

The Benjamin Project 2023 Newsletter



Dear *Benjamin Booster*,

As this year comes to an end, at what is a challenging time by any measure, we want to express our gratitude for your continued encouragement and support for The Benjamin Project. Soon entering our 10th year, our initiative remains a bright spot in our lives as we remember our precious little boy and do what we can to honour his life.

2024 Benjamin Project Calendar is Here!

Thanks to a very generous donation in kind from The Printing House again this year, our annual fundraising calendar is now ready for sale! With the wonderful efforts of our publisher Lisa Browning of One Thousand Trees, and original artwork for the cover by our webmaster and illustrator Sandra Wilson, this edition profiles 12 sanctuaries across Ontario with beautiful pictures of their animals. At \$15, proceeds from sales will go to these sanctuaries in keeping with our dual mission of education on responsible pet ownership and animal stewardship and fundraising for shelters, sanctuaries and rescues. Feel free to contact us through our website www.thebenjaminproject.ca or to Malcolm directly at malcolmbernstein@sympatico.ca to place your order!

New Book Series in 2024!

Following the success of our 2021 anthology of true stories, Animals and Our Emotional Wellbeing, in another collaboration with and exceptionally generous pro bono work of Lisa and her publishing company, we will be creating a book series in 2024 of true stories written by kids about the impact of animals on *their* lives, in partnership with animal shelters across Canada.

We will have special celebrations at these shelters to launch the books, with all proceeds going to the respective shelters. We will also be awarding the best authors of these stories with a Benjamin Project Scholarship, which parents/guardians commit to safeguard until the child enters post-secondary education. Be sure to follow us on Facebook and Instagram so you can see the exciting updates as this book series unfolds!

Education Program

We are almost ready to launch our education program through The Benjamin Project website! To access the wealth of resources, educators need only buy the passcode, then everything opens for them to download as they please. Please connect with us if you want to be one of the first ones to gain access to these amazing resources including our very creative Alphabet of Pet Care Workbook.

From our home to yours, please accept our thanks for your support and sincere best wishes for the holidays and the New Year. Woof!

Malcolm and Helen



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www.thebenjaminproject.ca So much to see on our site!

Our books and calendar make great holiday gifts!