



New Germany Connections

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Community Events

- Bookmobile Tuesdays
- Community Café Thursdays
- Nov 11 Remembrance Day: New Germany, Parkdale/Maplewood, Upper Northfield
- Nov 20 RRC Walk with MODL
- Nov 19 Christmas Markets Upper Cornwall, Springfield
- Nov 20 Penny Auction, Hemford
- Nov 26 Christmas Markets Upper Northfield, New Germany
- Nov 27 Community Tree Lighting
- Nov 27 to Jan 2 Countryside Forest at MSM
- Dec 3 Whimsical Store
- Dec 25 Christmas
- Jan 1 New Year 2023
- Feb 14 Valentines Day

Winter 2022

From pumpkins to Christmas trees, the seasons are changing in our rural area; we go from orange to green, golden yellow to snowy white. Not only are the colours which define the season changing, but also the local commerce.

The balsam fir Christmas tree is in charge in upper Lunenburg County for the next several weeks. You see the stacks of Christmas trees ready for shipping, the truck loads of trees destined for any number of provinces and countries, bales of brush ready to make wreaths, all things which define our area during this seasonal switch.

Although sometimes it looks like nothing ever happens, change is constant in this rural area. Some happens slowly, some in the blink of an eye. Changes like the closing of a business or the opening of a new one, the changing ownership of homes, the new additions to the community like a trail bridge and fire trucks, new people joining our community making it stronger. While change does not always feel like it is "for the better," our wish this season is that all your changes be peaceful.

Thank you for reading our Newsletter.

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.

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Remembrance Day Services



2022 Remembrance Day Service Parkdale/Maplewood Emmanuel Baptist Church Cenotaph

Due to local concerns/Covid conditions, the service is limited to an outdoor service at the Cenotaph - wearing of a mask is optional, but recommended.

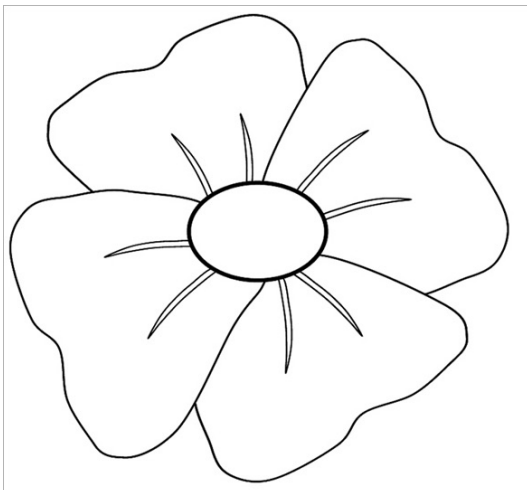
- 10.40 - Gather at the Cenotaph
 - Singing of O Canada,
 - Opening Remarks - Murray Goulden
 - Prayer - Rev Samuel Jess
 - Placing of Wreaths
- 11.00 - Two Minute Silence
 - Playing of the Last Post - Jeff Kaulback
 - Poem - In Flanders Fields - Barbara Ross/Goulden
 - Tribute to the Men and Women who have made the ultimate sacrifice and to Veterans present and those still serving
 - Closing/singing of God Save the King

The Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 102 New Germany

- 10:45 Gather at the Cenotaph, Epworth United Church for the laying of the wreaths.
- Church service @ Epworth.
- Following service there will be light refreshments at Branch 102, downstairs.
Everyone is welcome to attend.

Cenotaph at Mt Calvary Lutheran Church Upper Northfield

November 11th service @ 9:00 am



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Barss Corner @ Mader's General Store from 1:45 to 2:15pm and **New Germany** @ Rosedale New Horizons Club 3:00 to 5:30pm every Tuesday.

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100th Birthday Celebration

On October 8th the New Germany Legion, New Germany Volunteer Fire Department, family and friends attended a 100th birthday celebration for Atwood Meisner at his home on the Osborne Road.

All photos ~ Ron Smith



Wishing Atwood a happy birthday is fellow veteran Edgar Russell.

Read about these gentlemen in the November 2020 New Germany Connections.



Atwood with Great Grandson Josh.

