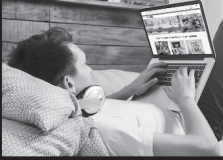


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Photo - Top Fundraiser Award winners are Leo Deveau of Elliot Lake who raised just over \$4,000 and the Youngest Rider Award went to Kaleb Romaniuk who raised over \$600. Photo by Rosalind Russell

By Rosalind Russell - A fundraiser for Easter Seals Kids has raised thousands for the purchase of equipment and sending local children to camp. Easter Seals local administrator Carmen Bazinet says the Espanola-North Shore Snowarama raised \$8,347 this year. She says the Top Fundraiser Award winners are Leo Deveau of Elliot Lake who raised just over \$4,000 and the Youngest Rider Award went to Kaleb Romaniuk who raised over \$600. Bazinet adds she expects a bit more since the event was held virtually once again due to the pandemic adding, a big thank you to everyone who supported the event.

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## Espanola High School Wins Grant As An Eco-School



**Photo** - Espanola High School got a grant for an eco-initiative. The funding will go towards the purchase of a second machine as well as an indoor vermicomposting system using red wiggler worms as fertilizer in the school's vegetable and flower gardens. Photo by Sippakorn Yamkasikorn - unsplash.com

On a clear path to attain Platinum Eco Schools status this year, Espanola High School has won a \$500 grant to extend their composting

programs. Currently, all the organic waste from the cafeteria and the foods classes are "food cycled" in a machine that dries and grinds food waste into fertilizer.

The funding will go towards the purchase of a second machine as well as an indoor vermicomposting system using red wiggler worms as fertilizer in the school's vegetable and flower gardens. The grant is from Learning for a Sustainable Future, a Canadian charity that has been working for over 30 years to integrate sustainability education into Canada's school system. <https://lsf-lst.ca/>

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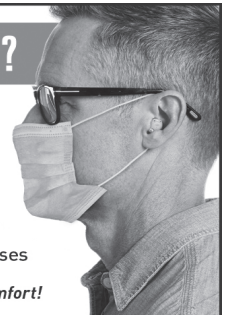
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## Films By Local Filmmaker Being Featured Overseas

A local filmmaker is looking forward to having his short films featured overseas. Jayson Stewart says all three films by Laps in Judgement Studios: REZilience, Overdue, and The Philanthropist will all be in the Lift Off Sessions Festival out of England. He says the festival will be live on Vimeo on Demand for two weeks, from Monday, February 14th to the 28th.

All four were filmed in the Espanola and North Shore area over the last ten years involving local actors and many extras. Lift-Off Sessions is about providing a screening opportunity for everyone, so the public will have the opportunity to watch them online over the next month.  
<https://filmfreeway.com/sessionsbyliftoffglobalnetwork>

## Getting Set To Travel Through Algoma And Group Of Seven Hot Spots

A new app can help set you up for a trip through Algoma and the Group of Seven hot spots.

There is a new website available that also provides an app to plan a trip to stop and see the locations where artists that made up the Group of Seven found their inspiration.

In 1919 a group of artists decided to organize an exhibition and to call themselves the Group of Seven.

The site provides stories, information about scenic stops, suggestions for indulging in your own artistic endeavours. The seven founding members were: Lawren S. Harris, J.E.H. MacDonald, Arthur Lismer, Frederick Varley, Frank Johnston, Franklin Carmichael and A.Y. Jackson eventually welcoming Tom Thompson and A.J. Casson. Visit <https://momentsofalgoma.ca/> for the app and more information.

## NDP Focus On The Opioid Crisis

NDPMPs Charlie Angus of Timmins-James Bay and Carol Hughes Algoma-Manitoulin – Kapuskasing are backing the party's first initiative in the new parliamentary session – a private member's bill that would help families dealing with loved ones who use or are addicted to drugs.

Angus says if passed, among other things the NDP's bill would decriminalize drug possession for personal use and expand access to crucial harm reduction, treatment, and recovery services.

He adds practically everyone living in Northern Ontario has been touched by the

opioid crisis in some way.

Hughes adds it is time to stop treating people who are addicted like criminals and get them the help they need adding the bill will save lives.

Last year, Toronto and the province of BC applied to the federal government for the decriminalization of drugs for personal use, a step recommended by the Liberal government's own Expert Task Force on substance use.

In 2020 alone, the opioid crisis claimed 4,395 lives in Canada, which is equivalent to 12 deaths a day.

## Gelinas Writes To Health Minister About Meds And Costs

Nickel Belt MPP France Gelinas says she has written to Ontario Health Minister Christine Elliot about concerns raised by constituents about prescription medications and the costs involved.

She says constituents are telling her that to continue accessing prescription renewals, their physicians are prompting them to pay a third-party company that they have contracted, for a service they used to get for free.

She says a constituent inquired with her doctor's office about what she could do to avoid paying the new fees and was informed that the only way was with an

in-person visit with her doctor.

