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SENIORS BINGO

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

WHEN: SUNDAY - 2:00 pm

COST: - \$2.00 entry card DAUBERS ONLY - MONEY GAMES Come out and spend a wonderful Saturday afternoon and maybe win some prizes. Hope to see you all there - Jackpot \$1,400on 54 #s or less - Loonie Jackpot 276 +

COMMUNITY SENIORS DAY -

Every Thursday at the Sydney Mines Seniors & Pensioners Club. Fraser Avenue. Sydney Mines. All seniors in the area are welcome, no charge for the programs.

10 AM - Coffee Break, tea, coffee and light refreshments, play games of your choice.

1:00 PM - CRAFTS, instructor will be available for you.

7:00 PM - Fun Darts - all welcome. For more information phone (902) 736-3100.

Some News Items courtesy Swing Over The Mountain Newlsletter -Login http:// sotmnews.weeblv.com

For the latest and most comprehensive list of local events, logon to www.musiccapebreton.com

Mike Little updates his listings each week.

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FRIDAY, MARCH 15 - St. Patrick's' Day Party, Live music with FULL CIRCLE from 9:00 - 1:00 - \$5.00.

MARCH 23 - Fund Raiser for C. B. Expos - tickets 295-8822

MARCH 29 - Air Cadet Squadron 591 Easter Dance - 9:00-1:00 music by Firehounds DJ, \$5.00 -50/50 tickets sold at dance.

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BRAS d'OR SENIORS WEEKLY 45s GAME

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

1st, 2nd and 3rd cash prizes are awarded. Also a chance to win the main Jackpot, mini Jackpot, and Loonie Jackpot and 50/50 draw.

FLORENCE LEGION - BINGO every Thursday, doors open 5:00 PM, cards on sale 6:00 PM; bingo starts at 7:00 PM Cash prizes.

UPCOMING SENIORS EVENTS

The Sydney Mines Seniors & Pensioners Club has a host of great programs coming up.

MARCH 15 - Community Day, come help celebrate St. Patrick's Day - no admission.

APRIL 6 - SPRING FLING - C 11:00 - 3:00.

APIL 29 - Merchandise Bingo starts at 7:30 pm.

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March 30 from 10:00 - 12:00 Canteen Services Available. To Book - 902-736-9740.

FERAL CATS 50/50 DRAW -

The Feb. winner of our 50/50 is Katherine Warner, Sydney Mines, with a prize of \$786.00.



Hopeful Hearts Nar Anon Family Group Meetings

Hopeful Hearts Nar Anon Family Group is for friends and family of those with substance abuse disorders.

If you're affected by someone else's addiction, they offer hope. Regular Meetings are Wednesdays 8:00 - 9:00 pm at 26 Haley St, North Sydney. Call 902-322-5588 for info.

UPCOMING DATES

February 27, 2019 8:00 pm – 9:00 pm

March 6, 2019 8:00 pm - 9:00 pm

March 13, 2019 8:00 pm - 9:00 pm

March 20, 2019 8:00 pm - 9:00 pm

March 27, 2019 8:00 pm - 9:00 pm

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ST. PATRICK'S DAY VARIETY CONCERT SUNDAY, MARCH 17

NORTH SYDNEY FIREMEN'S CLUB

Time: 2:00 p.m.

Admission:Goodwill donations accepted - 50/50 Draw and canteen - featuring Fiddlers, musicians, vocalists and dancers - Sound by: Railroad Recording Productions.

Fundraiser for St. Joseph's CWL. - For information phone: 902-794-3772



Fly Tying Wednesday evenings at 7:00 P.M. We will meet at the Minor Base Ball Building on Pitt St Sydney Mines. We charge no fees. Come out and try this fun and interesting hobby.

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50/50 lottery draw winner Brenda MacDonald of Sydney Mines is shown accepting a cheque for \$942.90 from AMP Society Funding Committee Chair Gary Gallop and treasurer Bob Blinkhorn on February 28. The organization congratulates Brenda MacDonald for supporting the Atlantic Memorial Park Project and thanks to all the ticket outlets and the public for their continued support of the park project.



