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New Germany Area Promotion Society

Spring 2019

Dedication is often the fuel of a rural community.

Last year was the 40th anniversary of the Lenten Soup kitchens and there was a thought that it might be the last. But 2019 rolls around, the phones start ringing and the churches want to do it again. They have their organizational meeting at one of the community's newest venues, the Coffee Cafe, which was newly started last November by a couple of community volunteers.

When you read this newsletter you will get a sense of the dedication of this community to helping and caring for others. And you will see opportunities to jump in and offer your support. Your community is depending on you.

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Connections

If you are in our area, you can advertise events on our community calendar or FB page at no charge. Share your events, fundraisers or special occasions with us!

We will promote for and with you!

Please send listings to: ng_cap@ns.sympatico.ca, our Facebook page or drop off at Village Glassworks during open hours. <u>newgermany.ca</u>

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.

Meet & Greet March 21st, Anglican Church Hall 7 to 9pm, see page 4

<u>Community</u> Potluck March 31st, Barss Corner Community Hall, 4pm. Details page 4

<u>Spring Walks</u> Exploring RRC, April 17th, 24th, 29th and May 6th See page 5 for times.

Grow your Own Beans May 2nd, 7pm Learning Commons, NGRHS

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.

NGAPS Donation



Leah Greek (grade 2) and Alex Greek (grade 1) present a donation of \$172 from ticket sales at NGAPS Victorian Christmas Tea, hosted at Aspen Grove Farm, to NGES Breakfast Program volunteers Ronan Wile (grade 1), Tracy Wile and Jennifer Gendron.

New Germany & Area Interdenominational Soup Kitchen Fridays during Lent 41st Year

March 8, 15, 22, 29,

April 5, 12

@ St. John's Church Hall

New Germany, 11:30am to 1:15pm



All money raised goes to world development and relief projects.



Postcards from New Germany & Area

NGAPS has three postcards and a pin available for purchase at Village Glassworks. All profits go to supporting our projects, including this newsletter, the Health & Wellness Expo, our community website, Main Street Maples and other community projects & events.





Spring is soon here and sweet pure maple sugar flows from the trees in the forest in Maplewood. Come and see our award winning woodlot and Maple Sugar Farm. If you're looking for some really great **100% pure maple syrup**, cream or butter or just a visit to the sugar shack please contact:

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email maplewoodfarm@gmail.com

Or drop by anytime for a visit.

(Always welcome, but please call or email first to make sure we are home.)



Sugar Shack @ Farm

Community Café

There is a new café in New Germany! The Community Café began in November and is open every Thursday morning, from 9-11, at the Anglican church hall. Delicious fairtrade coffee is offered, as well as tea and muffins, all free. WiFi and the Chronicle Herald are also available, as well as a Crib board for those looking for a game or two.

The Community Café is a wonderful opportunity to have a coffee with your friends and neighbours, and at the same time meet new friends and neighbours from New Germany and surrounding communities. From our initial four guests, we have hosted many times that number over the weeks. Informal meetings have also taken place at the Café.



Community members of all ages are enjoying refreshments and conversation. Many members have expertise to offer, in many fields, and opportunities will be provided for teaching and learning at the Café.

The Community Café is planning to begin a Farmers Market in conjunction with the Café. If you are a vendor interested in being part of the Market, please send an email to clairmacinnis@yahoo.ca.

Bring a friend and do drop in for coffee and conversation!



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Are you and your family new to this area in the last five years? New Germany Area Promotion Society (NGAPS) invites you to

Meet & Greet

Thursday March 21st 7:00 to 9:00pm Anglican Church Hall, New Germany

We will have information about this area including MODL, local businesses and community aroups.

There will be people available to try to answer your questions about this area.

Please come out to meet us and other newcomers!

Light refreshments and draws for gift certificates from local businesses.



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Celebrate the end of winter and the coming spring with NGAPS at the

Community Pot Luck

Sunday March 31st Barss Corner Community Hall Starting at 4:00pm

(We will be setting up at 3:30 if you would like to come early and lend a hand)

Bring a main dish or salad and rolls/bread or a dessert.

