



# THE CALIFORNIA SHUFFLEBOARD HALL OF FAME

Induction Ceremony Honoring

Joanie Healey

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## **Joanie Healey**



Joanie was born and raised in Downey, CA and now resides in Bellflower, CA. Joanie has 4 siblings, Becky is the oldest, John is her stepbrother, then Tonie and Annlynn.



Joanie with mom and sisters

Joanie graduated from Downey High School, and then enrolled at Cerritos College majoring in business finance. She went to work for Security Pacific Bank, which turned into a full-time job, so she dropped out of college to pursue her career with the bank. Joanie held various positions in the bank starting as a teller and moved up to Assistant Manager in operations. In 1993 Security Bank merged with Bank of America and she was then promoted to Banking Center Manager.

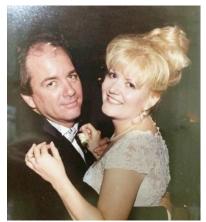
Joanie started playing shuffleboard right before her 21st birthday. She played out of a little bar called Darts in Downey, Ca. The Darts Bar closed down due to the 105 freeway being built so then she went to play at the Til 2 Club and The Edgewood, both in Bellflower, CA. She played in several leagues for both bars. The person that was running the leagues at the time quit, so Joanie was asked to take over. She ran the traveling league for a few seasons and when one of the bars became a popular sports bar and lost some of its league teams, she started a new Bellflower league.

At this time the PCSA was formed, and a couple of the boards that were purchased from the tournament were placed into another bar in Bellflower called The Peanut House. At The Peanut House, Joanie ran an in-house league and started running amateur tournaments. There were quite a few players who came to play which is when Joanie met Bobby Goldsmith, Steve Floyd, Warren Goldsmith, Sal Reynoso, and Wes Martin - all from the Visalia area. They also had Frank and Connie Zavala, Cowboy Bob and others that came from Vegas. The Peanut House wound up closing, moving the players to the Stagger Inn and then to The Dixie Belle.



Joanie and Jolene Lembke - NASC 1997

In 1998, with advice from Glen Davidson, Joanie helped form The California Shuffleboard Hall of Fame, and at that time served as Treasurer. Later she served as Vice President under Dave Keithahn and now currently serves as one of the Board of Directors. She has also been a rater for the past 10 years for the Bowers' Ratings.



Allan Healey and Joanie

In 1998, Joanie and Allan Healey got together and married in September 1999.

According to the current Bowers' Ratings, Joanie has a rating of -0.21 and was rated by 22 raters. She has the 7<sup>th</sup> highest ranking for a woman in the U.S. and is ranked #73 out of all players in the country. This puts her within the top 3% of rated players nationally.

Joanie says that she has had a great time playing shuffleboard and has made a lot of friends throughout the years.



