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Autumn to Winter 2015

Welcome to our final issue of 2015. With autumn in full swing we look forward to Remembrance Day and to our second Countryside Christmas celebration. Last year we compiled a nine day celebration in our area which was received with great enthusiasm. We are working on a repeat this year. When you look around our communities, you will see the thriving spirit of the season. Join us to discover the exciting events as we pull out our scarves and coats and get ready for winter.

NGAPS Programs & Events

NGAPS Regular Meeting the first Tuesday of each month @ 7:00pm. Everyone is welcome to attend. Check our web page for more details.

Countryside Christmas November 28th to December 6th. Details page 22.

Meet & Greet November 29th, NGES Community Room, 2:00 - 4:00pm. Details page 20.

Tree Lighting and Holiday Snacks December 3rd, 6:30 - 8:00pm. Details page 21.

Christmas Movie Night December 4th, 6:30 and 8:00pm. Details page 21.

Community Events

- Nov 10 Flu Clinic
- Nov 11 Remembrance Day
- Nov 18 Speak Out
- Nov 25 Garden Club
- Nov 28 - Dec 6**
- Countryside Christmas**
- Nov 28 Breakfast
- Nov 28 Penny Auction
- Nov 29 Meet & Greet
- Nov 30 Bingo
- Dec 1 Advent Church Service
- Dec 2 Night of the Arts
- Dec 3 Christmas Tea
- Dec 3 Tree Lighting
- Dec 4 Morning Glories Fitness
- Dec 4 Movie Night
- Dec 5 Breakfast
- Dec 6 NGES Christmas Festival
- Dec 25 Merry Christmas
- Jan 1 Happy 2016
- Jan 5 NGAPS Meeting
- Jan 27 Garden Club AGM

*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.

Let's work together!

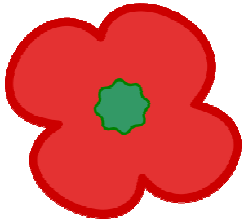
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Also check out our Facebook page!



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.

The Remembrance Day Service



Lest We Forget.

at **Parkdale/Maplewood** will commence at 10:40 a.m. with the laying of the wreaths at the cenotaph located in front of Parkdale /Maplewood Emmanuel Baptist Church.

Following the one minute silence at 11.00 a.m., those in attendance will enter the church for the service to follow, where the veterans will be honoured. Following the service, there will be a lunch reception to be held in the community hall.

The Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 08-102 New Germany Week of Remembrance Events 2015

Thursday Nov 5th

Service, West Northfield Elementary School

1030 Hours Legion & Auxiliary members gather at the school Assembly in the gymnasium. All Legion & Auxiliary members welcome.

Sunday November 8th

Service of Remembrance in Springfield

1030 Hours Legion & Auxiliary members gather.
1100 Hours Service of Remembrance.
All Legion and Ladies Auxiliary members welcome.

Monday Nov 9th

Service New Germany Elementary School

1045 Hours Legion & Auxiliary members gather at the school Assembly in the gymnasium. All Legion & Auxiliary members welcome.

Monday Nov. 9th

Service, New Germany Rural High School

1300 Hours Legion & Auxiliary members gather at the school.
All Legion & Auxiliary members welcome.



Wednesday November 11th

1030 Hours Parade participants gather at the New Germany Fire Hall
1045 Hours Form up Parade and March off
1100 Hours Service of Remembrance at the Cenotaph, Epworth United Church
Service in the church.

1200 Hours Form up Parade and March back to the Fire Hall
There will be a lunch provided at the Legion for participants 19 years of age and over.
Afternoon of friendship and camaraderie in the Legion clubrooms.

1700 Hours Social Hour

1800 Hours Banquet

Tickets must be presented at the door.

Dress code as per Legion By-Laws





An open letter to Legion Members & interested members of the Community

The New Germany Legion is struggling, as are several others in our zone. Most struggling branches fear closing because of their poor financial situation. In our case that could be a problem in our foreseeable future. We are in immediate danger because of our inability to fill vital positions in our branch. Should this trend continue we could lose our Charter.

Fellow members imagine not having a branch close by in New Germany. Some of the areas of concern may be:

- No large facility for receptions, dances, dinners or meetings.
- No where to gather socially for a drink, games or lottery machines.
- No facility for Veteran's Support, including Remembrance Week.

Should you wish to remain Legionnaires, then you could always travel to Bridgewater. Should you want to keep your local branch, then more members must step up or 2016 will very likely be our last year in existence.

