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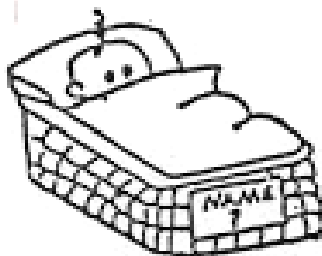
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Branch 008 Legion Activities MAIN STREET, SYDNEY MINES UPCOMING LEGION EVENTS

Dec. 26/22- Open 11 am — 9 pm. - Music From 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm

Dec. 24/22- CLOSED at 3:00 pm.

Dec. 31/22- CLOSED at 4:00 pm.

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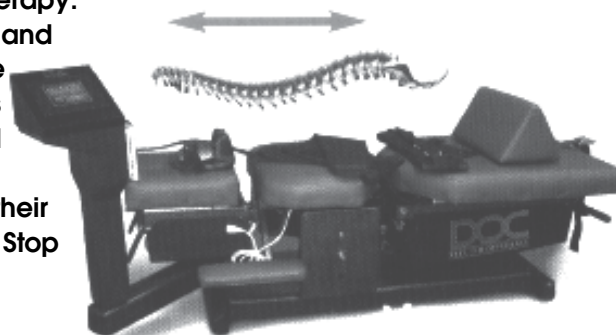
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AROUND THE TOWN

NORTHSIDE COMMUNITY NEWS EVENTS

GLEN GRAY - EDITOR

Like many of you, my favorite time of the year is **Christmas** - I love everything about it from the music, the parades, the gifts and the wonderful food that make up the Christmas season - All year long I interact with many of the **fine folks** on the Northside at the Libraries, Fire Halls, seniors clubs and Legions - I would like to **publicly thank them** for all their help in collecting the community news each week and acknowledge their contribution to the community at large - **without their help**, it would be much more difficult to collect the local happenings every week - I would like to sincerely wish you all a very **Merry Christmas** and I hope **2023** will be your year - thank you to one and all.... page 2 has a list of **Branch 008 Legion** in Sydney Mines of their Christmas Holiday events and hours of operation...**Paul Power** has another installment of his "**TAKE 2**" column.... if you check page 5 of this edition you'll see the people who make it possible for **K-LEE RADIO** to broadcast 24 hours a day, 7 days a week, thank you to all who have volunteered all year long..... Page 6 has the **Library News** and the local libraries program many community events all year long, **well done everybody**.... I would like to suggest that you visit our website - www.kleeradio.com and you'll find Christmas music, oldies podcasts, children's activities your own BINGO game.... on page 7 of this edition, there is a story called "**The Gifts Of The Magi**", and it details the art of "rootin" for Christmas presents - it is a true story of me and my brother on a Christmas long ago, I hope it brings back a **pleasant memory** for you as well.

Merry Christmas To All Northsiders

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Merry Christmas and Happy New Year! From the Executive, Staff, and Members of Armstrong Memorial Branch 19

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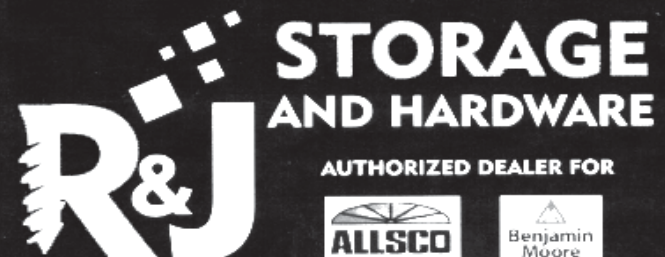
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SEE PAGE 2 FOR COMPLETE LIST OF 008 LEGION ACTIVITIES



