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## SOS President Ron Whisenant

Hello Everyone! Welcome to Spring Safari 2017! Sure it is spring, even though the date on the calendar says it is still winter. The flowers and shrubs around the yard say it is spring. This is the time to renew, to bloom, and refresh the desires of new happiness in the fields of our minds and hearts. Let's dance!

This is a great time of year. Coming to Spring Safari is a reward for all of us! What you will experience in the next few days will definitely be rewarding in the opportunities of reuniting with old friends in this great place of North Myrtle Beach called Ocean Drive. You will also have the opportunity to dance the state dance called the "shag", while listening to great music played by great deejays. You will also experience the hospitality of the owners of our beloved shag clubs that makeup the SOS experience. Let the party begin!

While you are having fun all week long dancing and having fun with the reunions of old and new friends, remember that the highlight of Spring Safari is the parade on the last Saturday. The new parade chair persons Donnie and Wendy Schultz are planning a big day for the 23rd annual SOS parade. The participating shag clubs always show their styles and sometimes best graces for this event. Be sure to mark the time and date. The parade starts at 12:45 on April 29th, rain or shine. This will be Don David's first time to ride in the parade that he has chaired and directed for 20 years. Don will be riding on the ACSC/SOS float. Don is the new incoming Chairman of the SOS Board. I declare Saturday April 29th as Don David day. I almost guarantee a perfect weather day!

On a more somber note! SOS has lost some of its Icons since the last Fall Migration!

The passing of H. Lee Brown in November, 2016 was sad and somber. H. Lee was one of the charismatic "Beach Icons" that operated and managed the O D Pavilion. The Pavilion is a shrine to the original shag enthusiasts that graced the establishment. You will find that on most Saturdays and Sunday afternoons mid March thru mid October, and all of the SOS events, that this popular venue is still a favorite for shag dancers.

Gene "Swink" Laughter passed in February 2017. Gene was the founder of the Society of Strangers. The first Fall Migration was held in September, 1980 at the Oak Tree Inn. His creation of a reunion of old beach friends that he worked with during his days of summering on the beach as a lifeguard has become quite a phenomenon. The reunion, aka, SOS was his dream, and now has

become the best party on the east coast. Thank You Gene "Swink" Laughter for sharing your gift of love of the beach here in Ocean Drive!

Rodney Still passed in late February 2017. He was an excellent deejay in our beach world. Rodney was husband to Helen Still, past Chairman of SOS Board. He was a man's man. He was a great husband, father, grandfather, brother, and my friend. Rodney was a true southern gentleman in every way.

Spring Safari 2017 will be a great time here in Ocean Drive, home of SOS and the shag. Let's party and have a good time!

*Ron*



## SOS Board Chairperson Don David

Aww...Spring Safari! What a great time of the SOS year. The sun is warm, the breezes gentle, the year is still young, and everyone seems to be in a good mood. What a wonderful life...Shag Life that is! However this year is a little different for me. Not preparing for a parade

for the past 4 months has me a little out of sync. And now I find myself in a new roll as your SOS Chairman, one I had not anticipated, but it is what it is. My predecessor Helen Still did a great job as Chairperson. She raised the bar so to speak. I realize I have some "high heels" to fill and it will take some effort on my part. (did not go to Chairman 101). But I've been promised help from the SOS Board and Helen herself, so maybe we can manage. Just consider me Chairman-in-Training for the next little while.

We feel the parade is in capable hands with Donnie and Wendy Shultz. We gave considerable thought to the parade chairmanship before approaching them. Their experience with the OD Shag Club entries over the years is impressive to say the least, and they are locals, another plus. Simply great folks! So sit back and watch the parade unfold this year. I'm sure we will all be impressed. What a great ending to spring SOS!!

Enjoy the summer with your friends and family. Take a little time to consider what they mean to you and your life here on earth, and by all means let them know. Remember no man or a woman is an island, we're all in this together.

Be safe in your travels. We all want to be together again here in North Myrtle Beach for the Fall Migration.....

*Don*



## ACSC Chairman Ken Akin

Welcome to 2017 Spring SOS!! One of the most exciting Spring SOS highlights will be the SOS Parade at 1:00 P.M. on April 29th, 2017 on Main Street under the leadership of Donnie and Wendy Schultz. Without a

doubt, we can be assured that Don David has passed to Donnie and Wendy his secret for no rain on the parade day. Make sure you include a note of reminder on your calendar for the parade followed by the awards at Fat Harold's. Plan to arrive early to this annual SOS event and be among the many shaggers and locals in attendance observing the interesting and creative ideas by many participants.

The 2017 Winter Workshop Meeting on Saturday January 14th, 2017 at the OD Resort and was one (1) of the two (2) required ACSC meeting for ACSC shag club presidents along with one (1) optional meeting of either Spring SOS or Fall SOS. Attendance at these ACSC meetings presents shag club presidents an opportunity to acquire ACSC/SOS informative facts, up-to-date requirements of ACSC membership and motivational ideas to assist those interested in becoming an organized shag club leader.

One anxiously awaited item on the 2017 ACSC Winter Workshop Agenda in January was the announcement of the 2017 ACSC Icons by the Icon Committee Co-Chairs Phyllis Drake and Novelene Powell. Mary Gregory - Burlington Shag Club, Gerry Hayes - Florence Shag Club, Cecil Martin - Palmetto Shag Club, Shirley Patterson - Sugarfoot Shag Club and Tim Sullivan - Richmond Shag Club were announced as the 2017 Icons. The Icon Selection Committee, which is composed of nine previously elected icons, who operate with no selection involvement from ACSC, may each year elect up to five (5) shag club members for this prestigious ACSC Icon Award. Welcome ACSC Icons!!! Visit shagdance.com for a complete list of all ACSC Icons.

The Lake Norman Shag Club will be hosting the 2017 Summer ACSC Workshop on July 14-16, 2017. Workshop host hotels located in Concord, N. C. are Embassy Suites (sold out), Residence Inn and Courtyard Suites with all three hotels located in one central location. For more information visit Lake Norman Shag Club on shagdance.com or contact tehopper@charter.net.

The SOS at Sea V Alaska Cruise on Celebrity Millennium will be August 18-24, 2017! Plans are being made for SOS at Sea VII!

See you at 2017 Spring SOS!

*Ken*







## SOS Board of Directors Ronnie Gregory

Hello Shaggers!

Here we are once again at SOS and I am sure you are ready to get this party started. Thanks to all of you who gave

me your support for re-election to the SOS Board. I consider this such an honor to represent you. I enjoy always talking with each of you and getting your opinions about our association and SOS. It takes all of us to make this happen. Thanks again for giving me your trust in representing you on the SOS Board.

A lot of things are planned for SOS. Try to participate in as many things and visit the businesses that support SOS. It's a wonderful time to be in such a wonderful place for us all to enjoy. N. Myrtle Beach and its residence has been so supportive of our lifestyle. They have been so hospitable and grateful and they enjoy having you visit their community. Let's return the favor by obeying the laws and help keeping their city clean. We all need to enjoy what we have and to all the people who give their time and effort to make sure that all of you have a safe and memorable experience. But as great as it is, it takes all of you and what you do to help ensure that our way of life will continue for many years.

The ACSC and SOS appreciate all of your efforts and generosity in making it great for everyone, and we say Thank You. This week is for you, enjoy your lifestyle, your friends and all the memories that you helped create. I have heard people ask the question Why? and I say Why not? I love this dance and I'm sure you do too. So enjoy your 10 days here and thanks again.

See you on the dance floor,

*Ronnie*



## SOS Board Member Susan Harrell

Dear Shag Club Presidents and Shag Club Members,

**WELCOME TO SPRING SOS!!!** I hope you make lots of new friends during SOS, and spend time with your old friends...because we never

know what tomorrow brings.

I can't thank you enough for your vote of confidence in me, by electing me to the SOS Board for the upcoming 3 years. I will do my best not to disappoint you, and hope to make you feel that you made the right decision in electing me. If I can be of any help to you at any time, please go to the SOS website (shagdance.com) and find my email or phone number. I would love to talk to you.

Thank you again, and have fun!

*Susan*



## ACSC Vice President Robin Morley

Welcome Shaggers,

I know that each of you have been anticipating the salty air and sunshine. Welcome to our shaggers 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 contest, plus our favorite food and drink specials.

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 alive and 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

Welcome to Ocean Drive!

How many SOS annual events have you attended?? Many of you have been coming to SOS since the beginning and have made way more memories than myself. I have been coming to SOS since around

2005 and I look forward each SOS to getting the water tower insight and knowing I'm almost to the beach! Well if this is your 1st SOS, let me personally say Welcome to a place that I know you will fall in love with, and strangers that quickly become friends and new friends who become dance partners throughout all our beach clubs! Don't be shy! Introduce yourself, make a new friend...consider joining a local shag club back in your area to keep you abreast of all activities throughout the year. This social dance and it's lifestyle are habit forming and quickly becomes like a family reunion of sorts twice each year all up and down Main Street in North Myrtle Beach! Get ready to get "hooked."

Please make plans to dance in all the supporting beach clubs - Duck's, Fat Harold's, Pirate's Cove, Spanish Galleon, OD Café and OD Beach Club and the OD Arcade. There are no better DJ's than those that are playing during this 9-day event! Make plans to attend the SOS Parade on the last Saturday of SOS, March 29th at 1PM...It's always a crowd pleaser! Eat good seafood, soft serve ice cream and always start your day with a good breakfast at one of the local restaurants. Visit the SOS Company Store to buy your souvenir t-shirt and many other items to show your love of our dance. Catch one of your favorite bands...

I am grateful to serve the Association of Carolina Shag Clubs and SOS. I love those I serve with and the shag clubs and Subscriber members that I serve...each and every one is important to our Association. If I can ever be of any assistance to any shagger, I am only a phone call away.

I hope you have fun and please invite a new friend to attend an SOS or shag event in the future. Sometimes it's a simple invite that makes a world of difference.

If you see me on the street...please say Hello!!

*Lisa*



Just a note to let everyone know that we **WILL NOT** be having a Beach Shaggers National Hall of Fame Exhibition on Saturday, April 29th the last Saturday of SOS. It has been decided that since the parade is always in the Spring it is very difficult to participate in both. This way there will be plenty of time to ride in the parade or watch it. The floats, etc which are in the parade will have more time to find out who placed and can hang around at Fat Harold's and drink and dance in their cute outfits.

We **WILL** be dancing at the Fall SOS on Saturday, September 23rd. We look forward to seeing everyone and would love for you to come and dance in September.





## ABSCDJS President Dennis Brumble

Hello to all of our friends and shaggers. As President of The Association of Beach and Shag Club DJ's I would like to thank all of the shag clubs, club owners and everyone who supports our Association.

We celebrated our 26th anniversary this March at DJ Throwdown with The Band of Oz, The Fantastic Shakers and national blues recording artists Anson Funderburgh, Big Joe Maher and Christian Dozzler. Over 80 Deejays played their best music all weekend long and kept the dancefloors packed! Thanks to everyone who attended and helped us to celebrate. A special thanks to David Shaw and the entire staff at Duck's Night Club for their hospitality and hard work to ensure another successful DJ Throwdown.

Congratulations are in order to Jerry Canada and Gene Sistare on their election to the Beach Music Deejay Regular Hall of Fame this year. Also congratulations to Mike Little on being elected to the Honorary Hall of Fame. These three were inducted at a ceremony at Fat Harold's on Friday night during DJ Throwdown. Thanks to the staff at Fat Harold's for their support of the DJ Hall of Fame and allowing us to have our induction ceremony at their club.

Our DJs have been working hard on their play lists and promise to bring you some of the best music to Spring Safari SOS. Be sure to check out the Carefree Times for all of the club's SOS schedules to find when your favorite DJ will be playing. Our Parade Chairman Al Trice is busy arranging our participation in the SOS Parade and we are looking forward to seeing everyone along the parade route.

Enjoy Spring Safari, renew friendships, make new friends, ask a stranger to dance, be safe in your travels and, as always...**We will see you on the dance floor!**

*Dennis*



## SOS Janet Harrold

At the time I am writing this it is still winter...even though tomorrow is the first day of Spring! I'm sure by 2017 Spring SOS "Paradise" will be ready for all to enjoy!

The SOS clubs Fat Harolds, OD Arcade, Ducks, Pirates Cove, and OD Beach Club/Galleon have always worked hard preparing for your arrival and there is no limit to all the entertainment. Just put on your favorite shag shoes and hit the dance floors to shag to your favorite tunes played by your favorite deejays in all the clubs. On Saturday, April 29 @ 1 PM the SOS parade is always one of the favorite events during Spring SOS.

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 and "ah ha" ten days. SMILE....you never know when someone is snapping your photo for the next issue in one of the collages. And, as always, thank you Joanne and Vickie for all you do to help make this publication what it is!!!

*Janet*

## An Icon Retires!



After Fall Migration 2016, Helen Still called to let me know that she would not seek re-election. This was not a hasty or quick decision but she felt that her goals had been accomplished and that she wanted more time with her family. Unfortunately, her husband Rodney was diagnosed with a critical heart condition shortly after her resignation decision. She was a constant by Rodney's bedside until his passing in late February.

Helen was the first woman to serve as Chairman of the SOS Board. Helen was a take charge person as she worked to accomplish the goals of the Board, and a valuable asset to SOS in her strong leadership role and her energetic ways to do the hard tasks to keep SOS strong and vibrant in the necessary arenas.

Helen's attributes are a great style and presence, being detail oriented and thoughtful in her actions. She always performed her duties in a very professional manner. Helen's style of leadership earned the respect of the other SOS Board members during her many terms as Chairman of the SOS Board.

Helen was a very visible part of the SOS team, especially when it came to supporting the different shag club parties, the SOS beach clubs in Ocean Drive and all of the committees that served under her guidance. She lived the SOS experience. She represented SOS any way possible to prove that she believed that she could make a difference in how SOS was viewed in North Myrtle Beach.

SOS membership along with the public arena that we operate within has received many benefits from her dedication to enhance the SOS lifestyle for others to enjoy. SOS owes a debt of gratitude to Helen for her committed years of service.

Thank You Helen, for a job well done!

*Ron*

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The 26th Annual DJ Throwdown is in the books. From March 2 - 4, Ducks was packed 'til the walls were about to explode. Thursday night The Band of Oz, Anson Funderburgh and friends and The Fantastic Shakers had the crowd worked into a frenzy.

The weekend is a showcase for The Association of Beach and Shag Club DJ's. There were 66 different DJ's who played your favorites and kept the floor filled day an night. Saturday afternoon was an opportunity for the hard core collectors to play vinyl and and bring the music right to the dance floor.