In Comradeship
R.A. (Ray) Fuller President



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From the Lions Den

SPEAK OUT - New Germany and Area Lions Club will hold their annual Club Speak Out on Wednesday, November 18th at the Anglican Church Hall. Students in grades nine to twelve who reside in the catchment area for NGRHS are invited to participate. Home schooled students are also welcome. Topics for speeches are selected by students and should be between 4 and 6 minutes. The purpose of the Speak Out is to provide students from many communities an opportunity to think about important current issues, to organize their thoughts and ideas and to effectively present these ideas publicly. The Speak Out provides a forum for young people to build self-confidence as they publicly put forward and defend their views. Students should contact Ms. Mary Wagner at the NGRHS library for more details.

COOKBOOK FUNDRAISER - "Serve With Pride" is a collection of recipes produced by the New Germany and Area Lions. Cookbooks arrived in early October and are being sold throughout the fall while supplies last. \$12.00 each. Get your Christmas shopping done early.

The New Germany and Area Lions Club was pleased to have participated in the Health and Wellness Expo at NGRHS on October 29th.

Upcoming Club Events:

Diabetes Tag Day - Lions will be accepting donations toward diabetes research on Friday, November 27th at the New Germany Freshmart.

Bring your children to ride the Lions train at the New Germany Christmas Festival at NGES on December 6th. (1:00 to 4:00pm). Proceeds support Christmas Daddies.

Lions will be manning the kettle for the Salvation Army from December 18 - 24 at NSLC and the Freshmart in New Germany; times TBA.





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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!



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Also available at New Germany Freshmart, Mader's Clover Farm Supermarket, Village Glassworks, Bordens in the Woods, Tammy's Country Stop and other locations.



More Than a Potluck

~contributed by Jennifer Hayward

Clear skies and warm temperatures prevailed on the afternoon of September 27th as the community of New Germany and surrounding area gathered under the maples for what is hoped will become an annual community picnic. Approximately seventy people of all ages gathered bearing plates, pots and bowls of delicious food. Children delighted in riding the Lions' train with Roger Carver as the Conductor, as well as participating in a nature scavenger hunt, playing games and face painting. Meanwhile adults positioned their lawn chairs in groups for catching up with friends and neighbours. The New Germany Volunteer Fire Department opened its doors for those young and old to tour the facility and check out the new Fire Rescue Command Vehicle recently purchased by the department. Following the pot luck supper, no one could resist ending the day with ice cream provided by the Promotion Society.

The beautiful maples that grow along main street, providing colours in the fall and shade in the summer, were originally planted by Jacob Francis Penney in 1924, great grandfather of the Penneys who now live in the community. When several of the maples died off, Mr. Penney replaced them with ash trees.

Last year the New Germany Area Promotion Society spearheaded a project to build a community garden along this section of Highway 10 under the maples. The project is known as the Main Street Maples and many local residents have taken the initiative to provide improvements. I'm sure you have noticed the beautiful flower gardens, park benches, picnic tables, bird-houses and neatly mown grass.



All of this is a wonderful example of how New Germany residents continue to work hard and show pride in this beautiful community.

New Germany was built on hard work and determination, but once the work is done for the day, celebrations with food, games and socializing solidify that work is a product of an entire community. The community picnic was more than just a fun event, it gave families a time to reflect on how our community has changed over the years. True, there were booming times in New Germany, but as a young person who has grown up in this community, I believe we are still booming in a different way. We may not have a movie theatre or department stores, but we have a community of hard working, caring, thoughtful people who don't think twice about helping a neighbour in need, volunteering in the community or giving someone a much deserved pat on the back. Yes, this was much more than a community potluck picnic. There is nothing like food to bring a community together, so see you next year at the community picnic.



What's at the Museum?



Planes were once an indispensable tool used by carpenters to shave wooden boards smooth. There are various forms of planes available and they are used for different purposes. One of the most influential plane manufacturers in history was the Stanley Company in 1869.

From the collection of Parkdale - Maplewood Community Museum. The Museum is closed for the season but will reopen Spring 2016.

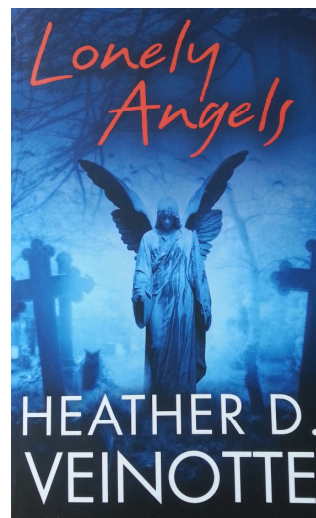
New Germany and Area Medical Centre

New Germany & Area Medical Centre Flu Clinic by appointment only.