A Partial List of Joanie's Tournament Wins								
Year	Tournament Name	Place	Event	Place	Team			
1990		The Peanut House	Doubles	1st	Jay Kimble			
1990		The Peanut House	Singles	2nd				
1990	NASC	Sahara	Womens Singles	4th				
1991	PCSA Extravaganza	Showboat	Womens Singles	7th/8th				
1991		Peanut House	Doubles	1st	Vern Booth			
1991		Peanut House	Doubles	2nd	Louis Lusero			
1993	4th of July	Dixie Belle	ABC Draw	1st	Karl Spickelmeier, BB Boik			
1994		Amato's	ABC Draw	2nd	Karl Spickelmeier, Kathleen Wisdom			
1995	Labor Day	Dixie Belle	ABC Draw	1st	Vern Booth, Jack Brown			
1996	12th Annual Boardtalk	Dixie Belle	Womens Singles	1st				
1997	NASC	Sands Regency	Ladies Singles	5th/6th				
1997	NASC	Sands Regency	Doubles Div 2	5th/6th	Jolene Lembke			
1998	4th of July	Oskars	ABC Draw	5th/6th	Kathy Thomas, Mike Huber			
1999		Elks Lodge	ABC Draw	1st	Mary Lou Dearing, Les Burdette			
1999	Van Stewart Memorial	Dixie Belle	ABC Draw	2nd	Jolene Lembke, Allan Healey			
1999		The Covered Wagon	AB Draw	2nd	Ted Z.			
2000	Sweethearts	Silver Spur	Doubles	1st	Allan Healey			
2000	NASC	Sands Regency	Doubles Div 2	9th/12th	Jolene Lembke			
2004	St. Patricks	Rosewood Pub	Doubles	2nd	Allan Healey			
	Billy Chiles Memorial	Moose Lodge	Doubles (add to 2)	4th	Bob Brunskill			
	Memorial Day	Oskars	ABC Draw	3rd	Gene Smith, Bobbie Duncan (Bailey)			
	Thanksgiving	Oskars	Doubles	1st	Tim O'Brien			
	Thanksgiving	Oskars	ABC Draw	2nd	Phil Fridley, Marlene Brennan			
	WWW	Downey Elks	AB Draw	3rd	Mo Harley			
	www	Downey Elks	Singles Div 1	5th/6th	ino nuncy			
	Sweethearts	Downey Elks	Mixed Dbls	1st	Allan Healey			
	Thanksgiving	Oskars	AB Draw	3rd	Rachel Valverde			
	Thanksgiving	Oskars	Ptnr add to 3	2nd	Linda Rawlings			
	Western States Womens	Rosewood Pub	AB Draw	3rd	Rachel Valverde			
	Western States Womens	Rosewood Pub	Doubles	2nd	Linda Rawlings			
-		Rosewood Pub	ABC Draw	1st	Richie Eshilian, Carl Kelm			
	St Patricks Day		ABC Draw	2nd				
	Bill Gibbs	American Legion	ABC Draw	4th	Steve Farnsworth, Laurie Gorder			
	Memorial Day Memorial Day	Cocktails Anyone? Cocktails Anyone?	Doubles add 2	3rd	Russ Lankton, Nyna Christianson Bob Brunskill			
	WWW	,	Doubles add 2 Draw Partner		Darleen Steinfels			
-		The Post		3rd				
2013	Western States Womens	American Legion	Doubles	1st/2nd	Linda Rawlings			
2013	•	Cocktails Anyone?	ABDraw	1st	Jim Rawlings			
	Sweethearts	Downey Elks	Mixed Dbls	3rd	Allan Healey			
	Memorial Day	Royal Room	AB Draw	2nd	Willy Vazquez			
	4th of July	Exeter Eagles	ABDraw	5th/6th	Don Lucio			
	4th of July	Exeter Eagles	ABC Draw	1st	Grant Watson, Gilbert Schaefer			
	Labor Day	Royal Room	ABC Draw	2nd	Leslie Lankton, Jim Monson			
2013		Sands Regency	AB Draw	11th/12th	Dave Ramold			
2013	NASC	Sands Regency	4 Person Team	1st	Dan Mourgos Dave Keithahn, Dan Childs			

