

# The Official Newsletter of the Society of Brunswick Shaggers

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## SEPTEMBER 2014



## The Beach Beat!

### Message from our President...

Hello fellow SOBS!

Well here it is September and I hope everyone has had a great summer. SOS Fall Migration begins September 12 thru 21, 2014. I hope to see everyone of you there and at our "FREE POUR" on the 13th, Saturday afternoon beginning 1:00 PM at the OD Pavilion with H. Lee Brown. Please be sure to have your current membership card with you and I promise not to be late with the drink tickets this time. I hope one of our members that bought Fun Monday tickets are lucky enough to win the \$7,500.00 raffle prize!

Because of SOS we will only have one dance this month which is our fundraiser at the Moose Lodge with "Fessa" John Hook and his vast collection of beach music as our DJ.

It's "OPERATION UPLINK" time! September 26 is fast approaching so it's time to start visiting your local retail shops to ask for a donation for our silent auction held during our dance. These are the shops that you frequent and maybe some you don't. Joe has already sent out an email about the need of everyone's help in selling tickets AND collecting items for the auctions and door prizes. You should have your packets now so you need to get busy selling your tickets and getting donations. Finally, we need help in several areas: preparing items for auction, setting up the day of the auction, the Chinese auction, working the door, and cleaning up after the event. Please let us know which area you can assist with for the event. If we don't get enough volunteers we will be calling for help. Over the years our club has raised over \$40,000 putting on this event to help our military service people keep in touch with their families. Please consider to help this much needed cause!

Thank you and 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 & Newsletter*  
Mamie Brown, *Immediate Past President*

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BE SAFE & ENJOY THE WEEKEND!

**Happy Labor Day**



## *Executive Committee Meeting Minutes – August 7, 2014...*

**Present:** Robert Carter, Ellen Wester, Pam Bacon, Mamie Brown, Bill Brown, Sandy Brown, Joe Malinowski

Meeting was called to order by Robert at 6:00 pm

**Secretary's Report:** A motion to accept the Secretary's Report of July 10th was made, seconded and approved by the Committee members in attendance.

**Treasurer's Report:** Bill gave the Treasurers Report. Balance of \$3,322.00 (not including \$200 in cash box). A motion was made to approve the report and seconded.

**Old Business:** Recap of the July 24<sup>th</sup> dance at the Moose Lodge. Ellen is going to pay a visit to the Moose Lodge and see if she can talk to them about having the air turned on in the afternoon before the dances and see if they will replace the recess lighting over the tables.

**New Business:** August 8<sup>th</sup> dance at the VFW, DJ will be Bill Ruth and the dinner will be paid for by the club.

August 22, dance will be at the Moose and the DJ will be Joey Warren. The door greeters will be Linda and Bill Jenkins and the theme will be Hawaiian Luau. Food will be ordered from the Moose menu.

Uplink envelopes are ready to be handed out at the August 8<sup>th</sup> dance and August 22<sup>nd</sup> dance. We can start selling tickets when we get the envelopes.

**Open Discussion:** Fun Sunday and Fun Monday will be Sept 14<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup>. The club "Free Pour" will be Saturday, September 13<sup>th</sup> at the OD Pavilion at 1:00 PM.

There were some new ideas discussed for uplink for raising money. One was to have a golf tournament or a 5K run/walk. These were just some ideas to think about for next year.

There will be sign up sheets for members to volunteer for the Operation Uplink fund raiser at the dance on August 22<sup>nd</sup>. We need volunteers for the door and the Chinese auction. It was suggested that when a donation is received from a vendor that we ask how much they think the starting bid should be. Joe will also put this in the news letter for sign ups. The board discussed and have decided that no committee coordinator was needed.

Meeting adjourned 6:45 pm.

***Minutes Submitted by: Pam Bacon, Secretary***



## *WELCOME to our Guests and new Members...*

At our August 8<sup>th</sup> dance at the VFW, there were 65 SOBS and 5 guests. We danced to the beach music from our past President of the SOBS, DJ Bill Ruth. And, again, the VFW chef cooked up a great meal of pulled port & chicken, coleslaw and beans. The meal was "on the Club!"