November 10 - Afternoon/Evening Clinic. Call NGMC at 644-2361 for an appointment.



Book Launch



November 14th

Northfield District Fire Hall

1:00 to 3:00pm

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Municipal Recreation News

District of Lunenburg Recreation has opportunities for you and your family throughout the Municipality!

Nature Baby – call to chat with Britt Vegsund about getting outdoors with your baby and little ones.

Take the Rail Trail Walking Challenge! Pick up a walking guide for 12 routes. You will walk over 50K. Once complete you can enter for prizes.

Sledge Hockey Try it at the LCLC. Oct 25, Nov 14, Nov 21, Dec 13 & Dec 20. Call for details.

Healthy Living Your Way! An Active Living Course for Older Adults (55+) Wednesdays, 9 – Noon, November 4 – December 16, MARC, Dayspring FREE!

Pier 21/Seaport Market/Hfx Central Library Bus Trip – November 5

Basic Fire Lighting Workshop – Saturday, November 7, 2 – 4 pm, MARC, Dayspring \$10 pp or family.

Christmas Shopping Bus Trip to Metro – November 18

Family Christmas Wreath Making – Sunday, December 13, 3 – 5 p.m., MARC, Dayspring FREE!

Outdoor Clothing Swap – Sunday, December 13, 3 – 5 pm, MARC, Dayspring.

Municipal Matters Community Events listing deadline November 13. Call in your event to be included. Community organizations may also submit events for listing on the Community Calendar on the new Municipal website! Also, check out South Shore Connect to list your programs and events.

www.southshoreconnect.ca

Visit www.modl.ca for a full listing of recreation programs. Online registration is available, credit card payment only. Watch the Lighthouse Log for weekly listing of Recreation programs and events.

“Like” us on Facebook! We welcome your ideas for winter/spring programs in our community; please contact Janice Rand at 541-1335. District of Lunenburg Recreation 541-1343 or recreation@modl.ca www.modl.ca



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New Germany Elementary School Early Years Centre

is made up of an Early Learning Program for children four years old, a Family Resources Room and a satellite site of Bridgewater’s Small World Learning Centre.

The Early Learning Program has been having a fantastic time with our children and their families.

Small World Learning Centre has spots available for families who would be interested in accessing their services. The Before School Program for children runs from 6:30 am to 8:30 am, the After School for children is available from 2:30 to 6:00 pm and a Full Day Program for children Grade Primary to Grade 6 runs during New Germany Elementary School closures.

Small World’s Toddler enrichment program (ages 18 months to 4 years) also has space available. Program runs from 9:00 am to noon on Tuesday and Thursday. Please contact Small World for more information and fees.

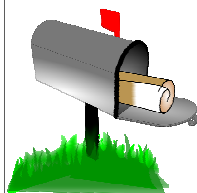
Our community and family resource room is now available to book for those looking to hold community meetings, events and programs here in New Germany. The room holds up to thirty adults comfortably and can host a range of services. We can provide access to computers, coffee and tea, meeting tables and a variety of other resources if we are given advanced notice. Our community and family resource room can be booked by email at ngelc@gnspes.ca or you can call the main office at New Germany Elementary and speak with Michelle Richards at 902-644-5020.



We presently host a playgroup held by the Better Together Family Resource every Wednesday morning from 10:00am to 11:30am. It is open to parents with children from birth to six years of age and is free. There are wonderful activities and snacks provided and lots of great information and support from Heather Heim.

New Germany Post Office Food Bank Drive

November 23rd - 27th



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River Ridge Common

If you've picked up the first edition of the Trail Maps brochure published by the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg you will have seen that River Ridge Common, our outdoor recreation park at Civic Address 4668 Highway 10 near New Germany, has now officially arrived! The brochure includes a full description of its location and features as well as information for safe and enjoyable multi-use of this developing property.

