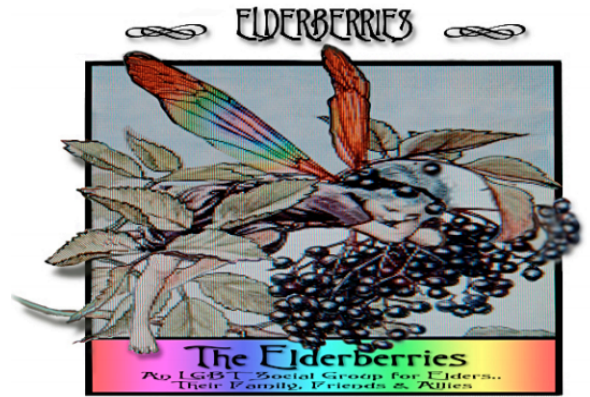


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1 — July's Sunday Salons

July 11th We realize many want to enjoy the pleasant summer weather. We might reduce to one Zoom Salon a month for a while. Regardless, we'll keep you informed.



2 — 2021 Annual General Meeting

SUMMARY OF CHAIR'S REPORT HERE

Membership report by Dan: we added 25 people to our mailing list in 2020, about the usual number, giving us a total of 298, and have 540 people following us in the Facebook group. There is some overlap there but we don't know how much. Oddly we get zero "engagement" -- that is, people attending events -- from Facebook.

Treasurer's Report: We took in, and spent, roughly \$475 in 2020. Ending balance of our assets - that is, our bank account - was \$439.22.

Your new Elderberries board comprises: veteran board members Allison Brewer, Barend Kamperman, Dan MacKay, Anita Martinez, Lynn Murphy and Mike Sangster. We have two new young pups on board, Kevin Dadouses and Stephanie Brown. And we are delighted to have our first international board member, Pauline Fedrick, who many of you met at our events in the Before Times, and who has since moved back to jolly aulde England.



3 — June's Salons

On the 27th we had separate Men's and Women's salons. In the Men's we discussed coming out and relationships. After an hour none else joined, so we shut it down.



4 — Meeting with Spencer House

Dan MacKay(Secretary) and Barend Kamperman (Chair) met with Shivanni to discuss the Elderberries getting involved with Spencer House Seniors Centre on Morris Street. We used to meet there years ago. We proposed a number of possibilities to her. Most of them would work best when social distancing restrictions are eased or lifted. A yearly membership costs \$20.00. They serve lunch on weekdays.

Here's a link to their website:
<https://spencerhouse.ca/shJ/index.php/2013-10-06-20-59-48>



5 — Jackie McMahon

We are sad to inform you of the passing of Jacqueline (Jackie) Marguerite Ruth McMahon (Hopewell) on June 11th 2021. Our condolences go out to her grieving loved ones

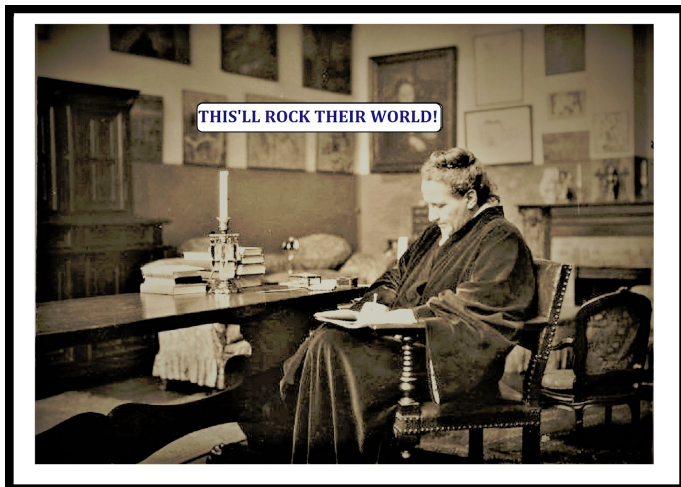
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6— Isolation Time History Work!

FROM: Dan MacKay, Provincial Queer Archivist

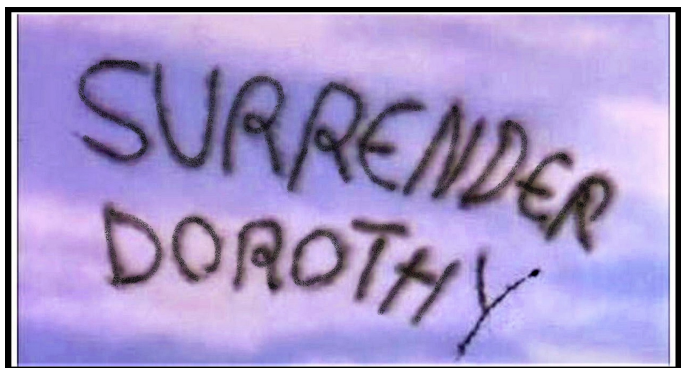
This is a great time to launch, or to continue working on your personal history! If you'd like to write your story, long or short, and want some coaching or talk about the publishing process, OR set up downsizing your archival materials to the Provincial Queer Archives, email me at daniel.mackay@dal.ca.



7 — Members' Notices

Broadcast your news! 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



8----Tuma Young becomes President of Barristers' Society

On June 19, 2021, Tuma Young, a member of Eskasoni First Nation in Unama'ki (Cape Breton) became the first Indigenous person appointed as President of the Nova Scotia Barristers' Society. Tuma received a Bachelor of Arts in Mi'kmaq Studies from the University of Cape Breton, a Bachelor of Laws from UBC, and a Master of Laws in Indigenous Peoples Law and Policy from the University of Arizona.

A co-founder of the Wakanabi Two-Spirit Alliance. He serves as a member of their leadership Team. He is currently an assistant professor of Indigenous Studies and Political Science at Cape Breton University.



9 — Elderberries Mugs For You!

Need a cozy gift? Elderberries mugs are perfect.

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!

The price is \$15.00; you can get one at our events or
we can mail one to you.



10– Upcoming LGBT Events

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



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 • We have a Facebook group too! Join the Facebookgroup, “NSElderberries” • We have Elderberries mugs for sale; if you’re interested, please email us at the address above • To be removed from this mailing list, just <Reply> with the word “Unsubscribe”.

