Hall of Fame Induction – Larry Brown – 2008 03 08

It is an honor and privilege to present Larry Brown for induction into the Florida Shuffleboard Association, Central District, Hall of Fame, under the President's Award category.

Larry and his beautiful wife Ruth started coming to Florida from their northern home in Quincy, Illinois as young retirees in 1988. They took up residence at Pioneer Creek R.V. Resort and immediately started playing shuffleboard. To this day Larry continues to encourage new shufflers, host tournaments and furnish trophies to the many active Pioneer Creek shufflers. Larry attended his first District amateur tournament in 1992 and since then has been actively involved as both a player and a promoter of the game. He has many accomplishments as a player which I know will be recognized in a year or so when Larry qualifies for induction under the Player category.

Larry became an executive officer of the Central District in the year 2000. It was during this first year as 3rd Vice President that Larry gave birth to the Central District Hall of Fame. What a great creation it has been! While serving as 3rd Vice President and 2nd Vice President, Larry had the responsibility of maintaining the points records for each of the three categories that lead to the season end District Amateur Reiny Schleier, the State Amateur masters and the Pro masters play downs to determine the top player in each division. During his 2 year term as 1st Vice President, Larry's primary duties involved the scheduling of tournaments and being the "right hand" man to the President. Also during this period, with the assistance of his wife Ruth and a few other shuffleboard enthusiasts, Larry started the Hall of Fame classic tournament as a fund raiser for the Hall of Fame.

After enduring 6 years on the executive board, Larry took over the reins and has today completed a most successful 2 year term as President.

Larry is the epitome of everything that is good in a person. Honest, reliable, caring, thoughtful, understanding and hardworking are only a few of the words that truly describe this man. Congratulations Larry on a job well done.

Presentation of Larry by Max Tate, Past President, Central District. Induction performed at Avon Park, Florida. 2008 03 08