

# Elderberries Newsletter May 2026

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## 1. Bowling Social

**When:** Saturday May 9th 11 AM ~ 1 PM

**Where:** Superbowl, 300 Sackville Dr. next to No Frills. Buses 8 and 87 stop nearby.

**What:** Bowling & social! Let's call ourselves the Elder Rifers! Elderberries is covering half of your cost, for the first ten people who RSVP - or show up. Come on out for a fun time, RVSP Peter at [ElderRifers@bonmot.ca](mailto:ElderRifers@bonmot.ca)



## 2. Second Sunday Salon

**When:** May 10th

**What:** We won't be having a Mother's Day Salon this year.. We suggest that you celebrate that, OR:

Join the celebration of the 20th anniversary of Bedford United Church becoming "Affirming" - that is, publicly declaring their commitment to inclusion and justice for people of all sexual orientations and gender identities. B.U.C. was the first in Nova Scotia to become "Affirming."

**Where:** Bedford United Church, 1200 Bedford Hwy.

**Time:** The doors open at 10 AM. All are welcome, all the time!



## 3. Fourth Sunday Salon

**When:** Sunday May 24th 1PM ~ 3 PM

**Where:** 2630 Gottingen St. in the Adult Day Space cafeteria.

**What:** Brit Fox from the Turret Art Space Society will speak about art activism, the Take Back the Turret campaign and how we can help that cause.

**Particulars:** A presentation with a Q & A. Bring savoury, sweet, or beverage you'd like to share; store bought is okay.



## 4. Last month's Salon

Fourteen people showed up for what was planned as a board game evening but turned into... conversation! "A nice low-key meeting," said one attendee. Some said we should do this more often.



## 5. A clearer description of "pot luck"

We have gotten some feedback that the phrase "pot luck" is intimidating to some, so Elderberries board member Pauline has written a clarification of what we mean about bringing food or drink to the events:

### To Pot luck or not to Pot luck

So the intimidating phrase "pot luck" is out, and the simple "if you would like to bring something along to share" is in. We hope that this is far less intimidating. What you bring doesn't have to be anything fancy or home cooked or prepared, *but*, if you want to cook or prepare something to indulge us all then that's great too. Store bought chips, beverages or cookies work just as well and are welcome.

Have a lovely day folks – Pauline



## 6. Anita Martinez Photo Captioning

On the afternoon of Tuesday, May 5th, older Q folk of all stripes will be gathering to flip through Anita's photo albums and identify people, places and events that she shot over four decades. The captioning party will be on the Dalhousie University campus; there'll be snacks.

If you were at an event or knew people who were, that Anita took photos at, please attend.

Please <reply> to RSVP and get detailed directions to the room.



## 7. Volunteers for History & Archives Conference

Sessions and schedule are mostly finalized for the 2026 Canadian Q archives & history conference, entitled From Marginalization to Visibility: 2SLGBTQIA+ Archives and Public Memory. This year the conference is in Halifax, May 15 - 17.

The conference needs a couple more volunteers to run smoothly; if you're available, please check out [the Wayves article for details](#).

FROM MARGINALIZATION  
**TO VISIBILITY**  
2SLGBTQ+ Archives & Public Memory

## 8. Upcoming Events

You can find all local LGBT Events in one place at: <https://gay.hfxns.org/LocalEvents>

Or google "gay Halifax Events"



## 9. Members Notices

Broadcast your news!

If you have an announcement about a birth, Graduation, moving, or wedding of you, your partner, kids, your grandkids etc, just <Reply> with them, or send them to

AtlanticCanadaElderberries@gmail.com



## 10. Elderberries mugs for you!

Need a cosy gift? Elderberries mugs are perfect.

On the back is the grey pride ribbon and the words: ***We're 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.



## 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](mailto:AtlanticCanadaElderberries@gmail.com) • We have a Facebook group too! Join the Facebook Group, “NSElderberries” • To be removed from this mailing list, just <Reply> with the word “Unsubscribe”.

