



# New Germany Connections

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## Summer 2018

Gratitude. It is a simple word with a big meaning. When you think about gratitude, what are you grateful for?

High on the list should be the place we live, the communities we live in. We should be grateful for all the volunteers who give their time and, yes, money to answer our calls for help in an emergency or any of life's stressful occasions.

Or the volunteers who can look into the future and say "wouldn't it be nice if we had..." and then work to make it happen.

We need to be thankful for the people who keep our histories and are willing to share; the people who look at today and work to make it a good day.

We aren't always given the breaks, sometimes we have to make them happen. Sometimes we need to ignore our troubles and work to make our place, our community, the best it can be. That would be gratitude.

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## Community Events

- June 16 Penny Auction
- June 18 Bingo
- July 1 Canada Day in New Germany
- July 1 Canoe with Greg
- July 16 -27 Swim Program Lake William
- July 19 Evening Bike Ride
- Aug 1 North Rosedale School Reunion
- Aug 12 Canoe with Greg
- Aug 30 Seniors Corn Boil
- Sept 9 25th Anniversary NG&AMC
- Sept 16 NGAPS Picnic @ MSM

## NGAPS Programs & Events

**NGAPS Regular Meeting** Generally the second Wednesday of each month. Everyone is welcome to attend. Check our web page for more details.

**Canoe with Greg** July 1st and August 12th Meet at the Veterans Memorial Boat Ramp at 8:00am. More details on page 17.

**Community Picnic under the Maples** September 16th, 4 to 6:00pm.

**Health & Wellness Expo** October 24th

**Countryside Christmas** November 24th to December 2nd

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.



# New Germany CANADA DAY 2018

Bring a lawn chair and some sunscreen and plan to spend Canada Day in New Germany.

7:00 – 10:00am - **Breakfast** at the Anglican Church Hall, #5311 Hwy 10 – Adults \$8., Child 6-12 \$5., under 5 Free.

8:00am – **Canoe with Greg**. Meet at Veterans Memorial Boat Ramp at the north end of New Germany Lake. Canoe/ kayak for a guided paddle on the lake and north on the LaHave River. Contact Greg at 902-644-2153, gdselig@ns.sympatico.ca

9:00am - Registration for **Children’s Parade** for ages 12 & under – Theme: “SUPERHEROES”.

9:30am - start at Rosedale Home for Special Care. Prizes provided by New Germany & Area Lions. Will be held inside Rosedale Home if inclement. Call Helen Acker 902-644-2288.

9:00am -12:00 – Registration for **Ox Pull** – sponsored by Blue Wave Energy. Pulls begin at 1:00pm. Call Brian Nauss– 902-212-0832.

11:00am - **Outdoor Ecumenical Church Service** “Under the Maples” across from United Church N.G. (bring a lawn chair) Everyone welcome!

12:30pm – Line up for **Street Parade at NGES. Parade begins at 2:00pm**. Sponsored by Saunders Motors and Municipality of the District of Lunenburg; Parade prizes are provided by RBC New Germany. To register, call Sherry Russell 902-644-2116 or Nancy Watson 902-644-3018.

4:00 – 10:00pm **Garden Party - R C Legion Grounds**. Mini Donuts, 4-H Ice Cream, Merv’s Ribbon Fries, Hamburgers, Hotdogs, Pizza Slices, Chicken Burgers, Poutine, Fish & Chips, Onion Rings, Slushies, Popcorn, Candy Apples, Cotton Candy, etc.

**Lots of Games of Chance and Things to do!!** - Dunk Tank, Bouncy Castles, Fish Pond, Blanket Wheel, Sucker Pull, Bean Bag Toss, Captain Hook, Face Painting, Walden Post Office Game, NG Lions Train \$2. a ride, Glow Necklaces, Helium Balloons, - lots of prizes including stuffed animals.

4:00pm - **Musical Entertainment** - with Kaylyn Turner, Weather Advisory Band - Jordin Wentzel. Thank you to Sam Wentzell and family of Weather Advisory for providing the sound for the evening.

4:30 - 6:00pm **Ham Supper** \$12.- Mashed potatoes, carrots, turnip, green beans, coleslaw and rolls, Strawberry shortcake, juice, tea & coffee.

7:00pm - **Parade Prizes** awarded & **Medical Centre ‘Grand in the Hand’** draw.

10:00pm - **Fireworks** launched by New Germany Volunteer Fire Department.

**RAIN DATE:** Monday July 2nd. Please watch for updates on [www.newgermany.ca](http://www.newgermany.ca) or visit our facebook page: New Germany Canada Day or call Cathy 644-2922, 212-2922(cell).

