

FUNDY BITS

HOUSE OF FUNDY NEWS BRIEFS

Acadia Commandery, Order of Saint Lazarus, Canada



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House of Fundy is a localized group of Members and Friends of the Order as part of the **Acadia Commandery**, which in turn, is part of the **Order of Saint Lazarus in Canada**. The House of Fundy serves the area of Nova Scotia's Bay of Fundy

coastline. Further details on some of the items in this publication will be or had been expanded in the **Acadia Commandery Newsletter**.

May 21: The Atalanta Hospice Society received a donation of 6.63 acres from the Annapolis Basin Conference Centre. The paperwork was signed and delivered just prior to this year's Chapter General. Coincidentally, the parcel of land is where the old hospital used to be. It specialized in the treatment of TB. This service was then moved to Halifax in 1948 and later the building was demolished resulting in the unused parcel of land today.

May 22: Save the date! The annual general meeting and dinner for the Acadia Commandery is scheduled for October 19, 2019 and will be held at the Annapolis Basin Conference Centre. Roughly, there will be a business lunch followed by the AGM. Later that same day, there will be a reception followed by a formal dinner. Friends of the Order are welcomed to attend the AGM to listen in and learn about the internals and works of the Commandery.

May 23-26: This year's annual Chapter General was organized and executed by a dedicated team of volunteers that had, from all accounts, created one of the most successful and memorable Chapter Generals in recent history. Thanks goes out to the members: Lois Stevenson CLJ, Neil Nichols OLJ, Ken Buchholz OLJ, Jolene Buchholz OLJ, Doug Irvine OLJ and a hearty thanks to Friends of the Order including: Joe Van Heerden, Sharon Cookson, Mike Kayo, Bert Heembrock, Barb MacBeath with special thanks to Kat Kayo. David Cvet KLJ(J) was the organizing chair. More details on this great event will be found in the Commandery's upcoming newsletter later this

summer that'll include some photos of the event. One highlight of the Chapter General was the "Kitchen Party" held at the old yacht club in downtown Digby. A tremendous success and a whole lot of fun.

May 25: After serving as Commander of Acadia Commandery for 13 years, Dame Dennice Leahey CM, DCLJ handed over the chain of office to Chev. David M. Cvet KLJ(J) during the Chapter General. Dennice is one of the great pillars of the Order, serving communities and Boards for many years. She was named Member of the Order of Canada in 2005. She was honoured with an Honorary Doctorate in Human Letters from Mount Saint Vincent University. She will continue to be involved with the Commandery, perhaps boxing David's ears once in a while to ensure that he performs his duties with care and precision. Dennice was presented with a gift from the Acadia Commandery during the gala dinner evening at the Chapter General.



Future: We are contemplating holding a "pot luck", BBQ, BYOB friendly gathering of Members and Friends of the Order sometime this summer. Keep your eyes and ears open for upcoming details. It'd be a great casual opportunity to meet other Members and Friends. This event will be open to not only Members and Friends, but will include their spouses/partners. We are family, and we need to work together to make our area a better place to live and a better place to die.