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Fire On Queensway Avenue In Espanola – Police Seeking Public's Help



By *Rosalind Russell* - There has been another fire at a residence on the Queensway Avenue in Espanola. Espanola Fire Chief Mike Pichor told Around&About he believes the modus operandi is the same as other fires that have occurred in the area over the last year and although the department was not called out to the incident, deems the incident suspicious. He adds there was no damage to the residence, but some to a fenced area on the property. Meanwhile, Espanola OPP media officer, Marie Ford, says police were called out to the home at Tuesday, December 11th at around 1:00 in the morning. She says they found an object smouldering near the residence, and are asking for the public's help in connection with the mischief. Anyone with information is asked to call Espanola OPP or Crimestoppers.


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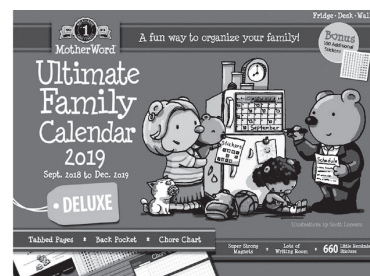
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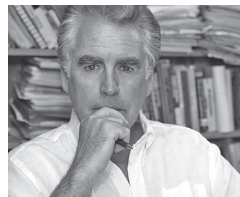
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"Turkey Hotline. Can I Help You?"

For 30 years America's Butterball Turkey Talk-Line has been answering desperate pleas from thousands of not-so-good cooks about preparing and cooking North America's favourite holiday bird. Many of these questions to the Butterball call centre are characterized as "bewildering." I've seen the questions. I would add "insanely bewildering". So popular is the talk-line, Butterball employs no less than 50 turkey experts at this time of year to man the phones. Why they would do this when they could have me do it for free, I have no idea. Here then are actual questions to the Butterball Turkey Talk-Line and answers that are exclusively mine.

Question: One expert could actually hear the sloshing of water in the background as the guy on the line said he was thawing the turkey in the bathtub while bathing his two toddlers. "How long will it take the bird to thaw?"

Answer: "Pure freakin' genius, Sir! Killing two birds, no, killing one bird and two kids, no ... A masterpiece of multitasking. And why stop there. All three can be nicely dried off in an oven pre-heated to 375°. Set the timer in order to remove the children well before roasting. Also, should you decide to smoke next year's turkey, a gallon of that bathwater would make a very nice brine.

Question: From his father's long-neglected freezer that also contained his dad's wedding cake and a snowball saved from every snowstorm to ever hit Alabama ...

"what's the best way to cook a 30-year-old frozen turkey?"

Answer: "One hour in the oven for every year in the freezer. Eat it in a hospital parking lot."

Question: A woman called to relate two disastrous turkey stories to the hotline expert. With her first husband she served up a frozen turkey, with her second husband she dropped the bird on the floor. "How can I make sure this Thanksgiving dinner with my new husband goes well?"

Answer: "With your track record I would take no chances. Divorce this guy and marry a chef."

Question: One guy called to say he was about to carve up his cooked turkey with a chainsaw and "Do you think the chain oil will leave a bad taste on the meat?"

Answer: "Not if you fill the crank case with olive oil and use a rosemary fusion stabilizer in the fuel tank. Also, to clean the blade of your chainsaw just go next door where the turkey and the kids should be out of the tub by now."

Question: One woman called to ask if it was okay to slow roast the turkey over three or four days because it made the house smell so good?

Answer: "Absolutely. As a matter of fact if you put the turkey in an oven set at 100° in late November, it should be perfect by Christmas day. If the skin is still white, apply a can of spray-on-tan to the exterior

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of the bird.

Question: One guy bragged that in order to fit a large turkey in a small roasting pan, he wrapped a towel around and stomped on it until he broke the bones and it fit. "Whaddayathink?"

Answer: "Next time use a sledgehammer on it and you'll be able to cook it in a wok!"