> We will supply paper plates, plastic cutlery and cups, or bring your own dishes and utensils so we are creating less garbage!

Tea, coffee, water, drinks will be available.

Everyone is welcome to attend.

Invite your neighbours, help us make this a great Community Connection event!

On March 21st NGAPS is hosting a Meet & Greet for newcomers in our area. Are you a local business who would like to support this event? We would like your business cards, brochures or any other promotional item you would like to offer. We are also looking for gift cards for draws. Please contact Greg Selig gdselig@ns.sympatico.ca or any other NGAPS member.



Eva Cook Homestay Coordinator

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Concerned about what's happening with Nova Scotia forests?

"Burned – Are Trees The New Coal?"

Documentary film and discussion Thursday, April 4th at 6:30 pm St John's Anglican Church Hall 5311 Highway 10, New Germany Presented by The Ecology Action Centre in partnership with the Anglican Parish of New Germany and NGAPS.

Facilitator: Donna Crossland (Storm Date: Thursday, April 11th)

Burned examines the rise of biomass in the Eastern United States. These are the same issues Nova Scotia is facing today. Following the film, we'll have a Q&A to discuss what is happening with our forests.

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 pages 10 & 11.

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

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NGAPS Spring Walks

Each walk is about an hour. All ages, everyone welcome. Dogs on leashes are also welcome.

Walks may vary from schedule pending trail conditions. Check our Facebook page or website for updates.

This year we will explore the trails of River Ridge Common and the Indian Brook Waterfall trail.

Wednesday April 17th @ 6:30pm Wednesday April 24th @ 9:00am Monday April 29th @ 6:30pm Monday May 6th @ 9:00am

Please park in the RRC parking lot, highway #10. If there is construction taking place which impedes the use of the lower trail, we will park at the



cul de sac at the end of Falkenham Lane. So put on your sneakers, grab your water bottle and join us for the adventure.

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What's at the Museum?



Snowball Hammer

Snowball hammers, also known as snow knockers, are used to remove excess snow and ice from horseshoes. Most hammers are made of iron and often have snap rings or hooks that can easily clip onto a horse's harness. Blacksmiths gave snowball hammers as gifts to customers. The hammers served as small tokens of appreciation for their loyal business, as well as a way for blacksmiths to practice and demonstrate their skills.

The Parkdale Maplewood Museum will open for the season on May 6th.

Hours: May/June & Sept. 9am-5pm Monday to Friday,

July & August 9am-5pm Monday to Saturday.

Closed Canada & Labour Day.



Rosedale Home for Special Care

is governed by a 10 member volunteer Board of Directors. Love and respect for dignity, maintaining individuality and function were just as important when we opened as they are now. Enabling residents access to the things that you and I take for granted such as a drive to see the Christmas lights, the beautiful Fall colours, nature's magical display of blossoms, and new foliage in the spring, Sunday afternoon drives down memory lane with dinner out at that favourite restaurant anytime throughout the year or a drive to the beach stopping for an ice cream along the way on a hot summer day. The benefits of having a Wheel Chair AccessibleBus for such purposes are



Lion Mike Crouse, Santa (AKA Lion Roger Carver) presenting Administrator Valerie Veinot with a cheque for \$1000 towards the Bus Fund in December 2018.

enormous to the health & well being of each and every Resident who calls Rosedale Home their home.

With your help this could be a reality for ALL residents. Rosedale Home for Special Care currently has a grand total of \$66,003.88 of donation funds towards the purchase of a new 16 Passenger Wheel Chair Bus. Our goal is to

raise an additional \$43,874.02. ~ Valerie Veinot



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Brownies & Sparks Meet @ WNES

After being absent for a few years there is a new Sparks and Brownies group meeting at the West Northfield Elementary school.

Here is a message from the leaders:

Hey Girls 🙂

If you are aged between 5 and 8 and want to do something exciting and fun, why not come join the 1st West Northfield Brownies and Sparks?

Sparks is for ages 5 & 6.

Brownies is for ages 7 & 8.