This weekend is a must for everyone. The ABSCDJ's have everything covered with Shag lessons from Ashley and Tobitha, free food and a fun time.

One of the highlights of the weekend is the induction of the new members into The Beach Music DJ Hall of Fame (see Dennis Brumble's article). Another is the presentation of The Richard Nixon Memorial DJ award for outstanding service to the ABSCDJ's. This year's recipient was Hall of Fame DJ, Butch Metcalf.

I would plan to attend DJ THROWDOWN next year and every year thereafter, you will not be sorry!

See you at the Beach!

*Steve Baker*



## *My Shag Shoes*

by: Vickie Harrison

This photo of my worn out shoes was taken on the beach at SOS around 1992. They were already worn out and I still have them and will frame them one day!

**I have great memories without a doubt,  
That I shagged until my shoes wore out.  
The scuffs, the holes and every scratch  
Show there wasn't a dance I wouldn't catch.  
The strap would break and I'd get a pin  
And I'd fix it fast so I could dance again.  
My gold shag shoes made me light as air  
Shaggin' and turning without a care.  
They gave me more than just happy feet  
They would carry me to the friends I'd meet.  
I cherish my shoes and can't throw them away,  
The memories are there for me every day.  
I can't dance as much as I did before  
But my love is still on that dance floor.  
My shag shoes and I will never part,  
Cause the love of the Dance is still in my heart!**



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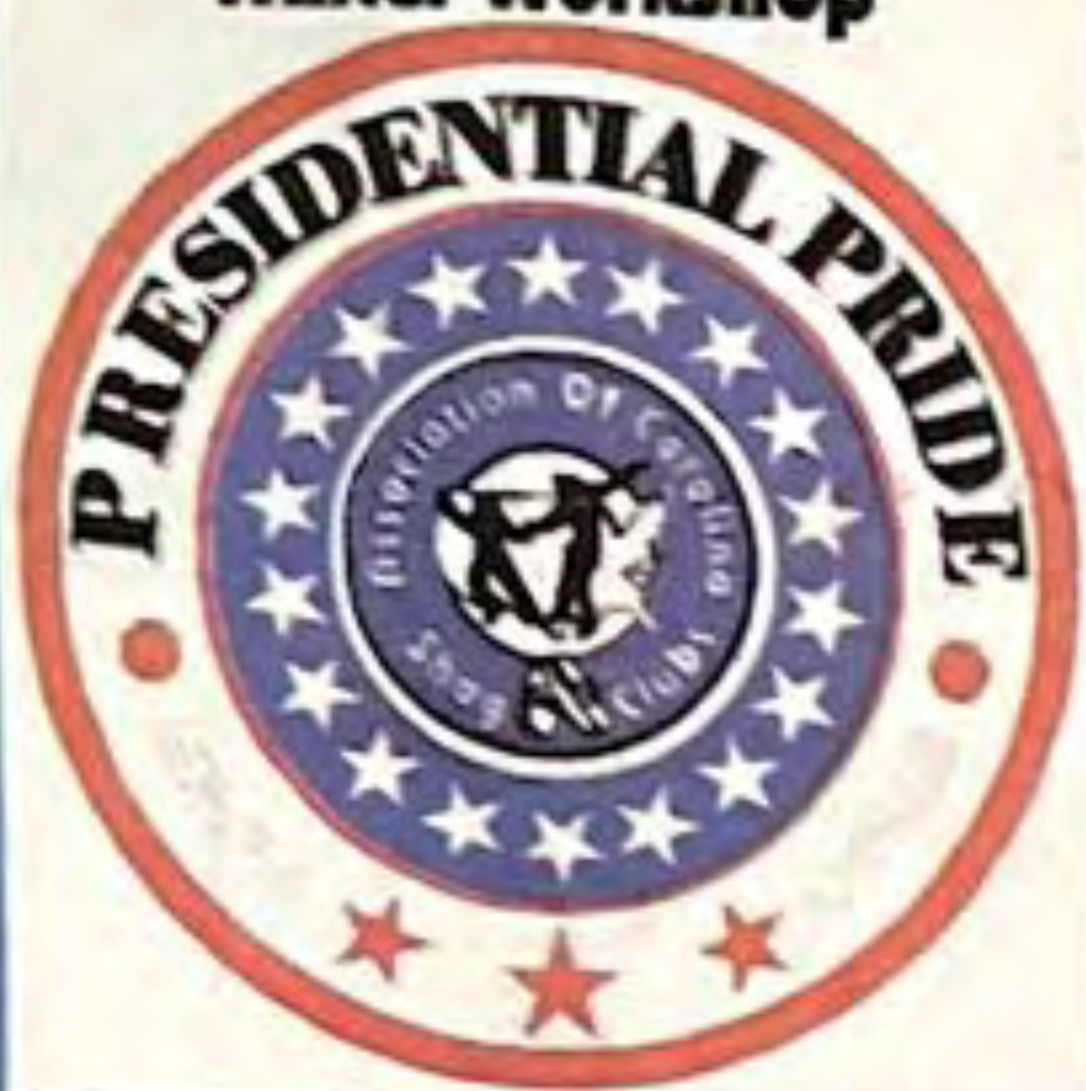
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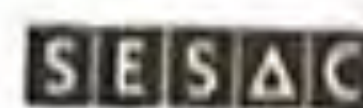
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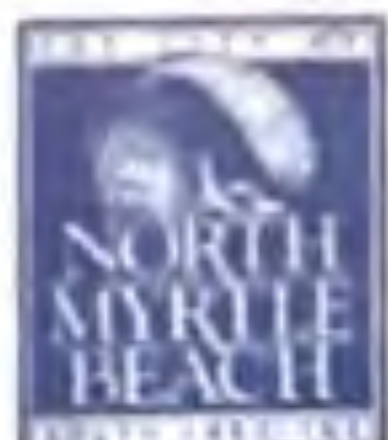
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11 AM - 12 Noon - Lead Follow

**Thursday: Thursday, April 27th (Upstairs)**

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11 am – 12 Noon - Moving & Grooving

**Friday: April 28th (Upstairs)**

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By Mary Gregory

This was the place to be on February 25, 2017, the Salisbury Shag Club's Shagger's United Party. Not knowing what to expect, since this was our first visit here, we were warmly greeted by the members of this club. Upon arrival they had put together a raffle basket full of liquid spirits, which was quite impressive. After talking with several members, we were escorted to the long food table that they had prepared and I might add that it was quite tasty. We had a warm welcome by their President and Vice President. We then began mingling around meeting old friends and meeting new ones. The music was mighty fine and was played all evening by 6 great DJ's, who were really spinning great Beach Music. They kept the dance floors really active all night. Not only was the music great but they had a tremendous dance floor downstairs and upstairs. Did I mention 2 Dance floors? Yes two! There was one large dance floor, with DJ's on the first floor; and another large dance floor, with more DJ's on the 2nd. floor. Both floors stayed full of Shaggers all evening.

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## Carolina Shag "Kickback"

By Charles Baird Fortson

Carolina Shag needs a "Keeper Of The Steps" person or committee. Sometimes Shaggers gather and find they have different names for the same thing. The "Kickback" has more than one name that I'm aware of. I call it the Kickback because I learned it on a Charlie & Jackie video. I've also heard it called the "Shift". The Kickback is the step you use to get your "4 foot" up to the front. It is a prep-step to a large variety of special steps.

In the "Basic", weight is shifted back and forth 3 times for "3-and-4" with your "4 foot" in back. But to do a Kickback the feet change places, one going to the back and the other going forward. Now you have completed the prep-step for the "Double Kickback" and many other steps. To complete the Double Kickback you do a rapid "and-5-and-6" in double-time. I like the Charlie & Jackie term because it seems to fit into the scheme for the Double Kickback, which is a classical step.

Someday a book will be written "Carolina Shag For Dummies". I predict that it will be a very successful book that will have footprint diagrams and good flowing text, along with pictures of contestants in dance. It will help if we begin to think now about how to standardize the terms. And then a shorthand can develop where everybody will see "KB" and know instantly that the writer is saying "Kickback".

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<b>SATURDAY</b> 4/22	Basic, Start, Half Turn, Belly Roll	Lead Follow Combination	Advanced Together Step	
<b>SUNDAY</b> 4/23	Basic, Rotate, Set Up, Tuck Turns	Steps from a Start Male, Female, Together	Hot Dog Steps for Men and Ladies	4 Play Shag Routine
<b>MONDAY</b> 4/24	Basic, Female Turn, Male Turn, Pivot	Easy Hot Dog Steps for Males and Females	Advanced Basics, "Movin' and Groovin'"	
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# What Are The Origins of The Shag?

by Frank Beacham



During this week of celebration of the Shag, it might be of interest to discover the origins of the dance, as well as the music — called Obeach music — that's the soundtrack of the 70-year-old dance tradition.

Over the years, there has been much speculation about where the Shag came from. As with such oft-repeated theories (rarely based on fact), it becomes — over the years — a complex mix of myths that can never be checked for accuracy.

In 1994, I began a personal journalistic project to finally learn the origins of the Shag dance and beach music. The first generation members of the Shaggers Hall of Fame would be gathered at North Myrtle Beach (it turned out for the last time) and I would interview each of them. Before that gathering, I called each one of them for an introduction and a pre-meeting interview. In doing this, I was surprised to learn that none had been seriously interviewed about the subject before. Each was ready to talk — and talk they did. They each gave me their unique story. As I suspected, they agreed the Shag, which they didn't originally call it, came out of a cultural mix descended from the decline of the big band jazz performances during World War II. Most of the champion shaggers had been Ojitterbuggers — deeply interested in jazz. They were now looking for something new and different.

As Leon Williams, George Lineberry, Harry Driver, Clarice Reavis, Betty Kirkpatrick, Chick Hedrick, Billy Jeffers and others told me their stories, each independently named Charlie Fitzgerald as a major reason for the Shag

Fitzgerald, a black entrepreneur from New York City, ran a black nightclub on Carver Street in Myrtle Beach, where a who's who of the Chitlin' Circuit

performed. They included Muddy Waters, Little Richard, Etta James, Ruth Brown, Johnny Ace, Otis Reading, Louis Jordan, Billy Eckstine, Count Basie, Ray Charles, Duke Ellington, Fats Domino, B. B. King and virtually other every significant Orace music — artist of the late 1930s through the 1950s. One day, during a chance meeting with Leon Williams, Fitzgerald invited him and his white friends to come to his club to dance. This was the Jim Crow-era of the late 1940s and such an invitation was highly unusual. But so were Williams and his friends, who were much more interested in dance and music than racial issues.

In the wee hours, after dancing at the Myrtle Beach Pavilion, the dancers migrated a mile away to Charlie's Place, where they were welcomed and protected. In this crucible, with its hard core Orace music (soon to be called Orhythm and blues), the Shag was born. In fact, one of the major black dancers, Cynthia Harrol, who collaborated with the white dancers, was nicknamed OShag.

One of the white shaggers, OBig George Lineberry, who held a day job placing records on beach-area jukeboxes, began swapping records — placing black music on jukeboxes in white-only establishments. The music took off in popularity, giving rise to the name Obeach music, since that unique black music could only be heard at the beach. The white dancers ignored the segregation around them. They lived alone for music and dance. However, the Ku Klux Klan did not like white kids dancing with blacks and attacked Charlie's nightclub with 500 rounds of ammunition on a Saturday night in the summer of 1950. Fitzgerald was severely beaten by the Klan and then jailed, though he had committed no crime. Only one man was killed (a Klansman, who had on a police uniform under his robe), but the jukebox — full of classic rhythm and blues music — was riddled with bullets. The Klan had tried to kill the black music. It didn't work.

Today, the Shag and beach music is popular mainly with whites. Many blacks shy away from what they call Owhite music, though it came from their own ancestors. Many younger black kids don't know their own unique history. Recently, the City of Myrtle Beach purchased the remains of Fitzgerald's club, including the motel he built for black performers who had no place else to stay while on the road. Little Richard and Fats Domino lived there for a short while. The major part of the Shag came as a result of a collaboration of black and white kids during an era of segregation. That is directly from the mouths of the people who created this unique Southern dance and the music that goes with it.

The dance, the Shag, and the music, beach music, are now the official dance and music of the state of South Carolina. Perhaps the story should also be taught in South Carolina's history classes as well.

Cutline: "Big George" Lineberry and Harry Driver come together in 1994 for a day honoring the first generation hall of fame shaggers at Fat Harold's Beach Club. Lineberry contributed the Obelly roll to the shag dance. Driver the Oslow pivot.







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*Shagtime 2 and the Wee Baby Blues* have since wowed dance enthusiasts at Spring SOS, Shag Extravaganza, CSRA Shag Classic, the USA Grand Nationals, Junior SOS, the Tampa Bay Classic, the Edisto Beach Music and Shag Fest, and at the O.D. Shag Club's brunch during Fall Migration. Their team routine, "Live from Ocean Drive", has delighted audiences across the southeast with its throwback to the early days of shag featuring great music and period costuming.

In fact, the team was awarded Entertainers of the Weekend at the 2016 USA Grand Nationals for their crowd-pleasing "Live from Ocean Drive" shag routine. Later in 2016, the team brought the largest and youngest group to the US Open Swing Dance Championships and placed third among teams from all over the world.

Be sure to follow *Shagtime 2 and the Wee Baby Blues* on Facebook, as well as Sam and Lisa's Shag Page, to find out about the latest happenings including junior shag events this November in Hamlet, NC and during December's Winter Jam at the OD Resort. For more information about *Shagtime 2*, contact Sam and Lisa at [lisaswing@aol.com](mailto:lisaswing@aol.com).

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That very first race in Darlington hooked me forever. The roar of the engines, the bright colors of the cars, the pageantry of it all was overwhelming for a 15 year old. I begin to follow the races, keeping up with the results and learning who the best drivers were. Guys such as Curtis Turner, Joe Weatherly, "Fireball" Roberts, Junior Johnson, Lee & Richard Petty, Buck Baker, Fred Lorenzen, Darel Dieringer, David Pearson, Cale Yarborough, and the list goes on. Over the years I've had my favorites. In the beginning I was a Ford fan so my driver was Fred Lorenzen, "Fearless Freddie" as he was known. He was from Elmhurst, Ill., not your typical southern "good ole boy". But somewhere in the mid 60's I became a Richard Petty fan and remained so until his retirement from driving in '92. Richard grew up in a stock car racing family. His dad Lee was a 3-time Nascar champion and his brother Maurice was for a long time his crew chief and engine builder. Richard Petty became the epitome of stock car racing. One season he won 10 races in a row, a feat never to be repeated.

