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the BRUSHY MOUNTAIN BOOGIE

IN NORTH WILKESBORO, NORTH CAROLINA



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Hello BMSC!!

Autumn is in the air! I feel the cooler evenings and am enjoying the relief from the hot summer days! WELCOME to all new members! We are excited you put on your shag shoes and joined Brushy Mountain Shag Club!

This year has been busy and fast paced. As they say, "time flies when you're having fun"! To be honest, the first of the year was very hectic for me, and it would not be fair to say it was fun - becoming the president of BMSC, and my first time to be a president of any shag club, made me a wreck! I want to thank Eddie for his patience those first few months, (and even now) it seems like I was at the computer at all hours of the night, and complained that my computer was "too slow", and I had to figure out what I was doing! I made him miserable for the first month for sure, and he learned to 'tip-toe' around me when I was doing shag club work. Then I received some very good advice from our VP Johnny Worley, (you know, the guy with the fastest feet on the dance floor) and I calmed down a little. I was enlightened that I did not need to make Eddie miserable taking on this job, and it was true.... I mulled over the "wisdom of Worley" and indeed, things got better - Eddie went to our internet supplier and 'upgraded' the speed on my computer for my birthday.....if momma ain't happy, ain't nobody happy..... 😊

I feel extremely lucky to have people at my 'back' helping me with our club. I truly could not do this without their support. I cannot thank Tim Hauser enough for his assistance! He puts in a tremendous amount of time as secretary, working for our club, booking our dance dates and securing the deejays, not to mention answering all my hundreds of questions and guiding me in the right direction (just as he promised when he talked me into serving as president)..... 😊 - of course, girls, I had to face the challenge, since BMSC has had all men presidents in the past.....and stepping up to the plate after our last prez, Gary Doran, was a little intimidating. These guys kept pretty good records, so after I got the 'hang' of it, I settled in, and here we are today! And before I forget, thanks to the presidents and past presidents of surrounding shag clubs who offered me their support and words of wisdom, people that I did not know that well, but who cared enough to offer advice and steer me in the right direction.

And there's Ramona. Ramona Curtis serves as our treasurer, she has all the money! And she does a super fantastic job with our financial records and is there to sign in members and guests at every dance. When you think about it, 'keeping books' is not that much fun! Thanks for another job well done!

Don't Forget to Support Brushy Mountain Shag
Membership - \$15

Door Prizes Available - Support Area Shag Clubs - Bring those Yummy Desserts



a time of reflection

Do you remember?

Where you were on September 11, 2001 at 8:46 a.m.?

Thanks to all of you on our Board of Directors, for attending our meetings and offering your guidance and support in decision making for the benefit of BMSC. It has been a good year for us, and we should be proud that we were able to donate \$2,400 to charities this year and know that we are helping others.

I want to thank everyone who supports our club by coming to the dances each month. The music and dancing this year has been so much fun and I am finally getting the hang of this thing of being president! At the first of the year, I told Eddie that I would be partly busy at each dance, doing the announcements, helping to work the door, talking and visiting with folks, and that I would not get to dance as much as we usually do when we go to a dance, and that he would just have to dance with the other ladies, and he just smiled, and said "I can do that"! Oh yes – he can!

And members, we can never forget our honorary lifetime member, Josh Severt. Have you noticed, Josh is at every dance? And he loves BMSC and dancing, especially doing, "The Twist". Josh is a special young man, and we are lucky that he belongs to us! His hand draws the winning ticket at every dance, and he loves his job – we all could take some lessons from Josh. Thank you Josh for being there to help us see that life is good!

This year, we 'rolled out' our Brushy Mountain Boogie newsletter. I hope that you all have enjoyed the newsletter, and reading about our members. I never knew we had so much talent among us! My special thanks go to Judy Walker, an amazing lady, with super talent. She is the publisher of our newsletter, and doesn't it look great! I met Judy when I became a member of BMSC a few years back, and she quickly became a special friend to me. She works late into the midnight hours to publish the newsletter, and she and I go back and forth sending, editing and working on it late at night, with Judy sitting up in bed with her laptop, and me pounding away at my keyboard, and wow... we finally get it together just before each dance – sometimes, minutes before! We laugh about it, but somehow, this amazing lady pulls it all together, and there it is, in vibrant color!

