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New Regional Medical Van Unveiled




Photos: The LaCloche Care Van was unveiled along with a \$49,000 grant from the federal government announcement by Nickel Belt MP Marc Serre. Checking out the efficiency of the new vehicle are: (l-r): Kevin Burke, Mayor of Sables-Spanish Rivers Township, Amy Macey - Mayor of Nairn & Hyman Township, Nickel Belt MP Marc Serre and Doug Gervais, Mayor of Espanola. Photos by Rosalind M. Russell

By Rosalind Russell - Local politicians and staffers were on hand for the unveiling of the new LaCloche Care Van in Espanola. Espanola Mayor Doug Gervais, Nairn & Hyman Township Mayor Amy Macey

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Espanola Lions Donation



Photo and article by Grant Lewis - BOO...BOO...Ah yes, the sound frequently heard in Massey at Hallowe'en as you walk the HAUNTED TRAIL!!! This annual event has thrilled and of course scared young and old over the years. And all to raise

funds to provide playground equipment for kids in town. All those countless volunteer hours have now paid off. Soon to be seen at the existing playground at the Memorial Park at the Fairgrounds will be a Miracle Gravity Rail. This is a swing which is a cross between

a zip line and a carousel. Thanks to the over 50 volunteers, and local businesses, \$40,000 has been raised! A special shout-out to Tiffany Hall at Chutes Confectionary, who has been selling Lions bingo cards for 18 years, and Catch the Ace tickets for 10 years. Hopefully everything will be up and running by this September, along with a much needed

shade structure. The town will be supplying the labour, expertise and construction. A real community effort!! The Espanola Lions Club is excited to be part of this dedicated team, with a donation of \$20,000 to help with this wonderful project. On hand to receive the cheque are Tiffany Hall and dedicated volunteer Mary Dillen. Well done everyone.

Expressions of Interest for Council Vacancy

During the Regular Meeting of Council of June 25, 2024, one (1) Councillor position was declared vacant.

The Municipal Act, 2001, S.O. 2001, c. 25, Subsection 263 (1) requires that the Municipality shall:

(a) fill the vacancy by appointing a person who has consented to accept the office if appointed; or

(b) require a by-election to be held to fill the vacancy in accordance with the Municipal Elections Act, 1996. 2001, c. 25, s. 263 (1).

Following the decision of Council to fill the vacancy by appointment, the Town of Espanola is now accepting applications to appoint one (1) Councillor position for the remainder of the 2022 – 2026 term of Council.

All applicants must be a qualified elector as defined in the Municipal Elections Act. Applicants must be:

- A Canadian citizen;
- At least 18 years old, and;
- Resident of the Town of Espanola, or the owner or tenant of land in the Town of Espanola, or the spouse of such a person; and
- Not prohibited from voting (as per the Municipal Elections Act) or otherwise by law.

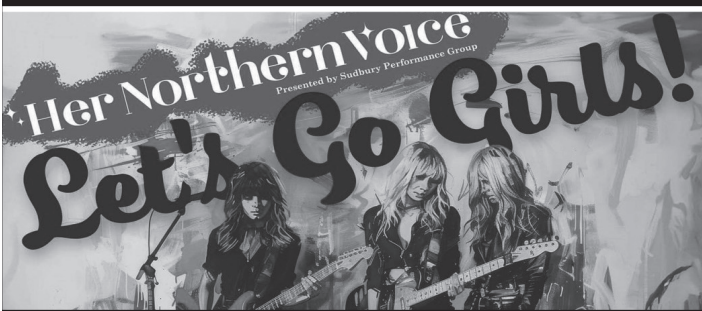
The role of Council as per section 224 of the Municipal Act, 1990 are:

- to represent the public and to consider the well-being and interests of the municipality;
- to develop and evaluate the policies and programs of the municipality;
- to determine which services the municipality provides;
- to ensure that administrative policies, practices and procedures and controllership policies, practices and procedures are in place to implement the decisions of council;
- to ensure the accountability and transparency of the operations of the municipality, including the activities of the senior management of the municipality;
- to maintain the financial integrity of the municipality; and
- to carry out the duties of council under this or any other Act. 2001, c. 25, s. 224; 2006, c. 32, Sched. A, s. 99.

If you are interested in applying, please submit a letter to express your interest accompanied by a resume before **4:00 pm on July 19th, 2024** to Joseph Burke, Chief Administrative Officer/Clerk for the Town of Espanola at jburke@espanola.ca or in person at the Municipal Office at 100 Tudhope Street, Suite #2, Espanola.



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New Regional Medical Van Unveiled

and Sables-Spanish Rivers Township's Kevin Burke were in attendance for Nickel Belt MP Marc Serré's announcement of a \$49,000 grant towards supporting the new van, which will provide transportation for seniors and those with mobility issues throughout the region. (Baldwin Mayor Vern Gorham was unable to attend.) A driver has been hired and is completing First Aid and CPR training. The service starts July 6th. Users must register for transportation to and from medical appointments in Sudbury and Espanola.

