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Espanola Talent Adele Bishop To Be Highlighted At Concert



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Local Espanola performer Adele Bishop was selected as a vocalist for the 2025 Lions Superstar Showcase as one of 14 children aged 6-19, representing Lions Clubs in Northeastern Ontario. Adele Bishop takes the stage as a young vocalist aged 12, under the tutelage of vocal coach Susan Urquhart. A Grade 7 student at Marymount Academy, Adele has won multiple diamond awards at the Sudbury Music Festival, including provincial honours. She has performed at the SMF's Stars of Excellence concerts during the last 3 years, as the

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NOTICE OF A PUBLIC MEETING Concerning Applications for Consent

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Corporation of the Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers will hold a public meeting to consider the proposed applications for Consent under Section 53 of the Planning Act, RSO 1990 as amended. The public meeting will be held on **Wednesday, April 23rd, 2025 at 6:30 p.m.** in Council Chambers, at 11 Birch Lake Road, Massey, Ontario.

PURPOSE AND EFFECT: Consent File No. C-25-003; C-25-004 To provide for two lot additions within the Rural Zone. The property is described as Salter Township, PT NE ¼ Section 36, RP 53R22080, Parts 1 to 5. The land in subject application is not subject to any other Planning Act application.

IF YOU WISH TO BE NOTIFIED of the decision of the Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers on the proposed consent application you must make a written request to the Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers.

ANY PERSON may attend the Public Meeting and/or make written or verbal representation either in support of or in opposition to the proposed consent applications.

TAKE NOTICE THAT only the applicant, a public body that, before the approval authority made its decision, made oral comments at a public meeting or written submissions to the approval authority, a specified person prescribed by the Planning Act, the Minister, or the municipality in which the subject land is located, may appeal this decision.

An appeal to the Ontario Land Tribunal (OLT) in respect to the proposed consent applications may be made by filing a notice of appeal with the Clerk of the Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers either via the Ontario Land Tribunal e-file service (first time users will need to register for a My Ontario Account) at <http://olt.gov.on.ca/e-file-service> by selecting Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers as the Approval Authority or by mail to 11 Birch Lake Road, Massey Ontario P0P 1P0. The notice of appeal must set out the reasons for the appeal.

Any person or public body may, not later than 20 days after the giving of notice is completed, appeal the decision or any condition imposed by the Council or the Minister or appeal both the decision and any condition to the Tribunal by filing with the Clerk of the municipality or the Minister a notice of appeal setting out the reasons for the appeal, accompanied by the fee charged by the Tribunal.

The filing of an appeal after 4pm., in person or electronically will be deemed to have been received the next business day. The appeal fee of \$1,100 can be paid online through e-file or by certified cheque/money order to the Minister of Finance, Province of Ontario. If you wish to appeal to the OLT or request a fee reduction for an appeal, forms are available from the OLT website www.olt.gov.on.ca. If the e-file portal is down, you can submit your appeal to inquiries@sables-spanish.ca.

AND TAKE NOTICE THAT no person or public body shall be added as a party to the hearing of the appeal unless, before the application for consent was passed, the person or public body made oral submissions at a public meeting or written submissions to the Council or, in the opinion of the Tribunal, there are reasonable grounds to add the person or public body as a party.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AND MATERIAL about the proposed consent applications will be available for inspection during regular office hours at the municipal office, 11 Birch Lake Road, Massey.

DATED at the Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers this 1st day of April, 2025.

Anne Whalen, Clerk-Administrator
(705)-865-2646
inquiries@sables-spanish.ca
11 Birch Lake Rd, Massey ON, P0P 1P0

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Applications for summer employment are being accepted from individuals 15 – 30 years of age to work under the supervision of the Parks & Recreation Department.

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- Successful applicants will be required to obtain and submit a current criminal record check from the Ontario Provincial Police service.
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Employment is conditional upon funding approval.

