

Banting, World Diabetes Day & the 92nd Anniversary of the discovery of insulin

The Sir Frederick Banting Legacy Foundation will host a double celebration at the Banting Homestead Heritage Park (BHHP), birthplace of Sir Frederick Banting, co-discoverer of insulin at 5116 Sir Frederick Banting Road, in Alliston, on Saturday, November 9th, from 2 ?5 p.m.

Help celebrate Banting Day/World Diabetes Day and the Official Opening of the new Heritage Exhibit building, the latest addition to the evolving Diabetes Management and Information Centre complex. Program will start at 2 p.m. with welcoming remarks by elected officials followed immediately by the ribbon cutting ceremony.

? Explore: The exhibit venues include paintings, prints and artifacts, created by or relating to, Sir Frederick Banting, Nobel Laureate, war hero, inventor.

? Learn: The exhibit themes include Diabetes Prevention, Discovery of Insulin, Banting the Artist, Writer, War Hero.

? Get tested: Our Diabetes Outreach Team partners from Stevenson Memorial Hospital/Southlake Regional Health Centre will be on hand conducting the Big Blue Test. Have a free test of your blood sugar on the spot.

? Be informed: Good health advice and diabetes information will be provided by representatives of the Canadian Diabetes Association, Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation and pharmaceutical suppliers.

?Have fun: Participate in the silent auction, enjoy musical entertainment by our guest choir and piper and free refreshments. Help us say, ?Happy Birthday?, to Sir Frederick Banting.

The program will conclude at 5 p.m. with the lighting of the historic farmhouse in blue. Join us in support of the International Diabetes Federation and hundreds of countries and organizations around the world who are conducting special events and lighting buildings, monuments, bridges and other venues in 'blue' to raise awareness of diabetes and to honour Sir Frederick Banting.

For information, please contact Ralph Jones at 705- 434-1867

The Diabetes Management and Education Centre complex provides barrier-free access and there is convenient parking on the site.

The Sir Frederick Banting Legacy Foundation is a dedicated team of volunteers committed to the dual mission of Fighting Diabetes and Preserving a Legacy.

For more information on the Foundation go to www.bantinglegacy.ca