

The Official Newsletter of the Society of Brunswick Shaggers

"Celebrating our 20th Anniversary Year!"

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Message from Madam President...

Hello fellow SOBS!

Here it is October. Time really does fly. I think everyone had a good time at the free pour at the Pavilion in North Myrtle Beach. We came in right on budget!

Our October dance at the VFW will be on the 11th with a German theme so get cooking! Bring us something good and German to eat!

October 25th is Operation Uplink and Feed the Veterans this will be at the Moose Lodge on Long Beach Road. EVERYONE BE THERE! You might pick up a gift for someone. We need items to auction, so bring us those items.

We are nearing the end of the year so we need to be thinking about new officers for next year. The nominating committee so far will be Chuck Boney. See him if you would like to run or nominate someone for office.

I look forward to seeing you all at the next dance. Remember, we are the nicest bunch of SOBS anyone will ever meet (:

Mamie Brown, President



DON'T FORGET...

To help out for "Project Uplink" and 10th Annual Beach Music Dance and Charity Fundraiser!

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 09/11/2013...

Attendees: Mamie Brown, President; Robert Carter, Vice President; Bill Brown, Treasurer; Joe Malinowski, Publicity; MaryAnn Gregory and Sandy Brown, Committee Coordinators; and Butch Underwood, Member

Secretary's Report: A motion to accept the Secretary's Report of August 7, 2013, was made, seconded and approved by the Committee members in attendance. The Secretary thanks Sandy for taking minutes in her absence.

Treasurer's Report: Bill reported a balance of \$2954, not including the \$200 in the cash box. Income was from 2 dances and memberships. A motion to accept the treasurer's report was made, seconded and accepted by the Committee members in attendance. Mamie is owed expenses from the ACSC workshop and postage.

Old Business: The September 27, 2013, "End of Summer" dance will feature DJ Terry McPhail and food purchased from the Moose. Jeff and Pam Duncan are on the door.

The UPLINK Fundraiser will be held October 25, 2013, at the Moose. DJ will be John Hook. Bill and Sandy Brown are on the door. Tickets and flyers were picked up by members at the August dance or mailed out. An email went out requesting members' assistance in gathering donations. Deadline for donations is October 7, 2013. MaryAnn will be requesting volunteers to assist at the fundraiser. Mamie will get the sign permit and change the sign date.

The New Hope Clinic fundraiser has been rescheduled from the Beach Day rainout to a special dance to be held November 17, 2013, from 2 to 5 pm, at the VFW. Steve Smith has volunteered his time to DJ! Admission will be \$5, with a 50/50 and donation jar. Mamie will contact the internet news. Joe will notify Coastal.

The September 13, 2013 dance will not be held due to SOS Fall Migration September 13-22, 2013. Mamie sent in the Fun Monday tickets. The SOS free pour is on September 14, 2013, at 1:30 (not 2:00 as previously noted). John Hutton is setting this up with H Lee at the pavilion. Free pour budget is \$400 + 20% tip = \$480.

New Business: The October 11, 2013, "OctoberFest" dance will be held at the VFW and feature DJ David Wade. Mamie will be on the door. Members will be asked to bring German food.

Open Discussion: None

Minutes Submitted by: *Sue DeMeyer, Secretary 2013*

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 or finger food. The DJ entertainment will be Steve Smith. Additional information will be announced in the following weeks! 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>

Dancing with the Brunswick Stars ...



As you all know, our own Butch Underwood and his partner Karen Taylor (owner of Taylor Cuisine & Café, Southport, NC) performed in the “Dancing with the Brunswick Stars” fundraiser. For those of us who couldn’t attend the “black tie” event, below is the YouTube link to watch the whole event. The entire YouTube video is 2 hours, 54 minutes. But, if you want to just see Butch & Karen dance, move the YouTube slider below the video to 00:55:00.

