



SHAG RAG

Burlington Shag Club

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March 2026

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Notes from the President...

I am so amazed at the great turn out over the past few weeks in Burlington. Great job to coming out and joining us on Friday nights. Hope you will continue to come and dance and show all these awesome DJ's some love. So excited to have 186 members as of the end of February.

A few reminder's going into March. We will be having a float now that Ronnie and Mary agreed to chair. The first meeting took place on Monday, February 23rd. Anyone interested in helping please see one of them. We will also send out reminders of when we will be meeting to work on it.

Also, remember to support our sister clubs. Stepping Out has their Mardi Gras party on March 28th, if you are interested in attending please let me know and I will put you on the list. Make sure you mark those calendars for August 28 and 29 for our Second Chance Prom. I know several have asked about this and we want to make it a huge success for several local clubs.

Be Blessed Not Stressed
Amber Allen
President



Burlington Shag Club

Business Meeting Minutes

February 20, 2026



Call to Order – Amber Allen Called meeting to order at 6:32pm .

Secretary Report – Paula Lowe – reported 176 members to date, including 29 new members and 23 HOF/PP .

There were no additions or corrections from the floor; motion to approve 1st Cindy S, 2nd Jack; motion approved.

Treasurer's Report – Millie Hatcher – 1st Violet; 2nd Wade - Approved

Sunshine Report - Linda McVey- See Newsletter for details .

BOD - Howard Harvell – shared 3 upcoming area club events – see newsletter for details .

Old Business

Reverse Raffle –Andrea Loy – only 19 tickets left plus we are having a gun raffle and 50/50.

Dance Lessons – Jack reported \$600 in membership dues taken in for dance lessons!

SOS Party – Motion to approve \$700 for party after parade – 1st Jack; 2nd Darleen – motion passed .

New Business

SOS Float – Ronnie Gregory asked that we revisit the option of having an entry in the SOS parade. Several members spoke of the legacy of BSC in the parade. Brenda S made a motion for the club to participate in the parade. 2nd by Sheila - motion passed. Ronnie agreed to chair.

Second Chance Prom – Amber gave details – Best Western, last weekend in August, \$90 per night includes breakfast; Motion made to continue with these plans by Hugh; 2nd by Gary C; motion passed .

Jr Shag Dance Team – will be at R&R on March 20th for “Dancing for Dollars”

Luau – Andrea announced the date of Luau – June 27th.

By-Laws Meeting – Sheila announced that the meeting will be March 5, 6-8 at R&R. She asked that Buddy replace Amber when she can't be there. She also asked for 2 alternates to be at each meeting, so they would have enough to vote. Six names were put in a hat and two drawn. Wade and Darlene will serve as alternates.

Next Meeting Friday March 20th at 6:30 pm

Meeting Adjourned 7:16pm



Board Of Directors

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Please keep the following members in your prayers:

- Prayers for Tommy Stafford. He is at hospital with A-fib.
- Cayce Lineberry continues to recover from surgery and is doing well.
- Our president, Amber Allen, is hopefully on the downside of dealing with bronchitis.
- Kurt Lankford continues to recover from foot surgery and is now able to wear shoes again.
- It was good to see Janice McSherry and Mac back with us at our last business meeting.
- Prayers for our world situation.

Please contact Linda McVey with Sunshine News
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March Birthdays

Jonnie Ellington	3/3
Ron Russ	3/7
Suzanne Nason	3/8
Debbie Ludovissy	3/8
Pat Gumula	3/10
Randy Payne	3/10
Shannon McGinnis	3/10
Allen DuVall	3/14
Lucy DuVall	3/15
Maria Clapp	3/15
Tom Pritchett	3/19
Deanne Greeson	3/20
Mary Gregory	3/21
Donald McGinnis	3/24
Allen Roney	3/30
Linda Lee	3/30

Shag life websites

www.burlingtonshagclub.com

www.shagdance.com

[www.facebook.com/groups/
groups/burlingtonshagclub](https://www.facebook.com/groups/groups/burlingtonshagclub)



