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A.B. Ellis Public School
Student Among Canada's
Top Young Citizens



Photo: A.B. Ellis Grade 5 student Julia Perlin who won the Young Citizens Award at the Sudbury Heritage Fair.

A Grade 5 student from A.B. Ellis Public School is among Canada's top young citizens. Julia Perlin, who won the Young Citizens Award at the Sudbury Regional Heritage Fair in May, has earned the honour of competing in Canada's History for Kids' Young Citizens video contest.

Julia Perlin's Heritage Fair project on the "Espanola Bridges" included a video that she created and edited. The video focuses on the 1952 Espanola bridge collapse over the Spanish River.

Julia visited the current bridge, the Espanola Heritage site and the Espanola Public Library. She also interviewed Greg Polden, whose father Ted Polden was on the bridge when it collapsed. Julia contacted local Espanola historian Tim Gallagher, who provided photographs and newspaper articles for her research.

"We are thrilled to have one of our own participating in a contest that honours students from across the country," says

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Espanola Helping Hand Food Bank News

There are so many people and organizations to thank this month. As usual, the community has been very generous. A yard sale was held and the proceeds donated to EHHFB. Thanks to Jim's Portable Toilets and Septic Service, Tim Hortons, and Dodge's Landfill Site for their assistance. Various organizations ran food drives on our behalf. Our thanks to RBC, Freelandt, Caldwell, Reilly, Espanola Knight Cruisers, and RCL Br 39 for their contributions.

Remember that financial donations can also be made directly to the food bank at our location at 87 Centre St. Unit C downstairs any Wednesday from 11:00 to 3:00 or call Susau (705-869-4473) or Rita (705-869-3328) outside our opening hours.

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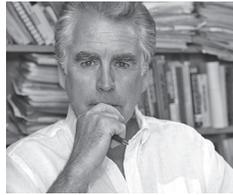
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All The World's A Circus

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Kids - The Shortest Stand-Up Comics Of Them All

We have a comedian in the family. Michael is 13 years of age, looks like Mike Myers and has the stand-up style of Henny Youngman.

"Take my sister," he'd say. "No, seriously, please take her with you."

Recently he set his grandmother up on Skype in more ways than one. After he walked her through the complexities of password, code name and email address, they were finally ready for the big moment of facing each other live on webcam. All she could do was rave about how great it was to see her favourite grandson on the screen in front of her. Michael's first words were: "Ah Grandma, I noticed you haven't made your bed today." Boy, did that even things up between them for all of the times she babysat and had to hound him to do the same.

When his grandmother asked him if he had a cold he replied: "No, I'm fine. It's not a cold, it's just puberty. I have hair growing in the strangest places ... even on my legs!"

Recently at a family celebration attended by 120 people at a local hall, Michael asked to be the last speaker on the program. He took everyone by surprise when he announced that he could top every speaker who preceded him to the microphone. When the room went quiet, (his timing is impeccable) he said the word "Ditto" and sat down. As I said, we have a comedian in the family.

Michael, a Net nerd has never heard of Art Linkletter and what a shame that is. Ages ago, Art Linkletter had a hit television program entitled Kids Say The Darndest Things. Spinning off the TV show with books, albums and a speaking career, he became a millionaire by listening to what children say. The little ones provided all the comic material free. Apparently no kid ever said: "Mr. Linkletter, I'd like you to meet my agent Sid Silverman."

Innocently and in the nicest kind of way, the kids tormented Art Linkletter.

Art: "What's the first thing a fireman does when the four-alarm bell rings?"

Kid: "Pulls his pants up."

Art: "What does your father do to help around the house?"

Kid, after a long pause: "He makes cocktails."

Art: "What's the first thing you would do as president?"

Kid: "Keep my mouth shut."

And the cruelest cut of all ... Art: "How do you spell Art?"

Kid: "R-A-T."

But Art was right - out of the mouths of babes come real beauties. And parents too, especially in their notes to teachers explaining the absence of their kids. I was re-reading one of my books the other day, Guys: Not Real Bright And Damn Proud Of It! in which the following list appeared. It's a compilation of excuses

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offered to teachers concerning their children's absence from class.

(Warning: The material contained within this listing may indicate that those parents have the same reasoning ability and attention span of an unrepentant, poorly rehabilitated, crack-happy mayor of Toronto.) Here are but a few:

- "Please excuse Blanche from gym today. She's administrating." (And the people who work in the principal's office were furious. They thought that was their job.)

- "Please excuse John from being absent on Jan. 28, 29, 30, 31, 32 and also 33." (Which again explains why February is the shortest month of the year and January kicks off a "Leap Of Faith Year.")