For the club's August 22<sup>th</sup> dance at the Moose Lodge our attendance was 50 SOBS, 14 members of other Shag Clubs and 21 guests as we enjoyed the tunes played by ever popular, DJ Joey Warren. ***In addition, we had two new members join our illustrious shag club, Cathy Boule' and Ann Williams.*** We hope to see you at our club "Free Pour" during SOS on September 13, 2014. Refreshments and food was available for purchase thru the Moose Lodge grill. It was a bit warm on the dance floor, but it sure didn't slow down all of our shaggers! This was one of our largest dances of 2014!

### Guests:

Cathy Boule'  
Kelly Goldenbaum Bradley  
Maxine Brown  
Tootie Brown  
Patrick Carraway  
Gary Coles  
Jim & Mary DeRenzis  
Phyllis Dowling  
Kathy Face  
Mark Heffner  
Yolanda Leay  
Bob & Joann Lorenzo

Carol Mannino  
Karen Neuwirth  
Ian Pridgen  
Bill & Andrea Reardon  
Carol Ruth  
Larry Santucci  
Nadine Shutt  
Joan Thompson  
Antoine Washington  
Donna Whitacre  
Anne Williams

### Members of other Shag Clubs:

Doug & Cherry Bland  
Bernie Braak  
Connie Fussell  
Darla Hardee  
Mark Heffner  
Wayne Holden  
Sheila Horrell  
Barry Jordan  
Karen Neuwirth  
Linda Newton  
Linda Meyer  
Keith Thompson  
Donna Whisenant



Bill & Michelle Scott

## *September Birthdays...*

5th... John Hutton	19th... Carol McLaughlin
5th... Janet Waddell	19th... Cathy Skelps
7th... Tom Green	20th... David Morgan
12th... Bill Bauernschub	22nd... Rie Meehan
13th... Janice Kowalchuk	24th... Joe Apicella
16th... Susan Morgan	29th... Sandy Brown
17th... Mary McLeroy	29th... Dick Ely
18th... Sue DeMeyer	29th... Cecilia Washo



## September DJ Information...

Fellow SOBS,

It's going to be fall soon and where has the year gone? I hope that you are all looking forward to SOS and our club traditional SOS "Freepour" on Saturday September 13<sup>th</sup> at the Ocean Drive Pavilion. There will be great dancing and a good time. 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 Operation Uplink dance this month is:



***Fessa" John Hook at the Moose Lodge, Friday, September 26<sup>th</sup>  
For our Project Uplink Benefit***



"Fessa" John Hook will again be Master of Ceremonies at our September 26th Project Uplink Benefit at the Moose. "Fessa" is one of 3 legendary DJs of Beach Music: he, Charlie Brown and Ted Bell of radio station 94.9. 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.

There will be lots of opportunities to support Operation Uplink. One of the greatest may be the opportunity to go flying with Dennis Faver. Katy and I have been twice and have thoroughly enjoyed it every time. So, look for that and so many other great things and bid on them to raise money to support our veterans. There will also be 3 DJs offering DJ parties. These are always excellent opportunities to have a good time.

We hope to see you all at SOS and on the dance floor.

***John Hutton, DJ Selection***

## From our Friends at Coastal Shag Club...

Our dances are 7:00 to 10:30 PM with a FREE Shag or Line Dance lesson starting at 6:30 PM. Please bring an appetizer or dessert to share unless the dance is a designated Dinner/Dance event. All soft drinks, water, beer, wine and liquor can be purchased from the Moose Lodge. Admission is \$5 for members of other ACSC Sanctioned Shag Clubs and \$8 for Guests and Visitors. **ALL DANCES ARE HELD AT THE SHALLOTTE MOOSE LODGE, 253 HOLDEN BEACH RD., SHALLOTTE, NC**



### DANCE DATE

September 20, 2014

October 18, 2014

November 15, 2014

December 20, 2014

### DJ

Ray Riggsbee

Gary Bass

Joey Warren

David Sessoms



## *Meet some of our Members ...*



### *Fred & Edie Milano...*

Two recent additions to the club are Edie and Fred Milano. They were introduced to one another at the Boone Shag Club in 1999, started dancing together, and were married in 2004. Fred is past president of the Boone Shag Club, a post he held for three years. They have a daughter who lives in Florida and a son living in Germany, and are looking forward to becoming grandparents for the

first time this coming Fall.

After endless winters of fighting snow and subzero weather in the mountains, they decided to move to the warmer climate on the coast. So in 2012 they relocated to Brunswick Forest in Leland, and soon afterwards joined the SOBS club.