Newsletter Deadline for the April issue is March 25th. Please email any items you want to be considered for publication to darlenejoakley@gmail.com



Board of Directors Chairman Report

The Burlington Shag Club Board of Directors
met Monday February 16th at Rack N Rolls



Burlington Shag Club,

We are starting 2026 with the throttle in high gear. We have already had our 2026 Membership Reup party on January 30th and the Valentine's Dance on Friday 13th with both having great turn out and participation. We have our Burlington Shag Club Reverse Raffle on February 28th which the last I heard we had almost sold all our tickets. I would like to thank Jack and Darlene for the Shag lessons on Thursday nights in February that brought in several new members but also introduced more individuals to our style of dance. This is just the first two months of the year. Coming in fast is the SOS Spring Safari in April 17-26th which is less than fifty days away.

The Burlington Shag Club has a long tradition of building some of the best floats for the SOS Spring parade and after our Club business meeting on February 20th it was voted on by the club members to represent Burlington Shag Club in the parade again this year with another great float. The participation in building and being part of the parade is totally voluntary and do not feel any obligation that you have to help, but if you are interested please contact our Co Float Chair Couple Ronnie and Mary Gregory on times and where the float will be worked on. There will also be a Pre Cookout held before everyone heads down to N. Myrtle Beach that all Burlington Shag Club Members are invited to, time and place will be announced at later date.

Leading up to all the activities coming up in April we don't want to leave out March. We have Jack and Darlene Oakley teaching an intermediate class on March 27th going over the Pivot, Darlene Oakley will be going over several of your favorite line dances on March 13th in a refresher class, and there will be a group getting together for Stepping' Out Shag Clubs Mardi Gras Party in Reidsville on March 28th from 7-9 pm. Also, Chatham Area Shag Association is doing a St. Patrick's Day Social on March 8th from 5:00-9:00 pm. at the "MOD" in Pittsboro. If you need any information on the events I mention please contact me or the flyers will be posted on our bulletin board at Rack & Roll for you to check out on Friday nights.

I would really like to thank all the members that have stepped up and taken first time positions on the BOD or members that have served before and taken on different position for the 2026 year. The Burlington Shag Club is possible because of our members that came before us and the many great members that we now have today. Let's make 2026 another great year for the Burlington Shag Club and leave memories for members to share long after we are gone.

Sincerely BOD Chairman
Howard Harvell



**Notes from the
SOS Board Chair
Ronnie Gregory.....**



**MID-WINTER BREAK
SPRING SAFARI
FALL MIGRATION**

2026

January

Mid-Winter- January 15-18th

April

April 17-26th Spring Safari

April 25th 1pm Parade

July

July14-19th Junior SOS

July17-19th Summer Workshop

September

September 16-27th Fall Migration

Many of you attended the SOS Mid Winter at N. Myrtle Beach in January. Had a great turnout and fabulous shagging and fun! SOS happenings for 2026, your SOS Membership will have new perks from local merchants which you will be hearing about soon, offering discounts so you will want to support these merchants.

SOS is just around the corner in April 17 – 26, 2026. Highlights of the 10 days is the SOS Parade on April 25 th at 1:00, which our club will be participating, the ICON Reception and of course the Association Meeting on Saturday morning, April 25th.

Coming in July our SOS Summer Workshop July 17 – 19th in Columbia South Carolina. At this time, we have 20 BSC members who are attending and are planning to have a great time and plenty of dancing. If anyone else wants to attend, please email Mary at mgregory5@triad.rr.com or call her at 336-213-7054 or go to <https://www.shagdance.com/workshops> to see the flyer and pay online. We are reserving tables and we have 2 table filled at this time. So if you want to sit at a Burlington table, let Mary know so we can start filling another table.

Your participation and support in all that SOS is trying to do, helps keep the dance alive.

