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ELECTION OF OFFICERS

The Sydney Mines Seniors & Pensioners Club will hold an Election of Officers at their facility located at 6 Fraser Avenue in Sydney Mines, on Tuesday, November 7th.

The doors will close at 2:00 pm sharp. There will be no General Membership Meeting in November.

CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR

The second annual Christmas Craft Fair at the Georges River Fire Hall, 1208 Georges River Road will be on Saturday November 25th from 10:00 am -2:00 pm.

To book a table contact Catherine at (902) 574-3210.

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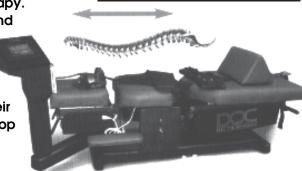
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Some stories Courtesy Of **SWING OVER THE MOUNTAIN NEWS**

BR. 19 LEGION NEWS

BRANCH 19 MEMBERS ONLY POOL TOURNAMENT will be held on Saturday November 4th at 5:00 pm

MIXED DARTS will be held on Fridays at 7:00 pm. There is still room for more players!

BRANCH 19 IS HOLDING A RAFFLE!! - Tickets available at RCL BRANCH 19 NORTH SYDNEY. Proceeds going toward making renovations and repairs to the upstairs bar area. With only 500 tickets being sold there are a limited number of tickets available so get your tickets before they are gone. Draw date December 9, 2023

HAPPY HOUR Every Friday 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm

Good Luck!!

FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK RCL BRANCH 19 NORTH SYDNEY for all upcoming event information.

IMPORTANT **GENERAL MEETING - AND ELECTION OF OFFICERS -**

General Meeting & Election of officers will be held at Branch 19 on Wednesday, November 22nd at 7:00 pm. All members are encouraged to attend. In addition to the usual business of the Legion to be discussed, we will have our ELECTION OF OFFICERS. NOTE: the Executive meeting will be held on November 21st at 7:00 pm.

PHD (PRETTY HANDSOME **DUDES)** with Hubba Parris will be playing at Branch 19 on December 2nd from 9:00 - 1:00. Tickets \$10 available now at the Branch

SUPPORT THE ANNUAL **LEGION POPPY DRIVE**

SYDNEY MINES OLD TIME CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL NOVEMBER 25TH - 4:00 PM UNTIL 9:00 PM

We are planning a Christmas Festival this year to be held on the Main Street in Sydney Mines. There will be live music, craft show, stationary parade, tree lighting, Santa and more.



Everyone is welcome to contribute to the stationary parade with a float, and businesses on Main Street are invited to decorate their storefronts with the old time Christmas theme if you are able to.

There will be contests for both best float and best decorated storefront.

Main Street will be shut down during this period. If you are interested in participating, or have any questions contact Dave Julian at newdeal d@hotmail.com phone 902-736-3796.

Sincerely, Dave Julian President & CEO New Deal Development



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BRANCH 008 LEGION - SYDNEY MI

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Take 2

Even though Halloween has passed I still picked a new horror film to write about this week: "Pet Sematary: Bloodlines" is presented as a 'prequel' to the 2019 remake of the original 1989 film (confused yet?). This one is set in 1969 and stars Jackson White as a young Jud Crandall (played by John Lithgow in the 2019 remake) as he plans on leaving his hometown of Ludlow, Maine; plans that get waylaid by a cursed family legacy linked to evil spirits in an ancient Micmac (their spelling) burial site. The 'Sematary' was the place kids would bury their dead animalshowever it was also suggested that it was used to bury the victims of cannibalism, and as a result became haunted by the Wendigo, a demonic creature that is part of Native American folklore. The film locations (including) Montreal, are very relatable. In the lead role Jackson White is a pretty good actor, but Native American actor Forrest Goodluck ("The Revenant", "Blood Quantum") pretty much steals the spotlight away as Crandall's best friend Manny. The most recognizable names here are David Duchnovny, Pam Grier



and Henry Thomas ("ET") as Jud's dad. Duchnovny is decent here, Grier's talents are under-used, as she is an actress of legendary status, but Thomas is actually creepier than just about anything else in this movie: I don't think he was acting! This franchise has been chasing the impact of the very first film since 1989 with some success-but critics were not big fans of this one (but I always say never let that be your guide, if you're interested in seeing a certain film, do it and then make up your own mind). For me overall this entry in the franchise is definitely worth watching, but it doesn't have the impact of the first movie. That may be partly because the original film was released in a time where we, as viewers of horror, were not so jaded.

