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Music from 5:00 - 8:00 pm

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NOTICE

Due to COVID Updates, we are waiting to hear from the provincial Government regarding what programs we can run in the new year Stay tuned for updated COVID protocols and our programming



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BRANCH 008 LEGION NEWS SCHEDULE

NEW HOURS

Our Branch is closed Monday through Thursday at 9:00 pm and OPEN Friday until 10:00 PM Closed Saturday at 9:00 pm

CLOSED ON SUNDAY Happy New Year to all our Members

For the Best In Classic Country Music, join Kenny Walsh every Sunday Night at 6:00 pm for Phantom Country - Logon to

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The North Sydney Minor Hockey 50/50 Draw - Last wee's Christmas Draw winner was Mary Bonar and the amout was \$15,350. Thank you for your support.

FREE PUBLICITY, simply email us with your information and we'll publish it free of charge in our weekly paper - just email us with your event information to us at this email address - thisweek@kleeradio.com

Have Some Fun Solving These Common Words & Phrases

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DJ Jack Cool returns to K-LEE RADIO with his Late Nite Oldies Show on JANUARY 15 TH - 11 PM



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NEW DECOMPRESSION TABLE RELIEVES PAIN

Darren Strong from Strong Chiropractic, announces a new, sophisticated computerized decompression table that allows the spine to be gently stretched and relaxed for spinal decompression therapy.

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- Ron Gillis



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Please remember our local Food Banks this year especially with COVID as many more families are affected. Thank you for your donation and Happy New Year.



WISHES

Please send out Special Birthday Wishes to Emma N ickerson who will be celebrating her 80th birthday on Thursday, January14th. We all wish you a very Happy Birthday on this special day. Love, from Family, Friends and grandchildren.

HAPPY NEW YEAR From K-LEE RADIO

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LEGION CLOSED MON. - THURSDAY AT 9:00 PM **OPEN UNTIL 10 PM FRIDAY CLOSED AT 9:00 SATURDAY - CLOSED SUNDAY** PHONE - (902)736-3206



Hello everybody, I assume you're getting over the Christmas season and all the gorging and sleeping in - we all have to get back to our normal way, if that's possible - Many of the local clubs and organizations are still waiting on the Provincial Government for Guidelines regarding any potential progams they may offer in the new year..... many groups are finding it difficult to raise funds because all their activities are suspended - let's hope we can loosen up some of the Guidelines so that bingos, dances and other club related activities can resume..... North Sydney's Ron Gillis has released a new song called "Scotty" telling the story of legendary Cape Breton Fiddler Winston "Scotty" Fitzgerald, you can listen to the song by logging on to our website and click on the "DOWNLOADS" page and click on the link - the song was written by Ron, Vocals Lynda Maxwell, Music Fred Lavery, Fiddle Colin Grant, Guitar Fred Lavery, Engineer Mike Shepherd, Producer Fred Lavery, Studio Lake Wind Sound Pt. Aconi NS, take a listen to a very nice song..... Ron also has a new poem that will also appear in this week's issue... there are several Legions that have changed their operating hours, check the ads in this issue to see the correct hours of operaton.... Last week an employee at Bianchini's Pizza in North Sydney tested positive for COVID and immediately owner Donnie Bianchini shut down the pizza shop to prevent any spreading to the public - this action to protect their customers should be applauded - before opening back up, he had the premises cleaned and de-sanitized - this shows that local businesses take the time and effort to make sure COVID is not spread in our community - Well done Donnie.... FREE PUBLICITY - If your community group or organization is planning a local event and you want some free publicity, simply email us your information and we will make sure it gets included on our weekly paper - it's FREE, just email us with your community event at - thisweek@kleeradio.com



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THE LATE NIGHT OLDIES SHOW

with DJ Jack Cool will return to K-LEE RADIO ON JANUARY 15TH - 11 PM

FREE DAILY - WEEKLY - MONTHLY PLANNERS FOR 2021

To help you get organized for 2021, we have Free Daily - Weekly and Monthly Planners to keep track of your appointments, Kids activities.