Year	Tournament Name	Place	Event	Place	Team
2013	NASC	Sands Regency	Doubles Div 1	5th/6th	Eddie Brayman
2013	NASC	Sands Regency	Pro Am Draft	3rd	Ty Bayne, Grant Watson, Carl Kelm, Joel Atkins, Mark Tolbert
2014	Calizona Womens	Royal Room	AB Draw	2nd	Candy Lepore
2014	Calizona Womens	Royal Room	ABC Draw	1st	Linda Meyer, Nyna Christianson
2014	Sweethearts	Downey Elks	Mixed Dbls	1st	Craig Amundson
2014	WWW	City Lanes Bowl	Doubles Div 1	2nd	Gwynn Orsi
2015	Sweethearts	Elks Lodge	Doubles	1st	Richie Eshilian
2015	Tony Appell Tournament	Stingers	Bring Ptnr	1st	Cindy Clark
2015	Calizona Womens	Phoenix, AZ	Doubles	1st	Mindy Brannen
2015	WWW	Triple Crown	AB Draw	2nd	April Seale
2015	WWW	Triple Crown	ABC Draw	2nd	Susan Smyers, Dori Bair
2015	WWW	Triple Crown	Doubles	2nd	Jane Mourgos
2015	NASC	Sands Regency	Doubles Div 1	7th/8th	Craig Amundson
2016	Sweethearts	Elks Lodge	Doubles	1st	Richie Eshilian
2016	www	Mussette Bar	Doubles	1st	Joyce Roberts
2017	Sweethearts	Downey Elks	Doubles	3rd	Richie Eshilian
2017	4th of July	Exeter Eagles	Doubles add 2	1st	Lance Lohr
2017	4th of July	Exeter Eagles	ABC Draw	3rd	Sam Seminario, Lenny Phillips
2017	WWW	Homestead Pub	AB Draw	1st	Gil Aragon
2017	WWW	Homestead Pub	ABC Draw	1st	Leslie Peterson, Heather Harris
2017	WWW	Homestead Pub	Doubles Div 1	1st	Joyce Roberts
2017	Labor Day	Downey Elks	Doubles	1st	Neil Fetter
2017	NASC	Sands Regency	Doubles Div 1	2nd	Joyce Roberts
2018	St. Patricks	Rosewood Pub	ABC Draw	2nd	Maureen Harley, Bonnie Trumbo
2018	PNW	Swimonish Casino	Singles	5th/6th	
2018	WWW	Downey Elks	Doubles Div 1	1st	Joyce Roberts
2019	WWW	Volcanos	AB Draw	5th/6th	Jamie Seay
2019	WWW	Volcanos	Doubles	4th	Joyce Roberts
2020	Tony Appell Tournament	Stingers	ABC Draw	3rd	Marlene Brennan, Tamara Nordin
2021	WWW	Eagles	AB Draw	1st	Chrissy Kemether
2021	www	Eagles	Singles	5th/6th	
2021	NASC	Sands Regency	4 Person Team	7th/8th	Ty Bayne, Eric Jones, Dustin Thompson
2022	Tony Appell Tournament	Stingers	ABC Draw	4th	Jeannie Pachek, Amber Night
2022	Bobby Goldsmith	Exeter Eagles	Doubles add 2	1st	Clint Miller
2022	4th of July	Exeter Eagles	Doubles	2nd	Willy Vazquez
2022	Karl Spickelmeier	Rosewood Pub	Doubles	1st	Doug Hynes
2022	www	Legion	AB Draw	3rd	Leigh Williams
2022	www	Legion	ABC Draw	3rd	Helen Soto, Angela Starnes
2022	www	Legion	Singles (Div 1)	1st	
2022	www	Legion	Doubles Div 1	3rd	Georjean Parrish
2022	Labor Day	Exeter Eagles	ABC Draw	1st	Jeffrey Waylon, Michelle Garcia
2022	NASC	Sands Regency	Pro Am Draft	2nd	Shawn Bradstreet, Donald Jennings, Jerry Reid, James Dickey, Mandy Zamora
2022	NASC	Sands Regency	AB Draw	4th	Connor McNew
2022	NASC	Sands Regency	Pro Doubles	5th/6th	Obie Pierce

### TESTIMONIALS

She's got it all. Skill, strategy and cajones. Singles, doubles, or team event. She is a leader. And then, along the way, what she does to promote and work behind the scenes makes her a contender in all facets of our sport. A gracious winner and a gracious host. An honor over-due and very well-deserved. Gosh, the only time I can pull off a first anymore, is if you don't show up. LOL. Seriously, thank you, Joanie for being my partner and being my friend. Congratulations! You are one BAD ASS!

Cindy Clark



Joanie and Cindy Clark, Reno

Congratulations Joanie on being inducted into the California Shuffleboard Hall of Fame, a well-deserved honor. I am extremely proud I have gotten to know you through the years at the California events and the WWW tournaments. You are a great player, always calm, friendly, and you have that pretty smile. Your playing ability is outstanding! Again, my sincere congratulations on this honor being given to you.

Your friend, Linda Meyer

I'm Happy for Joanie to be inducted into the California Shuffleboard Hall of Fame. Joanie has been a very tough player for a long time and for sure doesn't like to lose, I've found that out the hard way!! Lol, Congratulations Joanie!!!

Jeff Delphia

You definitely deserve this honor. You are one of the top women in the country and I'm proud to call you my friend and wish we could see each other more. Keep kicking butt.

Love you Brenda Williams



Joanie, Joyce Roberts, Brenda Williams

I partnered with Joan in Reno in 2013. We took 5-6th. I don't recall a single frame of any of our matches. About 6 years later, again in Reno, I found myself on the opposing doubles team playing Joan. The match started off with a little tiff over who would play on what end. We got so pissed at each other we didn't talk for a year.