- "Please excuse Gloria. She has been under the doctor." ('Care' is the missing word and the doctor will be returning from Mexico as soon as it all gets sorted out.)

- "Please excuse Jimmy for being. It was his father's fault." (Kids! The high price you pay for fooling around.)

- "My daughter was absent yesterday because she was tired. She spent the weekend with the Marines." (That's

ridiculous. It was just one light infantry regiment. Honest.)

- "Please excuse Sara for being absent. She was sick and I had her shot." (We're assuming the mother meant she had the doctor give her daughter a shot. Otherwise we're hoping it's just a flesh wound and she'll be back in school next week.)

- "Carlos was absent because he was playing football. He was hit in the growing part." (Ironic, because last week he got hit in the part that's not growing and that was bad enough! Also this would not be a good place to introduce that common lower body injury known as a "groin pull.")

- "Please excuse Roy Friday from school. He has very loose vowels." (Thank goodness the consonants are holdin' up strong.)

Please understand, those were simply errors in written communication. I checked. Nobody got shot, pregnant or traumatized. And you'll be pleased to know that Carlos's part did finally stop growing on February 37.

For comments, ideas and copies of Guys: Not Real Bright

And Damn Proud Of It!
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Espanola Actors Muskoka-Bound To Perform



Photo: (left to right) Mike Boivin as "Zeus" the dog; Jason Morrow as "Ray Halliday" the dentist/ comedian; Theresa Laurenti - "Honor Roberts" - CRA agent; and Vince Grittani, playwright.

Supplied by Sharon Sproule

- "The Audit" is a new comedy about a dentist who decides to become a stand-up comedian, a Canada Revenue Agency auditor, and a cheeky naughty-mouthed dog. Here we are preparing for the world premiere, performance of this original play by Vince Grittani, an established international award-winning playwright, television and theatrical producer, published author, illustrator and cartoonist. We will be performing it at his Arts Festival in Muskoka in July.

An Espanola community theatre director, Sharon Sproule explained how Jason Morrow, Theresa Laurenti and Michael Boivin (on stage) and stage manager Dario Laurenti became involved, "Vince had just written "The Audit". He and I have known each other through theatre for a long time and I had done his one woman show "Quiet, I'm Talking!" and he wanted to hear "The Audit" read for dramaturgy purposes, so he got in touch with me to see if I could get three actors together for a sit down read/workshop for a couple of evenings and then a 'music stand read' for a small invited audience."

In Vince's own words, "This summer's production comes out of a workshop I did in Espanola this past March under the direction of an old friend Sharon Sproule. The actors, Jason Morrow, Michael Boivin and Theresa Laurenti, although they all have other careers (one even works for Revenue Canada), did such a splendid job I asked them to come and perform this summer as part of Destination Rosseau."

Destination Rosseau is a comprehensive festival of theatre, film, science day camp, theatre day camp, comedy, a jazz weekend, artists, and concerts and shows as well as hands-on displays for the whole family. "With its wonderful location at the tip of Muskoka with its lakes and outdoor activities and all of the accommodation and food amenities, it is the very heart of Ontario's summer destination for everyone," says Sproule. She adds, "Our little ad hoc company has been rehearsing and polishing since Easter and is very excited and chomping at the bit to get going. They are in Rosseau from July 4 to July 20."

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In The Loop

As promised we are publishing the suggestions offered by the Privacy Commissioner Adjudicator for both parties in order to make the Freedom of Information process in Espanola run more efficiently.

These are listed in the order in which they appeared in the adjudicator's decision letter:

- The town could publish its responses to freedom of information requests on its own website, particularly information it had published before, such as the cheque registry (less any personal or third party info.)
- The town could be more proactive in releasing information...making disclosure of government-held information an automatic process where possible.
- The town, where appropriate, could seek an extension of time to respond to a request.
- The appellant and her group should also consider whether they are able to advance a compromise solution which would reduce costs, both prior to and also after making their request.
- If the town is of the opinion that the group's website, or any other website or publication has published false information, the appropriate legal action could be taken by the town.
- If the appellant and her group want to benefit the town and its residents, then they should disseminate, and respond to, the information they receive from the town in a fulsome manner that encourages an environment of transparency, not in a selective manner that is distrustful and causes needless waste of town resources responding to queries about incomplete or inaccurate information.

The Espanola Citizen Group executive would be open to the adjudicator's recommendations.

In closing, we received the decision letter from the town on June 18, 2014. We are finally able to obtain the cheque registry/credit card activity which we had requested and that the Privacy Commissioner's office agreed we had a right to. The Town is charging \$152.00 for this information.

