

# Scotia-Glenville Central School District



## RESOLUTION REGARDING ACCEPTANCE OF THE GLENN STOPERA MEMORIAL SCHOLARSHIP

WHEREAS, Tartan Youth Basketball would like to establish the Glenn Stopera Memorial Scholarship.

WHEREAS, criteria has been set up governing the administration of the Funds, a copy of which is attached; now, there be it

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education approves the establishment of the Glenn Stopera Memorial Scholarship, in accordance with the criteria established, and, be it further

RESOLVED, that the Board of Education hereby expresses its appreciation to Tartan Youth Basketball for their interest in Scotia-Glenville students as evidenced by the establishment of this Memorial Scholarship.

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Susan Swartz  
Superintendent of Schools

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Hal Talbot  
President, Board of Education

05/24/2024

1. Award Donor – Tartan Youth Basketball
  
2. Date award was established – May 15,2024
  
3. Value of award- \$1,000 - (check made out to “Scotia Glenville School District”)
  
4. Will funds be held by the district in an Awards Account or sent in annually by donor – Sent in annually by donor
  
5. How will the recipient be chosen, by the Donor or the High School Scholarship Committee (consisting of the High School Principal, a Guidance Counselor, teacher(s) and a community member)? – The two varsity basketball coaches will each submit their nominee to each other and if they can agree on one exceptional player than that single player would receive the whole award. Otherwise, they would submit their two choices and the High School Scholarship Committee could decide to reward both with \$500 each or still choose one exceptional player to receive the full \$1,000.
  
6. Student Eligibility Requirements and criteria? – would like to give the Scholarship to a graduating Varsity Basketball player who is going to college or to further their education (could be a trade school or similar). This person would have shown a great work ethic, been a team player who was unselfish especially on the court. They would have been tremendously dedicated to improving their basketball skills and overall game development. Also a good role model.
  
7. If this is a memorial scholarship in honor of an individual, please write a brief statement about that individual. – this Scholarship is in honor of Glenn Stopera. Glenn served as President of Tartan Youth Basketball for many years. Glenn had a tireless work ethic and a strong commitment to our basketball program that was exceptional. He regularly studied the game of basketball from some of the best coaches in the country, ordering and watching tape after tape to further develop and improve his coaching skill. His attention to detail was legendary and anyone who knew him would agree he had a tremendous passion for teaching the game of basketball. He began by coaching his three eldest children Melissa, Mike and Jeff while continuously honing his craft. Eventually he started working with an eager group of kindergardeners (including his fourth child – Scotty). He molded these budding athletes into a talented group of basketball players coaching them all year round. This group of boys eventually became varsity players who won a sectional title and continued on to win a NYS Basketball Championship and then won a FEDERATION TITLE which meant they won against the best team from Long Island, from NY City and from the private schools and went UNDEFEATED that year. The following year they won their SECOND NYS Basketball TITLE and finally lost a game in the FEDERATION CUP in overtime to a team with a number of division 1 basketball recruits. The likelihood of Scotia Glenville basketball experiencing this type of success is highly unlikely because there was only one Glenn Stopera. When Glenn was committed to something, nobody gave more to that endeavor. Ultimately he lost his battle to cancer, but for the lives he touched they will be forever changed in an overwhelmingly positive way. His legacy lives on within all the many lives he touched!

This year’s recipient(s) of the Tartan Youth Basketball Scholarship is/are \_\_\_\_\_!