Many years ago, there was a small motel in Darlington appropriately named The Darlington Motel. This was long before there were any accommodations in the area. The I95 and Hwy 52 interchange wasn't even a glimmer. Many of the drivers and crew would stay there during race weekends. One particular weekend there was a driver "Meet and Greet". I heard about it and decided to attend. It was rather neat, lots of drivers and crew personnel, pretty girls, the press, and the usual "wannabes". Sometime during all the enjoyment I decided it was time for a nature call. As you can imagine the "Darlington Motel" didn't have the accommodations of a Hampton Inn or even a Motel 6 had they even existed back then. Rather it was a "2 holer" at the end of a long hall, somewhat typical of the day. I went in, faced the wall above the urinal, and proceeded. I was enjoying the moment when suddenly I felt a presence beside me. Now all guys know that if another guy comes in beside you and it's just the two of you, you face the wall at attention. You don't say "How ya doin? You having a good night?" or anything. You just stare at the wall and hope to find some scribblings to read. You never turn to look at the individual beside you. And if by chance you're at a "3-holer", when you leave you just close your eyes and do a half pivot. Anyway I turned the appropriate way looking for the sink, which was paltry at best, but it did have a mirror. And in the mirror behind me was "OMG" Richard Petty! He had been my peeing partner! I immediately wanted to shake his hand but that wouldn't have been nice. I think I managed a feeble 'hey'. Later back in the meeting room I had my picture made with him, but neither of us mentioned our first encounter. Years later I again had my picture made with him and we both had changed. I didn't say aged, just changed. Like my classmates at the reunion. I have his autograph several times; on the second picture that I had enlarged, on a poster of him and his famous Petty Blue #43, and on a very large race ticket that was used as admission to his final race at the Atlanta Motor Speedway. Yes, I was there! It was said many years ago by the wizards of smart that Richard Petty had signed his autograph more than anyone else in the world. It's the fanciest signature I've ever seen, taking him almost 30 seconds each time. And he's still signing today.

Kenny Rogers did a tribute show for Petty at Charlotte's Blockbuster Pavilion in '92 as part of the Coca Cola 600 festivities. I purchased tickets and as luck would have it ended up sitting 3 rows behind Richard and wife Linda and several others. The table they were seated at was cordoned off with yellow tape so as to keep autograph hounds (like me) away. During the show I noticed he was eating popcorn from a white bag and drinking a soft drink. When Rogers sang his next to last song two rather large men appeared from nowhere as on que to escort Petty and his guests out. As they were leaving I saw him set his unfinished bag of popcorn on the table. Now who do you think has that unfinished bag of popcorn to this very day. Yep! Stored safely in my warehouse, along with 3 cases of Pepsi with his likeness on the 12 Oz. glass bottles, a set of 6 beautiful pocket knives in a handsome wooden box, a complete set of #43 Match Box cars in unopened packages depicting each race track that final year, along with books, posters, and several full size cardboard standups that you would see in grocery stores. Yes, you can see that I've been a diehard fan over the years. And there are many Richard Petty fans all across the nation ....but how many can profess that back in the day they and "The King" were peeing buddies!

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**TUESDAY APRIL 25**

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**WEDNESDAY APRIL 26**

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**SATURDAY APRIL 29**

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5-9 Billy Fanning

9-Until Murl Augustine

### SATURDAY, APRIL 22

Noon-5 Murl Augustine/  
Larry Calhoun

5-9 Steve Coley

9-Until Mike Harding

### SUNDAY, APRIL 23

Noon-5 J. J. Kinlaw

5-9 Mike Harding

9-Until Murl Augustine

### MONDAY, APRIL 24

Noon-5 J. J. Kinlaw

5-9 Curtis Treese

9-Until Larry Calhoun

### TUESDAY, APRIL 25

Noon-5 Terry McPhail

5-8 Larry Calhoun

8-Until Murl Augustine

### WEDNESDAY, APRIL 26

Noon-5 Butch Metcalf

5-9 Chigger Woods

9-Until Steve Coley

### THURSDAY, APRIL 27

Noon-5 Butch Metcalf

5-9 Mike Harding

9-Until Larry Calhoun

### FRIDAY, APRIL 28

Noon-5 Murl Augustine

5-9 Larry Calhoun

9-Until Butch Davidson

### SATURDAY, APRIL 29

Noon-5 Furman Dominic

5-9 Larry Calhoun

9-Until Mike Harding

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5-9 Randy Rowland  
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5-9 Jerry Burrage  
9-Close Betty Brown





# Fat Harold's Beach Club

## DJ Schedule Front Back

Wednesday, April 19

7-Close Jimmy Buffkin Tom Hamrick

Thursday, April 20

5-9:00 Milton White

9-Close David Harris Kitty Earles

Friday, April 21

1-5:00 Gary Bass Kitty Earles

5-9:00 Milton White Joanne Johnson

9-Close Jimmy Buffkin Clyde Waller

Saturday, April 22

1-5:00 Gary Bass Curtis Treece

5-9:00 Ken Jones Norman Mills

9-2:00 David Harris Eddie Baker

Sunday, April 23

1-5:00 Ken Jones Tiny's Party

5-9:00 David Harris Curtis Treece

9-Close John Hall Betty Brown

Monday, April 24

1-5:00 Gary Bass Jerry Munson

5-9:00 Milton White John Hall

9-Close Gene Sistare Kitty Earles

Tuesday, April 25

1-5:00 Gary Bass Jerry Munson

5-9:00 David Harris Kitty Earles

9-Close Roy Childress Betty Brown

Wednesday, April 26

1-5:00 Ken Jones Eddie Baker

5-9:00 John Hall Lamar Walker

9-Close Jimmy Buffkin Gene Sistare

Thursday, April 27

1-5:00 Gary Bass Roy Childress

5-9:00 Kitty Earles Roger Holcomb

9-Close Gene Sistare Betty Brown

Friday, April 28

1-5:00 Gary Bass Lamar Walker

5-9:00 John Hall Larry Edwards

9-Close Jimmy Buffkin Roger Holcomb

Saturday, April 29

1-4:00 Gene Sistare

12-5:00 Roy Childress

4-8:00 Larry Edwards

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8-Close David Harris

9-Close Eddie Baker

Sunday, April 30

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Friday, April 21

Too Much Sylvia 2-6

Saturday, April 22

Carolina Breakers 2-6

Sunday, April 23

The Embers 2-6

Tiny's Party to benefit

Camp Kemo 12 noon

Monday, April 24

The Entertainers 2-6

Tuesday, April 25

Holiday Band 2-6

N. Virginia Shag Club 3-5

Wednesday, April 26

Jim Quick & Coastline 2-6

BBQ Cookout 6 pm

Thursday, April 27

Fantastic Shakers 2-6

Winston-Salem Shag Club 12-3

Rock Hill Shag Club 6-8

Friday, April 28

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# 2017 SOS SPRING SAFARI MENU

## \*STARTERS

Coconut Shrimp	\$8.50
Fried Mushrooms	\$6.25
Cheese Sticks	\$6.25
Chicken Tenders	\$7.25
Hushpuppies Basket	\$2.95
Jumbo Wings	(6) \$6.95 or (12) \$11.95
Onion Rings	\$3.95
French Fries	(Sm) \$2.95 or (Lg) \$4.25
Hamburger Sliders (3)	\$6.95
Quesadilla	Cheese \$5.95 or Chicken \$7.95

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

## \*BURGERS

All of our burgers include chips & a pickle. Choice of lettuce, tomato, mayo & onion. Add Cheese \$.50 and Bacon \$.75. Substitute Fresh Cut French Fries for \$1.50 or Onion Rings for \$2.00.

Duck's Burger	\$5.95
Double Duck's Burger	\$7.95
Triple Duck's Burger	\$9.95

This all angus beef burger is grilled with blackening seasonings and topped with bleu cheese dressing.

## \*SALADS

With your choice of salad dressings:  
Ranch, Blue Cheese, Honey Mustard, Italian, Thousand Island

**House or Caesar Salad**  
Small \$3.95 Large \$5.50  
Add Grilled Chicken \$4.50  
Add Grilled Shrimp \$6.00

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## \*SANDWICHES

Club Sandwich	\$7.50
BBQ Sandwich	\$7.95
Fried Bologna Sandwich	\$5.95
Philly or Chicken Cheesesteak	\$7.95
Grilled Chicken Sandwich	\$6.95
Hot Dog	\$4.95
BLT	\$5.25
Ultimate Grilled Cheese	\$5.50
Chicken Caesar Wrap	\$7.95
Buffalo Chicken Wrap	\$7.95
Honey Mustard Chicken Wrap	\$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:

<b>Flounder or Shrimp</b>	
(Grilled, Fried or Blackened)	
Choice of One (1) Seafood Item	\$15.95
Choice of Two (2) Seafood Items	\$17.95
Fried Flounder Sandwich	\$9.95

## \*KID'S MENU

All kid's meals include choice of chips or Fresh Cut French Fries, and a drink.

Hot Dog	\$4.95	Chicken Tenders	\$6.25
Grilled Cheese	\$4.95	Shrimp Basket	\$6.95
Hamburger	\$5.95		

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**Duck's Main Street Bar, Grille & Sidewalk Cafe**  
CAFÉ OPENS 11 AM  
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1 - 5 pm and 6 pm Until...  
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## SPECIAL PARTY!

**WEDNESDAY 4/19** in the Night Club  
**FREE ADMISSION TO ALL!**  
**DUCK'S SPRING SOS**  
8 pm "Jump Start Party #1"  
**THE EMBERS**  
FEATURING CRAIG WOOLARD  
**FREE FOOD WHILE IT LASTS!**  
**DJ RICH HARGROVE**  
Duck's Main St Bar, Grille & Sidewalk Cafe  
**CAFÉ OPENS 11 AM**  
DRINK & FOOD SPECIALS  
**OUTSIDE ENTERTAINMENT - GARY LOWDER**  
6 - 10 PM

## SPECIAL PARTY!

**THURSDAY 4/20** in the Night Club  
**FREE ADMISSION TO ALL!**  
**DUCK'S SPRING SOS**  
8 pm "Jump Start Party #2"  
**FANTASY BAND**  
**FREE FOOD WHILE IT LASTS!**  
**DJ PAUL CRAVER**  
Duck's Main St Bar, Grille & Sidewalk Cafe  
**CAFÉ OPENS 11 AM**  
DRINK & FOOD SPECIALS  
**OUTSIDE ENTERTAINMENT - RICKY T**  
6 - 10 PM

## FREE ADMISSION TO ALL BANDS!

**SATURDAY 4/22** Duck's Main St Bar, Grille & Sidewalk Cafe 11 AM until...

SPECIAL PARTY		"ROCKIN' OLDIES VINYL PARTY" IN CAFE:		"8 OF THE BEST DUCK'S DJ'S"	
Night Club	12 noon - 6:30 pm	12 noon - 3:00	3:00 - 6:30	12 noon - 3:00	3:00 - 6:30
12 noon - 3:00	DANA GRUBB/ CRAIG JENNINGS	12 noon - 3:00	JOHN CAMPBELL/ CRAIG JENNINGS	3:00 - 6:30	DANA GRUBB/ CHAD FARLOW
3:00 - 6:30	PAUL CRAVER/ BILL HARPER	3:00 - 6:30	JEFF FOSTER/ SKIP MALLIOS	6:30 - 10:00	BILLY WALDREP/ BUCK CRUMPTON
6:30 - 10:00	BILLY WALDREP/ BUCK CRUMPTON	6:30 - 10:00	EDDIE ANDERSON/ BUTCH METCALF	10:00 - Close	ED TIMBERLAKE/ JOHN SMITH
10:00 - Close	ED TIMBERLAKE/ JOHN SMITH	10:00 - Close	EDDIE ANDERSON/ BUTCH METCALF		

**SUNDAY 4/23** Duck's Main St Bar, Grille & Sidewalk Cafe 11 AM until...

BAND: 1 - 5 PM		BLACKWATER RHYTHM & BLUES		FREE!	
Night Club	12 noon - 5:00	12 noon - 3:00	3:00 - 6:30	12 noon - 3:00	3:00 - 6:30
12 noon - 5:00	RICH HARGROVE/ JEFF WALSTON	12 noon - 3:00	JOHN CAMPBELL/ CRAIG JENNINGS	3:00 - 6:30	DANA GRUBB/ CHAD FARLOW
5:00 - 7:30	JESSIE GRIFFIN/ JIM AGE	3:00 - 6:30	JEFF FOSTER/ SKIP MALLIOS	6:30 - 10:00	BILLY WALDREP/ BUCK CRUMPTON
7:30 - 10:00	BUCK CRUMPTON/ BILLY WALDREP	6:30 - 10:00	EDDIE ANDERSON/ BUTCH METCALF	10:00 - Close	ED TIMBERLAKE/ PAUL CRAVER
10:00 - Close	ED TIMBERLAKE/ PAUL CRAVER	10:00 - Close	EDDIE ANDERSON/ BUTCH METCALF		

**MONDAY 4/24** Duck's Main St Bar, Grille & Sidewalk Cafe 11 AM until...

BAND: 1 - 5 PM		STEVE OWENS & SUMMERTIME		FREE!	
Night Club	12 noon - 5:00	12 noon - 3:00	3:00 - 6:30	12 noon - 3:00	3:00 - 6:30
12 noon - 5:00	RICH HARGROVE/ CHAD FARLOW	12 noon - 3:00	GARY STELLPFLUG/ JEFF WALSTON	3:00 - 6:30	MIKE WILLIFORD/ WAYNE BENNETT
5:00 - 7:30	BILL HARPER/ JIM ROSE	3:00 - 6:30	EDDIE ANDERSON/ DENNIS BRUMBLE	6:30 - 10:00	JEFF FOSTER/ BUTCH METCALF
7:30 - 10:00	SKIP MALLIOS/ JOHN CAMPBELL	6:30 - 10:00	JEFF FOSTER/ BUTCH METCALF	10:00 - Close	BUCK CRUMPTON/ ED TIMBERLAKE
10:00 - Close	BUCK CRUMPTON/ ED TIMBERLAKE	10:00 - Close	JEFF FOSTER/ BUTCH METCALF		

**TUESDAY 4/25** Duck's Main St Bar, Grille & Sidewalk Cafe 11 AM until...

BAND: 1 - 5 PM		CATALINAS		FREE!	
Night Club	12 noon - 5:00	12 noon - 3:00	3:00 - 6:30	12 noon - 3:00	3:00 - 6:30
12 noon - 5:00	RICH HARGROVE/ CHAD FARLOW	12 noon - 3:00	DAVID SESSOMS/ JOHN CAMPBELL	3:00 - 6:30	MIKE WILLIFORD/ DENNIS BRUMBLE
5:00 - 7:30	JESSIE GRIFFIN/ JEFF WALSTON	3:00 - 6:30	JEFF FOSTER/ EDDIE ANDERSON	6:30 - 10:00	JEFF FOSTER/ EDDIE ANDERSON
7:30 - 10:00	SKIP MALLIOS/ BILL HARPER	6:30 - 10:00	JIM ROSE/ BUTCH METCALF	10:00 - Close	BUCK CRUMPTON
10:00 - Close	BUCK CRUMPTON	10:00 - Close	JIM ROSE/ BUTCH METCALF		