Here is our website:

http://www.girlguides.ca/web

Or you can contact one of our 2 leaders:

Ashley 902-298-1093

Angela 902-529-1211



PS...I almost forgot to tell you about our next two exciting events. Winter camping is coming up (we go



camping twice a year) and selling the chocolate / vanilla cookies April 6th and 7th.





CELEBRATING COMPOST AWARENESS WEEK

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New Germany Connections

NGAPS Annual General Meeting

April 10 @ 6:30pm, regular meeting continues at 7:00pm. Check our website for details or call 902-

644-2922 for more info. Please join us!

Union Square Community Hall,

4505 Cornwall Road, April 17th, 10 a.m. Chris Acomb, RCMP, will be speaking about

"Scams and Frauds". All are welcome to come and learn about these issues. No charge. Tea and coffee will be offered

Union Square Community Hall, 4505 Cornwall Road. Roadside Cleanup

April 13, with rain date of April 14. Meet at the hall at 10 a.m., and you will be provided with bags.

Community Website

www.newgermany.ca

Check out our community calendar, the latest Connections newsletter and other info. Be sure to watch for updates and new pages as they get added.

And don't forget to send us your local community events!

Community Cafe

Every Thursday at St John's Hall, Hwy 10 9 to 11am. Coffee-muffins-wiFi available Sponsored by the Anglican Parish of New Germany All welcome!



New Germany & Area Medical Centre

Pap Clinic (by appointment only) April 30th

Please call centre for an appointment. Appointments may be made by any woman living in the New Germany area wishing to have a Pap test.

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Reconnecting with the Van Iderstines

"We only live once, Snoopy," says Charlie Brown to Snoopy, as they sit on the dock together. "Wrong! We only die once." replies Snoopy. "We live every day."

Ruth Van Iderstine posted this on her Facebook in early February. It strikes me as an apt description of her positive and adventurous approach to life!

Many in our community will remember the Van Iderstines who moved one of the community's first prefab homes on to a lot just across from the high school, settled in and became our good neighbours and friends. It was 1971 when Fred Van Iderstine was transferred to New Germany to become the Manager at the Royal Bank, a position he retired from in 1989. Ruth, after substituting here for a year, was the perfect fit for a teaching exchange at New Germany Elementary School, which enabled Gail (Joudrey) Langille to move to a position in Dartmouth. The Van Iderstine daughters, Susan, 11, and Anne, 8, settled nicely into the new school and life in our small community.



Ruth & Fred 1994

Ruth was born, the youngest in a family of six children, in the small rural community of Five Islands, Colchester County. She was a young girl during the war years. She remembers the sadness of listening daily to the radio list of Canadian Soldiers Missing in Action, the limitations and rations of wartime. She also found things to enjoy - she loved the outdoors and the community gatherings. She remembers sitting on wooden planks to watch movies and going to dances with a fiddle and a piano player in the community hall. After High School, Ruth went off to Truro for teacher training, and taught in Nappan before moving to Dartmouth where she worked in civil service. In Dartmouth, in a nearby boarding house, there was a young banker, Fred, who had grown up, also in those difficult war years, in the small fishing village of Murray Harbour, PEI, the oldest of six children. There was a friendship, a courtship, and then family and friends gathered in Five Islands for the marriage of Fred and Ruth (Patterson) Van Iderstine on April 5, 1958 at Five Islands. Fred's work took them to Bridgewater, back to Halifax, and then finally to New Germany.



As Bank Manager, Fred was well appreciated and a trusted advisor to many. Though busy with a young family, Fred, quickly made friends and became involved in the community. My husband, Foard, often spoke about Fred's frequent visits to West End Esso for both car repairs and socializing. For a time, Fred could easily be spotted in the village driving a huge, bright yellow Lincoln (yellow because that could be easily picked out by a colourblind person). Fred served as Treasurer for the Fire Department, and for many years with the local branch of the Canadian Cancer Society. After his retirement, he got together with friends Maynard Varner and Denis Jarvis and organized the Tuesday afternoon New Germany Bowling League, which continues to be enjoyed almost thirty years later.

