

## Adult Basic Education Association – Lynne Livingstone Memorial Award



Lynne Livingstone was an employee of The Hamilton Spectator and an ongoing committee member of ABEA's Leaders in Literacy Breakfast.

Lynne believed that everyone had the right to read. Her passion and commitment was evident in everything she did.

We lost Lynne to cancer in 2003. This award is dedicated in her memory.

The plaque reads:

"The ABEA Lynne Livingstone Memorial Award is presented by the staff of ABEA in memory of a friend and dedicated supporter of the Adult Basic Education Association. This award will be given to those who exemplify the dedication, support and caring nature of Lynne Livingstone."

In 2004 this award was presented to Lynne's family. They forwarded the following letter to ABEA.

"We are so honoured to have been invited to your breakfast meeting. Hearing the testimonies of those affected with reading and writing and the impact which you and your colleagues have on their lives was most impressive. The world is made a better place by the unselfishness of you and your colleagues. Lynne had mentioned some time ago that she was involved with your organization but we had no idea as to the depth of her efforts. She did not go into great detail about things in her workplace in her discussions with us. Her time was focused on family, a time which we all enjoyed together. Needless to say, we are overwhelmed with all the plaudits which have come our way on Lynne's behalf and we thank you and your associates for all your kindness. We are so proud." Bud (2005) and Marion Dawley.