The Stampeders are coming to the Highland Arts Theater April 4th and 5th, 7:30 p.m. K-LEE RADIO DJ Jack Cool will be interviewing the bass guitarist of the Stampeders Ronnie King. Stay tuned for broadcast time.

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Gottfried Guiles and the Devil's Hourglass

By Devin J. Meaney

Two years after I received my initial diagnosis: I was always a writer, but I never dreamed that one day I would become a household name. I had written a myriad of popular books under the handle "Gottfried Guiles," each one more successful than the last. The only problem now was that I no longer wished to write. My books were held as masterpieces, but hatred and malice writhed in my veins as I penned my works. You see, there is no name for the severe affliction that plagues me day after day. If I do not write around ten thousand words a day, I will slowly start to wither and die. Like a fast acting virus, a lack of creativity would lead to cramps, spasms, headaches, withdrawal, weakness, vomiting and then eventually death.

My stories are loved by the masses, but each word written pains my mind, making me question why I ever wanted to become a beloved fiction writer. Day in and day out I wrote in agony. Day after day, I wished to die. I did not possess the willpower to end my life, though. As much as I hated my profession, I continued to write beautifully, drawing in larger and larger audiences with each creation as time went on.

It seemed as if I could never again get a full nights worth of sleep. As eight hours was far too long to rest without writing, I had to set multiple alarms throughout the night. A few paragraphs at twelve... a few more at two... this continues all through the night. The only place where I could ever get some peace was in the shower. I only spend about fifteen minutes a day on my routine cleansing ritual, but for this time I allow myself to go completely thought free. It may not sound like much, but this is entirely necessary for my ever degrading sanity.

Along with writing, I somehow manage to watch hundreds of movies. Reading is also a hobby of mine. You would think with my existence in constant decline I would spend every second writing, but this is all necessary for my inspiration and motivation. As writers block would mean death, a constant mental flow is absolutely vital.

I have been asked to chat on various internet talk shows about various things, but I always decline. Partially because I am deeply antisocial and partly due to my appearance. A constant lack of sleep leads to gaunt expressions, sweat pants, and an unshaven face with a lack of desire to look presentable.

One dreadful night the unthinkable happened. No matter how hard I tried to strain my brain, I could not seem to form a single creative thought. No matter what I did to try to reactivate my mind, I continued to draw blanks. I tossed my laptop across the room. It smashed violently against my living room wall, landing on the floor in pieces. The headache pulsing in my temples was awful and I was beginning to become nauseous. A few more hours like this and I would be done for. I needed inspiration and I needed it quick. Pain like the sting of one thousand needles erupted in my chest. My gums began to bleed, leaving the taste of pennies in my mouth as I prayed to the gods to save me from my turmoil. The gods did not answer... at least not instantly.

After what seemed like an eternity, the agony was starting to become unbearable and the thoughts swirling in my mind were growing darker and darker. After rolling around in the fetal position for a few more hours, I decided if there ever was a time to end it all... now was that time. I felt I at least owed the world an explanation, or at the very least a goodbye. I decided to leave a

formal farewell note on my professional Facebook page, but as I smashed my laptop and only owned a landline, I thought that my best bet was to use one of the computers at the local library, which was only one block away.

The walk to the library was ungodly. I felt as if I was weighted down with bricks, and I was so light-headed and in pain that I barely made it the full way. The librarian gave me a concerned glance, but did not question me as I booked a computer for one hour. I shakily sat down and logged into my Facebook account as I was mentally preparing to make my final public announcement to the world.

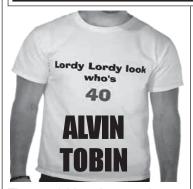
I sat for a few moments, then I began to type. It did not take me long to make my note. A simple paragraph noting my situation and a short farewell. Just before I clicked "post", I noticed an ad that really stood out to me. It was advertising that people could get paid a small fee to write articles. You know those click bait articles filled with nonsensical rubbish that everyone and their grandmother clicks through so they can look at pictures of cats and baked goods? Yeah... those. I normally would never be interested in this trash, but for some strange reason, I felt drawn to this ad. I was going to die anyway, so why not give it a try for "shits and giggles"?