News from the Legion

It's November one of our busiest months here at the Legion. As you know the 11th is fast approaching! We will be offering Poppies at Canadian Tire again this year, so if you see a familiar face when you first come in the doors, stop by and say hello!

Once again, we can have a full Remembrance Day Service. It will commence at 10:45 at the Cenotaph outside the Epworth United Church for the laying of the wreaths, we will then proceed inside for the church service. Everyone is welcome to attend and there will be light refreshments offered following the service at Br. 102, downstairs of the Legion.

Please keep in mind if you're driving around to try and avoid that area for 30 minutes, out of respect for the Veterans and the people there for the service.

If you'd like to donate in honour of a Veteran please reach out to Marjorie Russell, stop into Cathy Moore's, or come into the Legion Friday or Sundays when we are open.

Trivia with the Quizmaster @ 8pm and Happy Hour from 7-8pm, happens on the first Friday of the month. Upcoming dates are December 2nd, January 6th and February 3rd. November 26th is our Christmas Market from 10-2pm with lots of local vendors and artisans.

November is our month to especially be reminded why we are here as a Legion, if you'd like to show your gratitude and give your support, we are always looking for volunteers or new members.



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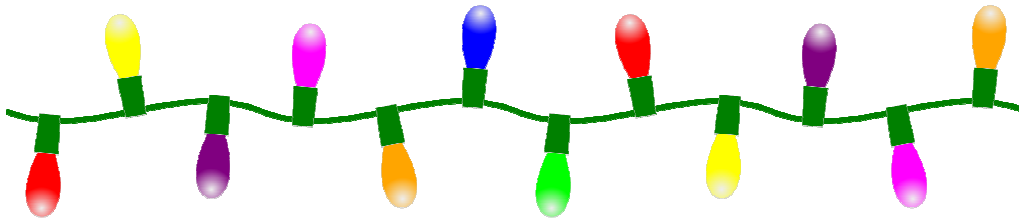
The People We Meet in Our Communities

Soonih and William Kim emigrated to Canada in 1995 and settled in Stanburne, N.S. on July 1st, 2016. They are retired now but stay busy with a variety of interests and talents. William developed the network and equipment for the Korean National Telecom Company. He operates a ham radio now and enjoys growing various fruits and vegetables. They store well in an earth sheltered storage chamber he made. He has also designed and built a pretty fancy little hen house and a tree house for grandson Joel.

Soonih and William are fixtures at the Community Café; every Thursday morning they bring a variety of Asian take out foods for anyone to purchase. Soonih knits sweaters, socks, mitts and more. She can customize a sweater for you. Her dish cloths are made from an imported fibre that is just excellent for scrubbing surfaces without scratching.

William and Soonih have 2 sons, Eddie and Daniel. Both live in Texas. William and Soonih attend the Bars Corner Baptist Church and Soonih has a lovely singing voice for those hymns. The Kims have found the New Germany area to be "peaceful" and filled with kind people. Come and meet them at the Café sometime!

~ Interview and photo Denise Stoll



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Photos ~
Michelle Greek
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New Germany and Area IWK Toy Drive

The IWK Toy Drive is back again for its sixth consecutive year. Over the past six years, the toy drive team has collected and purchased new toys and gift cards for the children and their families in the IWK Children's Hospital in Halifax. We collect toys, gift cards and financial donations which we use to buy toys locally. Toys must be new, unopened and unwrapped and gift cards are needed for groceries, restaurants, fuel, pharmacies, clothing and other locations that would help those in need at the IWK.



The New Germany & Area Toy Drive Society is an incorporated non-profit society registered with the Nova Scotia government. Society members are out and about in the community picking up, collecting and purchasing donations as well as spreading the word of the toy drive from September until November.

The toy drive will be running until the end of November with the team delivering the toys to the IWK hospital on December 9th. This will allow the IWK Child Life Services team time to sort and prepare the toys and donations for distribution to the kids and their families in time for Christmas.



This year we have toy drop off locations at the following locations: Barss Corner Post Office, New Germany Post Office, Rexel Bridgewater on Logan Road, Lantzalot Game Store in Blockhouse and Boulangerie La Vendeenne bakery also in Blockhouse.