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This week's column is about a recently released movie that has to be one of the most anticipated holiday releases in quite a while; "A Christmas Story Christmas" is the 'legacy sequel' to the 1983 film "A Christmas Story" (there was an actual sequel released in 2012) and features Peter Billingsley reprising his role as Ralphie Parker, but now he's married and has 2 kids. He's taken some time off work from his unspecified 'rat race job' to write his first novel and he gets a call from his mom to say that his father has passed away. Remember his dad? The man who had a running battle with his old furnace and managed to swear up a storm without

actually saying a curse word. Overall, this movie is definitely worth watching as there are some very touching moments, and many of the original cast members reprise their roles from the first film-with Vince Vaughn and Peter Billingsley stepping up as producers. The website Rotten Tomatoes wrote; "It isn't as much fun as an official Red Ryder carbine action, 200-shot, range model air rifle with a compass in the stock and this thing that tells time, but "A Christmas Story Christmas" remains a sequel worth celebrating". I was probably expecting a lot more from this movie, based on how special the first one was, becoming legendary in the world of Christmas films, but when the first movie was released in 1983 there was no internet, no streaming; for movies it was the days of hitting the big screen in the



movie theatres first, then to the local video stores - and eventually then on network TV. Today we are literally bombarded with a tsunami-like barrage of holiday movies, with many not standing out as memorable as this one is for decades now. In 4 days time it will be Christmas day, and it's not always a joyous time for some-but I sincerely hope that you will all find some comfort and joy.

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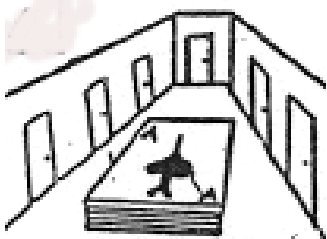
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YEAR AGAIN WHEN
CHRISTMAS PARTIES



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I left a piece of my heart be-
hind in 1949 when Daddy retired
as, Dispatcher from The CNR
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I remember as if it were yes-
terday in that station by the sea
a focal point of village as it
hummed with activity.

Now if you bear with me, a
scene from past describe, a
scene of early evening as we
wait for number Five.

Captain Dan from o'er
Baddeck way, with John S by
his side toss around a few yarns
as they wait for number Five.

Outside on the platform local
folk mill around eyeing curve in
distance for Number Five ,
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Suddenly a distant whistle two
puffs of white prompting activity
in early evening light.

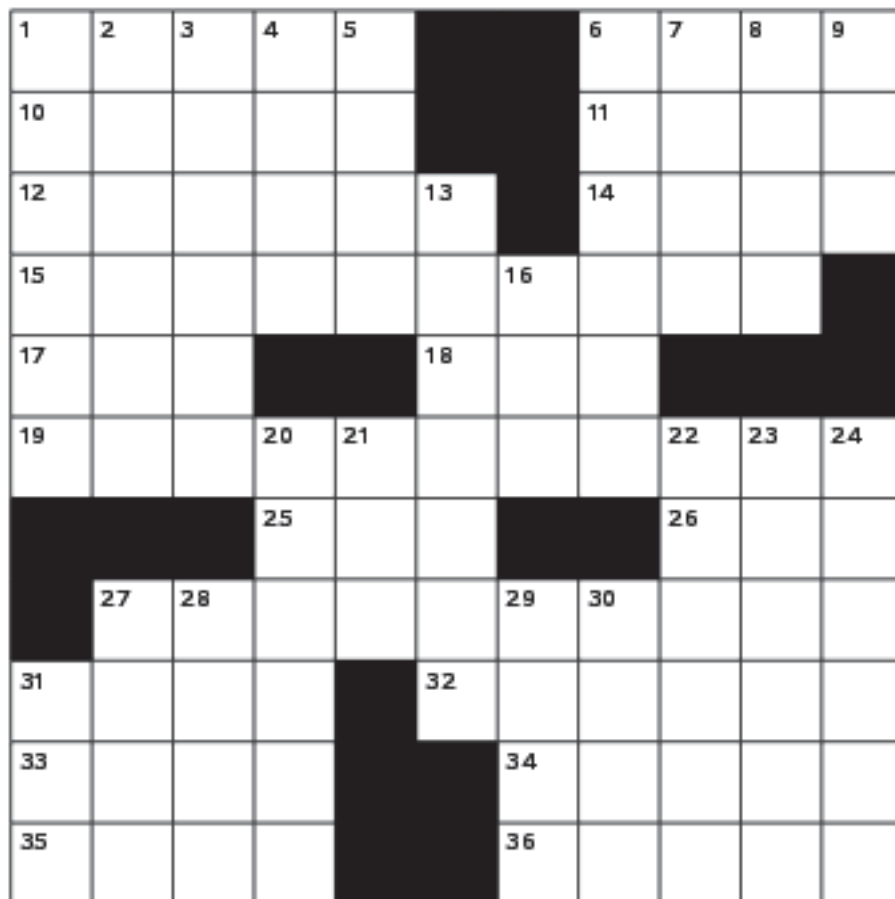
Easing into station ,screech-
ing to a stop, exit weary travel-
ler, as anxious Conductor
shouts "All Aboard", let's be off.

