

1. New Elderberries Board :

As you read in the message sent two weeks ago, the Elderberries Potluck gathering of November 8 was planned as an opportunity to meet your new Elderberries Board. Unfortunately, attendees were greeted by the surprise resignation of three of the newly elected Board members.

The Board as it now stands is : Acting Chair : Dan MacKay Interim Newsletter Editor : Lynn Murphy NSRAP Representative : Hugo Dann Other Board members : Anita Martinez, Allison Brewer

As the holiday season is almost upon us, we have decided to postpone nominations and elections until January.

Ongoing activities :

Getting Elderberries listed with the Registry of Joint Stocks. This was approved earlier this year, and is a required preliminary to getting our own bank account, which we need if we are to do any fundraising.

Participating with other LGBT organizations in a seasonal party - details not yet available, but possible date is Wednesday December 16. Watch for further notice!

2. Anne Fulton Dies Aged 64

Longtime gay and lesbian activist and founding member of the Gay Alliance for Equality, Anne Fulton died at her home in Halifax on November 2, of a heart attack. Although a resident of Halifax since the 1960s, she was a native of New Brunswick.

After receiving her MA degree in Counselling, she had been working for the last several years as a freelance counsellor.

Her funeral service took place Tuesday November 10, 2015, at Chipman Community Chapel in Chipman, New Brunswick : interment followed at Red Bank United Church Cemetery, Chipman.

This information adapted from the Obituary by Sue Burns. Further information and anecdotes from friends are available on Facebook: see, Anne Fulton - a celebration of her life.

3. Transgender Day of Remembrance

The Transgender Day of Remembrance ceremony, in memory of those who have died as a result of transphobic violence, will be held on Friday, November 20th, at St Matthew's United Church, 1479 Barrington St, Halifax. Doors open at 6:00 pm; ceremony begins 6:30; reception follows. For more information : <u>http://www.nsrap.ca/community/tdor</u>

4. Youth Project's Eleventh Annual Fundraising Brunch and Auction, hosted by Neville MacKay. Lord Nelson Hotel, Sunday November 22. Opening 12:00 noon, silent auction and live auction viewing; 1:00 pm, brunch and live auction. Tickets \$45.00 each. Questions? http://www.auction@youthproject.ns.ca

5. If you have received this Newsletter, you are a member in good standing of Elderberries, an organization of LGBT persons aged fifty plus, and our families, friends, and supporters. Membership

is free.

6. Messagee from the Interim Editor :

Owing to the suddennesse with which Your Editor was called out of Retirement, a state in which she was ablt to

a) clear a 4" x 12" surface og her desk down to ye Bare Wood, and

b) have her Computer Guru install an externaal Usb Transcend haRD disk (whagtever that is. He explained it at the time.), and

c) visit ye Publick Library every Wensday to inspect the fifth floor which has hundreds, nay possibly thousands of shiny murder mysteries, AND a coffee shoppe where it is possible to read sample chapters, and

d) avoid adding to the haalf-completed manuscript of her torrid historical romantic mystery - "Oh Josiah," sighed Anastacia, "just a little to the left, if thou pleasest."

...where was I? Josiah is a bit distraacting.

...oh, yes, owing to the suddennesse etc etc, Your Editor has not been able to proofreadd this edition with her usuaol meticulous care and attention. Thus it is possibler that one or two minor errors may have crept in. We (note use of royal We) hope you will excuse this unprecedented lapse. Also, because of thespeed of composition, their has not been time to inssert the usual illegant visuals - coming back next edition, We promise!

Lynn Murphy Interim Editor

Anita Martinez

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(Comment : "No time for the visuals? How would She like it if I put out the December Newsletter with 27 photos and said there was no time to put in any words?")