If you have any questions about what or how to donate or if you would like to arrange a toy drive donation pickup, please email Michael Wilson at ngtoydrive@gmail.com. Etransfer donations can also be sent to this email address. Thank you to all who have donated to the toy drive and the IWK in the past and the present. It is amazing what we can accomplish when we work together as a community.



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# Tollermania - A Barking Success

~Daniel Barnhill

The inaugural Tollermania happened in New Germany on October 15-16th. The crowd gathered at the Diesel Dog Ranch and was comprised of a diverse group from ten countries around the world. Despite two days of rain no one's spirit was dampened, I mean Nova Scotia Duck Tolling Retrievers are water dogs right?

The event was a platform to raise money for groups that help dogs, and raise money we did! \$8500 in total; \$1000 will go to ElderDog in Lunenburg and \$7500 will go to the Toller Rescue.

We had field hunting trial demonstrations and water trial demonstrations, showing people how eager these dogs are to retrieve game in a hunting situation; the crowd cheered and on looking Tollers screamed in unison. CTV news covered the event and it went national. Eastlink television was present for three days filming for a series called "A Dogs Life" that will air next spring.

I released the dates of Tollermania 2 and within 24 hours we already have 290 people registered to attend next year's event. New Germany is now known around the world thanks to a Duck Toller named Diesel and my new pup Oakley who has stolen the hearts of people around the world.



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## Community Café

The Community Café at the Anglican Church Hall (5311 Highway 10) celebrated its four-year anniversary on the first Thursday in November. There have been a few brief closures for Covid precautions, but each time the café has rebounded and thrived.

A big thank you goes out to everyone who volunteers at the café, the bakers who supply the tasty treats and all attendees. It is the place to be on Thursday mornings in New Germany, 9 to 11.

There is hot coffee, tea (juice for the young ones) and a selection of muffins and other baked goodies. There is a donation jar, give what ever you can. Community Café donations have gone to support both New Germany Elementary School and New Germany Rural High School and recently Bonny Lea Farm where a number of our community residents attend. They are in a capital campaign to build a "Home to Stay" to allow participants to age in place, the first of its kind in Nova Scotia.

Do drop by the Café, stay for awhile, have a conversation, have a treat. It will be a wonderful start to your Thursdays.

## New Germany & Area Medical Centre

There will be a Pap Clinic in the spring. Watch for the date in the Spring newsletter.

## New Germany & Area Medical Centre Association

The Medical Centre Association is pleased to announce that a foot care clinician is working out of the Medical Centre every six weeks. To book an appointment, call Mary Ann at 902-527-7772.

Those wishing to make a donation to the Medical Centre Association, which is responsible for the upkeep of the building and grounds, may drop it off at 4923 Hwy 10 (next to Rosedale Home). To contact the treasurer, Deb Featherby 902-521-7791.



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# Connecting in our Communities

Every community has a story, many stories, and every person has story. I wish there were space to tell you the details of some of the **North River** stories I've heard in these past few weeks. There were stories of Paul being able to walk less than a mile from his home in North River to find not only a singing partner but his life mate in Judy; of Daisy and Marcus (and probably other students at different times) making the fires and going to the spring in the woods each morning to fill the water coolers at the North River school; of Winston, a widely known 'music man', who thought he was just going to pick up Christmas trees for a long haul run to the US and found a lifelong partner and a move to North River with Daisy, who was tallying those trees and has now lived in North River for more than 35 years; of gold mining in nearby Stanburne and near the bridge in North River; of the beauty of Apron Rock and Brandy Lane; of Wayne who decided, with his wife, Cynthia, to leave the British Isles and ended up in North River making a whole new set of friends and volunteering as treasurer of the Hall.

Most longtime residents of Lunenburg County can trace at least some of their ancestors back to those 'foreign protestants' of German, Swiss or French descent who traveled on small ships to Halifax and then Lunenburg seeking a new life with the promise of abundant land and religious freedom. As the years went on, the wave of settlement moved inland and by the mid-1800's families - familiar names like Robar, Sarty, Tanner, Oickle, DeMone, Daniels - were building lives and community in what was first called Riverdale and we know as North River. Large families helped the community grow, and today the community is growing as people from across Canada and beyond are buying properties and moving here.

