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### Third Annual Drug Awareness Walk Set In Espanola



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**Sunday**  
August 31st, 2025

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By *Rosalind Russell* - The Third Annual Drug Awareness Walk will be held in Espanola at the end of the month.

Co-chair Linda Collins says the walk this year will take place at the Espanola Regional Recreation Centre.

She says information booths and service providers will be on site and the presentations will also include how to use a Naloxone kit.

Following the walk around the oval, she adds there will be a free barbecue with donations going to the Espanola Food Bank so participants are encouraged to bring non-perishable items to help fill the shelves.

Collins says there will also be keynote speakers, adding this is a family event and everyone is encouraged to attend.

The event takes place on Sunday, August 31st from noon until 2 pm as part of International Drug Awareness Day 2025.

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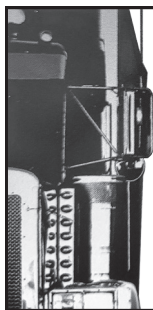
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**Lee Valley Autumn Leaves** - Monthly General meetings we'll be canceled for the summer.

**Massey Area Museum Monthly Bingo** - At Massey Arena August 11, September 8, 2025

**The Remnant Call Church** – Service: Sunday 10:30 a.m., Espanola Elks Hall; All 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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12:00 – 4:00 p.m.**

Light lunch  
will be served.

### THANK YOU

## Thank You



The Family of the late  
**Donat Poirier**  
wish to thank everyone for the condolences, visits, food, donations, etc, during this period of grief.

Special thank you to Dr. Bignocolo and his staff and especially to Cynthia Farquhar for the kindness and donation. Their heartfelt kindness will never be forgotten.

The Poirier Family

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The Espanola Elks wish to thank the community, businesses, organizations and persons who contributed to our July 1 st picnic.

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**The Spanish River is soooo easy—ha!**  
 We got back into our canoe, then paddled up river a bit so we could line up to run the chute. I kneeled bracing my knees against the hull, as we drifted towards the chute. Dipping my paddle to correct our position, we plunged down the chute. It was an exciting, wild ride, but there was not time to consider that we had made it, untouched by rocks, when the boulder field loomed ahead. Leaning forward, I picked a path between the rocks, zigging this way and that. We bumped off a few rocks, but nothing really jogged us off course. Within minutes we glided into calm waters. “Whoo-hoo, that was a blast,” I shouted. Jubilation shone from my face. I turned to look at Bob. We smiled at each other. Our first obstacle was conquered. Glancing at the map, Bob said, “The next several kilometers should be fairly simple, just like the ones this morning. There are no other marked rapids until tomorrow.” We paddled on, full of confidence and elation for successfully shooting the rapids. The sun was just dipping below the horizon when we arrived at our first campsite. A sandy outcrop on the side of a point was

the perfect spot to camp—out of the flow, overlooking the river. The quiet place looked inviting. It proved to be an easy place to land and unload the canoe. We set up camp and soon dinner was bubbling on the cookstove and a fire crackled, sending it's sparks skyward to join the stars. We huddled together with a sleeping bag over our shoulders—nights in May were chilly. Bob hauled out the map, to plan the next day. “Look here, Lynn,” he said, shining his flashlight on the map. “This is where we are and this is where we have to get to tomorrow.” “That's only 10 kilometers, Bob. Surely, we can go farther than that in a day?” “Normally, yes, but you see all these lines?” He pointed out two sets of double lines and several single lines. “The double lines are major rapids and the single lines normal rapids, like the one we shot today. We'll likely have to portage around the major ones.” “Oh, I get it. The portaging will take a lot of time, so we won't be able to make the distance? Hey, look this double set is called, “Graveyard” rapids.” I shivered.

## Espanola Skating Club Registrations Now Open



**By Rosalind Russell** - The Espanola Skating Club has opened registration for the 2025-2026 season. According to the release, spots are limited in both PreCanskate and Canskate programs. PreCanskate is for those skaters who cannot yet stand independently with the club providing a 1:1 helper to skater ratio. Canskate is for various levels and abilities also providing a helper in addition to

training by a professional coach. Parents can register their children online and payments can be paid via e transfer. To register, go to: [espanolasc.uplifterinc.com](http://espanolasc.uplifterinc.com) Create a user account under the parent/guardian's name then add each child as a participant and register them for the program desired. Complete the registration process by clicking confirm and pay in person then send payment via e transfer to: [Espanolaskatingclubtreasurer@gmail.com](mailto:Espanolaskatingclubtreasurer@gmail.com) Payment must be received within 48 hours of registering, or the spot will be cleared for other members. Any questions regarding programs email: [Espanolaskatingclub@gmail.com](mailto:Espanolaskatingclub@gmail.com)

