## FUNDY BITS

HOUSE OF FUNDY NEWS BRIEFS

Acadia Commandery, Order of Saint Lazarus, Canada





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.

Sème des mots: The COVID-19 pandemic is not quite a distant memory yet, but is subsiding to a degree and being promptly replaced with the threat of "monkey pox" and a potential expanding military conflict from the Ukraine-Russian war. However, despite these significantly critical events, there has been movement forward with the Atalanta Hospice Society (AHS) initiative this year. Thank you for taking the time to peruse this newsletter and to your continued support to the AHS and the Order.

Apr 14 - 30: An online auction hosted on Facebook was organized by volunteers of the AHS offering unique and experiential items for sale. Items included gift cards and certificates, art, tours and trips. The online auction raised \$6,120!

May 12 – 15: The Order saw its first physical Chapter General in Niagara Falls since the



Chapter General hosted in Digby, 2019. It's been that long! The Acadia Commandery was represented by Penny and Jennifer from NB and Dennice from NS. The Investiture saw the investing of Acadia Commanderv's newest member, Mr. John Lee, OSLJ. Interestingly, despite living in Toronto, he wished to be a member of the

Acadia Commandery. Welcome, John!

Jun 03: It is now official! The Atalanta Hospice Society is now a registered charitable organization via the Canada Revenue Agency. This will change a few things, most notably, the Friends of the Order annual dues can now be submitted directly to the AHS through its own CanadaHelps.org account relieving the overhead of account management by the Order and having the funds re-directed to the AHS. Automatic tax receipts will be generated. The new URL for dues is: https://www.canadahelps.org/en/charities/atalanta -hospice-society (select "2. Friend of the Order" fund from the drop-down list provided).

Jun 09: The funds raised during the Quest for Fundy Hospice in September, with "Sir David" and his steed. Nya who rode 250 km and raised enough funds to allow the AHS to commission Jost+Architects, Annapolis Royal to design a conceptual rendering of the future Fundy Hospice. This rendering will be unveiled at the Lazy Bear Brewery, Smiths Cove on Friday, June 24. "Sir David" will also make an appearance at this event. A special Fundy Hospice beer will be sold where a portion of the proceeds will be directed to the hospice project. Things start approximately 5pm. Music to be provided by "The Leftovers".

Jun 30: The monthly rafflebox supporting the **Fundy Hospice** continues each month. This raffle helps support **FundyHospice** the Atalanta Hospice Society to pay their bills, website fees, etc.



Winners are drawn at the end of each month. https://www2.rafflebox.ca/raffle/atalantahospice

Oct 01: Save the date on October 1, 2022 for the planned Acadia Commandery luncheon, followed by the Acadia Commandery AGM and followed by the AHS Emerald Gala fundraising dinner and auction (opened to the public). It will be time to celebrate once again having people attend the AGM and dinner as we suspect that people are getting a little "tired" of zooming all the time!

The Acadia Commandery portal has been overhauled. See <u>https://www.stlazarus.ca/acadia</u> We invite you to visit it.