Question: A woman from Colorado called to say she was keeping her frozen turkey in a snowbank by the road but it snowed overnight and today was Thanksgiving and she couldn't find the turkey.

Answer: "Wait by the road until the plow comes by and when you hear a thud, jump in front of the blade!"

Question: "The wrapper on my turkey says it's a self-basting turkey. Do I have to baste it?"

Answer: "Only on the inside. The outside bastes itself. That's what the wings are for."

Question: "I think my turkey just coughed! What do I do?"

Answer: "Wait until he coughs again and quickly grab hold of his testicles to make sure he doesn't have a hernia. Even if he's medically fit to be cooked, garnish the bird with a cold tablet gravy just to be sure."

Question: "Can I brine my turkey in the washing machine?"

Answer: "No but you can tenderize it in the dryer."

Question: "I have a small oven and a large turkey to cook. Will it expand like baked goods do?"

Answer: "Yes. A mature turkey will expand up to three or four times its original size while in the oven. But it's mostly air. Just jab in the ass with an ice pick every ten minutes or so."

Question: "I put my 16 lb. turkey in the hot tub just to thaw it out but now I think it's actually cooking. How long before it's done?"

Answer: "About five hours. Use the skimmer to turn it over once in a while and if the bird's liquids start to cloud the water, add more spa shock clarifier."

Believe it or not just last week the Butterball Turkey Talk-Line got a call from ... a turkey! "Hi, this is Peas calling. Me and Carrots, we're this season's White House turkeys and as is tradition, we have just been pardoned by President Donald Trump. Neither of us want anything to do with this White House. How do turkeys commit suicide?"

Okay, that one I made up, but the rest are absolutely true. Happy Holidays.

For comments, ideas and copies of

The Legend of Zippy Chippy, go to www.williamthomas.ca

Man Arrested For Murder Of Renee Sweeney



Photo: Renee Sweeney and suspect composite.

A North Bay man has been charged with a murder that occurred 20 years ago in Sudbury.

On Tuesday, December 11th, Greater Sudbury Police charged 39-year old Robert Steven Wright with first degree murder in connection to the Renee Sweeney homicide case.

On January 27th, 1998, Sweeney was stabbed at her workplace and died at the scene.

At the beginning of November, investigative techniques were used to gather forensic evidence leading to the arrest and search warrant, which were carried out in North Bay

December 10th.

Wright, who was 18-years-old at the time and attending Lockerby Secondary Composite, was in police custody at the time of going to press.

The investigation continues.



Photo - Robert Steven Wright from Lockerby Secondary Composite yearbook.

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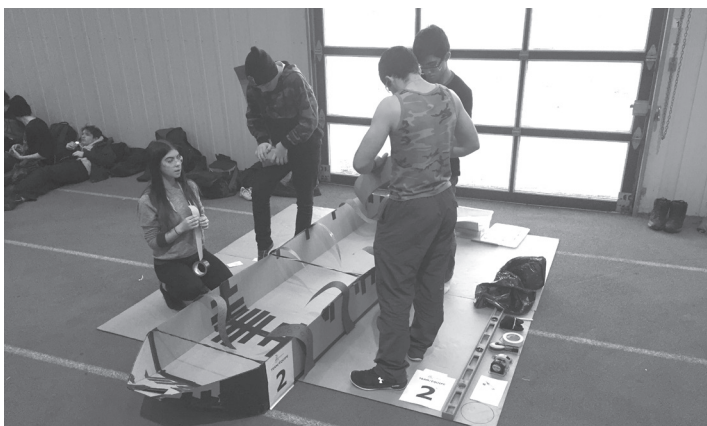


Photo: Creativity is a huge part of Skills Ontario Cardboard Boat Races 2018.

Local area high schools have made it to the cardboard boat race provincial finals.

Espanola High School, École secondaire catholique Champlain, L'école secondaire Saint-Joseph and École secondaire catholique l'Horizon are the top finishers out of some 40 Northern Ontario teams.

