

SOS CAREFREE TIMES

2025 Winter

Online Edition

Christmas, New Year & Mid-Winter/Workshop

Let's Dance





SOS President Robin Morley

Dear SOS Members,

It is truly an honor and privilege to serve as your President of SOS. As we close out this remarkable year and prepare to welcome 2026, I would like to take a moment to express my gratitude for your passion, support, and enthusiasm for our cherished Carolina Shag community.

On behalf of the SOS Board, we offer our sincerest wishes for a wonderful Christmas season and a bright start to the New Year.

May your holidays be filled with joy, laughter, and the company of dear friends and family.

Looking ahead, I am thrilled to announce that Mid Winter is just around the corner, taking place from January 15 through 18, 2026. Our music, dance, and vibrant lifestyle will once again come alive, filling our partner clubs in North Myrtle Beach with the unmistakable energy that only the SOS community can bring. It is these moments—when we gather to celebrate, dance, and connect—that truly embody the spirit of SOS.

Let's continue to work together to support all the many facets of our organization and ensure that the legacy of the Carolina Shag endures for generations to come. I look forward to seeing you all on the dance floor, sharing the joy and camaraderie that makes SOS so special.

Wishing you a season of peace, happiness, and unforgettable dancing. See you at Mid Winter!

Sincerely, Robin Morley, SOS President



ACSC Chairman Candy Long

Hello everyone!!!

I hope this letter finds you happy, healthy and having fun! It's a wonderful season to enjoy family and friends and the birth of our Saviour!

It's that time for all of us to be preparing to head to the beach and celebrate old and new friendships. Reconnect!! Reminisce old memories and make new ones. Midwinter is short and sweet, packed with opportunities to "remember when"! I'm looking forward to seeing you all! So come on down and let's remind ourselves of what SOS is all about. **FRIENDS – MUSIC- DANCE-FUN!!!** It doesn't get much better than that! I hope you have/had a wonderful CHRISTmas and Happy New Year!

As always, **THANK YOU** for your support of SOS and ACSC! **THANK YOU** for all your hard work! And **THANK YOU** for your commitment to preserve the Carolina Shag!!!!

HOLLER IF YOU LOVE SHAG...LOL

Candy Long, ACSC Chairman



SOS V. President Dwayne Baggett

Guess what, we are going to have a GREAT SOS Mid-Winter. You have 3 days to explore all over the North Myrtle Beach area. You get to check out all the restaurants, watering holes and entertainment venues Ocean Drive has to offer. Please make sure you check out all the participating clubs to experience all the different DJs. Mix up the times that you go out dancing and get a variety of the SOS shaglife. I don't think there is any other organization that can have as much fun as us Shaggers. Please be sure and don't drink and drive. It is a lot cheaper to call a cab than to get a DUI. When you call a cab, you don't have to worry about where you are going to park, don't have to worry about your car being towed or scratched up. We know you will have a great time while you are visiting the Shag Meca of South Carolina and will come back and visit with us again at our Spring Safari April 16-26, 2026. Have a great day and keep living the ShagLife! Dwayne Baggett, SOS VP



SOS Board Chairman Ronnie Gregory

Greetings Friends, Our favorite time of the year is steadily approaching. After a tremendous Fall Migration, our attention turns now to the Holiday Season, where we spend much of our time with family and friends and just being thankful to all things that matter. A time to reminisce all the good things in life. We all have so much to be thankful for. Our Shag Clubs do so much to support their members, their community, and their charities. You have all worked hard in supporting our dance and lifestyle. You should be proud of all you have done. Now is time for you to enjoy the Holiday season, family, friends, and life in general. We all are so thankful for each and everyone of you and what you mean to the Association and SOS. My Holiday wish to you is to live long and prosper and great things will be your reward.

Happy Holidays on behalf of the SOS Board. See you all at Mid-Winter, Ronnie



SOS Carefree Times Editor Janet Harrold

Welcome to the 2025 Winter issue of the SOS Carefree Times. Please scroll through the entertainment on SOS facebook and website (www.shagdance.com) at all clubs for New Year's Eve, and SOS Midwinter in January...find your favorite dee jays and bands. If you are in the mood for shopping there are stores on Main Street that may give a discount if you present your SOS cards. The 2026 SOS cards are available for sale at the SOS clubs and the SOS Company Store. The Company Store has been remodeled just for you to check out other SOS memorabilia. Hopefully, the winter won't bring too much cold weather. If so, we can warm up in the Spring at the SOS Parade. . This will be the 30th Annual Parade since it began in 1995.

