











Former Espanola Resident Pens Novel Being Turned Into A Movie



Photo: A federal government worker formerly from Espanola has been writing books in her spare time. One of those has led to a movie deal. Photo provided.

A former Espanola High School student who now works for the federal government in Ottawa has penned some books in her spare time and one of them is now being turned into a movie. Amy Lea's book 'Woke Up Like This', a teen romantic comedy, was selected as one of CBC's best books for Canadian children and teens in 2023 and made the CBC Canada Reads Longlist for 2024, one of only 15 books to receive the honour. She says the book focuses on its 17-year-old heroine Charlotte Wu who must work with her arch-nemesis on making the right life choices.

Lea says Amazon Studios has purchased the film option and the book has also been featured on The Today Show, People Magazine, and Entertainment Weekly.

She adds once filming is finished, Amazon will be releasing it on its site, Prime Video.

Lea has completed is a trilogy; 'Set on You', published in 2022, and 'Exes & O's', which came out in October 2023 by Penguin Random House, with the final installment, 'The Catch,' being released just before Valentine's Day.

Age Friendly Strategy And Three-Year Action Plan Focus Of New Survey In Espanola



Photo - An Age Friendly survey is underway in Espanola. Go to espanola. ca for more information or to take part. Paper copies are also available at the town office, rec centre and library. Photo capture - Rosalind Russell

The Town of Espanola is asking for the public's input on a new action plan focusing on age friendly strategies.

According to the release, the town is inviting residents to share their views and comments on the Age Friendly Strategy and Three Year Action Plan, focusing on health and recreation.

Officials say once launched throuthe strategy and action plan Real will work to ensure anyone nw3 in Espanola can enjoy good Accordination https://www.accordination.com/accordination/com/accordinatio/com/accord

fully, and feel valued and respected – regardless of age. The survey is available in two forms, online, visit our websites for the link, or a paper-based survey available at the town office, recreation centre or library.

The survey closes on February 2nd and results will be reported back to the public through council.

Read more here: https://rb.gy/ nw3ri3

Access the survey here: https://rb.gy/pulo5w

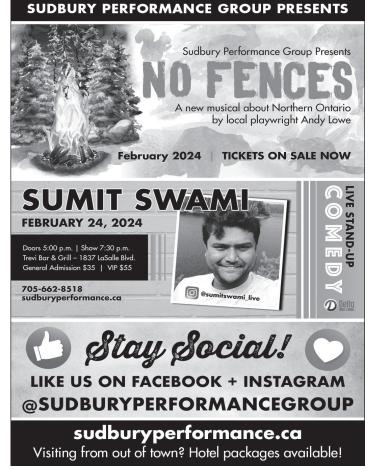


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Espanola Hospital And First Nation Health Team Signs Agreement

traditional practices and improving coordinated and seamless health care, access and awareness of Indigenous Health Services available in the LaCloche Foothills region. coordinated and seamless health care, ensuring optimal outcomes for Indigenous patients and clients. This collaboration aims to improve access to quality care to

The Maamwesying Ontario Health Team was announced in October of 2022 to seamlessly integrate health care services for clients in the communities of Atikameksheng Anishnawbek, Sagamok Anishnawbek, Serpent River First Nation, Mississauga First Nation, Thessalon First Nation, Garden River First Nation, Batchewana First Nation, Michipicoten First Nation, Chapleau Cree First Nation, Chapleau Ojibwe First Nation, and Brunswick House FirstNation, as well as the urban Indigenous population in Sault Ste. Marie.

"With this agreement, Maamwesying Ontario Health Team and Espanola Regional Hospital and Health Centre, the healthcare hub of the Lacloche Foothills region, recognize the importance of Indigenous-driven health systems that are community-designed, innovative, and culturally safe. This agreement reaffirms the value of Indigenous peoples and their right to self-determination within the healthcare system. Together, we recognize the collective long-term goal of creating a healthcare system free from racism and discrimination," said Carol Eshkakogan, Chief Executive Officer for Maamwesying North Shore Community Health Services Inc./ Chair of the Maamwesying Ontario Health Team Leadership Council.

The collaboration between Maamwesying and Espanola Regional Hospital and Health Centre is driven by a vision to provide

coordinated and seamless health care, ensuring optimal outcomes for Indigenous patients and clients. This collaboration aims to improve access to quality care to improve outcomes and enhance equitable patient care and culturally safe, while actively involving Indigenous health leaders and advisors in the planning, design, delivery, and evaluation of health services to enhance the satisfaction and experience for patients, caregivers, and providers.

⁴'On behalf of Espanola Regional Hospital and Health Centre, I am honoured to sign this agreement. Partnering with Maamwesying on our journey towards reconciliation is a significant step in strengthening our relationship to improve seamless and coordinated access to quality care, in a caring environment that is free of racism and discrimination.