Ronnie Gregory
BSC Member
SOS Board Chair



Go to www.shagdance.com and click on the picture as shown above and you can read it, print it, and save it. You can print 1 page or all pages. Also, on the front page of shagdance.com there is a link “Quicklink to Archived Carefree Times” click on this link and you can see old Carefree Times all the way back to 1983.

Through the National FastDance Association,
our club dance activities are properly and
legally licensed by:



Get your 2026 SOS cards now for \$40. If you wait till you are at the Beach they are \$45.

Contact Robin Richardson at robin.richardson@carolina.com

Membership Included with Lessons



Burlington Shag Club boosted 2026 membership by offering beginner shag dance lessons for the cost of the membership. Club members, Jack and Darlene Oakley donated their time to teach the basic step, male and female turns, starter step and belly roll. The classes were held the on 3 consecutive Thursdays in February. The lessons included Instructional videos and information on any and everything a new shagger would need to know from type of dance shoes, where to find beach music, other club dances and SOS events. The lessons brought in 21 new members and \$600 to the BSC general fund. Burlington Shag Club loves the shag dance and loves introducing this great dance and music to new shaggers.

Reverse Raffle February 28th

BSC held a fundraiser to raise money for two local charities Mercy and Grace and Stone Soup Menus, Inc. Thanks to Andrea Loy and committee for a fun and successful event! Thank you to members for your support! And congrats to all the Winners! Stay tuned for final report on funds raised. Photo Credits Kim Dawson, Debbie Barnes and Andrea Loy.



\$10,000 GIVEAWAY • FEBRUARY 28TH, 2026
 Location: Burlington Shrine Club
 Fundraiser for Stone Soup Menus, Inc. & Mercy and Grace
Only 200 Tickets Will Be Sold • Doors open at 6:00 p.m.

1 st Ticket Drawn = \$100	130 th Ticket Drawn = \$400
25 th Ticket Drawn = \$150	140 th Ticket Drawn = \$500
50 th Ticket Drawn = \$200	150 th Ticket Drawn = \$500
75 th Ticket Drawn = \$200	160 th Ticket Drawn = \$600
100 th Ticket Drawn = \$250	170 th Ticket Drawn = \$700
110 th Ticket Drawn = \$300	180 th Ticket Drawn = \$800
120 th Ticket Drawn = \$300	190 th Ticket Drawn = \$1000
	200 th Ticket Drawn = \$4000

Donation \$100 per ticket
 There will be a Steak or Chicken Dinner and Open Bar
 Each ticket holder may bring one guest for \$50.00

Name: _____ Guest: _____
 Phone: _____
 Emcee Choice: No Split Split No Split Split
 No. 190 _____ No. 190 _____
 Attending Yes No



BURLINGTON SHAG CLUB PRESENTS:

SECOND CHANCE PROM

HOLD THE DATE:

Let the rhythm of the night guide your steps
across the floor of memories

AUG 28-30





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 FRIDGEN
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 Covin at wbcovins@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



Make checks payable to SOS and Mail to: Wanda Covin, 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

Steppin' Out Shag Club



MARDI GRAS PARTY!

Saturday, March 28, 2026
7PM to 11PM

Reidsville Elks Lodge
1014 Cypress Drive, Reidsville, NC

\$20.00 per Person

Cash Only Bar

Beer = \$3.00 | Wine = \$4.00

Mixed Drinks (House) = \$5.00

Specialty Drinks \$6 to \$10.00

Elks Lodge has all ABC permits and licenses to serve you.

