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Greetings cherished Elderberries

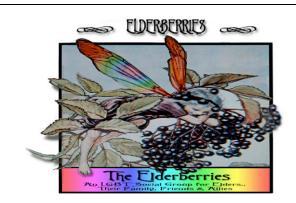
Here comes August, ready or not. The weather seems to be more pleasant. Let's enjoy it. We were busy in July despite its disappointments and challenges. Have a look at the links and information we've provided. Thank you Dan MacKay for all that you've added to this edition. Thank you for sticking with us. Practice gratitude and kindness. It will benefit you too.

Barend

the Editor

# Celebrating 13 Years of Elderberries - 2010 - 2023 August 2023 Newsletter

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### 1. August 13th Picnic

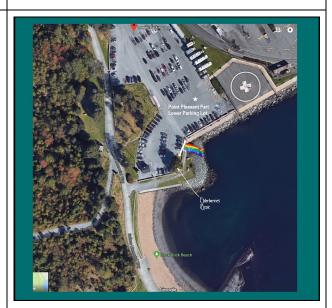
Where: Point Pleasant Park off the

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Parking Lot by Black Rock Beach When: Sunday August 13th 2 PM to 4 PM

Bring your lawn chair, blanket, sunscreen, hats and food to share, and beverages. We'll have a BBQ out, so bring something to throw on that.

Come and go when you please. Porta potties are nearby. This is our first picnic of the year - but possibly not the last!



### 2. July's Road Trip

Three carloads of Elderberries headed to Bridgewater for the first Bridgewater Pride Parade! Kirby took Cecil and Eric; Dan & Paul took Leigh & John; Dineh Hernandez took three gay Latino men!



Leigh & John & Dan & Paul marched in the parade with the Elderberries banner; there were 47 entries in the parade and hundreds of people watching along the route

Afterwards, we hung out for a couple hours at the Firkenstein, and then Dan & Paul's group went out for an unforgettable meal on the deck of Ko's, overhanging the LaHave River.



## 3. Storytelling Salon

On July 30, Elderberries hosted the 2023 Storytelling Salon, this time in the Christ Church Hall in downtown Dartmouth. The event was sponsored by us, by MLA Claudia Chender, and by the MacPhee Center for Learning. We had stories from Nancy McKinnell, David LeBlanc, Don Murchy, Micha Davies-Cole, Anita Martinez, Richard Crooks, and Guadalupe Dineh Hernanez. Barend did a beautiful job as emcee; historian Jess Webber ran video, and Dan got audio of the storytelling which will be up on the Halifax Rainbow Encyclopedia some time soon.



# 4. Wanted: hospital bed.

An Elderberries member needs a hospital bed. If you have any suggestions, write us at

<u>AtlanticCanadaElderberries@gmail.com</u> and we will relay them.



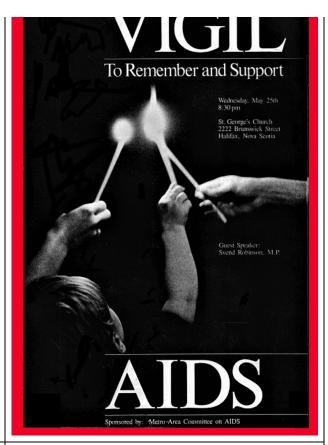
### 5. Isolation Time History Work

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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 you want some coaching, or would like to talk about the publishing process, or to set up downsizing your archival materials to the Provincial Queer Archives, email me at

daniel.mackay@dal.ca



#### 6. 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 <a href="mailto:AtlanticCanadaElderberries@gmail.com">AtlanticCanadaElderberries@gmail.com</a>



### 7. 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.



# 8. Upcoming LGBT Events

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

https://gay.hfxns.org/LocalEvents

Or google "gay halifax events"



# 9. 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 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".

