

# Glossary of South Carolina Terms

With Utah and New York Equivalents

**Beaufortonian** - A resident of Beaufort. Utah: Utahn. New York: Yankee (see below).

**Bo** - Term of endearment shared among men during sporting events. Utah: Bro, Dude. New York: Asshole.

**Darlin'** - Term of endearment used by women when addressing girlfriends, children, and men with whom they are not romantically involved. Utah: Hon', Sweetie. New York: Babe.

**Deep Water** - An ocean inlet adjacent to marshland that does not drain with low tide and thus provides uninterrupted boating, fishing, and watersports. Utah: Fresh Powder. New York: Central Park.

**Fatback** - Fresh layer of fat that runs along a pig's back; featured prominently in souther cuisine. Utah: Family-sized Crisco. New York: Obese Subway Rider.

**Frogmore Stew** - A traditional Sea Island dish consisting of shrimp, sausage, corn on the cob, new potatoes, spices, and other sundry ingredients boiled together and served with beer and cocktail sauce. Also known as "Lowcountry Boil." Utah: Dutch Oven Meal. New York: Pizza. ← **Yum**

\***Grits** - A staple of Lowcountry cuisine served as a side dish, appetizer, or main course. Utah: Green Jell-o. New York: Bagel.

**The Lowcountry** - A geographic term that refers to the coastal region of South Carolina where most land falls at or below sea level, including grassy areas that are submerged during high tide (marshland). Utah: The High Country. New York: The Big Apple.

★ Marriage - The joining of Sydney Meeks and Shandon Fowler as wife and husband on June 4, 2005 in Beaufort; preceded and followed by celebrations of their union. Utah: Sydney joins her sister wives in holy matrimony. New York: Marriage is so last decade. ★

★ Pig - Variations of cooked pork usually prepared over an open flame (i.e. swine prepared on a spit or barbecue is "pig," while bacon is still "bacon"). Utah: None (no barbecue). New York: None (not kosher). ★

★ Sea Islands - A group of islands along the South Carolina coast that are surrounded by marshland and coveted for their natural beauty and spectacular views. Utah: The Benches. New York: The Penthouse.

\*Shag - The official dance of South Carolina; a series of disjointed movements resembling a loose combination of square dancing and the twist. Its degree of difficulty declines as its participants' inebriation increases. Utah: None (see "Footloose"). New York: Standing Around Looking Cool.

**Y'all** - Contraction form of "you all," signifying either one or a group of people; all of you. Utah: You Guys. New York: Youze.

**Yankees** - A euphemistic title used to describe people from Northeastern states who relocate to the Lowcountry, drive up real estate prices, and bring their Union ways to Dixie. Utah: Californians. New York: Eurotrash.

and Donald Trump

## TEST YOUR KNOWLEDGE

Using the glossary on the opposite side of this sheet, fill in the word that best describes the events and conversations you may encounter while at Sydney and Shan's wedding. Come prepared and impress your fellow guests with your knowledge of their mystifying cultural mores!

Hey \_\_\_\_\_, you had better get over to the barbecue table before that \_\_\_\_\_ is all gone!

Greg knew that \_\_\_\_\_s were crazy, but he had no idea they'd be this crazy.

While we were in the \_\_\_\_\_, we went on a tour of the \_\_\_\_\_ and it was so beautiful that we're considering relocating.

We've been thinking of buying a home with \_\_\_\_\_ access, but the damn \_\_\_\_\_ have driven up the prices so much that we can't even afford a down payment.

Drue liked the \_\_\_\_\_ much more than she thought she would considering they just threw everything together like that.

I don't know how much \_\_\_\_\_ they put in those, but dang if they aren't the pest biscuits I've ever tasted!

The caterers ran out of \_\_\_\_\_ halfway through the reception, leaving more than a few \_\_\_\_\_ hungry and dismayed.

By the time the band finished playing, Ginny was exhausted from all of the \_\_\_\_\_ing she and Billy had done.

**WE HOPE Y'ALL/YOU GUYS/YOUZE WILL JOIN US AT  
SYDNEY AND SHAN'S WEDDING  
JUNE 4, 2005, IN BEAUFORT, SOUTH CAROLINA.**