Ruth came to know many children and families in our communities through her twenty two years of teaching Primary, Gr 1 and Gr 2. She enthused her students with her energy and creativity in their everyday learning and in many special projects and established life-long bonds with other dedicated and caring colleagues. Ruth loved the spring operettas, outdoor activities and the joy of hearing a student exclaim, "I can read!" One year when they studied dinosaurs she decided to have her students research and then trace an actual-sized drawing of a dinosaur at the back of the school. The students then gathered rocks to place on the outline of this drawing. It was a memorable moment when they gathered at the windows of a second floor classroom to gaze down on their dinosaur! One day, Ruth asked Elfreide Meindel to come and do a simple clay workshop with her class. I'm sure the students

enjoyed it as well, but Ruth was 'hooked' with the joy of working with this medium. She promptly wrote a grant, acquired a kiln, some materials and hundreds of students (and staff!) were able to share in the joy of creating with clay. I still have a fish created by one of my children at NGES over 30 years ago – Thanks to Ruth!

Ruth also had time to make many new friends and become involved in community events and activities. She often helped out with United Church projects and especially enjoyed her years practicing and performing with the





Handbell Group. Ruth and Fred were delighted when a young man, Avan, built a new house next to them, and even more so when he was joined by his new bride, Lisa, and then ecstatic when there were children, Emma and Alex, next door. Their special neighbour 'family' bond remains strong to this day.

The years passed, Susan and Anne graduated from High School and went off to University – Susan to Mt Allison and Anne to Dalhousie. Fred retired in 1989. It seemed time for another adventure! Ruth had heard a presentation at a local Teachers' Union

meeting about International Teacher Exchanges. Fred was great at arranging the travel details, and Fred and Ruth headed for Scotland. She taught in Cumbernauld, a small village northeast of Glasgow, for a year, reconnecting with her Scottish roots, and they enjoyed travelling and seeing more of the world. While they were in Scotland, Elsie Griffin came from Scotland, lived in the Van Iderstines' home, taught in Ruth's place, and made many friends here. It was a win-win for the Van Iderstines, Elsie and the community. This was among the first international exchanges, and our community has enjoyed other exchange teachers and many international exchange students in the 30 years since then.

Sadly, Fred died suddenly in 2000, and it was time for the community to reach out to support Ruth and her daughters as they adjusted to their life without Fred. Ruth benefitted from the close friendships and the supportive network she had developed, and, in time, found her way to live the new 'single life' with her characteristic enthusiasm and adventurous spirit.

By 2007, she had decided to leave New Germany and move closer to her daughters. Susan, Anne, and her husband, Paul, all live in the city. Anne is Manager of Information Services at the Nova Scotia Legislature. Susan, who was seriously injured in a car



accident, has recovered to the point where she is now able to work part-time as a technology consultant. Ruth found a lovely home on a quiet street in Dartmouth which suits her needs and the needs of her canine companions – first Clancy, and now, Cleo.

Ruth, who celebrated her 85th birthday last year, says her life is full with her artistic pursuits especially in watercolours, rug hooking, and soap making. Walking her dogs keeps her active and has provided another circle of friends. Being in the city, she is more easily able to spend time with her family. She is content, and says 'I have a good life.'

Ruth also likes to keep in touch with friends from her 'New Germany' years.... with

visits, phone calls, cards, Facebook.....Ruth says she has many rich memories of life in New Germany, is thankful for the 36 years she spent here, and especially the people who have become friends and like family to her. She enjoys the opportunities she has to come back 'home' for special occasions and loves to hear from friends and keep up with our community happenings.

It was my joy to reconnect for these conversations with Ruth. We were on staff together at NGES for about 15 years and I always admired her positive approach and

adventurous spirit! I still do! ~Catherine Robar



Business Buzz

The best thing about winter turning into spring is maple syrup season. Be sure to try some local syrup from Maplewood Maple Syrup farm.

We are waiting for the reopening of the former Thisnthat shop on Highway 10, under new ownership and with a new name; The Curious Mouse is in the running.