**WEDNESDAY 4/26** Duck's Main St Bar, Grille & Sidewalk Cafe 11 AM until...

BAND: 1 - 5 PM		DIVISION		FREE!	
Night Club	12 noon - 5:00	12 noon - 3:00	3:00 - 6:30	12 noon - 3:00	3:00 - 6:30
12 noon - 5:00	RICH HARGROVE/ CHAD FARLOW	12 noon - 3:00	JEFF WALSTON/ MIKE WILLIFORD	3:00 - 6:30	TERRY HARPER/ WALTER UPCHURCH
5:00 - 7:30	BILL HARPER/ JESSIE GRIFFIN	3:00 - 6:30	EDDIE ANDERSON/ JIM ROSE	6:30 - 10:00	EDDIE ANDERSON/ JIM ROSE
7:30 - 10:00	BUCK CRUMPTON/ PAUL CRAVER	6:30 - 10:00	BUTCH METCALF/ JEFF FOSTER	10:00 - Close	ED TIMBERLAKE/ JOHN SMITH
10:00 - Close	ED TIMBERLAKE/ JOHN SMITH	10:00 - Close	BUTCH METCALF/ JEFF FOSTER		

**FRIDAY 4/21** Duck's Main St Bar, Grille & Sidewalk Cafe 11 AM until...

Night Club	12:noon - 3:00	3:00 - 6:30	6:30 - 10:00	10:00 - CLOSE
	CRAIG JENNINGS/ JESSIE GRIFFIN	BILL HARPER/ PAUL CRAVER	BILLY WALDREP/ BUCK CRUMPTON	JOHN SMITH
	MIKE WILLIFORD/ SKIP MALLIOS	DENNIS BRUMBLE/ JOHN CAMPBELL	EDDIE ANDERSON/ JIM AGE	BUTCH METCALF/ STEVE BAKER

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BAND 4 PM

**THURSDAY 4/27** Duck's Main St Bar, Grille & Sidewalk Cafe 11 AM until...

SPECIAL PARTIES		IN NIGHT CLUB:		IN CAFE:	
Night Club	12 noon - 5:00	12 noon - 3:00	3:00 - 6:30	12 noon - 3:00	3:00 - 6:30
12 noon - 5:00	EDDIE ANDERSON	12 noon - 3:00	DENNIS MURPHY/ NORMAN MILLS	3:00 - 6:30	SKIP MALLIOS/ CHUCK KRYDER
5:00 - 7:30	JEFF WALSTON/ JESSIE GRIFFIN	3:00 - 6:30	BUCK CRUMPTON/ BILLY WALDREP	6:30 - 10:00	BUCK CRUMPTON/ BILLY WALDREP
7:30 - 10:00	BILLY WALDREP/ BUCK CRUMPTON	6:30 - 10:00	EDDIE ANDERSON/ DENNIS BRUMBLE	10:00 - Close	ED TIMBERLAKE/ PAUL CRAVER
10:00 - Close	ED TIMBERLAKE/ PAUL CRAVER	10:00 - Close	EDDIE ANDERSON/ DENNIS BRUMBLE		

**FRIDAY 4/28** Duck's Main St Bar, Grille & Sidewalk Cafe 11 AM until...

SPECIAL PARTIES		IN NIGHT CLUB:		IN CAFE:	
Night Club	12 noon - 3:00	12 noon - 3:00	3:00 - 6:30	12 noon - 3:00	3:00 - 6:30
12 noon - 3:00	MIKE RINK/ JEFF FOSTER	12 noon - 3:00	DAVID SESSOMS/ JOHN CAMPBELL	3:00 - 6:30	SKIP MALLIOS/ CHUCK KRYDER
3:00 - 6:30	PAUL CRAVER/ SKIP MALLIOS	3:00 - 6:30	EDDIE ANDERSON/ DENNIS BRUMBLE	6:30 - 10:00	BUCK CRUMPTON/ BILLY WALDREP
6:30 - 10:00	BILLY WALDREP/ BUCK CRUMPTON	6:30 - 10:00	JEFF FOSTER/ EDDIE ANDERSON	10:00 - Close	ED TIMBERLAKE/ PAUL CRAVER
10:00 - Close	ED TIMBERLAKE/ PAUL CRAVER	10:00 - Close	EDDIE ANDERSON/ DENNIS BRUMBLE		

**SATURDAY 4/29** Duck's Main St Bar, Grille & Sidewalk Cafe 11 AM until...

SPECIAL PARTY		SOS PARADE		PUTTIN' ON DA RITZ	
Night Club	12 noon - 6:30 pm	12 noon - 3:00	3:00 - 6:30	12 noon - 3:00	3:00 - 6:30
12 noon - 6:30 pm	JEFF WALSTON/ CHAD FARLOW	12 noon - 3:00	PAUL CRAVER/ RICH HARGROVE	12 noon - 3:00	JEFF WALSTON/ CHAD FARLOW
3:00 - 6:30	PAUL CRAVER/ RICH HARGROVE	3:00 - 6:30	BILLY WALDREP/ BUCK CRUMPTON	3:00 - 6:30	PAUL CRAVER/ RICH HARGROVE
6:30 - 10:00	BILLY WALDREP/ BUCK CRUMPTON	6:30 - 10:00	EDDIE ANDERSON/ DENNIS BRUMBLE	6:30 - 10:00	BILLY WALDREP/ BUCK CRUMPTON
10:00 - Close	ED TIMBERLAKE/ JOHN SMITH	10:00 - Close	EDDIE ANDERSON/ DENNIS BRUMBLE	10:00 - Close	ED TIMBERLAKE/ JOHN SMITH

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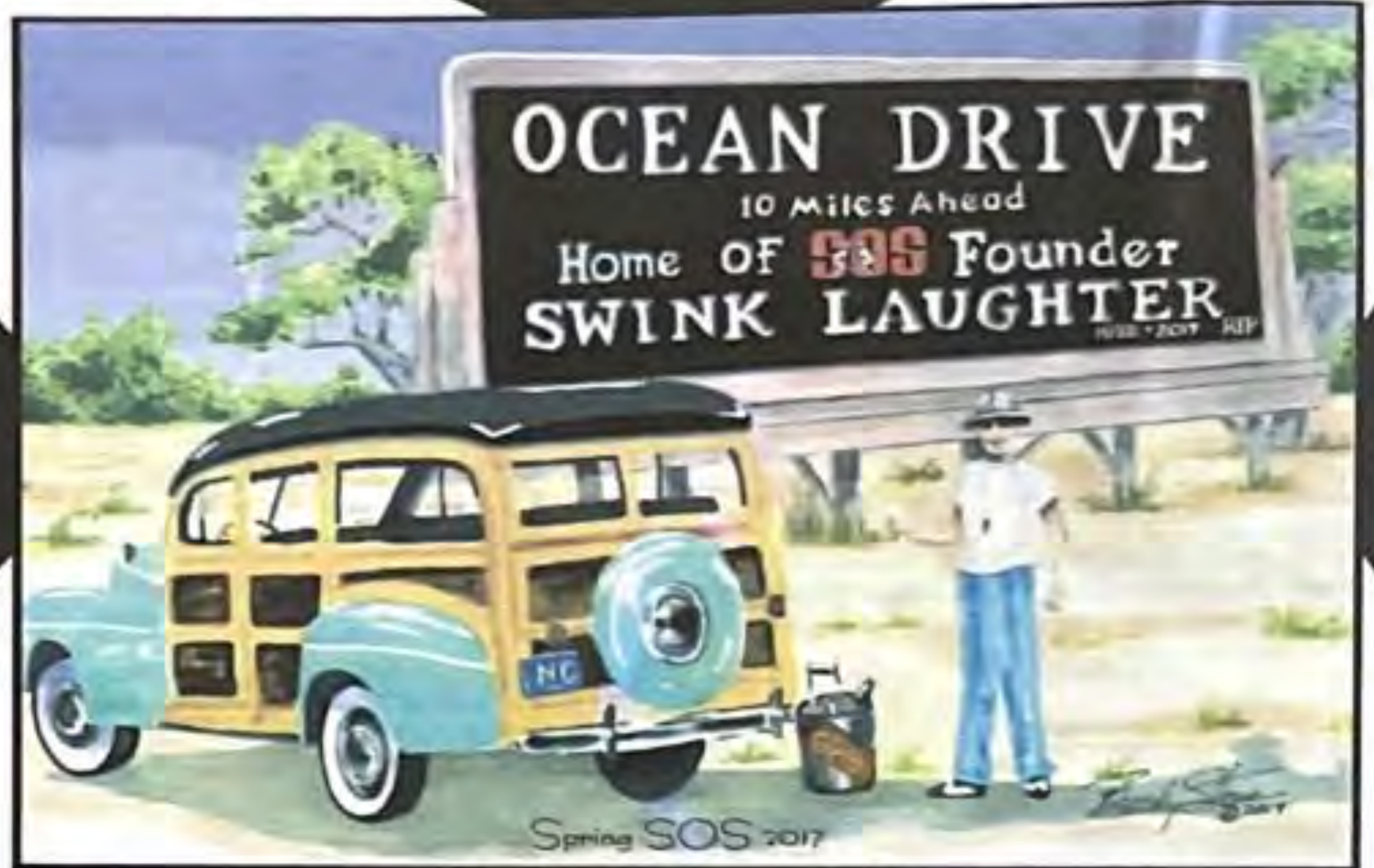
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## 2017 SOS SPRING SAFARI DJ LINEUP

**THURSDAY 4/20**

6-9 OD Pavilion Social & Shag Club Party With Jerry Burrage

9-Close Gary Gibson

**FRIDAY 4/21**

1-5 Ken McGee

5-9 Chigger Woods

9-Close Robbie Leggett

**SATURDAY 4/22**

1-5 THE TONEZ

5-9 Robbie Leggett

9-Close Betty Brown

**SUNDAY 4/23**

10-3 GOSPEL HOUR &

SHRIMP N' GRITS

With Glyde Waller &

Dick Hamrick

3-8 Danny Navey

8-Close Kitty Earles

**MONDAY 4/24**

1-5 Ken McGee

5-9 Jerry Burrage

9-Close Danny Navey

**TUESDAY 4/25**

1-5 Chad Farlow

5-9 Danny Navey

9-Close Dane-O Spencer

**WEDNESDAY 4/26**

1-5 Kitty Earles

5-9 Jerry Burrage

9-Close Betty Brown

**THURSDAY 4/27**

1-5 Robbie Leggett

5-9 Betty Brown

9-Close Alan Stokes &

Brooks Lee

**FRIDAY 4/28**

12-5 Gary Lowder &

Smokin' Hot

5-9 Dick Hamrick

9-Close Betty Brown

**SATURDAY 4/29**

1-5 Mike McDaniel

5-9 Betty Brown

9-Close Dick Hamrick

**Saturday 4/22 1-5**



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Tuesday 4/25 Alan Stokes  
Boogie Lead for the Guys

Wednesday 4/26 Scott Campbell & Nikki Kontoulas  
Smooth Lead Follow

Thursday 4/27 Nikki Kontoulas  
Style for the Ladies

Friday 4/28 Nikki Kontoulas & Alan Stokes  
Flash & Trash

Saturday 4/29 Scott Campbell & Nikki Kontoulas  
Lead Follow with style

### CLUB PARTIES AT PIRATE'S COVE

Thursday 4/20 OD Pavilion Social & Shag Club 6-9

Friday 4/21 South Strand Shag Club 4-7

Thursday 4/27 Eastern NC Shag Club 1-5





## A.C.S.C. Shagging Icon Award

The purpose of the A.C.S.C. Shagging Icon Award is to recognize individuals who have made outstanding contributions within their own local (Full Member, A.C.S.C.) shag club. Nominees for this award have made significant efforts and contributions to their local shag club & are clearly outstanding members of the shag community. Although some of these nominees may go on to be well known in the shag world (the A.C.S.C. or S.O.S., the C.S.A., the DJ Association, etc.) many of these individuals may not be known outside of their own club. This award has come to be one of the most highly prized awards that a shagger can attain.



**Mary Gregory**  
Burlington Club

Mary may be small in stature but she is large in accomplishments. Her many special talents have allowed her to excel in numerous and varied areas to benefit her shag club and a wide array of people and organizations in the shag world.

She has been a hard working and dedicated member of Burlington Shag Club for 15 years. She does her work quietly and efficiently because she cares deeply for what we all want to do—preserve our dance and our lifestyle. Each day that passes, she does the things that go unnoticed, but keep our world running smoothly, efficiently, productively, and pleasantly. She is not a person who needs a pat on the back or needs to be acknowledged for what she does to further our lifestyle. Mary is very passionate about her involvement with BSC, with SOS, and with ACSC and works tirelessly to assist and support each entity. She never says “No” to any request for help. In appreciation of her excellent support of BSC, Mary was inducted into the GSC Hall of Fame in 2006.

Mary has worked diligently in the Burlington Shag Club in many capacities. She served as treasurer for 5 years, and chaired the Welcome Committee for 5 years. For 2 years she served on the Hall of Fame Committee and Chaired, Co-chaired or served on the Entertainment Committee for 8 years. She created and maintained the Phone Tree for two years and produced the newsletter for 4 years. She chaired the BSC Yard Sale for Christmas Cheer for 5 years.

For 6 years she either chaired or co-chaired BSC’s SOS Float Committee. Year after year, she rearranged her house so she could set up her sewing machine to make costumes for club members and to make decorations for the floats. Several floats were prize winners. For 4 years she chaired the club’s Fun Monday Booth at SOS, and for 5 years she served on BSC’s Special Olympics Golf Tournament. In 2006, she chaired the ACSC Workshop Committee when Burlington served as host for the Association’s weekend meeting. For one year, she chaired the Meals on Wheels Annual

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Benefit and served on the committee for 6 years. She volunteered to help teach Junior Shaggers for 1 year.

Mary loves to take pictures and for the last 12 years, she has taken several thousand pictures at club events and posts them on the club’s website. Her photos will forever give a pictorial view of the club’s history. For 4 years, she has been the official BSC photographer. She created the display board of Icon pictures that is on display at the Company Store, and she is one of the contributing photographers for SOS, Carefree Times, and ACSC. She also created and is the writer for the “On the Road with Mary” articles in the Carefree Times that showcase various shag club’s big annual parties.

