

In the News!

Making a Difference!

Special points of interest:

- Seafood

Chowder Supper & Auction

**Friday, May 13
from 5-7 PM**

\$9.00

**Wake Up to
Breakfast & Plant
Sale on Saturday,
June 11 from 8-
11 AM**

\$5.00- \$6.00

**Lobster Supper
Sunday, July 31**

3-7 PM

\$30

Ron Scott of Maritime Tidal Energy Company believes in giving back not only environmentally, but socially too.

His interest in Bonny Lea Farm developed through other donors, as a lobster supper patron, and a buyer of our mulch product. But it was during the lobster supper that Ron

had the chance to be a casual observer and here is what he saw.

“People caring for others in a way that was very dignified. Participants were contributing in everything that was going on. The instructors and participants were keen, friendly,

happy and hard working.

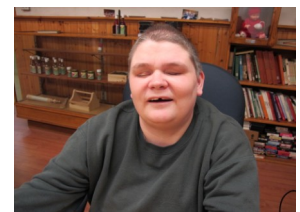
Ron went on to say that, ***“It is important for those who have the ability to leave a legacy to places such as Bonny Lea Farm do so in the spirit of supporting the community.”***



Amanda with her parents Melvin and Sharon



Ron at his home in Halifax.



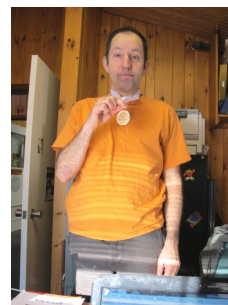
Having A Voice!

The Participant Council's purpose is to give our participants a voice and forum to discuss any topics in the news, to the NS Regional Residential Agencies Association that can play a role in implementing changes to participants' living conditions. The council members discuss The Charter of Rights and policies at Bonny Lea Farm. The council is also active in planning

social events, and award ceremonies recognizing peers for their outstanding efforts.

The council members present valuable information to the rest of the participants throughout the year.

Council members:



Seppi, Joanne, Adam, Hansi and Rose.



Susan Collins with her parents Ruth Ann and Paul.

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Delivering Good News!

Today the Community Services Minister Denise Peterson-Rafuse announced a \$1.5 million investment in programming for people with disabilities.

About \$825,000 will expand Independent Living Support and the Alternative Family Sup-

port creating 50 new placements throughout the province.

An additional \$500,000 will be invested to increase the number of spots available at day programs for individuals with disabilities.

Both of these programs help people stay and

participate in their communities.

The province will also invest \$200,000 to launch a new outreach team to help families and service providers manage supports for individuals with disabilities. We hope that Bonny Lea Farm will be able to access some of this “new” money also.



Debbie Austin (Center) with her sisters Merlene (left) and Alison.

Community Services Minister prefers to be called Denise rather than the Honorable... It is the Bonny Lea Farm participants that should be called, “Honorable.”

A quote from the Minister today during her visit.



Pictured above:

Denise Peterson-Rafuse with Adam Gummesson

Denise with Dr. Alberta Pew Baker and Nancy Frank.



Toby Plummer with Denise.