The Sandy Weejun

Cape Fear Shag Club | March-April 2014 | Volume 26 Issue 2

A Message from Beth

Greetings from the President

I would first like to thank everyone that supported me while my dad was sick. He is doing much better and should be going home on Thursday. Please still remember him in your prayers. A special thanks to Pat Ellis and Abe Walston for leading the board meeting and the general meeting in my absence.

Please remember that it is very important that you attend our March 8 meeting as we will be voting on our venue for the next year. Please review the proposals closely and base your vote on what is best for our club. We all have personal choices but we all need to consider what works best for our club. If you have any questions you can contact any of the board members and we will try to answer them before the meeting.

Please remember Lloyd and Debbie's fundraiser March 22 at the Shriners with the proceeds being split between Women of Hope and The Cape Fear Shag Club. Tickets are $30.00 and can be purchased from The Bowdens, Rick Parrish, or me. The event will feature The Craig Woolard Band and special guests— The Imitations.

We have decided to move our April meeting to SOS. After talking to the board members and some of the club members, most members will be attending SOS on the week ends and with Easter also going on that month it will make it hard to have a meeting here in April. We will not be under contract during the month of April and will also save the club some money. Wayne Holden has secured a meeting place for us at The Tilghman Resort. We will meet at the pool area across the street from the ocean side pool area we have used in the past. (For those of who are new members or new to SOS, The Tilghman is on the street behind Fat Harold's). Plans are for us to meet from 4-6PM after the SOS Parade. The Social Committee will provide sandwiches, chips, dessert and soft drinks. If you want alcohol you may bring your own.

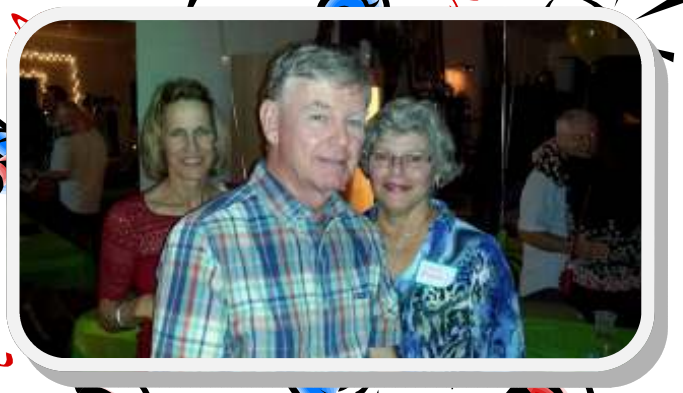
Pat Ellis and I attended the ACSC Winter Workshop in Columbia SC and received some good information from other clubs about some of the things they do to build support and raise money. The biggest thing I found out is that most clubs are able to secure their venue for free—or very cheap—leaving us to have to work harder to support our venue.

I look forward to seeing you all at the meeting in March. Remember the success of this club depends upon the participation of all members... Please help make this the best year ever !!

See ya on the dance floor!

Office	Board Member	Email Address	Phone Number
President	Beth Sykes	sykes911@yahoo.com	(910) 470-9739
Vice-President	Abe Walston	abewalston@gmail.com	(910) 509-9729
Secretary	Pat Ellis	patriciaellis69@yahoo.com	(910) 799-7366
Treasurer	Cecil Sydes	ssydes@yahoo.com	(910) 707-1221
Sergeant-at-Arms	Bob Cancro	patriciaellis69@yahoo.com	(910) 799-7366