I want to thank Vickie Harrison, Graphic Designer, for all her great work for the Carefree Times, etc....if not for her it wouldn't happen. Hope all have a Happy Thanksgiving and Merry Christmas.....and enjoy being in Ocean Drive for New Year's Eve and SOS Midwinter in January.

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SUMTER SHAG CLUB

Sumter Shag Club keeps on going and going
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Our goals are to promote and preserve the heritage of beach music and shag dancing, to educate and teach others the art of shag dancing and to provide members and their guests with opportunities to socialize and dance.

Sumter Shag Club hosts multiple parties throughout the year, a party almost every month! We start celebrating with a kick off party followed by a wonderful Valentine's Day party. Our annual St. Patrick's Day party features a great silent auction then our Spring Social, for members only as a Thank You for all their hard work throughout the year. We have had concerts and several one day workshops.



This year we had the pleasure of celebrating our 40th year as an ACSC club! A ballroom full of members and guests dressed in their best coats & ties, cocktail dresses and formal dresses, ACSC President Candy Long and SOS President Robin Morley presented President Whit Blanton with our 40th Year Certificate! Delicious food, great dancing and a hallway full of photos, a slide show and memorabilia from all the years on display! There was a beautiful picture backdrop set up that everyone took advantage of.

Our year is kept going with an Independence Day party, a great End of Summer party that always has a Fun-tastic theme! This year we celebrated the 1920's again and everyone got out their best mobster suits & flapper dresses!

Each October Sumter Shag Club hosts a Charity Golf Tournament and this was our Fifth Year! Our tournament was held on Saturday, October 11, 2025 at the Crystal Lakes Golf Course, located inside Dillon Park in Sumter. This year we selected Camp Burnt Gin and Turbeville Children's Home to be the recipients of the proceeds. We had 114 Sponsors and 27 teams. Despite a heavy mist most of the day, the 98 golfers, sponsors and 37 volunteers had a great time! As the golfers returned to the clubhouse, three of our members cooked hot dogs & hamburgers for everyone, some members made chili, some brought all the fixings while other members brought homemade cookies. All the ingredients for a great post-tournament cook out! We had auction items and prizes for 1st, 2nd, 3rd place teams as well as longest drive and closest to the pin. Every player finished the event a little damp, with a door prize and knowing they were part of helping raise \$12,200 that was presented to the Charities as lunch was being enjoyed.

We dance every Tuesday night from 7:00 – 10:00 at The Lounge at the Second Mill Restaurant at which is located within the Quality Inn at 2390 Broad Street in Sumter, SC. We offer free basic Shag lessons from 6:30-7:00 every week and we teach a new line dance on the third Tuesday of every month. Everyone is welcome to participate in the lessons and come out to dance whether or not you're a member of the Club.

For further information, please reach out to our Club President, Whit Blanton at 843-250-9169 or you can send an email to sumtershagclub@yahoo.com. We would love to see you out on Tuesday!

By: Melissa May, Secretary Sumter Shag Club, 501-607-1243





Fat Harold's Beach Club

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2026
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Front Back

Sunday, 12/28

ON STAGE: 2-6 The Castaways

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| 1-6 | Jimmy Buffkin | Randal Hight |
| 6-C | Jay Kinlaw | Glenn Pridgen |

Monday, 12/29

ON STAGE: 2-6 Jim Quick & Coastline

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|-----|----------------|-----------------|
| 1-6 | Dennis Brumble | Ervin Ellington |
| 6-C | Roger Holcomb | Darrell Caither |

Tuesday, 12/30

ON STAGE: 2-6 The Embers

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|-----|-----------------|--------------|
| 1-6 | Jay Kinlaw | Randal Hight |
| 6-C | Darrell Gaither | Adam Holmes |

Wednesday, 12/31 New Year's Eve

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| 1-5 | Glenn Pridgen |
| 5-7 | Club Closed to get ready to PARTY |
| 7-C | Jimmy Buffkin Roger Holcomb |

Thursday, January 1, New Year's Day

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|-------|---------------------------------|
| 12:30 | Traditional New Year's Day Meal |
| 1:00 | Miss Ethel |

