



IN THE NEWS

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LARRY GAINS CONFIDENCE THROUGH WORK

Larry Tanner recently decided to broaden his skill set and try something new in the work shop. So Matt Hallett, his work crew supervisor introduced Larry to sanding a gift size lobster trap. Larry's sanding was first rate. Next Larry tried his hand at labelling paint sample cans that we do as part of our contract with Louisiana Pacific. Getting the label on straight takes concentration and good eye-hand coordination. Again, Larry successfully achieved this task. Although Larry has been in this work crew for quite awhile he did not have the confidence to try new things. With the right approach and support, Larry is excited to be more engaged with the production part of this program. Way to go Larry!



The Look of Success

LEFT to RIGHT: Larry sanding a handcrafted Suggestion Box

Labelling a lid.

Proudly holding a labelled can and lid ready to be sent to Louisiana Pacific.



From Our Herb Garden to Your Table (or Christmas Shopping List!)

Bonny Lea's Herb Garden has produced another bountiful harvest of fresh herbs that have been dried for our production of herbal oils and vinegars and herbal mixtures.

Our participants in the greenhouse work crew are very busy from early spring to early fall with planting, harvesting and producing products that have been a part of our vocational programming for over 25 years. We are also Taste of Nova Scotia partners.

Stop by and check out our full range of Herb Garden products Monday through Friday, or visit our website and place your order online.

The holidays are rapidly approaching. Bonny Lea Farm's quality handmade products can help you get a head start on finding unique gifts.



TOP: Our most popular jellies

MIDDLE: (Left to Right) Amanda Robar, Karen Healy and Ashley Rafuse are a part of the busy production team



BOTTOM: Spice up your stir fries or pastas with our flavourful oils.

NEW BUTTON!

Our website has a new "Donate Now" button at the bottom of the homepage making it easier than ever to give. Clicking on it will take you directly to our Canada Helps account.



To make your online donation just go to www.BonnyLeaFarm.ca and click on the new button!



Long-Time Friend of Bonny Lea Farm, Honoured by the Province

One of Bonny Lea Farm's long-time donors, Martin "Rudy" Haase, was honoured by the province recently with the Order of Nova Scotia. Rudy is well known for his philanthropic and environmental work throughout the world. We in Chester are fortunate to have his involvement in the community. Bonny Lea Farm celebrated and publicly thanked Rudy a few years ago for his strong support of our organization. Always upbeat and engaging, our participants have greatly benefited from his interest in the growth and development of others.

Congratulations Rudy on receiving this prestigious award!



Celebrating our Corporate Partnerships: Louisiana-Pacific

Partnering with Louisiana Pacific for the past 25 years has provided an excellent stream of steady work for our participants.

To date we have completed two major contracts and a third is underway. The projects have involved preparing the cans for the siding sample colours used by LP. The work crew at Bonny Lea Farm wipe the cans and lids before applying the labels to each and packing them in boxes of 360.

"We are pleased to be a part of a place that is doing its best for others in the community. LP has a strong commitment to the community and helps many others through fundraising activities, but Bonny Lea Farm is unique in the contract work that they complete for us."

- Andrew Whyntott, Shipping Supervisor, LP East River

* Does your organization have a job that needs doing?
Contact us to explore a solution. 902-275-5622

TOP: Anton Voegle labelling cans
BOTTOM: Jeffrey Wamboldt labelling lids



Valerie on her way to work passing by the freshly painted lawn furniture in the residence courtyard. (The Centre for Independent Living)

LENDING A HAND

A big Thank You to employee Jim Anderson who took it upon himself to spruce up our aging picnic tables and chairs with lots of sanding and many coats of colourful paint.

The participants enjoy sitting outside in the residential courtyard throughout the spring, summer and fall socializing with each other and their visitors. Having barbeques has been lots of fun too.

"The furniture is great. We've enjoyed spending time outside"

- Valerie Roode, Participant