Mary’s talent in working with computers and designing graphics is awesome. She has served as webmaster for Burlington Shag Club for 15 years. She updated the shagdance.com website and has served as Web Master and for SOS and ACSC since 2001. Her extensive computer skills allow her to create forms, audio visuals, and reports. In addition, she is always available for technical support when needed by any shag club. Mary has also created designs that have been used on apparel sold in the SOS Company Store.

At the request of the ACSC Board, Mary and her husband Ronnie did months of research and made many phone calls to put together the documentation for past officers and board members for both SOS and ACSC. They created a large poster listing our history with photos so that the folks who were a part of our organizations will not be forgotten. This large display board is on display at the Company Store. She also co-chaired the “Night to Remember” event recognizing past ACSC officers, SOS board members, and Icon recipients.

Mary is truly a great ambassador for the Burlington Shag Club, ACSC, and SOS. Her kindness and love of the dance, the music, the lifestyle, and the work it takes to make it all come together is truly iconic.

who meets her goals, and her accomplishments are numerous.

She served as a director for 4 terms (12 years) and as president for 2 years. Under her leadership, member participation and weekly dance nights really boomed. She always organizes grand parties and events and invites neighboring club members and the Florence community to join in the fun. With her eye for themes and decorating, she is frequently asked to be the decorating chairman. She has also chaired the nominating, food, and telephone committees numerous times. By directing activities with Senior Life Expo, Harvest Hope Food Bank, and Heritage Nursing Home, she helps the club assist organizations while promoting shag in the community.

In earlier years, she participated in shag contests and placed first in 1985 in Arts Alive, and in 1987, placed third in a contest at Studebakers. Sixty years of shagging has set a standard for others and she loves helping others learn new steps and improve their dancing. Her love of watching the Juniors dance led to the club’s fundraiser in 2015, which raised \$1,700 for the Junior Shag Association. She also worked with fundraisers which allowed FSC to make generous donations to Harvest Hope Food Bank, and to the Veterans Resource Center to aid needy and homeless veterans in the seven county Pee Dee area.

As an ambassador for the Florence Shag Club, she is always present at the weekly dances at the Circle Fountain on Friday nights, attends club business meetings, visits sister clubs when out of town, and arranges mini-van trips for club members to visit sister clubs.

The qualities of being dependable, honest, respected, knowledgeable, a great dancer, friendly, and organized describe a leader in a shag organization. Gerry also has the ability to bring out the best in Florence Shag Club members and to bring the group together for the best decisions for the club. These are character traits for a Shag Icon.



**Gerry Hayes**  
Florence Shag Club

Gerry began her love for shagging at a very young age. Her family vacationed at Ocean Drive and her mother would take the girls to the pavilion to watch everyone dance. Gary was only 12 but she learned the basic by watching everyone and going home and practicing. The boys in her home town were not interested

in dancing so the girls had to learn to dance the male and the female steps so they could dance together. She has shared her love of the dance through the years.

Gerry’s hard work and dedication to the Florence Shag Club has remained strong throughout the past 31 years. She served as the first Secretary for Florence Shag Club when it originated in 1985 and has worn many hats through the years serving in various leadership positions and on many, many committees achieving great success in each endeavor. In 2015, to celebrate the club’s thirtieth anniversary, she entered a convertible in the SOS Parade where she and her officers dressed as train engineers with the theme of “The Florence Shag Club is on the Right Track” and she could be considered the “Engineer” for that journey. Also, to celebrate the longevity of the club, she established an Anniversary/Reunion Party in 2005, 2010, and 2015. Her winning disposition and eagerness to excel is admirable. Her expertise in planning and organizing events is outstanding. She served as Decorating Chair for “Cool Me Out” in 2002, 2005, 2013, 2014, and 2015. Gerry is a born leader



**Cecil Martin**  
Palmetto Shag Club

During his 11 years as a member of Palmetto Shag Club, Cecil has applied his knowledge from working in the business world to work with the club’s Board to upgrade and make improvements for operation of the shag club.

From 2014-2016 he served as PSC’s Webmaster. In 2014 he redeveloped the Website and continues to be responsible for updates on a routine basis. His efforts save the Club about \$500 per year and provide responsive service by allowing posting information in a timely manner. He researched and set up an online accounting system that allows a more simplified accounting process and allows the board members and the auditor to have continuous access to the accounting system, which improved overall transparency for the financial records. This change reduced the cost for accounting software upgrades and allowed easier transition between treasurers for the Club.

He initiated the development and use of an annual budget for the Club’s regular account and for the Southern Comfort Party account. When modifications are needed, the budgets can be modified by the Board.

In 2016, Cecil took over the responsibilities of PSC Communications Chair. This entails sending out weekly “Shag



# ACSC SHAGGING ICONS

Notes" to inform members of dance opportunities available on a weekly basis, as well as weekend parties hosted by other ACSC clubs.

Cecil served as chairman of the 2015 Dance Floor Committee. The committee's function was to investigate ways to replace the 18-year-old, heavy dance floor. After working with several vendors, negotiating pricing, evaluating samples sent to the Club, PSC purchased a new professional floor at a significant discount off the list price. They purchased a mobile trailer for storage and transportation of the floor, which reduced the labor of putting down and taking up the floor each time it was used. The trailer eliminated the need to pay rent for a storage building.

In August 2016, PSC learned that the venue they had used for 7 years would no longer be available. Within 4 weeks, the Search Committee learned that available facilities were either too small, in bad locations, or too expensive. Eventually, they narrowed the options to two. Cecil then worked to negotiate an affordable price with the facility and signed a 2-year contract to protect the Club from future price increases.

Cecil served 2 years as club President and 2 years as Past President. In addition to the committees mentioned above, he has either chaired, co-chaired, or served on almost all Palmetto's committees: PSC Bar Co-chair; Halloween Party, Chair; Chili Cook-off at Corner Pocket, Co-chair; Tea Party at OD Arcade, committee member; SOS Parade, committee member; Decorations Committee, member; Food committee, member; New Year's Eve Party, Co-chair for 4 years; Fun Monday Raffle Tickets, Co-chair 4 years; SOS card sales, Co-chair 4 years; Bus Trips, Co-chair; Southern Comfort weekend party, Co-chair 4 years; supports the Junior Shag Program; SOS at Sea I, III, & IV participant.

Cecil has worked diligently to host successful events for the American Cancer Society Benefit/DJ Marathon. He organized the first Marathon in 2014 and has co-chaired the event each year to raise over \$5,000 for this charity.

In 2012, completed the research and prepared the bid for the last ACSC Winter Workshop to be held away from the beach. He chaired the successful "Party to Remember" in 2014. Also in 2014, he worked with the committee to submit a successful bid for the 2016 ACSC Summer Workshop. This, too, was a successful event.

The list of Cecil's accomplishments is long and demonstrates a strong dedication to Palmetto Shag Club. Cecil exemplifies the type person who deserves the Shagging Icon Award.



**Tim Sullivan**  
Richmond Shag Club

A native of Hopewell, Virginia, Tim has been dancing since he was a teenager. He discovered his love of the music and the dance during the fifties. He found places to dance locally and traveled to Virginia Beach on weekends to

dance at clubs where the "Bop" was his favorite dance.

For twenty-six years, Tim has been a member of RSC who has worked tirelessly for the club and for the shag community. His calm demeanor and steady leadership have kept the club running smoothly and effectively. He is friendly, sociable, open, upbeat, and an outstanding role model who represents the club in a very positive light.

Tim has taken a proactive role in Richmond Shag Club by looking for ways to enhance members' opportunities. He presented to the RSCA Board the idea of having a club party in the spring. The board liked the idea and thus the club's "Spring Fling" party was born. Tim worked with individuals at a local venue to secure a place for the party at a reasonable cost. He chaired the RSC annual "Boogie on the James" in 2010 and 2011 with 220 plus attendees. He chaired this event without a loss of revenue to the club and without a commercial sponsor by selling "Win It Before You Buy It" raffle tickets. He also encouraged club members to donate bottles of liquor and wine for the "Barrow of Booze" which was raffled off at the party. In 2012 he assisted the party chairperson in achieving the same success.

Tim has served on the Board of Directors for many years in various capacities. He served as Vice-President in 2011 and President from 2012 through 2015. He has chaired many committees and functions. For two years, he chaired the Ways and Means and the "Boogie on the James" Annual Party Committees. Tim served on the RSC Golf Tournament Committee, the Social Committee, the Party Floor Committee, the Board Nomination Committee, and RSC's "Spirit of the Shag" Committee. He served on the Annual Visitation Committee where RHS members teach children to shag at Camp Fantastic (a camp for children with cancer and the RSC's designated charity.) He has served on the Competitive Shaggers Association's Events Committee, and has represented RSC at several ACSC workshops and meetings.

In 2010, Tim was honored with the RSC's "Spirit of the Shag Award"—a very prestigious recognition. In 2011, he was elected into the Virginia Shaggers Hall of Fame and has served faithfully on its board and attended all its events since 2012. He travels two hours each way to attend meetings and has never missed a meeting or event. In 2016, he was inducted into the National Living Legends of the Dance.

During his sojourns to Ocean Drive for SOS, he traditionally enters the "Rookies Revenge" contests held at the OD Arcade where he normally finishes in the top six with a second place being his best showing so far. At each of the shag venues, he has the reputation of dancing with most, if not all, of the women in the room. He loves to dance and is a popular dance partner.

He is known around Richmond as the "Ticket Man" because he can be counted on to participate in fund raising events ranging from the several "Brunswick Stews" the RSC cooks throughout the year, to selling various ACSC and RSC raffle tickets. He has attended SOS for over 20 years. Tim can be counted on to be available and to do whatever it takes to make any endeavor a success.

Tim has been involved in the dance scene for fifty years, and he currently travels to shag events up and down the east coast. Tim's long years of service and reliable participation in RSC make Tim a pillar of his shag club and the Shag World in general. Tim is the epitome of what the Icon Award stands for.



**Shirley Weaver Patterson**  
Sugarfoot Shag Club

Shirley is one of the original founders of the Sugarfoot Shag Club of Goldsboro and during

the past 27 years has promoted the local club and other area clubs through service and shag instruction. She has willingly served a leadership role as club President for 7 years, as Vice-President for 1 year, on the Board of Directors for 27 years, and as Treasurer for 5 years.

For 9 years, Shirley was responsible for the shag club's newsletter. She also chaired and served on the Social, Advertising, Communications, and By-Laws Committees for several years. She created and named three charity events: the Memorial Madness Fundraiser Event, the Shag-O-Ween event (a collaboration between 4 shag clubs), and the Mike Overman "Shagdaddy" Charity event in honor and memory of a local DJ who often held benefits for organizations or people in our community. This event raised \$7,500 for local charities in 2015. She organized 3 bus trips to support other shag clubs' functions and organized Sugarfoot Shag Club's participation in "Down East Beach Boogie" with Charlie Byrd. For 4 years, she has organized the club's Food Cook-Off Contest with Eastern NC Shag Club.

To help the club run smoothly, Shirley plans the club's social events for each calendar year, secures the event locations, lines up the DJs, and creates event flyers for publication. She serves as a liaison by sending club information to radio stations, the local newspaper, the Sugarfoot Gazette, and to [www.shagdance.com](http://www.shagdance.com). She organized the phone tree system to keep club members updated on local events and other shag clubs' events. From 2010-2013, she created and published the Chatham Area Shag Association Newsletter. She secures hotel contracts for club events and for Association events.

Shirley campaigns to promote the shag world at the local, state, and national levels as an ambassador for the dance, the music, the shag clubs, SOS, ACSC, and CSA. She is a member of Carolina Beach Music Awards to help provide recognition of the musicians, DJs, songwriters, bands, and radio stations who play music to preserve the shag legacy. Since 1987, she has attended every SOS and Mid-Winter and frequently attends DJ Throwdown.

From 2001-present, she has been a member of Competitive Shaggers Association (CSA) and is currently serving a 2 year term on its Board of Directors. Shirley served as a Shag Contest Judge for 10 or more shag contests and supported non-sanctioned dance contests for Red's Beach Club, Thirsties in Greensboro, Bradshaw/Seymour Contest at Savilles, and the Azalea Festival Shag Contest. From 2000-2014 she competed in Novice CSA contests (2 per year), and from 2014-16 competed in about 100 sanctioned and non-sanctioned competitions. She supports competitions as a vehicle for promoting the continued learning of new dance steps and the camaraderie with other lovers of the dance.

She has taught shag classes for many years in Goldsboro, Dunn, and Lillington, NC, and assists other shag instructors at Central Carolina Community College.

She supports the Shag lifestyle where people can enjoy the physical benefits of dance as well as the lifelong friendships formed through dance events. Shirley truly advocates for the lifestyle, for the preservation of the shag dance, and for the music with her contagious enthusiasm for our lifestyle. She is truly deserving of the Icon Award.









# 2017 National Shag Dance Championships

# 34<sup>TH</sup> Contest

2017 NATIONAL SHAG  
DANCE CHAMPIONSHIPS  
MYRTLE BEACH, SOUTH CAROLINA

## OVERALL WINNERS

Sam West & Leslie Jennings

## PROFESSIONAL DIVISION

1. Leslie Jennings & Sam West
2. Autumn Jones & Brennar Goree
3. Chase Forrester & Cody Edwards
4. Myers Floyd & Garrett Humphries
5. Sarah Kemp & Rod Hager
6. Taylor Perkinson & Jeremy Webb
7. Jada Bannen & Steve Balok
8. Tobitha Stewart & Gene Pope

## NON-PROFESSIONAL DIVISION

1. Sydney Kemble-West & Kyler Byrum
2. Kim Chance & Bryan Renn
3. Taylor Shirley & Chad Farlow

## MASTERS

1. Jane Jacobs & Craig Guy
2. Mary Lynn Myrick & Tom Bare
3. Pat Folds & Rodger Woodson
4. Susan Neal & Tom Shipman

## JUNIOR DIVISION I

1. Lizzie Batten & Trey Henley
2. Trinity Davis & Mack West
3. Gracie Pandure & Tucker Brown
4. Lauren Cookman & Jason Long

## JUNIOR DIVISION II

1. Kayla Henley & Jackson Batten
2. Allison Pittman & Cullen Fields
3. Ivy Claire Huiet & Johnathan Kemp
4. Mary Elizabeth Jacobs & River Harmon
5. Kaylee Bravo & Kolten Ellis

## SENIORS

1. Brenda & Bill Barber
2. Marsha & Les Rose
3. Pat & Archer Joyce



## **Beth Michell Scholarship**

Anna Victoria Jacobs, Kelly Floyd, Kolten Ellis, Nancy Mitchell,  
Mary Elizabeth Jacobs, Nickie Johnson Brown, Chase Forrester



## **Championship Divisional Winners (left to right):**

Craig Guy and Jane Jacobs (Masters), Kyler Byrum and Sydney West (Non-Professional), Trey Henley and Lizzie Batten (Junior I), Jackson Batten and Kayla Henley (Junior II and also Overall Juniors Winners), Leslie Jennings (Professional and Overall Professional Winner), Brenda and Bill Barber (Seniors). Sam West (Professional and Overall Professional Winner)



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# OUR TIME- Celebrating 30 Years



In 1986 Harold Bessent, then owner of Fat Harold's Beach Club, Harold's On The Ocean, and Harold's Across The Street, sent a letter to 25 couples and individuals living in NC and SC to be part of a new event that he had been thinking about for a few years. The event would be a private and non-profit organization for "old timers" as he stated. A meeting was held at Fat Harold's a few months later and all voted that the event would be called "Our Time" and be held in February of each year. A corporation was formed, by-laws put in to place, and several committees were set up over time to organize the event. The first event was held in February 1987 at Fat Harold's Beach Club and thereafter at OD Resort in one of their venues.



