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## Sales Of Ducks Going Well ... Lions And Rescue Working Together



*Photo* - Rock Taylor, a member of the Espanola Lions Club dropped by the Moose studio on Tuesday to talk about the important role of the North Shore Search and Rescue and why the Espanola Lions Club assists the unit with its annual Canada Day Duck Race. Photo by Rosalind Russell

*By Rosalind Russell* - A collaboration between the Espanola Lions Club and North Shore Search and Rescue means saving more people in the long run. Lions Club Rock Taylor says the role North Shore Search and Rescue plays is crucial to people's survival and even though it is a call people do not want to have to make, it is so vitally important to know the volunteers that make up the unit are available to assist someone in crisis. He says that is why the Espanola Lions

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Club members and their supporters are out selling tickets for the Annual North Shore Search and Rescue Duck Race.

With regular jobs, ongoing training, and more, the unit appreciates the assistance of the Lions Club in selling tickets for the annual Duck Race held every Canada Day in Espanola.

Taylor points out the unit oversees an area extending from Sault Ste. Marie east to Sudbury, and south from Chapleau to Parry Sound.

Tickets are available at various local stores and from Lions Club Members.

Taylor says 100 percent of the proceeds goes to North Shore Search & Rescue, which receives no government supports and must raise over \$50,000

every year to cover its own insurance costs and training, as well as host fundraising for equipment.

The latest purchases include a new vehicle as well as a Zodiac boat, which is large enough to hold a stretcher and helps the unit reach difficult, isolated wild areas when involved in an active search.

Interested in volunteering for either group, look for their pages on Facebook and send a message.

### NSSAR Duck Race Update

*By Rock Taylor* - The 24th Annual Espanola Duck Race, the major fundraiser for North Shore Search and Rescue, is fast approaching. July 1st at

11:00 a.m. is the official duck drop. We have sold nearly 4500 of the hoped for 5000 tickets which is great and there is time left to sell the rest if all those who have not yet donated to this NSSAR event would do so. The reason I've chosen to write this article at this time is to underline the fact that although the Duck Race is a fun July 1st event and 56 people will win a prize, the real winner is your search and rescue team. If we can sell 5000 tickets, the Lions Club will have raised over \$20,000 for NSSAR! This is approximately 40% of their annual budget. So, when

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Well over 100 Espanola seniors took in the annual Seniors +55 Appreciation Day. The seniors were treated to free fitness and swim access at the Espanola Regional Recreation Complex in the morning, then a delicious lunch hosted by the Town of Espanola and put together by the Espanola Elks, topped off with booths geared to senior issues set at the Espanola Regional Complex in the afternoon.



Espanola Mayor Doug Bois thanked the seniors for all their contributions to the community also pointing out their tremendous value in the volunteer work many of them do in their retirement. The annual celebration is hosted by the Town of Espanola as a thank you and in celebration of Seniors Month, which is held every June.  
Photos by Rosalind Russell

## EHS Caps Off Successful Track And Field Season

*By Rosalind Russell* - Four members of the Espanola High School Spartans Track and Field team returned from a successful OFSAA Track and Field Championship meet in Ottawa last weekend. Hope Brohart finished 10th in Ontario in the Senior Girls Javelin with a best throw of 32.17 meters. Her brother Michael Brohart threw a personal best throw of 33.70 meters to finish in 12th in Novice Boys Discus. On the track, Micah Jacques ran a personal best in the Senior Boys 400-meter hurdles in 1:04.12 and Regan Houle earned a personal best in the Junior Boys 300-meter hurdles in 45.13 seconds and competed in the 1500 meters finishing in 4:33.00. The Ontario finals are the highest level of sports possible in secondary school.



Photo: Four Espanola High School Spartans, athletes all, took in the Ontario finals in track and field, the highest level of competition at the high school level. Photos - Espanola High School

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## 17 Beaver Lake Area Residents Enjoyed Recent Fire Extinguisher Training Session At Beaver Lake Club



**By Leslee Salo** – On May 26th 2023, NATT Safety Services trainer Darrell Cayen presented a 2 hour demonstration explaining the combustion process, variety of Fire Extinguisher types and their particular suitability in extinguishing different common classes of fires. Also

included in the session was the opportunity to virtually put out a fire with indoor fire extinguisher simulator training unit. Session attendees learned that for Fire Extinguisher use P.A.S.S (Pull pin, Aim, Squeeze, Sweep) was effective. Photo Provided by Leslee Salo

## New Weightlifting Champ Hails From Sagamok-Anishinabek First Nation



A new weightlifting champ hails from Sagamok-Anishinabek First Nation. Ojibwe athlete Ambrose Stevens-Paquette was crowned Top Female in the under 80-kilogram weight class, she weighs in at 76-kilogram, at the 2023 Canadian Junior Weightlifting Championships held in La Prairie, Quebec in early June. She picked up a bronze medal in the 80-kilogram lift in the snatch category, then capped it off with a 101-kilogram in the clean & jerk category to

take the gold. She is continuing her training at the Sudbury Weightlifting Club and is also studying firefighting at Cambrian College.

