taylor

Workshops Time Each Day ~ 10:30-11:30 am
All Workshops ~ \$10.00 per person at door
Partners Not Required.

Please Register at least 10 minutes before start time.

Thurs., April 23 ~ Charity Workshop
with Alan Stokes as Guest Instructor

Fri., April 24 ~ LADIES ONLY

All workshops are simple, easy to follow, fun lead/follow moves for improving your social dance skills. Besides learning rotations, footwork, connection and how to use the components of the shag to their utmost, the classes will also include patterns for those who prefer them for partnering. Patterns that are taught will be built and then broken down for individual male lead/female lead footwork which can be used with any partner. Classes will include learning the simple technique of "smoothing out your footwork" and improving your styling. I look forward to seeing you in the workshops and on the dance floor.



Odie says, "Meet Me On the Deck"

Put on your "Boogie Shoes" & join us for our

OD ARCADE & LOUNGE PRO SHAG CONTEST

Wednesday, April 22nd • 2pm SIGN UP EARLY!!

Contest Prizes - CASH!! CASH!! CASH!!

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SATURDAY 4/18

Noon - 4 Live Remote

Ray Scott & YourBeachMusic.com

4 - Until Porch Party with Murl Augustine

5 PM Heavy Hors d'oeuvres

SUNDAY 4/19

10 AM OD Shag Club Brunch

1 PM DRESS YOUR BEST
HAT PARTY!

TUESDAY 4/21 ~ 8 PM

Rookies Revenge (Sign-up at 7 PM)

WEDNESDAY 4/22

2 PM OD ARCADE PRO CONTEST

Pro Dance Contest (Sign-up at Noon)

5:30PM - Until Porch Party
with Murl Augustine

THURSDAY 4/23 ~ 2 PM

Smoothies Contest (Sign-up at 1 PM)

FRIDAY 4/24 ~ 6 PM BBQ

SATURDAY 4/25

After Parade Porch Party & Awards
with Murl Augustine

It's Tea Time

FRI • APRIL 24

Electric City Shag Club
3-5

Lake Norman Shag Club
Pour Party 3-5

SAT • APRIL 25

Palmetto Shag Club 4-5
Burlington Shag Club 6-8

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SPECIALS!**

Mon-Fri • 11:00am-2:30pm

\$6.95

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Thanks to all our Wonderful Customers
for Your Friendship and Patronage!

Complete food descriptions can be seen on our
NEW Duck's Menu! CHECK IT OUT!

STARTERS

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|---------------------|----------------------------|
| Coconut Shrimp | \$8.50 |
| Fried Mushrooms | \$6.25 |
| Buffalo Shrimp | \$8.95 |
| Cheese Sticks | \$6.25 |
| Chicken Tenders | \$7.25 |
| Hushpuppies Basket | \$2.95 |
| Jumbo Wings | (5) \$5.25 or (10) \$7.75 |
| Onion Ring Basket | \$3.95 |
| French Fries Basket | (Sm) \$2.95 or (Lg) \$4.25 |

Quesadilla

Your choice of fresh white or wheat flour tortillas. These quesadillas are cooked with only our freshest ingredients.

Cheese \$5.95 Chicken \$7.95 Club \$6.95 Cheesesteak \$7.95

Tacos

Your choice of hard or soft taco shells. These tacos are cooked hot and fresh daily. All of our tacos come with lettuce, tomato, cheese, salsa & sour cream.

Beef (2) \$5.95 Chicken (2) \$6.95
BBQ Pork (2) \$6.95 Fish (2) \$8.95

Nachos

Five different ways to eat your nachos. Golden corn tortilla chips topped with your favorite ingredients.

Chips & Nacho Cheese \$3.95 Chips & Salsa \$3.95
Chips & Queso Dip \$3.95
Beef Supreme \$6.95 Chicken Supreme \$7.95

SEAFOOD

All of our seafood baskets are served with Fresh Cut French Fries, Hushpuppies, Slaw and choice of cocktail or tarter sauce.
Substitute Onion Rings for \$2.00.

Choose From:

Flounder, Grouper, Scallops, Shrimp or Oysters
(Shrimp & Flounder may be Fried, Grilled or Blackened)

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| Choice of One (1) Seafood Item | \$15.95 |
| Choice of Two (2) Seafood Items | \$17.95 |

SALADS

With your choice of salad dressings:

RANCH, BLUE CHEESE, HONEY MUSTARD, ITALIAN, THOUSAND ISLAND

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|---------------------|--------------|-------------------|
| House Salad | Small \$3.95 | Large \$5.50 |
| Caesar Salad | Small \$3.95 | Large \$5.50 |
| Add Grilled Chicken | \$4.50 | |
| Add Grilled Shrimp | \$6.00 | |
| Chef Salad | \$8.95 | Taco Salad \$8.95 |

SANDWICHES

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| Club Sandwich (double-decker) | \$7.50 |
| BBQ Sandwich | \$7.95 |
| Fried Bologna Sandwich | \$5.95 |
| Philly Cheesesteak | \$7.95 |
| Chicken Philly | \$7.95 |
| Grilled Chicken Sandwich | \$6.95 |
| Jumbo Hot Dog | \$4.95 |
| BLT | \$5.25 |
| Ribeye Sandwich | \$12.95 |
| Ultimate Grilled Cheese | \$5.50 |
| Fried Flounder Sandwich | \$9.95 |

WRAPS

All of our wraps include chips & a pickle.

Substitute fresh cut French Fries for \$1.50 or Onion Rings for \$2.00.

All wraps can be made on white or wheat tortillas.

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| Chicken Caesar Wrap | \$7.95 |
| Buffalo Chicken Wrap | \$7.95 |
| Buffalo Shrimp Wrap | \$9.95 |
| Honey Mustard Chicken Wrap | \$7.95 |
| Club Wrap | \$7.95 |

BURGERS

All of our burgers include chips & a pickle. Choice of lettuce, tomato, mayo & onion. Add Cheese \$1.50 and Bacon \$0.75.

Substitute Fresh Cut French Fries for \$1.50 or Onion Rings for \$2.00.

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| Duck Burger | \$7.95 |
| Duck Two Burger | \$5.95 |
| Black & Bleu Burger This all angus beef burger is grilled with blacking seasonings and topped with bleu cheese dressing. | |
| 1/4 lb. | \$6.95 |
| 1/2 lb. | \$8.95 |
| All the Way Burger Prepared to get messy...this angus beef burger is topped with our own homemade chili, slaw, onions and mustard. | |
| 1/4 lb. | \$6.95 |
| 1/2 lb. | \$8.95 |

Duck's has a FULL SERVICE BAR INSIDE OUR CAFE. Duck's can only serve beer and wine outside on our Sidewalk Cafe.

PLEASE SEE OUR FULL MENU WITH ALL BEVERAGES, BEER AND WINE SELECTIONS INSIDE DUCK'S CAFE.

Warning: Consuming raw or uncooked meats, seafood or shellfish may increase your risk of food borne illness.

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COME SEE THE ALL NEW DUCK'S BEACH CLUB!

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DANCING, EATING, PARTYING, AT THE BEST PLACE WHERE THE PARTY PEOPLE PARTY!

COME PARTY WITH ALL YOUR FRIENDS DURING SOS AT DUCK'S AND DUCK'S CAFE!

BEST FOOD!

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YES ON YES... IT'S SOS!

DUCK'S MAIN STREET IS NOW OPEN DAILY FOR BREAKFAST 8-11 AM

FREE ADMISSION TO ALL BANDS WITH SOS AND VIP CARDS, AND ALL LOCALS!



SPECIAL NOTICE BOTH CLUBS OPEN TO ALL STRANGERS WITH 20% SOY CASH DURING ALL PARTIES PER A.S.U.S. AGREEMENT. **FOOD SPECIALS ARE FOR SOY CLUB MEMBERS BEARING "MAY I WANT BAKES" TOUR COUPONS & RECEIPTS.**

SPECIAL PARTY!

WEDNESDAY 4/15 in the Night Club

FREE ADMISSION DRINK SPECIALS ALL DAY

DUCK'S SPRING SOS

"Jump Start Party #1" 8 pm

GARY LOWDER & "SMOKIN' HOT"

CLUB OPENS 7:00 PM

7:30 PM FREE FOOD WHILE IT LASTS

DJ JASON JUSTICE

Duck's Main St Bar, Grille & Sidewalk Cafe

CAFE OPEN FOR BREAKFAST 8 AM UNTIL...

HAPPY HOUR 4-7 Ricky T 4-8 7 PM: HOF DJ Eddie Anderson & Chad Farlow

SPECIAL PARTY!

THURSDAY 4/16 in the Night Club

FREE ADMISSION DRINK SPECIALS ALL DAY

DUCK'S SPRING SOS

"Jump Start Party #2" 8 pm

"MARSHA MORGAN BAND"

CLUB OPENS 7:00 PM

7:30 FREE FOOD WHILE IT LASTS

DJ PAUL CRAVER

Duck's Main St Bar, Grille & Sidewalk Cafe

CAFE OPEN FOR BREAKFAST 8 AM UNTIL... HAPPY HOUR 4-7 7 PM: HOF DJ Eddie Anderson & Chad Farlow

