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Huron Central Railway To Be Shut Down By End Of The Year

NDP Candidate Michael Mantha of Algoma-Manitoulin has announced the NDP's Funding Commitment to keep The Huron Central Railway operating. Mantha says if the NDP forms the government on June 7, it will take action on its Northern Rail Strategy, which will fund the province's fair share of capital costs for Huron Central Railway – \$4 million per year for five years. Mantha was responding to the announcement by Genesee & Wyoming Canada Inc. on Tuesday, May 22nd, that given the lack of necessary provincial funding to maintain its Huron Central Railway (HCRY) and following the recent refusal of support from Transport Canada's National Trade Corridors Fund, its HCRY subsidiary intends to discontinue operations by the end of 2018.

The Northern Ontario short line runs 283 km from Sault Ste. Marie to Sudbury under a 1997 lease agreement with

Canadian Pacific Railway and serves major employers in the region, including DOMTAR in Espanola, Algoma Steel in Sault Ste. Marie and EACOM in Nairn Centre, which together ship approximately 13,000 annual carloads of freight.

HCRY has 44 employees and supports approximately 7,000 indirect jobs in Northern Ontario.

Changes in commodity demand resulting in carload declines, coupled with increased maintenance and regulatory compliance costs have made the railroad economically unviable without strategic investments from government. While the Ontario provincial government has provided interim funding through a regional development agency, this will not support the line's operations beyond the end of the year.

In 2010, HCRY received both federal and provincial funding

to proceed with essential maintenance and rehabilitation costs intended to keep the rail line operational until 2015. During that time, HCRY contributed three times more than anticipated, enabling the company to keep the railway safe and operational through 2018.

Despite intense efforts and numerous meetings with provincial officials to make them aware of the railway's critical financial situation, HCRY has been unable to obtain long-term financial support to continue operations. As of today, there is still no federal government infrastructure program that adequately addresses the funding needs of short line freight railways such as HCRY, which as low-volume lines, typically inherited years of deferred maintenance from prior operators.

"We are obviously disappointed with this turn of events," said Louis Gravel, President

of Genesee & Wyoming Canada Inc. "We have done everything in our power to keep HCRY in operation, but both the provincial and federal governments have turned a deaf ear on the situation."

The company is calling on provincial and federal government decision-makers to reconsider supporting the short line rail system in the immediate term to maintain the thousands of jobs HCRY supports in Northern Ontario.

"Many of our key customers rely on the railway as the only viable transportation option," noted Gravel. "Closure of the railway eliminates the potential for regional economic development opportunities in the North, along with other public benefits, including reduction in pollution levels and road maintenance costs, as transport trucks will fill the gap left behind by HCRY."

As of press time, DOMTAR, EACOM and political reps has been contacted for a statement.



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Airlines – The Good, The Bad, The Dry With A Flinty Finish

For people who travel above the clouds at 600 miles an hour, all of a sudden those friendly skies ain't so friendly anymore. United Airlines customer service training program seems like it was ripped from the pages of the prisoners' handbook of East Germany's Secret Police.

Last April a passenger was dragged off a domestic flight to make room for a company employee. United's apology included references to the passenger as being "disruptive" and "belligerent" so they had to apologize for that too.

Then United killed a dog. A flight attendant forced the owner to place a perfectly kenneled dog in the overhead compartment where it died. Apologies and condolences were still being issued when United mistakenly shipped another dog on a Denver to Kansas City flight to Japan.

When United delivered the French Bulldog of rapper Schoolboy Q., he tweeted: "You guys r idiots@united. HOW U PUT MY DOG ON THE WRONG FLIGHT?????" Done with dogs, United began picking on kids. First they sold the seat out from under a two-year-old and then kept another child on the runway so long, he had to be hospitalized.

Next they booted a Nigerian woman and her children off a flight to Toronto because another passenger claimed that she smelled "pungent." No apologies necessary, she's already got a lawyer.

It seems United Airlines can't help shooting itself in the foot which is a very dangerous

thing to do when you're hurtling the space at 600 miles per hour. Right about now United is thinking of creating the post of COA, Chairman of Apologies with Sean Spicer the leading candidate.

Me? I avoid United Airlines like a dog avoids a feral cat colony. On my bi-annual flights to Portugal, I fly a little-known airline called Azores Airlines. Safe, efficient and customer-friendly if they ever change the name of this outfit it will be No Drama/No Trauma Air.

