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Community Events

- Apr 19- 21 Litter Challenge
- Apr 20 Helping Hands meeting
- Apr 21 Walk @ 6:30
- Apr 21 Service of Hope
- Apr 25 Walk @ 6:30
- May 2 P/M Museum opens
- May 2 Walk @ 6:30
- May 3 NGAPS meeting
- May 5-7 Drama @ NGRHS
- May 7 Waterfall walk
- May 12 Walk @ 6:30
- May 19 Seniors Fun
- May 28 Union Square Plant Sale
- May 28 NGES May Fair
- May 28 Penny Auction
- May 29 Lions Dog Walk



New Germany Connections

Spring 2016

Other than Christmas, especially for a child, do we anticipate any other season more than spring? We look forward to the longer daylight hours, the warmer sun on our faces and the peeks of yellow and purple of our garden crocus. And we start to make plans, for our gardens, for our summer projects and for our vacations. When you check out the pages of this spring newsletter you will read about lots of adventures in our area just waiting for you to find them.

NGAPS Programs & Events

NGAPS Regular Meeting the first Tuesday of each month. Everyone is welcome to attend. Check our web page for more details.

Walks at 6:30 April 21st, 25th, May 2nd and 12th. Please see page 2 for routes. Everyone welcome to join in.

Project Wild for youth ages 5 to 8, Union Square Hall April 16th and 23rd. See page 9 for details.

Drop-in New Mommies Group Mondays 12-2:30 in the Community Room at NGES (when the school is open).

*Is your community group organizing an event, a fundraiser or celebrating a special occasion? Did you advertise on the **NGAPS Community Calendar?** It's **FREE!***

New Germany Area Promotion Society maintains a New Germany Area Website including a Community Calendar page.

Any group or organization in our area can advertise their event on this page at no charge. Please send listings to: ng_cap@ns.sympatico.ca or drop off to Village Glassworks during open hours.



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Also check out our Facebook page!



The mission statement of New Germany Area Promotion Society is: "NGAPS will strive to create a sustainable and vibrant community where people and businesses are encouraged to thrive." We will achieve this mission by supporting communications and partnerships both within and outside our community.

Walks @ 6:30

Join several NGAPS members for an early evening walk. 4 walks 4 different routes. Unless noted, the walks are about one hour each.

Thursday **April 21st - Route 1:** Meet at the New Germany Freshmart parking lot (please park in the rear or to the side of the store) and join the South Shore Annapolis Valley Trail behind the store. At Caledonia Junction turn left. We will walk for about a half an hour and then return to the Freshmart.

Monday **April 25th - Route 2:** Meet at the New Germany Rural High School parking lot. We will walk down School street meeting the South Shore Annapolis Valley Trail where it intersects the Lower Branch Road. We will walk for about a half an hour and then return to the school.

Monday **May 2nd - Route 3:** Meet at the New Germany Freshmart parking lot (please park in the rear or to the side of the store) and join the South Shore Annapolis Valley Trail behind the store. We will follow the trail for about a half hour walk then return. On this walk we will travel through River Ridge Common.

Thursday **May 12th - Route 4:** Meet at parking lot at the intersection of Wentzell Road and Highway 10. We will follow the LaHave River trail along the shores of Wentzell Lake to the Rod & Gun Club and then turning to return to the parking lot. The LaHave River Trail is maintained by the LaHave River Trail Association. More information on their website <http://lahaverivertrailassociation.blogspot.ca>. (This walk may be longer than an hour. Please walk only the distance you are comfortable.)

All ages, everyone welcome, no charge. The routes are stroller friendly and your dogs, on leashes, are also welcome. This is a great way to explore the trails around the community in the company of others.

So put on your sneakers, grab your water bottle and join us for the adventure. If it is rainy we will skip that walk and go to the next one. Walks may vary from schedule pending road and trail conditions. Check our Facebook page or website for updates.



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The New Germany & Area Cancer Unit's Service of Hope

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Thursday, April 21st at
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Starting at 7:00 pm

Special music by Paul & Judy Robar
Luncheon to follow



**South Shore Public
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is at New Germany Freshmart every Tuesday from 3:00p.m. to 6:00p.m. A library card is free and so is using the library.

MODL 2016 Volunteer

Congratulations Carla Carver on being selected the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg's Representative Volunteer for 2016.