Outside Entertainment Each Afternoon 3-7

| FRIDAY 4/17 | | Night Club | Duck's Main St Bar, Grille & Sidewalk Cafe 8 AM until... |
|----------------|-----------------------------|---------------------------|--|
| 12 noon - 4:30 | PAUL CRAVER | DAVID ESCOBAR | |
| 12:30 - 4:30 | FINESSE BAND | | |
| 4:30 - 7:30 | BILL HARPER | GARY STELLIFLUG | |
| 7:30 - 10:30 | BILLY WALDREP/BUCK CRUMPTON | EDDIE ANDERSON/JIM ROSE | |
| 10:30 - Close | JOHN SMITH | STEVE BAKER/BUTCH METCALF | |

| SATURDAY 4/18 | | Night Club | Duck's Main St Bar, Grille & Sidewalk Cafe 8 AM until... |
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| SPECIAL PARTY | | | |
| VINYL RECORDS PARTY IN CAFE | | | |
| 12 noon - 3:00 | DANA CRUBB/JEFF WALSON | 12 noon - 6:30 pm | BUTCH STEVE, EDDIE, JIM ROSE, JOANNE JOHNSON |
| 3:00 - 6:30 | JEFF FOSTER/BILL HARPER | 6:30 - 10:00 | JIM ACCE/EDDIE ANDERSON |
| 6:30 - 10:00 | BILLY WALDREP/PAUL CRAVER | 10:00 - Close | BUTCH METCALF/STEVE BAKER |
| 10:00 - Close | ED TIMBERLAKE/BUCK CRUMPTON | | |

| SUNDAY 4/19 | | Night Club | Duck's Main St Bar, Grille & Sidewalk Cafe 8 AM until... |
|----------------|--------------------------------|-------------------|--|
| 12 noon - 4:30 | JASON JUSTICE | 12 noon - 6:30 pm | DENNIS BRUBBLE/DAVID ESCOBAR |
| 12:30 - 4:30 | BLACKWATER SOUTHERN BLUES BAND | 6:30 - 10:00 | BUTCH, JACKIE, DENNIS, EDDIE, STEVE |
| 4:30 - 7:30 | BILL HARPER/JEFF FOSTER | 10:00 - Close | BUTCH METCALF/STEVE BAKER |
| 7:30 - 10:30 | BUCK CRUMPTON | | |
| 10:30 - Close | ED TIMBERLAKE | | |

| MONDAY 4/20 | | Night Club | Duck's Main St Bar, Grille & Sidewalk Cafe 8 AM until... |
|----------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|--|
| 12 noon - 4:30 | PAUL CRAVER | 12 noon - 6:30 pm | GARY STELLIFLUG/DAVID ESCOBAR |
| 12:30 - 4:30 | NOVEMAY BAND | 6:30 - 10:00 | EDDIE ANDERSON/JIM ROSE |
| 4:30 - 7:30 | BILL HARPER/JOHN CAMPBELL | 10:00 - Close | BUTCH METCALF/STEVE BAKER |
| 7:30 - 10:30 | SKIP MALLIOS/SKIP LANCASTER | | |
| 10:30 - Close | BILLY WALDREP/BUCK CRUMPTON | | |

| TUESDAY 4/21 | | Night Club | Duck's Main St Bar, Grille & Sidewalk Cafe 8 AM until... |
|----------------|----------------------|-------------------|--|
| 12 noon - 4:30 | PAUL CRAVER | 12 noon - 6:30 pm | JEFF FOSTER/BUTCH ADEMY |
| 12:30 - 4:30 | MARK ROBERTS BAND | 6:30 - 10:00 | DANA CRUBB/JOHN CAMPBELL |
| 4:30 - 7:30 | BILL HARPER/JIM ACCE | 10:00 - Close | EDDIE ANDERSON/JOANNE JOHNSON |
| 7:30 - 10:30 | BUCK CRUMPTON | | BUTCH METCALF/JIM ROSE |
| 10:30 - Close | BILLY WALDREP | | |

| WEDNESDAY 4/22 | | Night Club | Duck's Main St Bar, Grille & Sidewalk Cafe 8 AM until... |
|----------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|--|
| 12 noon - 4:30 | PAUL CRAVER | 12 noon - 6:30 pm | DANA CRUBB/JEFF WALSON |
| 12:30 - 4:30 | MIDNIGHT ALLIE BAND | 6:30 - 10:00 | SKIP MALLIOS/SKIP LANCASTER |
| 4:30 - 7:30 | BILL HARPER/JEFF FOSTER | 10:00 - Close | JOHN CAMPBELL/JOANNE JOHNSON |
| 7:30 - 10:30 | EDDIE TEETER/CRAIG JENNINGS | | EDDIE ANDERSON/BUTCH METCALF |
| 10:30 - Close | ED TIMBERLAKE/BUCK CRUMPTON | | |

| THURSDAY 4/23 | | Night Club | Duck's Main St Bar, Grille & Sidewalk Cafe 8 AM until... |
|------------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|--|
| SPECIAL PARTY | | | |
| VINYL RECORDS PARTY IN CAFE | | | |
| 12 noon - 3:00 | EDDIE TEETER | 12 noon - 6:30 pm | SKIP MALLIOS/SKIP LANCASTER |
| 3:00 - 6:30 | BILL HARPER | 6:30 - 10:00 | EDDIE ANDERSON/JIM ROSE |
| 6:30 - 10:00 | BILLY WALDREP/BUCK CRUMPTON | 10:00 - Close | BUTCH METCALF/STEVE BAKER |
| 10:00 - Close | ED TIMBERLAKE | | |

| FRIDAY 4/24 | | Night Club | Duck's Main St Bar, Grille & Sidewalk Cafe 8 AM until... |
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| SPECIAL PARTY | | | |
| VINYL RECORDS PARTY IN CAFE | | | |
| 12 noon - 3:00 | EDDIE TEETER/BUTCH ADEMY | 12 noon - 6:30 pm | BUTCH, JACKIE, DENNIS, EDDIE, STEVE |
| 3:00 - 6:30 | BILL HARPER | 6:30 - 10:00 | EDDIE ANDERSON/JIM ROSE |
| 6:30 - 10:00 | BILLY WALDREP/BUCK CRUMPTON | 10:00 - Close | BUTCH METCALF/STEVE BAKER |
| 10:00 - Close | ED TIMBERLAKE/JOHN SMITH | | |

| SATURDAY 4/25 | | Night Club | Duck's Main St Bar, Grille & Sidewalk Cafe 8 AM until... |
|----------------|-----------------------------|-------------------|--|
| 12 noon - 3:00 | DANA CRUBB/CRAIG JENNINGS | 12 noon - 6:30 pm | BUTCH ADEMY/EDDIE TEETER |
| 3:00 - 6:30 | EDDIE TEETER/JASON JUSTICE | 6:30 - 10:00 | EDDIE ANDERSON/JIM ROSE |
| 6:30 - 10:00 | BUCK CRUMPTON/PAUL CRAVER | 10:00 - Close | BUTCH METCALF/STEVE BAKER |
| 10:00 - Close | ED TIMBERLAKE/BILLY WALDREP | | |

SUNDAY APRIL 26 "LAST DAY OF SOS" in Duck's Night Club

BOO HOO DAY

FUNDRAISER FOR JUDY COLLINS

"Judy's House of Oldies"

1 pm to Close

JIM QUICK & COASTLINE BAND

WITH MANY OTHER FANTASTIC ENTERTAINERS

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Please see Duck's Website for Food Specials & Outside Entertainment Schedule!

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OPENS 8 AM - BREAKFAST FOOD SPECIALS START AT 12 NOON

HAPPY HOUR 4 PM

CORNHOLE 4 PM UNTIL...

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Thursday, April 16

**KICK OFF
The Embers
w/Craig Woolard**

Friday, April 17

**Jim Quick
& Coastline**

Saturday, April 18

**The Fantastic
Shakers**

Sunday, April 19

Band of OZ

Monday, April 20

**The Embers
w/Craig Woolard**

Tuesday, April 21

The Entertainers

Wednesday, April 22

Band of OZ

Thursday, April 23

**Jim Quick
& Coastline**

Friday, April 24

**The Fantastic
Shakers**

Saturday, April 25

**Steve Owens
& Summertime**



Friday
April 17

12-7 **Rodney Still**
7-Until **Chigger Woods**

Saturday
April 18

12-5 **Stevie B**
5-9 **Norman Mills**
9-Until **Clyde Waller**

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April 19

12-5 **Roy Childress**
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April 24

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5-9 **Butch Davidson**
9-Until **Norman Mills**

Saturday
April 25

12-5 **Tiz Laney**
5-9 **Butch Davidson**
9-Until **Chigger Woods**

Doors
Open
at 7 PM
DJ 7-12



Friday, April 17

Roy Childress

Saturday, April 18

Chigger Woods

Friday, April 24

Chigger Woods

Saturday, April 25

Roy Childress



Fat Harold's Beach Club

DJ Schedule Front Back

Club Opens
11 am everyday
during SOS

**Judy
Duke**
A Member of
Shaggers Hall of Fame
& Living Legends,
Master & Pro dancer

Workshops

Saturday, April 19
Monday, April 21
Tuesday, April 22
Wednesday, April 23
Thursday, April 24
Friday, April 25
Saturday, April 26
Partners Not Necessary!
\$10 Per Person 10 AM
Intermediate / Advanced

CAMP KEMO

Come out on Sunday,
April 19 at 1:00 and send a
child with cancer to camp.
There will be local
entertainers and lots of
nice items for sale during this
auction. It takes \$500.00 to
send one child to camp. Let
your heart do the talking and
come to Fat Harold's for
CAMP KEMO.

SHAG CITY GRILL Open Daily 11 am

*Schedule subject to
change without notice

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| Wednesday, April 15 | |
| 8-Close | Jimmy Buffkin |
| Thursday, April 16 | |
| 5-9:00 | Milton White |
| 9-Close | David Harris Kitty Earles |
| Friday, April 17 | |
| Noon-5 | Milton White |
| 5-9:00 | Eddie Baker Jerry Munson |
| 9-Close | Jimmy Buffkin Ken Jones |
| Saturday, April 18 | |
| Noon-5 | Eddie Baker Kitty Earles |
| 5-9:00 | Jimmy Buffkin Jerry Munson |
| 9-2:00 | Gary Bass John Hall |
| Sunday, April 19 | |
| Noon-5 | Camp Kemo Tiny's Party |
| 5-9:00 | Milton White Larry Edwards |
| 9-Close | John Hall Milton White |
| Monday, April 20 | |
| Noon-5 | Gary Bass |
| 5-9:00 | Eddie Baker Jerry Munson |
| 9-Close | David Harris Kitty Earles |
| Tuesday, April 21 | |
| Noon-5 | Fashion Show |
| 5-9:00 | Milton White Jerry Munson |
| 9-Close | Jimmy Buffkin Eddie Baker |
| Wednesday, April 22 | |
| Noon-5 | Johnny B Milton White |
| 5-9:00 | Ken Jones Jimmy Buffkin |
| 9-Close | David Harris Roy Childress |
| Thursday, April 23 | |
| Noon-5 | Gary Bass Roy Childress |
| 5-9:00 | John Hall Larry Edwards |
| 9-Close | Johnny B Ken Jones |
| Friday, April 24 | |
| Noon-5 | Gary Bass Ken Jones |
| 5-9:00 | Kitty Earles Larry Edwards |
| 9-Close | Jimmy Buffkin Roger Holcomb |
| Saturday, April 25 | |
| Noon-5 | Milton White |
| 4-8:00 | Larry Edwards Kitty Earles |
| | 5-9:00 |
| 8-Close | David Harris Roger Holcomb |
| | 9-2:00 |
| Sunday, September 21 | |
| 7-Close | Jimmy Buffkin |

Events

Wed., April 15
Jump Start Party
Hot Dogs 7pm

Friday, April 17
Carolina Breakers 1-5

Saturday, April 18
SEA Cruz 1-5
Florence Shag Club 2-4
Twisters Shag Club 5-9

Sunday, April 19
Camp Kemo Benefit 12 noon
Ron & Tiny's Party 12 noon

Monday, April 20
The Entertainers 1-5

Tuesday, April 21
Two Blondes on Beach
Fashion Show with
Live Entertainment 1pm
N. Virginia Shag Club 3-5

Wednesday, April 22
Jim Quick & Coastline 1-5
BBQ Cookout 6 pm

Thursday, April 23
The Fantastic Shakers 1-5
Winston-Salem Shag Club 12-3
Rock Hill Shag Club 6-8

Friday, April 24
Live Artist Showcase
Jim Quick & Coastline 12-5

Saturday, April 25
Parade Awards
HOF Exhibition 4-5
Chicken Bog 6pm

Sunday, April 26
Come get those Bologna
Sandwiches-eat here or TO GO

SOS Spring Shag Workshops

Jeff & Autumn

Friday, April 17
 Tuesday, April 21
 Thursday, April 23
 Saturday, April 25

Alan & Nikki

Saturday, April 18
 Monday, April 20
 Wednesday, April 22
 Friday, April 24

All Shag Workshops 11 AM



pirate's cove grill

Welcome! If these walls could talk, they'd tell the tales of endless summers come and gone, of numerous nights spent having fun with friends and of the growth of a once quiet beach town into a true tourist destination.