The link is: <http://youtu.be/mKngaDtUjfc>

Also, it will air on ATMC-TV channel 3 and channel 910 (the HD channel) beginning Monday, September 16th through Sunday, October 13th on the following days and times: Sundays from 9pm–12am. Mondays – Fridays from 11:30am–2:30pm. Finally, it will also be available OnDemand (ATMC channel 1) on Monday evening.

Butch & Karen did the SOBS proud!!



“WELCOME” Visitors of other Shag Clubs & Guests...

Our September 27 shag dance at the Moose Lodge was a great start for the Fall season. 65 SOBS graced the dance floor as well as many members of Chuck & Sandy and John & Katie’s dance classes. All in all, 23 guests came to check out the finest Shag club in the Carolina’s. Not to mention, the great beach music played by DJ Terry McPhail.



Jim & Pam Bruno



Tom & Linda

Guests... Donna Adkins

John Apostotico

Jim & Susan Cole

Dan & Mary Diehl

Claudia Hose

Garland & Claudia Lowe

Walter & Jane Moore

Cathy Riddle

Fred Scherr

Dick & Catherine Walters

Art Willerts & MJ

Kate Young

October Birthdays...

5th... Henry Webster
 7th... Helen Harris
 14th... Bruce Bauer
 14th... Don Mundy
 15th... Betty Lewis
 15th... Vann Pennell
 16th... Jerry DeMeyer
 20th... Stephen Kiel
 22nd... Deani Gaskins

22nd... Bahre Willis
 23rd... John Swanko
 24th... Marilyn Barstow
 24th... Holly Nicholson
 24th... Terry Ramos
 26th... Don West
 28th... Judy Koehly
 30th... Ron Carmichael



October DJ Information...

Fellow SOBS,

It's fall already, where has the year gone. I hope that all enjoyed SOS. From my perspective, the Freepour at the Ocean Drive Pavilion was a success. The DJ's that we have for the remainder of the year are some of the best DJ's in today's Beach Music. Spinning the discs for our dances this month are:

*Claude Collins at the VFW, Friday, October 11th
 and
 Fessa" John Hook at the Moose Lodge, Friday, October 25th
 For our Project Uplink Benefit*



Claude Collins is NC born and raised, growing up about 60 miles from Ocean Drive, SC. He began working as a DJ in 1966. He is a member of and a past Board Member for the Association of Beach and Shag Club DJs. He is a member of the OD Shag club and since 2000 is one of the house DJs at the Ocean Drive Pavilion. Claude lives in the North Myrtle Beach area.

"Fessa" John Hook will again be Master of Ceremonies at our October 25th Project Uplink Benefit at the Moose. "Fessa" is one of 2 legendary DJs of Beach Music: he and Charlie Brown. John has been involved in Beach Music since the early 1970's. He is the author of "Shagging in the Carolinas" which chronicles the history of Shag dancing and beach music. His latest publication is the 2 volume set Beach Music Guide, 1945-2006 which contains extensive information on Beach Music artists and entries of over 26,000 beach music songs. He now syndicates three radio shows weekly on 25+ radio stations across the United States. He has been affiliated with numerous radio stations through the years in various capacities. His thorough knowledge of beach music has rightly earned him his nickname of "Fessa" His continued presence at our Project Uplink Benefit should make this an event to be remembered.

The fall dance season is now upon us. There will be many opportunities to get out and dance. With the coming fall dance season upon us there will be many opportunities to get out and dance. We hope to see you on the dance floor.

John Hutton, DJ Selection

Meet some of our Members ...



Bill & Sandy Brown... have been married 45 years and have two daughters and four grandchildren (Chelsea 11, Caroline 8, Matt 9 and Anna 5). Sandy is from Cooperstown, NY and Bill is from Chesapeake, VA. After marriage Bill and Sandy lived and worked in Marlton, NJ area for 31 years. Bill had worked in Brunswick County on a field assignment in the 80's and they knew and enjoyed the area. Additionally, one daughter lives close by in Wilmington which sealed the deal!

