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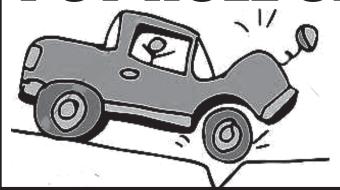
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BINGO Game at the Sydney Mines Seniors & Pensioners Club, 6 Fraser Avenue, Sydney Mines.

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The Bras d'Or Seniors Club are hosting weekly 45's game on Thursdays at 7:30 pm.

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NORTHSIDE COMMUNITY NEWS/EVENTS

50/50 Draw Winner



50/50 lottery draw winner on Feb 26, is Allen MacDougall of Sydney Mines, shown accepting the February Lottery winning cheque for \$535.00 from AMP Society Board Chair Cyril Acker and Co Chair of the 50/50 Lottery Committee Dale Romeo is Allen MacDougall.

The organization congratulates Allen for supporting the Atlantic Memorial Park Project and thanks to all the ticket outlets. individuals who assist us in the 50/50 fund raising and the public for their continued support of the park project.

DEADLINE FOR NEWS

The deadlne for news to be printed in our newspaper is Tuesday at 12 noon. We start to put the paper together for printing on Tuesday and if your news is not in by the deadline, it will be printed in the next

Job Opportunity Northside Rising

Come work with us, applications are due March 4th -Co-Lead position.

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JACK COOL K-LEE RADIO **DJ NEWS**

Jack Cool, KLEE RADIO's Oldies DJ, will be returning to the airwaves on Friday, March 6th with his new show "Late Nite Oldies".

Jack will broadcast the best of Oldies beginning at 11 pm. Jack has recently updated his broadcast equipment.

If you like Oldies music, Jack has just what you have been waiting for. Login to the website www.kleeradio.com and click on the link for Jack's page.

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Tuesday bingo GAME

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BINGO Jackpot won New Jackpot \$1,000.00

BINGO Tues. 7:30 PM Bigger Games & **Prizes**



I am looking forward to Spring coming and the snow is behind us, officially it starts on March 19th, can't come soon enough for me... Good to see Jack Cool our resident K-LEE RADIO Oldies DJ back with his music - he recently had to update his computer and broadcast software but he is now ready to broadcast with his new show "Late Nite Oldies" beginning on Friday, March 6th at 11 pm - glad to have you back Jack.... K-LEE RADIO will brodcast live from Miners Daughter Restaurant in North Sydney on St. Patrick's Day from 1130 - 1:30 with a Ceilidh - lots of great music and trivia Giveaways - join us for some fun... Here's a job opportunity from Northside Rising - Come work with us, applications are due March 4th, Co-Lead position - This is a full time position and it starts immediately - The Contact Information mmacleod@inspiringcommunities.ca - Why not drop into the North Sydney Senior's Club on Sunday March 8th, from 2:00 -5:00 and enjoy our Cape Breton Ceilidh... and more St. Patrick's day fun - ST PATRICK'S VARIETY CONCERT - at the NORTHSIDE FIREMEN'S CLUB - Sunday, March 15, 2020 -Time: 2:00 pm - Admission - Free Will Offering.... don't forget to enter our Find The Leprecaun Contest and win a Free Cape Humour Book - see details on page 5 ... Free Senior Functional Fitness Classes for men & women Classes focus on activities of daily life, including strengthening our balance, focus, & multi joint flexibility. Classes start Wednesday, Mar. 11th, 12.30 - 1.30 pm. at the Florence Legion.... KnitFit Community Knit-a-thon Saturday March 7th, 2020, 9 am to 4 pm at the McConnell Library, 50 Falmouth St, Sydney - Knitters and crocheters of all stripes, new or experienced, are invited to come to the KnitFit Community Knit-a-thon.... If you are sponsoring a community event and are looking for some FREE PUBLICITY for your event, simply email us with your event information and we'll publish it free of charge for you - email us at - thisweek@kleeradio.com



NORTHSIDE COMMUNITY NEWS/EVENTS

Irish Pub and Grub Night

To be held at the Boisdale Fire Hall on Saturday, March14th with Darrel Keigan 7.30 - 9.30pm \$10.00 at door.

Irish beef stew and biscuits will be available.

There will be a "take-out" only from 6:00 - 7:00 pm

Then during rest of evening pub style at \$10.00

Tune in on Sunday mornings at 9 am - host Pierre Chiasson presents a one hour show of traditional Gospel songs to listen to as you have your Sunday Brunch - logon to us www.kleeradio.com

Seniors Dance

Come out and enjoy an evening of dancing and fun with music



👤 on Saturday, at 8 pm at the Seniors and Pensioners' Club, Fraser Ave, Sydney Mines! Admission is \$5.00

and everyone welcome.