The challenges of settling in those early days were monumental: cut trees, mill logs, build homes, plant gardens, survive the winter and our hardy ancestors were up to the challenge! Oxen and horses were indispensable in clearing and cultivating the land; wild animals were hunted and farm animals raised in the farmyards and newly built barns. In the early years they were busy establishing mills on the river, blacksmith shops and general stores. As the years came and went so did so did a variety of local stores including Wesley Eagles' Store, David Sarty's Store, Fred Daniels' Store, Freddie DeMone's Store, Myrtle Jacques & Iona Fraser's 'Two Sisters' Store. Currently the only business sign I noticed while driving through the community is Robar's Automotive Services.



Even as the necessities for living in the 1800's were the major concern and as community members helped each other, they had a desire to socialize, educate their children and to gather for worship. All those things happened at homes until they came together to build a school house. It was well before 1900, when the versatile two storey school building was built.

The school became the centre of community life. Both floors were used for school classes and the upper storey was also used as their chapel, complete with chancel furnishings, pump organ and seating for up to 100. The settlers of North River were primarily Lutheran. They had both strong family ties and strong church ties to the Northfield and New

Germany areas and pastors travelled from there and even as far as Lunenburg to encourage the faithful. In 1900 they were organized as a Lutheran congregation.



As the school population grew, it became less and less suitable to use the upstairs for church services. The new Lutheran congregation dreamed of building a church. One of the pastors admitted that he did "fan the flames" a bit to have land gifted to the church from Jim Zwicker of New Germany for \$1. The ground breaking was in 1941 and the cornerstone was laid in 1942. As there were no plans, the Pastor had suggested they build a 25 by 50 foot building with eight foot walls, and as he had heard in seminary that a church spire should be the same height as the build-

ing's length, so it was built. They had the services of a carpenter to oversee the project but most of the materials and labour came from the community. St Paul's Lutheran Church was dedicated in May of 1947 and is still in active use today.







When the schools in the area were consolidated in 1965, the church bought the school building to be used as a hall for church and community. It has since become the North River Community Hall and continues to be a 'happening place' through the dedication of committed church and community members over the years who have worked to maintain and renovate the building, organize events and fundraisers.

For many years there was the much anticipated annual North River Fair spearheaded by Billy & Marion Daniels. People came from far and wide for the ox, horse and pony pulls. There was music, games and activities, and of course, lots of food. The hall was the scene of many church and community events – Bingo, Music Shows, Christmas Concerts, Orange Sales, Pie Socials, Suppers, Receptions for Weddings or Funerals, and Family Gatherings. In just this past month two separate fundraising benefit events raised several thousand dollars to help two members of the community who are facing life changing illnesses.

In earlier years family and friends often gathered in homes and enjoyed music, dancing and hymn sings. Now, every Friday night people gather at the hall for Music Jams and once a month on a Sunday afternoon for a Variety Show. Saturday nights see the tables at the hall filled with avid Bingo players.



Rink February 2010

In the 60's, 70's and 80's there was a Springfield-North River Hockey Team which played in a league with other

local communities. Some of the games were played on lakes and some at the Bridgewater arena. In the past few years, the opportunity for children and adults alike to get together in North River for skating and hockey resurfaced. The space next to the hall which had previously been used for horse and ox pulls was sitting idle. A few community minded men took the initiative and set to work to build an outdoor rink next to the Community Hall. It took a lot of work, a lot of 'fun'draising. It has been widely supported and widely used, and the cement surface is already being prepared for the upcoming season. It will continue as long as volunteers 'keep their sticks on the ice' and work as a team.



Rink waiting for winter

Communities thrive when volunteers and organizations work together. The community hall, rink and church in North River encourage, no, they need, long time and new members to join them in participating in and helping with community events and activities. If you're wondering how you can help, try speaking to Winston Shatford, Daisy Robar, Paul & Judy Robar, Wayne Cossey who've been so helpful in sharing their stories and their love of their community with me.