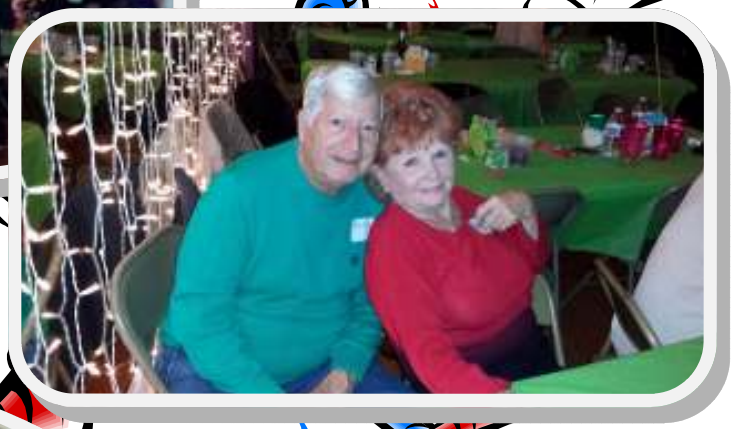
Committee	Chairperson	Email Address	Telephone Number
Social	Connie Fussell	con5012@bellsouth.net	(910) 233-0917
Membership	Sheila Horrell	shufly10@yahoo.com	(910) 523-0886
Ways and Means	Keith Thompson	kthompson32@ec.rr.com	(910) 540-5266
By-Laws	Mike Penny	mpenny@ec.rr.com	(910) 392-2776
Music	Lloyd Bowden	dlbowden@bellsouth.net	(910)-799-7841
Website	Linda Meyer	lindameyer@gmail.com	(910) 619-3357
Newsletter	Linda Newton	lnewton8208@charter.net	(910) 622-4569
Historian	Linda Gordon	teakgirl211@yahoo.com	(910) 632-4662
Advertising	Bernie Braak	Blancohombrebb@gmail.com	(910) 512-9493
SOS	Wayne Holden	wwholden@aol.com	(910) 392-7726
Hospitality	Elaine Hobbs Batson	ehobbs403@charter.net	(910) 471-0230
Phone Tree	Donnie Davis	djones100@bellsouth.net	(910) 458-9049

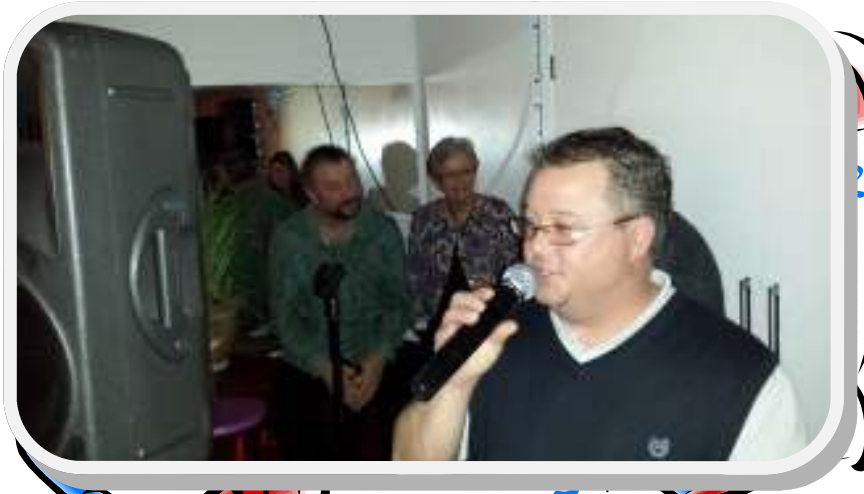


January Re-Up Party

January 11, 2014 at Babs McDance Studio

Catered by Middle of the Island





Hello Shag Club members. As your Ways and Means committee chair, I want to tell you what things are being looked into as possible fund raisers:

1. Diane Armstrong will continue to make a holiday appropriate wreath each month for raffle.
2. Dig out those unused, but new items from your closet or basement for a silent auction coming soon.
3. A visit from the Junior Shag Team between June and October.

Here is my tidbit for the month: if you take the $17,130 our club spent last year and divide it by 12 meetings and 4 socials (Hall of Fame, Re-Up, 25th Anniversary Party, and Christmas Party), each function requires $1,070 to break even. Our dues brought in only $5,458. The rest of our funds comes from donations, fundraisers, and door-covers. It is important that all members attend our functions. By attending, you help with the financial shortfalls. You are being asked, BY ME, to be an asset to our club and to participate in keeping us financially healthy.