All four will travel to Waterloo in March to represent Northern Ontario at the Provincial Cardboard Boat Races hosted by Skills Ontario.

The local finals were held in Espanola a couple of weeks ago. Other semi-finals were held in Thunder Bay and Sault Ste. Marie.

Espanola Council Hires Full-Time Lifeguard

Users of the pool in Espanola can expect to see more programming and more hours of operation following council's approval to hire a full-time lifeguard.

In October, the town lost staffers, which led to a loss in programming.

Sue Bennett-Hamilton, a former physical education teacher at Espanola High, brought her concerns about the lack of open pool hours and programming to council on Tuesday, December 10th.

She presented council a letter of support from the Espanola Family Health Team, as well as some 300 signatures asking for more staff, expanded hours and more programming.

The town has budgeted an

additional \$12,500 for benefits for the new position.

The move to full-time is expected to alleviate some of the concerns expressed by Bennett-Hamilton.



Photo: Espanola's Sue Bennett-Hamilton appeared before council to express concerns about pool programming at the Espanola Regional Recreation Complex. Photo by Rosalind Russell

Espanola Helping Hand Food Bank Receives Donation



Espanola Helping Hand Food Bank received a monetary donation as well as seventeen new children's winter jackets, from the Knights of Columbus.

Photo - Rob Rogers, Marc Paquette (from Knights of Columbus presenting the cheque), Gerry Vallee, Theresa Land and Annette Porteous.

Every Bulb Is Beautifully Unique: The In-Memorial Tree

The main lobby of the Espanola Regional Hospital and Health Centre now features the In-Memorial Tree. The tree is festooned with bulbs purchased by the public in memory of loved ones. The funds are administered by the Espanola Hospital Auxiliary, which spends most of the year making the bulbs for sale. In turn, the funds raised go towards purchasing vital medical equipment.

Last year, the auxiliary raised around \$27,000 to go towards the ultrasound machine. The money raised this year will continue to offset the cost of that purchase. Sandra Courtemanche says the fundraising is going well with some \$1,800 raised through their annual tea, bake and craft sale.

Anyone wishing to purchase a bulb in memory of a loved one, can drop by the gift shop in the lobby of the hospital. Bulbs can

either be put on the tree until December 21st and then brought home or supporters can bring them home. The price range is from \$10 to \$20 per bulb.

Photo: Espanola Hospital Auxiliary volunteer, Sandra Courtemanche, puts more unique bulbs on the In Memorial Tree in the lobby of the Espanola Regional Hospital. The bulbs are a wonderful keepsake. Photo by Rosalind Russell



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Radiothon Raised Just Over \$11,000 For Hospital Equipment

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Russell, Foundation Board Chair, Mike Dunn and Foundation Public Relations, Terri Noble, manned the lines on Friday, December 7th for 12 hours, six am to six pm, taking pledges and assisting at

the Moose studios.

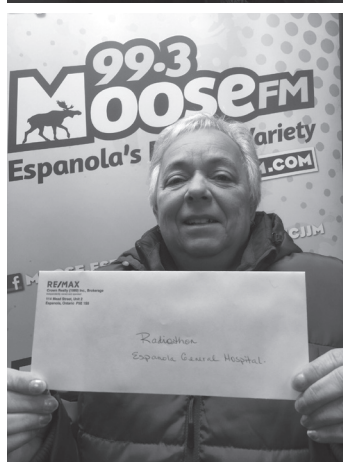
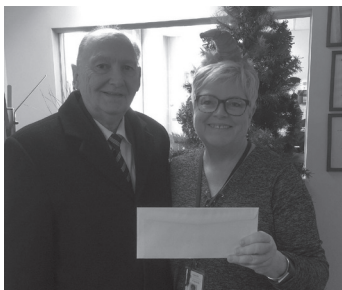
The funds raised will cover the cost of a new, larger physio bed for patients requiring treatment and one I.V. infuser pump.