Building connections that guide our team's growth, learning, and respect for the traditional and cultural practices of Indigenous patients, residents and families across our health campus will help to shape our collective future. It gives our organization great pleasure to share in this agreement." Jane Battistelli, President and CEO of Espanola Regional Hospital and Health Centre.

By signing this agreement, Maamwesying and Espanola Regional Hospital and Health Centre are committing to work together to create culturally safe spaces within the healthcare system and improve care transitions so Indigenous patients have the support they need to access the right care at the right time.

Talking About Death Is A Matter Of Life

The Espanola Family Health Team says a forum will focus on talking about how death is a matter of life.

Team spokesperson Jennifer Burden says a meeting focusing on advance care planning will be held early next month to help the public through the process of dealing with the potential loss of a loved one and the palliative care and supports

available in the Espanola area.

She says the session will be held on Thursday, February 8 from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Burden adds people who wish to attend will have to pre-register.

For more information, call 705-862-7991, ext. 4221.



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Algoma Public Health Sends Out 6,000 Letters Regarding Immunization

Algoma Public Health has sent out thousands of letters to parents and guardians about the legal obligation for immunizations to attend school in the district.

Dr. John Tuinema, the Associate Medical Officer of Health, says roughly 6,000 letters have been sent to

parents and guardians in Algoma informing them that immunization records for their children aren't up to date, either because they're overdue or because the health unit hasn't received an updated vaccination record.

He emphasizes preventing disease infectious is а cornerstone of ensuring a safe school environment adding high levels of vaccination contribute to herd immunity which keeps dangerous diseases away from children. He says failure to do so could students attending mean elementary or secondary school may receive up to 20 days of suspension adding those suspensions will take place in April and May if students have not received all mandatory vaccines, do not have their immunization records up to date, or have a valid immunization exemption on file.

Update your child's immunization record with



Photo - Immunizing your child is legally required to attend a public school in Ontario. Algoma Public Health has sent out over 6,000 letters to parents asking for updated records or vaccinations. Photo CDC - unsplash.

Algoma Public Health using one of the following options. Please ensure any submission includes your child's full name and date of birth.

Enter the vaccine record online at www.algomapublichealth. com/icon

Call 705-759-5409 or Toll-Free 1-866-892-0172, ext. 5409.

Fax the vaccine record to 705-541-5959 (confidential fax).

Email a picture of their vaccine record to immunizations@ algomapublichealth.com (If you are sending personal information by email, please be aware that electronic communication is not always secure and can be vulnerable to interception)

If your child requires a vaccine:

Ensure your child receives any missing immunizations by making an appointment with your health care provider, participating walkin clinics or with Algoma Public Health.



Got a news story? Hosting an event? Give us a call at 705-869-NEWS (6397) ... we look forward to continuing to provide you with up-to-date news, weather, sports, and events in 2024. Want to text us? 705-869-6999? Or email? rrussell@moosefm.com ... Talk to you Soon!

COMMUNITY NOTES

Northshore Pins & Needles Quilting & Stitchery Guild -Next meeting, Wednesday, January 24, 2024 at 7:00 pm at the Espanola Royal Canadian Legion. New members welcome. Game And Fish Big Buck Night - Elks Hall, 7:00 – 9:00 p.m., Friday, January 26. Bring antlers from last fall's hunt, to be measured.

Free St. George's Soup & Sandwich Takeout – January 30 & February 6, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m., St. George's Church, 213 Tudhope St. Espanola.

The Walford Catholic Womens League Annual Pancake Breakfast – Sunday, February 11 8:30 a.m. – noon at the Walford Community Centre 402 Hwy 17 Walford.

Toasts & Roasts Speaking Club – 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. at the Espanola Library

Paroisse St-Sébastien Parish Reminder – The Sunday (bilingual) Mass at St-Sebastien (Spanish) is held at 4:00 p.m. **Community Choir** - The Voices of Spring is starting up again.

Rehearsals are at 10:30 am, Saturday mornings at St. Andrew's United Church, Massey. New members are welcome!

St. Andrew's Church Massey - Services at 10:30 every Sunday. All are welcome.

