

## Bonny Lea Farm Marks October as “Thanks For Giving” Month

October 19, 2016 – CHESTER – The Participants, Staff and Board of Bonny Lea Farm have identified October as “Thanks For Giving” month to celebrate the individuals, organizations and businesses that have supported them over the years.

“We’ve been around for over forty years and are fortunate to have some people who have been with us every step of the way. This month we are saying “Thanks For Giving” to all of our supporters but particularly the 101 who have faithfully contributed to our work for 25 years or more. They have truly been making a difference in the lives of others,” exclaims Mary Ellen Clancey, Chair of the Board of Directors for Bonny Lea Farm.

To mark “Thanks For Giving” Bonny Lea Farm is calling all 101 of those who have been supporting the organization for more than 25 years and thanking them for their commitment to the people who live and work at Bonny Lea Farm. Some have accepted an invitation to join participants and staff for lunch.

“Bonny Lea Farm is a great place. It is home for me. Being able to share a meal, show them what we do and say thank you in person will be really nice,” says Rose Deveau, a participant at Bonny Lea Farm since 1982.

At a meeting of the Chester Chamber of Commerce on Wednesday, October 19, Bonny Lea Farm will recognize six businesses in the Chester area who have had an impact on many lives over the last 25 years: Calvin’s TV Sales & Service, Chester Building Supplies, Chester Golf Club, Chester Home Hardware, Chester Pharmasave and GN Thermoforming Equipment.

“Publicly acknowledging their impact on our community in this way is important. We couldn’t do what we do without their support and others like them,” says David Outhouse, Managing Director.

Bonny Lea Farm supports nearly 50 adults living with intellectual and physical disabilities to learn, grow and succeed through both its residential and vocational programs.

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