



Surrounded by her family, Lisa Novsak accepts a Volunteer of the Year award from Jim Solan, of TSS Photography. Bookending the happy group are Middle Township Deputy Mayor Susan Delanzo, left, and Mayor F. Nathan Doughty, right.

Middle Township Mom Named Volunteer of the Year

By JOE HART

COURT HOUSE — Coach, team parent and all-around helper are some of the titles that helped Lisa Novsak win a volunteer award from a national photography company.

Novsak was named Volunteer of the Year for the State of New Jersey and TSS Photography presented her with a commemorative plaque and a complementary \$150 photo package for her volunteer work with the Middle Township Recreation Department.

“This is a very special award in that it recognizes the hard work and dedication of volunteers across the nation, who strive to shape the future of our youth through sport leagues, schools, and other organizations throughout the year,” said Shawn Francis, TSS director of franchise business development.

“This award is present-

ed to top volunteers from organizations throughout the country that sought to show how much they value its volunteers.”

Recreation Director Chuck McDonnell nominated Novsak for her tireless work with the softball, basketball and soccer programs. TSS also presented the recreation department with a check for \$500 for nominating the winner and for supporting youth activities.

McDonnell wanted to thank Novsak for her dedication and TSS for the donation, which would help improve youth recreation programs in the township, he said.

Novsak, who also volunteers for Middle Township PTA, has two daughters — Lauren, 11, and Maribeth, 9 — involved in recreation department activities.

Novsak said she was humbled by the award and used the opportunity to recruit volunteers.

“I’m very honored to win this award,” she said. “I’d like to get the word out that we’re always looking for new more volunteers to help with the many different activities. The more helping hands, the lighter the load.”

McDonnell agreed with Novsak that the recreation programs need additional help. Anyone interested in volunteering some of their time to coach or help in other ways can call McDonnell at (609) 465-8743.

Founded in 1983, TSS Photography is a franchise company that specializes in youth sports photography as well as photography for corporations, church groups and other community organizations. TSS is currently franchised across 45 states and several countries.

With over 225 franchise units in the network family, TSS photographs over 1.5 million children every year.