Nominated by the Pinehurst Community Hall, Carla is also involved in the New Germany Lions Club and other community projects such as helping with the New Germany Canada Day Committee. With some caution she agreed to be interviewed.

You organize a fabulous breakfast monthly at the Pinehurst Hall and write a lot of cheques for the Lions Club among many things, but what is your favourite volunteer activity?

All of my volunteer activities are great but my favourite ones are the ones that are helping someone in need.

If you are talking to someone who is thinking they have some spare time and would like to volunteer, what advice would you give them? Where would you suggest they start in our area?

I might be a bit bias but the Lions Club is one of the greatest organizations in New Germany. To me volunteering is something you have to commit yourself to and always be ready to help.

Do you remember the first group or organization you volunteered with? In other words has this always been a passion for you?

I started volunteering with students council, yearbook and other committees when I was in high school many years ago. Kept right on with organizations my four children were involved in and now for the community.

How many hours a week does your volunteer work take?

I would say on average I volunteer at least 20 hours a week, some weeks much more.

Why do you do it?

I do it because it gives me great pleasure to make other people happy. Besides my family, volunteering is my life.

You spend a lot of time out in our community, talking and meeting with folks. What would you say are the greatest strengths of our area?

Our communities greatest strength is the willingness to do for one another. I am always asking people to help or donate items for every project I work on and everyone is always so ready to help. In fact I have had people upset because they weren't asked.

On a final note, often where you see Carla you see her husband Roger. When asked about that Carla's reply was "If he is with me he is involved, I sign him up for everything. Some things he is even more passionate about than I am."

It seems if you are in Carla's orbit you are a volunteer.



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Community groups, schools, groups of co-workers and individuals may sign up to clean up the road or playground of their choice. Call (902) 543-2991 to register.

Each group gets gloves, specially marked litter bags and a certificate acknowledging their efforts. Organize your clean up during the morning of April 20 (or the day before) and we can pick up your litter bags for you. Otherwise, litter bags can be collected with regular residential garbage pick up.

~<http://www.communityrecycling.ca/promotional/earth-day-litter-challenge>

Form your own Earth Day Litter Challenge group or join in on one of the following groups:

-New Germany end of the Barss Corner Road. Meet Greg Selig, friends and neighbours at Holland's Garage at 6:30pm on Wednesday, April 20th (rain date of Thursday, April 21st)

-Barss Corner section of the Barss Corner Road. Meet Jason and Michelle Greek, friends and neighbours at the Barss Corner Post Office at 6pm on Tuesday, April 19th (rain date of Wednesday, April 20th)

-Union Square. Roadside cleanup date: 9:30am April 21st. Rain date of April 22nd.

No time to organize a group? Grab a garbage bag, go for a short walk in your neighbourhood and pick up litter as you pass it.

Call for Expression of Interest

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New Germany & Area Helping Hands Volunteer Information & Orientation Session

Wednesday, April 20th 6:30 pm

Trinity Lutheran Church Hall

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Local Experiences to Experience Locally!

~Sam & Connie Jess and Jason & Michelle Greek

We are striving to inspire newcomers, visitors and locals to explore our very own beautiful area. We want to share our treasures, some being hidden treasures, with others. Did we leave out something remarkable?

Want to add to our list of Local Experiences? Let us know on the NGAPS Facebook page!

1. In **Newburne** visit Indian Falls, a nice place for a picnic or swimming. Watch people dive off the cliffs, but don't try it yourself.
2. Borrow a book from the Little Library at **Mader's Store**.
3. Climb the dragon at **New Germany Elementary School**.
4. Participate in the Art Group at the **Union Square Hall**.
5. Head back the **Stanburne Road**, past the old beef farms. The road will get worse and you will eventually come to an old iron bridge over the river. People say that it's a beautiful place to swim and picnic with waterfalls.
6. Coming back out the **Stanburne Road**, stop your car at the brow of the hill by 1047 Stanburne Rd. This is one of the highest points in the county. On a clear day look straight ahead over Barss Corner and you will see the two wind turbines in Whycott's Settlement, near the landfill. Look over your left shoulder and you will see roughly 20 wind turbines in New Russell, past New Ross.
7. Catch the Annual **Rosedale Home for Special Care** Variety Show. Contact Crystal Leary at the Home for time & date.
8. Attend a friendly and competitive men's basketball game at **New Germany Rural High School** Friday nights, 5-8pm, April through June.
9. Paddle around **New Germany Lake**.
10. Yell "BINGO!" during a Friday night bingo at **Hemford** fire hall or a Saturday night bingo in **North River**.
11. In **Walden**, follow the blue arrows along the Grandmother's Head hike.
12. Take in a Monday evening Jam Session in **North River**.