\$45.00 PER PERSON

Call 843-249-5779 to reserve Tickets

Grill Opens at 11 AM

SOS Mid-Winter 2026

Front Back

Wednesday, January 14

94.9 REMOTE

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| 6-C | Dennis Brumble Glenn Pridgen |
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Thursday, January 15

2-6 Jim Quick & Coastline

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|-----|-------------------------------|
| 1-5 | Jay Kinlaw Randal Hight |
| 5-9 | Roger Holcomb Darrell Gaither |
| 9-C | Jimmy Buffkin Adam Holmes |

Friday, January 16

2-6 Too Much Sylvia

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|-----|--------------------------------|
| 1-5 | Dennis Brumble Ervin Ellington |
| 5-9 | Eddie Anderson Chad Farlow |
| 9-C | Buck Crumpton Glenn Pridgen |

Saturday, January 17

2-6 Rivermist

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|-----|-------------------------------|
| 1-5 | Jay Kinlaw Randal Hight |
| 5-9 | Darrell Gaither Roger Holcomb |
| 9-C | Jimmy Buffkin Bill Moore |

Sunday, January 18

2-6 Gary Lowder & Smokin' Hot

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| 1-6 | Dennis Brumble |
| 6-C | Glenn Pridgen |

Grill Opens 11am Thursday 'til Sunday!
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Friday & Saturday 11am

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SOS Mid-Winter DJ Schedule

Thursday, Jan. 15

12-4 Furman Dominick

4-8 Gene Hensley

8-till Tommy Samole

Friday, Jan. 16

12-4 Gene Hensley

4-8 Tommy Samole

8-till Furman Dominick

Saturday, Jan. 17

12-4 Gene Hensley

4-8 Furman Dominick

8-till JJ Kinlaw

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Wednesday, Jan 14

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Deb Browning and
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Thursday, Jan. 15

DJ Gene Sistare 2-6

Gary Lowder &
Harold Smith 6-9

Friday, Jan. 16

DJ Gene Sistare 12-3
Ray Scott Deck Party 3-7
JK & Sylvia 7-10

Sat. Jan. 17

DJ Gene Sistare 12-4
DJ Steve Carter 4-7
The Mac Daddy's
Band 7-10

Sunday, Jan. 18

Rick Strickland &
Lesa Hudson 3-6
Jeff James 7-10

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NOV. 15, 2025

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We hope those that participated had a fun night and we cant wait to do it again. If you couldn't make it this year, please consider it next year. It is a magical night of fun and comraderie that will help others and make you feel good. If you would like to make a donation to the Foundation, please go to The Hall of Fame Foundation.org, you will not regret it!!

THANK YOU,
Candy Long, Hall of Fame Foundation, Board of Directors





Hall of Fame Foundation

Hall of Fame Foundation
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In 1991 a group of friends who were bound by a common love for the music and culture that surrounds shag dancing came together to discuss how one of their group was in financial need due to bad health. They decided that they wanted to help out their friend's situation. From that meeting the Hall of Fame Foundation was born. In their efforts to aid a friend, the members of The Foundation found a gift for themselves...they discovered the gift of giving. The spirit born in that meeting and fed on the gift of giving has grown over the years. Today The Foundation carries on in the tradition set forth by their founding members. We strive to seek out and assist members of the shag dancing community who need our assistance. Our motto is "Friends Helping Friends".

We've accomplished a great deal in the past 20 years, but so much more must be done. To continue our work, we need your help to "Care for Friends". What's been most important to the "Foundation" in the past has been "word of mouth" referrals: people like you telling others about us. Every year the challenges we face are substantially greater than those of the previous. We need you to join us and be part of this important cause. We need your support, and you need the benefits of our important work. For those who have understood our goals in the past, for those who will participate in the future...thank you, and may you reap one hundredfold the goodness that you sow.

<http://www.halloffamefoundation.org>

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**2026 SOS Mid-Winter
January 15 - January 18, 2026**

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Charleston, SC

March 27-28
Atlantic Beach Shag Club
Atlantic Beach, NC

April 10-11
Loafers Beach Club
Raleigh, NC

June 26-27
Midway Music Hall
Winston-Salem, NC

July 10-11
Lynn's Dance Club
Charlotte, NC

August 8 (1-day)
Eno Beach Shag Club
Durham, NC

September 4-5
Fat Harold's Beach Club
North Myrtle Beach, SC

October 3 (1-day)
Capital City Shag Club
Lexington, SC

October 30-31
Seaboard Shag Contest
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Ellen Taylor Foundation Steps Up for the Next Generation of Shag Dancers

<https://ellentaylorfoundation.com>

NORTH MYRTLE BEACH, S.C. – The Ellen Taylor Foundation continues to make a lasting impact on the Junior Shag dance community, supporting young dancers not only with travel assistance but also through one of its most beloved initiatives—the Free Dance Shoe Program.



