

## **1. November Elderberries Potluck Social**

Sunday November 10, 2:00 to 4:30 pm

Free monthly event for LGBT people aged 50+, and our families, friends, and supporters. 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 : Gabe Saulnier-Pictou and Dan MacKay will talk about their experiences attending the Twenty-Fifth International Two-Spirit Gathering held at Camp deWolfe, Wading River, New York, September 18 to 23, 2013.

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 preferred. Please bring any serving utensils your dish requires - salad tongs, knife for cutting cakes, etc.

## **2. Elderberries Coffee Break:**

Wednesday November 20, Northwood Coffee Room (Harbourview), 10:30 am. Refreshments available from adjacent Coco's outlet). Staff and residents of Northwood are invited to join Elderberries for conversation and getting-to-know-you.

## **3. News and connections :**

**Transgender Day of Remembrance** : remember those who have been killed as a result of transphobia. Wednesday November 20, St Matthew's United Church, 1479 Barrington Street, Halifax. Doors open 6:30, event begins 7:00 pm.

## **Gen Silent screenings across NS :**

American documentary follows the day-to-day lives of six LGBT seniors for one year as they face some critical life decisions

Nov 21 : The Cove Guest Home, Sydney

Nov 28 : Gables Lodge, Amherst

Dec 2 : Astor Theatre, Liverpool

All screenings begin at 6:30 pm. RSVP to [gensilent@gov.ns.ca](mailto:gensilent@gov.ns.ca) four days prior to screening. Brought to you in partnership by the Departments of

Communities, Culture, and Heritage Health and Wellness, Seniors.

LQBTQ dance in Middleton : Christmas Dance November 30 in Nictaux Falls at the Middleton Lions Club. Admission \$5.00 with DJ, great light show. Door prizes and 50/50 draw. Hall located ten minutes from Middleton on Highway 10 in Nictaux Falls. For more information call David or Norman 825-4767; email [normanrainbowheart@hotmail.com](mailto:normanrainbowheart@hotmail.com),

Rev Darlene Young Memorial Christmas Dinner : November 30, St Andrews Church, Coburg and Robie St., Halifax : an evening of community, celebration, and Christmas spirit. For more information, contact Gary Beazley at 454-2262, email [gbeazley@eastlink.ca](mailto:gbeazley@eastlink.ca)

NSRAP video on Sex Reassignment Surgery : talent needed for forthcoming video includes videographer, video editor, songwriter, trans artists to appear in video. Interested? Contact [nsrap@nsrap.ca](mailto:nsrap@nsrap.ca)

A petition calling for more controls on prisoners allowed out on short-leave passes has been organized by Raymond Taavel's sister and is being distributed at the request of Darren Lewis. For more information, see <http://www.primaveraphoto.com/petition-taavel/>.

#### **4. Community event links :**

The Company House : <http://www.thecompanyhouse.ca/html/calendar.html>

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

HalifaxPride  
<http://halifaxpride.com/events>

Wayves  
<http://www.wayves.ca>

#### **5. Message from the editor :**

If you have received this newsletter, you are a member in good standing of Elderberries, a free organization for LGBT persons aged 50+, and their families, friends, and supporter. Contact for the Elderberries newsletter is [malm1@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:malm1@ns.sympatico.ca) or [elderberries.scotia2@gmail.com](mailto:elderberries.scotia2@gmail.com)

Some material has been sent to us with a request for inclusion. A

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This month, Your Editor has been re-inspired by the NSRAP Gala keynote speaker, Gerald Hannon. Hannon's article "Men loving boys loving men," which appeared in *The Body Politic* in 1977, sparked accusations of publishing immoral or scurrilous material, sent police into TBP offices to seize the mailing list and several boxes of other materials, and set off a legal battle that lasted for six years, draining the newspaper of both money and volunteer energy. But Hannon and the paper called on anti-censorship supporters across the country, and in the end were found Not Guilty.

So far no authorities have stormed into Your Editor's office attempting to seize the mailing list, but if they do she shall offer to beat them off with her cane. It might be educational to have an Elderberries Potluck Social in the courtroom during the trial for resisting arrest.