

## Everyone deserves a phenomenal summer camp experience...

There is something about going off to camp that makes summer that much better! Picture sing-alongs and marshmallows roasting under the stars by the fire – with all your best camp friends! Since 1950, Camp Easter Seal has been providing a safe environment for individuals experiencing disability and very much deserving of sharing in the camp experience. Inclusive to so many individuals - campers of all ages get a chance to attend! With the youngest group of campers aged 6 to 9 years old and the eldest group over fifty years of age, long time campers like Jana can be sure there's no shortage of memories to be made or experiences to be had!

Celebrating her 40th birthday very soon, Jana has been attending Camp Easter Seal since she was in elementary school. Exposing Jana to opportunities for independence and realizing her full potential have always been priorities for Jana's parents, Shirley and Mark. "What we want for Jana is the same thing all parents want for their children. We want her to be successful, whatever that looks like for her. We want her to meet her potential, to communicate and articulate what she needs, to be social and have meaningful relationships and most of all to live a full life. I have always wanted for Jana to have the same experiences growing up as her brother and sister, or any other child," says Shirley of daughter, Jana.

With more than a few Camp Easter Seal memories to recall, one of Jana's earliest includes arriving to Little Manitou Lake one summer with a broken leg. Outfitted with a protective walking boot did make it difficult for the self-professed 'dancing queen' to bust some moves but in true Jana fashion - she found a way to make it work! "When Jana is gone for that week – it is so good for her. She doesn't have to worry about Mom

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*Camp Easter Seal is a very special place for hundreds of children, youth, and adults experiencing disability who attend each summer in Saskatchewan. This year, the return to in-person programming resumes after two years of virtual activities through Camp Connected. Staff could not be more excited to welcome campers back to their home away from home at Little Manitou Lake!*



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- ☐ \$1,955 for one week at Camp
- ☐ \$978 for half a week
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“COVID-19 has impacted everyone in different ways. It has been isolating for everyone but especially for individuals like Jana who are experiencing disability. Going without programs and services like Camp, it’s a big loss and not just for campers but their families and caregivers. Not everyone is lucky enough to have a big support group or network. Jana is a very social person. She is on social media and she likes to send out text messages. Sometimes she’ll do a Facebook live to speak her mind. But she has us, her family and friends who make sure she’s doing okay,” explains Shirley of the real impact the pandemic had on individuals experiencing disability.

For Jana, the social aspect of Camp Easter Seal is at the top of her 'favourite things' list, "I'm most excited just to see my friends again." Taking part in Camp Connected last year filled that gap, but as we all know – it just isn't the same as being with your favourite people face to face. This summer Jana hopes to reconnect with her camper friends and take part in the activities she enjoys the most – crafting, socializing, and you guessed it, dancing!

We are just as excited as Jana to invite campers back to in-person Camp Easter Seal programming this summer! Camp is a very special place that provides children, youth, and adults experiencing disability the opportunity to socialize with their peers, enhance communications skills, and increase their self-esteem. Everyday at Camp is an invitation for campers to have fun without worrying about everyday challenges they may experience at home. The focus at Camp is always on what is possible rather than what is not!

With your help, we can make this camp season the absolute best yet! When you donate to Camp Easter Seal, you are



*As a parent, nothing beats driving up the road to Camp Easter Seal and hearing the staff singing the greeting to campers, you can feel their excitement! It carries over even as we drive away, hearing the staff singing them goodbye. There's nothing else like it."*

## JANA'S MOM, SHIRLEY

ensuring individuals experiencing disability in your community are able to return to the only barrier-free facility of its kind in the province. Attending Camp Easter Seal is a life changing experience. Together, we can make accessing Camp a real possibility for the many campers who have been without it for much too long! Thank you for supporting Camp Easter Seal with your generous donation!

Sincerely,




*Will*

Ian Wilkinson  
Executive Director, SaskAbilities

*Individuals experiencing disability have many barriers to face in the everyday world – the cost of Camp should never be another hurdle they must navigate in order to attend. You can help us ensure no one is left behind as the gates are re-opened to Camp Easter Seal for the first time since the COVID-19 pandemic began. The cost to host one camper for a one-week experience is over \$1,900 dollars. That amount can be an overwhelming expense for families who do not have the financial resources to send their loved ones to Camp. Your donation can make going to Camp a reality for someone in your community!*

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Thank you for giving individuals who experience disability the chance to learn, grow and have fun this summer!

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