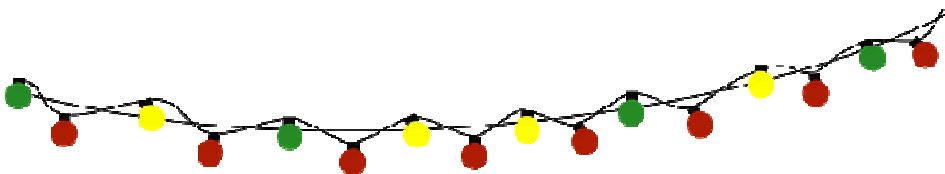


North River from the bridge

~Ever enjoying the rich stories of our communities, Catherine Robar

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# New Germany Rural High School News

Greetings Saints families and community.

As we get into our routines here in school, it is beginning to feel like this year is flying by. I hope that everyone is enjoying the sense of normalcy we are getting.

We have had a great start to the year with athletics. As soccer begins to wind down, we have basketball starting up. Our volleyball teams are in full swing and the gym is rocking every lunch hour with kids being active. Our extra curricular clubs such as our Student Council, GSA, and Dungeons and Dragons are also in full force. As you walk down the hall, you can hear lots of learning taking place such as in Mr. Kendall's Wood shop, Student Writing Workshops, Integer Lessons and guest speakers.

Outside, the learning does not stop, as you see Mrs. Hall's Math class creating clinometers and then measuring trees. Students are on bikes, working on our landscaping project and in the community garden. Staff are working hard on their instructional practices, building wellness and engagement into their lessons, throughout the content areas. We are very blessed to have such a dynamic and caring group of individuals here at NGRHS. We also have 23 international exchange students this year who are helping to expose our students to many cultures around the world and are a welcomed addition to our school.

In November, our school will host the NGES grade five and six students for our Remembrance Day Ceremony, on November 10<sup>th</sup> during third period. Our SAC Meetings this year will be held on the last Wednesday of each month. We want to thank those local individuals and organizations for donating to our NGRHS/NGES Free Store.

I also want to thank our families and community for an amazing first two months. Let's keep the ball rolling into 2023!

Yours in Education,  
Ms. Fancy-Landry





# LIVEWIRES COUNTRYSIDE FOREST

Support the Livewires 4H Club by purchasing and decorating a 4-5 foot tree in memory of a loved one, to promote your business or simply to celebrate the holidays. Cost of trees is \$30



- ◆ Located at Main Street Maples, New Germany
- ◆ Trees can be decorated between November 23<sup>rd</sup>-25<sup>th</sup>
- ◆ Tree lighting takes place on November 27<sup>th</sup>
- ◆ Tree lights will be shut off on January 2<sup>nd</sup>



Deadline to purchase your tree will be November 12<sup>th</sup>.  
Decorating will take place before November 25<sup>th</sup>.

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## What's at the Museum?

### Iron

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Donor said you had to watch it because it got quite hot, she kept tinfoil around the handle for this reason.



Parkdale Maplewood Museum is closed for the season. They will reopen in May 2023.



## NGES\BCS Wellness Day

~ Leah Greek

On October 7, the grade 5's and 6's of New Germany Elementary School and Bayview Community School went to camp Mush A Mush for a wellness day class trip. We got to school on the bus and about 30 minutes later, the 2 schools met up at Camp Mush A Mush.

When we first got there, we put our bags down and went to listen to the rules. Then we were sent off to our places. There were 9 stations. Yoga (I had yoga first), flex bubble (not the giant bubbles you can get in and roll around), canoeing, nature walk, rock painting, Lego, rocks (the game), slack lines and (everyone's favourite) laser tag. My teacher said there were around 150 kids. There were about 20 kids in a group.

Yoga was to calm you down and get you ready for later. The nature walk was to get you in touch with Mother Nature. The flex bubble was a name game. Rock painting was like the name says. Rocks the game, I don't actually know, I didn't do that station. Lego was building with Lego. Canoeing was canoeing on Big Mush. Slacklines were bouncy bands that they tied around trees that made sort of a bouncy balance beam thing. And laser tag was a chest piece that would pick up a "laser" shot at you (there were no real lasers that burned a hole through someone's skin). You had a gun that shot lasers (again, no real lasers). Basically, 3 strikes you're out.