This July, during the 2025 Junior SOS, the foundation distributed 199 pairs of dance shoes to youth ranging in age from just 4 years old to 20. For many of these dancers, proper footwear is an essential but costly part of pursuing their passion. Thanks to the generosity of the foundation, no child left the event without the chance to step onto the dance floor with confidence.



Following the event, children from across the Southeast sent heartfelt thank-you cards, handwritten notes, and colorful drawings to Ms. Ellen Taylor, the foundation's founder. Their words of gratitude reflected not only excitement for their new shoes but also the values that the foundation encourages respect, hard work, and appreciation.

“The Free Dance Shoe Program is about more than shoes,” said a spokesperson for the foundation. “It’s about investing in extraordinary kids who love this dance, and making sure every child has the tools to grow in confidence and community.”

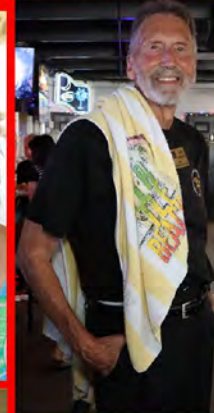
For decades, Ellen Taylor has been a driving force in preserving and growing the shag dance tradition. Through her foundation, she ensures that children who share that love of dance are supported, encouraged, and given opportunities to shine.



This year’s Junior SOS was another resounding success, highlighting not only the joy of shag dancing but also the strength of a community that rallies behind its youth. Thanks to the Ellen Taylor Foundation, the future of shag dancing is in good hands—and good shoes.



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BEACH SHAGGERS NATIONAL HALL OF FAME 2025 INDUCTION

By: Maureen Little Photos by: Max Madrin

The Beach Shaggers National Hall of Fame celebrated its 42nd year the weekend of October 10th and 11th at The Spanish Galleon in North Myrtle Beach with Fall ShagAttack. The October event is set aside to celebrate the year's inductees into the Hall of Fame and the Keepers of the Dance and celebrating the Class of 2025 is exactly what we did with greater than 300 shaggers in attendance.

The weekend started off on Friday night with DJ John Smith, who kept the dance floor full from 7:30 until midnight. It was great to connect with Hall of Famers, Keepers of the Dance, ShagAttack members, and family and friends who were there to honor the twelve new inductees.

On Saturday night, the DJ was Craig Jennings. By 8 pm, The Galleon was packed with everyone anxious to hear and see the inductees. Mayor Marilyn Hatley welcomed the crowd, which was bittersweet as this was her last "official" time with us as mayor. Executive Board Members, Maureen Little, Bob Myrick, and Danny Johnson, introduced the new inductees. Each inductee spoke briefly and then danced and what a show this was. All acceptance speeches were heartfelt and each dance was spectacular.

New Hall of Famers are Jesse Bradshaw, Scott Campbell, Nancy Faircloth, Dan Humphries, Nikki Kontoulas, Kristin Leggett, Lulu Quick, Rene'e Scott, Alan Stokes, and Barbara West Walters. Keepers of the Dance inductees were Jackson Batten and Kalin Ellis-Mabry.

ShagAttack is a membership club whose purpose is to provide shag dancing events and to serve as a supporting organization for the Beach Shaggers National Hall of Fame. Our next event is scheduled for March 27 – 28, 2026, when the new inductees will be announced. Please visit <https://shagattack.org/shagattack%20application.pdf> for a membership application.