Reserve a table/provide headcount:

Contact Activities Chair Doris Keaton at (336) 349-2582

or via email at dkeaton@triad.rr.com

Accommodations:

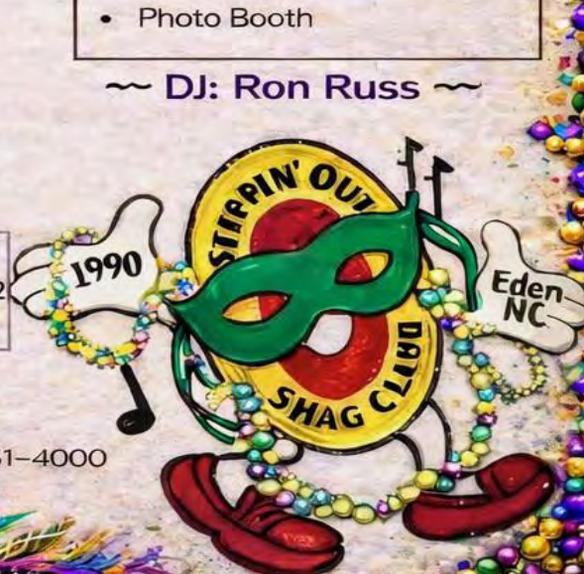
Holiday Inn Express & Suites

101 Express Drive, Reidsville, NC 27320 - (336) 361-4000

Activities:

- Dinner, Music and Dancing
- 50/50 Raffle
- Chinese Raffle
- Adult Beverage Raffle
- Photo Booth

~ DJ: Ron Russ ~



2026

Chatham Area Shag Association

St. Patrick's Day Social

March 8, 2026

5:00 - 9:00 PM



THE MOD
"SOCO Pittsboro"
46 Sanford Road
Pittsboro, NC 27312



DJ Raymond Riggsbee

\$5.00 for Members

\$8.00 for Guests

Good Shagging Fun

Wear Green or get Pinched





Burlington, NC

Just in time for Line Dance Fun

**Come out and get your Line Dance Fix
before Friday Shag Night begins on**

**March 13
6pm-7pm**

**Boots On The Ground
Cowboy Boogie
Continental
Sexy Man
Charleston
Cruisin**

And any other line dances requested

No Charge

Burlington Shag Club Friday Shag Night starts at 7 pm with the best Beach Music DJ. Stay and practice your new steps.

No cover charge! Only requirement is to have a great time!

Location: Rack & Rolls 1243 Plaza Drive, Burlington, NC 27215

www.burlingtonshagclub.com



Just in time for Spring Safari



Carolina Shag Dance Lessons

Instructors Darlene and Jack Oakley

Friday – March 27

Intermediate Level

Lesson

\$5 Members

\$10 Non Member

Registration begins at

5:30pm

Lessons 6 pm – 7 pm



Lesson includes

The

Pivot

**No partner
required**

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Membership Application

Annual Dues

January 1 - 31 ~ \$25/person

February 1 - December 31 ~ \$30/person

YEAR _____

NAME (HIS) _____ (HERS) _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____

CELL PHONE (HIS) _____ (HERS) _____

BIRTHDAY (HIS) _____ (HERS) _____

EMAIL (HIS) _____ (HERS) _____

NEW MEMBER

RENEWAL MEMBER

HALL OF FAME

PAST PRESIDENT

COMMITTEES I AM INTERESTED IN ---

ENTERTAINMENT

DJ

MEMBERSHIP

GOLF TOURNAMENT

NOMINATION

SUNSHINE

HISTORIAN

CHARITABLE FUND RAISING

CHECK \$ _____ # _____ CASH \$ _____ TOTAL PAID \$ _____

MEMBER'S SIGNATURE _____

CHECKS PAYABLE TO:

Burlington Shag Club
P.O. Box 1174
Burlington, NC 27216

CLUB USE ONLY

Sec.'s Initials _____ Date rec'd _____ Card Issued Card Mailed Date _____

Schedule of Events

- | | | | |
|---------|---|-----|--------------|
| Mar 6: | Shag night from 7:00 - 10:00 pm | DJ: | Rob Lassiter |
| Mar 13: | Shag night from 7:00 - 10:00 pm | DJ: | George Dunn |
| Mar 20: | Business Meeting Night and
Shag night from 6:30 - 10:00 PM | DJ: | Steve Carter |
| Mar 27: | Shag night from 7:00 - 10:00 pm | DJ: | Kenny Loftis |



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