Thanks, Keith Thompson

On January 19, 2013, the local shag community lost a very dear person, Skipper Duke. Skipper and his first wife, Judy, taught shag lessons to many Cape Fear Shag Club members.

Skipper will be missed—but his memory and contributions to the dance will live on!

Since the last newsletter went out,, Get Well Cards were sent out to Elaine Hobbs -Batson, Judy Brooks , and Mary Couvillion. We hope that no one else was over-looked. Please let Elaine Hobbs-Batson, Hospitality Chair, know if you are ill, or if you have other news that you would like to make all shag club members aware of.

The 2014 Birthday list was not available to me by the newsletter deadline, so the March and April Birthdays will be added into the next newsletter…

Happy Birthday to all!

March 2014

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 Shagging at The Ramada every Saturday night
2 Olde Salty's Mardi Gras Party 5-8	3	4 Line Dance and Shag lessons at the Carolina Lounge 7-11	5	6 Shag lessons at Babs McDance 7:00 **CFSC Board meeting at Pat and Bob's 6:30**	7	8 CFSC March Meeting —Babs Studio 7:00 We will be voting on our meeting place!
9 Olde Salty's 5-8PM	10	11 Line Dance and Shag lessons at the Carolina Lounge 7-11	12	13 Shag lessons at Babs McDance 7:00	14	15 St. Patrick's Day Party at St. Mark's Parrish Hall w/ Imitations 6-11
16 Olde Salty's 5-8 PM	17	18 Line Dance and Shag lessons at the Carolina Lounge 7-11	19	20 Shag lessons at Babs McDance 7:00	21 Dance Practice Party at Babs McDance Studio	22 Lloyd and Debbie's Fundraiser 7:30 -12:00 at Shrine
23 Olde Salty's 5-8 PM 30 Olde Salty's 5-8 PM	24 31	25 Line Dance and Shag lessons at the Carolina Lounge 7-11	26	27 Shag lessons at Babs McDance 7:00	28	29

April 2014

SOS April 4-13

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 Line dance and Shag lessons at the Carolina lounge 7-11	2	3 Shagging at new venue (TBA) Shag lessons at Babs	4	5 Shagging at Carolina Lounge
6 Shagging at Olde Salty's 5-8	7	8 Line dance and Shag lessons at the Carolina lounge 7-11	9	10 Shagging at new venue (TBA) Shag lessons at Babs	11 "The Other Garden Party" at the Dirty Martini with The Imitations	12 Cape Fear Shag Club Meeting at SOS at The Tilghman 4-6``
13 Shagging at Olde Salty's 5-8	14	15 Line dance and Shag lessons at the Carolina lounge 7-11	16	17 Shagging at new venue (TBA) Shag lessons at Babs	18 Practice Dance Party at Babs McDance	19 5 Shagging at Carolina Lounge
20 Shagging at Olde Salty's 5-8	21	22 Line dance and Shag lessons at the Carolina lounge 7-11	23	24 Shagging at new venue (TBA) Shag lessons at Babs	25	26 5 Shagging at Carolina Lounge
27 Shagging at Olde Salty's 5-8	28	29 Line dance and Shag lessons at the Carolina lounge 7-11	30			

PERRY'S EMPORIUM
FINE, ANTIQUE AND ESTATE JEWELRY

United States Shag Contest

May 17, 2014

Cape Fear Community College's Schwartz Center

601 North Front Street - Wilmington, N.C.

Be sure to put this dance contest on your calendar—and contact Eddie Baker if you would like an application form to be a contestant. He can send you all the information by email attachment. Sounds like a great event is planned... I am sure Eddie will be in touch if help is needed from our club with putting on this shag contest.

djeddiebaker@gmail.com

The Next shag Club Meeting is March 8, 2014

The Social Committee wants to invite you to join us for St. Patrick's Day fun so wear your green and bring a covered dish to share. Of course you are welcome to bring the usual Irish foods:

DESSERT WILL BE PROVIDED FOR THE EVENING.