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# Postcards from New Germany & Area #3

NGAPS is bringing back the Postcard Contest!

The next NGAPS post card contest theme will be Nature in Our Area. Capture photos of New Germany area "scenes from nature" this summer and your photo could be the next postcard in our postcard collection. Use your imagination, any nature shot from our area will be considered. Only 6 entries per person please.

The contest will be open for submissions until the end of August; voting will take place in September.

To enter, e-mail your picture to [ng\\_cap@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:ng_cap@ns.sympatico.ca) with postcard contest in the title. Please include your name and where the picture was taken.

NGAPS will decide on the finalists before uploading the images to the NGAPS Facebook page where everyone can vote for their favourites. The photograph with the most Likes will be the winner. The winner will receive a \$50 gift certificate from one of our Newsletter advertisers (your choice). Plus, the best picture will be featured on a postcard available throughout the community!

Like New Germany and Area Promotion Society's Facebook page and watch for the best photos.

Don't forget you can pick up one of our postcards (\$.75 each) or lapel pins (\$3.00) at Village Glassworks or contact any NGAPS member.

Proceeds from postcard and lapel pin sales help support NGAPS activities and events such as the Health and Wellness Expo, Main Street Maples, Countryside Christmas and New Germany Connections.



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# Saturday Afternoon Visits At Rosedale

~Jasmine Wentzell, age 11

Almost every Saturday at 12:30pm Lorraine Snyder picks me up to go to Rosedale Home For Special Care. At Rosedale we do many activities such as, Bingo, playing games, celebrating birthdays, giving out treats, decorating and singing on holidays. When the other girls and I walk through the doors, the residents smile at us. Sometimes we take Lorraine's dogs, Lilly and Ellie May, to visit the residents. They love the dogs and the dogs also make them happy.

At 12:45 we round up the residents to take them to the TV room (bingo parlour). At 1:00 bingo starts and Mike (a resident) calls the numbers while the other volunteers, Lorraine and I help the residents play bingo.

Going to Rosedale and helping the residents is my favourite thing to do.

I hope to be a nurse when I grow up and maybe even work at Rosedale.



Ron Smith photos



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# New Germany and Area Medical Centre 25th Anniversary

~Del Trobak, for the 25th Anniversary Committee.

Its hard to believe, but it has been 25 years since the New Germany and Area Medical Centre opened! While it has not always been easy, the Medical Centre is still open, with a doctor and a nurse practitioner working there. Come and help us celebrate this achievement on September 9th between the hours of 1 and 4pm - at the Medical Centre. There will be entertainment, snacks and we hope to have some booths featuring health themes as well.

You may remember that a significant portion of the funding for the building of the Centre came from the sale of bricks. With a donation of \$100, each customer got a brick, with their name engraved on it, cemented in a wall in the waiting room. Over 500 bricks were sold. We still have about 50 bricks left, which we hope to sell before September. The price this year is \$125, which is actually less than the price in 1993, when one considers inflation. (It is eighty "1993" dollars.) These bricks will be mounted prominently in the entry way of the Centre. This is a good gift for a child or grandchild, or to remember a family member.

We will have a table at the Garden Party on Canada Day, or you may telephone Bill Alexander at (902) 644-2217 to place an order.

We will also be having the draw for the "Grand in your Hand" winner of \$1000. The winner will be announced in conjunction with the parade float winners.



Official opening  
December  
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## New Germany & Area Medical Centre

If you do not have a Doctor or Nurse Practitioner, please call 811 to register.  
<https://needafamilypractice.nshealth.ca>

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I am proposing a new way to think of food during the summer and fall for everyone living in the New Germany area, even for people visiting our area. We can all use various fruits and vegetables to supplement our diets. Sometimes we cannot afford to buy the nutrition we all require. So, lets try and help everyone eat more healthy foods!

- 1.Let's plant some fruit/berry bushes trees where everyone can get to them and make use of the produce. Anyone can help themselves, no questions asked.
- 2.Let's plan on giving extra produce to our local food bank.
- 3.Let's start a Community Garden...if people will use it and if land is available.

I am willing to get this started by making some veggies available in the planters around the village. I have purchased some tomato plants, Sweet 100's, and will make them available for planting in the planters and also in adoptable pots! The planters will be maintained for the summer but I will need some folks around the community to ADOPT a pot and look after it for the summer. You can eat the tomatoes and also make them available for people who are walking by to help themselves.

I need you to contact me to let me know that you will adopt a pot for this summer! My phone is 902-644-2153; email is [gdselig@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:gdselig@ns.sympatico.ca); and if you want to drop by and pick up your adopted plant, please come to 36 Barss Corner Rd, New Germany, NS, B0R 1E0. You can also send me a postcard asking for your plant!