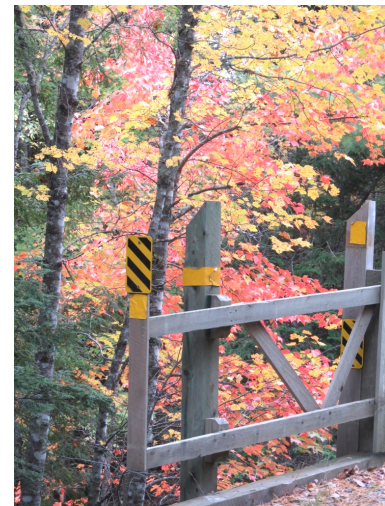
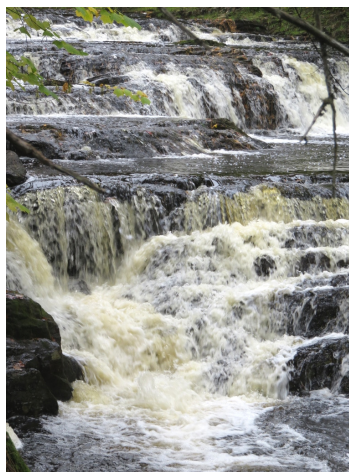
MODL's Recreation Department and the River Ridge Common Committee are pleased to announce that the entrance and lower parking lot off Highway 10 are completed as well as a scenic new multi-use uphill switchback trail that accesses the junction of the South Shore Annapolis Valley (SSAV) Trail. Both of these phases of park development have been completed by local contractors through our advertised and open contracting process with excellent results.

You will find the largest area of the River Ridge Common property beyond the SSAV Trail junction – hilly, partially treed, with a system of overgrown woods roads. Please be aware that these trails are currently in a heritage path condition and are not open to motorized vehicles so that we can prevent further erosion or damage of the site.

We are very excited about the next planned phases of trail development and grooming as well as enhancing your outdoor experience with appropriate information and direction signage. The Municipality will be advertising to have a detailed site plan developed and work will begin in the spring on the first stages.

We invite everyone to visit the park and to enjoy some scenic and relaxing outdoor recreation. Have some fun with family and friends, and remember to always be prepared, dress appropriately, stay safe, and enjoy the facility as a responsible neighbour.

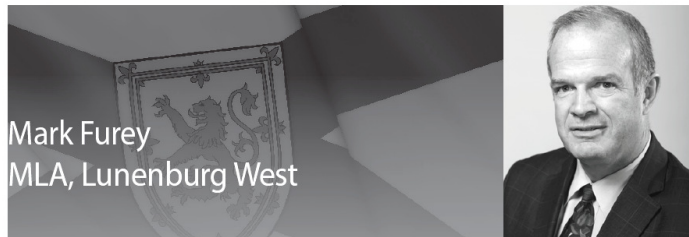
Watch for updates as the park project develops. We welcome all feedback and participation.



Photos by Nancy Veinot

South Shore Public Library Mobile Library

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.



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Union Square Community Hall Reunion and Open House

The **Union Square Community Hall Association** held an open house on October 10th to celebrate 50 years since the closing of the school and the journey it has taken to get to where it is today. The school closed in 1965 and was purchased for a Youth Hall. Over the years it was managed by several organizations and is currently under the control of the Union Square Community Hall Association. In recent years there have been many major improvements to the building, which remains a work in progress.

This event gave people the opportunity to both reminisce about the old school days and to see the changes that have taken place with the building. It was well attended by previous students, members of the community, representatives of municipal and provincial governments which provided improvement grants and by Myrtle Taylor who started her teaching career at the school in 1936. Collections of photos from school to current day were on display as well as old school registers and information regarding the various organizations involved over the years.

We were delighted with the turnout for this event and the excitement shown and expressed by all who attended. Thanks in particular to all those who contributed photos and information, who worked to make this event possible and most importantly all those who came and made it so enjoyable.



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Rural Life is an Art

~ Jan Hull, President, Rural Arts & Life Tour Association

Some say that rural living is an art. As readers of *New Germany Connections* well know, it's just life to us.

Many "Tour"-ists visited our seven communities from Blockhouse to Parkdale on September 19, 2015 for our second annual Rural Arts and Life Tour, accepting our invitation to "Come see what we do, who does it, and why we do it here!" The weather was great, showing our landscapes off to best advantage.

They saw a managed heritage forest that yields sweet maple sugar and syrup. Willows along roadsides were made into a master weaver's work baskets. They learned about rocks made into stone walls or stone sculptures. Our museum showed how villages were crafted from wilderness. A blueberry hill sells award-winning wine. Natural scenery inspired painters and musicians. Locally-sourced wood is available as paddles and oars in a post-card setting, or is carved into birds. A rural community inspires the mind of a YA novel author. A First Nations women's group sang and drummed ancient music on the shore of a quiet lake. A kitchen garden supplied condiments presented artistically. A field of wild-flowers became a botanical scavenger hunt.



Van Fancy demonstrates how he makes oars at Van Fancy Oars & Paddles in Middle Cornwall.

Whether art or industry, it is beautiful here. Visitors discovered all these experiences and more, including the all-morning maple-syrup breakfast in Maplewood, and a goulash lunch in Upper Cornwall.