2025 Female Inductees

**Nancy Faircloth
Nikki Kontoulas
Rene'e Scott
Kristin Leggett**

Honorary Inductee
Sarah (Lulu) Quick

2025 Male Inductees

**Scott Campbell
Dan Humphries
Jesse Bradshaw
Alan Stokes**

Charlie Boone Inductee
Barbara Walters

Keepers of the Dance



**Kalin Ellis Mabry
Jackson Batten**





2026 SOS Parade



Theme:

Shagger's Just Want To Have Fun

Saturday, April 25 1pm
Last Saturday of Spring SOS



**Come one, Come All Shag Clubs! Get Your Ideas
Together and Come and Have Fun!!!**

Bikes, Walkers, Golf Carts, Floats

Parade Chairman: Terry McCoy & Kathy McCoy

Catagories

Small Club

(under 125 members)

Best Shag Theme

Best Shag Troop

Best Vehicle

2025 Winners

Best Shag Theme: OD Shag Club

**Most Original: Camden Lugoff Shag Club
Bass Lake & Burlington Shag Club**

**Shagging Troop: Rock Hill Shag Club
Society of Brunswick Shaggers**

**Best Vehicle: Lake Wylie Shag Club
Lake Norman Shag Club**

***Go to the SOS website, www.shagdance.com and
click on the parade icon on the left to get more details.***

Camden Lugoff Area Shag Society has donated \$98K to local nonprofits



It's always been important to the Camden-Lugoff Area Shag Society (CLASS) to actively give back to our local community. It's part of CLASS's mission. This key CLASS fund-raising event began in 2005 and has grown over time. Since 2005, CLASS has donated more than \$97,800 to local nonprofits in Kershaw County. These donations were generated by CLASS's annual SHAG BLAST fund-raiser. This year's gathering featured beach music by four CLASS DJ's that kept the dance floor full. The silent auction was also a big success again this year. As always, the food provided by CLASS members and guest was fantastic. This year also included a "Lead/Follow Step" class by Sam and Lisa West. Sam is a 16-time National Shag Dance overall champion. We also had a junior shag couple showed off their shag skills.

On July 8, 2025, CLASS donated \$1000 to the Camden Shrine Club for porch area improvements. During their July 23, 2025 weekly Wednesday night meeting in the Camden Shrine Club, CLASS also donated an additional \$9,400. Checks for \$4,700 were presented to Community Medical Clinic of Kershaw County (CMC) and Food for the Soul of Kershaw County. CLASS is proud to help support such fantastic organizations that provide a great service to Kershaw County Residents.

CMC opened in 1998 as a nonprofit, charitable family practice medical clinic. It was founded with the mission of providing medical care to the uninsured residents of Kershaw County. CMC has grown from seeing several patients a week in one room to having a fully staffed medical facility as well as satellite offices located throughout Kershaw County. The Community Medical Clinic of Kershaw County (CMC) is more than just a free clinic. Its mission is to provide medical care and connect resources to achieve a healthier Kershaw County. They provide direct medical services to those in Kershaw County who cannot afford to see a doctor. They also understand that healthcare isn't the only factor to a person leading a healthy life, so they work diligently to help connect individuals to needed community resources. And finally, they are leading the charge to improve population health through our Livewell Kershaw Coalition.

Food for the Soul combats the rise in hunger in Kershaw County with various on-site and remote meal services. A hot lunch is served from the front door of the shelter Tuesday through Friday from 12 p.m.-1 p.m. Food for the Soul is the only local facility that operates a temporary homeless shelter for men, women and children. Food for the Soul's overnight sheltering facility is available year-round to victims of domestic violence, flood or fire, those who have been evicted and those who simply have nowhere else to go. Food for the Soul offers a safe drug and alcohol-free environment. It is open seven days per week on a first-come, first-serve basis. The shelter is available from 7 p.m.-7 a.m. Overnight residents receive: A hot meal served at 6:30 p.m., a clean cot, bedding, pajamas, hygiene products and access to a shower, morning coffee and breakfast.



Ray Amyette (Chairman CLASS Shag Blast), Tina Griggs (Executive Director Food for the Soul)

After the money presentation, Tina Griggs the Executive Director of Food for the Soul presented a plaque to thanking CLASS for the money donated to them. Since 2011, The Food for the Soul and the Community Medical Clinic have each received \$40,150 to support these critical Kershaw County Organizations. The plaque presentation is covered by an additional picture.

Another CLASS mission is to promote and preserve the heritage of beach music and shag dancing. Shag is the official South Carolina State dance. CLASS strives to provide members and guests with dance opportunities as well as education on the art and history of shag dancing. CLASS dances every Wednesday night at the Camden Shrine Club on Hwy 521 North from 6:00 9:30 p.m... Free shag lessons are offered from 6:30 to 7:00 p.m. Come and join CLASS. It's also a great way to meet folks, have fun, and hear some great beach and shag music. Remember, "It's Always A Party With CLASS". New members are always welcome.