Looking forward to hearing from you.

Greg Selig  
NGAPS



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# NGAPS Spring Walks

NGAPS offered six spring walks this year and only one was rained out. It was close, but by 6:30pm the heavy rain would have made the walk less than fun.

And that is why we host these walks, a chance to get out, explore one of our many trails, chat with others, get some fresh air and have fun. All free!

Watch this newsletter and our website in September. We are planning a few morning walks in the fall, a beautiful time of year in our area. Plan to join us.



# Spring Peeper Countryside Tour

May 5th was a beautiful tour day and such a great way kick start what we hope will be an annual event in our area. With nine official stops and a few come by chance locations, there was generally great support not only from local residents but also visitors.

We hope you enjoyed our first tour and will watch for it again next year.



Thanks to Michelle Greek, Devin Robicheau and Tammy Smith-Wentzell for the photos



Thanks to Michelle Greek & Lorraine Snyder for the photos



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## Municipal Recreation News – Summer 2018

District of Lunenburg Recreation will be in full swing this summer with its theme "Blast from the Past"

**Summer Solstice Beach Walk** Thurs., June 21, 7:30 – 9 pm, Hirtles Beach.

**Free Special Events** (Ages 3 – 12) Thursdays, July 5 – August 9 at the MARC.

**Heartland Tour Activity Day** (Ages 3-12) Friday, July 13, 1 – 3:30 pm; Shipyards Landing, King St., Bridgewater FREE! Bikes to be given away.

**Camps at the MARC** July 3 – August 15, MARC, Dayspring. Check out the Summer Guide for more information!

**Outdoors Camp** Mon., 1:30 pm to Wed., 11:30 am, July 9 – 11, MARC, Dayspring

**Seniors' Mussel Bake** Wed., July 11, 3 – 5 pm, Petite Riviere Fire Hall (Rissers Beach Walk at 1:30 pm) FREE!

**Sandcastle Competition** (Family) Sat., July 14 (rain date July 15), 11 am – 5 pm; Cardboard Box Boat Race at 3 pm. Rissers Beach Provincial Park FREE!

**Summer Beach Bus** (Family) Sat., July 14 (rain date July 15), 9:00 am Starts at New Germany Regional High School, to Walmart, to Shipyards Landing, to Pentz Elementary School, to Rissers Beach. Registration required. FREE!

**The Blue Rocks Skip** Sat, July 15, 9 am to finish, Blue Rocks, Pleasant Padding site. Visit [www.pleasantpadding.com](http://www.pleasantpadding.com) for more information.

**Lake William Swim Program** – NEW DATES – Mon. to Fri., July 16 – 27. See ad below.

**Evening Bike Ride** Thurs., July 19, 6 – 9 pm. Meet at the New Germany Ball field. FREE! Register required.

**Local Beverage Bus Tour** (Adult) Fri., Aug. 24, 8:30 am - 5:00 pm Pick up at WalMart. \$40

**"Cpt. LaHave's Treasure Hunt and Silent Auction"** A treasure hunt adventure for PRO Kids. Fri., Aug. 10, 5:30 - 8:30 pm, MARC, Dayspring Admission TBA. Silent Auction with prizes valued at over \$1,000!

**Seniors' Corn Boil** Thurs., Aug. 30, 11 – 1:30 pm, Parkdale Maplewood Community Hall. FREE!

Check out our full slate of programs in our Summer Recreation Guide available at [www.modl.ca](http://www.modl.ca) or at the Municipal Office. Read our weekly column in the LighthouseNow Log. Ask us about PRO Kids funding!

For more information or to register for any of our programs, contact our summer office at 530-3285. You can also register online [www.modl.ca](http://www.modl.ca) "Like" District of Lunenburg Recreation on Facebook and follow us on Instagram @modl\_recreation!

# Swimming Lessons



Lake Mushamush, Sweetland: Monday - Friday, July 2 – 13 & August 13 - 24

Lake William, Barss Corner: Monday - Friday, July 16 - 27



The District of Lunenburg Recreation is partnering with the LCLC Aquatics to offer swimming lessons this summer for a variety of ages and levels. Join the LCLC Swim Instructors at one of our three sessions offered at Lake Mushamush and Lake William. All lessons will be in the afternoon. The lesson schedule will be provided after the time of registration. To register or for more information please call (902) 530-3286



# What's at the Museum?



## Hat

From the beginning of hat wearing history, women were expected to have their heads covered by veils, kerchiefs, hoods, caps and wimples, but it was not until the end of the 16<sup>th</sup> century that structured hats were worn. The styles were based on the hats worn by the male aristocracy. In the late 17<sup>th</sup> century, woman's hat fashions finally came into their own. Just as hemlines have gone up and down, hat sizes have fluctuated between large and small. Hats have influenced how hair was cut and styled... and hairstyles have influenced what kinds of hats were worn.



