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Boomer's Legacy lives on at Comox Valley Airport

A stained glass window dedicated to the Boomer's Legacy Foundation was installed today at the Comox Valley Airport. To commemorate the occasion, founder Maureen Eykelenboom was on hand, along with Col. James Benninger of 19 Wing Comox and Fred Bigelow of the Comox Valley Airport.

"Boomer's Legacy is committed to 'Helping Soldiers Help Others' by providing funds to support projects in communities where our soldiers serve," said founder Maureen Eykelenboom. "It is simply wonderful to see our legacy live on at the Comox Valley Airport. What a great way to remember the generosity of all the donors and sponsors that have helped us to provide funds for basic humanitarian needs, medical care and education in these communities."

The window, created by local glass artist Jan Lindstrom, depicts the Boomer's Legacy Foundation logo and a yellow ribbon, the well-known symbol of support for Canada's troops.

"As neighbours, 19 Wing Comox has a special relationship with Boomer's Legacy Foundation and the Eykelenboom family. We are honoured to support the Foundation's goal to help make a difference to the lives of local civilians in affected areas, big or small, when deployed," said 19 Wing Commander, Col Jim Benninger. "I am very happy to be here today to mark this occasion with Maureen [Eykelenboom] and hope the window inspires Canadians to continue to strive to make our world a better and more just place to live."

"The Comox Valley Airport is pleased to display this tribute to an organization dedicated to making a difference in the lives of others," concluded Comox Valley Airport CEO, Fred Bigelow. "This window truly symbolizes the generous spirit of our community and is an excellent way to welcome passengers into our airport."

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About Boomer's Legacy Foundation:

Boomer's Legacy is named after Corporal Andrew "Boomer" Eykelenboom, a dedicated soldier, and a Canadian Forces medic, who was killed by a suicide bomber on August 11, 2006. Andrew's humanitarian spirit lives on through Boomer's Legacy, which raises money that soldiers can access to further help the people in communities where they serve. More information about Boomer's Legacy and its sponsors can be found at:

www.boomerslegacy.ca

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