Snacks and lunch were provided. Snack was a muffin, an apple, and a yogurt tube. Lunch was Pizza Delight (yum). We had some free time at the end. I went with my friends that weren't in my group and we told each other what stations we did. I did laser tag, flex bubble and yoga. During free time, I also did the "collective art" and the scratch art.

The wellness day was really fun. I'm glad I got to see my friends from Bayview. It was really fun and I hope I can do it again and I also hope that other kids get to experience this time.



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Children can shop for the Holidays!

**Saturday, December 3rd at the Anglican Hall, New Germany  
10:00am to 2:00pm**

An adult must accompany each child for their shopping and wrapping experience. Gift wrapping on-site.

We look forward to creating this shopping experience so children can make their own choices for special gifts and have fun.

This is a mask friendly/optional event.

(Tip: Prepare gift tags or slips of paper in advance and bring reusable shopping bags to carry out your purchases.)

For further inquiries or if you have a child who requires quiet shopping time, please contact Jesse at (902) 514-7228 or email [jessedexter99@gmail.com](mailto:jessedexter99@gmail.com)

Presented by the Mount Calvary Lutheran Church Whimsical Store Team  
(Brenda Fancey (543-2003), Margaret Carver (527-2747), Sandra Lohnes (543-4491),  
Brenda Logan Zareski, Jesse Dexter.



Tim Brown has taken a year off from his job as editor of South River's weekly newspaper hoping to learn something new. He bumps into challenges in the town, on a trail in Blockhouse, on the LaHave Ferry etc., while trying not to bump into Stella, the MLA for South River and the Harbours.

*March: Enigma*, #3 in the **Tim Brown Mysteries by Jan Fancy Hull**, is now available from the publisher, [www.moosehousepress.com](http://www.moosehousepress.com), & Village Glassworks, New Germany.

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# From the Lions Den

~Lion Deb Featherby

Fall – what a season! Hurricane Fiona paid a visit but without the disastrous results felt in many parts of the province. The New Germany & Area Lions donated \$1000 to the disaster relief fund. To see the destruction in other areas made us so thankful to live where we do. And now, we are blessed with fabulous colours as the trees ready for winter.

As well, the Lions have donated \$200 to Autism NS which supports children and their families who are dealing with Autism. In addition, we have made a donation of \$12,000 to Dog Guides Canada to help with training a dog guide for a child with autism. Dog Guides Canada is supported by all the Lions clubs across Canada in order that the facility in Oakville, Ontario, can train dogs to help people who experience blindness, deafness, post traumatic stress, autism, mobility issues and other issues. Anyone can donate to the program. For more information, Google Lions Foundation of Canada Dog Guides.

A \$500 donation for the local food bank was made and local residents have been helped over the past months with over three thousand dollars to help with emergency situations and medical expenses. Donations to the Red Bins by the New Horizons building are used by the Lions to support Diabetes NS and your donations are greatly appreciated.



District Governor Bill Bruhm receiving a gift from Lions President Wayne Sears .

The yard sale in September was a great success and with the on line sales, helped to provide funds.

Although we donate money to many individuals and causes, we also donate our time as well. Many members work at the food bank, with Helping Hands and at blood donor clinics.

Regular meetings of the Lions are back and anyone in the community who would like to join should contact Evelyn White at 902-644-1372. Business meetings are held the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of the month at the Anglican Church Hall at 6:30 and supper meetings are held the 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesday of the month when special guests visit the club. At the September supper meeting, the



Lion Marc Lapointe receiving Lion of the Year trophy from President Wayne Sears.

District Governor for Nova Scotia Lions visited the club and presented pins to several members. In October a fun night for the Lions took the place of the supper meeting – although our motto is “To Serve”, we like to have fun too!

And our annual Apple Pie Day was great fun! We owe so many thanks to the many volunteers who came out to help peel, roll dough, sugar and bag the pies. The students from Ms. Creaser’s O2 class at the high school came out as well and were a great help. A huge thank you also goes to the many people who bought pies and bags of apples – apple pies are a major source of income

for the club and this allows us to help the residents in our area.