The Tour is a surprisingly inexpensive event. Each enterprise pays their own expenses, and the Tour simply takes care of publicity. We are grateful to the Municipality of the District of Lunenburg for granting us the funds to do this. The volunteer board is committed to *not* fundraising; we want to support our communities, not compete with them.

According to our exhibitors' evaluation reports, the visitors we most enjoy on Tour Day are you – our nearest neighbours. Come see us next year on Saturday September 17, 2016. Meanwhile, like us on Facebook and visit us at www.ruralartsandlifetour.com.

Events @ New Germany Legion Branch 102

Nov. 7 - **Rockathon** - 8:00p.m. to 8:00a.m.
Lots of fun. Pledge sheets at the bar.

Nov. 28 - **Breakfast** 7:00 to 11:00a.m.
Usual menu - \$7.00 adults and \$3.50 for
ages 5 to 12.

Dec. 12 - **Christmas Dance** - Handsome
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Contest : Holidays in our area - If you were to match your community with something festive, what would it be? Here are a few of our suggestions.....

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1. Barss Corner - A place to sing Christmas (6)?
2. Cookville - Maybe this is where you cook your Christmas (6)?
3. Maplewood - Not Balsamfirwood, but a good place to find a (13).
4. Lower Branch - A place to hang your favourite (8).
5. New Germany - In old Germany, he delivers the presents (15).
6. Simpson's Corner - In the "old" days you ordered your (8) from a catalogue.
7. Union Square - Not square, but round and green. (6)
8. Pinehurst - The alternate to a Balsam fir. (4)
9. Cherryfield - Do you put cherries or only raisins in your Christmas (9)?
10. North River - Not the North Pole, but maybe he lives here (10)?
11. West Northfield - Across the snowy fields we glide in our (6).
12. Upper Branch - A place to put the (4) that lights the top of your tree.

Bonus - (14) to you from us!

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If you are our winner from which advertiser would you chose your prize?

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Answers:

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Send your answers to the address on page 24 by December 3rd for a chance to win a \$20 gift certificate from one of our advertisers, your choice. Email entries also accepted, please put contest in the subject line. Only one entry per person please.

Answers to the September contest: Geometry, Home Economics, Industrial Arts, History, French, Biology, Arithmetic, Phys Ed, Art, Geography, Agriculture, English.



International Students @ NGRHS

This year New Germany Rural High is welcoming 21 International Students to our school. We have students coming to us from Columbia, Mexico, Italy, France, Germany, Norway, Denmark, Turkey, Spain, South Korea, China and Japan.

Eligible students come from all over the world and are carefully matched with Nova Scotian host families with the help of our dedicated home stay coordinators. Students range in age from 8-18 years old and stay anywhere from one month to one year.

"We have hosted several students ranging in age from 14 to 17 over the past 10 years from several counties around the world including Mexico, China, France, Columbia and Spain. Our children have experienced different languages, cuisine and culture. Through social media we are able to stay connected with these students and have made lifelong friendships," says Avan and Lisa Joudrey.

The home stay program is the heartbeat of the Nova Scotia International Program experience. For students it's a way to learn about the Canadian way of life. For host families, it's an opportunity to bring the world home and gain a new family member. For more information, please contact Eva Cook, Home Stay Coordinator for West Northfield /New Germany schools, at 902-521-8532 or by email ecook@ssrsb.ca



Peru Ramos from Spain with Emma and Alex Joudrey

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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.



Business Buzz

There are often many changes in the business community in our area. This column will note the highlights.

There are several new businesses in the New Germany area.

- Sharing the former Russell Dry Goods store (also the first home of Suttles & Seawinds) are Lynn's Dog Grooming and Moon Tide Gallery. Moon Tide Gallery has a website at

moon-tide.com.

-Barss Corner is welcoming plumber Jason Greek. You can find him across from the Post Office and on Facebook at jasongreeksplumbing.

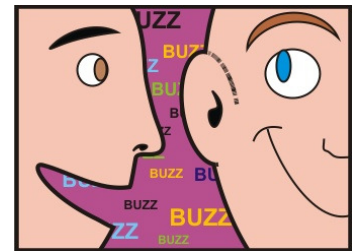
-Thomas Chalmers, P.Eng., at Snow Owl Consulting Inc., is working in New Germany and specializing in Civil Engineering, Ecological Design, Communications, Project Management. His website is snowowl.ca

-Partnering with the NGES Early Years Centre is Small World Learning Centre offering a preschool program, before and after school care and full day care on school closure days.

