

The Official Newsletter of the Society of Brunswick Shaggers

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Message from Madam President...

Hello fellow SOBS!

I hope everyone is doing well! KB and I recently attended the ACSC summer workshop in Atlanta, where I along with 4 other presidents showcased our clubs. As I read out to the audience about our club I couldn't have been more proud of our accomplishments. In my speech I used the article "the history of our club" that Butch Underwood wrote last year, I only had five minutes so I condensed it down. I also spoke about the many charities and other things we do as a club. I will make a copy and put it in the white book if you would like to take a look.

As you know we start our dance right at the dinner hour so it would be a long evening without anything to munch on. We also make suggestions to you on what to bring, but! You can bring whatever you want, or nothing, you will still be welcome.

Also, you have heard it's "OPERATION UPLINK" time! October 25 is fast approaching so it's not too early to start visiting your local retail shops to ask for a donation for our silent auction held during our October 25th dance. These are the shops that you frequent and maybe some you don't. Joe will be sending out soon a list where some of us already have already go to so you will need to find one that is not on this list. This is so we don't pester the same business too much. We don't want them to start locking the door when they see us coming!

Have a nice August and I'll see you on the dance floor!



Mamie Brown, President



DON'T FORGET...

Our club is run by "volunteers" at our dances so:

1. Sign up to work the front door!
2. Sign up to work the "50/50" raffle!
3. Tip our barmaids!
4. Wear out those Weejuns!

2013 Society of Brunswick Shaggers Board...

Mamie Brown, *President*
Robert Carter, *Vice President*
Sue DeMeyer, *Secretary*
Bill Brown, *Treasurer*
Chuck Boney, *Membership*
Joe Malinowski, *Publicity*



Sandy Brown, *Committee Coordinator*
Pam Duncan, *Committee Coordinator*
Mary Ann Gregory, *Committee Coordinator*
Cathy Skelps, *Committee Coordinator*
Ken Koehly, *Webmaster*
John Hutton, *DJ Selection*

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes 07/09/2013...

Attendees: Mamie Brown, President; Bill Brown, Treasurer; Joe Malinowski, Publicity; Cathy Skelps, and Sandy Brown, Committee Coordinators; Butch Underwood, Member

Secretary's Report: A motion to accept the Secretary's Report of June 13, 2013, was made, seconded and approved by the Committee members in attendance.

Treasurer's Report: It was reported that the Club has \$2058 in the bank which does not include \$200 in the cash box. A motion to accept the Treasurer's Report was made, seconded, and accepted by the Committee members in attendance.

Old Business: The July 12 "dance will feature DJ Chigger Woods.

New Business: The July 26 dance will feature DJ Joey Warren and will be at the Moose Lodge on Long Beach Rd. Food may be ordered off the Moose menu.

The board agreed to hold a special dance on Sunday, November 17 at the VFW 2-5 pm to help raise money for New Hope Clinic since the "Beach Day" fundraiser for the New Hope Clinic was rained out on July 1. All money taken in at the door will go to New Hope Clinic. Pam Duncan reported that most items purchased for the fundraiser were returned.

Open Discussion: Plans for the Operation Uplink fundraiser are starting to take shape. Mamie drafted a letter to businesses to request their support. She will also put together a letter to the members to be distributed online and with mailed raffle tickets. Members attending dances will be able to pick up their tickets at the dance, thereby saving postage costs. The meeting adjourned at 6:42.

Minutes Submitted by:

Mamie Brown, President

SAVE the DATE (11/17/2013 New Hope Clinic Fundraiser)...



Due to the weather cancellation of our July 1, 2013, fundraiser for the New Hope Clinic (NHC), we are in the planning stages to hold a Shag Dance on Sunday, November 17, 2013 at VFW Post #10226, 50 St., near Oak Island Drive. Admission will be \$5 with all proceeds going to the New Hope Clinic. We will be asking members to bring a dish to share of snacks, finger food, or bar food. The DJ entertainment and additional information will be announced in the following weeks! Please save the date and plan to attend and support this outstanding local service.

Since 1998, the NHC mission is to provide basic medical and dental care, diagnostic services and prescription drugs to low income, uninsured residents of Brunswick County and to enhance the quality of life, while preserving the privacy and dignity of every patient. NHC is located at: 201 W Boiling Spring Road, Southport, NC 28561, Call: 910-845-5333. Go to their website at: <http://newhopeclinicfree.org>

Coming in the September Newsletter ...

Starting with our September Newsletter, we will periodically feature a *"Meet a Member or Couple"* article. We currently have 157 members that consist of many "new" members from our January "Re-Up" and we're sure that many of you do not know one another. Many names are mentioned in our newsletter and during our dance announcements, but we thought we would associate a picture with the name and introduce individuals or couples who consistently contribute to the success of our club.



"WELCOME" to our Newest SOBS...

Pamela Berberich

Sandra Bruton

Deborah Biddle

Philip Keiser



"WELCOME" Members of other Shag Clubs & Guests at our July Dances...