Being a private organization Our Time has been attended by invitation only from each host, which had the option of 12 couples/individuals over the age of 35. The committees were formed for the menu, membership advisory, By-laws, music, and the DJ's (which have been some of the best over the years). Our Time has made donations over the years to North Myrtle Beach Schools, Hall of Fame Foundation, and Keepers of the Dance to help their organizations.



2017 Our Time was another success having a huge crowd, beautiful decorations by Jan Lewis, a slide show put together by Monty Lee with photos of "old timers" that were collected by Norfleet Jones, now President, which was a huge hit throughout the weekend. After 30 years and still having a great party... you can't beat that!!!

Pam Wood Bennett, who has been Secretary for the past 29 years has recently resigned. So a HUGE THANKS goes out to Pam for all her dedication and hard work in keeping her part organized.





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## Parade Talk

2017 SOS Parade Theme is...DANCE FEVER!! The Parade will be held on the last Saturday of SOS at 1pm, April 29th.

Dance Dance Dance!!! This theme will have everyone on their feet and we are so excited to see Main Street *ROCKIN'*. We look forward to seeing all the original ideas. Should be really interesting to possibly see any genre from any decade. We will continue to have the same winning categories for ACSC/SOS Participants - Best Shag Theme, Most Original, Shagging Troop and Best Club Vehicle.

Thanks to everyone for the huge welcome that my wife and I have received as your new SOS Parade Chairman. We understand there are some big shoes to fill. Hope you enjoy the parade Don David!!

Let's get ready to Dance  
Donnie Schultz - Parade Chairman





# DJ Hall of Fame Induction



The 2017 Beach Music DeeJay Hall of Fame induction ceremony was held at Fat Harold's Beach Club on Friday night March 3rd during the 26th Annual ABSCDJ's DJ Throwdown.

that would last for many years. When Jerry was in high school he was asked to play for some teen clubs in the Portsmouth, Virginia area which started his professional paid career. Jerry's DJ career officially began in 1988 playing at the Holiday Inn in Portsmouth. He helped to form the Boogie on the Bay Shag Club and has served as President. In the 90's he became a rotating DJ for the Virginia Beach Shag Club, the Northern Virginia Shag Club, the Richmond Shag Club and the DC Hand Dance Club. He was also the DJ coordinator for the Virginia Beach Shag Club's "Beach Bash." Jerry is a charter member of the Association of Beach and Shag Club DeeJays and is also a Lifetime Member.



## Mike Little

of Anderson, South Carolina was inducted as an honorary member of the Beach Music DeeJay Hall of Fame. Mike began playing music in the halls at college for his fellow students. After graduation he became part of a DJ rotation at a local shag club. He became a mobile DJ traveling to Georgia, Florida, Tennessee, North Carolina and South Carolina playing his music. In 2000 Mike was asked to establish a radio show

for WANS AM, a 1000 watt radio station in Anderson, South Carolina. He began writing music reviews of new albums and songs for the monthly magazine The Beach Music Reporter, which now has evolved into [www.beachmusic45.com](http://www.beachmusic45.com). He also writes music reviews for The Association of Beach and Shag Club DeeJays newsletters, as well as the National Association of Rhythm & Blues DeeJays newsletters. Mike has served on the Advisory Board of the CBMAS for over twenty years.



## Gene Sistare

of Lancaster, South Carolina was inducted into the Beach Music DeeJay Hall of Fame. Gene began his DJ career in 1993 when he was asked to fill in for one of the rotating deejays for the Lancaster Shag Club. Gene always loved the music and the dance and decided to give it a try. One of the club deejays told him that this was the best way that he could preserve the music and dance for

years to come. Gene was hooked and began his DJ career. He became a staff deejay in 2000 for the Beach Music Café and Spanish Galleon located in the newly opened Ocean Drive Resort. Gene won the annual "Battle of the Beach DeeJays" at Boppers Bar and Boogie in Charlotte, North Carolina in 2001. He was fortunate enough to become a staff deejay at Fat Harold's Beach Club In 2003. He was awarded with the ACSC Shagging Icon Award for his work through the Lancaster Shag Club and was presented with the Richard Nixon Service Award by The Association of Beach and Shag Club DeeJays. He has participated in many charity events over the years including Relay for Life, Camp Kemo, and many charities in the Lancaster, South Carolina and Monroe, North Carolina areas. Gene has played in over 50 different shag clubs, lounges, beer joints, and dives up and down the east coast.

The Beach Music DeeJay Hall of Fame was established by Mr. Harold Bessent and is located inside Fat Harold's Beach Club. Stop in sometime and visit the Beach Music DeeJay Hall of Fame.

Dennis Brumble

President – Association of Beach and Shag Club DeeJays



## Jerry Canada

of Portsmouth, Virginia was inducted into the Beach Music DeeJay Hall of Fame. As a young teen in 1953, Jerry started collecting the old Rhythm & Blues vinyl (45s and LPs). He would play his vinyl music in his parents' garage for all of the dancers in his neighborhood, beginning a DJ career





I hope you all are doing well! I would like to share with you how things are going and details about what we are planning for the Junior Shag Association. Our group of board members and some of our volunteers are deep into the planning stages of Jr. SOS 2017. The week is planned for July 18-23, 2017. If you do not have this on your calendar, it is not too late to do so. As I will tell you, "Jr. SOS is all about the kids but is for everyone, adults included."

The headquarters for Jr. SOS will again be the O.D. Beach and Golf Resort. We will host a tremendous slate of workshops for kids and young adults under 21 years old. The workshops will be for beginners, intermediate, and advanced dancers. Our number one priority is to provide the safest environment possible for our kids to come and have fun with their peers and families. Access to the workshops is limited only to members of the Junior Shag Association, including kids and adults. We provide the absolute best shag dance instructors for each workshop. It is our goal to make every kid comfortable and to provide an environment that will create a great learning opportunity for them. For example, we offer two beginner workshops at the same time. These are separate groups based on ages 10 and under and 11-20 years of age. In the afternoons,

we provide fun activities and qualifying contests at our supporting clubs on and around Main Street. Each day our club crawl takes us to a different club. We want the kids to have the experience of dancing in our favorite dance spots that we adults enjoy. Every evening we come back to the main ballroom of the O. D. Resort for all to enjoy different entertainment each night and then close each day with late night dancing. Our schedule for Jr. SOS 2017 will be finalized and posted by the end of May on our website [www.juniorshaggers.com](http://www.juniorshaggers.com).

We have a tremendous group of supporters and volunteers that make the Jr. SOS machine work. Our board members and volunteers work diligently without being compensated. Each person provides their time and skills to help us produce the biggest junior friendly dance event in the world. Volunteers, without you this would basically be impossible, so I say thanks to each and every one of you!

We are excited to announce our plans to award the first ever Junior Shag Association Scholarship. This has been a dream of ours for many years. If you have a junior dancer that has been a member of the Junior Shag Association for at least 2 years and is under the age of 21, please encourage them to go to our website. They can download the application and information about the requirements to use in the application process. Our point of contact and reference for this program is Garrett Humphries. He serves us as one of our vice presidents and the program administrator for the JSA Scholarship program. You can reach Garrett at 803-269-7424 or at [garrett.humphries@me.com](mailto:garrett.humphries@me.com).

Please check out our JSA website at [www.juniorshaggers.com](http://www.juniorshaggers.com). The updated website includes information on Jr. SOS, junior friendly events, the JSA Scholarship program, photos, and more. If you have a junior friendly shag dance event that you would like for us to share, please forward to us your flyer and we will post on the upcoming events page.

The Junior Shag Association (JSA) is a 501c3 charitable organization. If you would like to support the functions of the JSA, you can go to our website and find the information that you will need to help you with that process. If you at anytime have questions about the Junior Shag Association and/or Jr. SOS, please contact any of our board members or me. Our contact information can be found on the JSA website. Thanks for your time and continued support of the Junior Shag Association. Take care!

*Gene A. Payne*  
President  
Junior Shag Association







# ELLEN TAYLOR FOUNDATION *junior shaggers*

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We are just a couple of months into the year 2017 and the Board of Directors and everyone involved with the success of the Ellen Taylor Foundation are excited about the future of our dance.

There are more juniors interested in learning the shag than ever before. Some of these families of juniors could not continue to be involved if it were not for the financial assistance provided by the Foundation. Our only means of assistance comes from the shag clubs, social clubs, donors and many gifts that memorialize a loved one.

Our heartfelt gratitude goes to each of you. You make it possible for all junior shaggers and their families to experience the dance, the music and the lifestyle.

With sincere gratitude,  
Ellen Taylor & the Board of Directors  
[www.ellentaylorfoundation.org](http://www.ellentaylorfoundation.org)

## Thirsty's 2 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.

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 14th annual Beth Mitchell mixed doubles contest on February 25, 2017. The event hosted an outstanding show of 23 couples dancing in the Junior, Non-Pro and Pro/Hall of Fame divisions. The winners were: Juniors: Kayla Henley & Jackson Batten; Non-Pro: Carmen Vaughn & Kyler Byrum; Pro/Hall of Famers: Jada Bannen & Scott Campbell. Because of the dancers and all our many sponsors, the contest raised \$5,250 ~ another great year! We hope to see everyone the same time next year for this worthwhile event!



### Junior Division

#### First Place

Jackson Batten  
Kayla Henley

#### Second Place

Kolten Ellis  
Lizzie Batten



### Non Pro Division

#### First Place

Carmen Vaughn  
Kyler Byrum

#### Second Place

Sydney West  
Tripp Turner



### Pro/ Hall of Fame

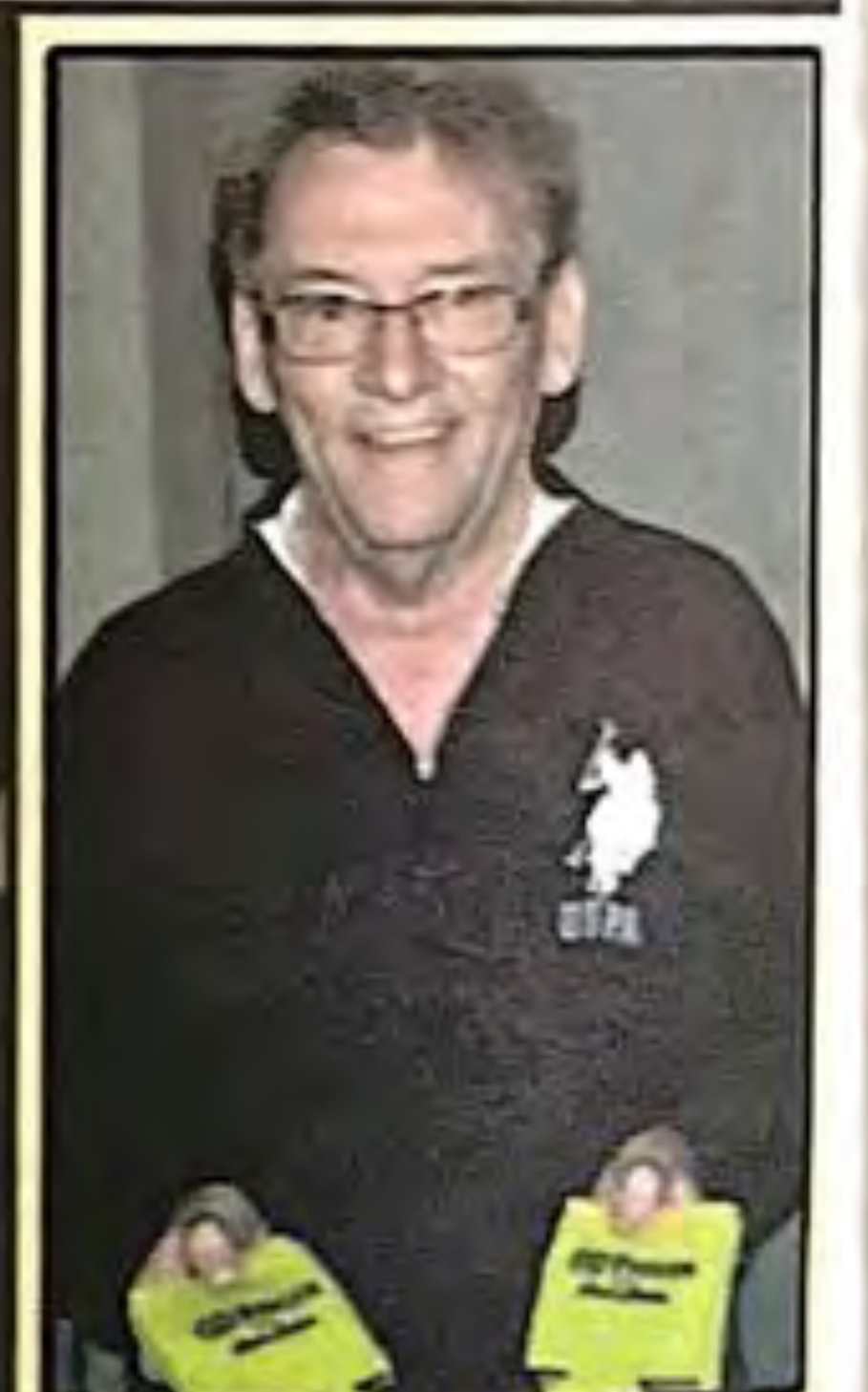
#### First Place

Jada Bannen  
Scott Campbell

#### Second Place

Krystal Bravo  
Stephen Balok





Art by Becky Stowe





# H. Lee "Harry Lee" Brown, Jr.

May 13, 1948 - November 24, 2016

*"If it wasn't for you, it wouldn't be me"*

H Lee was born in Greensboro, NC and moved to N Myrtle Beach in the early 80's. He opened Ducks Beach Club in 1983 which was a huge hit for Ocean Drive. Being a huge supporter and promoter of Beach music and shag dance following Ducks he opened Ducks Across The Street which is now Fat Harold's Beach Club, Sunset Grill, H's @ OD, OD Pavilion aka Pam's Palace, and lastly "Where it All Began"

The OD Pavilion. The Pavilion was originally Roberts Pavilion built in 1936 by William Roberts, which was destroyed by Hurricane Hazel in 1954. The Pavilion was built in 1955-1957 with salvaged timbers of Roberts Pavilion. The Pavilion opened in the Spring of each year and closed each Fall. On Saturday and Sunday during that period of time H Lee hired the best DJ's who played favorite songs for everyone who attended whether it be dancers, friends, or tourist. H Lee was always there to greet all, dance with the ladies, and several years before his passing he had a web cam installed so all the folks who could not attend could go to the website and view and enjoy as well. And then there was his microphone, that he loved to speak to the crowd about whatever event was going on and to thank all for their support of the Pavilion.