To get your Free Planners, just logon to our website - www.kleeradio.com - and go to the "DOWNLOADS PAGE" and and select the Planner you want.

All planners are printable on pdf files on 8 1/2 x 11 inch standard paper.

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FREE Youth Drama Classes Held in Sydney Mines



Do you know any youth aged 8-18 who would love to take drama classes for FREE? Check out this 13-week theatre program happening in Sydney Mines!

The Ruby Project (Accessible Theatre) is offering FREE youth drama classes at Community Cares Youth Outreach in Sydney Mines beginning Tuesday, November 3, 2020. Classes will be on Tuesdays and run for 13 weeks from November 3 – December 15, 2020 and January 5 – February 9, 2021. Class times are:

- * 5:00 6:00 pm for ages 8-10 (CLASS IS FULL please fill out form to be added to the waitlist)
- * 6:15 7:15 pm for ages 11-13
- * 7:30 8:30 pm for ages 14-18

Masks, social distancing and a screening process will be required.

For more information, e-mail Shealyn at this address healynvarnes@hotmail.ca.



NORTH SYDNEY FIRE & RESCUE HEATING SAFETY PRECAUTIONS

There is something about the Winter months and curling up with a good book by the fireplace. But did you know that heating equipment is one of the leading causes of home fire deaths? With a few simple safety tips and precautions you can prevent most heating fires from happening.

Be warm and safe this Winter!

- Keep anything that can burn at least three-feet (one metre) away from heating equipment, like the furnace, fireplace, wood stove, or portable space heater.
- Have a three-foot (one metre) "kid-free zone" around open fires and space heaters.
- Never use your oven to heat your home.
- Have a qualified professional install stationary space heating equipment, water heaters or central heating equipment according to the local codes and manufacturer's instructions.
- Have heating equipment and chimneys cleaned and inspected every year by a qualified professional.
- Remember to turn portable heaters off when leaving the room or going to bed.
- Always use the right kind of fuel, specified by the manufacturer, for fuel burning space heaters.
- Make sure the fireplace has a sturdy screen to stop sparks from flying into the room. Ashes should be cool before putting them in a metal container. Keep the container a safe distance away from your home.
- Test smoke alarms at least monthly.

HEATING EQUIPMENT SMARTS

Install wood burning stoves following the manufacturer's instructions or have a professional do the installation.

All fuel burning equipment should be vented to the outside to avoid carbon monoxide (CO) poisioning.

Install and maintain CO alarms to avoid the risk of CO poisioning. If you smell gas in your gas heater, do not light the appliance. Leave the home immediately and call your

local fire deptment or gas company.

From your Public Fire Educator Ed Fudge any questions or information contact me at 902 371-4044

FACT - Half the home heating fires are reported during the months of December, January, February

NORTHSIDE NEWS



LIBRARY NEWS

BOOK SALE - Now ongoing get your Winter Reading books now at \$1.00.

FIBRE LUNCH will resume again on anuary 14th from 1:00 - 3:00 pm.

Now that we are spending more time indoors, check out the Cape Breton Regional LIbrary website for Press Reader where you can access hundreds of newspapers and magazines. This would be a great way to spend your time reading if you can't make it to the Library.

We would lke to send out a special Happy & Healthy New Years wish to all our patrons for 2021 and we look forward to seeing you again.

Sunday Morning Gospel Radio Show with host Pierre **Chiasson Airs** 9:00 am www.kleeradio.com



Please send out Special Birthday Wishes to Julian Bushell who will be celebrating his 33rd birthday on December 6th. With Love from Sophia, Lucien and Lucille.

Warming Centers

A reminder that Big Bras d'Or Hall, Ross Ferry Fire Fire Hall and the Southside OD **Boularderie Fire** Hall have all WARMING CENTER been desianated as community warming centres in the event of a

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Have A Safe & **Healthy New Year**



WISHES

I would like to send out a Special Happy Birthday Wish to a great Dad and wonderful husband who will be celebrating his birthday on January 15th. Lots of Love from Debbie, Mark and Lynda and al your co-workers and family members

YOUR FREE SODUKO WEEKLY PUZZLE

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You can also get your Daily Soduko Puzzle and Crossword Puzzle by logging on to - www.kleeradio.com and clicking on the FEATURES Page. Also inlcuded is a DAILY FREE SOFTWARE giveaway. Logon today to get yours FREE!!