Sandy is a Dental Hygienist and practiced her profession up until moving to Brunswick County. Bill is a Registered Professional Engineer and worked primarily in Nuclear Power Plant design, engineering and construction areas. Bill likes to bike and has completed an annual bike ride in Philadelphia to raise money for Cancer Research. Bill is up to his 25th annual ride! Bill also volunteers at the Southport Oak Island animal shelter. Sandy is learning to play golf and belongs to a Red Hat group and does volunteer work.

Bill & Sandy have been shag dancing for four years now and originally took lessons through the Brunswick County Parks & Recreation Dept. with our own Henry & Johnnie Webster and Chuck & Sandy Boney. They love beach music and dancing and enjoy meeting and socializing with the other SOBS. They have been SOBS for four years. Bill is currently serving his first term at the Treasurer of the SOBS and Sandy is one of the Club Coordinators. They hope that the SOBS continues to thrive and that more people become aware of this Southern dance and enjoy it as much as they

do!

Chuck & Sandy Boney... moved to picturesque Southport in the Spring of 2000. Chuck retired as an oil company executive from Sunoco and Sandy from a trade show company. We wanted to go where the weather was warm and the people warmer.

Between us, we have 4 children and 5 grand children the latest being 3 weeks old. Chuck & Sandy always loved to dance. That's how they met and that's what they continue to cherish. They were old "jitterbuggers", Sandy from Cleveland, OH and Chuck from Pittsburgh, PA... *a match made in heaven*. We attribute their dancing skills to their very first teachers, Henry and Johnnie Webster. When they moved here they knew nothing about the "shag" but it has been wonderful! The fact that there is a dance club makes it even more terrific for them.



The things they like about "Shaggin" are SOS and everything that goes along with it... from The Gospel Hour to Ice Cream on the street. When they're not dancing they can be found on the golf course. Sandy is a beach and pool bunny and Chuck prefers to play golf and take care of the homestead.

Chuck is a past president and currently holds the position of Membership Coordinator. Their hope is to help preserve the dance and to promote Beach Music. They like being involved with the club and will do whatever they can to perpetuate its existence.

Notes from the Assoc. of Carolina Shag Clubs Meeting ...

Held on September 21, 2013

Main Street and Ocean Boulevard construction:

See the information sheet from the City of North Myrtle Beach on the next page. The purpose of the project is to remove existing storm drains pipes from the beach and combine them into large pipes to carry storm run-off about 1,200 feet offshore. This will help alleviate flooding and reduce bacteria levels of the ocean waters on the beach. We are looking at approximately two years of construction.

"Bridge the Gap" Committee:

Better known as Operation Preserve Shag (OPS), this committee will be made up of volunteers from every member Shag Club. It appears that a generation of Shaggers has been overlooked, so this committee is targeting the 21 to 51 age group. We have done well recruiting Junior Shaggers and the older age groups (partially because they grew up Shagging at OD). Now we will look to recruit those in the middle. More information will be available later.

2014 SOS Cards:

Our Club is in possession of brand new 2014 SOS Cards! The price remains \$30 through the Club and \$35 at SOS. Cards will be available from the SOBS until March 31, 2014. We will still be able to special order more for Fall Migration after the deadline, but we will not keep any on hand. This year, they ran out of cards at SOS and many Clubs still had several (Embarrassing!). Remember that these Cards make excellent Christmas gifts!!

2014 SOS Dates

Mid-Winter - January 17-19, 2014

Spring Safari - April 4-13, 2014

Fall Migration - September 12-21

Butch Underwood, SOBS Cub Reporter



Notes from the Assoc. of Carolina Shag Clubs Meeting (cont'd)...



City of North Myrtle Beach
MAIN STREET OCEAN OUTFALL PROJECT
 CONSTRUCTION SCHEDULE AS OF SEPTEMBER 20, 2013 (SUBJECT TO CHANGE)

~ **September 23, 2013 to April 25, 2014:**

- The Horseshoe on Main Street will be closed. When construction is not occurring on the beach, the two sidewalks bordering the Horseshoe will remain open for pedestrian-only access to the ocean. *No golf carts allowed on the sidewalk.*
- The Horseshoe will not be accessible during the S.O.S. Spring Safari April 4-13, 2014.