So why do I think she belongs in the CHOF? She is simply a great player who more than deserves the honor. Her game is smart, consistent, and includes all the ingredients of a star player. The best part is that her game continues to improve, and I expect a minus 1 rating is in her future.

By the way, we did kiss and make up after that ridiculous spat on the boards, and I am proud to call Joan my dear friend. I adore this lady and am delighted about her acceptance into the California Shuffleboard Hall of Fame.

Eddie Brayman

I first met Joanie in 1981. My father-in-law, Ray Wallace, and I played in the meat shoot at the Darts bar almost every Saturday night. Joanie's mother and stepfather, Ann and Jim, would play there also. Joanie, who was a high school senior at the time would come into the bar, asking her mother for some money. It didn't take long for Joanie to pick her mom's wallet for a few dollars and then head out the door to meet her friends. Here we are years later and now, Joanie is picking the wallets of most players across the country. She is one of the top women players in the country, and certainly ranked in the top 1% of all players in the country. I have watched Joanie grow from her beginning years to where she is now, playing at a high level. Joanie has worked very hard to achieve the level of play that she has. It would not surprise me to see her as a pro in the next few years. She's not only a great competitive player, but she has promoted and supported our sport for decades. She not only deserves to be put in the Hall of Fame as a player, but also as a promoter and supporter.

It is with great pride as one of the state Hall of Fame directors to welcome Joanie into the state Hall of Fame. Congratulations Joanie!



Jim "The Marlin" Martin

Joanie and Jim Martin

I have been playing shuffleboard with you for over 30 years. I don't think there is anyone that is more dedicated to the game of shuffleboard as you. You are so generous with your time, advice, money, and anything to help someone. Not only are you a great player, but you are also truly a great person. I'm so glad I get to call you my friend.

Love, Michele Lamo

Joanie, congratulations on this very well-deserved honor. Your induction into the California Shuffleboard Hall of Fame is long overdue. Your ability to win tournament events, time after time, is nothing short of amazing. You work so well with your partners demonstrating your patience and exceptionable ability to teach the game to beginners. I am glad you are getting the recognition you so deserve which is demonstrated through your (very lengthy) list of tournament wins – and I am very certain you will continue to have (many) more! You are my hero. Cheers to you, congrats!

Jane Mourgos



Jane Mourgos and Joanie

I've known Joanie for some time now and I can tell you that she is not only one of the best players in California but also one of the best supporters as well. The statistics can and do easily prove that she has been winning for a long time. I've played with her and also against her over the years and can confirm that Joanie is one of the best to play shuffleboard in California.

Joanie also has been doing more than just playing the game. She has been organizing other's inductions and memorials of players who've passed. She has been instrumental in keeping the league together in Southern California. Her induction into the California Shuffleboard Hall of Fame is a well-deserved honor, Congratulations Joanie.

Lance Lohr

Joanie has been playing shuffleboard in southern California for decades at a very high level. I have always thought that she was underrated. I am glad to see that she is finally getting the recognition she deserves. And she continues to get better. Joanie, you are not under the radar anymore.

Joanie is also a great ambassador for the game. She proves that it is possible to be a good aggressive and competitive player and still be a nice person. I have enjoyed playing with her and against her over the years.

Joanie Healey is an excellent representative of shuffleboard and is a fabulous addition to the California Hall of Fame.

Dan Mourgos



Dave Keithahn, Dan Mourgos, Dan Childs, Joanie 1<sup>st</sup> place 4-person team, NASC 2013

Joanie, congratulations on your induction to the CSHOF. You have been the rock of Southern California Shuffleboard for many years. You are a fierce competitor, a gracious loser and a genuinely class act on the table or off of it. Once again, Congratulations!!!

Dave and Marlene Brennan



Joanie and Dave Brennan

Joanie, I am ecstatic, proud, and joyful for you!! No one deserves more than you to be inducted into the California Shuffleboard Hall of Fame!

If it wasn't for WWW, Women Wandering the World, I would never have met you, Joan Healey! I look forward to every September to spend some time with you, one of the most talented women in the world to play this game we all love called shuffleboard! I can remember my first couple WWW tournaments starting in 2013 being in awe of your shuffleboard talents. You stood out to me; how accomplished you are and how humble and modest you are!

