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## ***THIS WEEK***

**NORTHSIDE COMMUNITY NEWS**

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### **NOTICE**

Next week we will publish an electronic edition only of our paper so that we can all enjoy a Christmas holiday. It will be available on our website on Wednesday morning - logon the website [www.kleeradio.com](http://www.kleeradio.com) for your copy.

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THIS WEEK'S SPECIAL

**CLUB & FRIES****\$10.75**

**NEW YEARS DANCE  
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**CHRISTMAS EVE**

Ernie Wells from 2:00 - 5:00  
Happy Hour All Day

**Royal Canadian Legion  
Branch 83 Florence**

**NEW SCHEDULE**

**MONDAY, TUESDAY  
WEDNESDAY &  
THURSDAY**

**12:00 - 10:00 pm****FRIDAY & SATURDAY****12:00 - 12:00****The CIRCLE****on Saturday nights****7:00 - 10:00 p.m.**

Bingo starting at 7.00

**BINGO**

cancelled  
for  
December 23rd  
will return on  
December 30th

COVID-19 Proof of  
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**Sunday BINGO**

Sydney Mines Seniors &  
Pensioners Club Fraser  
Avenue, Sydney Mines

**2:00 pm**

The next Sunday  
BINGO will be on  
January 9th  
Merry Christmas  
and  
Happy New Year

**OPEN TO THE PUBLIC**

Last Game of the year - 1st  
game in new year January 9th

**BIRTHDAY  
WISHES**

Happy birthday to baby  
Jesus born on December  
25th to proud parents Mary  
& Joseph in the city of  
Bethlehem

**Cape Breton  
Christmas  
Memories**

Heartwarming Memories  
and Amusing Stories  
of Cape Breton Christmases Past

Written By Glen Gray

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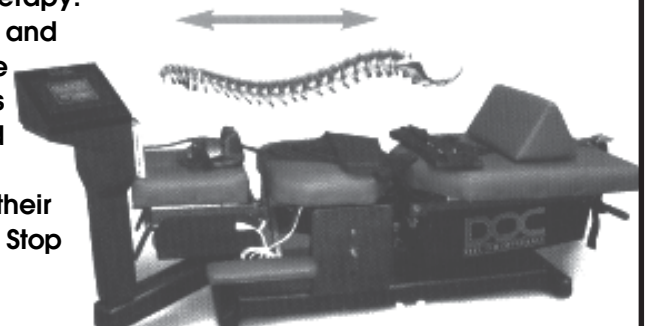
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**Keith Bain****1415 Highway 105, Bras d'Or, NS, B1Y 2N5****902-736-0301 (Office)****902-736-0411 (Fax)****[keithbainmla@bellaliant.com](mailto:keithbainmla@bellaliant.com)****NEW DECOMPRESSION TABLE RELIEVES PAIN**

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## I'm Bound For Glory

This story comes from Glace Bay where Joanie, a young girl in a family of 12, yearned for Olympic figure skating glory. The only problem was, she had no skates.

One day, as if in answer to her prayers, she found an old pair of skates in the roadside drain. She ran home to show the treasure to her family. Visions of stardom danced in Joanie's dreams.

The next day Joanie put on her new skates and headed out. She moved gracefully to the left.... the fact that she had two left skates helped a lot. She would twirl up and down the streets of #2 like a Russian ballerina. As long as she didn't try to turn right, everything was fine.

However, one day, the blade broke on the old skates and Joanie headed home, dreams shattered, clip clapping up the road like an unshod horse. But fate was kind and that Christmas Joanie got her first pair of new skates. Joanie never made it to the Olympics but at least she could now turn both ways.

Now, each year as Christmas approaches, Joanie gathers up old skates in the neighborhood and gives them away to less fortunate kids.