Richard Ellis, executive member
Espanola Citizen Group

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A.B. Ellis Public School Student Among Canada's Top Young Citizens

Lynn MacDonell, Principal of A.B. Ellis Public School. "This is such a great opportunity for Julia and we are so proud of her accomplishments." Canada's History for Kids' Young Citizens video contest is a complementary component to local Heritage Fairs. The contest brings together 200 candidates ages 10 to 16, from all provinces and territories, who share a passion for history and are great leaders in their schools and communities. Participants submit a video on their Heritage Fair topic, similar to a news report or short documentary. Canadians are asked to vote for their favourite video. Voting, which began on June 17, will account for 50 per cent of a contestant's overall

final score.

"We wish Julia the best of luck in the video contest," says Principal MacDonell. "We encourage members of the community to vote. More importantly, we invite everyone to go online and see this wonderful video that showcases an important part of Espanola's history." Once online voting is complete, a panel of judges will select six recipients to attend the Governor General's History Awards in Ottawa this fall. The students who are selected will have their video premiered at the National History Forum. Voting closes Friday, July 11. To vote, visit www.youngcitizens.ca and search for Julia Perlin in Ontario.



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The Legion is hosting a barbeque at the Mouth Park with free hot dogs, pop and Canada's Birthday cake for everyone.

In Webbwood there will be a parade beginning at 11:00 am at the Webbwood Eagles Club. It will be followed by an awards ceremony, games, barbeque, refreshments and goodies.

Fireworks will be set off at dusk in the community of Webbwood. A special thank-you goes out to our Fire Department for what is sure to be a crowd-pleasing fireworks show.

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STORY HOUR: Register your child now for the Fall 2014. Children must be 3 years old by December 31, 2014.

AMNESTY DAY: LAST MONDAY OF EACH MONTH overdue books can be returned with no charge.

VOLUNTEER HOURS: Students can obtain their 40 hours of volunteer service. Contact the library for more information.

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SENIOR OF THE YEAR

Council of the Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers wishes to congratulate Eira Robinson on being named the 2014 Senior of the Year. Eira has been involved in many committees over the years and continues to be involved in several community groups. She sits on the Library Board, is President of the Massey & Area Museum and volunteers at the Friendly Massey Marathon each year.

Mayor Les Gamble, on behalf of Council, presented Eira with a certificate at the June 25th Council Meeting. Congratulations, Eira!

NOTICE OF THE PASSING OF ZONING BYLAW (Planning Act-Section 34(18))

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers passed Bylaw 2014-25 on the 25th day of June, 2014.

The land to which the bylaw applies is described as Salter Township, Section 12, Parcel 19280, 66 West Lake Road.

The purpose for the amendment is to allow for driveway access over Crown Land from West Lake Road with a reduced lot frontage. This application is subject of a consent application under the Planning Act.

The last date for filing a notice of appeal is **July 21, 2014**. A Notice of Appeal must be filed with the Clerk of the Corporation of the Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers, setting out the reasons for the appeal. This must also be accompanied by the fee required by the Ontario Municipal Board.

Only individuals, corporations and public bodies may appeal a zoning bylaw to the Ontario Municipal Board. A Notice of Appeal may not be filed by an unincorporated association or group. However, a Notice of Appeal may be filed in the name of an individual who is a member of the association or the group on its behalf.

No persons or public body shall be added as a party to the hearing of the appeal unless, before the bylaw was passed, the person or public body made oral submissions at a public meeting or written submissions to the Council or, in the opinion of the Ontario Municipal Board, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

This bylaw is available for inspection in the municipal office during regular office hours.

Dated this 30th day of June 2014
Kim Sloss, Clerk-Administrator

YOUTH VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR

Amanda Johnson is a dedicated young resident of the Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers and has committed herself to giving back to her community while striving for academic excellence at Espanola High School. Whereas high school students are obligated to contribute 40 hours of community service to their communities, Amanda has been credited for over 172 volunteer hours. Her calm demeanor, quiet leadership and enviable generosity are some of the reasons why Amanda Johnson is worthy of the 2nd Annual Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers Youth Volunteer Award.

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Recipe

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- 1 can pitted, black olives
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- 3 Tbsp. red wine vinegar
- 1/4 cup olive oil
- 2 tsp. oregano
- 1/4 tsp. salt

Make the dressing: in a small bowl, combine all ingredients and whisk to combine. Set aside. Dice the cucumber, onion, bell pepper and tomatoes (removing any excess liquid from tomatoes). Put vegetables and chick peas in a large bowl. Add dressing and toss to combine. Can eat immediately or refrigerate for at least an hour to let flavors combine. Some dressing will settle on the bottom, so stir before serving.