- Check out Laura Beck Paton's, Registered Massage Therapist, new online booking @ <https://www.schedulicity.com/scheduling/LBPFAP>

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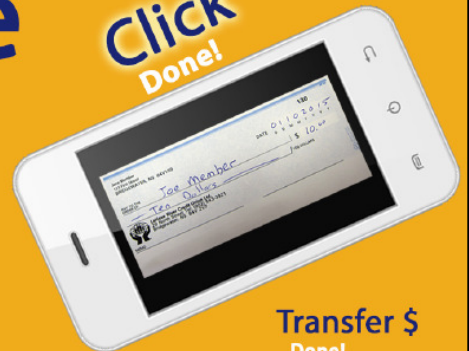
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November is 4-H Month!

On November 4th Livewires 4H Club members will be showing their 4H colours! November is National 4H month all across Canada. Livewires 4H Club is located in the Parkdale/Maplewood area. We meet the second Wednesday of each month starting at 7 pm at the hall. Currently Livewires has 36 members and 10 Cloverbuds.

The members are involved in a variety of livestock and life skills projects which include: Light Horse, Draft Horse, Dairy, Beef, Oxen, Poultry, Dog Obedience, Rabbit, Sewing, Foods, Cake Decorating, Scrapbooking, Photography, Crafts, Woodworking, Small Engines, Welding, Great Outdoors, Exploring 4H. Leaders volunteer their time to work with the kids as they complete their projects. One of the requirements of completing your project includes preparing a speech. In February we held a speech day where members and Cloverbuds prepared and delivered speeches or demonstrations. Big thanks to Peggy Cook-Smith who helped out with our speech day! Ryleigh Flemming, Laura Isaacs, Autumn Ryan and Giselle Spidle went on to compete at County Level with their speeches and demonstrations.

For a fundraiser this year the kids along with help from leaders and parents built a baby barn on which we sold tickets. Thank you to New Germany Building Supplies for supplying a barn kit and delivering it to the winner Moyle Dauphinee.

Our club is very active and has a lot of interesting things planned for this 4H year. If you are interested in learning more about our 4H Club please give Donna Simpson a call at 902-644-3465.



Jacob Foster and Maisy



Josie Rafuse, Ethan Delong and Maisy the Holstein Calf



Abbie Foster, Lily Hannah and Chickadoo



Livewires Cloverbuds - Abbie Foster, Avalon, Isaiah and Ira Pettipas, Madelyn and Max Simpson with Maisy

Photos by Beatrice Schular

New Germany Health & Wellness Expo

Wow, another great Expo. With 27 sponsors to help put this Expo together and to help with advertising costs, this event has gained a lot of traction since we first started 5 years ago!

With 65 booths registered we had the largest number ever. Floor space was at a premium, and several booth holders actually shared space. However, there was still a good amount of space for all of the community members who came to visit the booths!

This year we handed out surveys to help us determine how people found out about the Expo and why they came to see it! If you did not fill out a survey but would like to help us do a better job regarding advertising, then please feel free to contact me at gdselig@ns.sympatico.ca. Your input will be worthwhile!

Again this year we put on this Expo as an educational event. All Booth Holders were asked to identify at least 1 of the 12 Determinants of Health that they represent. The 12 Determinants are:

1. Income and Social Status
2. Employment
3. Educational
4. Social environments
5. Physical environments
6. Healthy child development
7. Personal health practices and coping skills
8. Health services
9. Social support networks
10. Biology and genetic endowments
11. Gender
12. Culture



As we look at these ideas, I think it is easy to see where each of us fits in each area. Such as, people who have a better education tend to have better health because many will have a unionized job which provides health benefits or those who have a better education may also make enough money to afford better health products. People who have good personal health practices and coping skills tend to be healthier and live longer. Health Canada compiled this list and it is now used in numerous countries to help provide better health care.

Next year I hope to see many of these booths back again, but also some new ones. Each year I have been lucky to be able to have contact with amazing groups or companies that want to be a sponsor of the Expo or have a booth in the Expo.

I hope many who read this had a chance to come over and enjoy the Expo 2015. Thanks for your support.

Greg Selig, Chair.

New Germany Health and Wellness Expo 2015

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New Germany Volunteer Fire Department

The New Germany Volunteer Fire Department recently purchased a new fire vehicle. The truck committee met for over a year to determine their long range plan for vehicle replacement and alignment. They concluded that the most urgent need was for a Fire Rescue Command Unit. This recommendation was unanimously accepted by the members of the department.

They chose Rocky Mountain Phoenix in Bridgewater to build the new truck. Built on a diesel powered Ford F350 4x4 chassis with aluminum cap and bed slide, this truck provides rugged versatility. Some additional features include a well lit Code 3 lighting package, dual tone Code 3 banshee siren, Iron cross heavy duty bumper with brush guard and 12,000 pound winch.

