



# In the News!



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## Make a Difference in the Lives that Follow

Across Canada, May is **LEAVE A LEGACY** Month.

### **What is a Legacy Gift?**

It is a planned future donation to a charitable organization given through a will or other form of designation. It is a decision that each person makes in their own financial planning process, taking into account their charitable wishes and values.

Consider a legacy gift to our **Bonny Lea Charitable Foundation** when you are evaluating your personal, family and financial needs as well as your long term charita-

ble giving. There are different options for legacy gifts and a legacy gift can provide tax benefits to you. Every legacy gift, regardless of the amount is important and cherished.

### **Why Create a Legacy Gift?**

What better way to thank the organization that has had an impact on your life, or the life of someone you love than by making a significant contribution from your estate. By creating a legacy, you are making a gift to the future sustainability of the work that is most meaningful to you.

A legacy gift can also be a very practical addition to your financial or estate plan-in most cases, the tax burden left to relatives is lifted. Your professional advisor can show you how giving does actually benefit your family.

Legacy giving is not just for the wealthy. Everyone is at a different stage of his or her life and able to give at a different level.

**Blair & his mother thank you on behalf of all our participants & their families for your gift!**

### **Ways to Leave Your Legacy**

- ~ Will
- ~ Cash or securities
- ~ Life Insurance
- ~ Annuities
- ~ Real Estate
- ~ A gift to honour someone
- ~ RRSPs or RRIFs
- ~ A gift in memory of a loved one



**Participants are Happy!**



**Mrs. Margo Hemming**

***“The participants are happy!”*** Retired psychiatric nurse and loyal Bonny Lea donor Mrs. Margo Hemming stated recently in an interview. She recalls from early in her career that, ***“people with behavioral issues were once locked away and given little or no support, and often the environment was void of the comforts of home. Today we see a great improvement in how people are treated with***

***much more respect and dignity.*** When Margo stops by the Farm she has said, ***“It is wonderful to see the participants being rewarded for their work with praise. It is great to see their fun and caring personalities. You can see their sense of pride as a result of the stimulating work and environment that they are in each day. The staff are very committed to ensuring that people are experi-***

***encing success. Bonny Lea Farm is an important place. It is essential to the participants, their families and to the community. I am very pleased that as a donor I know that that I am able to make a difference in the lives of people who thrive on the many experiences that are offered at Bonny Lea Farm.”***

***Donations Transform Lives!***

**LighthouseNOW– A Community Supporter of Bonny Lea Farm!**



**Lynn Hennigar, Publisher of the Progress Bulletin and President of LighthouseNOW**

Lynn Hennigar is Publisher of the Progress Bulletin, both she and the paper have been long time supporters of Bonny Lea Farm.

***“Bonny Lea Farm is an organization that we’ve continued to support through thick and thin. While our financial contribution has moved up***

***and down with the economy, our commitment to continue to support has never wavered. I don’t think there is a better example of what a family and a community can accomplish together to address a specific need. Bonny Lea has created a safe and loving place***

***for people to feel valued, happy and productive. Their work always meets a community need, its never just ‘busy’ work. The community can purchase mulch for their gardens, get rid of excess paper via the confidential shredding service, enjoy the taste of herbal oils and vinegars from The Herb Garden, and so much more. We congratulate Bonny Lea Farm for 41 years of service to the community.”***

**Laurie’s Success!**



**Laurie relaxing at home.**

***“He seems happier than he ever did in school.”*** Mrs. Elizabeth Finck noted that her son Laurie who attends Bonny Lea Farm on a part-time basis has made much progress as a result of the team approach and the willingness of staff to take the time to learn about Laurie’s unique needs and

create the right environment for him. Laurie is autistic and requires a quiet and structured day. In the Wiper Project Work Crew Laurie is able to cut the wiper material, work on the netting for our decorative lobster traps, operate the shredder and use a computer. His level of anxiety has greatly

reduced since first coming to Bonny Lea.

***“You have all worked so hard with Laurie to ensure he is happy and comfortable. I am sure you have had many parents say thank you many times. I hope you know how deeply that is meant.”***

**Elizabeth Finck**