I decided to write a short article about cats. Then I wrote another about horror movies. I did not even bother to edit for capitals and punctuation before I made my low-grade writings public. Article after article I wrote, each one just as bad as the last. The funny part was that it seemed as if these posts were helping to decrease my symptoms. I booked the computer for another hour and I kept writing. Slowly, my symptoms were going away and my health was stabilizing. As it turned out, my illness did not care if my writings were good or not, it only cared that I wrote in general. The internet provided thousands upon thousands of humans to read my drivel, and for the very first time in a long time, I was starting to live care free... even if just for a brief period.

Most writers would love to write at the level I was writing at, but I would take shitty click bait articles over comprehensive and thought-provoking masterpieces any day. The lack of creativity allows the words to flow from my fingers without thought, forever giving me love and appreciation for the bland and the mundane. Never again would Gottfried Guiles write a novel, and never again would my life remind me of sand slipping through the Devil's hourglass. Serenity comes in many forms, and for me, it came in the form of generic unedited text.

Gottfried was a legend, but I am merely a man... and that is exactly how I like it.

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The good thing about turning 40 is it's downhill now - Your Much Younger Buddies

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MARCH 26 - CBU Science Group for children ages 8 -12 - this week's theme "Geology Rocks". Please phone to register 794-3272

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NORTH SYDNEY SENIORS CLUB - Commercial Street MARCH 6 - 9:00 - 11:00 MARCH 20 - 9:00 - 11:00 APRIL 3 - 9:00 - 11:00



APRIL 17 - 9:00 - 11:00 SYDNEY MINES SENIORS **CLUB - 6 Fraser Avenue** MARCH 13 - 9:00 - 11:00 MARCH 22 - 9:00 - 11:00 APRIL 10 - 9:00 - 11:00 APRIL 24 - 9:00 - 11:00

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MONDAY AFTERNOON - at 1:00 - Exercise Classes, everyone is welcome.

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



MARCH BREAK March 18 to March 22

BREAKFAST BRUNCH

Last Sunday of every month Big Bras d'Or Fire Hall MARCH 31ST

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BENEFIT OF DANCE

In support of Glen McGean Sr. who is battling cancer.

The dance will be held Friday, March 8 at the Sydney Mines Seniors & Pensioners Club, Fraser Avenue, Sydney Mines.

THe dance will run from 8:00 - 12:00 with music by Dinky Cameron and the admission is by donation at the door.

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BOOK LAUNCH

Congratulations to Amy Patterson Spurway for her novel "CROW" published by Gooseland.

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ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING & POT LUCK

The Ross Ferry Stewardship Society and Marine Park Annual General Meeting will be held March 25th at 6:00 pm.

Guest Speaker will be a representative from Cape Breton Mesonet.

The Speaker will be on at 6:00 pm and the Pot Luck will follow.





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CBRM RECREATION NEWS

The White Out Returns to Sydney Waterfront March 22nd

Urban Snowboard Competition ofers \$2,000 in Cash & Prizes for competitors.

It will take place on March 22
The event will feature divisions for juniors, women, and open boarders, with prizes. The event will also host live music from 7-10 pm including ECMA award winning rock group The Motorleague.

The Competition is part of CBRM Recreation's Taste of Winter. For full schedule of community events, visit the website at www.tasteofwinter.ca.

MACS (Monday Afternoon Crafters - 1:00 - 3:00 at the Ross Ferry Fire Hall. Everyone welcome - crafting is optional.

BINGO - will be held every Sunday night at the Millville Community Centre - 7 pm - Cash Prizes Only

FREE BOWLING - Thursday, March 7, 2019 - all day at the Strand Bowling Lane at 133 Main Street, Sydney Mines.

Gather a team of four or five friends, family and/or co-workers. Call Big Brothers Big Sisters of Cape Breton to get your pledge sheets and gather pledges for the event.

Book your hour of bowling (on March 7/19) through 902-564-5437.Bring your pledges in the day of the event.

The more money you raise, the more chances for prizes to be won!!!