The unit has immediately proven to be an asset to the department. The unit was used to transport firefighters to standby during the September fire at the Pellet factory and on a lift assist in early October. Previously a fire fighting unit would be taken out of service to complete these tasks.

NGVFD serves with the best interests of the community in mind.



The book "Firefighters of Lunenburg County", a tribute to the volunteers in the fire service, is available at Village Glassworks with all profits going to NGVFD.

New Germany Area Website and Facebook too!

Check out our community website for information about the events in our area.

Listings of community events and local businesses are **FREE**. Please email ng_cap@ns.sympatico.ca. We are always looking for updates. If you see that something has changed, send us that too. Thanks for the support.

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And we have a **Facebook page**. Visit us for up-to-date details of NGAPS and other area events.



Firefighters in training



In our newsletter last year we printed our Countryside Christmas logo as a colouring page. We thought we would share it with you again this year.

Have fun!



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New Germany Garden Club

The Garden Club meets the fourth Wednesday of the month, generally at New Germany Rural High School. In October we participated in the Health and Wellness Expo with a garden quiz. It was a great chance to promote our club and talk about gardening.

On November 25th the club will be meeting at Rosedale Home and making table arrangements with and for the residents of the Home to enjoy during the holiday season. We will also be dressing the community planters in their winter greenery in November.

There will be no meeting in December but our meetings will resume on January 27th with our AGM at 7:00pm. Check the community website for program details. Everyone is welcome to attend.



*Countryside Christmas 2014 @
the Demone Home.*

Volunteer Connections

Is your group or organization looking for new members or volunteers? Send us information about your needs and we will include your request in our newsletter as space permits. A short outline of your organization's goals, the type of volunteer you are looking for, the time commitment and contacts should be included.

You can send your information to NGAPS by mail or email to the address on page 24.

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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

At the New Germany Elementary School Community Room
November 29th - 2:00 and 4:00 pm.



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

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



Please come out to meet us and other newcomers!



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ENTERTAINMENT BY THE "RIVERSIDE RAMBLERS " Noon to 3:00pm

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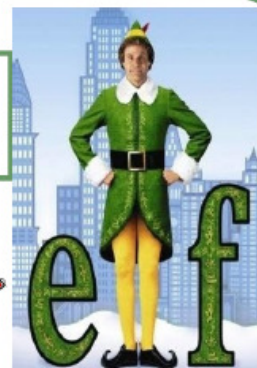
Free treat bags for the children; bring a camera and get your picture taken with Santa.

MANY EXTRA INSTORE -MANAGERS SPECIALS FOR DECEMBER 5th, ONLY.

Family Movie Night



Friday, December 4th
Barss Corner Community Hall



6:30pm A Charlie Brown Christmas

8pm Elf

Free Admission!
NGAPS Snack Canteen

Wear your Christmas Pyjamas and
bring a cozy blanket

Market @ NGES
Christmas Festival

NGAPS Christmas Market during the annual Christmas Festival at NGES December 6th. What will you find at the Christmas Market? To date we have the following venders:

- NGAPS
- Janis Power
- Greg with Pampered Chef
- Michelle with Discovery Toys
- Holly Conrad with Nature's Natural Solutions
- Jeanette Pettipas with Epicure and Norwex
- Annette's Jewellery Designs
- Mona's Handmade Cards
- Earth Inspired Creations
- Melinda Griffiths
- A Few of a Kind

And More! Contact NGAPS FB if you would like to reserve a spot.

Christmas Tree Lighting
@ Lions Park &
NGAPS Open House @
St. John's Church Hall

You are invited to join us on December 3th at 6:30p.m. for the lighting of the MODL Community Christmas Tree and then come to the St. John's Hall for a holiday snack at NGAPS's Christmas Open House until 8:00p.m.

Put on your favourite Christmas sweater and enjoy the conversations and the holiday cheer.





November 28 to
December 6, 2015

Countryside Christmas

Enjoy the holiday season at home! Nine days of Christmas fun in our area, meeting and greeting your neighbours and friends. Check out all the events & activities.