Use your old newsletters to determine who we are

1. Husband likes to go _____ (7)
2. Wife worked in education in the _____ Center (5)
3. Husband works(ed) in _____ to protect our land (11)
4. Couple has ____ children who are their _____(2 words, 7)
5. What wonderful university is in the High Country (initials)? _____ (3)
6. Favorite shag song by Chairmen of the Board (2 words 11)
7. Slang for where they make their home (9)
8. In her spare time, wife likes to do _____? (8)
9. Find other member names and words associated with BMSC

Answers found on bottom of page 4

Who Are We?

H R R A S U G T G Y E
U E G E X P W R E N P
N S A H W O F L V M C
T U H Y S E R I A S E
I A S O H O R W M K N
N H N I W O S B J A P
G S C O N Y M E D I A
H K G M E L E U M A S
S F E N H S O J L B F
G N I H S I F E N O G
T P Q U I L T I N G Y

.....for America and for Brushy Mountain Shag



BIRTHDAYS



SEPTEMBER

Robert Bentley
Steve Coley
Julie Grose
Boyd Hinson
James Hudson
Wanda MacLeod
Kathy Mizerak
Harry Padgett
Robert Rizotti
Lisa Samuel
Kay Stevens
Betty Worley

OCTOBER

Press Anderson
Jim Conley
Steve Davidson
Paul Holliday
Barry Irwin
Robin Morley
Sue Padgett
Miriam Pittman
Kim Tetzlaff
Brenda Tomlinson
Judy Walker
Connie Yokum



Comfort Thoughts

- Josh, Shirlene & Jacky Severt
- DJ Danny Kimrey

Then we rush to Staples to print out a few copies to share at the dance, and I send it out via email before the dance for your enjoyment. It really is fun getting it all together, and our sincere thanks to those of you who shared your personal information with us, and gave us a peek into your lives to let us know you better! We have read some pretty great stories in our monthly newsletters, and if you are new to BMSC, please visit our website at www.brushymountainshagclub.com and read all the newsletters to date! I'm sure you will enjoy each one, and they will help you get to know your shag family. We are adding pictures to our website, so if you have pictures you would like to share, please send them to me and we will get them published on the website. Please share news, pictures, your personal info, and ideas for our newsletter – send the info to either Judy Walker or myself and we will publish in the newsletter.

Talking about pictures, this year, Andy Massengill offered to be the photographer for BMSC and take pictures at our dances to use in the newsletter and on the website. That's a pretty good offer Andy, and we appreciate people like you who make our club great! Pretty neat pictures too! So, if you don't see your picture, come to Andy and he'll put you in the news!

Of course I can't let Andy get away without a big 'thank you' for the BMSC website - up and running this year. Quite a task and a great job! Thanks also to Bill McLeod for his guidance as well on the website. Great guys!! As our website has only been up a few months, we welcome your comments/ideas on what you would like to see there – we want to hear from you! It already looks great Andy, so keep up the good work!

We have had some great deejays playing beach music for BMSC in 2011. They keep us on the dance floor and my thanks go out to each of them, without their music, there would be no dancing! Thanks, deejays for your hard work – it does not go unnoticed or unheard!

S.O.S. is fast approaching, and I'm ready for the beach!!! I can't wait to get my feet on the dance floor at N. Myrtle Beach and see all my shaggin' friends. Don't forget to take your S.O.S. card so you can go in and out of the clubs without a cover charge. BMSC members will dance in the Guinness World Record to try and have the most shag dancers on the floor at one time – what fun and what a life, just dancing away the days at N. Myrtle Beach!

