

For your kind consideration, I would like to submit Greg Lowe for nomination to the esteemed Carolina Crown Hall of Fame.

Greg has been consistently involved with the organization since the corps' inception in 2000. During that time, Greg has served in a wide variety of roles including corps tour director, leader on the Crown Events Committee and most notably, the primary owner and driver behind Crown Tickets.

Over the 29 year history of his involvement, Greg has tirelessly dedicated time and effort to help drive the success and sustainability of the entire organization. His efforts have included countless hours processing ticket sales, developing software solutions and selling Crown Tickets services to expand the reach and value of this important business entity. He successfully sold ticket services to not only other drum corps show but other events as well. In addition to not only selling and developing each of these projects, Greg almost always took the lead in on-site event execution by organizing and leading the teams responsible for selling tickets and managing event entry processes. Through his leadership, the tickets business has constantly evolved from bespoke software solutions to electronic ticket scanning with many enhancements along the way. Greg has always looked for the next opportunity to create the highest value to Crown through the Crown Tickets business.

In addition to Greg's ownership of Crown Tickets, he has maintained a strong leadership position on the Crown events team. During his involvement, the events produced by this team have produced ever-increasing returns which have undoubtedly been a major facilitator behind Crown's growth and success over the years. He has also played a significant role in the growth of NightBEAT through our recent move to Wake Forest by serving as one of the major liaisons between the 2 organizations. His vision and strategy for the event has helped transform it into one of, if not the best drum corps event in existence.

Perhaps one the best things about Greg's tenure with Crown deal with how he has so successfully integrated family into his Crown activities. During this time, Greg and his wife Dawn have raised 4 incredible children who have all served as Crown volunteers from a very young age. This is very important when you consider the amount of personal time that he has spent on the road managing Crown Tickets events over the years. It is also important to note the importance of the support that he received from home as they all deserve to share in the recognition for this prestigious honor. It should not come as a surprise that Greg has now become a drum corps parent himself, also spending significant time supporting her corps as well as maintaining all of his usual activities with Crown.

The contributions and influence that Greg has had on the Carolina Crown organization simply cannot be overstated. He brings a consistent level of positive energy to our team members and makes all of our contributions more valuable. He has been and continues to be a key driver that has helped propel Crown to high levels of sustained success. His 29 years of dedicated service to Carolina Crown merit the strongest possible consideration for this most prestigious honor.

Respectfully submitted,

Joe Rosemond, Carolina Crown volunteer, 1990-life

Greg Lowe

This letter serves as a letter of support for Greg's nomination to the 2018 class of the Carolina Crown Hall of Fame.

As a Board member working along-side Greg on several projects over many years, I have found him to be a passionate supporter of the organization, and a reliable volunteer, being the talent behind much of what the public associates with Crown. Greg played a lead role in the development of CrownTICKETS, a business within the Crown organization that has been a consistent revenue generator; for Crown as well as for other drum corps and entertainment organizations. To this day, Greg's fingerprints are all over this endeavor, literally, as he can be found running several shows across the country on behalf of not just Crown, but other show promoters as well. CrownTICKETS and the support provided for the events it supports, continues to set the bar in the ticket arena. Greg's most recent endeavor, that of Executive Director of NightBEAT, has resulted in year over year record attendance growth. Under Greg's careful direction, NightBEAT has become an iconic event on the DCI summer tour. Greg's pride on the Crown organization is evident to all who meet him; a wonderful ambassador for the organization.

Please accept this letter as a vote for Greg; a well-deserving recipient.

Best,
Jim Williams
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Dear Hall of Fame Committee Members:

I would like to express my support for Greg Lowe's induction into the Carolina Crown Hall of Fame class of 2018.

Greg has been involved with the Crown organization for over 29 years. His contributions have been immeasurable in a variety of key roles, but most importantly, he has been the driving force behind Crown Tickets. His leadership and hands-on efforts processing ticket sales, modernizing the business with strong software solutions, and

selling Crown Tickets services has generated hundreds of thousands of dollars for the organization.

Greg also provides strong leadership for the Crown events team. Most notably, Greg has played a significant role in the growth of NightBEAT where he has helped develop this key event to be a model of success for the drum corps activity.

Greg's contributions over the decades have been foundational to the long-term success of Carolina Crown. It is time we recognized his dedication with a place in our hall of fame.

