

September 1, 2013

### **1. September Elderberries Potluck Social**

Sunday September 8, 2:00 to 4:30 pm

Free monthly event for LGBT people aged 55+. Location : the Penthouse, 2615 Northwood Terrace. Wheelchair accessible. Parking is often available in the surrounding streets, or there is paid parking in a lot just across from the entrance. Please - no scents, no peanuts, no alcohol, no pets. Service dogs welcome.

Program : Shhhh! It's a surprise 90th birthday party for Patricia Martinson. Her birthday was in the spring, but she was too busy working on the Tattoo to celebrate. She doesn't have email, which is why we can send out this invitation to members and other friends. Shhh!

For the potluck, please bring something you would enjoy eating and sharing. Homemade or store-bought are both welcome. Coffee and tea provided. There are no kitchen facilities, so finger food or cold dishes are the best choice. Please bring any serving utensils your dish requires - salad tongs, knife for cutting cakes, etc.

If you can't make the party, send wishes to the Newsletter, and they will be passed on.

October Potluck Social will be Sunday October 13

### **2. Thom Fitzgerald's new television series**

Premiering Wednesday September 4 on Super Channel is *Forgive Me*, a twelve-episode series set in and around a confessional, and featuring Mike McLeod as a young priest with a career-threatening secret (hmmm, wonder what that could be?). Olympia Dukakis, Brenda Fricker, John Dunsworth and Jeremy Akerman are also series regulars.

### **3. Other events :**

#### **Halifax Pride Post-Festival Post-Mortem Community Meeting :**

Thursday September 5, 6-8 pm, Halifax North Memorial Public Library. The meeting will gather feedback from the community on Pride 2013 : positive discussion and productive exchange of ideas on what worked well, what could be improved, what might be added.

**Halifax Pride Annual General Meeting** : Monday September 9, Atlantica Hotel, 1980 Robie St. Membership renewals from 5:30 pm (must be a member to vote) ; meeting begins 6:00 pm.

<https://www.facebook.com/events/628576743829627/>

**Elderberries Coffee Break** : Wednesday September 18, Northwood Coffee Room (Harbourview), 10:30 am. Refreshments available from the adjacent Coco's outlet. Staff and residents of Northwood are invited to join Elderberries for conversation and getting-to-know-you.

**Scotiabank AIDS Walk for Life** : Sunday September 22, Halifax Commons. Registration begins 12:30 pm; walk begins 2:00 pm. For more information, contact Katelyn Kelly at (902) 425-4882 ext 230, or email <http://aidswalkforlife.halifax.ca>,

**Celebrate Bisexuality Day** : Monday September 23. Elderberries is not aware of any local celebrations. If you are planning one, please let us know at [malm1@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:malm1@ns.sympatico.ca),

**Queer Health Research Nova Scotia Meeting** : Pat Richards Conference Room, Stairs House, 6230 South Street. For more information, call Kirk at (902) 449-2213, or email [gahps@dal.ca](mailto:gahps@dal.ca)

#### **4. Seeking accommodation :**

Woman looking for affordable accommodation in Halifax close to kind, happy women : small studio apartment in the city, cottage in the country, small self-contained apartment in someone's home. [wclouthier@gmail.com](mailto:wclouthier@gmail.com)

#### **5. Events listings :**

For other September events, please check out

<http://www.menzbar.ca>

<http://gay.hfxns.org/LocalEvents>

<http://www.thecompanyhouse.ca/html/calendar>

#### **6. and besides....**

If you have received this newsletter, you are a member in good standing of Elderberries, an organization of LGBT persons aged 50+, and their families, friends, and supporters. If for some unfathomable reason you wish to resign from Elderberries or to cease receiving this newsletter, you may do so by informing us at [malm1@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:malm1@ns.sympatico.ca) or

[elderberries.scotia2@gmail.com](mailto:elderberries.scotia2@gmail.com)

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Riding in a hot-air balloon is one of my secret fantasies. The Sackville (NB) Hot Air Balloon Festival runs September 6 to 8. If I do not show up at the (Shhh!) surprise birthday party, perhaps I have gone to Sackville to privateer a Festive Balloon. Stick your head out the window - I may be dive-bombing you with cake decorations and purple condoms....

And what's on *your* bucket list?