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Northwood Foundation Opens Doors of “Kaye’s Place” Memories Room Provides a Special Place for Residents with Dementia

HALIFAX, N.S. / March 28, 2018 – The doors of Northwood Foundation’s new memories room



Katherine Dickson’s family pours the first cup of tea at “Kaye’s Place.”

are now officially open. “Kaye’s Place” is Northwood’s response to the need for specialized programs and supports for residents living with dementia and their families.

“Kaye’s Place” provides a haven for residents who struggle with the challenges of dementia while providing a homelike setting and special place to reconnect. The room is located at Northwood’s Halifax campus and will be used for special programming and scheduled family visits.

“Sometimes family and friends can lose their connection with loved ones because of the impacts of dementia,” says Faye LeBlanc, Managing Director of the Northwood Foundation.

“Kaye’s Place allows family and friends an opportunity to reconnect with their loved ones, share a private moment and a hot cup of tea. It’s a homelike atmosphere with a focus on creating activities centered on what our residents can do, rather than what they can no longer do.”



“Kaye’s Place” located at the Northwood’s Halifax campus.

Funding for “Kaye’s Place” was made possible through the Northwood Foundation and donations received at the 2017 Live More Awards. Jim Dickson, was the recipient of the 2017 Hedley G. Ivany Live More Award and “Kaye’s Place” is named in honour of his mother Katherine, “Kaye” Dickson. Katherine is a resident at Northwood and has dementia.

“When I was named the 2017 recipient of the Northwood Foundation’s Hedley G. Ivany award, I asked that instead of

honoring me, the award honour my mother,” says Jim Dickson. “My mother has lived an extraordinary life and I am so pleased to see her honoured in this unique way while improving the lives of those living with Alzheimer’s and dementia.”

“Kaye’s Place” officially opened on March 27, 2018. Katherine Dickson’s family attended the event and enjoyed the first cup of tea.

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About Northwood

Since 1962, we have led the way as Nova Scotia’s most dynamic continuing care organization committed to innovation and change. We are the largest not-for-profit continuing care organization in Atlantic Canada and are recognized both here at home and across Canada as an extraordinary example of the power of social justice, but we like to call it the power of love! When life changes, and society changes, Northwood leads the way, incorporating revolutionary designed, responsive care. From new ideas to new technologies, we are empowered to do this, because our focus is on people, not on profit margins.

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