To learn more about CLASS, visit www.shagginwithclass.com. The next Shag BLAST will be held June 20, 2026 at the Shrine Club in Camden, located on Hwy 521 North. Tables have already gone on sale and several have already been purchased. To RSVP to next year's SHAG Blast, call Ray Amyette at 803-423-1800.



Front Row Left to Right: BJ Culp, Linda Rodgers, Kathy McCoy, Kimberly Cogdill (CMC Nurse Practitioner), Charlotte Rankin (CEO CMC), Ray Amyette (Chairman CLASS Shag Blast), Tina Griggs (Executive Director Food for the Soul), Shelli Fox, Barbara Wilkes, Barry Stanley, Jacqueline Knight. **Second Row Left to Right:** Carlette McCoy, Patsy Bryant, Joan Lucas, Terry McCoy, Mike Eddings, Pat Dixon, Debra Kelly, Donnelle Powers, Marvin Padgett, Trudy Hall, Mandy Rodger, Sandy Pea. **Back Row Left to Right** Billy Pea.



SOS Historical Corner "1980 in the Beginning"

First Proclamation from City of North Myrtle Beach

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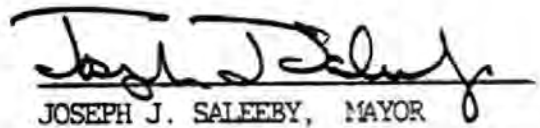
WHEREAS, The Grand Strand and "O.D." have always been synonymous with sand in your shoes, and

WHEREAS, Beach Music only sounds good with the roars of the ocean nearby, and

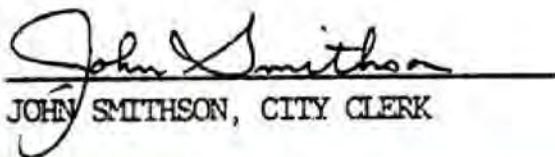
WHEREAS, The "Shag" is the Official Dance of the Beach, and

WHEREAS, The City of North Myrtle Beach has been the home of Beach Bums for many years,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, THAT I, JOSEPH J. SALEEBY, MAYOR OF THE CITY OF NORTH MYRTLE BEACH, SOUTH CAROLINA, DO HEREBY PROCLAIM THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 11 - 16, 1980, AS "SOS" (SOCIETY OF STRANDERS) WEEK", IN NORTH MYRTLE BEACH, and I further urge all Citizens of the City to respect the "Bald and the Gray Reunion", and recognize the proper place that the Beach has in the memories of visitors and residents to our area.


JOSEPH J. SALEEBY, MAYOR

ATTEST:


JOHN SMITHSON, CITY CLERK



2025 Carolina Beach Music Awards



Female Vocalist
Laura Kepley

Male Vocalist
Jackie Gore

Rising Star
Evan Wright

Song of the Year
"A Jukebox Playing 45's"
Too Much Sylvia

Group Album of the Year
"Tribute to General Johnson"
Various Artist-Forevermore

Entertainer of The Year
Jim Quick

Smoothie of the Year
"Unforgettable"
Jackie Gore & Terri Gore Lemmonds

Internet DJ
Johnny Barkley
Riptideradio.com

Radio DJ (Ted Bell Award)
Eric Bowman
99.1 FM / WDZD
Monroe, NC

Syndicated Radio Show
"Swamp Soul"
Jim Quick & Bo Gilbert

Internet Radio Show
Deckers Deck Party
Ray Scott

Internet Radio Station
Riptideradio.com
Scott, Henriksen & Dennis

National Dance Song
"My True Love"
The Tams

Group of the Year
Too Much Sylvia

Club (Bill Griffin Award)
OD Arcade
North Myrtle Beach, SC

Live Music Venue
(Cecil Corbett Award)
Deckerz
N. Myrtle Beach, SC

Event of the Year
Ocean Drive Beach Music Festival
N. Myrtle Beach, SC

Shad Alberty Award
Johnathan Kemp &
Ivy Claire Hulet

FM Radio Station
99.1 FM WDZD
Monroe, NC

Club/ Mobile DJ
Jay Kinlaw

Producer
Freddy Tripp & OD Productions
"Unforgettable"
Jackie Gore & Terri Gore Lemmonds