In June's New Germany Connections we will have more Local Experiences for your summer enjoyment.

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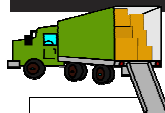
River Ridge Common

You may have noticed the new parking area that was constructed last year along the #10 Highway (#4668) on the outskirts of New Germany. Stay tuned for some exciting changes at this upcoming park area called River Ridge Common. The volunteer Board of Directors is working closely with consultants from Ekistics to develop a site plan that will be innovative, welcoming and accessible to a variety of users. Local residents are sure to enjoy the new amenities to the property and it will encourage visitors from outside the community to this beautiful region of the Municipality. For more information, contact the Trail Coordinator at 902-541-1352 or lbarkhouse@modl.ca







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What's at the Museum?



Hats

Hats were usually homemade, sold in stores or ordered through catalogues. Black was a popular colour for hats in the early 20th century. Some of the fabrics used were silk, velvet, chenille and felt. The hats pictured here were in the 1906 Sears, Roebuck & Co. Catalogue.



The Parkdale - Maplewood Community Museum opens for the season on May 2nd at 9:00am. Check their website or Facebook page for events at the Museum this summer.
<http://parkdale.ednet.ns.ca>

New Germany and Area Medical Centre

In February the New Germany and Area Medical Centre welcomed Dr. C. Pugh who joined Nurse Practitioner Jennifer Riis at the Centre.

If you do not currently have a Doctor or Nurse Practitioner, or are travelling outside of Lunenburg/Queens Counties for care, you can do one of the following:

Email your name, phone number and the names of any other people living at the same address who are looking for a healthcare provider to healthcentre-ss@nshealth.ca

OR

Call **902-527-1549** or **1-844-226-6517** toll free and leave your name, phone number and the names of any other people living at the same address who are looking for a healthcare provider. Your name(s) will be added to a database and you will be contacted when/if space becomes available.

Community members who are currently patients of the New Germany and Area Medical Centre should continue to contact the centre as you would normally during regular hours. Our staff will be pleased to assist you.

Pap Clinic



(by appointment only)

Morning of May 4th

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Time: 9:30-11:30

Project leader volunteers:
Donna Finck, Mary Morey, Kim Morey



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Bring warm, waterproof clothing that is right for the day to stay comfortable outdoors.

Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult.

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Great Idea! New Germany Area



In our February issue of New Germany Connections we announced our Great Idea! project. We offered \$250 in expenses for a community event which would be open to the public, take place in our area and be free to participants.



We are pleased to have two events. The first one is Project Wild (a program of the Canadian Wildlife Federation) for youth 5 to 8 years old happening in Union Square (starting at the Community Hall and then venturing into the woods). It took /takes place the four Saturday mornings in April and is lead by Donna Finck, Mary and Kim Morey.

The second Great Idea! comes from the Women of the Shore. They are hosting a day of drumming, singing and the making of a traditional craft on April 23rd at the Community Room, NGES. Please watch our Facebook page or website for more details.

Upper County United Soccer Club Registration (Summer 2016)

Registration for Upper County United Soccer Club will be taking place on Tuesday, April 12th. at West Northfield Elementary School from 6:30 – 8:00 pm. This is a mass registration for all ages, U6 – U18 included. All interested soccer players are welcome.

This year Upper County will be enforcing a no pay / no play policy so it is important to register players. Anyone not able to attend this registration, but plans on registering needs to contact your coach or the president so payment arrangements can be made.

Anyone in need of info for funding please e-mail darrenramona@eastlink.ca. If you are going to be applying for funding it needs to be done as soon as possible. If you are interested in coaching please get in touch.



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\$1000 Giveaway Recipients

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The money could be used to kick start a summer enterprise, fund an after school / evening venture or be seed money toward a full time career.

We are pleased to announce the winners are Jacob and Joshua Foster. Their intention is to ramp up a wood-working business using skills they have obtained in 4H. The items they plan to make include birdhouses, wooden spoons and other small wooden objects. They



plan to use this money to purchase better tools for their wood shop, making it more efficient and safer.