Edie, who grew up in Goldsboro, was a realtor in Lumberton for 10 years, and then later in Boone & Blowing Rock for another 15 years. She retired in 2012. Fred is a transplanted Yankee from the Philadelphia area and a graduate of Penn State University (Go Nittany Lions!). He was professor of sociology at Appalachian State University for 30 years, and retired in 2004.

Shortly after settling into their new residence, they ventured onto Oak Island on a Friday evening looking for a place to dance, and were thrilled to discover the SOBS club. They thoroughly enjoy the club's informal and friendly atmosphere, and deeply appreciate the goodwill and camaraderie among the members, all qualities they consider to be the hallmark of an outstanding organization.

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## *Because we care about you...*

The Society of Brunswick Shaggers (the nicest SOBS you'll ever meet!) sends cards to our members who may need some support, a cheer, or a little extra love. Contact SOBS Secretary, Pam Bacon at [pbacon89@gmail.com](mailto:pbacon89@gmail.com). She will send out some sunshine, as a reminder letting them know we care.

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## Places to Dance at North Myrtle Beach During SOS Fall Migration – September 12–21 (LAST CHANCE FOR 2014!)

**Please Note: The State of South Carolina has passed a law prohibiting smoking in bars and restaurants. Most bars have an outdoor area for the smokers!**

**Fat Harold's** – On Main Street on the left going toward the ocean. Two dance floors are available. Food is available.

**Duck's and Duck's Café** – On main Street on the right going toward the ocean (across from Fat Harold's). Two dance floors are available. Food is available.

**Pirate's Cove** – On Main Street on the right going toward the ocean just past Duck's. One dance floor is available. Food is available.

**OD Pavilion** – On Ocean Blvd at the end of Main Street on the right. One dance floor is available. Open to the Beach and the Ocean. NO SOS CARD NEEDED. Food is available.

**Spanish Galleon** – On Ocean Blvd at the end of Main Street on the left. Look on the street for signs advertising Bands. No food.

**OD Beach Club** – On Ocean Blvd at the end of Main Street on the left. The OD Café and Tiki Bar are on the ocean front beside of the Galleon, There is an upstairs (OD Beach Club) dance floor and a downstairs (Tiki Bar) dance floor. The Upstairs Club may not be open all of the time. Food is available at times. *The Society of Brunswick Shaggers usually starts out at the upstairs club around 7 or 8 pm on Friday and Saturday nights or ends up there around 10 or 11 pm.*  
**OD Arcade** – On Ocean Blvd (turn right off of Main Street) on the right. One dance floor is available. Has a porch. Food is available all of the time.

**REMEMBER THAT MOST CLUBS OPEN IN THE EARLY AFTERNOON DAILY FOR DANCING. THERE ARE VERY FEW DANCERS ON THE FLOORS AT THIS TIME!!! Just be sure and save some energy for when the air gets BLACK!**

You can easily walk to all of these venues. The parking lot behind the Pirate's Cove may not be available. You may have to park on the grass lot behind Fat Harold's. Note that there is only one place that will allow you in without an SOS Card or admission fee (OD Pavilion). **(I still have some 2014 Cards available.)** You can also go to the SOS Website [www.shagdance.com](http://www.shagdance.com) and check on any live entertainment offered at some of the Clubs and Dance Lessons available. DO NOT FORGET ABOUT FUN SUNDAY AND FUN MONDAY (September 14 & 15). They are FREE!!!!

Twisters Shag Club offers a DJ schedule for the nightclubs at [www.goshagging.com](http://www.goshagging.com)

***Butch Underwood***  
***Cub Reporter, Society of Brunswick Shaggers***  
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**2014 Dance & Party Schedule (Subject to Change!)**...

<u>DATE</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>ENTERTAINMENT</u>
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 2	VFW (NEW HOPE CLINIC FUNDRAISER & DANCE) ** NEW** SUNDAY—2PM to 5PM	ROBERT CARTER
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](http://www.shagdance.com)



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our club is properly and legally licensed  
to present copyrighted music.



## ***“Operation Uplink Fundraiser” – September 26, 2014...***

*Fellow SOBS,*

We are soliciting your help in the sale of tickets for our 11<sup>th</sup> Annual Beach Music Dance and Charity Fundraiser to be held on September 26, 2014. 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 September 26<sup>th</sup>, or to one of those listed below.