~ **Beginning October 1, 2013:**

- The contractor will begin working on the beach.
- No impact for S.O.S. events, except that the beach in front of the Horseshoe and for a distance north and south will be closed to the public.
- *Pedestrian access along the beach to cross the construction zone will be allowed and will be managed by the contractor.*

~ **January – February 2014:**

- Complete closure of Ocean Boulevard at the end of Main Street and north and south for a distance.
- May impact the Mid-Winter S.O.S. Migration January 17-19, 2014 and the S.O.S. Winter Workshop February 21-23, 2014.

~ **Late April – Early May 2014:**

- Temporary paving on Ocean Boulevard will be scheduled (weather dependent).
- The roadway will probably be available for the S.O.S. Spring Safari April 4-13, 2014 parade, but will NOT be paved. It will be a rough gravel roadway. SCDOT requires outdoor temperatures to reach a certain level before asphalt paving can occur on state controlled roads. Ocean Boulevard is a state road.

~ **Late April– Early May 2014:** Main Street Horseshoe will reopen for the season as a coquina or gravel lot. It will have defined parking spaces only.

- Winter of 2015: Final reconstruction of the Horseshoe with new amenities will occur during the second phase of the outfall's inland drainage work.

~ **September 2014 through May 2015:**

- Ocean Boulevard (2nd Avenue North to 4th Avenue South) will be scheduled for closures for installation of the inland drainage pipe network extending from the outfall.
- This will impact the S.O.S. Spring Safari April 17-26, 2015.
- During construction, the two center lanes on Ocean Boulevard will be trenches that are 10-15 feet deep. This means that there will be only one travel lane open going north and one travel lane going south.

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

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>ENTERTAINMENT</u>
OCTOBER 11	VFW	CLAUDE COLLINS
OCTOBER 25	MOOSE (OPERATION UPLINK FUNDRAISER)	JOHN HOOK
NOVEMBER 8	VFW (BRUNSWICK FOOD PANTRY)	DAVID WADE
NOVEMBER 17 <i>*NEW</i>	VFW (NEW HOPE CLINIC FUNDRAISER)	STEVE SMITH
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



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From our friends at Coastal Shag Club...



On October 19, 2013, *"Spooktacular"* Shag Dance & Costume Party, 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 Kitty Earles. 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. Get creative and wear your favorite, fun, sexy, or spooky costume. Fantastic, large, wooden dance floor; 50/50; cash bar; bring a "devilish" snack or dessert to share, non-smoking dance room. They're located just 20 minutes north of Ocean Drive and Main Street. Email Pat Boyd at: coastal-shagclub@yahoo.com with questions.

“Operation Uplink” Fundraiser ...



Fellow SOBS,

We are soliciting 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 October 25th, or to one of those listed below.

Thanks for all of your help,

The Executive Committee

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An “Operation Uplink” story ...



Stephen Ward, past VFW Department of Europe commander, visits a patient at Landstuhl Regional Medical Center in Germany and provides him with an Operation Uplink pre-paid phone card. During his visit, Ward delivered some 4,800 calling cards.

For most parents, watching their children grow and discover new ideas is one of the best parts of parenthood. But when parents are serving overseas, the pain of separation becomes a daily reminder. For Sgt. Shoukat Mughal, missing his daughter's first birthday was painful, but being able to pick up his Operation Uplink pre-paid phone card and call home helped.

Since Operation Uplink's start in 1996, VFW has distributed approximately 8 million pre-paid phone cards to troops and hospitalized veterans. The program also helps in times of emergency. After Hurricane Katrina ripped through the Gulf Coast in August 2005, destroying virtually all communication lines, Operation Uplink sent 12,000 cards to area VFW Department headquarters to distribute in the region. While the requests for cards continue to increase each month, troops can request one card per person as often as every 60 days.

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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