Watch for the Foster brothers woodworking at the Parkdale Maplewood museum and local fairs this summer. Congratulations Joshua and Jacob.



Jacob & Joshua received their cheque from NGAPS member Jennifer Hayward.

NGAPS Meeting

NGAPS holds our regular monthly meetings the first Tuesday of the month. Everyone with an interest in our community is welcome to join. Please check website for location or call 902-644-2922 for more information.

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Agility Dogs

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We meet once a week, starting in the early spring, on the fenced field of Dereck and Lorraine Snyder. We practice throughout the spring, summer and fall until the snow flies.

Throughout the years our BAD group has raised money and supported the following organizations: SPCA, SHAID, Elderdogs, Lions Guide Dogs and this year we held a dog walk-a-thon to raise over \$2100 to be donated to the Bridgewater Police Service towards the purchase of a K-9 service dog. For the last four years we have hosted an annual dog show for our friends at the Rosedale Home for Special Care. During each of those shows we have raised approximately \$500 for the resident's recreational fund which helps to fund day trips for the residents. A few of our youth also take their dogs, along with Lorraine Snyder, to visit the residents of Rosedale Home. Each visit we receive many smiles and hugs and the dogs get lots of pats and treats from the residents and employees. More than anything, we are a very proud group of dog owners who dedicate many hours of work and play to our loyal canine family members.



Dog Show @ Rosedale



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Municipal Recreation News

There are many opportunities for you and your family to have fun, get active and take part in your community this spring. Take a look in the Spring Recreation Guide!

Upcoming Events/Programs:

- Oakland Common Heritage Walk – April 24
- Babysitter Course (MARC) – April 30
- Healthy Living Course for Seniors (55+) – 6 wks, starting May 5, NGES
- Waterfall Walk (New Germany area) – May 7
- Youth Running Series (MARC) – May 15
- Bargain Shopping Bus Trip to French Shore – May 18
- Food Handlers Course (MARC) – May 18 & 19
- North River Fun & Games for Seniors – May 19
- Wooden Spoon Carving (MARC) – May 28
- Children's Fishing Derby (MARC) – May 28
- Family Outdoor Day - Archery, Canoeing & More! (MARC) – May 29
- Bike Week – June 3 - 12
- Putt & Play at Osprey Ridge - June 12

For more information call 541-1343 or visit www.modl.ca

Watch for our weekly listing in the LighthouseNOW Log

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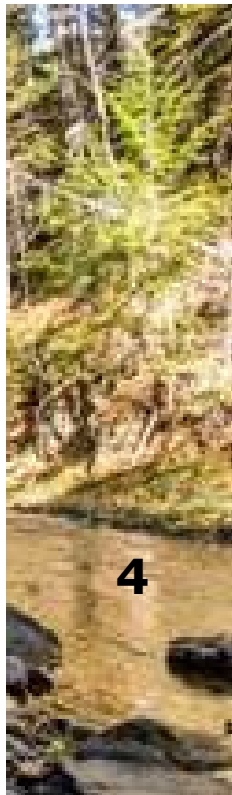
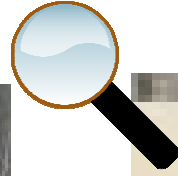
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Up Coming Shows:
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 •April 23rd Bridgewater - Ecole de la Rive-Sud, 10-2
 •April 30th Newcombville Fire Hall 10-2

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 •April 23rd Bridgewater - Ecole de la Rive-Sud, 10-2
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Business Buzz

There are often many changes in the business community in our area. This column notes a few of the highlights.

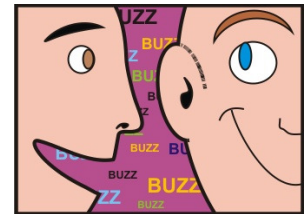
Last issue we featured a few new fitness challenges for you. This time we have Gentle / Beginner Yoga in Newburne. Contact Tracey Murdock at 902-624-0045 (tracey@mirellarosefarm.ca) for more info about her classes.

Are you noticing land being cleared around the village? The Buzz has heard that DeLong Farms are expanding their pumpkin patch. Apparently pumpkins are popular.

The other word in the community is Mader's Clover Farm Supermarket is switching from Esso gas to Wilsons gas.

