

The Official Newsletter of the Society of Brunswick Shaggers

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Message from our President...

Hello fellow SOBS!

I hope some of you got a chance to go to the SOS Mid Winter down at North Myrtle Beach. I heard there was a huge crowd with all the clubs full of shaggers, even though it was cold. We had plenty of opportunities to dance in January with Bill Ruth at the VFW, and "Fessa" John Hook at our "Re-Up / Join-Up" dance, and Mid Winter.

Our "Re-Up / Join-Up" dance was a huge success with around 130 people attending and a lot of new faces and great dancers.

We raised \$186.00 for the Brunswick County Food Pantry with our 50/50 drawing and a donation of \$40 from Aaron of the Moose Lodge.

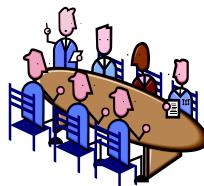
We will have two dances in February with Terry McPhail playing for our Valentines Dance at the VFW, where two lucky ladies will win a dozen roses each. "Heart Healthy" is our theme for the night. Our February 28th dance at the Moose Lodge will feature a new DJ that has never played for our club before, Lynn "Redbone" King. "Bone", what he prefers to be called, is a radio disc jockey from Rockingham, NC, at the 11 times "Cammy Award" winning WLWL Big Wave Radio since 1998. This is also our "S.O.A.R. Pet Food Drive" where you can donate pet food or monetary gifts.

John Hutton is working on our parade theme for the SOS Parade. He always does a great job organizing this event and has the club trophies to prove it. If you have a classic car you would like to drive in the parade or any new ideas contact him. If you are planning to attend SOS, see Butch Underwood for your SOS cards. Also, if you are planning on renting rooms you may want to get them as soon as possible because of another large event going on that same week in town. See you on the dance floor!

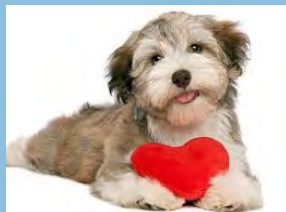
Robert Carter, President

2014 Society of Brunswick Shaggers Board...

Robert Carter, *President*
Ellen Wester, *Vice President*
Pam Bacon, *Secretary*
Bill Brown, *Treasurer*
Chuck Boney, *Membership*
Joe Malinowski, *Publicity*



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



DON'T FORGET...

To donate to our
S.O.A.R. Pet Food drive at
our February 28, 2014, shag
dance!

Executive Committee Meeting Minutes – January 8, 2014...

Attendees: Robert Carter, President; Ellen Wester, Vice President, Bill Brown; Treasurer; Pam Bacon, Secretary; Joe Malinowski, Publicity; MaryAnn Gregory and Sandy Brown, Pam Duncan, Committee Coordinators; Mamie Brown, Chuck Boney, Sandy Boney, Kim Brown, Butch Underwood, Members.

Secretary Report: A motion to accept the Secretary's Report of December 5, 2013, was made, seconded and approved by the Committee members in attendance.

Treasurer's Report: Bill reported a balance of \$1750, not including \$200.00 in cash box. He has disbursed a check to the Moose for Feed the Vets of \$555.00 and we will be giving the check to New Hope Clinic for \$658.00 on Friday night Jan. 10th. A motion to accept the Treasurer's report was made, seconded and approved by the Committee members in attendance.

Old Business: The December 7, 2013, dance had a good turnout with 95 members and 11 guests. We presented a check to the Lodge for the Feed the Veterans in the amount of \$555.00. There was a discussion about the food for this dance. Although the food was great it was discussed that Mamie would take Robert and Ellen to the Moose Lodge to show them as new board members the ins and outs of ordering food for the dances. Also, to let the Moose know about running out of the sides at this dance.

The first dance of the 2014 year will be January 10, 2014, at the VFW with DJ Bill Ruth. The theme will be "A New Year" and members will bring chili and soups. We will present a check to New Hope Clinic at this dance.

The "Re-Up / Join-Up" dance will be January 24, 2014, at the Moose Lodge. There will be two people taking applications and one person in charge of the money. MaryAnn and Robert will do the applications and Mamie and Kim will collect the money. Chuck and Sandy will do the membership cards during the night. The applications when being filled out at the door will need to be initialed before sending to Chuck and Sandy. Everyone will need to fill out a new application during this time. Robert will order new membership cards in two different colors with the year not printed on them so they can be used each year and Ellen will get a date stamp for Chuck to stamp the back for this year and so forth. Mamie will get cookies for the "Re-Up / Join-Up" dance on the club instead of cake. The meal will be on the club for members that are rejoining and admission will be \$10.00 for people who want to eat and not join. The member's fee will be \$20.00 which includes membership and a meal. The 50/50 money will go to the Brunswick County Food Pantry.