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Traditional Music Night - every Thursday at the Blue Mist Beverage Room in Bras d'Or - The very best of Cape Breton fiddling. Stop by for great Cape Breton fiddling.

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Last Friday of the month 45s Card Game starting at 7:30

Some News items courtesy of **Swing Over** The Mountain News

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EXERCISE CLASS

Monday at 1:00 pm, at the Sydney Mines Seniors & Pensioners Club, 6 Fraser Avenue. Sydney Mines.

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Clocks Go <u>AHEAD</u> March 8

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with PAUL POWER

Many of you know who Joan Jett is; most likely because of her mega-hit songs like "I Love Rock and Roll", "Do Ya Wanna Touch Me (Oh Yeah)", "I Hate Myself For Loving You" and "Bad Reputation" or as a founding member of the legendary rock and roll band The Runaways.

But there's so much more to Joan's story, as I found out while reading the book В а Reputation: The Unauthorized Biography of Joan Jett" by Dave Thompson.

book chronicles Joan's early years in Maryland, and her eventual move to Los Angeles, California-a place that proved to be fertile breeding ground for Joan's drive and ambition to not only become a rocker, but to do so in a revolutionary all-girl rock and roll band. Looking back now, we can see past all the jabs and vitriol thrown at The Runaways for overtly sexual appearance, and song lyrics that put the woman in chargein a world filled with misogynistic and sexist pigs that would not, or could not accept the fact that girls/ women can rock out as good as any guy-and be totally in charge of their sexuality. Joan always believed that this shouldn't even be an issue. it should always be about the music and freedom of choice. Just as I was finishing the book I latched onto the "Bad rockumentary Reputation" which was even more eye-opening; to be able to actually see much of what the book detailed-but in this case, and just as in real life, Joan was front and centre serving as the host and storyteller of a life lived hard

> and fast, and how being a woman such a world made her work times harder just to prove herself to others (not that she needed to do so-and she

knew that) by writing, producing and performing some of the best rock and roll songs EVER. Years later Joan was the executive producer of the movie "The Runaways", starring Kristen Stewart, Michael Shannon and Dakota Fanning-which gave fans another way to revisit a dynamic and trendsetting, albeit short-lived period of rock and roll history, and the legacy it left. The Runaways were a trendsetting phenomenon that blurred the lines between rock and roll and punk rock, and showed us all that men aren't the only ones who could rock hard. That never would have happened without Joan Jett.

COMMUNITY NEWS ITEMS

CAPE BRETON CEILIDH

Tired of winter and shoveling snow? Need a diversion?

Why not drop into the North Sydney Senior's club on Sunday March 8th, from 2:00 - 5:00 and enjoy our Cape Breton Ceilidh.

Sit back, clap your hands, tap your toes and sing along to the music of Bob Finney and his boys. Enjoy the laughter and camaraderie of friends as you sip a hot cup of tea, a bowl of delicious soup and homemade tea biscuits.

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NORTH SYDNEY LIBRARY NEWS

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CBU SCIENCE CLUB - MARCH 4th - Exploring The Senses - 6:30 - 8:00 pm. No Registration required.

Mindfulness Group meets February 27 from 7:00 - 8:00 pm.

Cape Breton Extinction Rebellion and Cape Breton Public Library presents....

ACTIVE HOPE IN THE AGE OF EXTINCTION - at the North Sydney Library, March 10 - 6:30 pm.;

Clocks AHEAD 1 HOUR - March 6

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SATURDAY DANCE

The Sydney Mines & Pensioners Club will host a SATUR-DAY DANCE from 8:00 - 12:00 pm in their Clubrooms at 6

Fraser Avenue in Sydney Mines. The cost of the Dance is just **\$5.00** and it is open to the public.

There will be a variety of music available. Come out to our Club, 6 Fraser Avenue in Sydney Mines and have a great night every Saturday. Canteen Service and Bar Service is available.

CBRM Recreation Announces Blue Shell Esports

Will take place March 21 at Mayflower Mall, the Blue Shell Champions Tournament will feature two simultaneous tournaments. MarioKart (Nintendo Switch) enthusiasts will take part in a four player single elimination tournament where two players advance from each round. There is no age limit to participate, and registration for the MarioKart tournament is free - \$1,500 in Prizes

The Blue Shell Champions Tournament is the first E-Sports tournament of its kind in the CBRM. Presented by CBRM Recreation and Mayflower Mall, upwards of 150 participants can take part in the one day tournament. Registration is now open at this web address h t t p : / / cbrmrecreation.eventbrite.com

Senior Fitness Classes

Free Senior Functional Fitness Classes for men & women Classes focus on activities of daily life, including strengthening our balance, focus, & multi joint flexibility. Classes start Wednesday, Mar.11th, 12.30—1.30 pm. at the Florence Legion. Sponsored by the Sydney Mines St. Vincent de Paul Conference with a grant from the Community Health Board.