Engineer
David Rhyne
"A Jukebox Playing 45's"
Too Much Sylvia

Collaboration or Duo
"Unforgettable"
Jackie Gore & Terri Gore Lemmonds

Song Writer(s)
Casey Meyer & Jim Quick
"Can't Drive Me Away"
Jim Quick & Coastline

Michael Branch Award
Wayne Troutman
Ocean Drive Productions

Instrumentalist
Daniel Morris, Saxophone
Band Of Oz

Live Production Award
Timm Denning
Jim Quick & Coastline

Radio Show Of The Year
The Wave Beach Music Countdown
Eric Bowman

Concert Series Of The Year
Music on Main (Horseshoe)
N. Myrtle Beach, SC

Industry Appreciation
Wilson Meadows
H.A. Thompson
Rickey Dennis

CBMA Appreciation
Rick Hooker

Fans of the Year
Floyd & Bobby Jolly

Music Video
"A Jukebox Playing 45's"
Too Much Sylvia

Hall of Fame Inductees 2025

Individuals:
Debby Dobbins
Joe Morris
Larry Dean
Christopher Biehler
Eddy Howie

DJ:
Marty Callaghan
Fred Rouse

Bands:
The Rivas



ACSC Summer Workshop Park & Party

Columbia, S.C.
July 17 - 19, 2026



\$110 per person

Hosted by the SOS Board

www.shagdance.com



Thursday, July 16.
Pre-Party
Congaree Ballroom
Cash Bar
DJ GLEN PRIDGEN
Doors open: 7 pm
Registration: 6 pm

Double Tree by Hilton 2100 Bush River Rd,
Columbia, SC 29210. Bush River Rd at I-
20 Room Rate: \$119 Book online at
<https://hil.tn/gp105e> or call 1-866-247-
3572 and referencing group code:
CDT923. Reduced Hotel Room Rate ends
on June 16, 2026 or when rooms run out.
Spacious Ballroom with Professional
Dance Floor.

FRIDAY July 17

7:00am—10:00am Buffet breakfast for Hotel Guests
9:00am—Noon SOS Board Meeting - Capital Room
2:00pm—9:00pm Registration

Lexington Hospitality Suite
4:00pm—6:00pm DJ PHIL LONG

Congaree Ballroom
6:00pm—9:00pm DJ BILLY FANNING

9:00pm Spotlight Dance
CHAD & STELLA DUGGINS

9:00pm—Mid-Night DJ FURMAN DOMINICK

SATURDAY July 18

8:00am - 10:00am Buffet breakfast for Hotel Guests
4:00 pm—9:00pm Registration

Pool Party - BYOB - No Glass Please
11:00am - 3:00pm DJ RICHARD CONNER
Noon—2:00pm Hot Dogs & Hamburgers for \$6
1:00 pm—2:00pm Complimentary Beer & Wine

Newberry Hospitality Suite
4:00pm - 6:00pm Beer, Wine & Snacks

Congaree Ballroom
9:00am - Noon ACSC Board of Advisors Meeting
2:00am - 4:00pm DJ JOHN FLETCHER
2:00pm - 3:00pm Line Dance with BRENDA TAYLOR
3:00pm - 4:00pm Shag Workshop with
CHAD & STELLA DUGGINS

4:00 - 5:00pm Open Dance
6:00pm—9:00pm DJ KEITH WILLIAMSON
7:00pm - 8:00pm Buffet Dinner Served at Ballroom
9:00pm - Close DJ JOHN SMITH

SUNDAY, July 19

8:00 am - 10:00 am Buffet breakfast for Hotel Guests

\$110/ person

Reserved Tables of 10 are available for more info contact
Wanda Cavin at wbcavin@gmail.com
or call 704-677-3886

Thursday Pre-Party
Friday Hospitality Suite
Dance Floor — Open Bar
Heavy hors d'oeuvres Friday

Pool Party
BYOB - No Glass

Line Dance Lessons with BRENDA TAYLOR

Shag Workshop with
Chad & Stella Duggins

50/50 & Auction

Fabulous Vendors



NATIONAL
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ASSOCIATION
MEMBER



Make checks payable to SOS and Mail to: Wanda Cavin, 134 Venus Ln, Mooresville, NC 28117 or pay on-line using a
Credit Card at www.shagdance.com

Name(s) _____ Amt. Enclosed: _____

Phone #: _____ Email: _____ Shag Club _____

Shag Club President or Representative (Y/N) _____

Confirmation by Email

No One under 21

No Refunds—Name Changes Allowed

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