Located just steps from the Atlantic Ocean and in the heart of North Myrtle Beach, the building that houses Pirate's Cove has weathered many a storm, seen some great times and grown into a favorite gathering spot for locals and tourists alike. The building, 205 Main St. was built in 1940 and originally served as a bowling alley- current owner Milford Powell worked here as a pin setter at age 10 in 1950!

It continued to operate during the heyday of the Ocean Drive area in the 1950's, before the space eventually gave way to a string of North Myrtle Beach bars and nightclubs including The Pour House, The Cavalier Club and The Back Alley Lounge, which closed in 1977.

Eighteen years later, Milford and Becky Stowe-Powell recognized the potential of the location and decided they would remodel the building, opening their version of the club in August of 1995. "PCove" is a longstanding local and tourist favorite and has become an integral part of the vibrant Shag and live music culture in North Myrtle Beach.

breakfast served anytime

Breakfast Sandwich

with bacon, sausage or ham, eggs and cheese - 4
 on bagel - 5 bagel w/cream cheese - 3.5

Super Sandwich

(double eggs and cheese) - 5.25

Breakfast Burrito 5.25

Hungry Jack 7

2 eggs, bacon, sausage, ham, toast & hash browns or grits

Omelette & Toast

sausage, bacon, ham, cheese or veggie - 7
 Philly Omelette - 8
 Shrimp Omelette - 8

Any Side

grits, bacon, toast, 2 eggs, sausage - 2

appetizers

Homemade Soup of the Day

cup - 3 Bowl - 4

World Famous Wings

teriyaki, hot, bbq, garlic parmesan or super hot
 6 wings - 5.5 10 wings - 9.25

Homemade Chicken Fingers 8.25

Mozzarella Sticks (6) 7

Jalapeno Poppers (6) 7

seafood

Fried or Grilled

Served with fries and coleslaw, sandwich served with chips and pickle. Add fries 1.5

Shrimp

Basket - 9 Po'Boy - 8

burgers & sandwiches

served with chips and pickle. add fries or onion rings 1.5

Hand Pattied 1/4 lb Burger - 6 w/cheese - 6.50

Carolina Burger (chili claw, mustard, onion) - 7
 Bacon, Mushroom, Swiss burger - 7 add bacon - 1

All Beef Hot Dog - 2.5

2 Dogs - 4

Famous Philly's

Steak, Chicken or Shrimp - 8.5

Quesadillas

served with cheese, tomato, sour cream, salsa
 Cheese - 7 Steak, Chicken or Shrimp - 8.5

Turkey Club - 7.5

Chicken Sandwich grilled or blackened 7.5

BLT - 6.25

Triple Grilled Cheese - 5.5

Open Daily 11 am - 2 am



Pirate's Cove

"The Fun Place"

2015 SOS
Spring
Schedule

DJ Schedule

Thursday, April 16 7-close SOS Kickoff Party with Tootie Brown

Friday, April 17 1-5 Trae Anderson, 5-9 Ken Mcgee, 9-close Robbie Leggett

Saturday, April 18 1-5 Butch Adeimy, 5-9 Robbie Leggett, 9-close Ken Mcgee

Sunday, April 19 Shrimp n' Grits Gospel Brunch 10 am - Clyde Waller & Tootie Brown,
5-9 Danny Navey, 9-close Dick Hamrick

Monday, April 20 1-5 Ken Mcgee, 5-9 Dick Hamrick, 9-close Tootie Brown

Tuesday, April 21 1-5 Clyde Waller, 5-9 Danny Navey, 9-close Trae Anderson

Wednesday, April 22 1-5 Dick Hamrick, 5-9 Danny Navey, 9-close Kitty Earles

Thursday, April 23 1-3 Robbie Leggett, 3-5 Chuck Clodfelter
5-9 Kitty Earles, 9-close Alan Stokes and Brooks Lee

Friday, April 24 1-5 Tootie Brown, 5-9 Butch Adeimy, 9-close Dick Hamrick

Saturday, April 25 1-5 Ken Mcgee, 5-9 Jim Rose, 9-close Robbie Leggett

Party & Event Schedule

Friday, April 17 4-7 Strand Shag Club

Sunday, April 19 Shrimp n' Grits Gospel Brunch 10 am

Thursday, April 23 1-5 Eastern NC Shag Clubs, 2-5 (deck) Gaston Shag Club,
5:30- 7:30 Piedmont Shag Club

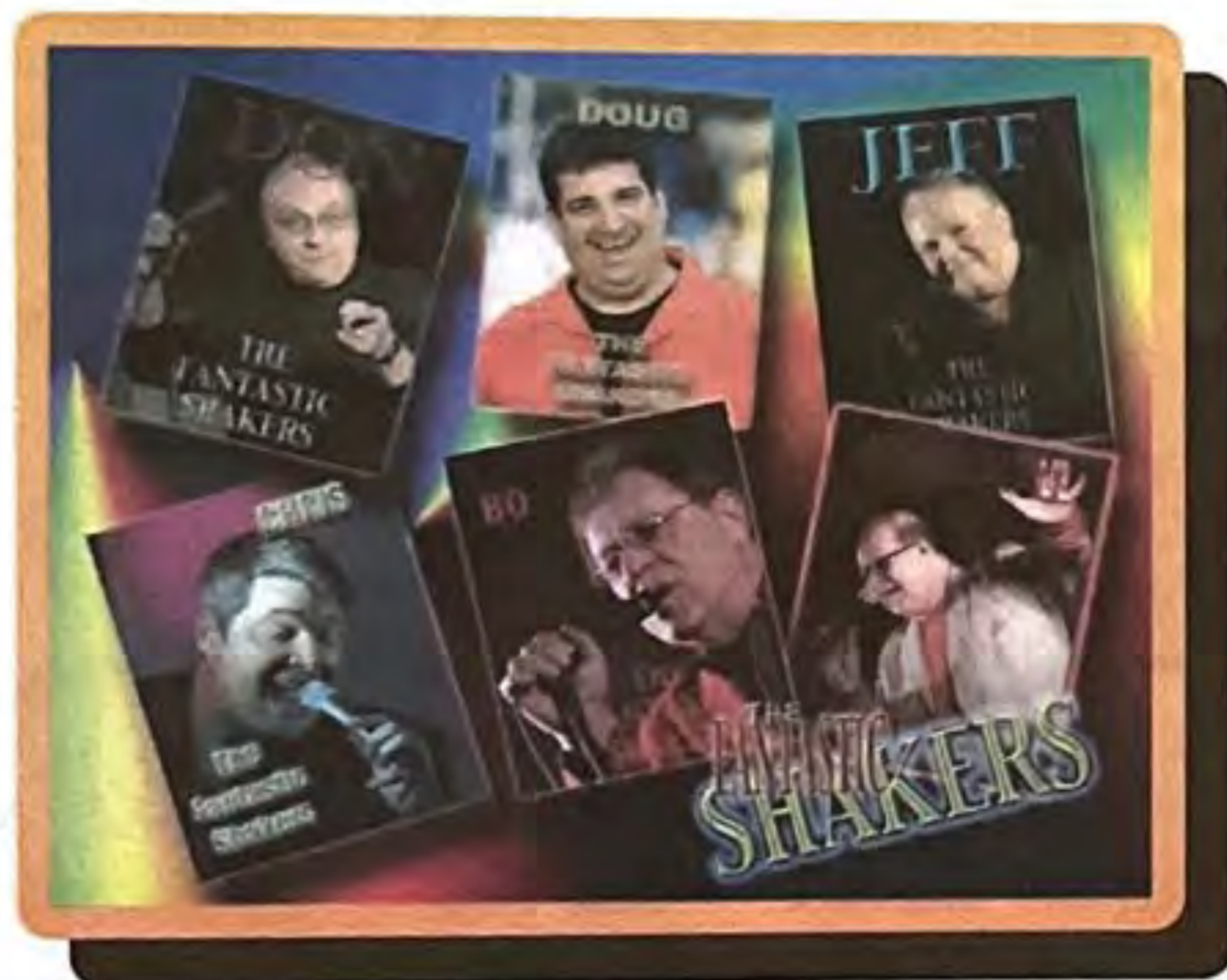
Friday, April 24 5-til Twisters Shag Club

205 Main Street, Ocean Drive NMB, SC 29582 843-249-8942

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SOS Fun Monday Drawing

1st Ticket Drawn \$7,500 2nd Ticket Drawn \$2,000
 3rd Ticket Drawn \$1,000 4th Ticket Drawn \$500 5th Ticket Drawn \$250

2015 Fall SOs Shag Contests



Rookies Revenge



Smoothie Contest



PRO Contest



BEACH SHAGGERS NATIONAL HALL OF FAME 2015 INDUCTEES



Saturday, March 21, 2015, the meeting was held in the OD Resort during Shag Attack weekend for voting on the 2015 inductees and nomination of future inductees. The Executive Board, Selection Committee, and the 2014 inductees were given a list of male and female from which they discussed the people they felt met the criteria for this honor. The ones that vote only vote for (4) female and (4) male.

The many comments made during the meeting included that all were definitely "southern ladies and gentlemen", involved in many aspects of the shag family including competition, attends and supports shag events, are dancers with their own unique style, and most of all love the dance and music making it a lifestyle throughout the years...as it has been for many years of us that have had the honor to be inducted.

While the Executive Committee were tallying the votes, the sixteen attendees that voted were given an opportunity to nominate (1) male and (1) female to be added to the list of future inductees. Everyone who votes does not know who is inducted until they are announced later in the evening at the OD Beach Club after being sealed in an envelope after the final votes.

