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Support Services



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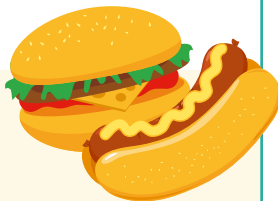
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EVENTS:

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**Summer
Picnic**



Save the Date:

Monday, August 17 - 11 am
Project 2000 Pavilion, Glencoe

RSVP:

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Celebrating the Stories: Every Story Matters

At Quad County we recognize that every person has a story to tell. Each are meaningful, personal and always unfolding.

These stories are moments of success - a new job opportunity, learning a new skill, celebrating with family, building friendships or discovering something new. They're also the moments of loss, change, challenge and uncertainty. And in so many ways, these moments mirror our own lives.

I am privileged every day to watch these stories unfold.

Our staff also play a pivotal role in these stories, while carrying a delicate responsibility in their work. They walk alongside individuals, supporting them to discover what's meaningful, build relationships and participate in the community. Staff's role is to support, not direct, how each person's story unfolds.

I'm grateful for the dedication, compassion and commitment of our staff who support people every day. They help people feel seen, valued and supported in creating their story.

I encourage you to be part of watching these stories unfold by following our Facebook page. Perhaps you will see a story that inspires you to reach out to someone you know, look for ways offer support and become be a part of their story.

Every story matters.

Linda Long
Executive Director

Supporting Youth Through Our Summer Youth Transition Program



Meet our leaders

Emily Miller

Emily has been working with individuals with disabilities since 2016 and has worked for Lambton Kent District School Board since 2020. Through her work and Developmental Services Worker (DSW) diploma, she has experience supporting people of many different ages.



Emily lives in Alvinston, has one child and has been married for five years. She loves challenging games, card games and board games as well as fishing, particularly ice fishing. Her favourite animal is an alpaca.

Lucy Varekamp

Lucy recently graduated from Glencoe District High School and will be attending Conestoga College to become a physiotherapy assistant. She lives in Glencoe and works on a local pig farm.



In her spare time, Lucy enjoys music and games, plays hockey, volleyball and golfs. She's also bilingual in French and English. Her favourite animal is a turtle.

Thank you Emily and Lucy for your hard work this summer!

We're excited to have our 2026 Youth Transition Program in full swing with 10 students participating, led by two summer staff and Darlene Hoover.

These youth are gaining valuable work and volunteer experience throughout the community. On Working Wednesdays, they focus on employment readiness, life skills and creating community connections. Fun Fridays are all about building friendships, teamwork and fostering social skills through inclusive recreational activities.

We also have one youth who is working with Community Employment Choices to develop employment skills with a goal of securing a paid job.

Thank you to all our community partners and employers for providing meaningful opportunities that help our youth build confidence, develop new skills and create lasting community connections.

This program is only possible because of funding from the federal government under the Canada Summer Jobs grant.

Spotlight:

Our Community in Pictures



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Remembering: Bonnie Campbell

We recently received sad news regarding the passing of Bonnie Campbell. She was a familiar face to many, having been a member of Quad County Board of Directors for almost 40 years.

Over her time, she held a number of positions on the board, representing the agency in a positive manner wherever she went. She was also a willing volunteer for our activities and events.

While her sense of humour was always enjoyed, she took her roles seriously and held a firm belief in inclusion for the people we support. For every decision that was made, her bottom line/question was always "how does this affect the people we support?"

Bonnie was someone who kept many of us grounded in the work we do. She will be greatly missed but her impact lives on. Thank you to Bonnie's family for sharing her with our organization.



Canada Day 50/50 Draw Winner

Jeremy McGill was the lucky winner of our Canada Day 50/50 draw with a value of \$1368.50

Thank you to everyone who purchased tickets. Your generosity helps support our programs and the people we serve.

A special thank you to Andrea MacKellar for organizing the event, board members and volunteers who gave their time to sell tickets. And thanks to Glencoe Foodland for providing space to host the ticket sales.



Welcoming a New Team Member

We're happy to welcome Brenda Nelson to Quad as our new administrative assistant. Originally from Northern Ontario, Brenda loves spending time doing outdoor activities. She also enjoys crafting and painting and is a member of the Strathroy Art Group and Algoma Art Society.



Brenda is also an active volunteer with the Strathroy Health Alliance and Lions Community Group in Ilderton.

With diplomas in Correctional Worker and Medical Office Administration, she's excited to get to know everyone at Quad and loves to help others. Welcome Brenda!