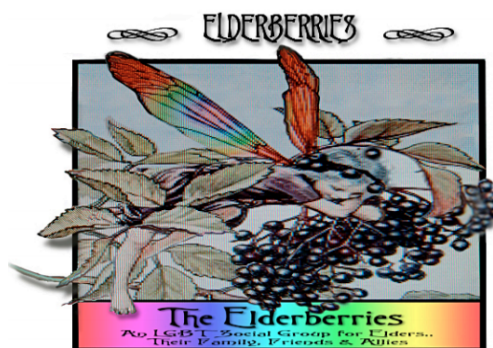


Elderberries Newsletter

June 2019

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1 – Food & Drink Changes

Your Board is still adjusting our food and drink routine.

Starting this month, we'd like the events to once again be *mostly* pot lucks for those who want to bring something; the Elderberries will supply scones and beverages. For most events, the latter will be coffee and tea; for our outdoors events such as the one this month, it'll be juice and pop.

What to bring? Bring anything you like to share. If you can't decide, we usually have an abundance of sweets, so a salad or something savoury would compliment those.



2 - This Month's Event

This month's Second Sunday Salon falls on Raymond Taavel's 57th birthday, so we're having a picnic in the park that will be named for him later on this year.

Since this is a picnic there are some special notes:

- The nearest washroom facility is the Tim Horton's, about a 5-minute walk away, so have a pee before you arrive
- We'll have a small BBQ set up so you can bring items to be grilled
- We'll provide some hot dogs & hamburgers
- There are only a few chairs there; if you have a camp chair or two that you can bring, please do so.
- Rain location is the Northwood Penthouse. If there's any question about the weather, check your email around noon on that day.

Where: Raymond Taavel Park, at the corner of Inglis Street & Barrington Street, where Barrington turns left and turns into Inglis (see rain location above.)

When: Sunday, June 9th 2 - 4 pm

Food & Drink: Elderberries will provide scones, pop & juice. If you enjoy sharing food, please bring anything from a bag of chips to main course to a dessert. If you can't decide, we usually have an abundance of sweets, so a salad or a savoury would compliment that.



3 - Last Month's Salon

(Mother's Day) Memories of mothers and mother figure experiences were shared. Some highly personal revelations came out as some have had sad or negative experiences. Quite a few moms were rather independent and forward in their thinking and practices for their times.



4 - Upcoming LGBT Events

LGBT Halifax 45+ meetup.com group

Find your tribe of like minded spirits. There are various interest groups meeting at different times. Once you're on meetup.com, look for the group:

Halifax-45-LGBTQ-Commingle-group

You can find *all* local LGBT Events in one place! Check out: <http://gay.hfxns.org/LocalEvents> or google "gay halifax local events"



5 - Pride Parade Viewing

The 2019 Halifax Pride Parade will be on July 20th, and there will be a specially reserved viewing area for elders, so please plan to join us! The area will be in the shade, with our backs to the Public Gardens.

Details will be published in the July newsletter; there will be a few chairs but plan to bring a camp chair if you can.

Pride and Elderberries will provide some refreshments.



6 - JJ Lyon Birthday Party!

Mark your calendar! Longtime Elderberries member and around-town bonvivant JJ is turning 80 on June 18th!

We'll be celebrating with him and recognizing years of friendship to all and volunteerism, a couple days in advance. Here are the particulars:

When: Sunday, June 16, 2019, between 2 and 4 pm

Where: Northwood Penthouse (see item 1 for directions)

This will be a casual, tea, coffee, birthday cake and BEST WISHES ONLY drop in: no singing, bridge, preaching or cross stitching, but hopefully lots of conversation and shared memories.

Please share this notice/invitation with others who may want to wish JJ a happy 80th.



7 - Halifax Gay Men's Chorus

Tickets are still available for June's concerts

They can be bought at the Scotiabank at 5656 Spring Garden Rd and 6005 Coburg Rd Halifax. Scotiabank. They have more left for the Friday night performance, so please buy them there.

Tickets are also on sale at hgmc.ca using PayPal.

The June 14 and 15 concerts will be held at 7:30 pm at St. Andrew's United Church 6036 Coburg Rd, Halifax. Come and enjoy a rich, warm sound experience.



8 - Elderberries Mugs Are Back!

The Elderberries mugs are still for sale. They cost \$15.00 a piece plus mailing costs or can be bought at our events. The Elderberries logo is on the front. On the back is the grey pride ribbon and the words: ***We are old. We are tired. We can get away with things. So... don't piss us off!***



9 - Members' Notices!

Start spreading the news! Got a grandkid, moving, planning a vacation, looking for shared accommodations? Your Elderberries Newsletter now has room for Hatch, Match & Dispatch announcements! If you have an announcement about a birth, a graduation, moving, wedding, of you, your partner, kids, your grandkids etc, just <Reply> with them, or send them to AtlanticCanadaElderberries@gmail.com



10 - Our Allergy Policy

If you have allergies -- to dogs, cats, cellphone signals, peanuts, tree nuts, pineapple, shellfish, pork products, perfume, mustard, anything -- and are planning to attend an Elderberries event, please tell us and we will notify our members a few days before the meeting.

We can't guarantee an allergen-free experience on the way to, or once at, our venue, but generally, our members will read and heed.

Everyone, always, however, appreciates a no-scent policy. Hint.



11 - About The Elderberries

The Elderberries is the social, educational, and activism group for LGBT Elders in Atlantic Canada.

- To join the Society and the mailing list, send an email to AtlanticCanadaElderberries@gmail.com
- To be notified of Elderberries Events via Meetup, join the Meetup group, "Halifax-45-LGBTQ-Commingle-group" or click <http://meetu.ps/c/3Xqzj/BWpGw/d>
- We have a Facebook group too! Join the Facebook group, "NSElderberries"
- We have Elderberries mugs and cookbooks for sale. If you're interested, please email us at the address above.

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