Respectfully Submitted,
Bill Loelius
Treasurer
Carolina Crown, Inc.
HOF Class of 2016

To Carolina Crown HOF Nominating Committee:

I write this letter in recognition of the enormous contributions that Greg Lowe has made to our world championship Carolina Crown. Please review and provide Greg your consideration when selecting your nominations and recipients for entry into our prestigious Carolina Crown Hall of Fame.

Greg has been involved in our corps since its inception in many different facets. Most notably is the truly successful Crown Tickets. From our very early years when ticket sales for Night Beat were handled on a paper chart and ledger, he has made this most arduous process efficient and accurate. The operation of Crown Tickets has ever evolved to encase several other venues than our own, adding to the forward progress of our extremely successful corps. Greg's commitment to develop, execute, organize and run Crown Tickets places our organization the envy of other DCI affiliates in the ticketing arena.

Crown Tickets is a program that in itself warrants Greg's consideration for a HOF position, but he has done so much more...

Deeper involvement in our organization provided Greg the opportunity to represent Carolina Crown as our tour director, a position ever evolving that takes many hours to organize and see to completion. He is dedicated to travel, to contact anyone for needed input, and to develop a manageable strategy for our corps accomplishments. A successful and safe tour is difficult to facilitate, a job that Greg was willing to effectively dispatch. But that's not all...

Greg has also served the role of a leader on the Crown Events Committee team, where with his contribution we have successfully expanded our venues and programs to

further boost our corps success. His contribution here displays yet another level of devotion towards his passion of promoting Carolina Crown at any opportunity.

Sacrifice by Greg's family for the time he has devoted to Carolina Crown is unmeasurable. What a great family Greg has! The entire family has been supportive of Greg's involvement in all aspects of his chosen duties, to the point that his wife Dawn and three children volunteering for many of our various events. He even has a daughter who now marches with a corps, taking his love of this sport to a new level.

It has taken commitment by many to propel Carolina Crown to the level of competition they now sustain, and extreme dedication by hundreds besides the members, staff, volunteers and our board. Greg's 29 years of service to Carolina Crown merits strong consideration for this most admired honor. His involvement mirrors and exceeds our mission's pledge to succeed in "developing lifelong excellence in young people".

Respectfully Submitted,
Hans Haas,
Carolina Crown Volunteer, 1990-Present

I write this letter today to support Greg Lowe for induction into the Crown Hall of Fame! Greg has had a significant, long-term impact on Crown! His involvement with Crown Tickets has not only helped us fiscally, it has clearly demonstrated Greg's commitment to our organization! He's been at the center of almost every major decision that was made and has been involved in every event run by CROWN in the last 20 years. These clearly qualify him for this honor and move me to send this endorsement.

Thank you,
Tim Martin

My vote goes to Greg Lowe. He has been a Crown volunteer for many years. He has been on tour as a driver for Crown. For many years he has been on the NightBeat committee. I am certain that he has done many things behind the scenes that I do not even know about.

It is my belief that Greg should be on the Hall of Fame class for Carolina Crown.

Thank you,
Sibyl C Long

To the Crown Hall of Fame Committee:

I would like to offer this letter of support for the induction of Greg Lowe into the Carolina Crown Hall of Fame Class of 2018.

Greg has been a tireless volunteer in the Crown organization from the very beginning. He has served in various capacities throughout the years, and has done so with a high level of excellence in every endeavor. Greg's first contribution was as Corps Tour Director. He has worked continuously on the Crown Events Committee. Perhaps Greg's most notable contribution has been being the spearhead behind CrownTICKETS. Greg not only researched and helped implement the valuable revenue stream for Crown, but has been the person responsible for the meticulous operation and IT support that CrownTICKETS requires. Greg began CrownTICKETS as a ticketing model and an integrated software solution for NightBEAT. It proved so efficient that he began marketing the service to other drum corps show promoters. Greg then marketed the service to events outside the marching arts. The list of clients has grown consistently throughout the years.

I marvel at my longtime friend's tireless drive and dedication to Crown, and CrownTICKETS. DCI also awarded Greg with DCI Volunteer of the Year in 2007. Greg's enthusiasm for all things Crown is also a family affair, as his entire family brings their skills and smiling attitude to many Crown events.

I can honestly not imagine the Crown organization without Greg Lowe's contributions of countless hours of effort, sweat, brainstorming and energy. His love for Crown and hopes for its continual success are immeasurable.

Sincerely yours,
Steve Tant
TeamCROWN Volunteer 1988-Life

Dear HOF Committee,

Greg Lowe is a terrific candidate for the Carolina Crown HOF.

