

LYNDA OWENS APPRECIATION 2022

In the fall of 2021, my husband and I welcomed our firstborn child into the world. I was excited to begin maternity leave and spend time bonding with my son. However, Recreation was about to begin its busiest time of the year.

Fall and winter is one of the busiest seasons for the Tyrone Recreation Department. From Founder's Day to Cookies with the Clauses, it is a constant blur of projects, events, advertisements. During this exceptionally busy season, Lynda Owens handled all programs, and events. To say she did an excellent job is an understatement.

From Lynda Owens handled all events and programs with skill, dedication, grace, and a fantastic attitude. As Recreation Manager I am truly grateful to her. Because of her I was able to spend time bonding with my newborn son and recovering.

Lynda Owen's dedication and service reminds me of a story. An old man was walking along a beach, littered with starfish that had washed ashore in the tide. As the old man stepped over the dying starfish, he noticed a young boy feverishly picking up the starfish and tossing them back into the ocean.

The old man scoffed and said to the boy "You cannot possibly save every last one of the starfish, there are too many. You might as well give up because you can't possibly make a difference"

The boy pondered this for a moment, before he grabbed a starfish and tossed it back into the ocean. Smiling he turned to the old man and said, "I made a difference to that one"

Lynda Owens has not only made a difference for me, but for the entire community of Tyrone. She has worked tirelessly and joyfully all these years. She brings so much dedication, skill, and fun to the Parks and Recreation Department, and I am proud to work with her every day.

I do hereby proclaim, on behalf of Tyrone, our extreme gratitude to Mrs. Lynda Owens.

Rebecca Brock, Recreation Manager

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