Who knows—you may find a Pot of Gold at the end of the rainbow!

ACSC Winter Workshop

During the weekend of February 21-23, CFSC President (Beth Sykes), and Secretary, (Pat Ellis), attended the Association of Carolina Shag Clubs Winter Workshop in Columbia, South Carolina. They gathered information that will be valuable for our local club!

The last chance to purchase a 2014 SOS card, through the club, will be at the March Cape Fear Shag Club meeting; March 8th. If you want a card after that time, you may purchase it at SOS in April for $5.00 extra. If you plan to purchase a card on March 8th, please have a check made out to: Cape Fear Shag Club.....See me before the meeting starts and we can finalize the paper work.....

Thanks Wayne Holden

Cape Fear Shag Club ReUp Party

Shag Club Monthly Meeting

January 11, 2014

President, Beth Sykes, called the meeting to order.

1. Old Business:

Past 2013 President, Lou Smith, was asked to give annual financial statements and committee reports:

1- 2013 Financials:

A. Jan. 2013 Beginning balance: $ 3,364.31
B. Dec. 2013 Ending & 2014 Beginning balance: $ 4,499.61
C. Net increase for 2013: $1,135.30

2- Fund raisers:

A.	Lloyd &Debbie's fundraiser event donation:	$2,340.00
B.	25th Anniversary Shirt, Cap, memorabilia sell	$466.58
C.	Hall of Famers Money dance	$185.00
D.	New Moon Photos	$ 115.73
E.	Club 50/50 Raffle	$ 1.575.50
Sub-total excluding donation		$2,342.81
Total		$ 4,682.81

3. Fun Club Events:
   A. April 20- CFSC cookout at Tilghmans for SOS
   B. April 26- Shag demo, display, lesson, and dance
   C. May 17- Carolina Beach Arts Festival w/ shag dance demo & lesson
   D. July 20- Cape Fear Museum Shag dance demo, dance lessons, & display
   E. Oct. 12- 25* Anniversary Celebration
   F. Nov. 3- CFSC Hall of Fame Celebration
   G. Dec. 14- CFSC Christmas Party

4. **May 13, 2014** - NC Funeral Director's Conference @ Hilton Shag dance demo and lesson
5. Thank all of our officers, members and guest for a great year for 2013 and best wishes to our new officers and looking forward to another great year for 2014.

Beth Sykes again thanked Lloyd and Debbie Bowden for their donation and support of the club.

New Business:

1. Number of people in attendance: _127 people – 32 visitors =_95 members
2. Introduction of new member applicants, they will be voted on at the February meeting.
3. 2014 Winter ACSC Workshop will be attended by Beth Sykes, Pres., and Pat Ellis, Sec., on Feb. 21-23, 2014
4. SOS Mid-Winter will be next weekend.
5. Thanks to DJ Joey Warren for great music for tonight, and DJ Ken Jones will play for the February meeting.
6. It was announced that Women of Hope will have an event the last weekend of January. East Coast Shag Classic is Jan. 30-Feb. 2, 2014 at Holiday Inn Resort, Wrightsville Beach, NC. (Full details may be found on the Women of Hope web site.)
7. Lloyd and Debbie Bowden's Fundraising Party this spring is March 22, 2014 at the Arab Shrine club and the profits will go to Women of Hope and the Cape Fear Shag Club
8. SOS cards will be on sale tonight by Herb Craft and Wayne Holden, who will be taking over for Herb this year.
9. Introduction of 2014 officers and committee chairpersons
10. It was announced that we will present venue choices at the February club meeting and vote on the venues at the March club meeting, and members should express their choice of places to officers or chairpersons. These decisions will determine where our club will meet for 2014.
11. Shag Demonstration of the double kickback step was presented by Roger Johnson and Jan Piner. Members on the next song were given some

instruction.