New Business: The first February dance will be held on February 14, 2014, at the VFW. The theme will be "Heart Healthy." We will give a dozen roses each to two different ladies. Ladies will receive a ticket at the door and then we will have a drawing to give the roses away.

Open Discussion: Mamie and Sandy have been reimbursed for monies spent at the Christmas dance.

It was discussed about getting a big roll of the table runners from Sam's Club or Amazon to have on hand for tablecloths for the dances. Sandy Brown and Pam Duncan will check into this.

Pam Duncan gave a preliminary report on the survey that was sent out to the members thru the newsletter and emails from Joe. We are getting some good responses so far for discussion by the new board members. This survey will be completed by January 31, 2014. We should have the results to discuss at our February meeting.

Ellen will be going to the meeting in Myrtle Beach next week for the Mid-Winter meeting.

Mamie, Robert and Ellen will be going to the bank to change the signature cards over for the new board members.

Motion was made to adjourn and seconded, and approved by the members present.

Minutes Submitted by:

Pam Bacon, Secretary



“WELCOME” other Shag Clubs, Guests and our NEW SOBS...

Our January 10, 2014, “1st Dance of the Year”, shag dance at the VFW Post had 63 SOBS (12 Renewals) and 8 guests dance to the music of DJ “Wild” Bill Ruth. The chili and soup dishes brought in by the our members were absolutely delicious! Again, the SOBS demonstrated their generosity by donating a check for \$658 to New Hope Clinic from the proceeds of our November 17, 2013 fundraiser. The check was presented to Sheila Roberts from the New Hope Clinic.



Tootie Brown
Shirley Courtney
Ken & Cecelia Weston



Tom & Linda Romero

Guests... Becky Miles
Sheila Roberts (New Hope Clinic)

The “Re-Up / Join-Up” dance on January 24, 2014, was well attended by 89 “Re-Ups”, 38 “Join-Ups” and 7 guests. The meal of pork BQ, coleslaw, beans, hushpuppies and cookies provided by the Moose Lodge was excellent as was the “beach music” played by DJ “Fessa” John Hook. Thanks to all for coming to our January 2014 dances.

Our new SOBS...

Jan Abbott
Robert & Eileen Barbieri
Bill & Carol Berry
Joann Birkenstock
John & Mona Biskup
Maynard Chipman
Jim & Madelyn Clow
Matt Dillon
Linda Dorman
Stephen Foster
Jim & Serena Funka
Stephen & Lorrie Gregory
William & Debbie Harrington

Eddy & Sandy Haynes
Bill Hylwa
Garland & Claudia Lowe
Barry & Debbie Martin
Fred & Chris Martin
Carol McLaughlin
Ed & Linda Messmer
Jayke Pell
Bill & Sara Beth Russell
John Varner
Susan Warren
Cecilia Washo

Our Guests...

Joe & Lynn Honeycutt
John & Susan Leggett
Eric & Joyce Nielsen
Kathy Stiene

Committee Coordinator Needed!...

The club is still in need of a COMMITTEE COORDINATOR. We are so lucky to have so many members, both MEN & WOMEN, that would be great at this position. Don't be shy it is very rewarding. Please contact Robert Carter (Pres.) or Ellen Wester (VP) if you are interested. The COMMITTEE COORDINATOR responsibilities are:

- Plan and coordinate special events such as fund raisers, and community services activities.
- Contact standing committee leaders regarding upcoming activities and coordinate how the standing and ad hoc committees will relate to specific tasks.
- Become an ex-officio member of all committees.



February Birthdays...

1st... Cheri Swanko	17th... Buck Rogers
4th... Debbie Harrington	23rd... Brenda Willis
7th... Betsy Jones	25th... Marilyn Hill
9th... Stephen Gregory	25th... Linda Lemmon
14th... Troye Hinson	25th... Frank Popelars
15th... Cathy Bauemschub	28th... Chip Sites
17th... Dan Jones	28th... Michael Sral



February DJ Information...

Fellow SOBS,

I hope that you had a good time at our January dances with Bill Ruth and then John Hook at the Re-Up / Join-Up. Bill and John keep the dance floor full. What good turn outs we have had! It looks as if February is going to be just as much fun. Spinning the discs for our dances this month are:



Friday, February 14th – Terry McPhail at the VFW  Valentine's Party
and

Friday, February 28th – Lynn "Redbone" King at the Moose Lodge

Terry McPhail will be playing for our Friday, February 14, 2014, Valentine's Day dance at the VFW. Terry has been involved as a Beach Music DJ for a number of years and has played for our club many times. He is retired from a career in the US Army. Every year he has supported our Project Uplink with a DJ Party donation. Look for info about the March 16 party with Terry as DJ elsewhere in this month's newsletter—his 2013 donation. He and his wife Karen live at Ocean Drive (N. Myrtle Beach) and in Elizabethtown, NC. Terry is one of the DJs on the Annual Blues Cruise and is *always* at the OD Arcade playing the best songs during SOS.