There is also conversation about another Farmers Market in our area. Talk to Clair or John at the Coffee Café on Thursday morning if you are interested.



Step into Spring with the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg Recreation Department

As we look forward to warmer, sunnier weather, we have been busy planning exciting new programs for all ages to enjoy! It's a perfect time to shake off the winter blues, get out, get active, and meet new people. Join us at any of our upcoming events!

Mark these dates on your calendar: Becoming a Beekeeper @ MARC – April 4 from 6:00pm-8:30pm Intro to Rockhounding @ MARC – April 10 from 6:30pm-8:30pm Easter Egg Hunt @ MARC - April 13 from 2:00pm-3:30pm Sea Glass Art Workshop – April 17 from 6:00pm-8:00pm Intro to Geocaching @ MARC – April 25 from 6:00pm-8:00pm or @ MARC – May 15 from 10:00am-12:00pm Sparkle N' Sign @ MARC - April 26 from 6:00pm-8:30pm Home Alone Course @ MARC - April 29 from 9:00am-2:00pm Babysitters Course @ MARC - May 4 from 9:00am-3:00pm Disc Golf @ MARC - May 7 from 6:30pm-8:30pm Kids in the Kitchen @ MARC- May 11 from 11:00am-1:00pm Food Handlers Course @ MARC - May 14 from 9:00am-4:00pm or @ MARC - May 21 from 5:00pm-Finish Bargain Shopping Trip to the French Shore – May 16 from 8:00am-6:00pm Children's Fishing Derby @ MARC - May 25 from 9:00am-12:00pm LaHave Island Kayak Clean-up - June 8 from 9:00am-1:00pm Miller Point Peace Park Day - June 9 from 2:00pm-3:30pm Bargain Shopping Trip to Metro - June 13 from 8:00am-6:00pm Intro to Stand-up Paddle (SUP) Board for Women – June 14 from 7:00pm-9:00pm Bridges of Lunenburg County (cycle) - June 15 from 9:00am-2:00pm 55+ Ice Cream Social - June 20 from 1:30pm-3:00pm Summer Solstice Beach Walk – June 21 from 7:30pm-9:00pm Destination Lunenburg County – July 10 from 9:00am-6:00pm Local Beverage Tour – August 22 from 8:00am-6:00pm Bargain Shopping Trip to the Valley - September 17 from 8:00am-6:00pm Valley Harvest Tour – October 9 from 8:00am-6:00pm Christmas Shopping Trip to Metro - November 13 from 8:00am-8:00pm *Watch for our Spring Recreation Guide in your flyers the end of March for more details* For registration, information, or facility bookings, call (902) 541-1343 or visit www.modl.ca "Like" us on Facebook for the latest news, events, and information!

NGAPS

NGAPS holds regular monthly meetings the second Wednesday of the month. Everyone with an interest in our community is welcome to join. Please check the website for more info. **NGAPS** maintains our community website, publishes this newsletter, organizes the New Germany



Health & Wellness Expo, Countryside Christmas and other community events. Please consider joining us so we can do even more for our community.

Municipality of the District of Lunenburg



Cathy Moore Councillor - District 5

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Grow your own Beans

Following the successful evening discussing growing garlic, NGAPS will be hosting an evening devoted to beans.

Join us for an information evening about beans yellow or green, fresh or dried. We will talk about growing, harvesting, storing, collecting seeds and the different kinds of beans. Are you a "bean gardener"? Come out and share your expertise!

Free bean seeds

(limited quantity) Free draw



Thursday May 2nd 7:00pm Learning Commons NGRHS

Sponsored by New Germany Area Promotion Society as part of our Food Security Initiative.





South Shore Public Library Mobile Library

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River Ridge Common News

New Germany's River Ridge Common park now has new public facilities in place and much more on the way for 2019.

On land owned by the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg, the 115 acre property is divided by the South Shore Annapolis Valley (rail) Trail (SSAVT) into two distinct parcels. The 15 acre Lower Park is a former gravel pit, situated between Highway 10 and the rail trail. The 100 acre Upper Park area is a former wood lot, to the north of the rail trail.

