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Congratulations to **Diane Bell** of Stratford, Ontario, the winner of our 2019 raffle. Diane was lucky enough to have her ticket drawn on November 29, 2019, winning one roundtrip flight for two guests to any scheduled WestJet destination. We send our appreciation to everyone who purchased raffle tickets. A massive thank you to WestJet for their prize contribution, enabling 100% of the ticket sales to be directed to the work of Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind.

Coming soon: 2020/2021 Gift of Flight Raffle!

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Thank you from our pups and dogs at Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind.

COVID-19 Update

How does **COVID-19** impact Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind?

Like many charities and businesses, Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind is greatly impacted by COVID-19 and forced to adapt to the situation.

Operations

Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind continues to care for the dogs at our National Training Centre. There is some training happening, but it is very limited as our trainers and instructors must remain on-site. The care and welfare of our dogs is essential. Our office closed on March 26, 2020 after the Government of Ontario forced non-essential businesses to close.

Volunteers

Due to physical distancing, self-isolation, and quarantines our volunteer programs are shut down during the outbreak, with the exception of those already caring for our pups and dogs in their homes. We are grateful to them for continuing to look after our dogs during this time, and we hope the dogs are providing wonderful companionship to our volunteers.

Events and Fundraisers

Events and fundraisers have been cancelled. We continue to make decisions on scheduled events as necessary, but we will certainly lose a great deal of revenue due to the cancellations. Check the events page on our website at www.guidedogs.ca for updates.

Guide Dog and Assistance Dog Training

At this time, residential guide dog training is not possible, due to the practice of physical distancing. Our residence is unoccupied, but we are still cleaning and disinfecting diligently to keep this environment safe for our future and returning clients. Due to the uncertainty of the COVID-19 outbreak, we are unable to schedule future classes. As soon as things return to normal, we will re-evaluate and determine how best to move forward and return to training our clients. Unfortunately, we had to cancel our March and April classes. This impacted some individuals who were already called to the class in March, and only a couple of days away from travelling to our National Training Centre. These folks, along with all other applicants, now have to wait longer to attend training.

Our assistance dog training is normally conducted on a domiciliary basis in the Ottawa area, but that also must be on hold due to COVID-19. So, at this time, we are not visiting or retraining clients with assistance dogs.

We cannot give any firm dates or timelines to anyone right now. Please rest assured as soon as we are able to proceed with training guide dogs and assistance dogs we will. We are proud of what we do, training guide dog teams since 1984 and assistance dog teams since 2010.

This situation has forced us to stop training clients for the first time in our history. This is only a temporary setback that is beyond our control. We remain excited for the future and are anxious to return to training and hosting our next classes as soon as it is possible and safe to do so.

Donations

Many individuals and companies who usually contribute to charities cannot afford to do so right now. We need your help more than ever to continue our mandate to provide Canadians with greater mobility and independence through the use of professionally trained guide dogs (nationally) and mobility assistance dogs (Ottawa area). Donations in 2020 have become increasingly important and we hope you'll consider giving. If you normally donate, we ask you to consider giving just a little bit more, if you are able to. Of course, new donors are always appreciated. If you would like to donate, **you can complete the form on page 6 in this magazine** and mail it with a cheque. If you cannot print the form, you can simply mail a cheque with all of your contact information, for tax receipt purposes. We are still receiving mail and processing donations. **You can always donate online at www.guidedogs.ca.**

We wish all of our clients, volunteers and donors good health. Stay safe and stay positive. We will endure. ■

Giving Tuesday in Ottawa

Giving Tuesday marks the "opening day of the giving season," following Black Friday and Cyber Monday. It is a day where the community gives back and supports causes they care about. We were delighted that Ottawa Mayor **Jim Watson** made an official proclamation in recognition of Giving Tuesday on December 3, 2019, kicking-off the giving season. Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind was invited to the Mayor's boardroom to be part of the ceremony. Our puppy raiser, **Barbara Annas**, and **Woody** were lucky enough to get some one-on-one time with Mayor Watson. ■



Puppy Walking and Breeding Program

The following litters were born from September 1, 2019 to February 29, 2020:

Penny (GRB) bred to Striker (BLM)
Parade (YLB) bred to Ullman (BLM)
Tikka (GRB) bred to Sapo (GRM)

*GRB – golden retriever, bitch
BLM – black Labrador, male
YLB – yellow Labrador, bitch
GRM – golden retriever, male*

A sincere thank you to puppy walkers whose dogs have completed the Puppy Walking Program and breeding stock holders and boarders whose dogs have been used for breeding, September 1, 2019 to February 29, 2020:

Cheryl Allan, Richard Allan, Anna Baggett, Neil Baxter, Jessica Beers, Alan Bennett, Margaret Coleman, Adam Elgazzar, Heather Fowler, Marla Kerr, Judith MacDougall, Rebecca Markus, Thomas MacKinnon, Martin Model, Cathy Paivio, Judit Petényi, Carol Rondinone, Karen Salisbury, Cheryl Silis, Sylvia Sirett, Dina Tarasevich, Jessie Thornton, Claire Todd, Susan Towns, Lina Tsang, Pauline Tweedie, Lorraine Weisenberger. ■

Obituaries and Guide Dog Memorial Tributes

Submissions may be sent to Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind, 4120 Rideau Valley Drive North, PO Box 280, Manotick, ON, K4M 1A3; or by email to info@guidedogs.ca.

Our People...

Marilyn Fenwick

Marilyn passed away peacefully on October 29, 2019. Marilyn volunteered for many organizations, including Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind, for over twenty years, boarding an incredible number of dogs in her home. In 2017, Marilyn was awarded the Sovereign's Medal for Volunteers by the Governor General of Canada, an accomplishment that our organization was pleased to support and participate in. We offer condolences to Ted, Marilyn's husband of 68 years, as well as her daughter Judy and son-in-law Rob.

Bertha Harrison

Bertha looked after donation dogs in Winnipeg, Manitoba for an incredible 19 years. Bertha passed away on March 14, 2020. Bertha's son-in-law is a client of Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind, and this gave a soft spot in her heart for our organization. We offer condolences to Bertha's daughter, Val, also a volunteer for Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind, and her husband Hugh.

George Hug

George passed away on March 2, 2020. George started volunteering for Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind in 2002. He looked after our donation dogs in Picton, Ontario. George came to us through connections with the Belleville Nortel Pioneers and continued volunteering for an incredible 18 years.

He was always willing to help and such a nice man. We offer our condolences to George's family.

Marie Mougeot

Marie will be sorely missed by Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind. Marie helped maintain the garden at Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind for ten years, dedicating an incredible number of hours. Her gardening knowledge, work ethic, and huge heart were tremendous assets to our organization. We offer condolences to Marie's husband Jean, and to our other gardening volunteers, who were great friends with Marie.

Thomas Richardson

Tom was a long-time client of Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind. He passed away on December 5, 2019. Tom worked at the Wellesley hospital in nursing and then went on to start his own business as a CPR instructor. Tom volunteered as a CPR Instructor for Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind staff members and previously served on the CGDB Foundation Board of Directors. He was a tremendous asset to our organization and advocate for those living with vision loss or other challenges. We offer condolences to Janet, Tom's wife of 51 years, in addition to children Laura and Robbie.

Daphne Tarrant

Daphne volunteered by looking after our donation dogs in Orillia, Ontario. She volunteered for just two and a half years, but was an amazing volunteer and person. Daphne took on the role when the previous volunteer became very ill, and that was despite the fact she was also dealing with her own health issues. One of Daphne's favourite quotes to our volunteer coordinator was, "Have a fun day, that's better than a good day". Rest in peace Daphne. We offer our condolences to Tim and family.

Our Dogs...

Erie

Erie, the star of many school presentations on blindness and guide dogs, passed away peacefully on January 23, 2020, shortly after her 14th birthday. She guided Christine Switzer until retirement at age 11. She is greatly missed.

Mario

On March 22, 2020, Mario left a hole in our hearts as he escaped the mounting difficulties of illness and advanced age. Mario was Jamey's first guide dog and they were a perfect match. Not only was Mario super at guiding, but his emotional support as a canine companion was incredible. He will be missed every day but remembered fondly with many happy memories. Submitted by Elaine Wagner (Jamey's aunt and Mario's palliative caregiver)

Pedro

Pedro graduated as a guide dog in August 2012 and was a loyal companion and wonderful guide dog for Jean-Marc Chenier of Rockland, Ontario for seven and a half years, before passing away in February 2020.

Preston

Preston was born on June 16, 2014 and graduated as a guide dog on October 20, 2016. He enjoyed his working life in British Columbia leading Laurie Ponsford. A handsome boy and great guide dog, an illness took Preston from us in the fall of 2019.

Stori

Stori, a retired guide dog, passed away early in 2020. She will be fondly remembered by all who knew her and greatly missed by her guide dog handler, her little sister Havana, and all who cared for her in retirement. We hope she is somewhere chasing rabbits! ■

Have a green thumb? Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind requires volunteers to join our gardening group at the National Training Centre of Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind in Manotick, Ontario. Gardening and landscaping knowledge is an asset, but not necessary. We are seeking volunteers who are able to take on physical labour and don't mind digging in and getting dirty. Duties include lifting, bending, weeding and more. Please have availability on most Monday mornings.