Parkdale Maplewood Community Museum is open for the season.

# Reconnecting...

Is an occasional feature in Connections where we catch up with former residents of this area. Hope you enjoy our Reconnecting feature this issue on page 10 & 11.

Do you know someone we might feature? Please get in touch, the contact information is on page 20.



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- \*Confined Space
- \*Lockout/Tagout
- \*Fire Safety



# Reconnecting with the Weiland Family

~written by Catherine Robar (former student, colleague and friend of the Weilands)

"Lady, you can have your job!" were the words from the workman who had painted in the hallway outside the Primary classroom on the very first day of school at the almost newly renovated New Germany Elementary School in 1965. He had quietly worked and watched while the teacher coped with the excitement, fears and tears of 34 bewildered Primary students who had arrived on buses from places like Nineveh, Walden, North River and Maplewood. He had watched the terrifying task of trying to get 34 five year olds, many of whom didn't even know what a number was, on the right bus to take them home. All this while screaming saws cut the metal strips needed to install the blackboards in the classroom that very day!

At the end of that traumatic day, Mrs. Weiland walked home, crawled in bed and pulled the covers over her head! The next day she was back, the bus numbers were pinned on the students' jackets before they got off the bus! And Mrs. Dorothea Weiland did keep the job for the next 21 years! She had already taught for two years in Germany, one in Nineveh, and ten at South Rosedale School.

The Weilands moved to New Germany, when Harald Weiland, began a teaching position in that same building when it was first opened in September 1954, as New Germany Rural High School. The consolidation of the small community schools was a huge change and culture shock for our students, families and communities. The Weilands helped immensely with these successful transitions, and with the life of our communities in so many other ways.

Harald and Dorle were born in Germany between the two World Wars. It was certainly not an easy time or place to be. Harald was required to serve in the Germany Navy as a radio operator, was taken prisoner by Canadians, and served them as a very capable and much appreciated interpreter. After the war, Harald and Dorle met at the Pedagogical Institute of Leipzig. They were married in 1946, and began their teaching careers. They faced the difficult realization that they would not be able to live under the restrictions of communist East Germany and needed to begin a new life somewhere else. Harald had made Canadian friends during the war, and they chose to come to Canada.

Harald arrived at Pier 21 in 1952. He went first to Kentville, and then to Riverport where he worked as teaching principal, and began his first Scout Troop. When he was settled, he sent for Dorle and their two children, Reinhard, and Angelika, who were about to turn 5 and 3. Due to a storm they were unable to dock in Halifax, so Harald met them in Saint John on January 1st, 1953. The family lived in Riverport until the summer of 1954 when they moved to New Germany.



"Teacher" pictures

The Weilands came to New Germany to accept teaching jobs, and for almost 60 years, New Germany was home. They had hoped for a place where they could put down roots, and have a good place to raise their children. They found it here in our little community, ironically with the name, 'New Germany'. They enjoyed the quiet beauty and safety of the area. Here they found fulfilling work, community involvements which enriched their lives and ours, and made close friends, many of whom became like family to them. Their beautifully decorated and comfortable home on Highway 208 was a place of welcome and hospitality, where family, friends, and colleagues enjoyed many good conversations and much fine food.



Harald taught German and French to hundreds of students at NGRH in the twenty years before his career took him to Centre School and then to School Board Administration. He also was very involved in language teaching organizations locally and nationally, and taught University summer courses. He offered a wide variety of extra-curricular activities including the High School Choir, Students' Council, Air Cadet Squadron, Ballroom Dancing, European Travel Tours, and was the driving force behind the High School Alumni Association which continues to plan reunions every five years. Outside of school he was active for forty-one years in the Scouting movement, served the Cancer Society at the local and provincial level, and was a dedicated member of the Masonic Lodge.



Dorle, in addition to teaching hundreds of young students, developed strong working relationships and friendships with colleagues. Many of us younger teachers can remember asking and receiving good advice, not just about our teaching but also about our marriages and families. In the community, Dorle was a founding member of the New Germany Area Branch of the Cancer Society in 1970, and was honoured at their closing ceremony in 2016. For 18 years she was a member of the Hospital Foundation in Bridgewater, several of those years as Chair, and worked with the many Hospital Chorus Musicals in all sorts of capacities including designing and making many of their amazing costumes. With a \$0 budget - it was truly a work of 'making something out of nothing'! In 1959, Dorle began her passionate relationship with the Guiding movement. She began as a Brownie leader, and over the years served as a Provincial Trainer, Music Advisor, Training Commissioner, served on the National Council, and helped organize the World Guiding Camps in Cape Breton and in New Brunswick. She continues to stay connected with Guiding friends in the Valley as a Life Member of the Trefoil Guild.



