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IN THE NEWS

Volunteers are the heart of any organization. Volunteers are a valuable resource. They find the donation of their time and energy a meaningful experience for themselves as well as for the organization. A true win/win situation.

We are very pleased that at our recent plant sale/ breakfast and our upcoming lobster supper, that many volunteers are returning to support us year after year. We have new volunteers coming too. It is especially great to have the youth in our community getting involved namely the YMCA from Bridgewater under the direction of Kim Whitman-Mansfield.

YMCA Youth



Volunteers are the Heart of any Organization

Bonny Lea Farm's Board of Directors spend many hours sitting on various committees to ensure the sustainability of our operation. September will mark our 41st year of providing a service for men and women living with a disability.



The Lobster Cracking Team who can crack 600 lobsters in 1 hour!

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Bonny Lea Farm Board of Directors



Volunteers & staff at the Breakfast & Plant Sale





Local musicians



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Thank You Joyce!

Donors are vital to the long term welfare of any organization and ours is no exception. We are fortunate to have loyal donors who believe in the work that we do on behalf of the participants in our program.

"My dear friend Grace whose daughter Susan attended Bonny Lea Farm was my initial reason for donating, but as I learned more about how many others lived and worked there and the importance of this place to them, I wanted to contribute as long as I possibly could. When one has the means to help others in this capacity it is the right thing to do. I know that Grace worked very hard on Bonny Lea Farm's behalf and I have been happy to play a part over the past 24 years."



Joyce and Grace

The Managing Director's Report

An excerpt from our annual report that can be read in full on our website www.bonnyleafarm.ca

David wrote: "This year I learned that we are truly blessed to be doing what we do. Each day, the participants we support show us in a multitude of ways the value and importance of our work. Whether we help someone achieve a mile-

stone in their life or we just help someone understand what they need, our contribution of support helps encourage growth and a sense of greater control over their lives. We have a staff team who actively challenge themselves to be leaders in the field of supportive services to people who live with intellectual disabilities. Their respectful approach that serves to

build trust with participants helps each person we support to feel

safe. We owe a great deal of thanks to our founder, Dr. Alberta Pew Baker for her perseverance with her vision to establish this service in NS."



David Outhouse

Work Experience for Students

Bonny Lea Farm is proud to be a host to students seeking employment in the Human Services field or in other careers. Brian and Lynsey are two excellent students who have put forth a lot of effort into their work experience for the summer. Lynsey is completing her first internship as part of her degree in Dietetics and Brian is working on a degree in commerce.



Brian helping on an outing to Hatfield Farm.



Lynsey sharing an office with staff.