Gelinas says the woman would have to wait four weeks for a visit, but that was not an option with running out of her medications so she ended up having to pay \$20 to renew her prescription and an extra \$10 to have it renewed the same day.

Gelinas says she believes the minister will agree with her that refilling a prescription for \$20 is a barrier to proper health care and is too expensive for some to pay.

She adds she is hoping to get a prompt response from the minister.

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**Meat Roll-Offs** - The meat roll-offs are back at the Espanola Legion starting and will run every Saturday. The fun starts at 3:30 and everyone is welcome. COVID-19 protocols in place.

**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

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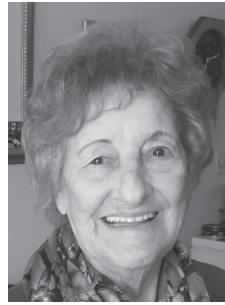
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## OBITUARY



**Church Service at St. Jude's Parish on Friday February 25th, 2022 at 11:00 am.**

**Unfortunately due to covid, there will not be an after service gathering and masks are required for attendance.** On February 7, 2022 with her family by her side, **Geraldine Bertin** of Espanola, Ontario, 93 years young, peacefully left her loved ones to be with her Lord and Saviour. She filled our hearts with so much love and kindness throughout her lifetime here. We have been truly blessed to have had her in our family. We would like to extend a grateful thank you to all those that have helped in her care. She is lovingly missed by her daughters Diane Dorriesfield and Lise Mastin (Alain). Cherished Nana to David LeBlanc (Giselle), Nancy LeBlanc, Bobby LeBlanc, Jason LeBlanc (Amanda), Tina Mastin, Jeffrey Mastin (Ashley). Great grandchildren Paisley, Autumn, Jade, Jack, Allison, Emily, Isaac, Danielle, Charlie, Ellie. She will be greatly missed by family and friends. She loved to smile and had such a youthful fun personality, she was very loving, kind, and affectionate. She was Nana to everyone. She was a dedicated long time member with the FCFE. Her love will always be with us and be remembered in the lives of those she touched. If you wish to make a donation in her memory you may donate to St. Jude's Parish in Espanola, or The Diabetes Foundation. Funeral arrangements to follow at a later date.



**Sokoloski, Bernice Marie** of Espanola, passed away peacefully on February 10, 2022 in her 94 year. In memory of a life so wonderfully lived and a heart so deeply loved. Beloved wife of the late John Sokoloski, loving mother of Beverley Salmaso (Sergio), David Sokoloski (Mary) and Sandra Bois (Roger). Will be forever missed by beloved grandchildren Sergio Jr., Darryl, Dominic and Christian Salmaso; Sara & James Sokoloski and Kaitlyn Bois. Great grandmother to Bradley, Lucia, Sophia, Adria & Cole. No greater joy did she have than to have her family and grandchildren at her side to hug and to squeeze. It was a blessing to have our mother share in our lives for many years, as it is time now to say goodbye, but never forgotten. Dear daughter of the late Adelard & Agnes (Sauve) Laderoute. Predeceased by brothers and sisters, Wilfred Laderoute, Jean Doucette, Gerald Laderoute, Pearl Ouellette, Lionel Laderoute and Eileen Caverly. Will be dearly missed by brother Terry Laderoute of Espanola, and sister Marie-Rose McGrath of Stoney Creek, sister-in-law Cleo Sokoloski, many nieces and nephews and special friend Brenda McCarthy. The family would like to thank the Bayshore caregivers for their compassion and the wonderful care they provided throughout; NP Erin Neufeld and palliative care nurse Jennifer; for their assistance and dedication. If so desired, donations can be made to the Royal Canadian Legion, Branch 39, Espanola. A celebration of life will follow at a later date.



**William E. Winnington-Ingram** October 1, 1948 - February 9, 2022. William Edward Winnington-Ingram, of Naim Centre Ontario passed away at Health Sciences North with family by his side on February 9, 2022, at the age of 73. William was predeceased by his parents, Cecil and Patricia Winnington-Ingram (nee Green). Beloved former spouse of Cecile Winnington-Ingram (nee Ringuette). Loving father of Jason Winnington-Ingram (Amy) of Espanola, Greg Winnington-Ingram of Naim Centre, and Neil Winnington-Ingram

of Sudbury. Cherished by grandchildren, Emma, Tessa; Heather, Steffen, Katrina, Gavin; Mason, Lexi and Tanner. Dear brother of the late Beth Whitney, Beverly Black, Bert Winnington-Ingram and Brian Winnington-Ingram. Also, sadly missed by 5 great grandchildren, many nieces and nephews, friends, and relatives. The family would like to thank his medical team from HSN who were involved in providing care and compassion in his final days. If so desired, donations made to the Canadian Diabetes Association would be appreciated. Arrangements have been entrusted with Bourcier Funeral Home Ltd., Espanola.



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