BMSC sold 100 tickets for Fun Monday this year, fulfilling our obligation to S.O.S! Special thanks go to Eddie Hicks, Johnny Worley, Julie Grose and Dale Younger for helping to get the tickets sold – we appreciate your efforts for BMSC! I only hope that the winning ticket is one that our club sold!!!! Way to go team!

BMSC HAS A LINE DANCE ALL IT'S OWN CHOREOGRAPHED BY BECKY DORAN... CALLED "THE BRUSHY MOUNTAIN BOOGIE". Thank you Becky, for giving our club its own line dance and for teaching it to us at our dance Saturday!!

Our membership this year is up to 130 members! Earlier in the year, club members gave 'free' shag lessons in exchange for a membership to the club. We are happy that you all are a part of the BMSC family and I want you to come back in 2012. You are the backbone of the club, and we need your support to keep the dance and music alive!

Remember during this time of reflection, "life is good!" You, the members of this club, should be proud of all of BMSCs accomplishments! ---Prez Pat Hicks...I hope you dance!

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS - THROUGH DECEMBER 2011

Friday, September 9	Statesville Shag Club	Statesville VFW Post 2031	8:00 - 11:30	DJ Danny Kimrey
Friday, September 9	The Fantastic Shakers	Blackmon Theatre, MA	7:30 - 10:00	Fantastic Shakers
Saturday, Sept 10	BMSC Autumn Shagging	Elks Lodge N. Wilkesboro	8:00 - 11:00	DJ Norman Mills
Fri-Sun., Sept 16-25	SOS Fall Migration	Myrtle Beach, SC		
Thursday, Sept 22	The Embers	Blackmon Theatre, MA	8:00 - 10:00	The Embers
Friday, Sept 23	Statesville Shag Club	Statesville VFW Post 2031	8:00 - 11:30	DJ Mike Worley
Saturday, Sept 24	Linville Land Harbor	Linville Recreation Bldg	7:30 - 11:00	
Saturday, October 1	Pajama Party	Boone Shag Club		DJ Gene Hensley
Friday, October 14	Statesville Shag Club	Statesville VFW Post 2031	8:00 - 11:30	DJ Roy Childress
Saturday, October 15	BMSC Shag or Treat	Elks Lodge N. Wilkesboro	8:00 - 11:00	DJ Gene Hensley
Fri-Sat., Oct 21-22	MESS Fall Bash	Johnson City, TN		
Friday, October 28	Statesville Shag Club	Statesville VFW Post 2031	8:00 - 11:30	DJ Gene Sistare
Saturday, October 29	Sandy Beach Shag Club	Morganton Elks Lodge	7:30 - 11:30	DJ Mac Mast
Friday, November 11	Statesville Shag Club	Statesville VFW Post 2031	8:00 - 11:30	DJ Bigfish Calhoun
Saturday, Nov 12	BMSC Fall Back & Shag	Elks Lodge N. Wilkesboro	8:00 - 11:00	DJ Bigfish Calhoun
Saturday, Nov 19	Sandy Beach Shag Club	Morganton Elks Lodge	7:30 - 11:30	DJ Betty Brown
Saturday, December 3	BMSC Christmas Party	Elks Lodge N. Wilkesboro	8:00 - 11:00	DJ Steve Coley
Friday, December 9	Statesville Christmas Party	Statesville VFW Post 2031	8:00 - 11:30	DJ Gene Hensley
Sat., December 10	Boone Christmas Party			
Sat., December 17	Sandy Beach Christmas	Morganton Elks Lodge	7:30 - 11:30	DJ Johnny B
Sat., December 31	BMSC New Years Eve	Elks Lodge N. Wilkesboro	8:00 - 11:00	DJ Gene Hensley
February 3 & 4, 2012	The Electric Storm	University Inn, Clemson SC	Tickets sell out early. See 9-8 email from Pat for details	



1. Hunting
2. Media
3. Environment
4. Two Sons
5. ASU
6. Gone Fishing
7. Piney Swamp
8. Quilting
9. Shag
10. BMSC
11. Who are the others?

Susan and Barry Irwin