We have some Craft Bags and Coloring pages available to children, check at the Desk.

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BOULARDERIE FOOD BANK - With Christmas coming, donations of non perishable food items would be appreciated.

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Next Food Bank Day is December 16th. We try to give extra this month. -

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

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K-LEE RADIO WEEKLY TRIVIA CHALLENGE

- 1 Which two metals are alloyed to make pewter?
- 2 What is the longest river in Italy?
- 3 What is the American equivalent of Poteen?
- 4 What car was first seen in 1901?
- 5 Linus Torwalds invented and wrote what?
- 6 What digit does NOT appear in Roman Numerals?
- 7 Who was nicknamed "The Desert Fox"?
- 8 Who performed the 1st heart transplant?
- 9 What common legal terms means literally "under penalty"?
- 10 He first transmitted radio signals across the Atlantic.
- 11 Who created Tarzan in 1914?
- 12 Who won 6 consecutive Wimbledon titles in the 1980s?
- 13 What links Buddy Holly, Janis Joplin, Lyndon Johnson?
- 14 Singer Annie Mae Bullock became famous as......?

state of Texas, 14 - Tina Turner

ANSWERS - 1- Tin and Lead, 2 - The Po, 3 - Moonshine 4 - Mercedes, 5 - Linux Computer OS, 6 - Zero, 7 - Erwin Rommel, 8 - Christian Barnard, 9 - Subpoena, 10 - Martoni, 11 - Edgar Rice Burroughs, 12 - Martina Navratilova, 13 - The

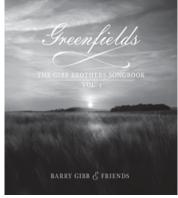




the new year

Take 2

When I got the Capital Records/Universal Music Canada's preview stream for this album last month, "GREENFIELDS: Gibb Brothers Songbook, Vol. 1", I was a bit skeptical; not being much of a Country music fan-but a huge fan of the Bee Gee's harmonies (especially Robin Gibb's voice) my interest was peaked, but I wasn't expecting much to be honest. Plus I couldn't write a word about it until this week as a press embargo was in place. To be honest my jaw dropped when I heard the first song; Keith Urban is unbelievable on "I've Gotta Get A Message To You". This is the closest I've ever heard someone come to Robin Gibb's vocal magic on the song-and when Barry Gibb chimes in its almost beyond describing with mere words. Honestly I had goosebumps when I first heard it. The album also features collaborations between Barry Gibb and Alison Krauss, Brandi Carlile, David Rawlings, Dolly Parton, Gillian Welch, Jason Isbell, Jay Buchanan, Keith Urban, Little Big Town, Miranda Lambert, Olivia Newton-John, Sheryl Crow and Tommy Emmanuel. Every song here is a gem, and the first single released was "Words of a Fool" with Jason Isbell. It's a good number but I think they should have went with the Keith Urban song as the first single.



I was very familiar with the Bee Gee's 1976 song "Rest Your Love On Me" from playing it at dances, and it may be the first Country song the band released (Conway Twitty did a cover of the song in 1980 as well). Barry Gibb has always been a fan of Country and Bluegrass music so releasing such an album was inevitable. Also, there's an interesting take on "Jive Talkin" with Miranda Lambert and Jay Buchanan giving the song a bluesy-jazzy vibe, and it's touching to hear the delicacy and fragility in Dolly's Parton's voice on "Words"; where she's now 74 all that matters is that she's still singing. Sheryl Crow's voice is definitely the sonic icing on the audio cake of "How Can You Mend A Broken Heart", giving a perfect balance to Barry's voice on the number. "How Deep Is Your Love", and "Lonely Days" are both true to the original recordings-and "To Love Somebody" gets a smokey nightclub vibe courtesy of Jay Buchanan (of the blues-rock band Rival Sons). All in all, this album is a very important chronicle of the Bee Gees songs.

