



## **BGHC 2018/2019 AWARDS NOMINATIONS**

The BGHC is now accepting nominations for the following awards/scholarship for the 2018-2019 Season. **This includes a brand NEW Award!**

### **Vern Neal Award**

In 2012, the Barracuda hockey community lost one of its most dedicated and tireless volunteers. His name was Vern Neal and we want to ensure his memory stays alive. As such, the **Vern Neal Award** is presented annually to an individual that has demonstrated a **long-term time commitment** to the Barracudas organization.

### **Pauline Vasiliaskas Spirit Award**

During the 2004-2005 hockey season, the Barracuda hockey community was hit with a tragedy when one of our very own hockey Mom's passed away suddenly. Her name was Pauline Vasiliaskas and she was a dedicated hockey Mom, fan and supporter. From the time her daughter joined the Barracuda's organization, Pauline was involved in the team in some capacity whether it be a parent rep, volunteering or providing financial contributions. Pauline exemplified the true SPIRIT of a volunteer, always wanting to do for others and expecting nothing in return except for the girls to have fun. The **Pauline Vasiliaskas SPIRIT Award** is presented to a **deserving female volunteer** that has embraced Pauline's team spirit during the season.

### **NEW Award - The Team that Rockx!**

Barb Rockx was a long-standing CUDAS volunteer who generously donated her time to the BGHC, having a profound and lasting impact on our organization. Her willingness to give selflessly to help advance women's hockey in Burlington speaks to both her strength and quality of her character. Our organization is stronger with her leadership. To carry the torch that Barb lit so brightly — and leverage her awesome last name — we have created **The Team that Rockx Award!** This award recognizes a team that has shown the biggest commitment to our community while embracing the true meaning of team spirit.

To nominate an individual for the **Vern Neal Award**, the **Pauline Vasiliaskas Award** and a team for **The Team that Rockx Award**, please prepare a brief letter to the BGHC with the following content:

1. Name of award for which you are nominating.
2. Name and contact information (email address and phone number) of individual/coach of the team you are nominating
3. A brief paragraph describing why you believe this individual/team is deserving of the particular award. Please reference the award criteria above.

To apply for the BGHC Scholarship Award, please complete the applicable form (copy attached).

### **BGHC Scholarship Award (\$1,500)**

#### **Scholarship Award Eligibility Criteria:**

- i) Must be currently a player or member of the coaching staff of a team in the Burlington Girls Hockey Club.
- ii) Must have a minimum of 3 consecutive years with the BGHC as a player and/or member of a coaching staff.
- iii) Must be intending to pursue post-secondary education in the coming academic year (2017-18).

#### **Scholarship Award Selection Criteria:**

The scholarship winner will demonstrate evidence of a history of involvement within the BGHC organization beyond that stated above for eligibility, including but not limited to volunteering, mentoring, assistant coaching, and/or refereeing.

Nominations for all awards should be submitted via email to Gail Marcos at office@bghc.ca no later than March 22, 2019. Winners will be announced the week of April 8th.