The Moose is part of Vista Radio, with 40 radio stations broadcasting via 57 transmitters across three Provinces and the Northwest Territories. They completed its Fifth Annual One Million

Dollar Charity Drive with an overall goal of generating \$1-million annually for local charities.

Each Vista Radio station selected its own local charity to support. The week ended with donations in food, cash and toys totalling more than \$1,600,000.

Photos by Rosalind Russell, Kate Collette and Terri Noble



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Thurs Jan 3rd	2:00-3:00pm (6-8 yrs)
	3:00-4:00pm (13-17 yrs)
Fri Jan 4th	2:00-3:00pm (9-12 yrs)
	3:00-4:00pm (Family \$2/person)
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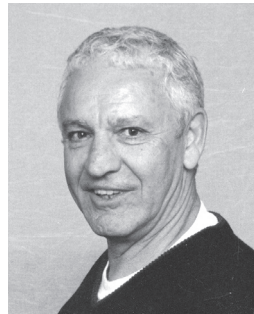
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OBITUARY



Tessier - Norman Leo of Espanola passed away peacefully at home with family by his side on Monday December 11, 2018 at the age of 74. Dear son of the late Ed & Diane (nee Lachance) Tessier. Beloved husband of Shirley (nee Guay). Loving father of Todd (wife Sue), Allan (wife Cathy) and Jeff (wife Tikara) all of Espanola. Cherished by his grandchildren Alysha, Zackary, Jayden, Connor and 2 great grandchildren Brielle and Lincoln. Dear brother of the late Lorraine, Aline Connors (late husband Merle), Marcel (wife Vicky) (both predeceased), Noella Rogozynski (late husband Ron), late Gerald (wife Marion), Claudette Tamura (late husband Jimmy), Colette Proctor (husband Brian), Theresa Rogers (husband Rob), Fran Herranen (husband Gary) and DeeDee. A Memorial Service celebrating Norman's Life will be at the United Church of Espanola on Friday December 14, 2018 at 10 AM. Interment of ashes in the Espanola Cemetery at a later date. If so desired, donations to the Northern Cancer Foundation would be appreciated. Arrangements by BOURCIER FUNERAL HOME Ltd, Espanola.



Boomhower - Brandon Todd, born September 3, 1997 has sadly left us on December 9, 2018 at the young age of 21. The young man who knew no limits and had a heart that made space for all. Adventure and experience maker, Brandon was passionate about skiing and travelling to unique destinations around the world. He accomplished so much in such a short time, he opened everyone's eyes to the possibilities life could bring if you dreamed big and pushed your limits. He had a smile for everyone. He will be sadly missed by proud parents Todd & Marcella Yusko of Espanola, Trisha Smith-Boomhower and James Smith of Wyevale. Dear brother of Maya and Katie Smith of Wyevale, Jason Nixon (son Damon) of Mississauga and Gareth Nixon (son Grady) of Espanola. Loving grandson of Calvin & Beryl Boomhower of Espanola, Elaine Yusko of Espanola, Bill & Linda Smith of Barrie and George Yusko & Pauline Fournier of English Town, N.S. Brandon will be sadly missed by extended family that consisted of many uncles, aunts, cousins, his girlfriend and travelling companion Jasmin Schmidt of Germany and countless friends from his hometowns and around the world. Family and friends were received at the Bourcier Funeral Home on Thursday, December 13, 2018 for a visitation from 11 AM until the time of funeral. Funeral Mass was at 2 PM in the St. Jude R.C.C. with Fr. Raymond officiating. In lieu of flowers, if so desired, donations to the Espanola Ski Hill would be appreciated. Arrangements by BOURCIER FUNERAL HOME Ltd, Espanola.

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

Employment Opportunity

Studio Twelve Hair Design is looking to fill a part time (with potential of full time) position. Preferably licensed stylist.