Do you have business news? Send it to us.

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New Germany Garden Club

With spring upon us the Garden Club is making plans for the summer season. The planters had their winter greenery removed to allow the bulbs we planted last fall to bloom.

In May our plans are to arrange a group greenhouse visit and participate in the Union Square plant sale.

By June the spring bulbs will be finished blooming and the Club will plant annuals in the three planters for summer colour. It is fun to watch these planters fill out, from the small transplants to overflowing with blooms. The club members will take turns watering and tending the planters.

Other events we hope to arrange are a summer garden tour and a woodland walk. Watch the community website for details.

If you are interested in any of the garden club activities please contact our president Sandra Matchett @ 644-2740 .



Spring bulbs peaking through the snow & brush in the planters.



Penny Auction for New Germany Canada Day

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New Germany Elementary School Early Years Centre Early Learning Program



Registration for the Early Learning Program's September 2016 cohort is open and ready to roll at the main office at New Germany Elementary!

Important Information

- Children who are four years old on or before December 31, 2016 are eligible for this program.
- Your family must reside in the New Germany Elementary catchment area.
- We require the child's birth certificate and up to date provincial health card to be brought to the school when you come to complete the registration forms.
- The child does not need to accompany you when you come to fill out the registration forms
- There is no fee for this program.

For more information, please contact the office at New Germany Elementary School.

Phone: (902) 644-5020

Email: nges@ssrsb.ca

Visit our Facebook page [New Germany Elementary Early Years Centre](#) for updates, ideas, and information.

May Fair

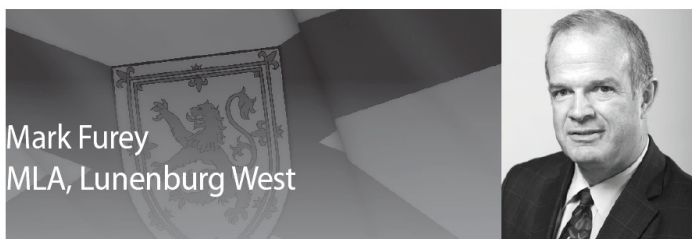
The New Germany Home & School Association and staff at NGES are hosting the May Fair on Saturday, May 28, 2016 from 10am-1pm.

There will be lots of fun for everyone with a canteen, yard sale table and many games and activities. There will also be a LARGE PENNY AUCTION in the gymnasium (the draw will begin at 12pm). If you have any new or very gently used items you would like to donate for the Penny Auction & Yard Sale table it would be greatly appreciated. If so, please drop items off to Mrs. Richard or send them to the school.

The May Fair is a very important fundraiser for our school. Please come out and have a fantastic time while supporting our school and socializing with friends and neighbours.

Drop-in New Mommies Group

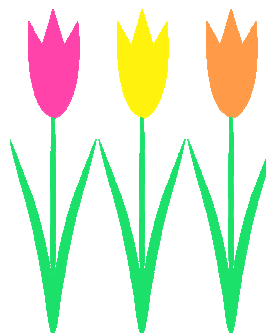
Mondays 12-2:30 in the Community Room at NGES (when the school is open). Snacks provided. Older siblings are welcome to come and play. Program sponsored by NGAPS



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The LaHave River Trail Association

is continuing their efforts to recreate a trail link between New Germany and Bridgewater. Work begins this spring on the trail section between Goose Chase Road and Veinot Road in Pinehurst. When completed, the Valley will be linked through the South Shore Annapolis Valley Trail all the way to the shops and services in Cookville. The Association volunteers are committed to ongoing discussions with private land owners and would like to assure people that their route will provide full insurance coverage and not limit the landowners use of their property if private land is used. The Association welcomes members and public input. For more information, contact the Trail Coordinator at 902-541-1352 or lbarkhouse@modl.ca



NGRHS Europe Trip March 2016

~Michael O'Hearon

Over the past two years students from NGRHS have been planning and preparing for the trip of a lifetime. On March 10th thirty-one students along with thirteen adults boarded a plane for Europe, and an experience that they would never forget.

The first stop was the city of Berlin where students learned of the history of the great city, and saw how it was recreating itself after the horrors of World War 2. They took time to see the Berlin Wall before visiting the concentration camp at Sachsenhausen to better understand the horrors that occurred during the Holocaust. Students were visibly touched as they walked those hallowed grounds and paid their respects to those who lost so much. From Berlin we visited the beautiful city of Heidelberg, where we experienced castles and a quaint rural German town.

