

Media Release



Town of Stratford Renames Park

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The Town of Stratford is pleased to announce that today the park located on Saints Crescent, in Kinlock Creek Subdivision, has officially been renamed to honour the late Evelyn Meader. Evelyn Meader Park includes play equipment and forested area which has natural trails throughout. The property was previously donated to the Town of Stratford by the Meader family and the renaming of the park builds on the legacy Evelyn began on the property when the family planted the trees on the land many years ago. Evelyn was an avid bird watcher, appreciated nature and was a strong proponent of the environment and sustainability, along with being a tireless volunteer and unofficial greeter ready to welcome anyone new in the area and introduce them around.

“Evelyn was not only a personal friend of my family,” said Stratford Mayor Steve Ogden, “but a wonderful community minded individual. Her legacy on this property will be remembered through the naming of the park and I can only imagine how thrilled she would be to know this has been done in her honour and memory.

The request was made through the Town’s Commemorative Naming Policy by the family of Evelyn Meader. Members of her family, friends, neighbours of the park, and representatives of the Town of Stratford joined together to reflect and celebrate on her legacy, including the cutting of a ribbon by her daughter Laura.

“The Town is made better through the addition of parkland,” added Mayor Ogden. “Whenever we can create a space that allows the next generation to play and use their imaginations, we are doing good. Evelyn would be grateful to see this all come together, and we are thankful to her family for helping to make this happen. It’s a great day for all of Stratford, and especially those who live in proximity to this space.”

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