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Summer will soon be upon us. June is a very busy month with lots of things to do. So please check it out.  
Barend the Editor

## *Celebrating 13 Years of Elderberries - 2010 - 2023*

### *June 2023 Newsletter*

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#### **1. June Second Sunday Salon**

**Where:** Northwood. Use the 2630 Gottingen Street entrance

**When:** June 11, 1:00pm - 3:00pm. We now have a compressed time slot, so please show up at e.g. 12:45.

**Program:** The Turret Arts Society has recently received \$400,000 towards an "accessible downtown cultural hub." Emily Davidson, founding member and President of the society, will be speaking about their plans.

**Food:** Bring food to share: finger food, a casserole, or a dessert. We'll have plates, cutlery and some beverages ready.



#### **2. June Elders History Archive Social**

**When:** June 21st 6:00pm - 8:00pm



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**What:** Pride Month LGBT-themed café for Elders And Friends

Join us at Halifax Central Library for a Rainbow History Café! Celebrate Pride month. There'll be coffee, tea, beverages, snacks, music and conversation while learning about Halifax's LGBT history with the NS LGBT Seniors Archive in an inclusive and low-pressure environment.

Paul O'Regan Hall, Halifax Central Library



### 3. May's Sunday Salon

A small but chatty gathering; Steve gave an overview of the Lunenburg County Pride Week. We'll be coordinating carpooling to the Sunday, July 9th Bridgewater Pride parade. There were a few stories about mothers.



### 4. Dog People Together

Monthly Halifax Q folk with dogs + Q folk who want to hang around with dogs together!!

[Join the Facebook group](#)



## 5. 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](mailto:AtlanticCanadaElderberries@gmail.com)



## 6. Jane Kansas Funeral: The Real Deal

June 5th at the Bus Stop Theatre. Come anytime between 1:00pm & midnight. Screenings: 2:00 My Dead Dad & My First Heart Attack, Shorts. 5:30 Live Reading: My Funeral: The Dry Run; 7:00 Got Something to Say About Kansas? Talks and Open Mic – will include images, videos. Register for the open mic, or send a recording or a reading; 9:00 Screenings: My Dead Dad & My First Heart Attack



## 7. Halifax Pride

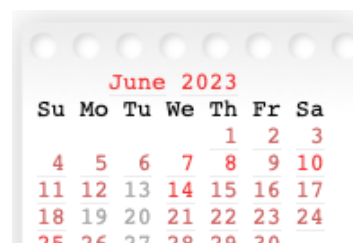
Halifax Pride has issued a press release: the 10-day festival is on, “a bit different;” and they have moved the parade date to Sunday, July 23rd.

<https://wayves.ca/halifax-pride-2023>



## 8. June: Packed Full of Events

June has a simply extraordinary number of LGBT events in Halifax - about 70! Dan MacKay has written an overview, here:





<https://wayves.ca/2023-06-halifax-events>



## 9. Impact Organizations Nova Scotia

On May 2nd board member Dan attended an IONS focus group to share Elderberries needs and plans with them and the other organizations who attended, and do some networking. IONS tracks something more than seven thousand volunteer based, community focussed organizations in Nova Scotia. For example, at same table as Dan: someone who is on the (volunteer) management board of the 55+ Games, being held this year in Pictou; someone whose organization helps protect seniors against fraud; someone who organizes tech support for seniors; someone who runs free transport in St Margaret's Bay; the new gay guy who is running Dance Nova Scotia; and Dineh Guerrero, the new employee at the Rainbow Refugee Association.

More information can be found at [ions.ca](https://ions.ca).

## 10. Ed MacPherson

"I lived a rather good life with a few bad years. I was a gay male and knew from a very early age that I was different but did not understand it and had no one to ask or talk to, as I was always attracted to boys of my age and could not understand.

"I do not know who will be surviving me, but I know who has predeceased me, my parents; aunts; uncles; a few nephews and nieces and above all my dearest and most precious husband of 29 years, William Thomson Taylor, who was my rock and stood beside me through much turmoil. William was 83





when he passed.”

[Beautiful self-written obituary here.](#)



## 11. 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.



## 12. Upcoming LGBT Events

You can find all local LGBT Events in one place at:

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

Or google “gay halifax local events.”



## 13. 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](mailto:AtlanticCanadaElderberries@gmail.com)

- We have a Facebook group too! Join the Facebook Group, “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”.