The Pavilion won the Club (Bill Griffin) Award at the Beach Music Awards in November 2016. H Lee passed on November 24, Thanksgiving Day surrounded by family and friends.

During 2017 SOS Midwinter, January 14, David Shaw held a Memorial supported by the Hall of Fame Foundation for H Lee at Ducks Beach Club in Ocean Drive. This event was attended by many friends and family. Many of who spoke and told their memories of H Lee. A Memorial Plaque with H Lee's photo and epitaph was donated by David Shaw. and on the plaque individual name plates were purchased by individuals. Those purchases were donated to the Hall of Fame Foundation which at this point amounts to approximately \$6,500. This plaque/plaques will be displayed at Ducks Beach Club. If anyone would like to purchase a name plate please go to [www.halloffamefoundation.org](http://www.halloffamefoundation.org) and print out the H. Lee Brown Application.

A Celebration of Life for H. Lee was held on January 21, 2017 at the OD Pavilion. Family, many local and out-of-town friends, and loyal employees gathered to celebrate his life. Pastor Jack Moody, Jerry Burrage, Marilyn Burrage, Steve Dean, Jerry Canfield, Cecil Chandler, Steve Smith, Howie Thompson, HG Worley, and the Mayor Marilyn Hatley spoke in to share their memories with the huge crowd which brought laughter and tears.

Alli Privette performed his favorite song...One and Only by Adele. H. Lee will be missed and when you go to the Pavilion, which will reopen this Spring, check out all the photos, banners, advertisements, that he had displayed that covered the walls of memories "Where It All Began"!!







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# THE TRADITION LIVES ON 2017 Atlantic Beach Shaggers Hall of Fame Reunion



Saturday February 25, 2017 the Atlantic Beach Shaggers Hall of Fame (ABSHOF) held its annual induction ceremony at Memories Beach Club in the Crow's Nest Shopping Center, Atlantic Beach, N.C. This past year was a record attendance for the event.

The music was provide by Bill Harper, Bill Mason, Bill Moore and Eddie Smith all ABSHOF members. At 9pm MC John Moore from 105.9 FM Beach, Boogie and Blues radio took center stage and the ceremony began. Atlantic Beach Shaggers LLC awarded Harold Langdon "The Charles Gurley Spirit of the Dance Award" Kathy Gurley was on hand to present this very special award named in Memory of Charles who so



loved Atlantic Beach. Also recognize for "The Life Time Achievement Award" was presented to Fred Davis and B B. Pruitt for their many years of dedication to the music and dance loved by so many.

Inductees for 2017 were Stevie Levy, Vickie Taylor, Bennie Haskins, Elaine Baker, Andy Griffin, Bonnie Rhodes, Janet Bottoms, Donnie Hinson and posthumous inductees were David McNeill and Audrey Vaglienti.

This event takes place annually during the 4th weekend in February in Atlantic Beach, NC and next year's date will be February 23rd & 24th 2018. 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](http://www.memoriesbeachclub.net) or on face book Memories Beach club.

Regards, Donnie Hinson, ABSHOF Chairman

Photos by Russ Eaton

## Allen "the Bookkeeper" Henry A Rare Treasure(r)

By Foster McKinney, SOS Treasurer

It may seem to take an eternity, but eventually we become fortunate enough to stumble across a rare find. A find that is truly cherished and revered as an endearing treasure to be held close to our hearts. But once we find it, the drip drop of eternity seems to yield to a wave of brevity that quickly surges it away from our everyday grip. Every season must turn, and change must come with each turn. At first, we may not embrace it or be prepared to let go of what we treasure, but we know that each turn has its time and purpose, and we flow forward with the tides of change.



2016 SOS Parade Grand Marshals

A little over twenty years ago the Association of Carolina Shag Clubs stumbled across such a treasure, or shall I say treasurer, when it first elected Allen "the bookkeeper" Henry as its treasurer. The Association treasured him so much that it reelected him over and over for a span of twenty years. He brought to the Association a vigor that is as infectious as his beloved laugh—I almost want to see him gang tickled just to hear it. Allen was graduated from Georgia State University in 1973 with a BBA in Accounting. He retired in 1995 from the Atlanta Gas Light Company as audit supervisor after 38 years of service. He became a member of ShagAtlanta in 1991 where he served as its treasurer for seven years and in 1997 he was inducted as a member of its Wall of Fame. During his time with ShagAtlanta, he met and married his wife, Anne. He and Anne later moved to Jacksonville, Florida, to be closer to family. It was a homecoming for Anne who is a founding member of Jacksonville's First Coast Shag Club. Allen joined the First Coast Shag Club in 2005 and later served as its president in 2012 and 2013. Upon its formation in 2002, Allen became the SOS Charitable Foundation's one and only treasurer. He was honored as a Shagging Icon in 2010, and was inducted into the Florida Shaggers Hall of Fame in 2011 and the National Boppers Hall of Fame in 2012. He was one of last year's ACSC/SOS Parade's grand marshals, along with yours truly. We both got a kick out of it and it made us feel very special.

After serving nearly 20 years as the Association of Carolina Shag Clubs' treasurer, Allen is now ready for the season to turn and he is retiring. In the wake of his term as treasurer, he is leaving behind a much stronger and united Association. He has served this office with honor and distinction, and forged a term that is heretofore unparalleled and difficult to surpass. He has planted the seedlings for other seasons to nurture. He can now sit back and watch them also bloom into endearing treasures. Going forward, we will not see him quite as often as we would like, but he will always remain a part of us. His season will be a season for us to always remember. I have often told him that as the Association's treasurer, "You can get sick and you can die, but you can't quit." But I guess he can retire. He is truly a rare treasure(r) who we will always hold close to our hearts and never let go of long after his season turns.





Keepers of  
The Dance

Photos by: Monty Lee





# Keepers Of The Dance Contest Fat Harold's Beach Club



The 8th Annual Beach Shaggers National Hall of Fame "Keepers of the Dance" contest was held at Fat Harold's Beach Club on February 10 -11, 2017. Highlights of the weekend included a qualifying contest on Friday night, introduction of the New Keepers for 2016, a Saturday afternoon cocktail party for the sponsors, Keepers Judges, Contestants, and the announcement by Norfleet Jones of the Dewey Kennedy/Eddie Monsour Scholarship, which was presented to Kaylee Marie Bravo.

For the 8th straight year at 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 to watch this awesome contest. Over \$5,000 in prize money was awarded to the winners in the Junior, Senior and Open divisions. Many of the 44 current "Keepers" were present and participated in the contest or as judges.

The Sponsors for the past eight years 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 folks that love the "Dance". The Keepers committee extends sincere thanks to all sponsors who promote and give each year to the contest and continue to make this great even possible. This year again had more contestants and spectators that last year. It just keeps getting better!!!

A continued thank to those Keepers and Hall of Famers who judge each year. Janet Harrold-contest coordinator and scorekeeper, Bill Drew who takes care of the final recap scoring, Monty Lee-Photography, Mike Rink-Video, Max Madrin of Greensboro, NC - Keepers website. And. Of course, much thank to our special contest DJ, Butch Metcalf.

By: Janet Harrold

For current info, Keepers members, contest results and future events check out  
[www.keepersofthedance.com](http://www.keepersofthedance.com).



Kaylee Marie Bravo



Matthew Floyd  
Jennifer Batten



## Junior Division

- 1st - Kelsey Vaughn - Jackson Batten
- 2nd - Kayla Henley - Kyler Byrum
- 3rd - Kaylee Bravo -Kolten Ellis
- 4th - Mary Elizabeth Jacobs -River Harmon
- 5th - Ivey Claire Huiett -Jonathan Kemp
- 6th - Kelsey Vaughn -Grayson Free
- 7th - Allison Pittman -Cullen Fields
- 8th - Natalie Weaver -Nick Weaver



## Senior Division

- 1st - Sarah Kemp - Rod Hager
- 2nd - Pat Joyce - Archer Joyce
- 3rd - Dale Hern - Jim Hern
- 4th - Jane Jacobs - Craig Guy
- 5th - Kim Chance - Bryan Renn
- 6th - Cameron Kemp Caruso -Bill Barber
- 7th - Shelia Blazer - Bill Seymour
- 8th - Page Jones Payne - Jimmy Soles



## Open Division

- 1st - Nikki Kontoulas - Scott Campbell
- 2nd - Virginia Chase Forrester -Cody Edwards
- 3rd - Autumn Jones - Alan Stokes
- 4th - Kristal Taylor - Jay Rollins
- 5th - Myers Varn Floyd - Matthew Floyd
- 6th - Tobitha Stewart - Ashley Stewart
- 7th - Jane Jacobs - Bill Barber
- 8th - Kristen Floyd - Chad Farlow



Gene "Swink" Laughter  
"Onward and Upward"







# Robert Gene Laughter 'Swink'

## August 20, 1932 - February 14, 2017



Ever two romantics, Gene and wife Nadine married 62 years ago in Chester, SC, in an early-February ceremony with a Valentine's theme. The two first met at Ocean Drive, where he was a lifeguard, and they always felt sentimentally attached to the area. For years they have enjoyed many friendships in the local beach community, where Gene was known by the nickname "Swink" and each summer brought Nadine and his four children to Ocean Drive for vacations. In 1980 he and friend Tom Lilly, along with a committee of friends organized the S.O.S. migration as a reunion for "beach bums", former lifeguards, and shaggers, a celebration which increased in size and is still ongoing. He wrote, "OD provided a summer gathering place for kids who came each summer for a season of sunning, beer drinking, loving, dancing, hell raising, and fun".

Growing up in Albemarle, NC, and graduating from high school there, he attended UNC Chapel Hill and Pfeiffer College (now Pfeiffer University), took graduate courses at the University of Michigan in Art and Design, and served in the US Army at Camp Gordon, GA. He enjoyed a lengthy career as an advertising executive, 35 of those years spent at Heilig-Meyers Co. in Richmond, VA.

After living in Richmond, VA. for most of their adult lives, Gene and Nadine moved the North Myrtle Beach almost three years ago. He explained the move in a metaphorical way: "Like elephants we are returning to our old stomping grounds for our sunset days." He died on Valentine's Day.

On Saturday, February 18, the family and friends gathered to celebrate the life of Gene "Swink" Laughter at the Ocean Drive Pavilion, North Myrtle Beach, SC.



# The "Prankster"

## Creator and Owner of SOS until 1989



Gene Laughter, an ex-lifeguard from the Fifties nicknamed "Swink", was a mischievous and creative man. He used to entertain his family on summer vacations by writing notes and putting them into bottles, then casting them into the ocean. This practice became elaborate and got out of hand in 1978. A note on aged parchment found in an antique bottle wound up at the offices of The Charlotte Observer newspaper.

The note was supposed to be written by marooned sailors on a whaling vessel that had sunk in 1887. The Charlotte Mint Museum authenticated the find and the story went over the wire services, gathering a bit of national coverage. The Whaling Museum of Bedford, Massachusetts promptly reported that the discovery must be a hoax, for the supposed ship, the Ann Alexander had gone down to Davey Jones' locker thirty years before the date of the note. No money had changed hand on account of the hoax, so the prankster did not go to jail. However, Swink Laughter's name became familiar to Charlotte newspaper columnists, Kays Gary and Jerry Bledsoe.

When Laughter decided to hold a reunion for old beach bums in 1980, he convinced Bledsoe to feature the story. Several articles appeared on the history of the Shag and Laughter's efforts to get the beach bums together. Laughter spent a great deal of time and energy tracking down old acquaintances. About a month before the party was set to kick off, a second antique bottle containing a note was found on the Carolina shore.

Once again Laughter had struck. This time the Sumter, South Carolina Daily News was duped. After the story ran locally, it was picked up by the Associated Press. For several days, maritime archivists from all over the country scrambled either to verify authenticity or expose a fraud.

In reality the note was a coded, open invitation to Swink Laughter's reunion. Anyone familiar with the upcoming festivities, or with rhythm and blues music, would have seen straight through the double amenders. Captain Earl Bostic and James Rick were rhythm and blues group leaders. Bostic's ship, "Flamingo" was the title of a hit record. "Raven" referred to Jimmy Ricks and the Ravens. Oak Tree was the name of the motel which had been donated to house a number of travelers and September 11th was the kick off date of the beach party.

The Association of Carolina Shag Clubs took control of S.O.S April 1, 1989. SOS membership has grown to up to 15,000 and expanded from three days to ten days.

**We owe all of this to Swink, the creator and the Prankster!**





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# 2017 INDUCTEES - BEACH SHAGGERS NATIONAL HALL OF FAME

By Janet Harrold Photography by Monty Lee

Saturday, March 18, 2017, the meeting was held in the OD Resort during Shag Attack weekend for voting on the 2017 inductees and nominations of future inductees. The Executive Board, Selection Committee, and the 2016 inductees were given a list of male and female from which they discussed the people they felt met

the criteria for this honor. 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 and shag clubs, are dancers with their own unique style, and most of all love the dance and music. When I get the photo maybe we should put the names under the photo and say who is not pictured.

While the Executive Committee tally 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. The Executive Committee only knows who will be inducted that night. The new inductees were announced by Sam McIntosh, President, and Wanda Yow, Secretary.