Crown Tickets

Travels extensively in summer to ascertain things are going as planned at Crown Tickets events.

CrownTICKETS is Greg's fifth child. He brought it to a position in the ticket market place that is second to none.

Has worked hard with many show promoters and developed fantastic business partnerships.

It is a great revenue stream. Provides great cash flow.

He has reached outside the drum corps community to reach new customers.

Been around since 1990.

Has served in many positions for Carolina Crown. Has been a board member. Is on the advisory panel. Was Crown's tour manager in early years.

Has been very involved with NightBEAT since 1990. There isn't anything he hasn't done for NB. He could easily chair NB and never look back.

Greg is a very qualified candidate. Greg is an IT professional and has brought some of that expertise to Carolina Crown.

Please consider Greg as an excellent addition to the Carolina Crown Hall of Fame.

Very best regards,

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To: Carolina Crown Hall of Fame Committee

RE: Crown Hall of Fame Nomination-Charles Wilkerson

Dear Hall of Fame Committee Members:

I am pleased to provide this nomination of Charles Wilkerson to the Carolina Crown Hall of Fame class of 2018.

For the past 21 years Charles Wilkerson has generously contributed his time and entrepreneurial talents in key leadership roles that have driven organizational excellence and decades of success at Carolina Crown. While Charles started with Crown as a corps parent when his son marched in 1997, his volunteerism expanded rapidly to include levels of involvement and dedication that are rare in the non-profit sector. Charles has led our organization by example for over two decades with commitment, generosity and enthusiasm that has been invaluable to Carolina Crown's growth and success.

Charles Wilkerson has played a significant role in many aspects of the organization, including multiple terms on the board of directors where he has served as committee chair for some of our most critical initiatives. Charles has been a member of our Crown Events committee since 1998. During his tenure he originated our BandBEAT event, leveraging over 15 years of experience chairing the Olympic Trojan Classic band show. He brings his professional marketing experience to Crown Events by having served on the both the Crown and NightBEAT marketing committees for over 20 years. He and his wife Pam have also served as our NightBEAT reception coordinators since 2005.

Charles' generosity isn't limited to time and talents. He provides an immeasurable amount of in-kind printing services for our various fundraisers, including printing all our NightBEAT programs, Crown Jewels Flyers, and Holiday Campaign materials since 1998. In fact, the Carolina Crown office in Pineville is in a building owned by Charles' printing company and shared with Crown. Charles solved some very critical logistics issues for Crown by making this space available to the organization.

While Charles' event leadership, involvement and generosity are legendary, his greatest impact has been on the governance and stability of the Carolina Crown organization. Charles is an entrepreneur by profession who operates a very successful printing and marketing company. Carolina Crown has reaped the benefits of Charles' impeccable integrity and business acumen through his service on our board of directors. Charles has served on our Executive Committee, Finance Committee, and our Governance Committee where he helped formulate many of our key governance rules and directives. He has also served Crown in officer positions, including terms as Treasurer and Assistant Treasurer where he embraced a conservative financial philosophy that maximized resources and minimized expenses. Charles continues to serve today on our board of directors as Assistant Sec/Treas.

It has been an honor and pleasure to work with Charles at Carolina Crown for the past 20+ years. He has done more for our organization than this brief nomination letter can convey, but of this I am certain; it is time to honor the long-standing leadership, dedication and generosity of Charles Wilkerson with a place in our hall of fame.

Sincerely,

Doug Madar
Board Member Emeritus
Carolina Crown, Inc.

Charles Wilkerson

This letter serves as a letter of support for Charles' nomination to the 2018 class of the Carolina Crown Hall of Fame.

As a Board member working along-side Charles for many years, I have found him to be a passionate supporter of the organization, and a reliable volunteer, being the talent behind much of what the public associates with Crown. Between all of the printing services he provides to the expertise he brings in governance and finance disciplines as a Board member, Charles has become a very important player on the Crown team.

Please accept this letter as a vote for Charles; a well-deserving recipient.

Best,
Jim Williams
Crown Board Member

To: Carolina Crown Hall of Fame Committee:

I would like to voice my support for Charles Wilkerson for enshrinement into the 2018 Crown Hall of Fame. Charles has been on the inner circle of our organization for over 20 years! He has been a guiding light of our finances and investment options while very instrumental in our success and our unique funding models. His involvement on the NightBEAT committee has evolved into he and Pam catering the VIP reception themselves insuring that everyone has a grand time! This has helped us increase the popularity of our VIP reception and turned it into an event on its own! Most recently, Charles crafted a very creative way to solve the issue of out-growing our Crown Headquarters by purchasing a building large enough for His company's relocation while providing plenty of room for the New Crown Office! This creativity helped us numerous times over the years find unique and creative ways to fund Crowns growth! If our Hall of Fame is to truly honor the best of us! Charles belongs!