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OFFICE OPEN now through November 9th to purchase a wreath for your loved one. Please use the back door - Office open 9:00 - 3:00, Monday to Friday. SIGN UP SHEETS at the Down-

SIGN UP SHEETS at the Downstairs Bar and Office for anyone interested in volunteering for the Poppy Campaign.



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North Sydney Pensioners

Can you believe it's November already? The Seniors and Pensioners Club is alive and active. We are getting ready for our Remembrance Day Tea on Wednesday Nov 8th, from 2-4. We will be serving sandwiches and sweets. Theresa Rideout will be on music and if you're lucky, you may even win a door prize.Come, enjoy some wonderful company, eat, drink all the tea you want and relax. This is your chance to have a mini vacation before the hectic Christmas season begins, all for the low price of \$10. Can't beat that! For tickets call Bev at 794-9436 or Liz at 577-2833-There will also be a few tickets available at the door.

We also have Bingo every Saturday night, on Sunday Nov.12th we have the Jammers playing music and on Nov. 19, Bob Finney is playing.Come listen and dance if you are so inclined.On Friday the 10th we will be having a dance with music by Theresa Rideout. Come and join us where the seniors play!

E V E N T S

ANNUAL POPPY CAMPAIGN, all area Legions, please purchase a poppy or wreath.

NOVEMBER 4th - MUNRO CRAFTERS GUILD SALE, Big Bras d'Or Community Hall.

NOVEMBER 7th - Election Of Officers at the Sydney Mines Seniors & Pensioners Club, doors close at 2:00 pm sharp.

NOVEMBER 25 - Sydney Mines Old Time Christmas Festival - see details on page 3

NOVA SCOTIA HEATING GRANT

Apply for a heating assistance rebate: Heating Assistance Rebate Program.

The Heating Assistance Rebate Program helps low-and moderate-income Nova Scotians with the cost of home heating. Rebates are \$600 for each household.

Apply to the Heating Assistance Rebate Program for help with the cost of home heating. Rebate amount - You can receive \$600 if you qualify for the Heating Assistance Rebate Program.

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have a 2022 net income of \$55,000 or less and live alone with no kids or dependents

have a combined 2022 net household income of \$75,000 or less and live with kids, dependents or other adults

receive Income Assistance from the Department of Community Services

receive the Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS) or the Allowance from Service Canada

If your personal or financial situation has changed since last year, you still may qualify. Examples of changes include becoming widowed, getting divorced or legally separated, losing your job, turning 18, recently arriving in Canada, or having the custody of your children change.

Contact the Department of Service Nova Scotia and Internal Services to find out if you qualify.