Instructor Patsy MacKenzie. Come join us as we venture into this new experience.

Daylight Saving time in Canada will begin at 3:00 a.m. on Sunday. March 8th

NORTHSIDE COMMUNITY NEWS



BRANCH 008 LEGION NEWS

Chase The Ace every Friday 8 - 10 downstairs - music by Bob MacDonald and Friends - The Branch needs your help to boost the Chase The Ace. We are moving very slow. Remember, funds from these sales helps our Branch renovations and keeping Canada Day and Levee in or town. If you can please purchase a \$5.00 book or \$20.00, your help is needed Jackpot \$9,635.

KARAOKE - WE'RE BACK - March 6th from 10 - 12 - music by T. Capstick - \$139.00

2 PC. FISH & CHIPS. pan fried or deep fried, dessert - \$12.00 each - April 10th - Good Friday - 3:00 - 6:00 - Tickets at the Bar.

APRIL 25TH - ISLE AUX MORT BOYS - DANCE 9:00 - 1:00 -\$10.00 - Limited amount of tickets left.

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The Sydney Mines Minor Hockey 50/50 - Last Draw was won by Donna Salter and the Jackpot amount for this draw was \$12,502.00

- THANK YOU

Sydney Mines Seniors & Pensioners Club

SUNDAY NIGHTS at 7:30 we have tarabish, everyone is welcome. 1st, 2nd and 3rd place Prizes are awarded.

MONDAY NIGHT - at 7:30 - FUN NIGHT - we invite members from other Seniors Clubs - Bingo 7:30 dabbers only - Loonie Draw Enjoy a game of SCAT - \$1.00, light refreshment, see you there.

WEDNESDAY - 7:30 45s Card Game 1st, 2nd, 3rd

For the latest and most comprehensive list of local events, logon to - **www.musiccapebreton.com**Mike Little updates his

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Chalk Dust Warms The Heart

It was sure a magical evening this past Friday night when over 100 people came to St. Andrew's Presbyterian Church in Sydney Mines to beat the winter blahs and to be entertained for a couple of hours by four teachers that are better known as Chalk Dust. People from all over the Northside, Sydney Mines, Boularderie and surrounding areas came out just to get a break from old man winter and to enjoy a night a great music and laughter.

The band took to the stage at 7:00 p.m. and immediately started singing a variety of songs from Folk, Country, Rock and Roll, Irish Folk, and Gospel. They got the crowd going by starting off with the upbeat tune The Irish Rover to which everyone was clapping their hands and tapping their feet. Then the audience heard songs by artists such as Gordon Lightfoot, Judy Collins, Buddy Holly, Ian & Sylvia Tyson and Elvis Presley and many more. The only female member of the group, Jennifer MacDonald sang a few solos during the night and everyone in the audience really enjoyed her beautiful angelic voice. Then before they took a break for intermission a surprise visitor showed up, out of the audience came Archie Alec from Mabou, played by Jimmie Campbell. Archie Alec hit the stage in his colourful outfit of a flowered shirt, bright yellow pants and sporting a checkered fedora hat. He had the crowd laughing out loud as he told of some of his adventures and stories. His comedy act was a real big hit with the audience.

Then it was time for a nice piping hot cup of coffee or tea, followed by some homemade cookies and fudge and a chance to stretch your legs for a few minutes. After a fifteen minute break it was time to start the second set of the night. The group started off the second set with Ghost Riders in the Sky and the crowd once again settled in for another round of great music. When the audience saw Ian MacLeod put down his fiddle and pick up his electric guitar, they knew something good was about to happen. Then it was time for the band to do a few Rock and Roll tunes. The band started to play "All Shook Up" by Elvis and it was time to Rock and Roll. Roy Dawson the band's vocalist had everyone in the groove and singing right along with him to this well-known tune. The audience also was the first to hear a song composed by band member Jimmie Campbell, which was really nice. To finish off the evening the band asked everyone to stand and sing two favorite Gospel tunes. As the evening ended everyone left with a smile on their faces and shaking hands with the band members and told them how much they enjoyed the evening.

The congregation of St. Andrew's are very thankful to Chalk Dust and to all the people that came out to support our winter fundraiser which was a big success. It was a great night for everyone and if you enjoyed this show, you can be certain that Chalk Dust will be back at St. Andrew's again later this year.

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SYDNEY MINES LIBRARY NEWS

MARCH BREAK - we are planning several March Break activities - March Break is from March 16 - 20.