Sincerely,
Tim Martin
CrownGOLF Committee Chair

Dear Hall of Fame Committee Members:

I would like to express my support for Charles Wilkerson's induction into the Carolina Crown Hall of Fame class of 2018.

Charles Wilkerson has played a significant role in many aspects of the Carolina Crown organization for over two decades. Over the past 20 years I have had the pleasure of working directly with Charles on our board of directors and on various other committees. His professionalism and entrepreneurial skills have made a profound impact on Crown in both event leadership and governance of the Carolina Crown organization through his service on our Executive Committee, Finance Committee, and our Governance Committee, and as Treasurer and Assistant Sec/Treas. where he continues to serve today.

I strongly recommend that we recognize the contributions of Charles Wilkerson by inducting him into the Carolina Crown Hall of Fame.

Respectfully Submitted,

Bill Loelius
Treasurer
Carolina Crown, Inc.
HOF Class of 2016

HOF committee members, although you have a tall task ahead but with so many deserving candidates to choose from, it translates to a win-win situation. This note is in support of Charles Wilkerson for inclusion in this year's Hall of Fame class.

I have known Charles since his time as a corps parent during the 1997 season. Since that time he has faithfully served the organization in so many ways including: multiple terms on the board of directors, years of service to the Crown Events committee, chairman of BandBEAT and many other roles.

Additionally, Charles' influence on the organization goes much, much deeper. He is a very generous individual who has brought a solid business acumen to Crown as well as sharing the resources of his business, Steele Creek Printing. Over the years, he has provided many items for the organization that brought a professional look and branding helping Crown establish a distinct and legitimate presence as a non-profit. Charles and his generosity also provide the space for Crown's new and expanded office facility in Pineville.

Charles continues to actively bring his positive energy to the organization each and every season. He is a pleasure to work with, a great friend and a huge fan of the corps. I ask that you please give this outstanding individual your full consideration during your selection process.

Respectfully submitted,
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To: Carolina Crown Hall of Fame Committee

RE: Crown Hall of Fame Nomination-Luanne Bialecki

Dear Hall of Fame Committee Members:

I am pleased to provide this nomination of Luanne Bialecki to the Carolina Crown Hall of Fame class of 2018.

Carolina Crown's history spans 30 years since the organization's founding in 1988 as the Charlotte Drum Corps Association. The seeds of Carolina Crown were planted and nurtured in those early CDCA days by a handful of dedicated founders who generously contributed their time, talents and possessions to ensure our organization's success and longevity. Among these early leaders, Luanne Bialecki set an exceptional model of financial conservatism and volunteerism that allowed the organization to survive, grow and flourish in its fragile first decade. Luanne's leadership, commitment, generosity and enthusiasm forged a foundation for success that continues today at Carolina Crown.

Luanne played a significant role in many aspects of the organization during her 13-year tenure on our board of directors. In fact, Luanne was our first female board member and served for many years as treasurer. As our first treasurer, Luanne established a conservative financial philosophy that maximized resources in a time when resources were scarce. She was a budget hawk who was never bashful about questioning expenses, no matter how small or obscure. And when expenses exceeded income, as they often did in those early years, Luanne was first in line to offer her generous financial

support. As an example, she personally helped pay the initial deposit on our 1st DCI contest contract fees. Without such assistance, there may never have been a NightBEAT show.

While she has contributed generously to Crown over the years, Luanne's generosity extends well beyond cash donations. In the early days, garage sales were a key source of income for Crown. Luanne regularly and selflessly hosted these events at her home. She attended food auctions to buy the corps discounted food and paid for it personally. Luanne sewed uniforms and flags year after year, including making our 1990 first-year uniforms from scratch. She opened her home to corps members to house them during spring training. Luanne sold souvenirs, cooked for the corps at camp and on tour using her vacation time to do so. She worked extensively at NightBEAT in its first decade, managing all money on show night in the stadium "war room" instead of watching the show. In short, Luanne volunteered for virtually every project and fundraiser that was held over our first decade. She was a tireless volunteer who was always ready to help no matter how big or small the task at hand.