Bobby & Cheryl Collins



Gary & Shirley Coble
James & Lueresia Jackson



Jim & Phyllis McCudbin
LJ & Bettie McDade

Guests... Phil & Bonnie White

Steve Foster

Bill & Pam Bacon

Freddie & Betty Benson

Joe & Linda Harlow

Kenny & Elizabeth Barnes

Ron & Penny Millis

Tim & Cheryl Baken

Jeri Hinson

Tom & Susan Simpson

Niles Boundege

Zeb & Julie Starnes

August Birthdays...

1st... Sandy LaMontagne
 4th... Ron Hazelton
 4th... Dick Herrett
 4th... Judy Mundy
 5th... John Uberto

6th... Cole Gregory
 9th... Tommy Younts
 10th... Nancy Cray
 11th... Floyd McLeroy
 17th... John Whitacre



August DJ Information...

Fellow SOBS,

I have finally joined the *"retired"* crowd and will not be returning to South Brunswick High this month. More time to shag dance!

I hope that all of you enjoy the DJs who have been playing so far this year. I want our club to have only the best DJs in Beach Music and I appreciate any and all comments from club members on who plays for us. When you're at the VFW or Moose and have a song you want to hear, please request it from the DJ. We only want to have a good time! Spinning the discs for us this August are:



***Bill Ruth at the VFW, Friday, August 9th
 and***

Jimmy Buffkin at the Moose Lodge, Friday, August 23rd

Starting the second half of our year will be former club President Bill Ruth. He and his wife Carol now live in Little River, SC. They are excellent dancers! Bill plays often in North Myrtle Beach at Fat Harold's, and the OD Pavilion and has been associated with Beach and Shag music for the last 30 years. His beach music tastes are grounded in the traditional oldies of Beach and Boogie.

Jimmy Buffkin was born and raised in the Carolinas. Jimmy now lives in North Myrtle Beach, SC and is a staff DJ at Fat Harold's Beach Club at Ocean Drive, North Myrtle Beach. His career spans the last 15 years and he has been a member of the Association of Beach and Shag Club DJ's for the past 9 years. He loves to take requests and says if he has it, he will play it. Let's all look forward to Friday, August 23rd at the Moose.

John Hutton, DJ Selection



2013 Dance & Party Schedule (Subject to Change!)...

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>ENTERTAINMENT</u>
AUGUST 9	VFW	BILL RUTH
AUGUST 23	MOOSE	JIMMY BUFFKIN
SEPTEMBER 13-22	NORTH MYRTLE BEACH, NC	FALL MIGRATION SOS
SEPTEMBER 14	NORTH MYRTLE BEACH, NC	SOBS FREE POUR
SEPTEMBER 27	MOOSE	TERRY McPHAIL
OCTOBER 11	VFW	DAVID WADE
OCTOBER 25	MOOSE (OPERATION UPLINK FUNDRAISER)	JOHN HOOK
NOVEMBER 8	VFW (BRUNSWICK FOOD PANTRY)	CLAUDE COLLINS
NOVEMBER 17 <i>*NEW</i>	VFW (NEW HOPE CLINIC FUNDRAISER)	TBD
DECEMBER 7	MOOSE (CHRISTMAS PARTY)	JERRY BURRAGE

The Society of Brunswick Shaggers is a proud member of The Association of Carolina Shag Clubs (ACSC) and SOS (Society of Stranders). The SOS Website can be found at: www.shagdance.com



Through the National Fastdance Association
our club is properly and legally licensed
to present copyrighted music.



From our friends at Coastal Shag Club...



On August 17, 2013, *"Summertime's Calling Me"* Shag Dance, will be hosted by The Coastal Shag Club located at the Moose Lodge #253 on Holden Beach Road, Shallotte, NC. The cost is \$5 for CSC members and members of other Shag Clubs, and \$8 for all other guests. Our DJ will be Bill Anderson. FREE Basic shag lesson or line dance lessons will begin at 6:30pm and the dance will be 7:00pm to 10:30pm.

Come learn to shag and stay to dance all evening. Fantastic, large, wooden dance floor; 50/50; cash bar; bring a snack or dessert to share, non-smoking dance room. They're located just 20 minutes north of Ocean Drive and Main Street.

SOS History (The Short Version)...



SOS is a gathering of dancers dedicated to the perpetuation and preservation of the Shag Dance, Beach Music, and the atmosphere surrounding the Dance. SOS stands for Society of Stranders and holds events in North Myrtle Beach, SC, in January, April, and September.

The First SOS occurred in the Spring of 1980. It was held as a reunion of all of the former Lifeguards, Stranders, and Beach Bums of years past. They expected a crowd of two or three hundred, but thousands showed up. This was the start of something BIG. The parties continued yearly, but organization was lacking. Some of this problem was alleviated by replacing bands and dance contests with DJ's.