12. Birthdays for January were announced:

    Bernie Braak, Jan Piner, Abbey Beattie, Judy Roundtree, Marietta Johnson,

    Sylvia Watkins, Rose Davis, Gary Decker, Helen Green, Abe Walston

    Brenda Aiken

    The birthday dance will follow the closing of the meeting.

Beth asked for a motion to close the meeting

Lloyd Bowden made motion, and seconded by Pat Ellis

Meeting adjourned.

Minutes submitted by secretary, Pat Ellis

Cape Fear Shag Club Meeting

Minutes Feb. 8, 2014

Mission Statement: To preserve, promote, and share the love of the shag dance and its music with others.

Abe Walston, vice-president, opened the meeting and welcomed member and especially new members.

Old Business

1. **Pat Ellis, secretary, read the minutes from the January meeting –**
2. **Cecil Sydes, treasurer, presented the monthly treasurer's reports.**
3. **Abe Walston requested a motion from the club to allow for an extra $700 in funds spent for the ReUp party, the board wanted the membership to have a onetime lowering of door entry as a thank you for joining. Eddie Baker made a motion to approve the overage and Wayne Holden seconded it. A vote was taken, and the motion passed.**
4. **Club contract for venue with Babs McDance is up in March. Abe presented possible choices of meeting locations and the information for each to be voted on in March. Copy for all is at sign in desk if you didn't get one.**

Carolina Lounge, Arab Shrine Club, Babs McDance, Elks Club

Call for short discussion from members will be in March before voting.

Venues

Carolina Lounge

1. No charge for venue
2. We split the door
3. Entry: $6.00 for members, $8.00 for non-members
4. Closed to public from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm for meeting, but this will change our meeting time to earlier
5. Open to public at 7:30 pm/ we will still split the door
6. Will bring in round tables from motel to assure seating
7. Space is concern with growth of club
8. Lounge takes the bar/ no bartender fees
9. We provide DJ
10. Can bring food
11. They will clean up and bring in tables

Arab Shrine Club

1. $400 for building
2. We take door
3. They take the bar and provide the bartender
4. Ample seating and room for growth
5. We provide DJ
6. Can have Christmas party there and save money?
7. We do set up and clean up

Babs McDance

1. **$250 plus $2.00 per person from door**
2. **Must assure that the bartender/s receive $50 in tips each**
3. **Not enough seating if we grow/above 90, special events we provide tables and chairs, will provide tables and chairs for all (at whose expense/for what price?)**
4. **We provide DJ**
5. **We are responsible for set up and break down**
6. **Would like multiyear contract**
7. **Free rent for fund raisers for charity/club**
8. **Willing to have Christmas Party and New Year's Party at venue**

Elks Club

1. **Lodge price $295.00, small room; $660 for medium room; and $700 for large room.**
2. **Cash bar $50.00 ? ask Don Hudson**
3. **Bartender - $15.00 per hour**
4. **We take door**
5. **We provide DJ**
6. **Ample seating**
7. **Can have Christmas party at location and save money**
8. **Responsible for clean up and set up, ample tables and chairs**
9. **Newly renovated and no smoking rules**
10. **Don Hudson will answer questions (Are you sure this amount is for the large room?)**

New Business

1. **Abe read new members application list: We have 17 new member applications**

   Paul Bender, Caren Bills, Howard Congleton, Cheryl Fetterman, Laura Hudson, Don Hudson, Mark Heffner, Melinda McKeon, Eleanor Miller, Jay Miller, John McQueen, Richard Poole, Johnnie Simpson, Don Sykes, Ron Sykes, Valerie Swiger, Dale Thompson, Karen Neuwirth

Sergeant at Arms escorted those new members present into the food room for a short time.

Motion was made by Pat Ellis to accept these members. Seconded by Linda Newton. Vote was taken and all applicants were accepted into the club.

Abe requested that all members take the time to make our new members welcome.