Note: Our volunteer programs are closed during physical distancing due to COVID-19. If you are interested in helping in the future, email us now at events@guidedogs.ca and we will contact you when things return to "normal" and our volunteer programs reopen.

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Pre-authorized debits - Arrange for automatic monthly withdrawals from your bank account on the 1st business day of the month. You'll need to complete a PAD agreement - email bookkeeping@guidedogs.ca to request the agreement. A tax receipt will be issued at the end of the year for the total amount donated.

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Cash - Donate in person at our National Training Centre, 4120 Rideau Valley Drive North, Manotick, Ontario.

Online donation via credit card payment - Visit our website at www.guidedogs.ca. You can donate using Visa, MasterCard, and American Express.

Monthly credit card payment - Phone our office at (613) 692-7777 to set up payment on the 1st or the 15th of each month. We accept Visa, MasterCard, and American Express. A tax receipt will be issued at the end of the year for the annual amount donated.

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Guide dogs **don't understand** physical distancing

Physical distancing can be difficult, at times, for anyone who is blind or partially sighted. **Dogs, including guide dogs, are not aware of COVID-19.** Remember, if you encounter someone with a guide dog, it is important to respect physical distancing. Under normal circumstances, a guide dog is expected to avoid all distractions, including interacting with other dogs and people, other than the guide dog handler. It is always a safety issue, but even more-so now with the potential spread of the COVID-19 virus.

Social distancing is the responsibility of everyone, but think of those who cannot see. If someone is walking with their guide dog, they may not know you are approaching until you are very close or within their two metres of personal space. **Stay clear of guide dogs** and Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind suggests the following:

- **Always remember**, distracting a guide dog can make its owner vulnerable to harm.
- Guide dogs don't understand physical distancing. Please help keep a **safe distance** by staying two metres (six feet) away.
- Please **don't let your pet near** a guide dog, even if your pet is leashed. Even allowing your pet to visit or "say hi," for just a moment, can cause the guide dog to lose focus on the important job it has to do.
- It is helpful to **let a person who is blind know** that you are nearby and tell them if you have a dog with you.
- **Do not** pet the guide dog, call the dog's name, make eye contact, feed or talk to the dog. It is always best to treat the dog as if it is not there.



- **Do not** shout directions, take the person by the arm or interrupt them, especially when they are crossing the street. Always ask the person if they need help first.

About Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind:

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greater mobility and independence through the use of professionally trained guide dogs (nationally) and mobility assistance dogs (Ottawa area). Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind has provided more than 870 professionally trained guide dogs to Canadians since 1984.

To make a donation, visit www.guidedogs.ca or see page 6 in this magazine. ■

"My guide dog has given me freedom; that's definitely the word to use. My dog has enabled me to leave my property and go for a walk. It doesn't sound like much, but before having a guide dog I felt imprisoned to an acre of land. Everybody at Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind was very personable with a human approach, and beyond professional".

Tim, Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind Client

CGDB Events

RE/MAX Hallmark Realty Ottawa Golf Tournament

Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind would like to thank **RE/MAX Hallmark Realty Ottawa** for their support through their annual golf tournament, which took place on September 6, 2019. One of the attendees was "**Trixie**", a guide dog in training. Normally not permitted on furniture, an exception was made when Trixie asked, "Is a golf cart considered furniture?" ■



Motorcycle Ride

Our annual charity motorcycle ride on September 8, 2019 had record attendance, with 155 motorcyclists and a ride and BBQ that raised more than \$5,000! Our 2020 date is set for **Sunday, September 13**, with registration starting at 9:00am. Please spread the word to all riders you know. ■

Pictured here is a black Lab appropriately named "Rider".

Greely Lions Club Walk for Guide Dogs



Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind would like to thank the **Greely Lions Club** in Greely, Ontario for organizing their first Walk for Guide Dogs in support of Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind. The event took place on September 28, 2019. ■

Dollar\$ for Dog\$

Thanks to everyone who participated in Dollar\$ for Dog\$ on September 15, 2019, our annual fundraising dog walk. The day raised \$30,000 for Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind. Our total is significant thanks, largely in part, to our major fundraisers, all of whom raised more than \$1,000. Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind's C.O.O. & Co-Founder, **Jane Thornton** is pictured (left) with our top pledgers (left to right): **Jean-Marc Chenier; Louise Bark; Anne Armitage; Sheila Burvill; and Kathryn Mikoski. Sharon Brant** of Scarborough, Ontario could not attend the Ottawa event, but also raised over \$1,000.



