

Thursday, October 20 : Spirit Day. Wear purple in support of LGBT students who are resisting bullying. On Saturday October 15, openly gay Ottawa student Jamie Hubley committed suicide after relentless bullying at his school. Unlike many LGBT young people, Jamie had the support of his parents and of the Rainbow Club, his school's gay/straight alliance. Even so, between depression and bullying, Jamie felt he could not continue, wrote a farewell note on his blog, and took his own life. "You can't break when you're already broken," he said. www.thestar.com/news/article/1072227

Saturday, October 22 : Nova Scotia Rainbow Action Project Eighth Annual Fundraising Gala : Takin' It to the Streets. Marriott Harbourfront Hotel, beginning at 6:00 p.m. Reception, auction, keynote speaker, banquet, presentation of Community Hero Awards. Tickets are \$125.00 per person, and can be obtained by contacting <http://nsrap.ca/gala> or nsrap@nsrap.ca
Among the community endeavours supported by NSRAP is (you guessed it!) Elderberries.

Sunday, October 23 : Elderberry Potluck Social at a NEW LOCATION : 5770 Spring Garden Road, Community Room, 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. Guest speaker : mystery writer Nadine Lapierre, author of the Halifax-set lesbian mystery **Slayer**.
www.nadinelapierre.com

Door will be staffed 1:30 to 2:30 only. Admission free. Please bring something you would enjoy eating for the potluck. A full kitchen is available : coffee will be provided. Please - no scents, no alcohol, no pets (assistance dogs welcome). Guest parking is not available : please park in the street.

Thursday, October 27 : Sex, Silence, and Justice : Should It be a Crime Not to Disclose You Have HIV? Presentation by Richard Elliott, Executive Director of the Canadian HIV/AIDS Legal Network. Weldon Law Building, 6061 University Avenue, Room 207, 12:00 noon to 1:30 p.m. Free admission, but space is limited. Sponsored by the Schulich School of Law.

Appetizers! Soups! Salads! Roasts! Barbecues! Desserts! Fish! Fowl! Good Red Herring!

Yes, it's all your favorite recipes, to be featured in the very first Elderberries cookbook. Dan MacKay daniel@bonmot.ca is gathering recipes now. We know you can cook, so please share your expertise with the rest of us. An ideal chance for out-of-town Elderberries to take part. Don't delay. If we don't get enough recipes from you, we will fill in with the organizing committee's B-list : Dan's Lime Gelatin Cottage Cheese Surprise; Lynn's Father's Eel Pie with Beet Relish; Anita's Habanero Chili Pepper Salad with Jicama Roots.

I promised the Committee I'd keep the newsletter short this time, but stuff just keeps on happenin'! If you have received this e-mail you are a registered member of the Elderberries. If you would like to resign (but who would ever wish to leave us?!?), please send an e-mail to malm1@ns.sympatico.ca . Any typos in this communication are the fault of eels who have escaped from the pie and keep slithering across my keyboard in the midnight hours, typing in recipes for Chicken Wings with Peach Salsa

(Eels are non-vegetarians. Look it up).