The worst thing that ever happened to me on an AA flight was that I got into a fight with a flight attendant. No, not the kinda of fight that broke out recently among stag party members on a Ryanair flight from England to Slovakia that ended with six drunken Brits, including the groom being arrested by police in Berlin.

No, it wasn't really a fight I had with Maria, more of a dispute. Well, not really a dispute, more of a difference of opinion. Okay, I took a flight from Toronto to Funchal, Madeira and a very contentious wine tasting broke out over the Atlantic Ocean at 30,000 feet!

I'm sitting and minding my own business with my book in hand, always a hardback for travel with my notepad on the seat next to me. Tripping along the jet stream in rarefied air, great ideas come to me and I jot them down quickly before I forget. Normally, I throw them away upon landing.

I have to say, Maria started the whole

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damn thing when she appeared beside me pushing a beverage cart. "A glass of wine for you sir? White or red?"

"Red, please. And I hope its from Alentejo."

"It is," she said, placing a glass on my tray. "So, you prefer the wines from the south?"

"Yes," I said, "I think they're the best." On that note our attendant/passenger relationship hit white turbulence.

Previously, it was that only part of Portugal north of the Douro River that produced great reds but now, in the last 15 years I think the vinho tintos of Alentejo are superior.

"Oh no," said Maria. "They are not better than the north!" And then she stomped off into the cockpit cabin leaving me alone with my thoughts and a portable bar which is a dangerous combination at best. Clearly, Maria came from the north.

The Portuguese, you have to understand love their country with great passion and defend their birth places fiercely. Their hearts may sing from the sad songbook of Fado, but they are madly patriotic, going way out of their way to show respect and generosity to strangers.

"Oh no," said Maria, returning to place another glass of red on my tray table. "Try this one." What followed was a rather heated oenophile debate

between an expert on Portuguese wines and a guy from Wainfleet who just hit spell-check before he typed in the word 'oenophile.' It was a tasting of fine wines hosted by an aficionado and undertaken by a guy with a draft beer pedigree. Maria had a distinct advantage in that she knew her stuff. Also, I was the only one drinking.

I did manage to score one point in my preference of south to north – more sun, more alcohol and therefore more full-bodied. That's when Maria again walked off and came back with cheese which I had to admit stood up better to the dryness and tannins of the red from northern Villa Real.

Knowing she had convinced me of the superiority of the deep red wines from her homeland, Maria was quite smug when she delivered my in-flight meal and asked: "Now what wine do you want with dinner?" I was waiting in the weeds with this one. "Chicken? I'll have the white wine, please." And then we both broke up laughing.

Disclaimer: no children were injured and no dogs were killed or sent to Japan during this tasting on Azores Airlines.

For comments, ideas and copies of The Legend of Zippy Chippy, go to www.williamthomas.ca

Espanola Police Service Celebration Of Police Week 2018



between police and the community.

It is also an opportunity to commend current police officers for their dedication and commitment to keeping communities safe.

This year's provincial theme is "Celebrating Policing and Community

Partnerships", and provides an opportunity to showcase the great work of police services across Ontario and emphasizes the on-going collaboration with community partners to support a holistic approach to service delivery.

ACTIVITIES INCLUDED:

- On Monday May 14th at 11:00 a.m. a presentation at the Queensway Place seniors center to cover topics of interest, such as fraud/internet security;
- On Tuesday May 15th from 10:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. an Officer at the Espanola High School assisted with the MADD Canada "Arrive Alive" campaign to reduce impaired driving;
- On Wednesday May 16th Espanola Police hosted a "Cops vs Kids" ball hockey game at the Recreation complex at 3:30 p.m. Students in grade 7 and 8 were invited to play against the Police and other emergency services team.
- On Saturday May 19th between 10:00 am and 2:00 p.m. Espanola Police had a display in the Espanola Mall, showcasing one of their police cruisers and other equipment. An officer was available to provide information to members of the public.

Photo provided by Jayson Stewart, Espanola High School and Espanola Police Service

Espanola Police Officer Mel, as she is fondly referred, spent time at Espanola High School on Tuesday, May 15th, focusing on MADD Canada "Arrive Alive" campaign to reduce impaired driving. She was assisted by co-op student Tyler Davidson at the MADD display. EHS guidance counsellor, Dean Riggs, hams it up when it comes to the roadside breathalyzer, but it is one of the most important tools used by police. Officer Mell also paid a visit to the school CALMon area.

