



Donnie Davis

Donnie Jones Davis is a long-standing member of the Cape Fear Shag Club. She moved to Wilmington from Fayetteville, NC in 1988 and joined the Club in 1993 and immediately became involved in helping. She served as chairperson on the Communications Committee for years and was the voice behind the messages on the phone tree answering machine where club members heard, "Hi Shag Club Members, this is Donnie." With a caring and positive attitude and voice, she delivered the messages. She continued being the person to send out emails to the club and the presidents' messages and any news and updates for years.

Donnie was the President of the Cape Fear Shag Club for three years, which was during Covid, and she continued to send out emails and had Zoom board meetings even when it was not possible to have in-person meetings. In addition to being president, she has served as vice president, secretary, treasurer, sergeant at arms and as member at large over the years...she has literally served on every position of the board multiple times, as well as on most of the committees. She has helped organize car washes, yard sales, bake sales, ticket sales, golf tournament and been the hardest worker behind organizing shag contest, as well as dancing in many contests in Wilmington, Carolina Beach, Atlantic Beach and Ocean Drive, in which she placed or won.

Having taught school for more than thirty years, she is a natural teacher and is willing to assist or take charge of any task. She has demonstrated and taught shag dancing at many events, as well as in her own classroom. The USS North Carolina Battleship, the Cape Fear Museum of History and Science, and UNCW are all places Donnie has taught shag. She also organized and started free lessons for children in the Wilmington area.

Her crown jewel surfaced during the three consecutive years, 2016, 2017, and 2018, when she served as Chair of the Junior Shagger's fundraising events. Through the efforts of many and Donnie's organizational skills, all three years were sold out and were extremely successful events. More than \$15,000 was donated to the Junior Shagger, which enabled them to travel all over the USA, as well as other countries, to showcase shag dancing, which supports the mission of our club.

Donnie's favorite passion is dancing with her husband of 22 years and sharing the music that they both love. She also enjoys and cherishes the fellowship with her many friends that she has met through the music, the dance and traveling all over to dance clubs and shag parties.

Anyone willing to serve their club can hold an office or serve on a committee, but seldom does anyone bring such compassion and commitment to serve as Donnie has and continues to do for the Cape Fear Shag Club. Being aware of the behind the scenes work that must be done day in and day out to support a club and for her many years of actively supporting the club through her service, Donnie Jones Davis certainly deserves the honor and recognition of being in the Cape Fear Hall of Fame.