Over the years I have spent a lot of time watching you and have been amazed how skillful you are. Time after time I have witnessed you make a complicated shot, and make it look easy, to win a game. You never give up, you well coach your partners in draws, and you are always in the winners' brackets, winning or placing in most or all of the tournaments you play!

I've reached out to you on two separate occasions for a suggestion on a partner in the bring a partner at two different WWW tournaments. The last being this year and we placed 3rd! I am so grateful to you and treasure your wisdom.

I've witnessed how much time you practice at tournaments to learn the boards prior to the start of a tournament!

For these reasons and more I am so proud that you are being inducted into the California Shuffleboard Hall of Fame!!

You so deserve this! Congratulations! I wish you didn't live so far from me, or I would have been there for you! Joanie, we'll celebrate the next time we see each other!

Love you, Patty Pierce

I wanted to say how much I appreciate Joanie and her game and the support she contributes to it. I had a wonderful time playing her when the opportunity was offered. She deserves this California HOF induction, and it is long overdue.

Congratulations Joanie. Michael and Georjean XOXOXO Joanie you are certainly a great player but more than that, you are a great person. Always ready to help. You have helped us out several times with your generosity, allowing us to attend tournaments that we could not have attended otherwise.

Your induction into the California Shuffleboard Hall of Fame is so very much deserved. Congratulations!!

Linda and Mahlon Nobles

<u>Note from Mahlon</u>: If there was a "Women's Rat Pack", you would be on my SHORT LIST of philanthropists. This list of women would include, Cindy Clark, Jane Mourgos, Loraine Olson, Diana Hagen, Jackie Imus, Louise Williams, My Loving Wife and of course Eddie Brayman couldn't be left out.

Woo Hoo!!! Congratulations Joanie Healey on your induction into the California Shuffleboard Hall of Fame. I remember you telling me when we roomed together at the WWW in Grants Pass that you wanted to get back into shuffleboard, play more, and improve your game. Wow, have you ever!!! You have become a great (and I mean a great!) player. So few women have been able to accomplish what you have and I'm so very proud of you. Once again, congratulations on this well-deserved honor!

Denise Yohn



Denise Yohn and Joanie

Congratulations Joanie on your induction into the California Shuffleboard Hall of Fame. You exemplify what a true Hall of Fame shuffleboard player is. You've always shown how to be an example of good sportsmanship and what it takes to excel at this game. Patience without an attitude is extremely important in this game if we ever expect to move it forward. Your skill and board play are admired by so many. Always fun to watch you move up the brackets in any event; well until it was me you just put in the losers' bracket, lol. This game needs more like you! Congratulations on achieving such a great honor. Very well deserved.

Gary Nelson TSA President

I feel privileged to know Joanie as a friend, mentor, and a great teacher in shuffleboard. I'm from Southern California and there are not many Pros I can learn from let alone a wonderful lady. She is always willing to help us get better, whether it's a newbie or seasoned player. She deserves this for all the time she has been playing and making some great wins. I congratulate you Joanie for a job well done.

Helen Soto



Calizonia Women

I first met Joanie in February 2020 when I was part of her blind draw ABC team at the Arizona tournament. I had only been playing shuffleboard for a few months and this was my first tournament. To say the least, I was extremely nervous! Joanie was wonderful. She accepted me unconditionally even though I had little experience. She was and is an awesome coach. Our team came in 3rd at the tournament, and I was hooked on shuffleboard. However, if Joanie had not been the awesome shuffleboard player she is, but also kind, considerate and a terrific shuffleboard coach, I may not be playing shuffleboard today. I have had the privilege of being on Joanie's team since and I always learn something from watching her play and having her coach my game. Joanie, thank you for your mentorship and most importantly your friendship. Congratulations on this well-deserved honor.

#### Tamara Nordin



Joanie and Tamara Nordin

Congratulations: Joanie (spicy) Healey. This has been long overdue. You're not only one of the best if not the best female shuffleboard player, you're also a big promoter of the game. You have put boards in places like the Royal Room, so that we could all enjoy coming to SoCal and having a great time.

