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GED Success Story

In 1930, a twelve-year-old boy quit school in Holland to work and help earn passage to Canada for his family. Sixty-seven years and a lifetime of memories later, that long-ago boy, John Tigchelaar, has returned to school to earn his GED diploma.

Mr. Tigchelaar is the middle child of nine children. He moved from his native Netherlands to Canada at age 14. The family faced a future of hard work and the challenge of learning a new language. Mr. Tigchelaar worked along with his brother in a Canadian gold mine for a time; and nine years after immigrating to Canada, he met his future wife, also an immigrant from Holland.

In 1948, the Tigchelaars finally received authorization to come to America. With experience in growing flowers, it was only natural that they would end up at Terra Ceia, where Mrs. Tigchelaar's family had also put down roots. The Tigchelaars bought a small farm in the area where they made an honest living for 25 years. During this time, they raised five children of their own and 18 foster children.

John Tigchelaar eventually sold the farm to his brother-in-law and moved to Washington. Until recently, he worked in production for local industries.

Mr. Tigchelaar, one of many employees who will lose their jobs when Hamilton Beach/Proctor Silex shuts down, volunteered for early layoff. "There are a lot of young people who need the work more than I do, and it is time for me to move on and do something else," Mr. Tigchelaar said. That something else is returning to school to earn his GED. Every

"Beaufort County Community College has always been a place that I could appreciate."

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