Eddie Monsour, Chairman of the Board of the Hall of Fame Foundation was presented a plaque by the Beach National Hall of Fame Directors in appreciation of all his untiring efforts on behalf of the Foundation. Eddie has been Chairman of the Board since 1995 until the present...2015. Thank you Eddie for all your support through the years as Chairman of the "Foundation"!!!!

The Keepers of the Dance meeting was held prior to the Hall of Fame meeting. The 2015 Keepers of the Dance were announced by Bob Myrick, Chairperson. Congratulations to Rachel Long McKelvey, Wade Adler, and Bryan Hall.



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2015 FEMALE

CAROL CHURCH
PAT FOLDS
JUDY MOORE
ANN ROUSE

2015 MALE

NICK COLUMBUS
TONY ELDRETH
LEE ROBERTS
CLAUDE ROBERTSON

2015 HONORARY/POSTHUMOUS

DAVE MOORE

2015 KEEPERS OF THE DANCE

RACHEL LONG MCKELVEY
WADE ADLER
BRYAN HALL

Where'd the Time Go

By Foster McKinney, SOS Treasurer

About forty years ago, a friend from my hometown of Greenwood, South Carolina, singer, songwriter, and musician, the late David Matthews, wrote and recorded a lovely tune he called "My, My, Where'd the Time Go." Every time he sang it, listeners would stop, sit back, and give deep thought to just how short life truly is. It strikes a nerve to roll the dice today and let the chips fall where may tomorrow. It begs us to make time count.

Twenty-six years may seem like an eternity, but to those with a passion to make time count, it passes with the blink of an eye. For nearly twenty-six years, I was lucky enough to have the pleasure of working alongside a truly wonderful lady who forever captured my friendship and devotion. For twenty-six years, Pat Smith dutifully collected names, address and card numbers for our SOS membership database. For twenty-six years, she served as SOS Registrar successfully deciphering scribbled-up handwriting and hound-dogging members to collect their correct membership information. She tolerated the smart aleck "Clark Griswold's, Donald Duck's and Mickey Mouse's" appearing on anonymous membership applications. She even fielded a few inquiries from divorce attorneys claiming infidelity by an unfaithful spouse attending SOS without their client, the faithful spouse. It was a job riddled with odd challenges that kept her on the edge of her seat. But she met each and every challenge with enthusiasm and ultimately prevailed. She possessed the instincts and found the wherewithal to raise her family as a single-parent mom. She succeeded with loving care and watched, with pride, her daughter and two sons grow into adulthood. As an active shagger, she received the Shagging ICON award in 1996 and became widely known and beloved by shaggers everywhere. Her shagger accolades include being a past President of the Greenville Shag Club, a founding member of the Anderson Shag Club, a co-founder of the Carolina Shag Club, an inductee into the Greenville Area Shaggers Association Hall of Fame as a Living Legend, and a two-time honoree on the North Myrtle Beach Walk of Fame.

This past February the Lord called on Pat Smith. She leaves behind a loving family and a host of friends and admirers who will miss her dearly. She always told me that SOS and shagging were "God-sends"—she contended that she could not have made ends meet, both financially and mentally, without them. But the way I see it, Pat Smith was a "God-send" to SOS and shagging. Believe me she made time count.





Job Well Done!

By Ron Whisenant, SOS President

What can I say about my friend and colleague Pat Smith? I can say that she was a true friend in every respect. Pat was the same person each and every time you interacted with her: calm, level headed, and easy going Pat. She was a confident person in her work, and she supported me in our relationship as SOS staff members. We worked well together for all of these twenty years, never suspecting that one of us would be gone in the tomorrow. We had played telephone tag on the Sunday afternoon before her passing on Tuesday, February 27, 2015. She had called to tell me she was doing alright and was staying with her daughter, Leslie, while she recuperated from her surgery. She wanted me to know how to find her if I needed anything. I returned her call to say that I was glad she was ok on my voice mail to her. How quickly things in our life can change.

Pat Smith was the only Registrar SOS has had since the ACSC bought SOS in 1989. Pat has served this organization for twenty six years in this position. She has kept the database up-to-date, mailed out SOS card memberships to many, many SOS members through all of these years. She was stellar in her performance of her duties, consisting of not only data entry, mailing memberships, but many phone calls reaching out to make sure that her information was correct, so that she could enter it correctly. She was very meticulous concerning her work, always trying to track down all of those incomplete applications from the many sources where information was collected. She served our staff well with her efforts.

Pat was a warm, friendly, and compassionate lady to all of her family and friends. She loved the shag life, and she helped to bring this lifestyle to fruition by being active in her shag clubs in Greenville and Anderson. She has held many positions in the shag club as president, and other slots back in the early formative years when the ACSC was beginning to grow and flourish. Pat would be instrumental in helping grow and flourish this lifestyle she practiced. Family, friends, music, and dance were the legacy of her life. In deed! A job well done!





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Thank You Ellen Taylor Foundation for Junior Shaggers

As a member of a family of four generations of shag, our great grandparents have shared the love of this dance with each of us. Without the help of the Ellen Taylor Foundation for Junior Shaggers our family would not have had the opportunity to attend the designated social events with junior shaggers. The youngest (6 & 8) had the time of their lives at their first Grand National Dance Championships in Atlanta last year. It was a spectacular show and they were amazed.

Our family has attended Jr. SOS and with the constant attendance of the shag events, the kids have really come out of their shell. We know all kids are shy and what better way to get them out dancing with friendly faces? I think there's nothing better when a child feels special, when someone recognizes them and knows their name. Shag dance has helped them with self confidence in school and in their social life.

We never know what struggles families go thru, so it is truly a gift for these kids to get the opportunity to travel and enjoy the shag dance. The Ellen Taylor Foundation made this possible and we are so thankful for that chance.

Our family will continue to support shag and keep this dance alive...we love it!!



2015
ACSC SHAGGING ICON AWARD

Each year, ACSC recognizes five shaggers who have contributed outstanding time and talent to helping their shag club be successful. Consider nominating one of your shag club members for this prestigious award. Go to our website shagdance.com to download an application form. The following are brief summaries of the information submitted for consideration by the Icon Selection Committee for this year's Icons.



Kathi Baloyot
 Fayetteville Area Shag Association

Kathi is one of the most active members of FASA. She has annually served in some capacity: on the Board of Officers, Perpetual Board,

as committee chairperson and/or committee member and as an ambassador for the club and the shag community in general. Kathi rarely misses a monthly meeting or party, tea party at SOS, FASA-sponsored dance contest, reverse raffle, or any other club event. She supports any committee or event when asked. The word "no" isn't in her vocabulary. She greets new members, speaks with them to help them feel welcome and is always ready to explain the ways of the shag world. Her dedication to FASA and to shag have remained strong and unwavering for 17 years.

In 1999, Kathi was recruited by the club president to serve as a member of the Entertainment Committee. Her talents and dedication to the committee, her enthusiasm, originality, and expertise as a recreation professional proved valuable in planning each monthly party; she chaired one party including DJ booking, venue reservation, food selection, decorations, entertainment, and other party events. Kathi co-chaired the ACSC Summer Workshop in 2010 and accolades followed for an outstanding, fun-filled happening.

Each of her years as an officer was successful for the club in terms of participation, financial solvency, successful events, and membership growth. She is a savvy business woman. When she completed her first year as president in 2002, the club treasury had increased by \$9,000 and membership had risen to 340. As chairman of the Board of Directors Nominating Committee for 2 years, she recruited members to ensure a representation of longtime and newer members. She proved to be very astute at identifying and persuading members to accept nomination to the club's 6 offices and communicated her knowledge of the duties of each office and the tasks associated with each.

Kathi gets things going. After learning in 2009 that FASA had never entered the SOS Parade, she presented a plan and gained approval and support from the members. Her back yard became

the headquarters for the float's construction, decoration, costume designing, practice, and other duties, and committee members were treated to cookouts. FASA presented winning entries for 3 years and had fun doing it.

She has edited the club's newsletter, enhanced the website, coordinated coverage of FASA activities with the newspaper, spearheaded joint charity fund-raising events with local organization and has written an article for Carefree Times. She coordinated and directed a program on the history of shag for 4 local libraries at their request. She and her husband Ray volunteered to teach six basic shag lessons free of charge to airmen, soldiers, family members, and civilian employees at Pope Air Force Base. Having earned a Master's Degree in Library Science, Kathi was recruited to organize the extensive library of the Fayetteville Arts Council. As chair for Fayetteville's Fourth Friday Shag Demonstration in conjunction with the Arts Council and the Swing Dance Heritage Club, Kathi showcased the shag and swing dance as well as preparing a tri-fold brochure to share with the community.

Kathi coordinated 2 FASA fundraising events with the Sudan Shrine Club that provides transportation for children and their families to Shrine hospitals on the East Coast, which culminated in the purchase of a van co-funded by FASA and the Shriners to transport children to hospitals and doctor appointments.

Her dedication, talents, and outgoing personality make Kathi a true asset and a treasure to the shag world who is very deserving of the Shag Icon Award.



Don Bunn
 Raleigh Shag Club

Don is unique in that he has very actively served three ACSC shag clubs: Fayetteville Area Shag Association (FASA) 28-year member, Capital Area Shag Club (CASC) 8-year member, and Raleigh Shag Club (RSC) 20-year member. He has served as president of each club.

During his 20 years with the Raleigh club, his influence on RSC members, prospective members, his shag students, Junior Shaggers, and the Forty-and-Under age group has been phenomenal. He has chaired these committees (some several times) and served on most through the years. Phone Tree, Cabin Fever Throw Down, Food, SOS Parade, David Humphrey Golf Tournament, RSC Fun Golf Outing, Spring Forward Shag Explosion, Fall Back Party, Membership Committee, and has donated in excess of \$1,000 in gift certificates to various club fundraisers and for door prizes.

Don has chaired/served on and promoted a major event since its inception—Cabin Fever Throw Down, which is an annual fundraiser benefiting Transitions Lifecare (formerly Hospice) that has raised over \$260,000 to assist those with serious health challenges.

In 1988, Don with FASA joined with Mike Rackley of Eastern North Carolina Shag Club (ENCSC) to hold the first weekend shag party "Summer Shag Weekend" hosted by two ACSC clubs from different cities. This was the precursor of a shag weekend event "Eastern Carolina Shag Blast" hosted by 4 ACSC clubs. For 10 years, this weekend was well known throughout shagging circles drawing about 700 participants at one event.

Since 1981, Don has promoted shag on land and at sea. Don & Debbie were shag instructors for 10 years on the Fun Blues Cruise from 2001-2010, on the Craig Woolard Band Cruise in

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2013 & 2015, and were co-instructors on the 2013 SOS Cruise with Charlie & Jackie.