Photo: Ambrose Stevens-Paquette is the Top Female in the under 80-kilogram weight in women's weightlifting. She was bronze and gold at the 2023 Canadian Junior Weightlifting Championships held in La Prairie, Quebec in early June. Photo provided SAFN

Happy National Indigenous Peoples Day  
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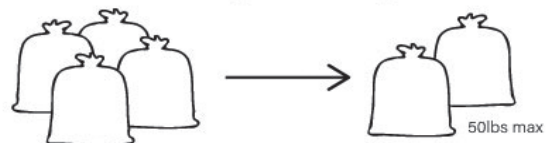
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## OBITUARY



**Harvey Sloss** - May 15, 1939 – June 02, 2023. Harvey Sloss, a resident of Espanola, passed away peacefully at the Espanola Nursing Home on Friday, June 02, 2023 at the age of 84. He was the son of Sidney and Clementine (Johnston) Sloss, both predeceased. Harvey is survived by his loving wife Mary-Jo and daughters Nancy Orford (Gord), Debbie Harper (Tom), Beverly and step-daughter Kelly Ritchie (Craig). Loving grandpa to April Patterson (Richard), Matthew Orford (Shannon), Ashley Demeau (Cody), Keegan Sloss (Savannah) and step-grandpa to Breanna, Kurtis and Tyler.

Cherished great-grandpa to Gage, Garrison, Aurora, Atlas, Lexi, Oliver and step-great-grandchildren Hailey and Alice. Will be sadly missed by mother-in-law Mary Massicotte, sisters and brothers-in-law and their families, as well as many nieces, nephews, cousins and friends. Predeceased by beloved spouse Marina Sloss (2009), and brothers Grant, Lyle and sister Noreen. *I would like to express my sincere thanks to all the staff at the Espanola Nursing Home for the last 2 years of Harvey's battle with dementia. Funeral has already taken place in Gore Bay Mary-Jo Sloss*



**Laplante – Gauthier, Margaret** of Espanola passed away at the Espanola Regional Hospital on June 7, 2023 at the age of 86. Dear daughter of the late Leo & Ann (nee Walker) Daoust. Beloved wife of the late Raymon Laplante and Guy Gauthier (2017). Loving mother of Debbie Breit (Billy) of McKerrow, Darlene Duranleau (Richard) of Espanola, Brenda Houle (Tim) of McKerrow, Wendy Merineau (Gilles) of Sault Ste. Marie and the late Wanda Laplante and late Raymond Jr. Cherished by 9 grandchildren and 8 great grandchildren. Survived by many siblings. Also, will be sadly missed by many friends & relatives. Cremation with a Celebration of Life will be at a later date. Arrangements by BOURCIER FUNERAL HOME Ltd, Espanola.



In loving Memory of **MRS THERESA MARGARET MACKENZIE**, 1930-2023. Mrs. Theresa Margaret MacKenzie, formally of ESPANOLA passed away suddenly at Golden Birches Blind River on Sunday June 4, 2023 at age 93. Born in New France, Nova Scotia, she was the daughter of the late J.R. Smith and Mary (MacNeil) Smith of Antigonish, Nova Scotia. Beloved wife to Blaise MacKenzie who just celebrated their 70th Anniversary. Dear mother of Shirley (Mrs. Ron Langlois) of Espanola, Kevin (wife Eileen) Sundre Alberta, Pat (Mrs. Robert Campbell) of Espanola, Debbie of Espanola, Mary (Mrs. Ken Hurtubise) of Algoma Mills, and Jill (Mrs. David Fairbairn) of McKerrow. Predeceased by son Blaise John MacKenzie and daughters Jacqueline Lillian and baby Jacqueline and grandson Robbie Campbell. Will be sadly missed by grandchildren John Langlois of Espanola, Jennifer MacKenzie (Andrew Pommier) of Sudbury, Jennifer Skinner of New Minus Nova Scotia, Renee Langlois (Darryl Sokoloski) of Espanola, Steven Bush of Sundre Alberta, Jason Bush of Sundre Alberta, Sarah (Jason Ball) of Espanola, Kayleigh Hurtubise of Algoma Mills. Cherished by great-grandchildren Rebecca, Racheal, Charlotte, Emma, Abigail, Seth, Hunter, Vincent, Aldea. Survived by her dear sister of Mary Ferriss Dartmouth Nova Scotia. Predeceased by brothers John Joseph "Jackie" Smith, Jimmy Smith, Cecil Smith, Neil Smith, Vincent Smith, Stanley Smith, and sister Agnes Smith. Also predeceased by sister-in-law's Janann Smith, Kay Smith, Adeline Smith and brother-in-law Don Ferriss. Mom will be remembered for her devotion to the church, the CWL (a 70-year member), and to her family. She gave of herself endlessly. As her family grew older, she spent the rest of her time volunteering for the food bank and having fun with her grandchildren. She will also be remembered for her homemade bread and pies, to which no one could duplicate. Visitation was held at Bourcier Funeral Home, 222 Spruce St Espanola on Sunday June 11 from 2-4 pm and 6-8 pm. Funeral Mass was held at 10:00 am on Monday June 12, 2023 at Parioise St-Jude Parish, 247 Mead Blvd, Espanola with Fr. Gilles Grandmont officiating. Interment in Espanola Cemetery. If desired memorial donations may be made to Breast Cancer Canada, St Jude's Parish or a charity of your choice. Arrangements by BOURCIER FUNERAL HOME Ltd, Espanola.

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