



# IN THE NEWS

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## Bonny Lea Farm's Wiper Work Crew to the Rescue!

Greyhound Pets of Atlantic Canada has been rescuing dogs since 1990. Each rescue dog needs comfortable bedding while it awaits adoption. This is where Bonny Lea Farm's Wiper Crew comes in. We provide GPAC with bedding made using our non-confidential shredded paper. The participants are really happy to be helping this organization with their important work. Greyhound volunteer Denise Snow said, "We really, really appreciate the paper that we use in our kennels as bedding for these wonderful animals. All your hard work is 'greytly' appreciated. A big roooooooooo from the GPAC hounds!"

TOP: Recently rescued "Nellie" waiting to be adopted.

BOTTOM: Members of the shredding crew from left to right:  
Lynn Rafuse, Tom Clancey, Karen Healy



## Kuttin' Kindlin', Our New Project that will Warm Your Heart & Home

Our new Kindling project is proving to be popular with our customers who have purchased bundles at Chester's Castle Building Supplies store. Bundles sell for \$5.00 and the full amount comes back to Bonny Lea Farm to support our programs.

"We are more than happy to continue to support an important part of our community."

- Steve Foran, Manager  
Chester Building Supplies

Castle Manager Steve Foran said, "We have been supporting Bonny Lea Farm for many years with various projects and events. We are more than happy to continue to support an important part of our community."

The kindling project is the brainchild of Wade Davis, Bonny Lea Farm's Vocational Instructor/Program Lead-

er. "We needed a project that could get underway in a very short time frame that would provide meaningful and productive work for the participants and one that would have low start-up costs. I realized another cold winter season was fast approaching and people would soon be getting ready to fire up their woodstoves for the long cold winter. What's a woodstove without kindling! Steve provided us with equipment at cost which helped us very much."



TOP: Kuttin' Crew from left to right: Jeffrey, Wade, Hansi and Larry



BOTTOM LEFT: Josh & Anton with the kindling at Chester Building Supplies

BOTTOM RIGHT: Susan filling the first bundle

## Elevating Our Spirits

The big day finally arrived with the Ribbon Cutting Ceremony for our new elevator. The project started nearly three years ago. "The cost exceeded our original quotes due to the complicated nature of the construction," said David Outhouse, Managing Director. The original estimate was \$40,000. We then discovered that the installation of the new elevator would require an additional three inches in height. The structural changes quickly took the costs literally through the roof, reaching \$120,000 by the project's completion in August.

With the financial support from many different sources, the participants are now able to move safely, quickly and independently from floor to floor. We extend our sincere thanks our major donors, Mr. Fred Bambury, Dr. David Clarke and his sister Janet Dargie, the Chester Basin/New Ross/Chester Lions Club, Bridgewater Lions Club, The Windsor Foundation, Fred Houghton, Edwards Family Foundation, and staff, participants, Board members and family who raised funds through their participation in the Bluenose Marathon over a two year period.

Valerie Roode shared how the elevator has made her life easier and increased her independence since it started operating in September. Douglas Biebesheimer assisted with unveiling the plaque which will be hung next to the elevator on the main level and Board Chair Mary Ellen Clancey thanked all of the guests for their incredible contributions.



Mr. Fred Bambury donated to this project in memory of his wife Florence Mitchell-Bambury.



Dr. David Clarke, brother-in-law Robert Dargie and Mrs. Janet-Clarke Dargie made a gift in memory of their parents Harold and Audrey Clarke, who once served on our Board of Directors.



### The Ribbon Cutting

(LEFT to RIGHT) Don Wright, Chester Basin/New Ross/Chester Lions Club; Paul Dyer, The Windsor Foundation; Fred Bambury; participants Joanne Boswell and Valerie Roode; Janet Clarke-Dargie, Robert Dargie and Dr David Clarke; and Debra Featherby, Bridgewater Lions Club.

## We will remember them.



Floyd laid the wreath on behalf of Bonny Lea Farm at the Remembrance Day ceremony in Chester.

## Community Connections

Toby Plummer loves to learn and is particularly interested in his community. He and his mentor, Peter Parsons, recently visited Double A Used Clothing in Chester so that Toby could learn about the inner workings of operating a store. Bonny Lea Farm purchases some of the clothing we use in our Wiper Project from Double A owner, Abdella Asef. Toby enjoyed touring the store and then presented Mr Asef with a cheque for our clothing order. "I really like this store. Thank you Mr Asef for helping Bonny Lea," said Toby.



Left to Right: Skip Morey, Abdella Asef and Toby Plummer

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