For 7 years, the Don Bunn Shag Class Dance Team promoted shag by participating free of charge for about 50 functions where the team would perform a routine, give a speech about the Shag Dance, and dance with audience members in venues where this was appropriate. They performed at retirement centers, Conference for the American Association for State Highway Officials, Make-A-Wish Foundation, Cary Health & Rehab Center, James Taylor Concert, Ray Price Harley Davidson Opening and others. Don donated time for one year as the NC State Wolfpack Shag Club Advisor. He held free workshops teaching basic shag steps and encouraging participation and hosting shag competitions. This association is now known as the Collegiate Shag Association with members from several area universities. His influence over multiple years has helped the club grow to over 300 members. Former Wolfpack Shaggers can be seen at various shag venues across several states. Don's outreach effort by investing time and compassion in young dancers is critical to keeping our shag culture alive and well.

Don has been a shag instructor since 1982 (32 years) and has taught at several ACSC weekend parties and at several ACSC workshops as well as for Columbia's Palmetto Shag Club's "Southern Comfort", Bass Lake Shag Club, and at places where many people were not at all familiar with the Shag. A sample includes the New England Shag Club, Boston, MA; The New Comers to Chapel Hill, Governor's Club; Novozymes North America, Franklinton, NC; NC Legislators Appreciation Night, Sprint Corp, Raleigh, NC; the American Association of Highway Commissioners; Up-With-People World Youth Group; and the University of Chapel Hill foreign exchange students.

For his positive representation of the Shag World, Don has received several honorary recognitions: 1992 Fayetteville Area Shaggers Hall of Fame-Inaugural Class; 2001 Beach Shaggers Hall of Fame, NMB; 2004 National Living Legends, Virginia Beach, VA; 2006 North Carolina Old North State Award by Governor Mike Easley for promotion, preservation, and dedication to the State's "Most Popular Dance—The Shag;" and the 2009 Sand Flea Living Legends, N. Myrtle Beach, SC.

Don is famous for going above and beyond with promoting shagging. Every year he receives multiple requests to teach/perform at benefits, employee appreciation events, and recognition events by the State of North Carolina and area corporations. He truly exhibits the qualities of a Shag Icon.



Larry Castle
 Atlantic Beach Shag Club

To quote a former student, "Larry has never seen a dance floor he didn't like or a shag club he didn't want to join." In addition to his home club, he is a member of Fayetteville Area Shag Club,

Eno Beach, Capital Area, Raleigh, and Twin Rivers to name a few. He has served as president and vice-president for both Raleigh and Capital Area as well as vice-president for his home club. He has chaired and served on many committees. From 1990-1998 he chaired or served on the Winter Shag Blast Committee and served 3 years on the Mardi Gras Party Committee. He organizes

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trips via SUV, van, or bus to events at other shag clubs in North Carolina.

As the ACSC/SOS liaison for ABSC since 2001, Larry has attended every ACSC Workshop—Winter, Summer, SOS, and MidWinter! He prepares a report after each meeting to present to the shag club. He has served as a mentor to newly formed shag clubs such as Shallotte's Coastal Shag Club in 2006, and stresses the importance of knowing the history of ACSC to clearly understand the present and future of SOS and the shag life.

Larry teaches youth at schools in grades 6-12 and has taught teachers shag and line dances to incorporate into their curriculum. He teaches youth lessons at his church cotillion and encourages those who attend to attend Junior SOS. He teaches a shag step or a line dance at monthly club socials. Larry believes line dancing draws people into the shag world, and since 1985, he has taught line dancing and shag in Durham, Raleigh, and Fayetteville. He competes in local shag contests (regular, handicapped, mixed doubles) and has won first or second place each time. He also judges local and district shag contests.

The priest at his Episcopal church initiated his teaching at their church because "I have to learn to dance; I am the only one at our conventions who can't." Larry is an active member of the Vestry often working the sound system, performing maintenance, and serving as an acolyte. He donated proceeds from teaching in the community to build the labyrinth at St. Francis By the Sea.

In April 2014, Larry and his wife Geraline were asked to shag and twist in a commercial "Twist Again" for a local orthopedic center's marketing campaign. This was an honor because the community has a high regard for Larry and his dancing ability. He is well respected and his ability to adapt to situations is admired.

In February 2014, Larry was inducted into the Atlantic Beach Shaggers Hall of Fame at Memories Beach Club after an intense application and screening process. A member of the Hall of Fame secretly nominated him.

Larry has promoted the dance with contagious enthusiasm that inspires others to dance. Larry is the epitome of the perfect shag ambassador who works in many capacities to keep the Shag alive and thriving. He is a worthy recipient of the title Shag Icon.

no one else would take the job, and served for 2 years. She was instrumental in Carolina Shag Club's becoming a charter member of ACSC. With enthusiasm, hard work, and tenacity she brought CSC to where it is today—31 years later. In the early 90s, she even served as manager of the Sand Flea Beach Club! She has served as CSC president for four terms. Vice President and Member at Large several times, and chaired or served on numerous committees through the years. She has always been a big part of all CSC's major events including, but not limited to, hosting ACSC Workshops, Junior Dance Competitions, and Meet Me In The Middle.

In the late 80s, talk began about hosting a line dance competition and making it an annual affair. Elaine's expertise with the dances and connections through the shag world helped organize an awesome line dance competition at the Greenville Mall that brought in many clubs from the Carolinas and Georgia. Elaine was the "backbone" of the competition by encouraging shag clubs to participate, fielding a team for the Greenville club, and acquiring judges and emcees. Steps were created, costumes sewn, friendships strengthened, and memories made for all the dancers and guests. The Greenville team won four years because of Elaine's efforts to make hard dances seem simple and fun to perform. This annual event lasted for 6 years.

As her love for the dance grew, she became involved with SPA—not only competing but also judging. Elaine rose to Professional status in SPA and was admired for her unique style. In 1998, Elaine's devotion to the Shag World was recognized when she was inducted into the Shaggers Hall of Fame. She is also a member of the Living Legends.

Elaine's love of shagging has always included her desire to support and mentor juniors. A junior may be a friend's daughter or grandson, any youngster wanting to learn to dance, a member of an elementary school class she worked with, or one of the many children the CSC sends to Camp Courage each year. This camp is for children struggling with cancer. She works tirelessly year after year to raise funds for the camp. She also strongly supports the Ellen Taylor Foundation and has supported Junior SOS for many years.

Most recently, Elaine chaired CSC's efforts to form a Greenville Area Shaggers Hall of Fame, which held its first induction ceremony in May 2013. She is also part of a committee working with the Upcountry History Museum in Greenville developing a permanent display to recognize the importance of our State Dance in the lifestyle and history of South Carolinians. Many years ago in the late 70s Elaine and Billy Waldrep created a shag instruction booklet "The Carolina Shag," which is still on file in the Greenville Public Library.

Elaine is truly an ambassador for our dance and our lifestyle. She is exactly the type person for whom the Shag Icon Award was created.

club, the dance, the music, and most importantly—the people. Her warm, generous personality draws new members into feeling that the club is a place where they are appreciated, which stabilizes the membership. She supports every activity by offering advice, assistance, and leadership. Her knowledge of ACSC and SOS has proven valuable to members since she can explain the roles that these play in the development and enjoyment of Carolina Shag.

She is also very supportive of other clubs and encourages EBSC members to support their events. Eno, Burlington, Winston Salem, Greater Triad, Steppin Out, and Danville are sister clubs that came together to form a Coalition of 6 clubs whose sole purpose is to support each club's activities. Her work with civic clubs, the Durham Elks Club, Ronald McDonald House, and the Red Hat Club spreads interest in our shag world. Over the years, Cookie and Chigger have been called upon to teach basic shag lessons to various groups and organizations in the area.

Cookie effectively served as president of EBSC and served 4 years as treasurer and 4 years as secretary. She has chaired 8 committees and served on 17—several for many years. She represented EBSC at many ACSC workshops and brought back the information to share with the club. Because of her long association with the club, she was a valuable member of the Bylaws Revision Committee by providing context to several items and by providing information on how other clubs were handling their affairs. When asked, she provides leadership and counseling on Roberts Rules of Order.

About 7 years ago, the club's membership had dropped significantly and its financial viability was questionable. Cookie and her husband Chigger almost single-handedly saved the club by their energy, commitment, and absolute will to avoid disbandment. They were instrumental in forming a viable plan that included responsible financial practices along with aggressive outreach programs to recruit new members and bring previous members back to the fold. Today, Eno Beach has a strong and viable membership that is active and supportive and places the club on solid ground. Cookie is an active promoter of the shag dance and the shag club. She always travels with her DJ husband, Chigger, to dance clubs throughout North and South Carolina serving as a friendly and engaging ambassador for the Eno Beach Club and the world of shag. She is also a key figure in their "Meet the Shag Clubs" parties where shag clubs of central North Carolina and southern Virginia convene for fellowship, fun, and sharing of ideas. Cookie served on the Bus Trips Committee for 13 years, and served on the Decoration Committee for all events for 24 years.

Cookie has been a "regular" at SOS since 1986. Each year the club sponsors a hot dog sale during Fun Monday. Cookie is the co-creator and co-chair (15 years) of the club's fun Monday activities. She also chaired the club's SOS Parade entries in 1997 and 1998.

Eno Beach Shag Club recognized her long commitment to supporting the club by awarding her the Lifetime Member Award in 2012. Work-a-bees who enjoy seeing their clubs thrive through consistent helpfulness are who the icon Award is designed to honor.



**Elaine
Wilson**
Carolina Shag Club

Elaine entered the dance world at age 13 and received several types of dance instructions for years. She loved dancing to the big band sounds her parents enjoyed, and during her high school years, became

interested in the R&B and beach sounds that were emerging. She and friends practiced steps in their homes and in teen places in Greenville. Her love for the dance carried her to many local dances and then on to the Myrtle Beach Pavilion, the Pad, and Sonny's in Cherry Grove. Later in life, Elaine danced at Tramps, the Sand Flea, Dockers, and the Phoenix as well as Fat Jacks, Harold's, Ducks, and many other beach clubs in both Carolinas. Elaine was teaching shag lessons as far back as 1978, before CSC was formed.

In the early 80s, the Carolina Shag Club was formed and struggled to survive. Elaine became president in 1983, when



**Cookie
Woods**
Eno Beach Shag Club

For 25 consecutive years, Cookie has been a member of Eno Beach Shag Club since its beginning in 1989. Through the years, she has served in many capacities and has always demonstrated her love of the



The Queens Loyal Subjects



OD Mafia
Pictures By:
Michael Jumper

Benefit for Judy Collins at Fat Harold's Beach Club

Audience with a Queen

At Mid-Winter SOS on the last day of the party, the crowd reached for the heart, where the music comes from, and honored of Judy Collins.