North Shore Seventh-day-Adventist Church - Saturdays Sabbath School 10:00 a.m., Divine Service 11:00 a.m., "Discovery Hour" 1:30 - 2:30 p.m. ages 7 up. Discover new stories activities and crafts ...10 Menard Cres. Walford/Spanish

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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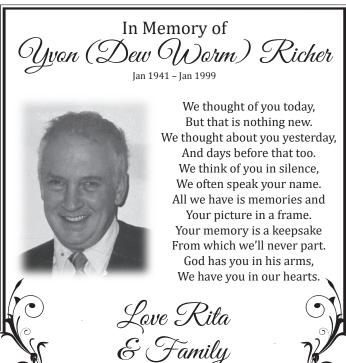
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OBITUARY



Bednarski – June of Espanola passed away in her home on January 14, 2024 at the age of 90. Dear daughter of the late Emile & Sophie (nee Linkevitch) Liske. Beloved wife of the late Stanley (2021). Loving mother of Greg (Joy) Bednarski and Lyn Bednarski both of Espanola. Cherished grandmother of Jason, Mallory and great grandchild Suri. Dear sister of Elaine Blanchard (Jim) and the late Karl and late Eunice. Also, will be sadly missed by many friends & relatives. Cremation with a graveside service at a later date in the spring. Arrangements by BOURCIER FUNERAL HOME Ltd, Espanola

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To place your announcement call or email 705-869-6883 around@aroundandabout.ca



NOTICE - ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Massey Agricultural Society's Annual General Meeting



Tuesday, January 30th at 7 pm St. Andrew's United Church in Massey.



All members are welcome to attend. Memberships will be available for purchase at the meeting.

THANK YOU

Elks Christmas Hamper Fund 2023

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The Espanola Elks would like to take the time to thank all business, organizations, church groups, clubs, & unions for another successful 2023 season – "Number 47"

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A big thank you to all the Volunteer Members.

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Please, if we missed anyone, let us know. Gary 249-234-0164 / Elks 705-869-1931 Volunteers are always welcome and we are always looking for new members. Thanks again!



Children's Community Network Réseau communautaire pour enfants is currently seeking a

Child and Youth Worker for the Sudbury office Hybrid Work Arrangement

Full Time permanent, 35 hours/week (includes evenings and weekends) Salary range: \$23.63 to \$35.11 per hour

The Children's Community Network (CCN) is a non-profit agency who provides services to children, youth and their families. CCN offers a flexible work environment with a positive, caring, and supportive culture. CCN offers professional development opportunities for employees to ensure continued growth and skill building in their roles.

The successful candidate will provide direct care to children and youth with a variety of needs, including developmental and mental health needs, while providing temporary relief to the caregiver. The candidate will provide safe, stimulating and recreational support in the client's home or in the community. They will support the client's growth and development through skill building in areas of daily living and other areas of need outlined in the client's respite plan. They will provide professional services using a strength-based approach.

The candidate will possess a diploma in Child and Youth Work with a minimum of two years related experience, or an equivalent combination of education and experience. The candidate will have knowledge of child development, childhood disorders and syndromes. They will have a thorough knowledge and ability to apply behavioural intervention strategies, the ability to work both independently and as part of a team, possess exceptional interpersonal and conflict resolution skills, organization and time management skills.

The successful candidate must be willing and able to work evenings and weekends in order to accommodate client needs. A valid driver's license, access to a vehicle and current insurance are required as travel throughout the assigned area is required. Bilingualism is considered an asset.

Those interested in this position should send their current resumes in confidence to:

Mary Katherine Howe, Executive Director Children's Community Network Tel: (705) 566-3416 ext. 2547 E-Mail: **mhowe@ccnsudbury.on.ca**

Children's Community Network welcomes and encourages applications from people with disabilities. Accommodations are available on request for candidates taking part in all aspects of the selection process. We would like to thank all applicants for their interest, however, only those candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.



Children's Community Network Réseau communautaire pour enfants is currently seeking a

Mental Health Clinician -Urgent Response Program

for the Sudbury/Manitoulin, Algoma and Nipissing/ Parry Sound/Muskoka areas

Hybrid work arrangement

Permanent, full-time, 35 hours/week Salary range: (Bachelors) \$35.73 - \$42.90 (Masters) \$38.59 - \$46.33

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The successful candidate will play a key role in the treatment of individuals diagnosed with Autism who are referred to the Urgent Response Program. They will work with the Urgent Response Coordinator, Behaviour Therapist, and family to support the development of a caregiver mediated treatment plan and provide supportive therapy.

The successful candidate will have a Master's degree in social work or one of the helping disciplines (i.e. psychology) and must be registered and in good standing with the college of Social Work or Psychotherapy. Those candidates with an Honours degree may be considered. The successful candidate must have a minimum 5 years' experience developing and implementing behaviour treatment plans and experience working with children/youth with Autism; experience working in a multidisciplinary team, assessment and intervention skills and experience with data collection and analysis.

The successful candidate will have knowledge of both theory and the application of systemic interventions, child development, childhood disorders and syndromes, family/individual mental health assessments and intervention. The candidate must be self-motivated and able to work independently. Exceptional leadership, inter-personal, problem-solving, written, and organizational skills are further requirements for this position. Bilingualism is considered an asset.

A valid driver's license, access to a vehicle, and current insurance are required as travel throughout the assigned area, although limited, may be expected. The successful candidate must provide a clear vulnerable sector criminal reference check. The potential candidate will be expected to primarily work from home.

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