You might wonder how Harald and Dorle had time to raise a family, but Reinhard and Angelika both speak fondly of their years growing up in New Germany. They both moved from here after High School to attend Acadia University. Reinhard became an engineer and worked for many years with Dexter's Construction, in Bedford. He lives in Wolfville, is married to Carolyn (Price) and they have two children, Kurt and Erika. Angelika became a teacher and taught at Central Kings for all of her 30 year career. She lives in Lakeville, is married to Jim Roy. They have two children, Elizabeth and Alex, and three grandsons.

It was with heavy hearts that Harald and Dorle made the decision in 2013, because of declining health, to leave their much loved home here and move to Wickwire Place in Wolfville. That move enabled them to be closer to Reinhard and Angelika. Harald continued to decline in health and died in March of 2016 at the age of 91. The outpouring of tributes and kind words from family, friends, colleagues, and former students were a testament to the positive impact his life had had on so many.

Dorle, now 91, lives comfortably in her pleasant Wolfville apartment. She has some health issues including limited vision, but continues to face the obstacles and the new circumstances of her life with courage, wisdom, humour and optimism. She is thankful for the many rich experiences and relationships of her life. She enjoys audio books, visits with family, musical concerts, phone conversations, and takes a keen interest in world events. She is still very interested in our community, and is a great encouragement to the many friends and former colleagues who stay in touch with her and keep her up to date with our local news. In fact, she is looking forward to receiving this next copy of New Germany Connections!



## Business Buzz

Not sure how we missed it, but New Germany has a delivery service. What a great plus for our area.

Check out **Troy's Taxi & Delivery Service** ad on page 18.

In the category of all good things come to an end, we are sorry to hear that one of our Newsletter supporters, **Mader's Clover Farm Supermarket**, is closing. We have heard a rumour that there is a pending sale and the store will remain open. Maybe by the time you read this you will be in the store checking out the sausage, chocolates and other great offerings.

It looks like **Reid Walter Lohnes, Massage Therapist**, has a new home on Highway 10. Check out their ad on page 5.

Several of our seasonal businesses have reopened including **The Goose Nest** and **Thisandthat Resale**. Bring on summer!



*Harald's 90th birthday with family, 2014.*



# Livewires 4H

~Adrianna Langille

The May general meeting for the Livewires 4-H club was held on May 9th 2018. The next meeting will be held on June 13th 2018 at 7pm at the Maplewood/Parkdale community hall.

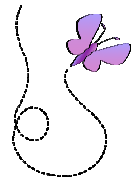
I would like to congratulate all those who participated at the South Shore rally and speech and demonstration competition and to those who went on to the 4-H weekend in Truro which was held the first weekend in May. Senior Jasmine Spidle won third at the poster contest during the 4-H weekend.

Different projects have been up to lots of things. Lately the scrapbooking members have been busy making cards. As well members are getting together painting signs and frames for our club. Also tug of war has started.

Judging day was held on May 30th at the exhibition grounds in Bridgewater. This is where members complete the judging aspect of their 4-H year.

Lunenburg and Queens County 4-H clubs are busy with preparation of the provincial 4-H show that will be held this year at the Bridgewater Exhibition Grounds on September 28-30th. Hope you all come.

Livewires will be in the New Germany Canada Day parade on July 1st in New Germany. After the parade we will be at the garden party selling ice cream as a fundraiser so come and enjoy a cone of ice cream and support Livewires 4-H. Some of us will also be helping out the Canada Day committee in the booths since New Germany has done so much for us. See you all there.



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# The Plate Had A Story to Tell

~Marie MacLeod (Queens Co. resident)

Over a month ago, I paid \$.50 for a small wall plate at a flea market in Caledonia, my home community. I knew that there was more to that dish than just the pretty pattern on the front. What had caught my eye was the sticker on the back with the words, "Smiley's Restaurant, New Germany, NS." Being a local history buff, I knew that I needed to know more. The first two people from the New Germany area who I contacted were able to help me. They gave me enough information so that I knew that the owners of the New Germany restaurant had been Warren "Smiley" Ernst and Jackie Griffiths and that Cheryl MacKay, Smiley's daughter, would be a great first contact. From there, I arranged an interview with Smiley and Jackie who were very pleased to talk about their time in the restaurant business.

Smiley told me that everyone knew him as Smiley and not Warren. He said that he earned the nickname when he was serving in the military and had approached all his duties and tasks, no matter how difficult they were, with a big smile.