If you are motivated, enthusiastic and enjoy working with the public please drop off a resume at:
400 Centre Street, Espanola



Recipe

With just six ingredients, these cookies are easy to make, and convenient to have on hand for when company arrives this holiday season (or any time of the year). Keep the cookie logs in the fridge and you can bake up a batch of warm cookies in a flash. Chopped pecans can be substituted for half the Skor chips, as long as it equals 1 cup. These cookies can be also be drizzled with or dipped in chocolate. These are melt in your mouth, buttery and delicious!

Toffee Butter Icebox Cookies (Servings 48)

- 1 cup butter softened
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 tsp vanilla extract
- 1 egg room temperature
- 2½ cups all-purpose flour spooned and leveled
- 1 cup Skor bits

Cream butter and sugar together. Add in the egg and extract and mix until well combined. Stir in flour, mixing until fully incorporated. If dough appears too dry, add a teaspoon of water at a time until it comes together. Fold in Skor bits. Divide dough in half and place on top of a sheet of plastic wrap. Form the dough into a log about 6 inches long and 1.5 inches in diameter. Wrap each log with the plastic wrap and refrigerate dough rolls for 1-2 hours or until nice and firm. Preheat oven to 375 degrees. Line baking sheet with parchment paper. Remove plastic wrap from rolls and cut into ¼ inch slices. Place slices about 2 inches apart on cookie sheet. Bake for 8 minutes or until lightly browned.



ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**Notice of Annual General Meeting
Tuesday, January 15th, 2019
Massey Legion (upstairs)
Time: 7:00 p.m.**

All members are invited to the Annual General Meeting of the Massey Agricultural Society.

At the Annual Meeting:

The Board of Directors shall present:

- A report of the Society's activities and accomplishments
- A detailed statement of the receipts and expenditures for the fiscal year
- Financial Statements prepared by Freelandt, Caldwell, Reilly

The general membership will appoint the Secretary and Treasurer. Such positions will be voting members of the Executive.

The general membership will elect 10 Directors to represent the Board of Directors of the Society. The new Board of Directors will elect from themselves a President, Vice President, 2nd Vice President (officers of the Society to be known as the Executive).

Should you wish to address the membership at this meeting please advise the Secretary in writing prior to January 1st, 2019 of your intent and the topic you wish to address so that the agenda can be finalized.

Noreen Clement, Secretary/Treasurer
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Massey Agricultural Society

COMMUNITY NOTES

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Spanish River Snowmobile Club - next meeting Wednesday, December 19, 7:30 p.m. at the Spanish River Inn.

Save A. B. Ellis Meeting - Thursday, December 20, 1:30—3:00 p.m. United Church chapel. Everyone welcome

Free Christmas Dinner - 4:30 p.m. Christmas Day at the Espanola Legion. Everyone welcome. If you are able to attend or need a ride please call Joan 705-869-1648 or Laurie 705-865-2346.

Meat Roll-offs - The Espanola Helping Hand Food Bank with be hosting at the Espanola Legion every Saturday at 3:30 pm. for the month of January.

From Soup to Tomatoes - Basic Class 9:00 – 9:45 a.m., Gentle Class 10:00 – 10:45 a.m., Yoga Class 11:00 – 11:30 a.m. Mon-Wed-Fri at the Elks Hall for all three classes. Mon-Wed-Fri Basic class only at the Seniors Drop In Centre.

Free Indoor Pickle Ball - Mondays 7:00 – 10:00 p.m. & Saturdays 9:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. at the Espanola High School Gym. Begins Saturday, November 3. Contact Mike 705-662-5859 or Greg 705-863-2684.

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

Wednesdays at 3:00 p.m. 25 Word Limit.

E-mail: around@aroundandabout.ca



Congratulations to AB Ellis Public School junior boys' basketball team members for their terrific showing at this year's Rainbow District School Board basketball championships. The boys won silver after losing a very close contest to R.L. Beattie P.S. Special thanks to Ms. Greenfield and to Colour House captain, Owen Leblanc, for their coaching and encouragement throughout! Photo supplied