For our February 28, 2014, date at the Moose Lodge, we are having Lynn "Red Bone" King from Rockingham, NC. Lynn has been with radio station WLWL "Big Wave" for the past 15 years. His station is an 11 time CBMA Award Winning station. He has radio shows on Fridays and Sundays playing mixtures of Shag, Soul, and R&B. Mark your calendars and come out and enjoy the evening.

Hope to see all of you on the dance floor soon. At the February and March dances, I will be having information and Sign-Up sheets for the SOS Parade, Saturday April 12th.

John Hutton, DJ Selection

Meet some of our Members ...



John & Angela Trent... have lived in Mid-Central Connecticut, moving to Southport in 2010. Jim was born in New York City and grew up in NY and Connecticut. Angela was born in Ireland and moved to Connecticut with her family where she grew up. After graduating from college in Alabama, Jim worked in the paper industry in Labor Relations followed by a second career on the railroad with Amtrak. Angela graduated from college in Connecticut and spent her career in Human Resources, retiring as Vice President, Human Resources for an international financial service organization.

After retiring in 2010, Jim's love of North Carolina brought them to Historic Southport which provided the small town, intimate environment they were looking for. As a way to meet new people they signed up for Shag Lessons that winter with Chuck and Sandy Boney at the Brunswick Center. Chuck and Sandy did an excellent job of making them feel welcome and encouraged them to attend a SOBS dance. One of the things that Jim and Angela noticed was how welcome the club members made them feel and how much fun shagging was. They have made some wonderful friends with the SOBS club and have enjoyed many dances and trips to North Myrtle Beach.

One of the things they appreciate is the history of SOBS and how a small handful of people were able to not only start the club, but keep it together through difficult times. Some of those original founders are still active participants in the club today.



Ellen Wester... has 2 sons Lee and John. Lee (retired military) lives in Wilmington with his wife and 4 children. John works and lives in Raleigh. My parents are still living on Bald Head Island. I have a brother and 2 sisters who live in NC and SC. Ellen grew up in Lumberton, NC and lived in several other towns in NC. Her parents built a house on Bald Head Island in 1973 so she has always loved the Southport area.

Ellen was a math teacher for 21 years before spending 15 years as an Assistant Principal. She is currently an Independent Distributor for It Works Global. (*Have you heard about that crazy wrap thing?*) She has always been involved in sewing and doing crafts. She also learned cake decorating after retiring and loves to read books especially romance novels and books on organization.

Ellen first learned to shag in junior high and later took lessons again to relearn the correct form. About 10 years ago she took lessons from Don Bunn and Madeline May at Red's Beach Club. She has continued to take lessons from various instructors including Bonnie Rhodes, John and Katy, and Chuck and Sandy. Lessons give her a chance to continue to practice steps that she might not use on a regular basis. Ellen loves the variety of steps in shag dancing and the fact that as she gets older she can still shag dance just possibly a little less strenuously.

Ellen joined the SOBS last March after moving to Southport in February. She is currently the Vice President for the SOBS. In her former shag club, Johnston County Area Shag Club, she was the Secretary, President and still currently a Board Member. Ellen would love to see the SOBS expand its activities by including road trips to North Myrtle Beach and other shag club functions.

2014 Dance & Party Schedule (Subject to Change!)...

DATE	LOCATION	ENTERTAINMENT
FEBRUARY 14	VFW (VALENTINE DANCE)	TERRY McPHAIL
FEBRUARY 21-23	WINTER WORKSHOP (COLUMBIA, SC)	
FEBRUARY 28	MOOSE (S.O.A.R. PET FOOD DRIVE)	LYNN "REDBONE" KING
MARCH 14	VFW	GENE SISTARE
MARCH 28	MOOSE	CLAUDE COLLINS
APRIL 4-13	SPRING SAFARI SOS (N. MYRTLE BEACH, SC)	
APRIL 12	TAILGATE, PARADE & FREE POUR (N. MYRTLE BEACH, SC)	
APRIL 25	MOOSE	DAVID WADE
MAY 9	VFW	JIMMY BUFFKIN
MAY 23	MOOSE	JERRY BURRAGE
JUNE 13	VFW	EDDIE BAKER
JUNE 27	MOOSE	STEVE SMITH
JULY 1	BEACH DAY (NEW HOPE CLINIC FUNDRAISER)	
JULY 11	VFW	CHIGGER WOODS
JULY 25	MOOSE	ROBERT CARTER
AUGUST 8	VFW	BILL RUTH
AUGUST 22	MOOSE	JOEY WARREN
SEPTEMBER 12-21	FALL MIGRATION SOS (N. MYRTLE BEACH, SC)	
SEPTEMBER 13	FREE POUR (N. MYRTLE BEACH, SC)	
SEPTEMBER 26	MOOSE (PROJECT UPLINK FUNDRAISER)	"FESSA" JOHN HOOK
OCTOBER 10	VFW	CHIGGER WOODS
OCTOBER 24	MOOSE	CLAUDE COLLINS
NOVEMBER 14	VFW	TERRY McPHAIL
DECEMBER 6	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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April 12, 2014, SOS Parade...