Due to COVID-19, our 2020 event on May 30, 2020 is **cancelled**. Check the event listings on our website at www.guidedogs.ca for a new date to be booked as soon as possible. ■

Artists of Stonebridge

The Artists of Stonebridge Show & Sale raises funds for selected charities. In October 2019, the 10th annual show contributed admission funds to two charities, including Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind. We were pleased to have our guide dogs in training on-site to greet people at the show. Thank you to **Artists of Stonebridge** for this wonderful partnership. ■



Pictured: Nicole Parent (right), Chair, Artists of Stonebridge, presents proceeds from the 2019 show to Jane Thornton, Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind C.O.O. & Co-Founder.

Elmwood School

Elmwood School was founded in 1915 and is an independent day school for girls. Elmwood students are divided into four Houses, each named after a prominent and inspirational woman in history: Elizabeth Fry, Helen Keller, Florence Nightingale and Cairine Wilson. There has been a long-standing relationship between Elmwood and, specifically, Keller House, and Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind. Their annual fundraising event, Keller Dog Day, took place on September 25, 2019 with 200 people registered, attending the after school activities with their pet dogs. We joined in the fun and were represented by our pups **Mindy, Poseidon, and Praline**. Thanks to **Sara**, Head of Keller House, and everyone at **Elmwood** for their incredible efforts. ■



Toledo Ride-A-Thon

The 10th Annual Toledo Ride-A-Thon took place on Saturday, October 19, 2019 in Toledo, Ontario. Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind was the charity of choice for this event for the third consecutive year. 90 people, registered with their horses, tacked up and rode through the 25-kms of trails which were decorated for Halloween, with several participants dressing in orange and black or full costume. As always, the meal following the ride was fantastic. We'd like to thank **Lee-Ann, Kelly, their families and all volunteers** who organized this incredible event. ■



Santa Claus Parades

"Look at the dog house!" is the common refrain from children as we drive by with our float in Santa Claus Parades. Of course, we have our live dogs walking in the parades, but the younger children seem to enjoy the dog house just as much. We participated in four Santa Claus Parades during the 2019 holiday season; in Kanata, Barrhaven, Manotick, and Smiths Falls, Ontario. ■



Christmas Bake Sale

Thanks to our **incredible volunteers and staff** who contributed their time and talent to provide baked goods and treats for our 10th annual Christmas Bake Sale on December 14, 2019. It was another tremendously sweet success! ■

Gift Wrapping at Place d'Orléans



For a fifth consecutive year, Place d'Orléans offered Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind free space for a gift wrapping kiosk in the mall. For thirteen days, leading up to Christmas, our volunteers wrapped gifts for customers, and we periodically had some of our guide dogs in training on-site too. Thanks to **Emma, Eleanor** and the team at Place d'Orléans for their tremendous support. ■

Upcoming & Future Events

Due to the COVID-19 outbreak, events and fundraisers have been cancelled. We continue to make decisions on scheduled events as necessary, but we will certainly lose a great deal of revenue due to the cancellations.

For the latest updates check the events page on our website at **www.guidedogs.ca**.

2021 Calendar Photo Competition

Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind is now accepting photo submissions for our 2021 calendar.



Wyatt, our 2020 calendar "cover dog"

Please keep the following guidelines in mind before submitting your photos:

- Photos must be of a dog active for Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind; puppy walking, breeding, working (no retired or career change dogs please).
- Photos must have been taken between July 1, 2019 and June 30, 2020.
- Photos must be generic – no names, people, toys, harnesses, training jackets, date or time stamps.
- Only high-resolution* photos will be accepted. Please set your camera or device to its highest quality setting and send us the original sized photo.

Landscape photos only please

*A resolution of 300dpi is usually necessary for printing. **If your photos are lower resolution, please ensure they are at least 3MB in size.**

Photos submitted for the competition become the property of Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind. Photos should be submitted by email to events@guidedogs.ca by June 30, 2020 or shared via DropBox. Please send the dog(s) name with all photos. Winners will receive a complimentary copy of the 2021 calendar.

Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind Gift Shop

Please note that during the COVID-19 outbreak, we are able to continue processing gift shop orders on this form or online. We need your support more than ever. Thank you!



1. CGDB Baseball Cap – red

\$20.00 x _____ = \$ _____

2. Tote bag featuring black Lab "Bogart"

Medium _____ Large _____

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3. RC Pets Poppin' Light (collar in photo not included)

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4. Christmas cards – yellow lab with Santa hat

(package of 10 cards, plus 10 envelopes)

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5. Cartoon Puppy t-shirt

(black t-shirt with cartoon puppy, paw prints on reverse)

Small _____ Medium _____ Large _____ XL _____ XXL _____

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Client Profile – Penny Bowden & Astro

Penny Bowden woke up one morning when she was 43 and realized she could no longer see. "It's quite frustrating when you've had your sight your whole life," said Penny, who lives in Ottawa, Ontario.