You have been there for so many people and showed up in Exeter to support us for almost every tournament, even though you have had some stressful times lately. One of my favorite things about you is your honesty and loyalty. Anyone would be proud to be your partner! I can't wait to share your special day with you. Love ya to the moon and back!!!



\$pike (Judy) Morphis

Quiet, organized, caring, a great friend, and one very good shuffleboard player. Joanie is for sure one of California's best. It is with a very happy heart to hear the news of her being inducted into the California HOF. Congratulations Joanie, this is well deserved.

Love, Lu and Gil Aragon



Joanie & Lu Aragon

It's a real pleasure to pay tribute to Joanie for her many contributions to this game that we love and for those of us that benefit from her tireless work behind the scenes. She has long been a serious contender and a champion in any field she plays, men or women. And she is a great example and inspiration for anyone to see how she plays and carries herself with dignity and respect, a true champion. I'm proud to call her my friend.

Lary Tafoya

I have had the pleasure of playing against Joanie many times in my shuffleboard career and she is a formidable opponent and certainly one of the top players in the game. Congratulations, Joanie.

**Ray Nordin** 

I met Joanie when she had just turned 21. At that time, I owned the Shelter in Placentia and had a singles tournament on Saturdays. She would show up occasionally with either her mother or Fuzzy. I think she had already been playing for several years in Bellflower before that. When Oscar's was sold and it became Cocktails Anyone?, she promoted the shuffleboard game by convincing the new owners to add to the weekly prize money for a Tournament of Champions which kept track of the winners qualifying for a final tournament.

When Cocktails Anyone? wanted to get rid of the boards, she was able to relocate everything to the Royal Room and added a fifth board that she bought from Chuck Kimbro. This board still had the lacquer finish which didn't track like the modern poured boards.

Shortly before he died, Karl Spickelmier and Joanie would play a game or two before the Saturday round-robins. The last score I heard from Karl was Joanie 5 Karl 4.

Probably one of the biggest influences on Joanie's game was the teaching done by David Keithahn. While he was living in Southern California (2013-2015), he would give lessons to all who were interested starting with the basics of holding the weight, release points, strokes, and aiming points. Joanie's ratings went from 1.21 in 2012 to 0.42 in 2016. Dave insisted that all these basics had to be practiced (a lot).

Joanie has demonstrated her ability by winning first place singles in the Wandering Women of the World tournament.

Joanie should have been inducted into the California Shuffleboard Hall of Fame many years ago for her playing ability and her support of the game. Congratulations Joanie.

#### Bob Brunskill

Congratulations Joanie! There's a lot of shuffleboard players out there but few that have the passion, the dedication, and the love for the game like Joanie does. It's always been a pleasure when Joanie walks in a room with shuffleboards around us as her eyes light up for some action. Very competitive and focused as a player, patient as a teacher of the game, and a truly well respected and loved person to all of us.

Personally, I can say that Joanie has helped with others in the LA area to keep this wonderful game of Shuffleboard a passion of mine. Thank you so much Joanie for the love of the game and more importantly the love you share with us players who are lucky to have you in our lives. Well-deserved and once again, love you and congrats.

Ty Bayne

Joanie, you are a hidden gem and I follow the game pretty well. I think you have been underrated for a long time so this should be a great blast to your shuffleboard life and a great blast to the game. You are one of the best players in the country. You love to play and play consistently at a very high level. You have the financing to play, the time to play, and life is good! If anybody deserves this, you certainly do.

Joanie, you also do a lot of things for shuffleboard that people don't know about. You are not only a great player, but you take care of the game – such as supporting other inductions into the National Shuffleboard Hall of Fame, which is no simple task.

I never really knew you when you started back in the 1990s and didn't follow your early years, but you have quietly been a top player for a long time. When you look at your tournament record, you have really won a lot! If we have done anything wrong, it was that we should not have waited this long to get you inducted into the CSHOF! Your win history is incredible.

Congratulations. We love you Joanie, Hal Perry



Joanie and Shirley Perry

Congratulations to a well-deserved player that has proved herself as a top player! We are so proud of all her hard work and enjoy watching her play at such a highly competitive level. Something we strive for as we have begun to play the game. We look forward to seeing her continue to do more.