Thanks for all of your help,

### **The Executive Committee**

Robert Carter, President	Ph.: 980-622-7713	E-Mail: beachboogieblues@yahoo.com
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Pam Bacon, Secretary	Ph.: 910-431-4787	E-Mail: pbacon89@gmail.com
Bill Brown, Treasurer	Ph.: 910-754-6086	E-Mail: bikerbill1016@yahoo.com
Chuck Boney, Membership	Ph.: 910-454-4150	E-Mail: zrmcb4@yahoo.com

## ***Operation Uplink Stories...***



This is why we do our Operation Uplink Fundraiser each year. Here are 2 stories from our military families who we helped through your efforts!

“Like any new father, I wanted nothing more than to hold our firstborn son. Before I could return to Fort Bragg, NC, to meet baby Alexander, I had to complete my tour in Iraq, where I maintained chemical defense equipment. It was hard being away from my wife Danelle during the pregnancy. She needed me to be there in some way. With the help of Operation Uplink, I was able to call home on the day of our son Alexander’s birth. I was actually on the phone with Danelle’s mother, who was in the delivery room during the birth. I wish I would have been there, but I got the next best thing. I hope to become a part of another family when I join the VFW! I will stand behind any organization that helps boost morale for our troops!”... **Sgt. James Benecke**

“I am so grateful for the ability to hear my wife and my 8-month-old over the phone. Your service is crucially important for the morale of the soldiers. You are doing your country an immeasurable service by ensuring the communication of military families!”... – **CPT Shawn Bailey, Jalalabad, Afghanistan, FOB Fenty**



*11th Annual Beach Music Dance & Charity*

**11<sup>th</sup> Annual Beach Music Dance  
&  
Charity Fundraiser**

*Friday, September 26, 2014*

In The Ballroom Of The Moose Lodge Family Center  
4239 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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## *"Shagging Oyster" Shag Contest...*

Check out the 34th Annual NC Oyster Festival, October 18–19, 2014 and find out for yourself why the oyster is so treasured by Brunswick County natives. The beach center becomes a walking district that offers something for everyone: local cuisine, arts and crafts, children's activities, live music, Oyster Stew Cook-off Contest and the Oyster Shucking Contest. New for 2014 we are adding an Oyster Eating Contest as well as a shag competition where folks will compete for the "Shaggin' Oyster" titles hosted by the *Coastal Shag Club*. So, come "Get your shag on!"

The *"Shagging Oyster" Shag Contest*, will be held October 19th, 2014 at the North Carolina Oyster Festival @ Ocean Isle Beach!! Our friends at Coastal Shag Club are asking YOUR HELP in spreading the word by sharing this information with your club members and shagging friends in your newsletter and/or website.

Below are the contest rules and the Page 6 has the entry form. Ocean Isle Beach is about 30 minutes South from RT 211 & Hwy 17. Your \$30 entry fee includes entrance into the Oyster Festival itself.

Awards will be CASH prizes:

Amateur (\$250 – first, \$175 – second, \$125 third)

Novice (\$200 – first, \$150 – second, \$100 third)

Junior (\$125 – first, \$100 – second, \$75 third)

Contact: Gary Sellers: 910-619-8764 or E-mail: [garysellers@atmc.net](mailto:garysellers@atmc.net) or visit [www.coastalshagclub.org](http://www.coastalshagclub.org).

Postmark deadline for guaranteed entry: September 28, 2014

Mail To: Coastal Shag Club, PO Box 2585, Shallotte, N.C. 28459

## *"Shagging Oyster" Shag Contest Rules...*

- If an insufficient number of couples have registered in any division, it may be combined with another division.
- Each couple will perform one dance. Couples are responsible for having registered and submitted their music to the registration table One Hour, (60) minutes, prior to the 3:00 PM start time. Length of all songs are limited to three minutes & fifteen seconds.
- *At time of registration you and your partner will be given a number to be attached to your back.*
- The order of dance will be determined by random drawing prior to registration. The Junior Division will start each round.
- Each couple will consist of one male and one female.
- Couples will be judged based on the following categories: Execution, Smoothness and Degree of Difficulty.
- In case of any ties, a dance-off between the tied couples will take place. The music will be selected at random by the Judges.
- Juniors must not have reached their twenty-first (21) birthday before October 20, 2014.
- All decisions of the judging panel are final.
- Anyone found to have intentionally, or unintentionally, entered a division incorrectly will be disqualified.