River Ridge Common now has over 2 km of accessible trail that are open to the public. These include 1.7 km in the Upper Park woodlands, the 0.3km old rail spur just south of the rail trail and the Indian Brook Waterfall trail (which was built by the students of New Germany Rural High School).

The River Ridge Common work program also repaired and stabilized a slope with significant erosion issues, helping to keep the park site and its adjacent waterways healthy and sustainable for the long term.

The Lower Park currently has a big natural playground and more accessible trails under construction, which are scheduled for completion in the summer of 2019.



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MODL 2019 Volunteer - Greg in our Community

Congratulations Greg Selig on being selected the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg's Representative Volunteer for 2019. He will participate in the Provincial Volunteer Awards Ceremony in April.



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The Livewires Report

Livewires had their first meeting in September. This year we have twenty six members and eleven Cloverbuds. At our first meeting Cloverbuds and Members got put into teams to complete ice breaker games. The games helped us get to know one another and work as a team. During the month of December as part of the New Germany Countryside Christmas we held a Memorial Christmas Tree Forest. In total there were thirty trees. The tree lighting ceremony was amazing. It was great

to see community members enjoying the lights and a cup of hot chocolate.

On January 26th Livewires held their speech day. Congratulations to members who are moving on to County level! Those members are Isaiah Pettipas moving on as Junior



speaker, Victoria Penney moving on as Intermediate speaker, Laura Isaacs moving on as Senior speaker and Abbie Foster and Madelyn Simpson who are moving on as Junior double demonstrations. Also congratulations to Madelyn Simpson and Kory Schofield who are moving on to compete in the Junior Ambassador Competition. They competed on the weekend and Madelyn is one of the Junior Ambassadors for Lunenburg County.



Our Club received a Farm Credit Canada grant and will be using it to do activities with our members, some of these include a horse clinic, dairy supplies, photography workshop and the Lego project members taking a trip

to the Discovery Museum! On February 1st there was a card making night. Nine members attended. We made Valentines Day, Rooster cards and Birthday cards. Thank you Barb and Judy for holding the card making workshop. Big thanks to Farm Credit Canada for making this happen.

Here are some 4H fun facts! The four H's stand for Head, Heart, Hands and Health. The 4-H motto is, Learn to Do by Doing. This years 4-H theme is 4-H Steals the Scene in 2019.





Card Making Workshop - Brayden Nickerson, Julia Smith, Rin Takai, St Clair Smith, Abbie Foster and Lynn Nickerson

We have a very active Cloverbuds group this year



Foods Project Julia Henderson



Woodworking project Isaiah Pettipas and Joshua Foster



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From the Lions Den

~Lion Deb Featherby

Another winter is upon us but neither snow, nor rain nor wind will keep the New Germany & Area Lions from doing their service work!

This past Christmas saw treat bags delivered to Riverside Manor Residents and a poinsettia and cheque for the bus fund presented at Rosedale Home. The High School Leo Club did up Christmas mugs with decorations and greenery for the residents' bedside tables. The monthly bingo games for the residents continue to be held on Thursday evenings providing a welcome break from the winter blahs.



New Germany & Area Past President Donnie Fancy receiving a Club Excellence award from District Governor Perry Oliver.



Lions Pat Wentzell and the Lions 100th anniversary Diamond Award for retaining members.

Members of the Lions Club also help out at the Pinehurst breakfasts held the first Saturday of each month, as well as helping out at the Food Bank and Helping Hands. Our members work with Special Olympics and loan out medical aids like walkers and hospital beds to community members. We held a fundraiser recently to help a family whose toddler has cancer and we respond to needs for assistance with fuel, medications, groceries, travel and living expenses. Where there is a need, there is a Lion!

Christine Arenburg received In order to help others, the Lions hold fundraisers to raise the necessary funds and there are several coming up that should be on everyone's calendar!

> March 30: Roast Pork Supper at 6:00 at the Legion on Varner Road. Cost is

only \$15.00 and there will be door prizes! There will be advance ticket sales only so contact any Lion or Lion Carla at 902-644-2851.