For two generations, Judy and her family have been the strong arm of Beach Music preservation and marketing in The Land of Shag. When I was a kid, Judy's father, Rufus Oates, had the only record store in Myrtle Beach that sold 45 rpm singles. He had all the early rock n roll hits, a collector's dream shop, Beach Music Center. Rufus' daughter, little Judy, was twelve years old bopping around the record racks, princess of the rhythm. As time went on, she ascended the throne.

In 1987, she opened a shop in North Myrtle Beach, in the shadow of the water tower, later painted with the silhouettes of dancers, and a postscript that reads: *Home of the Shag*. Judy Collins is good reason why the party is still going on.

In her new shop, when SOS came to town, it seemed that half the crowd at once crammed into Judy's House of Oldies, looking for music they couldn't find anywhere else. Until iTunes and the Internet reinvented distribution of recorded music, Judy's House was a primary source.

She was one of the original record collectors who became a disc jockey. One of the founders of the modern shag culture, she lived on the road hauling music to the parties, playing for the dancers, making recorded sounds available to other record collectors who became disc jockeys. "She never made a list of the songs she would play," said her sister Jeannie. She waited for the mood and the energy of the crowd to choose the music.

The Mid-Winter party in her honor was brought together by musicians, whose records she helped to market, and in some cases, contributed to studio production. Anybody in the business would tell you: Judy has an ear for arrangement, and more, has a knack for inspiring weary artists struggling with studio deadlines to sing it from the heart one more time.

Players with The Embers, The Band Oz, The Rick Strickland Band, The Delta Riders, Smokin Hot, and more showed up Sunday afternoon to serenade the Queen. At Mid-Winter, she was the whole show.

I got to speak to her briefly. I hadn't seen her since health problems arose a couple of years ago. She was pale and luminous. It's strange

how illness intensifies the light a person can bring to the party. None of her health problems intruded on my memories of her as a key figure in my efforts to write a history of shag dancing. Twenty years ago, when I began research on *Shag: The Legendary Dance of the South*, Judy helped me excavate facts and pictures, and more, contributed enthusiasm for the project. She believed in me, that I would actually deliver a book. No one had done it yet, and not many believed I would. I was sort of like a recording artist who doesn't quite believe he can perform at the level of self assurance required. Judy never sat me down and gave me a talking to like she did Billy Scott, of the Georgia Prophets, convincing him that *My Kinda Girl* was a hit waiting for him sing it from the heart -- but every time I met Judy Collins, she had a smile waiting for me, always ready to give new ideas and new artists a spin. Her assumption that I would succeed helped to convince me. As far as I'm concerned there ought to be a bronze statue of her standing in the roadway island between Ducks and Fat Harold's Beach Club.

Usually on the last afternoon of SOS the crowd at Fat Harold's is light, whittled down to the hardcore. Word of the gathering for Judy brought out the old guard. Not to take anything away from the hardcore, but the old guard are veterans who've promoted the dance for decades by doing it. Nowadays they often prefer to sit it out together, dance in each others living rooms, cook out, play golf, once in a while go to a dance contest, maybe to dance for the prize. They don't often come out unless to join a congregation of their own. Judy Collins is one of them. For her, the crowd was thick.

Musicians took the stage one after another. All the while, the Queen perched in a tall chair giving audience, attending her duty as regent. She looked so young, glowing with old guard endurance. The light in her eyes belonged to a girl. Once upon a time forever princess of the rhythm.

by Bo Bryan, author of "SHAG:
The Legendary Dance of the South"
www.BoBryanWrites.com



The 6th Annual Winter Beach Blast was, once again, a huge success. It was a sold out crowd for the very first party at the new American Legion. I would also like to extend a very special Thank you to all of our guests who purchased tickets and especially those who traveled from out of town to attend our party. Yes, it was crowded and hot, but we will just say we were priming everyone for Spring SOS. I heard a lot of great comments from everyone. We did have a bit of a traffic jam with the food line, but we already have some ideas of ways to make that a little better next year. Craig Woolard and the Embers did a fabulous job. They kept the dance floor full all night long. Dean Baker also did a fantastic job as our DJ. He kept playing for quite a while after the band stopped. I don't think I have ever seen that big of a crowd stay that late. I think we could have partied all night. And how about the "Blues Brothers"; Larry Snipes and Jim Hughes. What a treat that was! The "Shake Your Tail Feathers" dancers were also a big hit. The crowd just loved it all. It was a blast. I truly think this was the best beach blast yet.

The members of the Rock Hill Area Shag Club are to be highly commended on the food. What a spread!! We never came close to running out. And might I mention, it was all delicious. We have some great cooks in our crowd. Most everyone was assigned a station to work. Everyone showed up to work on time and just jumped right in to get the job done. Some of them worked a lot more than their 30 minutes without hesitation. This is the kind of "teamwork" it takes to host a party of this size. All of our guests we so impressed. It makes you happy and proud to hear "this Rock Hill crowd really knows how to put on a party" and "everyone is so friendly". New this year was the "Door Prize" table. Thank you to everyone who made a donation to make that possible. We had some really great prizes. Also, thanks goes out to all those who made contributions to the "Raffle Basket". It was very impressive and brought in the most money yet at \$1,005.00. Ronnie & Mary Gregory, from Burlington and SOS Board, donated an additional \$100 bringing the total to \$1,105.00. All of this money will be earmarked for the "Hall of Fame Foundation".

It takes a lot of hard work and many, many hours of preparation to make this party happen long before the night of the party. We also had a good crowd to stay afterwards and help with packing up. In closing, I just want to thank the club for their support. I love this club very much and I am very proud to be a part of the Rock Hill Area Shag club. Our members are a very dedicated group and that is the reason we are such a strong club. It has been my privilege to serve as chairman of this committee for the last six years.

This is my favorite party.

See you all on the dance floor! Debbie Brown

Photos by: Judy Baker

Rock Hill Area Shag Club's Winter Beach Blast



2015 National Shag Dance Championships

From ages 8 to 85 years young they came to compete in the 32nd National Shag Dance Championships. Billy West of the West Shag Dynasty competed in his first Nationals along with his brother Mack, sister Sydney, cousin Johnathan Kemp and daddy Sam West – possibly a family record! At 85 years young, Jack Rickard, a Korean War Veteran danced with his wife Barbara in the Masters Division. Bradley Kemp with partner Ivey Claire Huiet won the Junior I Division. His twin brother Johnathan won this division last year. A record eleven couples vied for the top four places. Kyler Byrum won his first Junior II Division with former Junior II Champion, Chase Forrester. He was a runner up last year. First time entry Jada Bannen won the Non-Pro Division with a 2014 runner-up Steve Balok. They are now eligible to dance as Professionals in the 2016 contest. Longtime competitors Brenda and Bill Barber won their fifth Seniors Division Championship – a record! First time entrant James A. Parker won the Masters Division doing the old style shag with his partner, Loretta McIntosh. He is a member of the Beach Music National Hall of Fame. Former Pro and Overall winner from 2012, Autumn Jones won the awesome Pro Division with her former three time Junior Division Championship partner Brennar Goree. At the end of the evening they were also named the Overall 2015 Champions. Earlier in the evening \$21,000.00 in Beth Mitchell Memorial Scholarships were awarded to Junior contestants. Three new Beth Mitchell Scholars each were awarded \$5,000.00. They were: Mason Floyd – the Citadel, Anna Victoria Jacobs – Appalachian State and Isaiah Burroughs, Appalachian State. Former recipients who received an additional \$2,000.00 were: Zach Burroughs – Catawba College, Kayla Henley – Elon University and Justin Burroughs – Catawba College. Over \$125,000.00 has been awarded since the program was initiated in 1999.



At the 2015 National Shag Dance Championships the Board of Advisors awarded their "Promotion of Shag" Award to Kathryn and Eddie Monsour for their support of the shag world – primarily to the Junior dancers. The Crystal award has been presented only six previous times to Gene Laughter; Rep. Bubber Snow; Shad and Brenda Alberty; Charlie Womble; Jackie McGee; the S.C.E.T.V. documentary "Shag" and to Hemdale Productions and MGM Pictures – "Shag The Movie". The crystal award was the same as the National Champions receive. Also presented to the Monsours was an original drawing of them by the Nationals resident artist and new champion Steve Balok. The drawings framed mat was signed by this year's Juniors and previous Juniors who had danced under their sponsorship of the Nationals. Standing ovations were the order of the evening!



Junior I

- 1st Ivey Claire Huiet & Bradley Kemp
- 2nd Alison Pittman & Cullen Fields
- 3rd Karsyn Folds & Ethan Alban
- 4th Bethany Forrest & Cody Morgan

Junior II

- 1st Chase Forrester & Kyler Byrum
- 2nd Kayla Henley & Jeremy Webb
- 3rd Karlee Martin & Jackson Batten
- 4th Sydney West & Austin Pope
- 5th Kaylee Bravo & Kolten Ellis

Seniors

- 1st Brenda Barber & Bill Barber
- 2nd Marsha Rose & Les Rose
- 3rd Pat Joyce & Archer Joyce

No-Pro

- 1st Jada Bannen & Steve Balok
- 2nd Jill Woodard & Steve Woodard
- 3rd Crystal Turner & Tripp Turner

Professional

- 1st Autumn Jones & Brennar Goree
- 2nd Kristal Taylor & Sam West
- 3rd Nikki Kontoulas & Brent Key
- 4th Myers Floyd & Garrett Humphries
- 5th Michel DeRosa & Sammy Clelland
- 6th Tobitha Stewart & Ashley Stewart
- 7th Shea Carver & Jay Thaxton

Masters

- 1st Loretta McIntosh & James Parker
- 2nd Jane Jacobs & Milton Nowell, Jr.
- 3rd Barbara Rickard & Jack Rickard
- 4th Phyllis K. Tiller & Dennis Boudreau





OD Shag Club Welcomes You to 2015 SOS Spring Safari

*O.D. Shag Club welcomes you to our paradise.
Have fun and enjoy your Spring SOS.
Wendy Schultz, President*

OD Shag Club 2015 SOS Events

April 19-ODSC Spring SOS Brunch
10am Sunday
at OD Arcade
Members Free-\$10 Guest

ODSC Golf Cart Fundraiser
Our new cart for 2015 will be on display and tickets will be available on just about every day during Spring Safari

ODSC Apparel
Check out the new items SOS at Fat Harolds parking lot.

April 25 SOS Parade
Sat. on Main St.
Join us for a Great parade

ODSC Fall SOS Charity Golf Tournament - September 19th
Go to our website for more information and application.