Luanne's generosity and commitment to Crown are legendary, but her longest-lasting legacy is the Carolina Crown name. It is Luanne who originated the name "Carolina Crown" when the corps was formed in 1990.

I had the immense pleasure of working side-by-side with Luanne during our organization's first decade. She has done more for Carolina Crown than I can possibly share in a two-page nomination letter. It is time for Carolina Crown to honor the leadership, dedication and generosity of Luanne Bialecki with a place in our hall of fame.

Respectfully Submitted,



Bill Loelius
Treasurer
Carolina Crown, Inc.
Crown Hall of Fame, Class of 2016

Luanne Bialecki

I would like to offer my words of support for the election of Luanne Bialecki to the Carolina Crown Hall of Fame Class of 2018.

Luanne is one of the founding members of the organization, then known as the Charlotte Drum Corps Association back to it's very first days. Her dedicated early involvement provided the strong foundation that has led to numerous successes of our organization over the years.

Luanne's contributions include significant financial support and expertise as the organization was starting (and at times, struggling) as well as significant volunteer time with running shows and making the corps flags and uniforms. Yes, all of that stuff was home made by volunteers back in the day! Luanne was a huge part of making things happen!

Luanne also proposed the name Carolina Crown as the corps itself was being formed. Although she has not been as active with the organization over the past few years, she remains a staunch supporter and huge fan. I feel very certain in saying that without her, there may never have been a Carolina Crown.

Please give this outstanding individual your full and careful consideration when selecting the honorees for 2018.

Many thanks,
Joe Rosemond

I am writing in support of Luanne Bialecki for the 2018 Crown Hall of Fame. I worked alongside Luanne in the beginning years of the corps. Her unwavering support of the members of Crown was well know as she housed 9-10 percussion members at her home during our daily spring training schedule back then. She spent numerous hours sewing uniforms and flags until the wee hours of the morning. She would hold our fundraising events at her home and has helped the corps financially when needed. Luanne is still a great supporter of Crown to this day and I think she would be a great candidate for this year's Hall of Fame.

Moe Smith

I am sending this letter of support for Luanne Bialecki for induction into the Crown Hall of Fame. Being a founding member of Carolina Drum Corps Association, which later gave birth to Carolina Crown, Luanne worked tirelessly in the vision to bring drum corps to the Carolinas. There was nothing she wouldn't do if at all possible and never ever expected anything in return. Most of the time she worked in the background, never

caring about being in the spotlight. Those of us who were there in the beginning knew we could rely on Luanne. There was never any question. She helped keep order of our finances (what little finances there were!) and us in check in the very beginning of Crown. She literally worked day and night all the time for the corps. If there was an event or a way to help the corps, she was there. She continually was thinking of ways to promote the corps. To say it was her passion, is only partially true. It was and is her life. It's been a pleasure to know Luanne for all these years. This would truly be a deserved honor.

In My Mind...,
Mike Aycock

Dear Hall of Fame Committee Members:

I would like to recommend that Luanne Bialecki be inducted into the Carolina Crown Hall of Fame class of 2018.

Luanne is a long- time volunteer founder, serving on the Board of Directors and chairing many other projects, including early days festivals, yard sales, cooking, food shopping, band show recruiting and sewing projects.

Lu was always the one who insisted that we review the yearly budget on a line by line basis (often to the chagrin of the rest of the board members).

Luanne was incredibly generous, opening her home to members who needed a place to land during everyday rehearsals in the early days, providing financial backing when we needed it, and also named the corps!

I worked alongside Luanne since 1988 and throughout her tenure on the board of directors – we picked up trash for the Charlotte Drum Corps Associate “Adopt-a-Highway” project, skipped work to sew flags and guard costumes, sat in cold stadiums trying to sign up potential members for auditions, worked on many a mailing project, and doing the late night run to the bank after NightBeat. She was a tireless volunteer, and to this day remains one of the corps biggest supporters. I could go on and on, but I’m sure you get the idea.

I hope that her dedication is rewarded with membership in the Carolina Crown Hall of Fame.

Respectfully Submitted,
Lisa Camann
(Former Board Member/Volunteer)

My vote goes to Luanne Bialecki. She was the first treasurer for CDCA and she protected the money better than she protected her own money. It is my belief that because of her and the remaining original board members Crown has remained strong.

It is my belief that Luanne should be on the Hall of Fame class for Carolina Crown.

Thank you,

Sibyl C Long