The Espanola Police Service are proud to participate in this year's Police Week celebrations, in what proved to be the service's last Police Week as the Espanola Police Service. With the transition from municipal to OPP policing scheduled for January 2019, this was the last Police Week for officers and staff to take part in Police Week as a municipal service.

In Celebrating Policing and Community Partnerships, Officers with the Espanola Police participated in a number of activities. Since 1970, Police Week in Ontario has been an annual event held in the month of May, dedicated to increasing awareness and recognition of policing services, while also promoting strong partnerships

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2018 Spring Espanola Lions Club Food Drive

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Espanola Helping Hand Food Bank has food on the shelves, thanks to the 2018 Espanola Lions Club Food Drive.

On Friday, May 18th The Espanola Lions Club, in partnership with the Espanola Minor Soccer Association, were on hand at Winkel's Independent Grocers, Freshco and Giant Tiger collecting

food items and cash donations. Soccer publicist, Chloe Kneer says 2,630 items were collected and \$900 in cash donations.

Kneer adds that is another excellent food drive and thanks everyone for all their help in making the drive successful.

Photo by Chloe Kneer

Save School Committee Works Towards Feasibility Study To Save School

It will not cost Espanola ratepayers any money, but council is lending its support to a feasibility study to save AB Ellis Public School.

The school now houses Sacred Heart Catholic School students and staff while construction gets underway on a new triple school, which is not scheduled to open until 2020.

Gary Clackett of the Save AB Ellis Committee told council the feasibility study is the first step. He told council the feasibility study is the first step in saving the school, which is scheduled to be demolished and used for a parking lot once the new school opens.

Clackett adds they want to get the feasibility study for

repurposing the building for senior apartments and affordable housing units, done as soon as possible to show there are other uses for the school.

He adds they are not looking at one particular grant right now, but are looking at different agencies which provide grants for this type of study.

Council agreed to support the commissioning of the study, which will include a current building assessment of the school and considerations as they relate to a change of use for their proposed development.

The Rainbow District School Board owns the property and will be approached for permission to carry out the study.

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end of the month.

All six provincial candidates have been invited to attend.

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It Wasn't The Royal Wedding, But A Royal Garden Party



An Espanola couple may not have been at Saturday's Royal Wedding on May 19th, but it was Tuesday's May 22nd Royal Garden Party they are really looking forward to.

Greg and Janeanne Gilbert of Espanola were at Buckingham Palace celebrating Prince Charles 70th birthday kickoff.

The Prince, who turns 70 on November 14th, began his birthday celebrations with the garden party to honour the work carried out by those closest to his heart.

The event saw representatives of each of the charities he is patron of, some 400 in all, as well as the military regiments he is affiliated with, visit the palace grounds for entertainment and speeches, as well as the customary garden party tea.

Janeanne says Prince Charles is Greg Gilbert's army unit's Colonel-in-Chief.

Ten members of the unit, the Irish Regiment of Canada, were chosen to attend along with a guest and the Gilberts were fortunate to be selected.

The Gilberts are also thrilled to be 22 of the people selected, out of 6,000 people, to meet the newlyweds, the Duke and Duchess of Sussex, Harry and Meghan.

Janeanne says it was all so unreal.

"The experience was absolutely surreal - to actually be at the palace and to be with so many amazing service people.

"The most amazing part of it all was meeting Megan and Harry. We were there at the right place and the right time and talking to them was so easy. They asked us where we were from. Because we are so far from home it's easier to give them places that they may recognize. "Toronto" followed by four hours north by Sudbury. Megan then went on to say Toronto was her home for six years. We also talked about the weather and mosquitoes in Muskoka," Janeanne recalls.

The couple spent the week in England, and toured London as well as other sites making more memories to last a lifetime.

Photos provided by Greg and Janeanne Gilbert



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family wish to thank the staff at Extendicare York for the wonderful special care for our Dad. Visitation was in the Bourcier Funeral Home on Tuesday May 22, 2018. Service was in the Bourcier Funeral Home with Rev. Beverly Van der Jagt officiating. Interment in the Espanola Cemetery. If so desired, donations can be made to the Heart & Stroke Foundation.

