

September 2026 Newsletter

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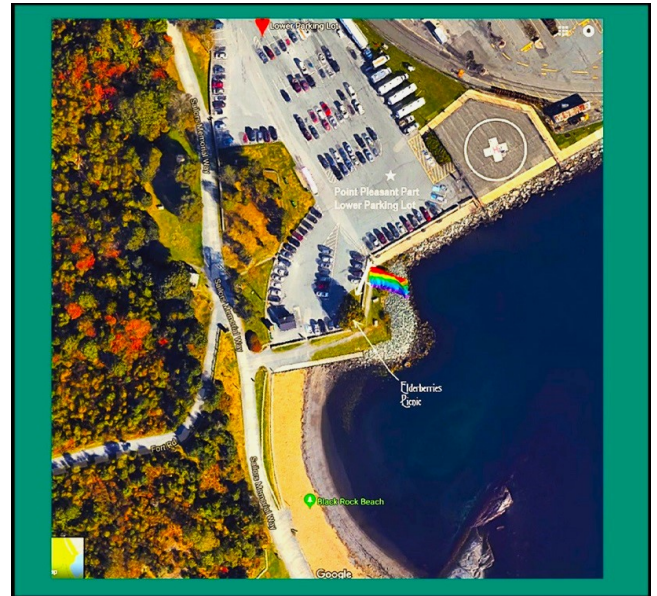
1. September 13th Picnic

When: Sunday September 13th 1 PM - 4 PM

Where: By Black Rock Beach, Point Pleasant Park

What: A casual picnic to enjoy the summer sun. We'll have hots and hams and condiments and sugar free drinks, so bring something that goes well with those, and a hat.

The **rain venue** will be our usual space, the Adult Day Space at 2630 Gottingen Street. We'll let you know that morning.



2. Donation from Nova Scotia Power Employees Association

In May, the Nova Scotia Power 2SLGBTQIA employee association, called PRISM, asked the Elderberries what resources we could use.

In the ensuing months we had a discussion, and they ended up giving us cash - two thousand dollars! For the Elderberries, that's a lot of money.

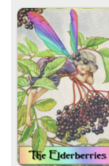
On August 20, PRISM hosted Nathan, Barend and Dan to officially give us the cheque. We were also given a tour of the extremely interesting building on Lower Water Street which opened as a generating station in 1917.



3. Ideas for use of the PRISM donation

The PRISM donation comes with no strings attached, so we are asking you, as a member, how you think we should spend it.

[Please click here to fill out a form to give us your idea and optionally volunteer to help make it happen.](#)



Project Ideas

4. September 27 Salon

Photo Captioning Party: we will be tackling big piles of Halifax Pride photos from 2000 and 2003 before they go into the archives. We'll sit around a couple tables with the photos and add the names of people we recognize.

And, if you have any old photos of Halifax LGBT events that need captions, bring them.

You do not need to bring food: the Elderberries will be sponsoring lunch: sandwiches, soup, and salad and beverages.



5. August 9 Salon

Thirteen attendees plus expert guest Tarah Sawler and her helper attended. Tarah is a 2SLGBTQIA+ lawyer at McInnes Cooper will provide an overview of the main elements of estate planning (wills, powers of attorney, and personal directives), the role of each, and considerations relevant to 2SLGBTQIA+ folks for each.

Member Mike Belland said, "It was good, lots of good advice from Tarah."



6. Petition: Pride as UNESCO heritage

From: Lynn Murphy

None of UNESCO's 800+ inscribed traditions are LGBT+ yet – let's change that.

[Add your name to this petition:](https://allout.lgbt/45q3ovb)

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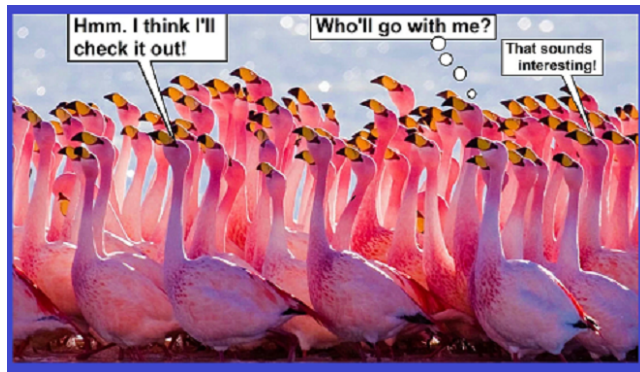
"I recognize Pride as part of my intangible cultural heritage – a living tradition that gives me a sense of identity and belonging. Pride celebrates cultural diversity and human creativity, and encourages respect between people, groups, and communities. ***I want Pride to be safeguarded and passed on to future generations.*** I support the nomination of Pride to the 'representative list of the intangible cultural heritage of humanity' of UNESCO, with free, prior, and informed consent."

7. Upcoming Events

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

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

Or google "gay Halifax Events"



8. 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



9. 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.



10. 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"

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