- Sat., Nov. 28th - **Breakfast** at New Germany Legion, 7:00am
 - **Christmas Penny Auction** at Pinehurst Hall, 11:00am - 2:00pm
- Sun., Nov. 29th - **Community Meet Greet for Newcomers** to our area, NGES, 2:00pm
- Mon., Nov. 30th - **Christmas Merchandise Bingo** at Pinehurst Hall, 7:00pm
- Tues., Dec. 1st - **Advent Church Service** @ Rosedale Home, 2:00pm
 - **"Come Meet the Fam"** @ 2Papas, Santa, eggnog, Xmas clarinets, 6:00 - 8:00pm
- Wed., Dec. 2nd - **Night of the Arts: Art, Music, Drama** @ NGRHS, 7:00pm
- Thurs., Dec. 3rd - **Christmas Tea** at Anglican Church Hall, 2:00pm - 4:00pm
 - **NGAPS Tree Lighting & Holiday Snacks**, Lions Park & Anglican Church Hall, 6:30pm - 8:00pm
- Fri., Dec. 4th - **Free Fitness with the Morning Glories** @ RC Legion, followed by coffee.
 Wear your favourite Christmas gear & bring indoor shoes, 8:30am
 - **Tastings** @ NSLC on Dec. 4th & 5th
 - **Christmas Open House** @ Village Glassworks with Discovery Toys on Dec 4th & 5th
 - **Customer Appreciation Day** @ New Germany Post Office
 - **NGAPS Christmas Movie Night at Barss Corner Community Hall**, 6:30pm for younger children & 8:00pm for older children
- Sat., Dec. 5th - **Candlelight Breakfast** at Pinehurst Hall, 7:00 - 11:00am
 - **Customer Appreciation Day** at New Germany Freshmart with refreshments & treats; Santa visits from 1:00 - 3:00pm; entertainment noon to 3:00pm
- Sun., Dec. 6th - **NGES Christmas Festival and NGAPS Market** with Lions' train, mini trees for kids, Santa's Village, canteen, letters to Santa, cookie decorating, face painting and more. Food Bank donations accepted, 1:00 - 4:00pm



Countryside Christmas Festive Business Contest

The New Germany Area Promotion Society is pleased to announce its

First Countryside Christmas Festive Business Contest

Decorate the exterior of your main business location & enter.

Business owners who register for the contest will be judged on how creatively they represent local style and history, along with how inviting and festive their location looks.

From November 16th through to December 1st you can enter our contest by sending us a contact name, business name and address. A panel of judges, chosen by NGAPS, will select a first and second place winner. Photos of each entry will be put on NGAPS Facebook page where the public will be invited to vote for their favourite and a fan's choice prize will be given to the picture with the most likes.

On December 15th the winner will claim the ***Most Festive Countryside Christmas Business***. Winners will be announced on the NGAPS Facebook page and website.

This is a fun and festive time, and it's a way to really get everybody into the holiday spirit and make New Germany look dazzling for the holidays.

Thank you to our co-sponsor, The Lunenburg County Christmas Tree Producers.

The fine print:

- Holiday Themes should be suitable for family viewing.
- **ALL entrants MUST incorporate Balsam Fir in their decorating.**
- 1st place will receive a cash prize of \$75.00 and runner up \$25.00.
- Facebook fan choice prize will be \$50.00
- Entries accepted by email at ng_cap@ns.sympatico.ca or by mail (NGAPS, New Germany, BOR 1E0).
- All businesses in the NGAPS area are eligible to enter; NGAPS defines our area as the same district as served by New Germany Rural High School.
- Awarding of the first and second place prizes is solely at the discretion of the NGAPS judges.

For more information please visit the New Germany and Area Promotion Society website @ newgermanycap.ednet.ns.ca

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Next Issue:

Will be early February. We would like to hear your story ideas. Please contact us at the address or phone number on this page.

Thanks for entering our contest!

In the September issue of the Newsletter, we gave you the chance to win a \$20.00 gift card from any one of our advertisers - your choice.

The draw was made and the winner was Josie Rafuse. She chose a gift certificate from Freshmart. Congratulations Josie.

Enter our contest on page 12 by sending your answer to the address above. You may be our next winner!

Reconnecting...

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

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

NGAPS publishes New Germany Connections five times a year - mid February, mid April, mid June, early September and early November. Watch for yours with your flyers. It is also available in colour on our web site or can be picked up at New Germany Freshmart, Mader's Clover Farm Supermarket, Village Glassworks and many other places in our area.



Sports Reporter?

One of the ideas that has been suggested to us at Connections is to cover sports in our area. There is a lot of activity around here, from summer soccer on the school field, baseball at the Barss Corner diamond to school sports teams.

We think there would be lots to write if we were to have a volunteer sports reporter for Connections. You could cover not only the school teams, but community teams, individual players and coaches. The subject matter is extensive.

We publish five times a year, so that would mean five columns a year.

Are you interested? If so please get in touch for a chat, contacts above.



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