I wanted to let the club know I will be our club's Parade Coordinator for this year's SOS parade entry – shagging troupe category. We will begin working on ideas for our entry and will need YOUR help! We are in need of convertibles, tailgaters, Shag dancers, walkers, and riders, decoration makers etc. Celebrate the fun afterwards with our traditional “Free Pour” which will begin immediately after the parade at the Ocean Drive Pavilion. More information to follow as it becomes available. If you have questions, want to be part of, have a car, need directions, or want to help with this, please feel free to contact me via phone at 910-201-9993 or email at jsh66@earthlink.net

John Hutton, SOBS/SOS Parade Coordinator

2014 SOS Cards are Available...



Our Club is in possession of the 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. See Butch Underwood at our dances to purchase your cards!

2014 SOS Dates

Spring Safari – April 4-13, 2014

Fall Migration – September 12-21

New Hope Clinic Fundraiser Results...

SOBS President, Robert Carter and SOBS Vice President, Ellen Wester (right) present a check to Sheila Roberts, Executive Director of the New Hope Clinic for \$658.00 at our 1st shag dance of New Year on Friday, January 10, 2014. The check was a result of our New Hope Clinic Fundraiser dance held on November 17, 2013, at the Oak Island VFW Post.



23rd Annual DJ Throwdown...

I know we have a dance that Friday, but some people might like to attend Thursday or Saturday, this is just like an SOS event, but it's put on by the "Association Of Beach And Shag Club DJs " and you don't have to have SOS cards to attend.



and



Presents The

23rd Annual DJ Throwdown Feb 27th . 28th, & March 1st, 2014 With Over 80+ Djs

Featuring



Band of OZ

The doors will open at 7:30pm with the music starting at 8pm on Thursday, February 27th, with the Band of Oz, then Anson Funderburgh and friends, followed by the Fantastic Shakers. cover at the door, \$10.00 per person. no advance tickets.

Food will be on Saturday from 2 - 4 pm--FREE to everyone

Both Friday and Saturday are **FREE** to everyone

Grand Prize Drawing is to be held at midnight March 1st, when \$6,000.00 will be given away.

For More Information

- Steve Baker...919-676-2159
- Butch Metcalf...336-883-9873
- Jim Rose 843 685 1450
- Ducks...843 663 3858

Our Throwdown Sponsors Are:

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- Printing By Designs.....843-399-0105



Anson Funderburgh and Friends



For additional information check out our website - www.abscdj.com

“Tropical Heatwave” Shag Cruise, January 18–23, 2014...

If you like the *Holiday Band* you would have loved the 2014 “Tropical Heatwave” cruise aboard Royal Caribbean’s Brilliance of Seas. Several SOBS sailed along with the band including Mike & Beverly Williams, Bill & Sandy Brown, Buck Rogers & Janice, and John Hutton & Katy O’Neill. The cruise left Tampa, FL with stops in Grand Cayman Island and Cozumel. The weather was fantastic, the seas calm and the entertainment top notch.

Elvis impersonator Wayne Euliss made you look twice to be sure it wasn’t the “King” performing in the Pacifica Theater. CAMMY Award winner Ronda McDaniels performed both alone and with THB, showing her style and great voice. Even though there were fewer fans than we hoped for, the band didn’t let us down. Daily performances, albeit late, let us enjoy everything the cruise ship had to offer. Cruise entertainment was diverse and we all took in a couple of shows. Dinner gave us all a chance to chat and exchange stories of island excursions. We all had a great time meeting members of the Burlington Shag Club, the OD and Coastal Shag Clubs and great folks that just joined us shaggers for fun. Take in a shag cruise next year—whatever the entertainment, you are bound to have a good time!



January 24, 2014 - "Re-Up / Join-Up" Dance...



“Chase Away the Winter Blues” – Mark your Calendar...



“Chase Away the Winter Blues”

**John Hutton and Katy O’Neill will host a
Sunday afternoon Potluck and Shag Dance**

Sunday, March 16, 2014

1 - 5 PM

(Come at 12:30 to help set-up)

We’ll have Terry Mc Phail as DJ

(His donation to Project Uplink 2013)

and a cash bar

Please bring a potluck side dish to share

And some friends, too!

**We hope to see you at Rumors Beach Club
Oak Island Drive across from the Dairy Queen
Oak Island, NC**

for more info contact John Hutton at jsh66@earthlink.net or 201-9993