Gwen Krantz and Shirley Perry

I'm so happy for Joanie as she is so deserving and an overall great person! I've had the pleasure of knowing Joanie for about nine years and in that time, I have admired her game, her Calcutta buying skills, and her calm demeanor. Joanie also hosted me for a fun night of shuffleboard when I was visiting Southern California on a work trip and that warm welcome meant so much to me!

Joanie is a rock star shuffleboard player who I swear on those grueling days of best two out of three singles, she never tires!

Congrats to Joanie!!!

Katie Steel

I met Joanie for the first time in 2012 at the WWW in Cedar Park Texas. She drafted me for her four-person team. We didn't place but we could tell there was a connection there. In 2016 she asked me to be her partner for the WWW in Omaha Nebraska. And we won. So, we played together again in the 2017 WWW at Rogue River Oregon. And we won again. In 2018 at the WWW, we made history with winning the doubles 3 years in a row. That was the same year we got 2<sup>nd</sup> in Division 1 in Reno. When I had to change my flight in Reno Joanie made sure to get me a room and take me to dinner. Any time that Jackie and I go to California she is very hospitable. Joanie is a great friend, person, and player. I have learned a lot from her.

Jackie and I would like to Congratulate Joanie on going into the Hall Of Fame. It is very well deserved. We wish we could have been there to help celebrate your day. Watch out Shuffleboard players because she is a force to be reckoned with!!

Joyce Roberts and Jackie Imus



Joanie & Joyce Roberts

Joanie Healey has been a solid competitive player for a long time. I admire her poise and respectfulness that she brings to our game. She is an asset for California shuffleboard, for promoting, organizing, and helping players learn the game with grace. Always a fierce competitor in any tournament, especially the WWW. This is a well-deserved award for a great shuffleboard player and woman that I admire and respect.

Love ya Joanie! Rena Fleming

Since I started playing shuffleboard 10 years ago, there have been a number of women shufflers who I have really looked up to and admired; and Joanie is one of those. She is one that made me think, "Wow, I want to play like her one day." Her quiet confidence lends to a beautiful, controlled presence on the board. At the same time, you can see the wheels turnin' when she addresses the board. Joanie is NOT a meek and mild player. She is about to make something happen-like it or not. It's no wonder her game just keeps getting better and better. She is undoubtedly a wonderful role model for up-and-coming women and men alike and a player to strive to be like.

Joanie, you are so deserving of this honor, and I'm so privileged to know you as a player, competitor, friend, and person. Huge Congratulations!

Anne Pearson

Joanie is not only one of the best women players ever, but she is also a force to be reckoned with for anyone who steps up to the end of the board with her. What a great role model for young girls and up and coming players. She is definitely a class act. We are proud to call her our lifelong friend.

Joanie, you are so deserving of this induction. Remember what my Dad said: "I'd take that girl anytime for a partner." (He meant it!)

Love, Russ & Leslie Lankton

I first met Joanie at the 1996 Board Talk Reunion at the Dixie Belle in Downey, CA. Back in those days, a lot of major tournaments included an event for women only. I entered this one and somehow in a pack of 16 very good players, made my way through the winner's bracket to the finals. I even beat Joanie along the way, but soon discovered that was a fluke. The finals were played the next morning with Joanie having come through the losers' bracket. I knew very little about her at that time but discovered the real player that day. She had my number, and I couldn't do anything against her as she easily double dipped me. She has continued to improve and is now one of the most consistently great players I have ever watched, female or male. She is also a great person and ambassador for the game. Congratulations!

Kathy Thomas (Smallshire)



Nancy Salazar, Michele Lamo, Linda Churchman, Joanie, Kathy Thomas, Vicki Hunt, Jane Mourgos -WWW 2013 Cedar Park, TX

I first met Joanie in the mid 1980's. I was immediately impressed with her game, both the mechanics and decision-making ability. Forty years later, she continues to impress with her consistent performance, intensity, focus, and demeanor.

She has been a great player for decades, but her resume doesn't end there. She is a longtime Table Shuffleboard promoter and has also been one of the most respected players in the game for decades.

I am so happy for Joanie that she is being recognized for the welldeserved, and long overdue induction to the California Table Shuffleboard Hall of Fame.

Congratulations my friend! John McDermott