He retired from the military in 1978 but started his first restaurant in New Germany in October 1976 and in 1978 Smiley opened another restaurant in Mahone Bay. Their first cook in New Germany was Mary Illingworth and later, Willie MacKay and others.

Smiley laughed when he told me that they were most proud of their coconut cream pies with meringues as high as 6 inches. As well, Smiley said they had not only great staff over those years which included their children, but also great customers. Cheryl, their daughter, who did some waitressing as a teenager, could attest to the great customers; one of them eventually became her husband. They are still married after 38 years. Other customers included staff from the Suttles and Seawinds business that originally had been located in New Germany and staff from the former Department of Health office site.

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The busiest times of the year for their New Germany restaurant were Thanksgiving and Mother's Day. Jackie remembered crowds lined up out on the street. One of the biggest attractions was the free fresh rose that every mother received on Mother's Day.

A feature in their New Germany restaurant was their small gift shop. It had mostly local crafts but Smiley had business stickers made and put on some glassware items. Those souvenirs were very popular. My used wall plate was one of those souvenirs!

They also operated a mobile canteen serving the local area especially the exhibitions. They even had a food service bus which travelled greater distances such as Yarmouth and New Brunswick. One of their favourite "food gigs" was at the local Stanburn Music Jamboree.

1978

Eventually, Smiley and Jackie, decided to close their two restaurants. There were a few reasons for this but one main reason was the slow economy. The New Germany restaurant closed in 1982. Their restaurant in Mahone Bay operated for one more year. Their son ran it for them.

Even though they now no longer had their restaurants, neither Smiley or Jackie retired from working or getting involved in other projects. Even to this day, now in their 80's, they are both still very active people who give no hint of slowing down. One of the last comments that Smiley made to me on the day I interviewed him was, "If I could do it all over again, I would love to own a restaurant but I would stay small." He was referring to how busy they had been when they operated two restaurants, a food service mobile and bus.

I left the interview really happy that I bought that \$.50 souvenir wall plate. It had brought me to Smiley and Jackie's story. Now, the plate will be going to their grandchildren who will carry that story forward with them. As you can see from the photograph, Smiley is still smiling!





# From the Lions Den

~Lion Deb Featherby

Spring has arrived! The tree and bushes have burst forth with their leaves and flowers – making our community look so vibrant and alive. And the New Germany & Area Lions have done their share to make our community beautiful by taking part in the Adopt A Highway program. Eight club members cleaned roadside litter throughout New Germany on May 2 and had a total of six bags of garbage – this is a great improvement over previous clean-ups and we are hoping for even fewer in the fall. We are proud to be a part of making our space beautiful for all.



*Highway Clean Up Lions: Marc Lapointe, Helen Acker, Dave Moore, Carla Carver, Donnie Fancy, Kelly Hansen, and Roger Carver. Missing from photo: Deb Featherby, photographer*



*Melissa Eisnor the new "Baby Lion"*

We welcomed four new Lions into our club in May – Melissa Eisnor, Vera Brown and Bruce and Marie Reid. They will be great additions to our Lions Den and we are happy to have them join us. If you are interested in becoming a Lion, call Membership Chair Wanda Whynot at 902-527-0162.

The provincial Lions Spring Convention was recently held in Yarmouth. One of the highlights was the provincial Speak Out Competition where New Germany's Laura Isaacs placed second in the province. We were all so proud as she did a great job and represented our club and community so well. Public speaking competitions are a great way to gain confidence in public speaking skills – skills that will be an asset in the future, no matter what career path a student chooses. The local club Speak Out will be held again next year so encourage any young people you know in grades nine to twelve to take part.



*Laura Isaacs representing Zone 9 and New Germany & Area Lions Club accepting her second place award from District Speak Out Chair Lion Deb Featherby*

New Germany & Area Lions continue to raise money to support local, regional and national needs. At the Lions Spring Convention, donations were made to the Hearing for All program at Dalhousie University which provides refurbished hearing aids to those who cannot afford to purchase new aids. The Enviro Depot is the latest of our supporters to place recycling boxes at their business to collect hearing aids and eye glasses and we appreciate their help. New Germany & Area

Lions also donated \$4000 towards a Dog Guide for an individual with Diabetes. We will make a second donation next year of four thousand to complete our pledge. These Dog Guides are trained at a facility in Ontario run by the Lions Foundation of Canada. Funds are raised by Lions Clubs across Canada to provide Dog Guides to individuals at no cost. Dogs are trained to provide support for those who are visually, physically or hearing impaired, or who suffer from diabetes, seizures or autism. At a recent Lions Convention the mother of a young boy living with autism, spoke about the dog guide provided to her son and how it has made his life, and theirs, so much better.