April 13: Indoor Yard Sale at the Pinehurst Hall, 3485 Hwy 10 from 11:00- 3:00. A great chance to pick up some treasures and much needed items for bargain prices! There will also be a bake table and canteen available. If you have items you want to donate call Lion Kelly at 902-644-7711.

April 26: Lucky Duck tickets go on sale. Lucky Duck to be drawn at the Summer Sizzler on June 8, NGES. Prizes are

\$750, \$500 and \$250. Ticket are available from any Lion or by calling Lion Carla at 902-644-2851. May 25: Penny Auction at the Pinehurst Hall, 3485 Hwy 10, 11:00-2:00. The canteen will be available. May 27: Merchandise Bingo at the Pinehurst Hall, 3485 Hwy 10, starting at 7:00. Books are three for a \$1.00. A canteen will be available.

July 1: Children's Parade at Rosedale and supper at the Legion.



NG Lions donated \$1000 to the hospital foundation during Radiothon 2019; shown: Alison Clements, Foundation member, Lions Deb Featherby, Evelyn Snyder, Darlene Buchanan.

The New Germany & Area Lions are also hosting two FREE March Break events. On Saturday, March 16, there will be free skating at the LCLC from 4:00-5:15 and on Wednesday, March 20, there will be free bowling for children at the Bowl More Lanes in Bridgewater from 12:00-1:30. We'd like to see a great turn out again this vear!

Any resident of the New Germany area who would like



Myrtle Taylor and Valerie Gardiner enjoying the Soup & Sandwich Luncheon hosted by the NG & Area Lions Club.

to join the Lions Club should contact the membership Chair, Lion Wanda at 902-527-0162. Those needing medical aids should contact Lion Roger at 902-644-2851 and those with Health &

Welfare needs should contact Lion Pat at 902-644-3280. Catering requests for receptions, parties or meetings should contact Lion Carla at 902-644-2851 (we can travel to your venue for catering as we were able to purchase a trailer with the money raised internally through our dues, fines and work. Funds raised through the public are only used for helping those in need). Booking for the Lions Express train are made through Lion Dave Whynot (Relish) at 902-527-0162.

Our Lions Motto : "We Serve"

New members of the New Germany & Area Lions: Mellie Robar, Peggy Tufts, Penny Tippett & Alan Tippett. Centre is past Zone Chair Peter Wagner who conducted the induction.

Happy Trails from LaHave River Trail!

The LRTA Board and Members have had a very constructive (pun intended) 2018.

Successful negotiations (for the most part) and funding have allowed us to expand the trail from the Rhodenizer Road North-East. This has been thanks in no small part to the generosity of landowners and the support of homeowners who abut crown land where the trail runs. Our great appreciation to all of you.

There is still a small section of trail to complete to connect to the Mossman Road. However, between there and the Bruhm Road our volunteers have been clearing the old rail bed and our contractor is ready to start work as soon as the ground is fit. We are creeping ever closer to full connection!

As we all use the trail and enjoy the hard work which has been done to create it please be respectful of each other and particularly of neighbours and those who have shared their property to aid us with the LR Trail project. We are fortunate to have such community-minded citizens amongst us who see the Trail as an asset to us all.

Please be mindful as we head into spring that the trail surface can be soft and vulnerable to damage that required unnecessary maintenance.

We greatly appreciate the funding we receive on application from the municipal council and the province as well as our generous donors and members. We especially appreciate the hours of volunteer time given by our members in various ways and most of all when it involves the onerous tasks of clearing trail and helping with maintenance chores.

You can show your support through attending meetings or making a donation directly (info at http://lahaverivertrailassociation.blogspot.ca) or through the donation program at NS Trails Federation www.novascotiatrails.com.

Take Trails to Heart!

New Germany & Area Lions held their club Speak Out recently. Shown are Zahaven Smith, Rvlee-Anne Swinemar, 3rd place Paige MacKinnon, Winner Laura Isaacs, 2nd place Victoria Penny.





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