LITTLE TOY TRAINS



My grandmother was the youngest of 12 children born to a Cape Breton miner who worked the #12 Coal Colliery in New Waterford. It was hard work and there was never enough money to go around. All the kids helped as best they could and Christmas was a difficult time as money for gifts was not too plentiful.

The boys would sell Christmas trees and help decorate houses and the girls would sew, knit and bake to make extra money. Nobody seemed to mind and there was always singing and laughing in the household.

Over the years, the boys and girls slowly slipped away to Ontario, Boston and Alberta as they married or moved to find continuous work. My great grandfather and grandmother passed away within two months of each other.

Nellie, my grandmother, was the last remaining child living in Cape Breton. The family was scattered wide and in November she got a letter from her sister Rose in Ontario inviting her to spend Christmas and join in a mini family reunion. She was on pension at this time and did not have enough extra money as she was helping to cover the household costs for our family.

I was twelve at the time but even then I could tell she really wanted to go. But she did not say a word. I had been saving my paper route money and other money I had earned doing odd jobs and cutting lawns. My dream was to by a Lionel train set with all the extras like a tunnel, a farm and two bridges. The cost for this was \$85. The train was set up in the Eaton's store in Sydney and I would spend almost all day Saturday just watching the train go round and round.

I was fascinated with it and dreamed of nothing else. But as December drew near, I started to think of my grandmother and how she missed her family at Christmas. I was listening to a Sunday sermon when an idea popped in my head. If I could raise a little more money, I could get a train ticket to Hamilton for my grandmother for Christmas. The cost of the return trip was \$138.00.

I already had about \$75.00 saved. I then went "on a tear" asking everybody in our neighbourhood for extra work. I also asked my uncle to drive me out to the country where I cut down 20 Christmas trees and sold them all in the neighbourhood. By December 20th, I had all the money and I remember going down to the train station and buying the ticket.

That night, after supper, I said I had a surprise. Everyone came into the dining room and I handed my grandmother a small package I had wrapped in tissue paper. "It's your Christmas gift but you have to open it now!" I was so excited!. She carefully opened the paper, because she would always reuse the wrap again.

She opened the card and saw the ticket. At first she didn't

understand but then my mother explained that it was a train ticket to Hamilton. My grandmother looked at me and started crying. My mother stated crying. My father looked away. For a brief moment, I thought I had done something wrong. Then all at once I was being squeezed by my mother and grandmother. They were crying but now I knew it was "happy crying."

My grandmother told me I was a very special boy and God would reward me for this. My mother knew I was saving to get the train set but I could wait until next year. Grandma left on December 23rd for Hamilton and on Christmas morning when I got up and went to see what presents I had for Christmas.

There on the floor surrounding the entire Christmas tree was the train set and the farm scene and the two bridges. I stopped in my tracks. I couldn't believe it. I could barely breathe. I tried not to cry but the tears wouldn't stop. When I finally found my voice, I asked my mother how this came about. She just told me to ask Grandma when she came back from her trip.

I did ask her when she came into the house from the train station. She still had her jacket on and I was interrogating her about the train set non stop. She just smiled and said, "It was God's will." That was all she ever said to me. My grandmother passed on and I asked my mother on Christmas if she knew the story. She said Grandma wouldn't say anything. The train set was delivered to the house and she and dad had stayed up and set it up as a surprise for me.

It was not until about 10 years after her death that I learned the rest of the story from a neighbour who told me she knew one of the workers from the Eaton's store.

Apparently my Grandmother, knowing of my love for the train set, went into the Eaton's store and asked to see the manager. She told him the story about me buying the ticket for her and how wonderful it was to give up the train set. She asked him if there was any way she could buy the set "on time". The manager said that he often would see me in the store watching the trains and he said he would make a special arrangement and she could pay a little of her pension cheque each month and he would have the set delivered. It took her three years to pay off the set and she never missed a payment.

I passed the set onto my children but the farm scene is missing some animals, the transformer doesn't work anymore and one for the bridges is broke beyond repair. But each Christmas I bring out the set and put it around the Christmas tree and relive that long ago Christmas that will forever be etched in my memory of a loving and wonderful grandmother and the gift of love.