**and Happy New Year from the membership of the North Sydney Historical Society and Cultural and Heritage Center. And also from the Folks who share our building. The North Sydney Library, North Sydney Seniors Club and the office of Lyndon Johnston Accounting. Have a safe and happy holiday season**



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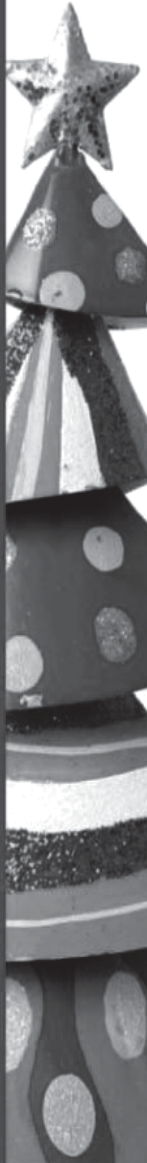
The Branch will close at 3 pm on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24th - The Branch will be closed December 25 and 26th - Regular Hours from December 27 - 30th - December 31st - closed at 3 pm and Closed on New Years Day - The New Years Dance has been cancelled

**BINGO closed for Christmas Holidays and will start back January 4th**


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## 12 'tips' of Christmas



**Children's  
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- 1** Buy a fire resistant tree and keep it secured on a sturdy stand away from fires and heaters.
- 2** Avoid sharp and delicate tree ornaments and decorations that look like sweets.
- 3** Only use non combustible or flame resistant tinsel and other trimmings on the tree.
- 4** Check Christmas lights for cracks, loose wires and faulty connections.
- 5** Do not leave burning candles unattended or placed near evergreens.
- 6** Check smoke detectors before putting up the tree and Christmas decorations.
- 7** Follow all age and ability guidelines on toys and do not digress.
- 8** Beware of choking hazards with common holiday foods such as peanuts and popcorn.
- 9** Remove all empty and partially empty cups of alcohol as soon as possible.
- 10** Watch your children while you bake or cook to avoid any burning or scalding incidents.
- 11** Keep any poisonous plants such as holly and poinsettias out of reach of children.
- 12** Make sure any visitors know how to keep your house safe for your child.

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## \$500 Seniors Care Grant 2022

The Seniors Care Grant provides financial support to low-to-modest income seniors to help them stay in their homes.

The Grant is an annual grant program to reimburse costs up to \$500 to help cover costs of household services. It can be used to cover the costs of such things as snow removal, home repairs, lawn care, grocery delivery and more. It is available to homeowners and renters.

### To be eligible for this grant:

- \* You still reside in your home
- \* The property or lease agreement is in your name or includes your name.
- \* You are 65 years of age or over
- \* You have an annual household net income of \$37,500 or less

All applications must be submitted by May 31st, 2022. You can apply online at

**[www.novascotia.ca/seniorscaregrant](http://www.novascotia.ca/seniorscaregrant)**

We have copies of the application available to print at home from our website - [www.kleeradio.com](http://www.kleeradio.com).

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# The Santa Claus Boots

by Paul Power

There's no denying the fact that Christmas is absolutely magical when seen through the eyes of a child, especially back in the the long-lost days of the 1960's, the days of the Simpson Sears and Eaton's Christmas catalogues. The world seemed so much bigger then, less connected electronically, but more connected personally, physically and geographically, where your community wasn't online-it was under the clothesline, it was outside the front door, where the streets, fields and woods offered a world of adventure just waiting to be claimed. This is my story of the red Santa boots, and it predates the well-known urban legend song and movie "The Christmas Shoes" by decades-plus this story is true.

To say I was a precocious kid would be an understatement. I had many relatives who would give me nickels and dimes to tell jokes or sing a song-usually at my grandmother's house, which in those days was where many of our famous Cape Breton kitchen parties took place, as relatives would visit from out west and throughout the Maritimes and from the United States. This was a perfect time and place for a precocious little imp to rake in the copper and silver-although actually saving that money was my weakness.



My Greenhill neighbourhood had a central location known to all. For many years James and Gail Simm ran a quaint little convenience store on the corner of Church Street and First Avenue in Florence. James also operated a barber shop on the side of the building, so the corner became the place hang out-as long as you didn't cause any trouble. Many times I would visit the store with not a penny to my name, just to have a chat with James. My father had done some work on James's car and each Christmas James and Gail would send a fancy box of chocolates to my dad as a thank you. As Christmas approached James and Gail would stock all kinds of special boxes of chocolates, candies, perfumes, toys and gifts. To us it was as magical a place as FAO Schwartz must have been to a New Yorker.

