

CITATION FOR LYNN NEWTON VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR AWARD 2016

Lynn Newton is a supportive wife and mother of two, a dedicated Nurse Practitioner in the Neonatal Intensive Care Unit at Kingston General Hospital, a talented hockey player, and an outstanding volunteer and advocate for local hockey – women and girl's hockey in particular.

Lynn has been the President of the Frontenac Fury Girls' Hockey Association for at least the past ten years. She has been the cornerstone of the organization and has spent countless hours in both an administrative and on-ice capacity. She has organized and coordinated ice times, registered layers, scheduled officials and ensures the organization has adequate equipment and jerseys for the players. While a coach herself, Lynn also invests considerable time and shares her expertise with new coaches, managers and trainers and always promotes volunteerism within the organization to support continued growth.

Lynn's passion for the game, and her drive to ensure every child has the opportunity to play hockey, clearly demonstrates her generous and kind nature. Under her leadership and vision, enrolment in Frontenac Fury hockey association has doubled. The organization was also successful in hosting "The First Shift" program to introduce young skaters to the sport. The Fury's participation in this program was initiated by Lynn, who again took a major leadership role both on and off the ice. Sixty female and male skaters from our region were offered a unique opportunity to learn skating and hockey basics.

Lynn's dedication and initiative has provided hundreds of local young skaters an opportunity to learn to skate and play hockey while developing lasting relationships and learning important life lessons including team work and friendly competition.

Lynn recently created a partnership with the Frontenac Flyers Minor Hockey Association to coordinate development opportunities for our entire hockey community, once again creating a support environment for young players to develop a love for hockey and embrace a healthy lifestyle.

She leads by example, is committed to fair play and encourages girls to work as a team and play hard. Lynn has the ability to create a fun learning environment allowing skaters of all ages to try the game of hockey. This judgement-free environment encourages girls to sign up at any age and continue to grow for a lifetime.

She has created a positive, well respected organization that promotes health and wellness within the Frontenac community. Any Sunday afternoon at Frontenac Arena you will see girls of all ages enjoying a great sport and making lasting memories as proud parents, grandparents, family and friends share in the excitement.

Lynn's talents and passion have been noticed by the Ontario Women's Hockey association and she has recently been involved in the development of Women's Hockey on their behalf.

Lynn is well deserving of this award and the entire association is blessed to have her as their leader.