*“Shagging Oyster” Shag Contest Application...*

**SHAGGING OYSTER  
SHAG CONTEST**

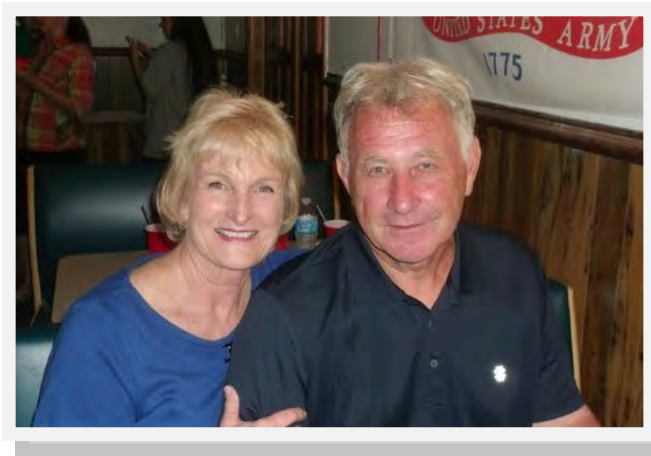
***Shagging Oyster Shag Contest***  
**October 19th, 2014**  
**North Carolina Oyster Festival @ Ocean Isle Beach**

**Entry Forms Must Be Completely Filled Out To Be Registered**

Female Contestant	Male Contestant
Name: _____	Name: _____
Address: _____	Address: _____
City: _____ State _____ Zip _____ Work or	City: _____ State _____ Zip _____ Work or
Home Ph. _____ - _____ Cell _____ - _____	Home Ph. _____ - _____ Cell _____ - _____
E-Mail: _____	E-Mail: _____
Occupation: _____	Occupation: _____
Shag Club & Hobbies: _____	Shag Club & Hobbies: _____
<b><u>\$30.00 ENTRY FEE per Couple</u></b>	<b><u>\$30.00 ENTRY FEE per Couple</u></b>
<b>ENTRY FEE Includes entrance to the Oyster Festival on the day of the Contest</b>	<b>ENTRY FEE Includes entrance to the Oyster Festival on the day of the Contest</b>
<b>Divisions (Circle One)</b>	<b>Divisions (Circle One)</b>
<b>Amateur Division</b> – Dancers that are not beginners and anyone who has competed in a shag contest prior	<b>Amateur Division</b> – Dancers that are not beginners and anyone who has competed in a shag contest prior
<b>Novice Division</b> – This division is strictly for club and social dancers who would like a chance to compete in a shag contest. It is designed exclusively for shag club dancers and those who dance socially. Must be 21 years of age.	<b>Novice Division</b> – This division is strictly for club and social dancers who would like a chance to compete in a shag contest. It is designed exclusively for shag club dancers and those who dance socially. Must be 21 years of age.
<b>Junior Division</b> – *under the age of 21.	<b>Junior Division</b> – *under the age of 21.
*All age requirements must be met by October 19th, 2014	*All age requirements must be met by October 19th, 2014
<b>Juniors Only!</b>	<b>Juniors Only!</b>
Parents Name & Phone Numbers	Parents Name & Phone Numbers
Date of Birth: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____	Date of Birth: Month _____ Day _____ Year _____
Mother: _____ Ph. (____) _____	Mother: _____ Ph. (____) _____
Father: _____ Ph. (____) _____	Father: _____ Ph. (____) _____
Guardians Signature: _____	Guardians Signature: _____
I understand photographs and video may be released to the news media and may be used for promotional purposes by the Shag Contest Committee.	I understand photographs and video may be released to the news media and may be used for promotional purposes by the Shag Contest Committee.
Contestant Signature: _____	Contestant Signature: _____
Date _____	Date _____
Female	Male
<b><u>Postmark deadline for guaranteed entry: September 28, 2014</u></b>	<b><u>Postmark deadline for guaranteed entry: September 28, 2014</u></b>
Mail To: Coastal Shag Club PO Box 2585 Shallotte, N.C. 28459	Mail To: Coastal Shag Club PO Box 2585 Shallotte, N.C. 28459



*Pictures from our August 8, 2014, Dance at VFW...*



*More Pictures from our August 8, 2014, Dance at VFW...*