After Germany they travelled to Paris, the city of lights, which they experienced from high above the city atop the Eiffel Tower, a thrill that students would never forget. After stops at the Arc de Triomphe, Notre Dame and the Louvre, students left the city to go to Vimy Ridge where students paid touching tribute to our soldiers. As a teacher I couldn't have been prouder of the way the students behaved as they walked those hallowed grounds and paid quiet tribute to men and women who sacrificed everything so that they could have experiences such as this.

After an emotional stay in France, the students travelled via the Chunnel to London, where we visited such sites as Buckingham Palace, Tower Bridge, and Westminster Abbey. A trip aboard the London Eye and viewing of The Mousetrap at a West End theatre were highlights of our two days there but like every good thing the trip had to come to an end, and after a heavy eleven days students returned safely to New Germany.

This was a trip of a lifetime and students were able to capture the travel bug as we visited three of the world's great capitals. Hopefully this will be a continuing tradition at New Germany Rural High so that many generations of student can enjoy the rich history and beauty the world has to offer.

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Everyone Enjoys Maple Syrup



The Barss Corner Baptist Church and Emmanuel Baptist Church of Parkdale-Maplewood, together with generous support from community members, hosted international students from Saint Mary's University for a Maple Syrup Activity Day on March 19th.



*Arsenic and Old Lace*** by Joseph Kesselring

The NGRHS Drama Club will present ***Arsenic and Old Lace*** from May 5th to 7th at 7pm, including a Saturday matinee at 2pm in the NGRHS Auditorium, admission \$5 for students, \$7 for adults. Twenty-five students directed by Mike Howlett and Hester Gibson will perform this theatre classic which will delight audiences with the witty dialogue, as well as the twists and turns in the plot. The set is being designed and constructed by Howard Gibson with assistance from various student groups. Rehearsals are intensifying as student actors polish their lines and interactions on stage. Costumes will be chosen and designed by Drama Club members Julia Henderson, Haley Myra, Victoria Penney, Emma Robar, and Jasmine Spidle who are also working as stage managers, lighting technicians, and sound technicians. If you have never watched live theatre, this is the year to make the extra effort to see this production, maybe even more than once. Live theatre is never the same despite always working from the same script.

"In 1941, New Yorkers were looking for some entertainment to take their minds off the war in Europe and the growing fear that America would be pulled into it. On January 10, Broadway gave them exactly what they were looking for in the form of a hilarious new play by Joseph Kesselring, ***Arsenic and Old Lace***. The play became an immediate critical and popular success, running for 1,444 performances. It also became a hit in England in 1942 as theatergoers who were suffering through London post-blitz lined up for tickets.

The play, a clever combination of the farcical and the macabre, centers on two elderly sisters who are famous in their Brooklyn neighborhood for their numerous acts of charity. Unfortunately, however, their charity includes poisoning lonely old men who come to their home looking for lodging. The two women are assisted in their crimes by their mentally challenged nephew who believes he is Teddy Roosevelt and who frequently blasts a bugle and yells "charge" as he bounds up the stairs. Matters get complicated when a second nephew, a theater critic, discovers the murders and a third nephew appears after having just escaped from a mental institution. In his adroit mixture of comedy and mayhem, Kesselring satirizes the charitable impulse as he pokes fun at the conventions of the theater.

<http://library.uvm.edu/~pmardeus/theat/arsenicandoldlaceplot.html>

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A winter remembered.....

Nannie's Adventures

~Alice Wile

It was a lovely Sunday morning and I chose to strap on my snowshoes rather than attend morning service. I pulled my white fur hat down over my ears, put on a pair of warm mittens and tucked my small Konica camera inside my jacket. I trudged up the hill toward an old homestead. No one lived there then except the memories of hard work and a family with five young children who have now grown old and since passed on. The shades are pulled down and with the heavy blanket of undisturbed snow, the old farm house looks like it is having a long winters' sleep. I stop and marvel at the peacefulness around me. An old wood house set back amid snow laden trees is the first object to be captured on my film. Almost one hundred years ago a young boy would have been filling the wood box from that shed. I walk around the other buildings; a work shop and an outhouse, being careful not to make tracks that would disturb the tranquillity of my photography.