2. **For our 50/50, we are trying to have gifts also in the drawing. Please support the 50/50 drawing. Thanks to Bernie Braak, Advertising Chairman, and Connie Fussell, Social Committee Chairman, and others for obtaining these gifts.**

3. **Ken Jones is our DJ this evening; we appreciate his great music.**

4. **Reminder that Fred Rouse will be DJ at the March meeting.**

   a. **Sandy and Ken will teach our dance step for tonight, the whip step.**

5. Abe read the birthdays for February: Susie Kempf, Jennifer Walton, Julia Huntley, Lloyd Bowden, Kathy Jordan, Eddie Baker, Betty Rowe, Bundy Henderson.

6. Is there any other business? If none, is there a motion to close the meeting, Rick Parrish made motion, seconded by Gary Decker. All in favor, motion passed. Meeting is adjourned.

* * *

<u>After the February Shag Club meeting, Babs McDance Studio sent this re-fined proposal:</u>

Babs McDance Studio and Ballroom will:

1. Do our part in accommodating the growth of the Cape Fear Shag Club by supplying the tables and chairs necessary. (Any charge??)
2. Donate the studio rental for a legitimate fundraiser—one per calendar year —in return we need a <u>signed minimum three (3) year contract</u>- $250.00 flat fee Plus $2.00 per person, per month—with an exception to one time per calendar year (ie. Christmas Party) A six month notice is required to schedule...
3. Expect $50 mimimum per bartender. One bartender supplied unless approved by The Cape Fear Shag Club

February Club Meeting

2-8-2014

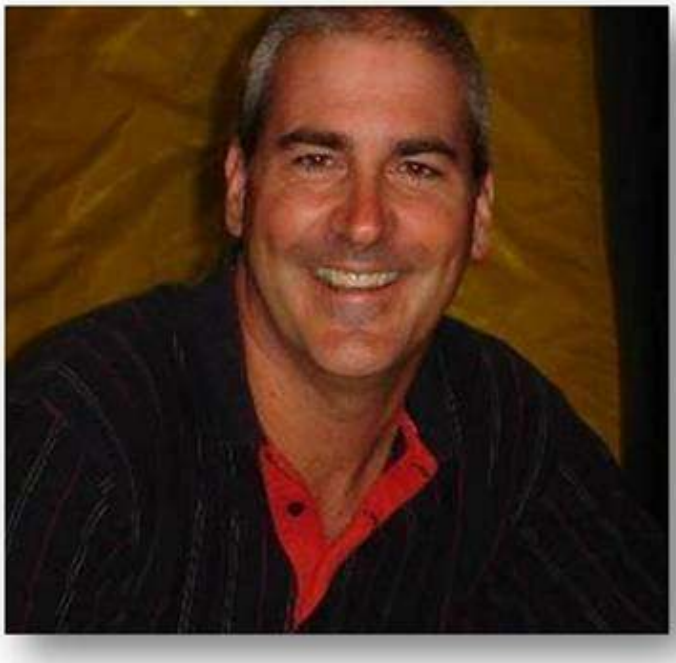
Happy Valentine's Day

IN MEMORIUM

CHAD CUNNINGHAM

Chad Cunningham, son of Anne Cunningham and the late Tom Cunningham, lost a long and hard fought battle with ALS, also known as Lou Gehrig's Disease, on Tuesday, February 25, 2014, at the young age of only 45. He was a handsome, rugged, young man of many talents that made his parents proud, and was a loving and devoted husband and father. He fought his battles with ALS with strength and dignity, and an amazing positive attitude and devotion to his family no matter what the disease threw at him. He leaves behind his mother, Anne, his iron willed, best friend, and love of his life, wife, Emily, two young sons, Will and Ian, and a legion of friends to cherish his memory as just one of nicest, kindest souls ever.

The family has requested that any remembrances be made to the ALS Association.



Godspeed, Chad. May you rest in peace.

See You at SOS in April!

The Sandy Weejun

Cape Fear Shag Club

P O Box 3762

Wilmington, NC 28406

March-April 2014