Resumes will be received until **12:00 p.m., Friday, May 2nd, 2025** at the Township Office (drop box available) or by email to inquiries@sables-spanish.ca

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past recipient of the Introductory Voice Award, Estelle Scappatura and Perras Family Awards. She has performed at the SMF's Fall Gala Concert at the Sheridan Auditorium, and most recently she was the featured young artist at the Sudbury Chamber Singers 50th Anniversary Christmas Concert. Adele has also been a member of the Espanola Festival Choir, an interfaith group performing for the Christmas season. Her piano

teacher Joanne Hogarth of Espanola has supported her musical journey since age 5. Adele is a soprano singer and pianist who also enjoys accompanying herself and composing her own music. Adele is grateful to Espanola Lions Club member Theresa Laurenti for encouraging her to participate. Cafe Heritage will be hosting the concert live on Sunday, April 27th at 1:00 p.m. located at the Lionel E. Lalonde Centre in Azilda.

Northern Ontario Curling Champs 2025 Crowned At Espanola Curling Club



By Rosalind Russell - A Manitoulin curling team will represent at nationals this fall. Team Chandler from Little Current won the Men's event defeating team Belchior from Fort William Curling Club winning the Northern Ontario Curling Association crown. For the women, the team off to nationals

is Team Daley from the North Bay Granite Club. The teams will both represent the North at Nationals in November. The playdowns were hosted by the Espanola Curling Club over five days. Photos of champions provided by Espanola Curling Club

Government Of Canada Invests \$108,000 In Indigenous Economic Development

By Rosalind Russell - Serpent River First Nation is receiving funding from FedNor to develop a five-year Strategic plan for the community. Sault Ste. Marie MP Terry Sheehan announced a FedNor investment of \$108,000 to help maximize tourism and business opportunities for Serpent River First Nation. The announcement was made on behalf

of Anita Anand, Minister of Innovation, Science and Industry. He says the funding will allow the Serpent River First Nation Limited Partnership, the economic development arm of the First Nation, to develop the plan to help diversify the economy, develop new tourism products and extend the tourism season for the Batchewana Bay and Cutler highway trading post facilities

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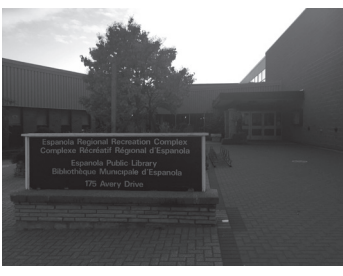
Espanola Council Agrees To Ten-Year Contract With Bylaw Enforcement



By Rosalind Russell - Espanola council has endorsed a ten-year contract with local bylaw enforcement. The deal with Rainbow District Animal Services and By-Law Enforcement was signed after both parties agreed to cap annual inflationary increases to 2% annually. Rainbow also agrees to take on additional property standards responsibilities to increase pro-active enforcement, especially along the Highway Six – Centre Street corridor in alignment with the Town's Strategic Plan.

Council says the direction provided to bylaw enforcement for the corporation is to utilize education, dialogue and warnings when appropriate to avoid fines or court proceedings, with the latter only undertaken if efforts to resolve the matter have failed or if a fine is clearly merited. The bylaw enforcement officer will also provide additional support to the Building Department as directed by the Chief Building Official for a certain scope of property standards matters. Photo by Rosalind Russell

Expo In The Works For The LaCloche Foothills Member Municipalities



to contact the Economic Development Officer in Espanola if they are interested in taking part. Participants from the townships of Sables-Spanish Rivers, Nairn & Hyman and Baldwin and the Town of Espanola can highlight their business by setting up a display booth for the gathering. The expo is set for Tuesday May 13th at the Espanola Regional Recreation Complex.

By Rosalind Russell - Registrations have begun for the 2025 LaCloche Foothills Job Fair & Career Expo. Businesses and industry professionals are asked

Photo by Rosalind Russell

Espanola Helping Hand Food Bank is looking for a dedicated Volunteer to fill the position in our Warehousing Department.