The van is a joint project between the four municipalities that make up the LaCloche Foothills Mayors Association. The federal government is investing \$49,370 through the Public Transit Infrastructure Stream of the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program. The Government of Ontario is investing \$41,138. The Town of Espanola, Township of Baldwin, Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers, and Township of Nairn & Hyman are contributing a combined \$32,917.

Young Massey Boy Receives Certificate For Saving A Girl's Life

By Rosalind Russell - Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers council hosted a special meeting July 8th to have a special guest to acknowledge his heroic efforts in saving a young girl from drowning. Andrea Pyette of Massey says her seven-year-old daughter, Keira Weist was saved from drowning on June 20th by a 12-year-old boy, Carter Eshkakogan, also of Massey. She says her daughter was swimming with friends at the Mouth Park when she

was caught by the current and was being pulled underwater. Pyette adds Carter spotted Keira having trouble and swam to her rescue saving her life, adding her daughter has received medical treatment and is now taking swimming lessons. Word of his actions spread, and township council presented him with a Certificate of Bravery acknowledging his heroism at the special meeting.

Harvest Algoma Awarded Neighborhood Grant from The Starbucks Foundation

By Rosalind Russell - As part of The Starbucks Foundation's Neighborhood Grants program, Harvest Algoma was selected to receive a \$5,400 grant in feeding those in need in the Algoma District. As a key player in reducing food waste and hunger in our community, Harvest Algoma focuses on sourcing wholesome food from local grocers, community

donations, and its own greenhouses. This food, which might otherwise end up in landfills, is transformed into meals and excess shared with local farmers for animal feed or composted. Harvest Algoma then stores and distributes these meals across the district, so the grant will towards upgrading freezer units to store rescued food and prepared meals.

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St. George's High Tea - July 18 & 19. Hourly seatings beginning at / from 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m., by reservation. Contact Reverend Bev. at 705-919-6541 or stgeorgespanola@bell.net for more information or tickets.

Worship Services - St. George's will be joining The United Church, Espanola for worship services for the month of July at 10 a.m.

North Shore Seventh-day-Adventist Church - Saturday (Sabbath) Song Service 9:45 a.m.. Sabbath School 10:00 a.m. Divine Service 11:00 a.m. Vacation Bible School July 8, 9, 10, Spanish Legion. For info call 1437-22-2630 or 705-865-3013.

The Baytones - North Bay's women's acapella chorus are recruiting! If you love to sing, come join us! For details call Janet 705-662-2770

Narcotics Anonymous Meetings - Tuesdays 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. and Saturdays 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. United church, downstairs. 137 Shepard St. Espanola

Al-Anon - Do you worry about how much someone drinks? Al-Anon can help. Tuesdays at 7:00 P.M., St. George's Anglican Church, Espanola. (basement).

Toasts & Roasts Speaking Club - 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month, 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. at the Espanola Library. For more info, email toastandroastsspeakingclub@gmail.com

Paroisse St-Sébastien Parish Reminder - The Sunday (bilingual) Mass at St-Sebastien (Spanish) is held at 4:00 p.m.

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

OBITUARY



Delisle, Jean-Claude - In loving memory of JC Delisle who passed away on Thursday, June 20, 2024 at Health Sciences North in Sudbury at the age of 67. Son of the late Armand and Evelyn (née Prosper). Loving husband of 40 years to Evelyn (née Cress). Cherished father to Joelle, Sara (David), and Laura (Kyle). Papa to Emma, Noah, Valiza, Madison and Hannah. Brother of Dianne (Wilfred) St. Pierre, Claudette (Emile) Lalonde, Mike, Peter, Sue Berthelot, Raymond (Christine) and the late Omer and Leo. Also missed by his K9 companion Cooper. The family would like to thank the wonderful staff at Espanola Regional Hospital and HSN for their wonderful care of Dad. Cremation has taken place, and a Celebration of Life will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made directly to the Espanola Regional Hospital Foundation



Forrest - Franklin Louis of Birch Island passed away on July 1, 2024 at the age of 52. Beloved son of Frances Rivers of Birch Island and the late William Forrest. Loving father of Alexander, Brent and Andrew all of St. Catherines. Dear brother of Kimberly Forrest of Hamilton. Sadly & forever missed by partner Becky Thomas. Also, will be sadly missed by many friends & relatives. Visitation starts at 1:30 PM on July 8, 2024 in the Birch Island Community Centre. Funeral Service at 11 AM in the Birch Island Community Centre on July 10, 2024 with interment to follow in the Birch Island Cemetery.

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