Any resident who requires financial help or medical equipment, should contact Pat Wentzell at 902-212-2471. The Lions still collect stamps, sleep apnea machines, hearing aids and eyeglasses, which can be given to any Lion.

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**Lions Club Apple Pie Day** (left to right):  
Lion Helen Acker rolled out upper crusts for  
the delicious pies.

Lion Bernice Brown learned how to use an  
apple peeler.

(bottom left to right) Lion Roger Carver  
preparing apples.

Volunteers rolling out bottom crusts.



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# Introducing Newcomers

~Interview by Nancy Radcliffe

Some of us travel far and wide in search of what we need, and then return home to find it.

"I am very different than when I left here when I graduated high school in 2007," says Sam Tidd. "I booked it out of here as fast as I could and swore I would never be back. And, well, here I am."

Sam and Emily Diehl met in Medieval British History class at Brandon University in Manitoba. But it is the treasured history of a 130-year-old house on Cornwall Road, and the generations of Sam's family who made it their home, that occupied much of our conversation on a lovely October afternoon.

Sam's great-grandfather Collins Eisenhauer bought the house around 1942. He was among the first Nova Scotia folk artists to be recognized nationally and internationally. "This used to be known as the house with all the carvings in the yard," Sam says. Eisenhauer was famed for his wood carvings of birds, animals and people, including life-sized carvings of four politicians and a self portrait. "He originally worked at Hiram Carver's island on Lake Peter," Sam adds. "He built a boat out of old cars and that's how he'd get to the island to work and then home in the evening."

Sam shows me two of her great-grandfather's smaller pieces and talks about finding an old box of slides containing photos of the house from 1956 and 1973. Emily smiles affectionately and notes that Sam has wanted to return home for many years.

"I had told my dad some years ago that if they decided to sell the house to let me know," Sam adds. When the pandemic hit, job and house losses in Calgary put the couple "in limbo," so Sam's parents shortened their five-year plan to build a house in Bridgewater. Emily and Sam are grateful. "We never thought we'd have a chance to own a home. Not without winning the lottery," Emily says.

In September, the house welcomed a new addition when Emily and Sam became the host family for a 16-year-old international exchange student from Germany. A second student is expected in February.

Sam is the organist and choir master at St. James Anglican Church in Mahone Bay, repairs pipe organs, and also teaches piano from the house. Sam returned to school in 2021 to obtain an electrical certificate, gaining skills that further support hopes to replace retiring pipe organ repair and restoration technicians. Sam is also very excited about recently joining the Northfield District Volunteer Fire Department. "I've wanted this since I was 15 years old."

Emily, born in Brandon, Manitoba and raised near Winnipeg, writes science fiction and fantasy novels, is a trained opera singer and coaches voice actors. "I love it here," Emily says. "I like the quiet. I like the sense of community. I can talk to people and it's not nearly so weird as talking to somebody on the street in Calgary. It was one of the first things I noticed my first visit, when we came here for Christmas in 2019. The sense of community is so different and so much warmer here."

Sam recalls a tree that came down during Hurricane Fiona. Unprompted, a neighbour arrived on his side-by-side to haul the tree off the road and offered to return later to chop it up. "You never have to do anything alone here," Sam says.

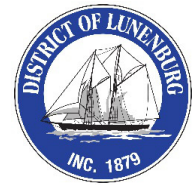
The couple recounts a friendly mushroom hunter who recently rang their bell to ask if he could pick mushrooms in the yard. "Anywhere else, that's not something that would happen," Emily says. At that moment, a car drives by. The driver honks and waves. Sam waves back. "Peter Smith. Lives up the road. I was good friends with his kids growing up."

"See," Emily adds. "That's what I like about living here."

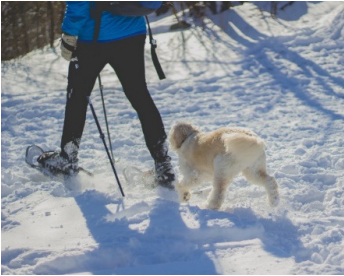




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- ◆ Walk with a friend or tell someone before you leave
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**Deadline for nominations is Friday, January 20, 2023.**

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