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Good Food Box - Fruits and vegetables available in large or small box sizes. Pick-up sites in Espanola (705-869-1700), Massey (705-865-2519) and Nairn Centre (705-222-3551).

Teal Toes' Tarts, Tea and Market - Canada Day from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. Market is free, tickets for tart and ice tea available from Lisa Gamelin 705-862-1893 All proceeds to PET Scanner Fund - Northern Cancer Foundation.

Whitefish Falls Plant and Yard Sale - Perennial plants and yard sale to be held July 5-13 from 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. daily in the park across the road from the Community Center in Whitefish Falls.

Members Only Garden Tour – Sponsored by The Espanola Horticultural Society, Saturday, July 12, starting at 10:00 a.m. Meet at 109 Sheppard St., Espanola (across from the Royal Bank) and we'll travel together from garden to garden. Memberships will be available that morning.

Espanola Curling Club Fundraiser Barbeque – July 17-19 at the Espanola Mall.

Lee Valley Autumn Leaves – Monthly meetings at 7:00 p.m. on the third Wednesday of the month at Lee Valley Hall. Everyone welcome. Music by Back Road Country Band July 19 at 1:00 p.m.

31st Jessie Burnside Memorial Art Show - Applications can be picked up at the Massey Area Museum Monday – Friday between 11:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. or call 705-865-2266 to have one emailed/faxed to you.

Tennis at Espanola Golf Club – Community Living Mondays; senior doubles Tuesday, Thursday, Saturday; open play Friday. Starting June 28: youth Saturday. Free lessons, call 705-869-0475.

Espanola Youth Centre Summer Camp – August 5-8 for ages 6-12. Receive a 10% discount for early registration. Call 705-862-2242 or email espanolayouthcentre@gmail.com for details.

VON Adult Day Centre - Provides activities, exercise and socialization. They have just renovated and are open Mondays and Wednesdays from 9:30 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. Please call 705-869-3304 for more information.

Do you have a NOTE for the Community?

We invite not-for-profit organizations to submit information on their upcoming events in writing no later than

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Need Grows, Donations Down At Food Bank

By Chloe Kneer - Since the inception of the Espanola Helping Hand Food Bank (EHHFB) in November of 2006, many things have changed. For one, their location is different. When they first opened in the basement of St. Jude Parish, the food bank could collect and distribute food, not worrying about expenses such as rent, insurance, heat, and hydro. Once they outgrew the church basement, they had to rent their space at 87 Centre Street in Espanola. In addition to the rent, insurance and utilities take a huge chunk off of the bottom-line every month for the EHHFB, which sustains itself on the generosity of the community and those who volunteer to run it.

A second huge change for the food bank has been the number of individuals and families using it. From 2012-2013, the total number of people being served by the food bank has increased by 8.2%. The number of areas being served have also grown. Naim Centre used to have its own food bank, which has now closed. EHHFB has taken on those clients, and also serves McKerrow, Birch Island, Little Current, and Manitowaning. "Technically," says President Susan Kryzanowski, "most of these towns are not part of our catchment area, but we have a policy that no one is turned away."

Another significant change at the EHHFB is the level of donations, both monetary and food. At present, the additional mouths being fed is out-pacing those giving on a regular basis. Treasurer George Brown says, "Quite a few people gave every month before, but now that's

dried up. At the rate we are going, next year we could possibly be closed." He goes on to explain that the last several months the food bank has been forced to deplete reserves not only for expenses, but also to keep up with demand for food. "Even during what we call our 'feel good time' last fall and during the Christmas holidays, donations were down," says Brown. As a result, money from their bank account has been used to purchase food. The extra expense has resulted in over \$4000 of funds going out per month.

Both Kryzanowski and Brown hope the tide will soon turn and the food bank will see more being donated to stock the shelves. "Our goal is to feed people and that need is not going away, so we certainly hope that we see more in the way of steady, reliable donors," Kryzanowski says. The EHHFB recently obtained a charity number, giving them the ability to issue tax receipts to those making a contribution. They are exploring the idea of pay roll deductions and they encourage e-transfers and direct donations to their account at the Espanola RBC branch.

They would also like to see more help in the way of food drives. "Right now we don't have any food drives scheduled for the summer. We have a dedicated volunteer base, but the average age of our volunteers is 60, so while they are very ambitious, it is sometimes hard for them to do the work required for a successful food drive," says Kryzanowski.

To help or for more information about the food bank, call 705-583-3045. Their email address is ehfb87@hotmail.ca



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Sunday, July 20

5:00 - 5:30 am: No registrations accepted. Pick up race packages only.

6:00 am: FULL MARATHON START

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