Tis' time to close my song
and memories leave behind,
memories of Iona Station and
that CNR Railroad Line.

RON GILLIS - NORTH SYDNEY

All The Best in 2023 from the staff NORTHSIDE THIS WEEK

Crossword Puzzle - On Ice



ACROSS

- 1 Parka size
- 6 In perfect condition
- 10 Robin Hood player Flynn
- 11 Historic periods
- 12 Key of *Pachelbel's Canon*
- 14 Chocolate variety
- 15 Snowflake Kingdom site
- 17 Reverse of WSW
- 18 *Good Sam* network
- 19 Long-skateway locale

- 25 Collection on vinyl
- 26 NFL's Manning
- 27 Annual February festival in 15-Across and Ottawa
- 31 Everest, in *Abominable*
- 32 Counted calories
- 33 Activist Brockovich
- 34 Out in the open
- 35 Mexican money
- 36 Trunk of the body

Merry
Christmas

DOWN

- 1 Accounts book or Heath
- 2 Fashion designer Giorgio
- 3 For mature audiences
- 4 Berry seen at juice bars
- 5 SpaceX founder Musk
- 6 Snake-haired Gorgon
- 7 Where the Tigris flows
- 8 Drug cop
- 9 Sound of reproach
- 13 Disqualified (oneself)
- 16 Start of a children's song
- 20 Weather Channel topic
- 21 Quite fitting
- 22 Like some German nouns
- 23 Birch-family trees
- 24 Snowed
- 27 Used to be
- 28 Reply to "That so?"
- 29 Very funny person
- 30 The L of L-dopa
- 31 "___, you better believe it!"

SOLUTION ON PAGE 7

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year

The Gifts of The Magi

When you're young and Christmas approaches, you start to get caught up in the magic of the season. I love everything about Christmas from the tree decorating to the wonderful aroma of food and "sweets" baking. One of the most time honored Christmas traditions for my brother and I was "rootin'."

We would try to find my mother's hiding places and guess at the presents we were going to get for Christmas. It was all a part of the overall Christmas spirit and we were pretty good at guessing and finding the gifts.

One Christmas in 1963, my mother came home from shopping with an armload of bags. My brother and I pretended ignorance of seeing the gifts. That night my mother and father went to play darts at the Sergeant's Mess.

My brother and I decided to do some recon. We set out like we were scouts for the Calvary looking at all the old spots. We never found a single gift. We decided to look in the hallway closet but figured there would be nothing there.

To our great surprise, we saw all the gifts just sitting there on the shelves not even wrapped! We were thrilled at first but then it slowly sunk into us that we knew exactly what we were getting for Christmas. There was new skates, a watch, hockey sticks, a fishing rod and reel and assorted games. I remember quite clearly that the thrill of "the hunt" was now over.

This was only a week before Christmas so my brother and I agreed that we better act surprised on Christmas morning or our mother would know we were "rootin'". On that particular Christmas morning my brother and I slept in for the first time in many years. We were not up at the crack of dawn because we already knew what we were getting.

The first present my brother opened was a chemistry set. We both looked at each other in surprise wonder how we missed that one. The first gift I opened was a microscope and with the same reaction. We both wondered where she had hid that one. This continued on and we never did unwrap a watch, hockey stick or fishing rod. I still remember my brother and I talking late on a cold December night and agreeing not to root anymore as it ruined our Christmas.

My mother commented that we really seemed surprised. We just said we thought we were getting other things. It wasn't until many years later that we discovered that my mother and our next door neighbour had traded places with the Christmas gifts. Their kids got all the gifts we saw and our gifts were hidden next door.

I was cured of "rootin'" for Christmas but I'll never forget that very special 1963 Christmas when my brother and I were set up "wisemen" or more specifically, "wise women."

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