



Our Newsletter has been Named!

A **HUGE** thank you to everyone who submitted suggestions and ideas for our monthly newsletter name.

Congrats to Lisa Kowalchuk, who submitted the name "Vital News".

Lisa is the recipient of a CFSEA prize pack - watch for a photo of her smiley face in our next edition!

Jason Mauch Memorial Fund

Born in Hilda, AB just northeast of Medicine Hat, Jason Mauch was a lover of community and was embraced and encouraged by his neighbours and family, despite being born with developmental disabilities.

When he passed away in 2006, he was remembered as a man with lots of personality. His sister Jan said he lived a full life and was determined not to let his disabilities get in the way of his enjoyment of life.

"He loved to ride his bike when he was growing up, and throughout his life loved playing cards



and board games, bowling, and social events” Jan remembers fondly. Jason moved into a staffed residence through CORE Association in 1987 and lived with roommates, who had a lot of fun hosting Canada Day brunches and birthday parties. He always accepted his disabilities and never let them limit him or his ambitions.

When Jason expressed an interest in CORE’s Art Program, his family was surprised. Jan explains, “I’d describe our family as ‘stick people’ artists, so until then he had not been offered an opportunity to explore his artistic side. It wasn’t something we had even considered.”

Jason loved the Art Program and was such a good artist. He found it extremely enriching to have a way to express his creativity and talent.

When he passed, his sister founded the Jason Mauch Memorial Fund and said it was an easy decision to have all the proceeds donated to the Art Program at CORE. It gives other budding artists an opportunity to explore art and Jason would like that.

Jan says, “I celebrate how far we have come in accepting and empowering those with disabilities, but we still have a ways to go.” A program like this provides opportunities and options for CORE Individuals, enhancing and enriching their lives and – thanks to Jason and this fund – will continue to do so for years to come.

To donate to the Jason Mauch Memorial Fund, or any of our other legacy funds, contact us.



Original Art by Jason Mauch

New Funds

Thank you to Mr. Jim Nittel for setting up the **James (Jim) V. Nittel Fund**.

Thank you to Save Old Souls for setting up the **The Medicine Hat Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals (SPCA) Fund**.

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