ODSC Fall SOS Brunch - OD Arcade-Sunday.
September 20th, 10 AM (Members free-\$10 guest)

Visit our website: www.odshagclub.com or mail us: P.O. Box 933, N. Myrtle Beach, SC 29597



THE TRADITION LIVES ON 2015 Atlantic Beach Shaggers Hall of Fame Reunion

Saturday, February 21, 2015 the Atlantic Beach Shaggers Hall of Fame (ABSHOF) held its annual induction ceremony at Memories Beach Club at the new location in the Crow's Nest Shopping Center, Atlantic Beach, NC. The entire state of North Carolina was experiencing the coldest temperature on record but it was Hot in Atlantic Beach with music, dancing and partying like there was no tomorrow.

At 9pm MC John Moore from 105.9 FM Beach, Boogie and Blues Radio took center stage and the ceremony began. The music was provided by Butch Connor, Bill Harper, Bill Moore and Eddie Smith, all ABSHOF members. Atlantic Beach Shaggers LLC awarded Mr. Eddie Dawkins "The Charles Gurley Spirit of the Dance Award". Kathy Gurley and family were on hand to present this very special award named in memory of Charles who so loved Atlantic Beach. Also recognized for "The Life Time Achievement Award" was Linwood Parker and Norfleet Jones for their many years of dedication to the music and dance loved by so many.

Inductees for 2015 were Bob Chandler, Carlotta Utley, Elaine Harbin, Lisa Dagenhart, Raymond Rigsbee, Eddie Spencer, Bill Mason and posthumous inductees were Charlie Byrd and Barbara Blanchard Campbell.

This event takes place annually during the 3rd weekend in February in Atlantic Beach, NC and next year's date will be February 19th & 20th 2016. Atlantic Beach and Memories Beach Club takes pride in celebrating the dance, music and especially the Hall of Famers who have been leaders in the "Carolina Shag" lifestyle we all love. Don't forget to notice the "Welcome Signs" when you come into town which reads "Home of the Atlantic Beach Shaggers Hall of Fame". For more information on the ABSHOF event please go to www.memoriesbeachclub.net or on facebook Memories Beach Club.

Regards, Donnie Hinson, ABSHOF Chairman
Photos by: FotozbyRickie





Parade Talk

The Third Beginning... a perfect name for our current parade. But how can you have a third beginning someone recently asked? You can only begin something one time, and after that it's just doing it again. Ok, let's not get into semantics. Let's just call it a 'play on words'. Bottom line, it's the first parade of our third decade of parades. How's that! Number twenty one! Who could have ever predicted back in the day that a parade of this sort would continue this long? But something clicked, and it stuck, and it's been a wonderful twenty one years. Looking at pictures of past parades bring back so many good memories. How great it would be if we could re-live these times. I've wondered on many occasions, as I'm sure many of you have, just how long our yearly parade will continue? I hope it will be long after I'm gone and then some. There are words to one of our songs that say "and shagging is here to stay". Let's hope that applies to "our" parade as well!



The parade will be the last Saturday of SOS at 1:00 pm, April 25th. Enjoy this one..... again a winner!
Don David, Your SOS Parade Chairman

Parades through the years!



A Saturday Parade

By Foster McKinney, SOS Treasurer

Nothing can top a Saturday parade for sweeping away weekday grind. All the pent-up nine-to-five anticipation, sweltering in the heat of weekday stress, boils over with excitement when Father Time flips the calendar over to Saturday. One long-awaited Saturday—a spring Saturday in particular—starts its weekend off with a midday march proceeded by a street-wide banner announcing something out of the ordinary and loaded with fun—the ACSC/SOS Spring Safari Parade. After months of peering out wintery windows, just waiting for azaleas to bloom, spectators gather like orbiting moons captured by the gravity of grandeur, and encamp themselves within the periphery of parade pageantry. They are all part of something much greater than just a mere gathering of on-watchers thirsting for thrill. It's more akin to a movement savoring a common bond—perhaps a celebration of purpose and pride. It is a time to forget all about weekday stress, financial woes and blown diets. It is a time to let your hair down, relax and enjoy the show. The blocked-off streets, the soaring strings of beads, the boogie music and marching dancers, the imaginative floats, decorative golf carts, and resplendent costumes, all come alive on the last Saturday of SOS Spring Safari.

The call for “SOS” by the Ocean Drive Beach (OD) section of North Myrtle Beach, is far from the international Morse code distress cry signaling “mayday”—three dots, followed by three dashes, and then another three dots (•••—•••). It's nothing of that sort at all; rather, it is a long-anticipated welcome bid to another, entirely different SOS—the Society of Stranders. SOS Spring Safari is one of two ten-day events, and one of three total events, hosted annually by the Society of Stranders (SOS) in the City of North Myrtle Beach. Organized with nearly 15,000 members, SOS is an anomaly unlike anything ever seen anywhere else. What started as a reunion of old beach bums and fun-loving kids who worked or just hung out at OD (fondly proclaimed “the playground of their youth” by SOS founder, Gene “Swink” Laughter) during the late 1940s and early 1950s, has now become a celebrated footprint of OD tradition that cannot be washed away with high tide. How this all came about is a story within itself—a bit lengthy, but well worth a later telling.

For over twenty years now, with a simple Saturday parade that has blossomed into either an early or late Easter delight (depending upon when the March equinox falls), the Association of Carolina Shag Clubs (ACSC), which owns and promotes SOS, has captured an ever-growing crowd of locals who could care less about shagging but do like to take-in a good parade. They may have no inkling as to what shagging is, or even worse, they may interpret the term “shag” the same way as Europeans—slang for fornication. But once they see that the Carolina shag is a dance of heritage, officially recognized as South Carolina's state dance, their perceptions open up to acceptance. They may not warm up to it right away, but at least they can better relate to it. After all, shagging and SOS are in their backyards creating a synergy that unquestionably pumps a powerful boost into the North Myrtle Beach economy. Therefore, locals have a tremendous stake in the Carolina shag and SOS. Be it as participants or as bystanders, they are touched in some fashion or another—hopefully in a positive way.

At the conclusion of the 2014 ACSC/SOS Spring Safari Parade, Parade Chairman, Don David, observed that each year this parade attracts more-and-more local citizens totally unrelated to SOS. Youngsters, middle-agers, and seniors—red, yellow, black and white—all come in numbers when the Association of Carolina Shag Clubs joins ranks with the Society of Stranders to roll up their sleeves and build it. Folks, this is truly a high sign of forging lasting footprints of tradition. So mark your calendars for Saturday, April 25, 2015, and meet me at 1:00 p.m. on Main Street, North Myrtle Beach, South Carolina, to take in the sights, sounds and excitement of one heck-of-a Saturday parade. See you there.





Keepers Of The Dance Contest





Keepers Of The Dance Contest Fat Harold's Beach Club

The sixth Annual National Shaggers Hall of Fame "Keepers of the Dance" contest was held at Fat Harold's Beach Club on February 6th and 7th, 2015. Highlights of the weekend included a qualifying contest on Friday night, introduction of the New Keepers for 2014, a Saturday afternoon cocktail party for sponsors, Keepers, Judges and Contestants; and the announcement of the Dewey Kennedy - Eddie Monsour Scholarship and contest finals on Saturday night.

For the sixth straight year Fat Harold's staff were great hosts as usual. Special thanks to Harold Worley and the great bartenders for their wonderful cooperation and service. The Club was packed both nights and all enjoyed a great party and the best shag contest ever on the Strand! Over \$6,000 in prize money was awarded to the winners in the Junior, Senior and Open divisions. Many of the 39 current "Keepers" were present and participated in the contest or as Judges.

For the past 6 years, the Sponsors have been wonderful and extremely dedicated. Sponsors over the years have included local merchants, club owners, shag clubs, DJ's, Hall of Fame and Keepers members, and just good ole shag folks that love the Dance and love to party. The Keepers committee extends sincere thanks to all sponsors who promote and give each year to the Keepers and the contest and continue to make this great event possible!

A continued thanks to those Keepers and Hall of Famers who judge each year, Janet Harold - contest coordinator and scorer, Monty Lee - photography and Max Madrin of Greensboro, NC - Keepers website. For current info, "Keepers" members, contest results and future events check out: www.keepersofthedance.com

Bob Myrick, Chairman: Keepers Committee



Junior Division

1. Kyler Byrum & Chase Forrester
2. Jeremy Webb & Kayla Henley
3. Kolten Ellis & Kaylee Bravo
4. River Harmon & Whitney Brown
5. Jackson Batten & Leigh Northrum
6. Cullen Fields & Allison Pittman
7. Noah Veon & Mary Elizabeth Jacobs
8. Win Underwood & Anna Victoria Jacobs



Senior Division

1. Bill & Brenda Barber
2. Milton Nowell & Jane Jacobs
3. John & Susan Leggette
4. Archer & Pat Joyce
5. Chris Stephenson & Ellen Taylor
6. Joe & Lynn Honeycutt
7. Bill Seymour & Shelia Blazer
8. Larry Davis & JoAnn Caudle



Open Division

1. Alan Stokes & Autumn Jones
2. Brent Key & Nikki Kontoulas
3. Grayson Smith & Jessica McAlhaney
4. Cody Edwards & Krystal Bravo
5. Garrett Spencer & Mary Lynn Myrick
6. David Campbell & Kristen Floyd
7. Garrett Humphries & Ashley Sherin
8. Chad Farlow & Tobitha Stewart

2015 SOS Mid-Winter



Beth Mitchell Memorial Charity Mixed Double

By Linda Reeder Photos By Max Madrin

The Beth Mitchell contest began in 2004 at Thirsty's 2 in Greensboro. This event developed from an idea Beth's parents, Nancy and Worth, had as a way to keep her memory alive. They had already set up a scholarship in her name to help someone associated with the shag community to continue their college education. As of 2014, there have been eighteen deserving students who have been beneficiaries of the Beth Mitchell scholarship fund.

Beth was born in Greensboro in 1972 and grew up in Stoneville. After graduating from UNCG, she became an elementary teacher although her true love was dancing. From her early years, she began winning contests as a junior shagger in Atlantic Beach, Ocean Drive and Greensboro. In early March of 1998, Beth and her partner, Brad Kinard, won the Non-Pro National Shag Championship. Tragically, on March 20, Beth lost her life in a tornado that demolished the town of Stoneville.

This year, Thirsty's 2 held the 12th annual Beth Mitchell mixed doubles contest on February 28, 2015. The event hosted an outstanding show of 29 couples dancing in the Junior, Non-Pro and Pro/Hall of Fame divisions. The winners were: Juniors: Kayla Henley & Kolten Ellis; Non-Pro: Tina Phillips & Mike Whaley; Pro/Hall of Famers: Leslie Melton Jennings & Alan Stokes. Because of the dancers and all our many sponsors, the contest raised \$5,700 ~ another great year! This brings our total donations for twelve years to over \$96,000 for the Beth Mitchell scholarship fund. We hope to see everyone the same time next year for this worthwhile event!