In 1967 as the fall season inched closer to winter my father would give me a nickel here and a dime there so that I could save up and pick out something nice at Simm's store for my mother for Christmas. My eyes fell upon a four-pack of red velvet covered Santa boots. Each boot was about 3 inches high with gold sparkles on the cuff. The price was 99 cents for the set. Being the devilish little thing that I was, whenever I was given money I would spend half of it or more on candy for myself-my father none the wiser. Then as the yuletide season approached, my "layaway" gift wasn't getting much closer to being paid off.

The Christmas week that year seemed to be upon us quicker than I thought it would-a child's math and all! The layaway wasn't paid off. By that time I should have been able to pay off enough Santa boots to outfit an army. As Christmas Eve came I knew that the store would be closing early so that people could attend the Christmas church services. My plan was to come clean and

confess to James-although he knew even better than I did what I squandered the money on. When I started to tell my tale of why I couldn't honour my end of the layaway James gave me one of his smiles, passed the boots to me and said "Merry Christmas Paul". How does a 7 year old accurately describe the immense feeling of joy, love, appreciation and yes, relief at that moment? I smiled with a grin that I know went from ear to ear and said "Thanks James..Merry Christmas b'ye!" and tore out of the store running a mile a minute. I do remember how the warm tears of joy felt on my face in the cold winter air that Christmas Eve, and how proud I was of this present for my mom, even thinking that maybe Santa Claus would see my niceness, and not naughtiness when he was making up that list. Of course seeing my name by the word "nice" would definitely make him check it twice. can't actually remember my mother's expression that Christmas day when I presented her with the boots but I do know that she did love them. James and Gail passed away some time ago, but to me their generosity and caring personality came to symbolize what Christmas really meant-and I remember them each year as the red Santa boots are placed on the Christmas tree.

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CHRISTMAS  
SCHEDULE

**Closed Christmas Eve, December 24th at 1:00 pm**

**Closed Dec. 25, 26 and 27th**

**Closed December 31st at 1:00 pm**

**Closed New Years Day, January 1st**

**Open Monday January 3rd for Regular Hours.**

## DON'T DRINK &amp; DRIVE

BRANCH 008  
LEGION NEWS

## CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

The Branch will close at 3 pm on Christmas Eve, Dec. 24th

The Branch will be closed December 25 and 26th.

Regular Hours from December 27 - 30th.

December 31st - closed at 3 pm and Closed on New Years Day.

The New Years Dance has been cancelled due to COVID restrictions.

Tickets will be refunded at the downstairs Bar.

Merry Christmas to all our members from the Branch Executive, Ladies Auxiliary and Staff at Branch 008 Legion.



## I Saw Mommy Kissing Santa Claus

This story takes place when I was about seven years old. I was at that stage when I began questioning Santa's existence. It seemed an impossible feat that he could deliver all those presents to all the boys and girls in my hometown let alone the World. So, like many children before me, I was determined to stay up and see if Santa really did exist.

I remember my mother tucking me into bed and reminding me I had better get to sleep because everybody knows that Santa won't come if you are awake. So I battled between existing logic and my need to know the truth about Santa Claus. Many of my friends at school were telling me that there was no Santa but I had to prove it myself.

As you can imagine, the harder I tried to stay awake the more sleepier I got. I finally drifted off into dreamland where the sugar plum faeries danced. I don't know how long I was asleep but I remember being woken by laughter coming from downstairs. I crept slowly to the edge of the landing and peeked through.

To my utter amazement, there was Santa with my mother. I was stunned but happy to finally have the truth about Santa. Not only was he real, but he was here, in my house, with my mother. I stayed quiet because I knew Santa had good hearing. I watched it all happen with such a feeling of happiness that I can barely describe.