BRANCH 008 LEGION NEWS

MARCH 17 - Fish Cake and Beans, dessert included \$12.00. Music - Take Out 3:00 - 4:00 Eat In 4:00 - 6:00 with light music.

MARCH 10 - Ladies Auxiliary Meeting.

K-LEE RADIO will be there from 4 - 6 with lots of great Irish music and Prizes and trivia Games.

MARCH 30 - SUPER BINGO \$40.00 each with over \$4,280 in Prizes.

The Northside Minor Hockey

Draw - Last week's winner was Erville Stubbert and the amount was

\$10,808. Thank you for your support

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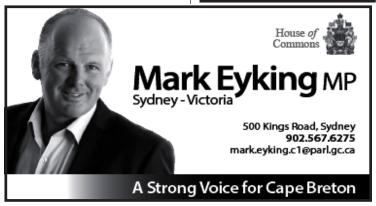
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2019 PROGRAMS

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TEEN BOOK CLUB - Tuesday, March 19- 3:30 pm.

AFTERNOON CRAFTS - 6 - 10 year olds - Thursdays 3:00 - 4:00 pm

SENIORS BOOK CLUB - first Tuesday of the month - March 5th

To register for any of these programs or if you wish additional information, please call the Library at (902) 736-3219.



COUNTRY JAMBOREE

Saturday evening at the Army-Navy Hall in Bras d'Or, 7 - 10 pm.

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Take 2

Bryan Adams - "Shine A Light" - It's great to see, and hear that Bryan Adams released this new album on March 1St on Polydor Records/Universal Music Canada. It's been about 3 and a half years since Bryan's last album graced our eardrumsso it's definitely time for this

new collection.
Bryan actually premiered the title track/first single earlier on BBC Radio 2, and "Shine A Light" is a killer song that was co-written with Ed Sheeran; the number absolutely radiates spring-like optimism to help get us through the last stages of winter. Teaming up

with Ed Sheeran makes total sense when you think of Bryan Adams; what doesn't make sense at first is thinking of Bryan doing a duet with Jennifer Lopez, but the end result "That's How Strong Our Love Is" is a great number that crosses slightly into a pop/ R&B vein. A lot of people forgot, or didn't know that Bryan Adams had a big hit in 1979 with the Disco song "Let Me Take You Dancing". Much to Bryan's chagrin his vocals were sped up to match the BPM rate for a Disco song-however, his original recording can he heard on YouTube. Check it out. There is a HUGE difference in the sound of Bryan's vocals on the original-compared to the Disco remix. As for some of the other cuts here; "Part Friday Night Part Sunday Morning" is an uptempo rocking number, with a slight hint of Country Rock, and it also reminds one of Bryan's heydays in the 1980's. "Driving Under The Influence Of Love" is a balls out rock and roll song that sounds like

it was dipped in bourbon and beer, and "All Or Nothing" has a full-on AC/DC guitar edge that finds some common ground with Bryan's "Summer of '69". Finishing up, "Nobody's Girl" definitely sounds like a song Tom Cochrane would do, and "No Time For Love"

has elements of the early Beatles sound, with a Be Bop chaser-and "Don't Look Back" has that 100% pure and recognizable Bryan Adams sound all over it. Bryan closes the album off with an acoustic version of "Whiskey In The Jar", and to me Bryan really sounds like Rod Stewart on this number. As Bryan and Rod both get older their voices are getting gruffer and rougher-but that just seems to add credibility and status as true rock and rollers. All in all, this album was well worth the wait.



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Contributors who earn more than \$57,400 in 2019 are not permitted to make additional contributions to the CPP.

The basic exemption amount for 2019 remains \$3,500.

The employee and employer contribution rates for 2019 will be 5.1%—up from 4.95% in 2018, and the self-employed contribution rate will be 10.2%—up from 9.9% in 2018. The increase in contribution rate is due to the CPP enhancement which will be implemented on January 1, 2019.

The maximum employer and employee contribution to the plan for 2019 will be \$2,748.90 each and the maximum self-employed contribution will be \$5,497.80. The maximums in 2018 were \$2,593.80 and \$5,187.60. To find out more, talk to your tax professional or visit **www.cra-arc.gc.ca**



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