*King Lion Donny Fancy presenting a cheque for \$4000.00 to Dave Manning at Spring convention to purchase a diabetic dog guide.*

We also donated money to Camp Brigadoon and Camp Lion Maxwell. Camp Brigadoon, located in North Alton, runs twelve camps over the summer for children with various illness – cancer, Crohn's, diabetes, kidney disease, or who have lost a close family member. Camp Lion Maxwell is held at Camp Kadimah each August for children with diabetes. Our donations allow both camps to accept

children whose families may not be able to afford the registration fee and provides children with the opportunity to go to camp with other children experiencing the same medical issues as they are, and to experience the fun of swimming, canoeing, camp fires and skit nights in a setting with medical support (the nurses who staff the camps are usually volunteers!). Children who attend these camps feel like regular kids for a week and make friends who will remain friends for life. We are so grateful that we can support both of these camps and so grateful that we have the support of our communities when we fund-raise. You are what makes these donations possible. Thank you.

To continue to show your support, plan to attend the Penny Auction at the Pinehurst Hall on Saturday, June 16, from 11-2, and the Merchandise Bingo on Monday, June 18 at 7:00 pm.



The end of the school year is fast approaching and New Germany & Area Lions will be presenting bursaries to graduating students at New Germany Rural High School and Centre Scolaire de la Rive Sud. Supporting youth is one of the goals of the Lions Club and we are pleased to support our local students.

The end of the school year also means that July 1<sup>st</sup> is right around the corner. The Lions will be sponsoring the Children's Parade at Rosedale Home (inside if it rains) and the theme this year is Superheroes! Registration is at nine and the parade starts at 9:30. You can pre-register by calling Helen Acker at 902-644-2288. We will also host a Ham Supper at the Legion hall with all the fixings and strawberry shortcake for dessert, from 4:30-6:00, for \$12.00 and the Lions Express train will be doing rides around the Legion grounds for \$2.00 per child, after the parade.

For those of you who may need medical aids, such as walkers, crutches, wheelchairs, hospital beds or commodes and bath chairs, call Roger Carver at 902-644-2851.



New Germany Lion Dave Moore presenting a cheque to Karen LaVigne to help send a child to Camp Lion Maxwell.

**The New Germany & Area Lions are seeking designs for a new club pin.**

Designs should not exceed 1.5" x1.34" (square or rectangle) or 1.5" diameter for round designs.

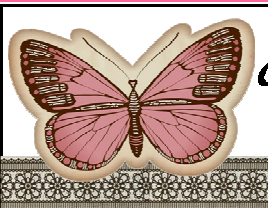
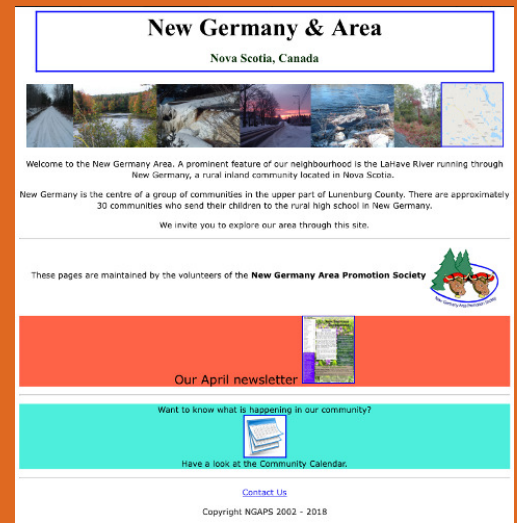
The Lions logo must be incorporated as well as the club name "New Germany & Area".

Anyone can submit a design!  
**The artist with the winning design will receive \$50!**  
**Submit designs to**  
**dfeatherby@ns.sympatico.ca**

# New Community Website

We have a new website!  
[www.newgermany.ca](http://www.newgermany.ca)

It is a work in progress, but already the community calendar is in place, as well as information about NGAPS and the latest Connections newsletter. Be sure to check it out and watch for updates and new pages as they get added. And don't forget to send us your local community events!



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# Before Camp Kadimah

Camp Kadimah is 75 years old this year. But before Camp Kadimah there was Arrowhead Park.

Sometime before 1918 George W. deLong purchased the west side of the Lake William property and began clearing land for a family cottage. Burpee deLong found an arrowhead on the sand beach, thus the name of the property. Enough land was cleared not only for the cottage, but to hold Sunday School picnics for the United Church. In the 1930's rural schools in the area held their June field day at Arrowhead Park. Fred deLong inherited the land from George in 1926. By the early 1940's the cottage was abandoned.