However, I knew what had to be done. The truth had to come out. My friends at school were wrong. I had eyewitness evidence and I was on a mission to bring the truth to my friends. Each year as we returned from the Christmas break we were asked by our teacher to write a story about "How I Spent My Christmas Vacation."

Boy, was I ready! I can remember the excitement writing that essay. I kept in all these years and I will try to reproduce it as I wrote it for my teacher.

## HOW I SPENT MY CHRISTMAS VACATION

By Emily Morrison – Grade 1 - Mrs. O'Grady

I saw Santa Claus at my house over Christmas. I was quiet and watched Santa and mommy having some of daddy's wine. He must have been tickling mommy because she was laughing. I think he woke her up because she was in her pagamus. Santa then kissed mommy and hugged her for a real long time. Then mommy ran upstairs into her bedroom and Santa was chasing her.

I heard more laughing so I guess Santa Claus was still tickling her. I tried to stay awake but I fell asleep with my blanket. But when I woke up, there were all kinds of presents under the tree so that's how I know Santa was at my house.

I was so proud of my story when I brought it home to my mother to have her sign it. She looked at it kind of funny and wrote a little note to the teacher. I showed it to everybody who came to visit that year and they all thought it was fun because they laughed. But I knew Santa was real, I saw him with my own eyes!

SYDNEY MINES  
LIBRARY NEWSCHRISTMAS  
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**SAVE A LIFE  
PLEASE DON'T  
DRINK & DRIVE**

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## AROUND THE TOWN



Another year has come to an end and as we look back on the year, it certainly had its **ups and downs** and COVID played a huge role in all our activities - I am looking forward to a better year in **2022**.... It is customary to **thank** all those who have made the year a success and I want to especially thank **Kwik Kopy Printing** who have printed our paper every Wednesday despite bad weather, COVID and a few power outages - Thank You to manager **Tom Merner, Robin and Samantha** who take our digital layout and turn it into the printed copy you receive every Wednesday - a job well done all year long ..... and I wish to thank contributors **Paul Power** and **DJ Jack Cool** for their weekly contributions to our paper and **Lloyd Dixon**, my neighbour and delivery manager who gets the paper out to all the outlets just like the postman in all kinds of weather - **Merry Christmas** to all of you and thank you for your contributions to making our weekly paper a success.... and on the **K-LEE RADIO** side of the operation, special thanks to **Robert O'Hearn** our resident storyteller and remote broadcast host, **Kenny Walsh** host and producer of the weekly Phantom Country show heard every Sunday at 6 pm, **Jack Cool** for his Late Nite Oldies show, **Pierre Chiasson** for his weekly Gospel Hour show... and a Big Thank You to **all the contributors** from the Libraries, Fire Halls, Legions, Seniors Clubs and church organizations who keep me updated on local happenings every week - thank you for your updates..... and without our **Advertisers** providing the much needed financial support, we could not publish every week and bring you the news, please mention to them how much you appreciate their support... and to you, the **faithful readers** who pick up our paper each week, thank you for all the kind words of support all year long - please **Stay Safe** and we'll see you all again in the new year - **GLEN**

**A VERY MERRY  
CHRISTMAS  
and Happy New Year!**



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## CBRM HOLIDAY SCHEDULE

Several CBRM services are on holiday schedules in the weeks ahead.

Transit Cape Breton is not operating from 5:00 pm on Friday, December 24 until resuming full service on the morning of Tuesday, December 28. Transit is also not operating on Saturday January 1, resuming operations on Monday, January 3.

Solid waste collection does not occur on Saturday, December 25. Instead, collection will take place on Monday, December 27.

There is also no curbside collection on New Year's Day, January 1, 2022. All areas scheduled for collection on January 1 will be rescheduled to Monday, January 3.

All Solid Waste Management Sites including the administration office are closed on Saturday, December 25, 2021 and Saturday, January 1, 2022.



This Christmas Season, please use a Designated Driver if you are planning on drinking and driving. Don't let a tragedy ruin your Christmas.



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

Jack Cool is on Christmas Holidays with Late Nite Oldies and he will return in the new year, Merry Christmas & Happy New Year to our listeners.

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