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LICENSED HAIR STYLIST WANTED - Hairdresser chair will be available for rent July 1st in Espanola. Great location. Create your own hours. For more info call 705-862-1312. 6/5

RENTAL WANTED

Looking to rent – house with 2-3 bedrooms, one floor if possible. Bungalow or semi-detached. No pets, non smoker. Please call 705-578-2268. 5/29

FOR SALE

FOR SALE - Garden Mix – (20% cow manure, 30% Black loam, 50% topsoil) - \$50 per pickup truck, loaded (must pick up). Topsoil - \$35 per pickup truck, loaded (must pick up). 1290 Birch Lake Rd, by appointment only. Call 705-865-3262. 6/19

MEETINGS

Massey Agricultural Society monthly meetings - 3rd Tuesday of the month. Held at Massey Firehall @ 7pm. We welcome the public's attendance. 10/23

Recipe

This light and refreshing orzo salad is simple and delicious. The flavours are amazing with fresh tomatoes, creamy feta, fragrant basil and toasted pine nuts. Serve alongside any grilled meat for a tasty summer dinner or pack in a container for your lunch.



ORZO SALAD WITH TOMATOES, BASIL AND FETA VINAIGRETTE:

- 1/4 cup red wine vinegar
- 2 tablespoons fresh lemon juice
- 1 teaspoon honey
- 1/3 cup olive oil

SALAD:

- 12 ounces orzo pasta
- 6 cups chicken broth
- 2 cups grape or cherry tomatoes, halved
- 4 tablespoons thinly sliced chives or green onions
- 3 tablespoons chopped fresh basil
- 1 cup arugula or baby spinach, coarsely chopped
- Salt and pepper to taste
- 1 cup feta cheese, crumbled
- 1/2 cup pine nuts, toasted (heat them in a dry skillet over medium-low heat, tossing often until golden)



For the dressing, whisk together the vinegar, lemon juice, honey and oil. Season to taste with a bit of salt and pepper. Set aside.

For the salad, cook the orzo in the chicken broth until tender according to package directions. Drain well but do not rinse. Let the pasta cool to room temperature, tossing often so it doesn't stick together (stir in 1-2 tablespoons of the dressing if the pasta is overly sticky). Toss the cooled pasta with the tomatoes, chives or green onions, basil, and arugula or spinach. Pour the vinaigrette over the salad and stir to coat the ingredients with the dressing. Season with salt and pepper, if needed. Sprinkle the feta and pine nuts over the top and toss lightly. Serve at room temperature.

*This salad, if refrigerated longer than an hour, will get a bit dry so if you want to make it in advance, consider increasing the dressing ingredients by half and reserving some of that dressing to pour over the salad right before serving (also, wait to add pine nuts right before serving).



Moose Corner

The Moose 99.3 FM CJJM - Espanola is proud to support local charities and organizations. If you have an event you want to share, please call Roz at 705-869-6397 or email your information to: rrussell@moosefm.com The Moose- Espanola's Biggest Variety! Your Station, Your News, Your Stories

COMMUNITY NOTES

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Women of Faith Breakfast – Saturday, June 2 at the Pinewood Restaurant. Guest Speaker Dominica Frometa. Tickets to be purchased in advanced by May 27. Call 705-822-6533.

Zion Lutheran Church Massey BBQ – Saturday, June 2, 9:00 am – 2:00 p.m. Come enjoy our gourmet hot dogs.

Spaghetti Dinner - Join the Webbwood Eagles Ladies Auxiliary for their final spaghetti dinner before Saturday, June 2 from 4:30 - 6:00 p.m. Everyone welcome, call for takeouts 705-869-4269

Massey Legion Branch 432 Rededication of War Memorial Dedication of Veterans Benches – Saturday June 9 at 11:00 a.m. BBQ and Social to follow, live entertainment.

Clothing Donations – Donations for overseas relief can be dropped off at 80 Withers Rd Massey. Also footwear, bedding & sewing supplies. Call Ray Brubacher at 705-844-9992.

United Church of Espanola – WE ARE OPEN – United Church of Espanola continues to have worship service every Sunday morning at 10:00 a.m. with Sunday School. All are welcome.

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

YARD SALES

The Espanola Helping Hand Food Bank - 6th Annual Garage Sale Saturday, June 2, from 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at 155 Mead Blvd. Donations will be gratefully accepted and arrangements can be made by calling 705-583-3045.

Zion Lutheran Church in Massey Annual Yard Sale & BBQ – Saturday, June 2, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. Come and find some good deals, pick up some baking and enjoy our gourmet hot dogs. If you have items to donate to our sale please give us a call at 705-865-2020.




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