Making my way down the other side of the field the sun breaks through and its warmth makes me realize I've worn too many clothes for such strenuous exercise. I remove my hat and mittens and stuff them inside the hood of my jacket. I think of hot summer days and the family long gone to their eternal rest who worked those fields with hand tools and manual labour. The simple lives they lived, and I glanced again toward the farmhouse and thought of home cooked meals prepared on the wood stove.

At the edge of a connecting field a pile of firewood is almost buried under the snow, but several pieces are peeking out from under a drift which gives the illusion of a mystical creature with only the eyes and nose sticking out. I retrieve my camera from inside my jacket, and in an attempt to capture the best angle on the snow creature, I step on one snow shoe with the other and lose my balance. The snow is deep and my outstretched arms, like missiles, dive into the depths of the soft white stuff. I quickly scramble to retrieve my camera and wipe away the wet before it seeps inside. Having fallen down,



I now see has provided the best angle from which to snap my picture of the snow creature. Mission accomplished, I try to get back in a standing position, which I soon realize is not going to be possible without removing the snow shoes. Having released the bindings, I place my hands on the snow shoes and push myself upright only to sink into the depth of white despair clean towell above my knees. Struggling to pull one leg out of the snow far enough to step unto a snow shoe, I nearly return to sitting in the snow again. However, I am able to get back on the snow shoes and brushing the snow from my mitts I look back from whence I came. The sun causes the snow to glisten like millions of diamonds, and the clean white blanket covering the field is disturbed only by one single pair of snow shoe tracks. I inhale deeply and offer up a short prayer of thanksgiving for this moment in time.

I proceed onward and cross the main road. On the other side, another homestead is visible. This one also vacant for many years, it's inhabitants long gone and for the most part forgotten. The old barn with its shingles and boards blown away on one end is exposing some sheaf's of loose hay. The cattle stalls are still intact, almost as if it's occupants had just been turned out to pasture. Some birds flutter in the loft overhead, scolding me for my intrusion. I turn my attention to the grey old house. I walk around it considering each angle. I take a few pictures thinking they might provide a subject if I ever resume oil painting again. The old outhouse has had it's door blown off and is leaning at a very distinct angle. The snow has swirled around the tiny structure creating a pedestal of snow nearly all the way around. Ummm....another photo opportunity. Advancing closer, I see there are remnants of electrical wiring hanging from the peak and an empty light socket. I recall my husband telling me the folks who lived there had a heater hooked up to the outhouse. They just flipped a switch inside the main house and pre-warmed the privy before they ventured out. Probably by the time they put on their boots, coat and grabbed an old Eatons catalogue the small room was quite toasty.

Advancing to the open doorway, I am amazed at the inside finishing. Narrow strips of tongue & groove hardwood cover the inside walls. There is a small hole and a larger one for those more amply endowed. A worn and tattered lace curtain still hangs over the unbroken window, and a decorative paper holder is fastened to the wall conveniently located at your fingertips. I am in awe at the luxury these folks had when answering nature's call compared to the unfinished walls and bare floors of the main house.

Glancing at my watch I realize I have been trudging around on snow shoes for over an hour. I move away from the old place and stop once to glance back at the leaning outhouse. "Unbelievable" I say to myself, as I remove my snowshoes and carry them under my arm and make my way back home on the main road.

From the Lions Den

Upcoming events include:

Adopt-a-Highway Clean Up - TBA: each spring and fall we clean a 5 km stretch of highway along Trunk 10 beginning near Guppy's and ending at the Veteran's Park north of New Germany.

Purina Walk for Dog Guides - We are again hosting a dog walk on May 29th at NGES beginning at 1:30. Barbecue as well. Contact Lion Kelly at 902-644-3898 for more information. Come and join the fun and support service dogs.

Lions Duck Race - Will be held on June 25th. Ducks \$5 each, tickets will be on sale starting in April. Contact Lion Carla, 902-644-2851 or any Lion.

Canada Day Supper - the Lions will again be hosting the Canada Day Supper at the Legion in New Germany starting at 4:30. More information to come!

If you have any time and would like to join us on any of these projects, call Club Secretary Lion Pat Wentzell 902-644-3280 or any Lion!