SOS grew through the mid to late 80's, but encountered difficulties in 1988 and 1989. The founder of SOS, Gene Laughter, approached The Association of Carolina Shag Clubs (ACSC) in February of 1989 about buying the venue. The ACSC (formed in 1984) did so and encountered difficulties with local night clubs not requiring SOS membership for admittance.

At this time it was decided to compensate the clubs for floor space during the SOS functions in order to make up for lost revenues from their regular patrons. This is why we purchase SOS Membership Cards for the Mid-Winter, Spring Safari, and Fall Migration parties. Our Membership fees also pay for outdoor concerts, as well as food and trams.

This said, I invite all SOBS to buy a Membership card to SOS and come down to North Myrtle Beach SC (Ocean Drive) anytime from September 13th through September 22nd to join with over 100 other Shag Clubs in the largest adult beach party on the East Coast. The Society of Brunswick Shaggers will feature a Free Pour Event at the OD Pavilion for Club Members on Saturday, September 14th. Stay tuned for exact times.

There will also be FREE outdoor concerts on Fun Sunday and Fun Monday September 15th and 16th. You do not need SOS cards for our Free Pour event or the concerts, but if you wish to enter any club during SOS, you will need a card. I will have SOS Cards available until August 31st for just \$30 each. After that, they will be \$35 and have to be purchased at SOS in North Myrtle. You can contact/email me at: lbunder@ec.rr.com.

(This information is based on history articles found at www.shagdance.com, the official website of SOS and ACSC.)

Butch Underwood, SOBS Cub Reporter

From Butch Underwood...



6 PM Friday, August 9, 2013 * Dinah E. Gore Fitness Center on the BCC Campus * dwts.brunswickcc.edu

Your last chance to answer a Small Request...



I would like to take this opportunity to ask my friends in the Shag Community to help me with a very important cause. I have been asked to participate in "Dancing with the Brunswick Stars" on **August 9th**. My Star Partner will be Karen Taylor of Taylor's Cuisine Cafe and Catering in Southport.

This will be a formal event held at the Dinah E. Gore Fitness Center on the campus of Brunswick Community College. The event goal is Scholarships for Students. Last year over \$160,000 was raised for the cause and we hope to surpass that mark in 2013.

I ask that each of you go to the website listed below and enter a vote (or three) for us at the cost of \$10.00 each. You can pay through PayPal or with your credit card. The couple receiving the largest vote count will receive special recognition. There will also be awards given by the judges, but the Scholarship Funds are the most important.

Website: dwts.brunswickcc.edu (No www.) The phone number for information on attending the event (if you so desire) is 910-755-7473. Karen and I are practicing hard and are looking forward to a lot of fun. We will be Shagging to "Going Home to Jesus" by the Clovers (Give me an "Amen"!).

Thank you so much for any support that you can offer!!



Butch Underwood, SOBS Cub Reporter

“Operation Uplink” Fundraiser ...

Fellow SOBS,

We are writing to solicit your help in the sale of tickets for our 10th Annual Beach Music Dance and Charity Fundraiser to be held on October 25, 2013. As you know, this event will direct profits to Operation Uplink through the VFW, and Feed the Veterans through the Moose Lodge.



We want as much participation as possible; therefore we ask that you canvass your friends, neighbors, hairdressers, yardmen, etc., for a donation of only \$5 for a ticket. This ticket will provide admission to the Dance. They do not have to attend to win one of many door prizes, but need to be present for the silent and Chinese auctions.

All club members will receive, either by mail or handout, a packet containing tickets, a flyer for the event, and a letter explaining our event. For more flyers or tickets, please contact anyone listed below. We ask that you return any money or unsold tickets at the Dance on the 25th, or to one of those listed below.

Thanks for all of your help,

The Executive Committee

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A few “Operation Uplink” FAQs ...

What are the Free Call Days?

Operation Uplink Free Call Days are a 24 hour period where all the calls made from any of the 450+MWR (SPAWAR) Internet Cafés in Afghanistan, Kuwait and other Middle East locations are free for active duty service members. If the service members do not have access to the MWR (SPAWAR) Internet Cafés or are stationed outside of Afghanistan/ Kuwait, please provide the unit’s contact information and we will see that they’re taken care of through other available options.

Why are Free Call Days so important?

Free Call Days provide service members a morale boosting and vital connection with family and friends while eliminating the financial burden many can’t afford.

When are the Free Call Days?

We provide at least three scheduled dates each month. You can find our most current schedule at www.vfw.org/NMS. The Free Call Days run midnight to midnight based on Eastern Standard Time.

10th Annual Beach Music Dance & Charity Fundraiser...

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Friday, October 25, 2013

In The Ballroom Of The Moose Lodge Family Center
Long Beach Road - Oak Island, NC
6 - 10 PM Open to the Public

Door Prizes
50/50 Drawings
Silent Auction
Chinese Auction



Music By:
Legendary DJ
“Fessa”
John Hook

Shag Dancing !
\$5 Donation - All Profits Donated to Charity

VFW Operation Uplink
(Providing Free Phone Cards To Military Personnel)

Moose Lodge Feed The Veterans

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