The Keepers of the Dance meeting was held prior to the Hall of Fame meeting. The 2017 Keepers of the Dance were announced by Bob Myrick, Chairperson.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL 2017 INDUCTEES**



## 2017 FEMALE

Jean Hall Bryland (not pictured)  
Dana Sawyer (not pictured)  
Betsy Pritchard  
Debbie Pace

## 2017 MALE

Tommy Hamrick (not pictured)  
A.C. Williams (not pictured)  
Monty Simpson  
Danny Johnson

## 2017 KEEPERS OF THE DANCE

Kristen Floyd  
Rod Hager  
Ricky Ward

## THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE DANCE



The Shag was designated as the official State Dance by Act Number 329 of 1984. The Shag is performed to music known as rhythm and blues. Both the music and dance are structured on time signature and can be performed to almost any tempo, as long as the basic step is maintained and kept in times to the music.

## THE SOUTH CAROLINA STATE POPULAR MUSIC



Beach Music was designated as the official State Popular Music by Act Number 15 of 2001. Beach music is primarily a rhythm and blues style based on 4/4 rhythms with a moderate to fast paced tempo. Beach music has become synonymous with the Shag Dance and contributes tremendously to the enjoyment of the citizens of S.C.





# Spotlight on 2017 Mid-Winter







# EDISTO BEACH - 2017 Music & Shag Fest

**Friday, September 1**  
**Saturday, September 2**  
**Sunday, September 3**

**Bay Creek Park**  
**(Beside the Marina at Edisto Beach)**  
**Daily Admission - 12 and under free**  
**Bring lawn chairs, No smoking in the Park,**  
**No Coolers and No Pets**

## *Continuous Entertainment Each Day*

**FRIDAY, Sept 1 - Noon until.....**  
Arts & Crafts, Food Vendors  
DJ Jim Bowers - 12 noon-7:00 pm  
Band of Oz - 7:00-11:00 pm

**SATURDAY, Sept 2 - 10:00 am until.....**  
Arts & Crafts, Food Vendors  
DJ Jim Bowers - 10:00 am - 7:00 pm  
Vinyl Daze - 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
Shagtime 2 Junior Shaggers (Ages 12-15)  
Wee Baby Blues Shaggers (Ages 7-11)  
Non Professional Shag Competition 6:00 pm  
The Entertainers - 7:00 pm - 11:00 pm

**SUNDAY, Sept 3 - Noon until 7:00 pm**  
Arts & Crafts, Food Vendors  
DJ Jim Bowers - 12 Noon-1:00 pm  
Shag Doctorz - 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm  
Shagtime 2 Jr. Shaggers (Ages 12-15)  
Wee Baby Blues Shaggers (Ages 7-11)  
Shem Creek Boogie Band - 5:00 - 8:00



**Sponsored By:**  
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**The Town of Edisto Beach**



**Exhibitions:**  
**Shagtime 2 Junior Shaggers**  
**and Wee Baby Blues**



## *From the Webmaster*



For all you ACSC Club Presidents, did you know that you can highlight your Club Parties or Special Activities on our Website - [www.shagdance.com/clubparties.htm](http://www.shagdance.com/clubparties.htm) for free? Thousands of people/shaggers go to this site every week to find out where they can go to party and dance. All you need to do is email me (your webmaster) at [mgregory5@triad.rr.com](mailto:mgregory5@triad.rr.com) a paragraph with the following information: The Date(s) of the event, the Title of the party hosted by your club name, the Time, DJ(s) and/or Band, a few details, Contact information, and if needed, your website where the flyer is located or send me a flyer and I will attach it. I will get it posted usually the same day or no more than 2 days.



Also, when you need to update your Club Information, such as a New President or Officers, address, etc., go to [www.shagdance.com](http://www.shagdance.com) and on the very front page, click on **UPDATE YOUR CLUB INFORMATION ONLINE - CLICK HERE** and it will take you to the form that you can fill out online and when you click SUBMIT it will be sent to me (so I can update the website) and every board member that needs it. I also get it to Janet Harrold for the Carefree Times. This is a new form that is mobile friendly, you can go on your mobile phone and complete this form as well. Another new feature is you can also upload a picture of your new President. Or if you are completing the form from your mobile phone, you can take a picture of the President and send it as well. How cool is that?

Always know that this is your website and anytime you have suggestions, give them to me or any of the Website Committee: Ronnie Gregory, Doris Keaton, and Judy Vick.

Looking forward to seeing each of you at 2017 Spring Safari,  
Mary Gregory





# Monroe Shag Club- 30th Anniversary

The "Shag" dance may have started in the mid 40's in Myrtle Beach around the beach front pavilions but it also became very popular up and down the east coast and other areas in between. It was addictive. Everybody wanted to Shag!!

According to DJ Kevin Twohig, "the invasion of Rock & Roll in the 60s and Disco in the 70s hindered the spread of Shag but it re-emerged with the organization of competitive shagging and the Shag Preservation Associations.

In 1977, Beach Music and Shag hit another growth on the club front as the Embers released the song, "I Love Beach Music". In 1980, the Society of Stranders was organized as a reunion of "beach bums" and later would foster the growth of Shag and beach music."

So once again.... Everybody wanted to shag. Shag Clubs were forming everywhere. Folks in Monroe (NC) had to drive to Charlotte to find a place to dance and "back in the day" Charlotte seemed a lot farther away than it does today. So in 1987 Gordon Shannon along with John & Peggy Murray decided it was time to consider a club closer to home. Gordon had learned to shag as a teenager from his sisters and had a more freestyle dance, while John and Peggy had taken lessons from Shad Alberty, a competitive dancer and member of the Shag Hall of Fame. With no money to work with the friends met at John's house to begin with but as word spread they realized they needed more space and they needed a name. That is when it became Monroe Shag Club. Other members, like Keith & Callie Baucom, hosted the club at their home to keep expenses down. In 1988 they petitioned the ACSC for membership and was approved, but not before proving to them that they could shag!

The Shrine Club in Monroe soon became home for the Monroe Shag Club members and Marvin Crook agreed to be the clubs DJ for free. Unfortunately, Marvin did not have any music. You can't dance without the tunes, right?? So he and Gordon would get together and transfer music from 45's (if you don't know what a 45 is, look it up on Google) to cassette tapes (if you don't know what cassette tapes are, Bless your Heart), and it was one song per cassette. Of course it was time consuming but well worth it! Dance on!!!

Over the years the club continued to grow but something seemed to be missing. All were happy meeting and dancing and making long time



friendships and it was great and fun but the members felt it was time to go one step further. The objectives of the club and its members was and still is to preserve the shag dance, promote beach music but now it was time to support the community of Union County in fund raising efforts for those groups working to help those in need. In 1997 the club came together to present "Shaggin for Dollars" which became an annual event. The first year was just that... shaggin for dollars. While the dancers were out on the dance floor, folks would throw money at them to show their support. The monies collected would go to the non-profit of choice for that year. In 2000 the club became incorporated as a non-profit corporation and was dedicated to operate exclusively for these non-profit purposes.

So..... (DRUM ROLL PLEASE) since 1997 Monroe Shag Club members have hosted 16 Shaggin for Dollar events for local and national organizations like Special Olympics, Hospice, Veterans Council, Healthquest, Turning Point, Hometown Heroes, and more. Each year the event has grown and you will still see folks dancing on the dance floor while supporters continue to throw money to show their approval but you will also see a floor show (aka variety show) second to none! Monroe Shag Club is blessed with many talented members that are willing to jump in and do whatever it takes to be a success. We have had Tiny Tim, Ann Margaret, Jerry Lewis, Reba McIntyre, Dion, Marilyn Monroe, and too many to name! We even had ELVIS!!! If you ever attended one of these events you know what I mean..... It was AWESOME! Do you want to know what is even more AWESOME??? Over these 16 years these great events accumulated gross proceeds of \$429,745 with \$331,773 donated to non-profit agencies!

Throughout the years we have participated in Spring Safari parades with a few 1st place trophies to call ours. We have added several names to the ICON list. We supported Camp Chemo (thank you David Beaudry), and going into the Guinness Book of World Records. We played



in a softball tournament to raise money for Ally, the daughter and niece of two of our members, while she fights cancer. We have hugged away hurts and cried happy tears for healings. We have celebrated marriages, births and mourned our many losses. Many friendships have been made across state and county lines and we have memories that will be with us forever. The good news is that we look forward to making more memories, meeting more new friends and attending many more SOS celebrations!

The club now meets at The American Legion in Monroe the second Saturday of each month and we have formed a wonderful relationship, partnership, and friendship with them. Dances are 7:30 to 11:30 pm and all are welcome! For more information and to view our photo gallery go to our website [monroeshagclub.com](http://monroeshagclub.com) or visit our Monroe Shag Club Facebook page.

There are so many folks that have worked hard to make Monroe Shag Club what it is today. I won't try to list them all so as not to miss anyone. However, you can meet a few of them and help party with us for our 30th Anniversary! Mark your calendars for Saturday, October 14, 2017 from 5-10pm. Enjoy inside and outside activities (weather permitting), like corn hole boards, horse shoes, dancing, DJ's playing our favorite tunes and fun, fun, fun! Cost is \$5 per person if a member of an ACSC shag club or \$7 for non-members. There will be a Silent Auction with proceeds going to keep admission cost down. There will also be a cash bar operated by The American Legion. Coolers will not be permitted. We hope you will make plans to come out and join us. For more information you can contact [shagginjoni@aol.com](mailto:shagginjoni@aol.com) or [wandacaraway@hotmail.com](mailto:wandacaraway@hotmail.com)



Wanda Caraway  
Social Director for Monroe Shag Club



# THE O.D. SHAG CLUB WELCOMES YOU TO SOS SPRING SAFARI 2017

On behalf of our club and our members, we welcome you all to our paradise for SOS. We would love to have you join our club. Enjoy your Spring SOS!

Terry McCoy  
President ODSC



## ODSC EVENTS FOR THE REST OF THE YEAR:

- April 23 ODSC Spring Brunch/Arcade
- April 29 ODSC- SOS Parade
- May 20 Cookout at Saville's on 2nd
- June 17 Fish Fry at Fat Harolds
- July 23 Jr. SOS Brunch at Fat Harolds
- July 29 Charity Fun Run
- Aug. 19 Nomination Party/Fat Harolds
- Sept. 16 Charity Gold Tournament
- Sept. 17 ODSC Fall Brunch at Arcade
- Oct. 21 Halloween/Elections at Saville's
- Nov. 18 Thanksgiving Party at Ducks
- Dec. 16 Christmas Party at Fat Harolds

## COME JOIN THE FUN CLUB IN O.D. ~ WHERE THE FUN NEVER STOPS!

If you would like to join the O.D. Shag Club please visit our website for an application: [www.odshagclub.com](http://www.odshagclub.com)  
O.D. Shag Club, P.O. Box 933, North Myrtle Beach, SC 29597



**Crescent Beach - 1953**

**"Swink's Lifeguard Stand"**

**Swink is probably saving a swimmer in distress...or asleep in the float stand)**

## Our First Time

1991 was a very good year  
For shagg'n' and drink'n' beer.  
Two almost young couples had a wild hair  
And discovered an event that beats the World's Fair.  
  
Packed a toothbrush and a dollar  
And off to O.D. to show our tail and take a swallow.  
Car trouble, ach'n' feet and a hurting head;  
We knew soon we would find a bed.  
  
After discovering the Spring S.O.S. event,  
You'll not find us in a convent.  
Four days of fun, sun, and partying hardy;  
The ice was thin, to work we would be tardy.  
  
But take a look at the dates;  
In just four months, along with our mates,  
We'll pack the bags,  
Don our S.O.S. tags,  
To "partee."

— Gene & Judy Cain and Paul & Dyanne Stone  
Dillon Co. Shag Club



York Shag Club

# Gathering 2017 SOS Mid-Winter with Sister Clubs





# **ITSA BLAST** **From the Past**



## **You know he's not the kind of guy or girl a shagger should marry if he or she:**

**Thinks a flyback is a player on a Canadian Hockey Team.**

**Collects Sammy Kaye records.**

**Likes accordian music.**

**Thinks Ocean Drive is a street in Daytona Beach.**

**Says they really do shag good in Deluth, Minnesota.**

**Thinks Harold's is in Reno.**

**Thinks SPA stands for the Savannah Ports Authority.**

**Thinks that Delbert McClinton is the Solicitor in Horry County.**

**Looks forward to spending 2 weeks each July at Fontanna Dam in Ruby, Tennessee.**

**Thinks Weejans are inhabitants of the South Sea Island of Weejee.**

**Thinks SOS is an international morse code distress signal.**

**Thinks Shad Alberty is a herring dish served with lemon butter and chopped roasted alberties.**

**Thinks Richard Nixon is a guy who graduated from Duke University Law School and later sought and won public office.**

**Thinks the Continental is a Lincoln/Mercury product.**

## **A line you will never forget**

Every now and then there comes along a line so good one is tempted to use it and claim credit for its authorship. This one comes in that category. But I must confess, it is from an article by Miles White in *USA Today* on beach music which states "...beach music is the anthem of a way of life, the epitome of which is a cold beer on a warm night with a hot date and no definite plans for tomorrow."!!

## **Shaggers have more fun**

A recent newspaper column observed that shaggers are probably not overburdened with trifles and have fewer ulcers than those who stay home. We thought this an interesting idea so we hired the firm of Checkoff, Chong, Darby & Cox to do a little research for us on this issue. Not only did their study confirm that this is true, they discovered that shaggers are richer, have more friends, love longer, work harder, achieve more and enjoy life more than non-shaggers. Shaggers, they learned, more often hold high office in corporations, are elected to high political office, write more books, star in more pictures, earn more gold medals at the Olympics, teach in college and become Bishops in the church. In an extraordinary added piece of research which covered a five year period with four thousand subjects, they learned that shaggers drink more beer and wear out more dancing shoes than non-shaggers. Ain't research wonderful?





# We LOVE a PARADE



## Saturday. April 29 1 PM



### Welcome Donnie Schultz and Wendy Schultz, the new SOS Parade Chairman & Assistant

Because we mail out your CAREFREE TIMES via BULKMAIL, if you move and don't tell us or if your application was incomplete, you will not receive your mail out SOS CAREFREE TIMES issues.

PLEASE fill out this change of address form and return to me: RON WHISENANT, P.O. BOX 4456, N. MYRTLE BEACH, SC 29597 or email me your change to: [rwhisen686@aol.net](mailto:rwhisen686@aol.net)

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The **SOS** 102 S. Ocean Blvd., NMB, 843-280-5997



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Next to **OD Arcade/Lounge**

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Anniversary*

**Windchimes, Wine Corks  
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**Drawing the last  
Friday of Spring  
SOS**

**SHOP ONLINE [www.shagdance.com](http://www.shagdance.com)**

**20th Anniversary Give Away**

**SOS Basket filled to the  
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Register during Spring SOS**



**Shag Life  
I'd Rather be Shaggin'  
Carolina Shag  
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**We appreciate your business**

**WELCOME to 2017 SOS Spring Safari**



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