Penny was diagnosed with Stargardt disease, which causes progressive damage, or degeneration, of the macula, which is a small area in the center of the retina that is responsible for sharp, straight-ahead vision. It rapidly progressed.

Over the past several decades, researchers have identified hundreds of genes that contribute to inherited eye diseases, including Stargardt disease. This information has led to better diagnostic tests, and is providing insight into possible treatments. Currently, however, there is no treatment for Stargardt disease. Some ophthalmologists encourage people with Stargardt

disease to wear dark glasses and hats when out in bright light to reduce the buildup of lipofuscin.

Penny says, "Having your sight your whole life and being involved with sports and typical things that a lot of people take for granted, you don't take for granted anymore." Although Penny became legally blind in both eyes within a year, it did not stop her. "I embrace being low vision, by continuing to do daily tasks and routines by being positive and not giving up, educating people on how I see things."

Penny's life changed for the better when she met **Astro**, her guide dog. "The impact he (Astro) has had on my life has been amazing. I go out in public a lot more than I used to. He has made me more confident in public. His alertness when we are out is great, and he is always aware of what's going on. Astro looks out for me, as I do him". Astro has kept Penny from walking into things



many times, such as parking meters and other common obstacles. They have had more challenging outings together too, as Astro has guided Penny to hockey games, concerts, restaurants, and on many flights.

"We are a great match", says Penny. "Astro has no issues keeping up". Penny lived at the National Training Centre of Canadian Guide Dogs for the Blind and appreciated the residential training course. "Living and training with Astro at CGDB taught me a lot. The staff were very attentive". Astro has been guiding Penny since 2016. ■



2019 Milestones

Thirty years of volunteering: Bob Brooker, Kincardine, ON

Twenty-five years of volunteering: Dan Carrier, North Saanich, BC * Trudie Carrier, North Saanich, BC * Joan Luckhart, Penticton, BC * Lory Rochon, 100 Mile House, BC * Emily Staines, Edmonton, AB

Twenty years of volunteering: Wayne Corrigan, Kemptville, ON * Mary Lou McCrae, Kemptville, ON * Dennis Molloy, Chesterville, ON * Donna Olsen,

Sarnia, ON * Judy Scaife, Nepean, ON * Robert Scaife, Nepean, ON * Herman Schultz, Gloucester, ON * Rockne Taylor, Espanola, ON * Robert Tremblay, Gatineau, QC * Donna Vasko, Merritt, BC

Fifteen years of volunteering: June Booth, Maple Ridge, BC * Sheila Edwards, Kanata, ON * Bonnie Gray, Manotick, ON * Elizabeth Johnson, Nepean, ON * Tom Johnson, Nepean, ON * Janet Tennant, Manotick, ON * William Wolfenden, Ottawa, ON

Ten years of volunteering: Serge Bosquet, Ottawa, ON * Jessie Collins, Bath, ON * Kathy Gibb, Nepean, ON * Barbara Kilmer, Markham, ON * Bev Lefko, Winnipeg, MB * Catherine Phillips, Orleans, ON * Claire Reed-Cassells, Port Hope, ON * Denise Skublics, Nepean, ON * Joyce Smith, Barrie, ON

Five years of volunteering: Jessica Beers, Bowmanville, ON * Paul Benoit, Ottawa, ON * Margaret Coleman, Ottawa, ON * Shelley Coleman, Ottawa, ON * Connie Corbett, Ottawa, ON * Pat Gregoire, Gloucester, ON * Beverley Hamblin, Greely, ON * Rob Hanna, Bowmanville, ON * Ashley Kepka, Port Perry, ON * Nathalie Lachance, Orleans, ON * Michael Leber, Ottawa, ON * Diane Lyon, Greely, ON * Thomas MacKinnon, Ottawa, ON * Carolyn Marie, Kelowna, BC * Tracey McCabe, Stittsville, ON * Pamela Middleton, Nepean, ON * Roselyn Murphy, Nepean, ON * Linda O'Meara, Nepean, ON * Steven O'Meara, Nepean, ON * Mark Raizenne, Manotick, ON * Marlene Shephard, Ottawa, ON * Shelagh Smith, Toronto, ON * Lucia Taggart, Westport, ON * Robert White, Stittsville, ON * Karen Winterstein, Nepean, ON ■

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