

## Award honours decade of volunteer commitment

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LINDSAY - Ten years of loyal service to The Boys and Girls Clubs of Kawartha Lakes has earned Linda Meisner the volunteer of the year award. Meisner was awarded the honour on Wednesday, Dec. 19 at the club in Lindsay before a number of their after school program members. Meisner said she was totally shocked to receive the award. "It's a great honour," she said. As well as being the director of the program committee, Meisner also performs photography duties at many of the club's events, such as Race for Kids last summer.

She and her husband also have run a fundraising golf tournament for the club for the past nine years.

"It's really a good place to be," Meisner said. "You leave the board meetings with a warm feeling. There's no better reward. What you get back

from giving is twofold."

Scott Robertson, executive director, described Meisner as "what more than you could ask and hope for in a volunteer."

"She's hardworking, smart and fun," he said. "She makes community and board work just so much more enjoyable."

Also rewarded was 15-year-old Haylie Cordick, who volunteered with the sports program in Fenelon Falls and is now a staff member who works one night a week.

The Grade 10 student at Fenelon Falls Secondary School was described by Trevor Tompkins, coordinator of rural programming as a "great volunteer".

"The kids really enjoy her, and she's been a great asset," Tompkins said.

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