The Director of Warehousing plays a vital role in our community to support our weekly food bank. The position of the Director of Warehousing is to place weekly orders at our local food source providers and assist with delivery to our Food Bank facility. The successful candidate would possess a high degree of confidentiality, trust and integrity. If you would like an opportunity to support our amazing community and have a rewarding experience, we would love to hear from you.

Please contact us at Espanola Helping Hand Food Bank at 87 Centre Street, Espanola, P5E 1S4 on Wednesdays from 10:00 – 2:00 or call at 705-583-3045. You can also email us at ehhfb87@hotmail.ca. Thank you for your consideration.






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OBITUARY



BOUCHER – Lorraine, passed away at the Espanola Nursing Home on Wednesday March 19th, 2025, at the age of 90. Daughter of the late William Proctor Sr. and the late Mary Ellen Loughlin. Predeceased by her beloved Husband of 69 years, Alger Boucher. Loving Mother to Ronald Boucher (Lorene) of Thunder Bay, Jerome “Jed” Boucher (Angel) of Nova Scotia, and Sheri-Lynn Commission (George) of Espanola. Cherished Grandma/Nona to Noel Boucher (Tammy), Lisa Klimkowski (Art), Amber Boucher (Lee-Ann Mirka),

Jeremy Boucher (Chantee), Krista Commission (Steve Robinson) and Jessica Graham (Bill). Fondly remembered by great-grandchildren: Owen, Owen, Hannah, Toby, Ryan, Ava, Ben, Aurora, Skyler, Silas, Maren and Elora. Loving sister to Donna Beauchamp (late Lawrence), John Proctor (Eileen), Brian Proctor (Colette) and Marlene Lippold (late Allan). Predeceased by William Proctor (late Florence), Nora Coad, Joanne Halliday (late Marty), and Betty Coburn. Predeceased by Daughter in Law Michele Kaufenstein-Boucher. Lovingly remembered by numerous nieces and nephews. There will be no visitation. A memorial service was held on March 28th at 11:00 a.m. at Espanola United Church, followed immediately after was a luncheon in the church basement. The family would like to thank Extendicare York, Espanola Nursing Home, and Dr. Allison McMillan. An extra special thank you to the Nurses and PSW’s for Lorraine’s excellent and loving care over the years. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Espanola Nursing Home foundation would be greatly appreciated. Arrangements by BOURCIER FUNERAL HOME Ltd, Espanola.



TRUDEAU, Shawn Edward - Of Sagamok passed away at his home on March 22, 2025 at the age of 51. Will be forever missed by parents Leo & Sharon (nee McGregor) Trudeau. Cherished father to Kiah Jane. Loving brother to Vanessa Trudeau, Dennis Trudeau (Tanya), Penny Trudeau (Simon), Andrew Trudeau, Michael Trudeau, and Louise Trudeau. Grandson to Thomas & Melvina (nee Buswa) Trudeau and George & Mary Jane (nee Toulouse)

McGregor. Will be deeply missed by nephews : Hunter Trudeau, Trent Trudeau, Gavin Trudeau, Conner Trudeau, Ryder Trudeau, Sebastian Trudeau, and Brayden Trudeau. Will also be missed by many special friends and relatives. Visitation took place on Tuesday, March 25th, 2025 at 10:30 a.m. in the New Community Centre in Sagamok. Funeral service was on Thursday, March 27th, 2025 at 11:00 a.m. in the New Community Centre. Interment followed in the New Sagamok Cemetery. Until we meet again. Arrangements by BOURCIER FUNERAL HOME, Ltd., Espanola.

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Real [Estate] Talk



By Chloe Bichette, Broker of Record/Owner, Claudine Bichette Real Estate – So, you want to build your dream home?

Getting started might be the easy part if you are thinking of a new build. Finishing with your finances, and your sanity, intact are another matter! Do not be dismayed, it can be quite streamlined if you hire a reputable general contractor to oversee the project. But, if you're like me and prefer to do things the hard...er, I mean, if you like to learn a lot while taking on a huge project, then it might suit you to oversee your own build.

Let's dig into some basics.

