

PHOTO FEATURE

Lower Onslow Preschool held a SPRING CELEBRATION on Saturday, April 28th with lots of games, a bbq and fun for the kiddies. (Harrington Photos)



Finlay Harrington tries his luck at the sucker pull!



Audrey Johnson and her mom Alisha enjoy a game of disc drop.



Nikola and Emmett Keiver see if they can find a prize-winning duck in the pond.



Budding artist two year-old Brielle Wood is very intense with her rock painting.

Benefit Dance and Silent Auction

A benefit dance and silent auction for Elsie and Kirk Debay will be held at Debert Legion Br 106 on June 9th. Please join us and bring friends and family to a great night of music with NoWhere Road!! This is a fundraiser for Kirk and Elsie Debay. They were involved in a horrible car accident in April.

Unfortunately, Elsie has passed and her life has touched so many, she was very respected in the community and beyond. Kirk has a very long road to recovery, each day he is doing a little better, a very strong-willed man. He has many injuries.

As you can imagine their bills have been piling up, there will be a service for Elsie. Kirk will have many trips back and forth to hospitals, physio and possible rehab when he is able to get out of hospital, so you can only imagine how much this fundraiser will help them, so let's make it a great one!!!

There will be a Silent Auction from 8-10pm and Dance 9-1am, if you would like to help please contact Marie Irving at benoitmarie@yahoo.ca and if you can help with getting donations for the silent auction please let her now.



J.P Cormier to appear at the Hall – June 2nd

J. P. Cormier will appear at the Hall at 2:00 pm on Saturday, June 2nd. There will be a cash bar available so the event is for 19+, ID required.

To purchase advance tickets now (\$25 each), follow the link provided to pay on-line: <https://sites.google.com/site/thehall-sitelogic/online-payments>

If you prefer to pay in cash, tickets are available at the following local businesses: Amethyst Boutique, Ken's Grocery, Harrisons Home Hardware and Lynda's Guys and Dolls. A special thanks to sponsor NAPA Auto Parts for making this concert possible.

Who IS J.P. Cormier? 36 years later after stepping on stage as professional union musician for the first time at the tender

age of 13, JP is still going, and frighteningly, still getting better. He success includes:

16 albums followed the success of Another Morning, winning 12 more ECMA's, another Juno nomination, a Canadian Folk Music Award and 5 Music Nova Scotia Awards. Each album was a snapshot of each thing that he can do. There are fiddle albums, Mandolin, Banjo, Guitar, tribute records, songwriting collections, a purely astounding spectrum of talent and musical vision.

His catalogue of recordings and the 150 or so records he's produced on other artists, resemble the tapestry he weaves in live performance. Where he used to carry 3 and 4 piece bands, he tours alone now.

Nova Scotia Health Care Unions Ratify Agreement

Members of the four unions that make up the Health Care Council of Unions have ratified an agreement with the Nova Scotia Health Authority and IWK Health Centre to accept a final and binding mediation-arbitration process to resolve outstanding issues not addressed through collective bargaining.

The agreement includes provisions for wage increases, a service award payout, and the unions and employers agree that there will be no strike action or lockout of employees. "This agreement will bring more stability to our health care system, avoid the disruption that a strike would cause for patients, their families and healthcare workers and it will resolve outstanding issues in a timely way," said Mark Furey, Minister of Labour Relations.

Under the new agreement, the mediation-arbitration process must be completed for all four councils by the end of 2018 unless all parties agree to an extension. New collective agreements will expire in late 2020. The parties also agree to appoint William Kaplan as the mediator-arbitrator.

The Nova Scotia Council of Health Care Unions, which represents non-nursing professions such as physiotherapists, pharmacists, social workers and psychologists, will be the first of the four councils to go through the mediation-arbitration process, with an agreement to be in place by Sept. 1, 2018. Dates for mediation-arbitration have been set for July 30 to Aug. 3, 2018.

The other three councils

that must conclude mediation-arbitration, if needed, by the end of 2018 are the

Council of Health Administrative Professional Unions, the Council of Health Sup-

port Unions and the Council of Nursing Unions.

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