The east side of the cove, known as the Penny property, was purchased by Harold Verge. Together the properties became the site of the Nova Scotia Guides Association Sports Meet from 1929 to 1943. A bridge across the Lake William cove joined the properties.

Sponsored by the Lake William and Sherbrooke Sporting Club Limited of Barss Corner, jointly owned by Fred C. deLong and Harold Verge, the Meet was held annually on a full moon week in August. It was a gathering of guides not only from Nova Scotia but as far away as California and Vancouver. There could be four hundred tents pitched about the lake, with 1500 campers on the grounds and five thousand visitors paying admission as well as hundreds of cars parked on the hillside and outside the grounds.

During the day there were contests such as canoe races, canoe races without paddles, canoe tilting, portage, rescue, moose calling, log rolling, log chopping, shooting, fly casting and many more. Spectators watched from a large grandstand.

Bands played in the afternoon with various evening entertainment. They included singers, an eleven year old contortionist and a Hammond Organ player. After the evening entertainment the campfires were lit and the singing continued.

It was a grand holiday for all who attended and many people were employed.

Another feature of the Camp was the wildlife. Ezra Eisener succeeded Stan Charlton as the caretaker of deer, moose, caribou, beavers and others. They were on view in cages just across the highway and Gully Brook. There once was even an over-the-highway walkway to view the animals. Mr. Eisener cared for the animals for seven years, often taking them to shows, including the Boston Winter Fair one year.

The camp meetings closed in 1943 and the property was sold and reopened as Camp Kadimah, a summer camp for Jewish youth. They used some of the original cottages and buildings, adding many others as well as recreation facilities. Mr. Eisener stayed on as caretaker until 1979 when he retired.

Information for this article from Marlean Rhodenizer including:

Recollections from Judith (deLong) Mader

[Now We Remember](#) by B.K. Langille

[The Life and Times of Dr. Wylie F. Verge](#) (Parkdale - Maplewood Museum)



*1939 meeting of the Nova Scotia Guides Association at the Guides Meet Lake William Camp Grounds. Left to right: Harry Allan of Yarmouth, President Ira Rhodenizer of Parkdale, and Big Jim MacLeod. Note: One of the tents in the wooded background.*

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**Jeff Langille**



# North Rosedale School Reunion

The North Rosedale annual school reunion will be held on Wednesday August 1st. There will be a social hour and lunch beginning at noon at St. John's Anglican Church Hall. If you are an alumni of North Rosedale you should plan to attend.

Please contact Florence Wright, North Rosedale School Students Reunion, 902-644-2560 or email [florence.bell@ns.sympatico.ca](mailto:florence.bell@ns.sympatico.ca) for more info about the reunion. Other committee members are Denton Conrad, Joan (Silver) Demond, David Zwicker and Lloyd Varner.



Reunion 2017

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Service awards are made to members in 5 year increments and at regular meetings. During the annual banquet each member who received an award during the year is congratulated. This year among those honoured were three firefighters with 45 years of service each: Mike Snyder, Chief Blair Lantz and Douglas Veinot. That is 135 years of service just from these three firefighters.



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# Rosedale New Horizon Senior's Club

The club members represent a group of people (aged 50+) who meet primarily to "socialize". Our \$10. yearly membership fee is collected at the first meeting in January with the Annual Meeting being held later. Meetings are held the first and third Wednesday of each month to conduct business, plan fundraisers and enjoy fellowship. Besides the regular meetings club members enjoy outings, card parties, cribbage, penny auctions, craft sales, Christmas party, pot luck dinners, picnics, etc.

Fundraising projects are important to the financial well being of the Club. All members are asked to be active, to take his or her turn to help with club projects although each member may differ in his or her ability to assist. Understandably health and family commitments sometimes prevent members from participating.


Members are asked to attend as many meetings as possible, provide a snack for meetings in their turn, help in the kitchen and to clean up at special events, sell & buy tickets, work at the craft shows and provide items for these shows, contribute \$.50 to lunch fund and change for the Change Bottle at each meeting, work and contribute to the two Penny Auctions each year and other duties when called upon.

No one should feel left out or invaluable if they are willing to give of their time. The friendship developed while working on a project can be very rewarding.

The Club is not a "service club" but does help out in the community where possible. During the Lenten season six soup kitchens are held at the club room. The Club donates items to the local food bank, Legion Poppy Fund, the Medical Centre, IWK and Christmas Daddies. The clubrooms are an emergency evacuation location for Rosedale Home for Special Care. They collect used eyeglasses, lenses, used postage stamps for the Lions Club and Campbell soup labels for school projects.

The Friday night card parties and once a month Cribbage Tournaments are open to the public.  
(Information from the April 2018 Club Info sheet)

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