Thirsty's 2



Junior Division

First Place: Kayla Henley
Kolten Ellis

Second Place: Whitney Brown
Noah Veon



Non Pro Division

First Place: Tina Phillips
Mike Whaley

Second Place: Ashley Lauer
Darrell Gaither



Pro/Hall of Fame

First Place: Leslie Jennings
Alan Stokes

Second Place: Nancy Pope
Monty Simpson

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Love of the Dance..... Clint Rankin

Ocean Drive lost a good one on June 6, 2014 when Clint Rankin, 75, passed away in Gastonia, North Carolina. He was a devoted husband to Barbara, loving father to Scott and Timmons, great father-in-law to Charlotte and Paul, and an awesome G-Daddy to Hunter, Parker, and Christian. He is sorely missed.

Clint loved the beach, specifically O.D., and he loved to shag. After he and Barbara retired 17 years ago, they decided to divide their time between Gastonia and O.D. This allowed them to attend every SOS event and to host friends and family who wanted to come down to God's country. Clint never met a stranger and could make anyone feel at ease when they were around him. If a good blues song was playing (Bill Pinkney, Hank Ballard, Joe Turner), watch out because he was going to dance. If it was a really good song, he would bring out his signature

move, the "claw". He had rhythm and he loved to show it. He also loved to teach it. He and Barbara taught shag for a number of years in Gastonia and Lincolnton. Nothing pleased him more than watching a beginner finally get it.

His favorite students were his grandsons, Hunter and Parker, who both took to it pretty quickly. Actually, they are very good dancers. He liked to joke that it skipped a generation as his son, Scott, isn't nearly as good as his sons. Clint made sure his "grandboys" went to Junior SOS each summer. Their first experience was when Hunter was 7 and Parker was just 4. Clint always prodded his grandboys to ask the girls to dance. As they got older, he loved it when the older girls would ask them to dance. You could see the big grin on his face as if he had something to do with it. It was like he was 16 again! The boys still love to shag and while last summer's Junior SOS was different without G-Daddy around, they had a blast. Hunter will age out after this Junior SOS so it will be emotional for everyone. However, he's still carrying the flame as he continues to shag at USC.

While he is deeply missed by his family and friends, there is comfort in the wonderful memories of good times gone by. There's also comfort in knowing that he's probably helping Jesus right now with his "duckwalk", while Bill Pinkney is serenading the crowd. Make no mistake, Clint is having fun because that's what he did for 75 years. Clint Rankin had a great, fun, wonderful, life. We should all be so lucky.



Be a part of Ocean Drive Beach history! Become the proud owner of a personally inscribed "Walk of Fame" paver. Pavers have been particularly popular with visitors to the area including shag clubs and shaggers from throughout the United States. With Main Street's designation as "The Birthplace of the Shag" and with the annual S.O.S. (Society of Stranders) events and local street festivals, thousands of shaggers have already purchased pavers as you will see when you arrive on Main Street in Ocean Drive Beach.

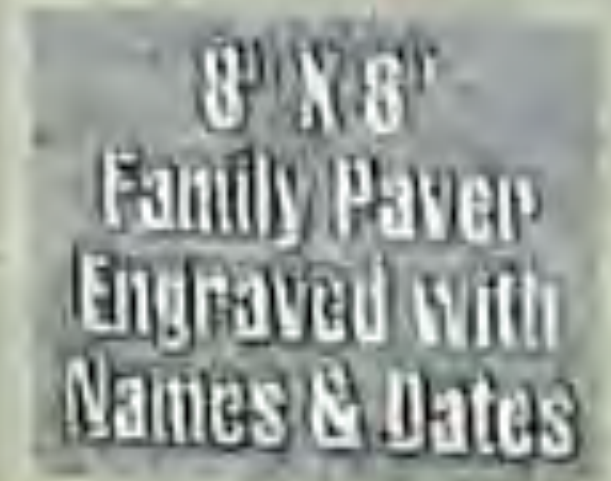
Pavers have also been popular with vacationers who find their way to North Myrtle Beach year after year and locals who want to share in the continuing growth and revitalization of Main Street in Ocean Drive Beach. In addition, they are great gifts for every occasion. With three sizes available, there is paver to fit every budget and need.

The revitalization of Main Street in North Myrtle Beach was started in the early 90's in affiliation with the City of North Myrtle Beach to help raise monies for the continued revitalization. The proceeds of the paver sales are used to continue to keep Main Street beautiful and an enjoyable place to visit.

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Thousands are expected to swell the ranks by today, milling about at selected places to party with old friends from Ocean Drive days.

Old 'Teens' Shag Down To Beach Reunion

By **TEX O'NEILL**
Observer Staff Writer

NORTH MYRTLE BEACH — Picture the largest Carolinas' class reunion ever. That'll give you a notion what the "SOS O.D. Migration" resembles.

It's really a convention of the Carolinas' oldest teenagers, this "Society of Stranders' Ocean Drive Migration" launched Thursday.

These gray-haired and balding teenagers already have come, like lemmings to the beach, by the hundreds. And thousands are expected to swell the ranks by today, milling about at selected places to party with old friends, dance and reminisce about the blue-sky days of the late '40s and the '50s when they worked and played at Ocean Drive.

People like Joel "Wormy" Wall of Florence, who summured at Ocean Drive in the early '50s, calling bingo numbers and sweeping the floors of Robert's Pavilion. That shagger hangout washed away when the sassiest woman of them all, Hurricane Hazel, took the town by storm in 1954. Some say she swept away the shagging era.

Wall arrived Tuesday, coming early to help Gene "Swink" Laughter, 47, of Richmond. Laughter organized the three-day festival, brainstorm of him and Dennis Beam of Shelby.

Thursday, Laughter (pronounced Law-ter) and Wall were in their element, good cheer and Stroh's beer flowing as they mingled with other early birds, swapping tales and filling in the decades with renewed acquaintances.

Although most had come from the Carolinas, some partygoers came from great distances. Others simply never left.

Of the latter is Joseph "The A-rab" Saleeby, who first frequented the Grand Strand as a teenager in the middle '50s. Saleeby said he's heard of people from as far away as Puerto Rico and Los Angeles flying in for the festivities.

He was reminiscing at Thursday's SOS pool party behind festival headquarters at the Oak Tree Inn, booked solid because of the event. Saleeby, the town's 40-year-old mayor, recalled how he and his beach buddies would go for weeks eating nothing but cheese crackers and sodas, "hoping to find a girl whose daddy gave her lots of money, so you could eat."

"How'd you do?" somebody shouted above the roar of the shag music.

"Well," he said, a grin splitting his ample face, "we didn't starve."

Later that evening, an obviously pleased mayor watched 400 shaggers come in pedal pushers and period sweaters to boogie at a bar called Billy Smith's Beach Party. Some couples, most of whom were in their '40s and '50s, probably hadn't danced "fast" in decades, Saleeby said.

He promised an "even bigger and better" convention next year.

Among other things, this week's event is a celebration of the rhythm of the times, the so-called "beach music" and the shag, the dance these folks wedded to the rhythm.

Old 'Teens' Shag On Down For Reunion At Ocean Drive

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Music there was, hour upon hour of mostly group sounds from the late '40s and '50s, rhythm and blues renditions of stuff like "Over the Rainbow" and "60-Minute Man."

And if the music wasn't really very good, it was liked, judging by the numbers that swelled the dance floors at Billy Smith's. At Fat Jack's beach club, the jitter-bugging went on outside beside the ocean until the wee hours Friday.

Even the mayor's SOS Week proclamation noted, with just a splash of ambiguity, "Beach music only sounds good with the roar of the ocean nearby."

Back in the '40s and '50s, the music drew thousands weekly to the four communities, including Ocean Drive, that now make up North Myrtle Beach.

Black music seldom played on white radio stations until songs like "Gee" by the Crows — written to cross over into white markets — broke that race barrier in the middle '50s. Before that, white

kids often went to the beaches — away from mom and dad — to hear the juke box black music they preferred. Hence the name beach music.

Another of the townfolk on hand is a man who remembers well the droves of kids who migrated to the beach each summer. He's Merlin Bellamy, the town's chief of police from 1950 to 1978.

Bellamy reminisced about his and the shag set's salad days, for the two very nearly coincide. He was in his early 20s when he became the town's first chief of police.

The kids came from all over. Bellamy remembers in the mid-'50s stopping a fellow whose car sported an "O.D. or Bust" bumper sticker. He'd bought it in a novelty shop in New York City, the chief recalled.

Bellamy used to police the streets of "O.D." in his own Studebaker back when he was the area's only cop. There was no crime to speak of.

"The big thing back then was the boys did an awful lot of drinking of beer," Bellamy recalled.

"Not a lot of liquor was drunk, and there was an awful lot of dancing. Occasionally, the boys would get in a little fight."

And sex? "Yes, we had it too," he said wryly, "only not so open."

Bellamy said the mayor at the time, Grady Johnson, thought it'd be a shame to make locals and out-of-town dandies work a chain gang to atone for their misadventures, so he devised a sure-fire alternative.

Because Bellamy was also the garbage man, he'd have some high-spirited lads work a few days on the garbage route. Many of them turned out "real reputable," the ex-chief said.

Back then, errant kids could be picked up under vagrancy statutes, so Bellamy asked foot-loose fellows where they were staying.

"They'd say 'Ocean Forest,' a really swanky place," he recalled.

It was only after numerous such encounters that Bellamy learned the kids were playing fast with the truth. "We're in the ocean at day," one eventually told him, "and in the forest at night."



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On the Road with Mary...2015 Lake Norman Chicken Pickin'

Hello to all our friends. It will be so good to see all of you again.

Once again, we traveled several places this year and hope to go to several more before the year is up. We went to Lake Norman's Chicken Pickin' on February 12 - 14, 2015 this year and it was so much fun. They had some great DJs playing all the Shag tunes. The dance floor stayed full of dancers the whole weekend. This party is always at the OD Arcade at N. Myrtle Beach and is always a good time. The party actually started on Thursday night. The chicken dinner on Saturday night was awesome and we had hot dogs and all the trimmings on Friday night. Lake Norman club members are all so friendly and entertaining. They put on some skits that were just out of this world, so if you ever have the chance to go to this party, please do. You will not regret it. We saw so many of our friends and met some new ones.

The cold didn't seem to matter because once you got inside you had such a terrific time. The arcade staff was so accommodating and made everyone feel so welcome. There is never enough said about their support of all the ACSC clubs and SOS.

Hope to see you on the road at the next shag club party. Until then, be safe and healthy. Mary Gregory



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