



## Division Spotlight

In honor and celebration of Black History Month, we're paying tribute to some of the first Black Varsity Spirit employees. These individuals were trailblazers in the field and paved the way for future generations in the spirit industry.



### Donna Jean Robinson-Wilson ("Coach Rob")

- Worked NCA summer camps from 1973-1990
- Taught for 31 years; coached for 35 years
- Was the head cheerleading coach at Henry Clay High School (Lexington, KY), where she led the cheer team to 10 state high school championships
- Retired in 2014



### Donna Walker

- Worked UCA summer camps in the 1970s
- Head cheerleader at the University of Louisville
- Known for her unbelievable height and form on jumps
- Considered one of the top cheerleading instructors in the country at the time



### Jimmy Young

- Worked UCA summer camps in the 1970s
- Cheered at Lamar University
- "Fan favorite" at summer camps
- Known to get the crowd on its feet with his boogie chants and rock chants

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### **Lynda Hyanes**

- Dance/pompon instructor for UCA/UDA and USA in the mid-1970s
- Directed camps in at least 8 states
- Attended University of Northern Colorado
- Known as experienced, talented choreographer who presented superior original routines

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