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AROUND THE TOWN

NORTHSIDE COMMUNITY NEWS EVENTS
GLEN GRAY - EDITOR

HALLOWEEN has come and gone and this year I was surprised at the quality of the children's costumes, it seems a lot of families are dressing up more for Halloween... don't forget to turn your clocks BACK 1 hour on Sunday, November 5th.... November is REMEMBRANCE MONTH and our local Legions will be sponsoring various programs and memorial services for **REMEMBRANCE DAY** and you can help by purchasing a poppy and a memorial wreath to honor our Veterans - the ANNUAL POPPY CAMPAIGN is the major fund raiser that allows the Legions to operate the community programs, so please help out this year as the need is greater..... The Sydney Mines Seniors & Pensioners Club are holding the annual ELECTION OF OFFICERS at their headquarters on Fraser Avenue in Sydney Mines it will take place November 7th and the doors close at 2:00 pm sharp so be on time so you can vote... the Club is also sonsoring a CRAFT, BAKE AND HOLIDAY GIFT FAIR on December 1st from 1:00 - 4:00 pm - see page 4 for contact information... several other Craft Fairs are upcoming - the MUNRO CRAFTERS GUILD will hold their annual Fair on November 4th at the Big Bras d'Or Community Hall... The GEORGES RIVER CRAFT FAIR will be held at the Fire Hall on Saturday, November 25th.... the Cape Breton Home Crafters Fair with 180 vendors wil take place the the EMERA CENTRE on Friday, November 17, Saturday, November 18th and Sunday, November 19 - see their ad next week for times.... the North Sydney Nova Scotia Works will hold and OPEN HOUSE at their office on 116 King Street, North Sydney on Monday, November 6th, stop by and see what programs you may be eligible for the SYDNEY MINES OLD TIME CHRISTMAS FESTIVAL will take place on November 25th from 4:00 - 9:00 pm and will feature music, crafts shows, stationary Parade, Tree Lighting and Santa see the story on page 3 for details and contact information..... Branch 008 Legion in Sydney Mines has upcoming events - Tuesday Bingo, Saturday Karaoke, looking for part time Secretary, office will be open 9:00 - 3:00 to purchase a memorial wreath..... don't forget the two Nova Scotia grants - The Heating Assistance Grant \$600 and the **SENIORS CARE GRANT** of \$750 - see the details on pages 5 and 6 to make sure you qualify FREE PUBLICITY for all Clubs and community organizations, simply email us with your information and we'll publish it free of charge in our weekly paper - just email your event information to us at our website - the email address is - thisweek@kleeradio.com



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LEBANESE SOCIETY meets Monday, November 6th at 6:30 pm.

45s Weekly Card Game

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St John the Baptist Anglican Church services are held on Sunday and Wednesday at 28 King Street in North Sydney at 10:00 am. ALLARE WELCOME office phone number is 902 794-3392.



Please support our Local Legions and the Annual Poppy Campaign.

REMEMBRANCE DAY INDOOR SERVICE

St. James-Knox Presbyterian Church in Big Bras d'Or with hold an Remembrance Day Indoor Service on November 11th at 10:45 am.

If you wish to lay a wreath, please call Mary Imlay 674-2241 or Carol MacAulay 674-2577 and give the Veterans name and who will be laying the wreath. Wreaths can be purchased at the Legion.

FREE GUEST SPEAKER LUN-CHEON - November 17th -Cassandra Yonder, Seniors Program Co-Ordinator - DEAL-ING WITH GRIEF.

DECEMBER 8th - Paul Gatchell - Stories & Songs with a Christmas Theme. All take place at Big Bras d'Or Community Hall Fridays 10:30 am - Light Lunch

OPEN HOUSE

The North Sydney Nova Scotia Works is holding an open house, on Monday November 6th, between 11am and 1pm. Stop by and meet their case managers, job developers, employer engagement specialist, school liaisons and more. Learn about their programs and offerings, have a cuppa tea, and see how they can help you on your career and training path! This event is free and open to everyone. They are located in the North Sydney Mall, 116 King St. North

SYDNEY MINES LIBRARY



UPCOMING PROGRAMS

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Grants are \$750 for each household. You can apply until 31 March 2024. To qualify for the grant, you need to be 65 or older by 31 March 2024 and meet all of the following criteria - have a household net income of \$37,500 or less, live in your own home or apartment, have your name on the property title, Land Titles Initiative Certificate of Claim or residential lease agreement or a Band administrative letter issued by a First Nation community (reserve) - have paid (or that you will pay) for household and healthcare services and home heating between 1 April 2023 and 31 March 2024 - Apply online or - Phone: 902-424-5200

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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 Sargeant'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. The kids got all the gifts we saw in the closet 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 by "wisemen" or more specifically, "wise women."

Crafters Annual Sale

Munro Crafters Guild will hold their Annual Craft Sale at the Big Bras d'Or Community Hall, 1390 Old Route 5, Big Bras d'Or on Saturday, Nov. 4 10 AM to 5 PM and Sunday, Nov. 5 11 AM to 4:00 PM. Free Admission!



A Reminder to all Clubs, and Organizations that our deadline for news is Tuesday at 5:00 pm in order to make it into Wednesday's edition.

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