MONDAY - Legos

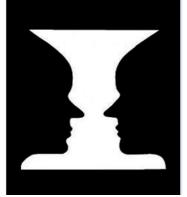
TUESDAY - Coloring

WEDNESDAY - Crafts

THURSDAY - Board Games **FRIDAY** - Creating With Clay

KNITTING GROUP has resumed on Mondays at 2:00 pm.

BOOK CLUB - anyone interested in forming a Book Club, please contact the Sydney Mines Library.



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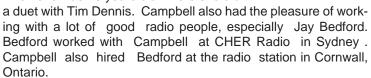
Hello everyone this is Jack Cool for K-LEE radio. Last week I had the absolute pleasure and honour of interviewing a longtime radio announcer named Stan Campbell. Stan was born in New Waterford and grew up in Jamesville which is pretty close to Iona. Stan started his first radio job at CHER Radio back in

1970. He also worked at other radio stations such as CFGM Toronto, WBVE-Cincinnati with Neil Kearney from Nov. 1987 to April 1989, Operations Manager/Morning Guy.

He also worked at KLAC where he was Program Director and Morning Show - 1989 to 1994 - Los Angeles, California, Morning Show Host. KLAC was the biggest Country Station in America. He worked at WSIX in Nashville and he also produced at the

time a very young lady who was born Eileen Edwards but today we know her as Shania Twain. Campbell announced her performance on a radio show called Opry North back in 1978 when she was 13 years old, where she performed a Dolly Parton song called Jolene.

He also drove her to Nashville in 1984 when she was 19 years old where she did



Campbell has interviewed a lot of great singers from the late George Jones and the late Merle Haggard, Charlie Pride, the late Don Williams, Gene Watson and so many more. Five years ago Campbell wrote his autobiography called "The Ugly One In The Middle which had an outstanding turnout at the Iona Legion in 2014. "The Ugly One In The Middle" is available on Amazon. Campbell mentioned in a recent interview with yours truly that the epilogue is quite different from the the book The Ugly One In The Middle versus the audiobook of the same name. Have a healthy and safe week everybody - **JACK COOL**



NORTHSIDE COMMUNITY

St. Patick's Day Dance

The Southside Boularderie Volunteer Fre Dept. will be holding a St. Patrick's Day Dance on Saturday, March 14.

Open to all members and guests - 19 and over, Time will be 9 pm - 1 am. No cover charge and we take requests. Check us out on Facebook.

Crafters Guild Meeting

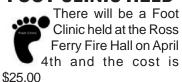
The Munro Crafters Guild will meet on March 12th at 3:00 pm at the Boularderie School.

St. Paddy's Day Dance

We put the FUN in Fundraising! Join us at the Bras d'Or Hall on Friday, March 13th from 9 til midnight for a St. Paddy's Day Dance.

Music by Joey Bennett. Tickets are \$13 at the door. Let's get our Green on!!

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MammoWarriors Draw

Do you want to win a Custom Screen Room? Of course you do! This prize has been generously donated by Frank Lush Glass.

Tickets are just \$5.00 each. Tickets are available from any MammoWarrior and at the Fitzgerald's Restauarnt (Hwy. #105, Boularderie). The draw will be held May 2nd.

Proceeds from all our fundraisers go to support the Cape Breton Cancer Patient Care Fund. The Boularderie MammoWarriors thank you for your continued support.



We want to wish our Mother, Mary Griffith, a very special Happy Birthday on March 7th. We hope your day will be filled with Lov and Happiness. From your chilren and all the grandkids who will be at the house for your birthday

At this special time of the year, please contribute to your local Food Drives for those families who cannot afford to feed their families - help make it a special Winter

TAX TIPS COLUMN

Should I File a Return Anyway?

It's in your own best interest to file a tax return for the following reasons;

- You want to claim a refund.
- Entries on your tax return determine if you're eligible for certain benefits programs.

Even if you had no income, you still may qualify for the GST/HST Credit.

- If you want to claim the working income tax benefit (WITB) or if you want to continue receiving your Canada Child Benefit (CCB)
- In order to claim tuition credits, you must declare the amounts on your tax return. You might not be in line for a refund this year but you'll want to apply those credits in the future when your education pays off with a good paying job.
- You or your spouse want to continue to receive CPP, OAS or Social Services payments.

Whether you're 9 or 99, age has no effect on your requirement to file a tax return.

If you meet one of the above requirements, the CRA expects to receive an income tax return from you.

Young students are not exempt from filing either - this is a popular misunderstanding. If your 20-year-old child is an entrepreneur who made over \$3,500 babysitting or running a small business, they must file an income tax return even if they're still in school.

If you have any questions about your requirement to file, please speak with a tax professional!

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