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Lion Contacts:

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Lions Express (kiddie train) - Lion Lester 902-644-3280

To find out more about membership - Lion Helen 902-644-2288

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Union Square School

~Sylvia MacKay

In 1883 some of the early residents of Union Square met at William Coldwell's Sr. home to make plans to build a school. After several meetings in homes, they were able to meet in the newly constructed school in 1885.

Gideon Langille donated land for the school. The building was built in the same style of most schools of that time period. It consisted of a school room with a cloakroom at the entrance. The wood house on the back of the school room was built many years later. Water was obtained from a well off the property a short distance away. A double outhouse provided a toilet facility.

The first trustees were William Fancy, William Henry Fancy and Ahiah Feindel. W. H. DeLong was the secretary to the Trustees.

A list of ratepayers of 1885 yielded the names of men in the community and hence we find the surnames DeLong, Dunn, Veinot, Ernst, Caldwell, Langille, Feindel, Fancy, Young and Keddy.

In the first years of the school system, the school year was divided into two terms - June to November and December to May. There was no summer break.

The first teachers for the year 1885 were Amanda Drew and Ophelia Trusdell. Thirty-six students were registered for that year from primary to about Grade X (10).

Mrs. Marguerite Seamone was the last school teacher with eighteen students from grades primary to six.

Two former teachers are still living. Mrs. Myrtle (Carver) Taylor taught here for the 1935-36 and 1936-37 school year. Mrs. Lola (Rhodenizer) Conrad taught in the 1947-48 term.

Salaries were very low and were paid from the collection of taxes in the community.

The school housed students from Primary to Grade 12 (although few pupils went beyond Grade 10) until the Rural High School opened in 1954, at which time the Grade 7 and up students were bused to New Germany leaving only Primary to Grade 6 at the Union Square School until its closing in 1965.

On October 10, 2015 the Union Square Community Hall Association hosted a reunion/celebration of the former students of the school and the 50th anniversary of the purchase of the school by the Union Square Youth Group for use as a community hall. Much work has been done and we were pleased to see community members come together. A lot of school and hall records have been compiled. We would be glad to share them with anyone who may be interested.



Students from the mid 1950's

Do you have a story about a school in your community? For many, these buildings were the heart of the community. We would be interested in having more stories about the one and two room schools which used to dot our countryside. Get in touch, contacts on page 24.

A Snapshot of Barss Corner History

~Connie Jess

A glimpse into Barss Corner past came to light this winter in the form of a photo album entitled "A Collection of Photographs Showing Houses In and Around Barss Corner 1992."

Created by John H. Mader, son of Judith Mader of Barss Corner, the collection was prepared in celebration of the 150th anniversary of the Barss Corner Baptist Church. As such it includes maps, photographs and occupant / owner names for the majority of homes and businesses in Barss Corner and the surrounding communities of Stanburne, Union Square, Scarsdale, and Farmington as well as some in New Germany. The colour photographs were taken between 1991 and 1992 and the project was completed by October of 1992.

Although 1992 may not feel like a long ago point in history to many of us, the photographs in the album reveal otherwise. Some points of particular interest are the Barss Corner Recreation Hall and the Union Square Hall; the first is now gone and the latter has recently undergone major upgrades. The pre-renovated version of many local homes has also been preserved through these pictures and, in some cases where changes were being made during the 1991-1992 time period, before and after pictures have even been included.

The collection is well worth browsing for anyone interested in our local history. With this in mind, it will be kept at the Barss Corner Baptist Church and available for anyone to look through there. Those wishing to do so may contact the church to arrange a time (barsscornerbaptist.wordpress.com).



Barss Corner Recreation Hall



Union Square Hall

Let's make summer plans...



Canoe with Greg

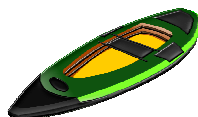
Saturday August 20th

Rain date August 27th

Start time 8am

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New Germany Canada Day Celebrations

Plans for Canada Day are well underway. Each year a program of events is compiled and circulated in the June edition of Connections, sponsored by Silvers Ltd., Bridgewater. To improve this program, we are asking each group who is planning an event to submit the details to President James Alexander by May 15th. Please include important info such as time, cost and any other particulars. Also, registration for the street parade can be made at any time by contacting Christine Zinck.

Program and Booths - James Alexander - 902-644-2918; ngcanadaday@gmail.com

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Reconnecting...

Is a feature in Connections where we catch up with former residents of this area.

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