Vacant land – if you are going to be building in a town with services, this part is quite simple. However, if you have scoped out a rural property that needs everything (well, septic, hydro) installed, things get a little more complicated. For starters, most financial institutions would like for you to own the land that you will be building on. There are exceptions, of course, and some banks will finance a portion of raw land (typically 50%) or incorporate your home plans along with the land purchase for a construction mortgage.

Construction mortgages are generally more expensive because their interest rates are higher, but the good news is, once you finish your home, you can put a conventional mortgage on it at a lower rate. The bad news is you will not be getting all your money up front. Instead, you will have to meet milestones, in other words, have inspections and appraisals done at various stages of construction, in

order to access further funds. Because of this, it is important to stay on schedule and plan carefully with the building inspectors and appraisers so that they are available when you need them.

So, what comes first? Plans, building permits and construction insurance. Then, you'll need soil sample tests for the health unit. Sample results, and a detailed plan, are required for a septic permit. The results of the soil test (i.e. drainage), combined with the size of your home are the biggest factors in determining the scope of the septic tank and field bed. This can range from \$10,000 - \$50,000.

Next will be your water source and hydro. Water can be as easy as a sand point just a few feet into the ground or as complex as 350-foot+ drilled well. At last check, \$10,000 will get a well driller on site, but costs could run upwards of \$40,000 depending on depth and water quality.

As for hydro service, you will need a plot laid out for where your home will be built, or have the foundation completed, for a hydro quote. There is a lot of work that you can do yourself to save money (for example, putting in your own conduit for underground installation), but, unfortunately, for a large portion of the process, you will be at the mercy of the hydro company. This can run you a couple thousand to several tens of thousands of dollars.

Aside from move in day, framing and "closing in" are probably the most exciting part of the build. Your dream home is taking shape! Understand, however, at this point, you aren't even halfway there. Patience will be a virtue for the next several months, as finishing carpentry is the most arduous task.

It will be hard, but I promise, once you move in and get cozy in your new place, it will be worth it!

COMMUNITY NOTES

Webbwood Eagles #4269 Spaghetti Dinner – Saturday, April 5. Eat in or Takeout 4:30-6:00 p.m. Spaghetti, salad, garlic bread & desert.

Lee Valley Autumn Leaves Music Jam – Saturday, April 12, 1:00 p.m. at the Walford Community Center.

Elks Easter Bash – Free swim sponsored by the Elks April 19, 2:00 – 3:00 p.m. at the Espanola Complex. Free Movie (Hop), movie starts at 4:30 at the Elks Hall.

North Shore Quilting & Stitchery Guild - Next meeting - Wednesday, April 23, 2025 at 7:00 pm at the Espanola Royal Canadian Legion. New members welcome.

Massey Area Museum Bingo Nights - April 28, May 5, June 2, July 7. 7:00 p.m. at the Massey Arena.

Spring Vendors Market – Hosted by the Espanola Elks, May 10, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Soup & Sandwich - 1st & 3rd Tuesdays of the month. 1st Tuesday at St. Georges, 3rd Tuesday at Espanola United - 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. All welcome.

Massey Seniors Fitness - Wednesday afternoons upstairs at Massey Arena. Low impact strength, balance & stretching 1:00 - 2:00 p.m. and Gentle Movement focusing on balance, functional movement & stretching from 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Massey Seniors Social - Tuesday afternoons from 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. upstairs at Massey Arena. Come for a fun afternoon of socializing, games and snacks.

Voices of Spring - Rehearsals have begun for the 2025 season. If you like to sing, come to St. Andrew's United Church, Massey on Saturdays from 10:30-12:00.

Free Espanola Community Luncheon - every second and fourth Tuesday of the month, at The Lighthouse, 11:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

The Remnant Call Church – Services at 10:30 a.m. every Sunday. All are welcome. (Elks Hall, Espanola)

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.

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



NAR-ANON – Are you affected by someone else's addiction? NAR-ANON offers hope. Every Thursday, 1:00 p.m. at the Noojmowin Teg Health Centre, 407 Centre St, Espanola.

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).

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.**
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