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## OBITUARY



**BEAUDOIN, Joseph Roy** - Of Espanola passed away at his home on August 4th, 2025, at the age of 87. Dear son of the late Lona (nee Willis) & Joseph Beaudoin. Loving father to Joseph of Espanola, Cathy (Tim) of Ottawa, Beverly (Frank) of Nova Scotia, Robert (Carol) of Merrickville, and William "Bill" (Penny) of Oromocto, New Brunswick. Cherished brother of Roy, Noella, Douglas, Marlene, Lorraine, Dale, and the late Ross, Barry, Ronald & Joanne. Joseph proudly served as a Sergeant in the military for many years. He was dedicated to his country and duty. Cremation with a celebration of life at a later date. ARRANGEMENTS BY BOURCIER FUNERAL HOME, Ltd., Espanola.



**GRANT, Greg** - Of Webbwood has unfortunately been located deceased at the age of 50. Dear husband of Alana (nee Laderoute) Grant. Will be missed by many friends and relatives. At his request, there will be no service, visitation, or celebration of life. The family would like to give a heartfelt thank you to First Responders, Search & Rescue, the Webbwood Fire Department and all those who aided in the search for Greg. In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Cystic Fibrosis Canada, and/or the Canadian Association For Suicide Prevention. Arrangements by BOURCIER FUNERAL HOME, Ltd., Espanola.



**Lane, Lauren David** (1931 – 2025). It is with great sadness that the family of Lauren David Lane (Dad, Gramps, Great Gramps, Candy man and Santa) announces his peaceful passing, Friday August 1, 2025, at the tender age of 94 years, meeting his Lord and Saviour Jesus Christ. Son of the late Charles Lane and of the late Myrtle Lane (née Lord). Predeceased by his loving and adored wife Patricia (née Thompson). Cherished dad of Tim, Laurie (Jim), Geoff (Susan) and Steven (predeceased). He will be sadly missed and lovingly remembered by his grandchildren

Courtney (Ian), Candice (Ryan), Ashley, Travis (Lauren), Brandon (Michelle), Emily (Lloyd), Matt (Sarah) and Shelby as well as by his great grandchildren Madison, Malachi, Adelle, Eleanor, Olea and William. Also survived by many nieces and nephews in Malone, New York. Lauren and Pat fostered 17 children and adopted 1 child over the years providing them with a safe and loving home. Predeceased by 10 brothers and 5 sisters. Lauren is well loved by his family, friends and the community. One of his greatest joys was being Santa and handing out candy canes on the streets of Massey, nursing homes and even Greyhound buses. When "Santa" retired, he continued to be known as the candy man at Queensway Place and York Extendicare. A celebration of his life will be held Monday, August 11, 2025, at 11:00am at the Lighthouse, 114 Tudhope Street, Espanola. A light lunch will be provided. Cremation services provided by Simple Wishes of the North Sudbury and Crystal Crematorium.



**McCOY, Daniel John** of Espanola passed away at the Espanola Regional Hospital on August 2nd, 2025, at the age of 54. Dear son of Lawrence & Shirley (nee Dube) McCoy. Loving brother of Debbie Reed of Oshawa, Larry McCoy, Laurie (Michel Remillard) of Worthington, Kenneth McCoy (Linda) of North Bay, Patricia (Michael) of London, and the late Tim and Stephen McCoy. Daniel was known for his love for the Montreal Canadiens (HABS) and having a big, loving personality. As an avid ladies' man, he never missed an opportunity to chat with any woman that crossed his path! Daniel will sure be missed by many friends, relatives and everyone that knew him. Cremation with a celebration of life at a later date. ARRANGEMENTS BY BOURCIER FUNERAL HOME, Ltd., Espanola.



It is with sadness we announce the passing of, **Archie Joseph Toulouse**, of Sagamok Anishnawbek. Born, February 1st, 1943. He passed peacefully at Espanola Hospital, August 1st, 2025, at the age of 82. A beloved son, of Tony Toulouse & Evelyn Toulouse nee: Bob (both predeceased). A loving brother to, Howard (predeceased), wife Margaret, of Sagamok; Lorraine Smith, husband Gus Smith of Massey; Donald, wife Darlene, of Sagamok; Francis (predeceased); and Martha, husband Tom Bisaillon, of Toronto. A loving uncle to many nieces, nephews, great-nieces,

great-nephews, cousins and friends. He was always there when in need. Archie had a passion for writing. He wrote a book about his community and growing up there. His legacy will live on though the songs, poems and stories that he wrote. A true outdoors man, Archie found joy and peace in nature. He held Traditional knowledge of medicines, gardening and the forest. He worked as logger and in the fields picking and growing fruits and vegetables. Marvelous Acres is the place he called home for many years. This Traditional land was a place he cherished for its history and beauty. Wake to be held at the New Community Hall, Sagamok, ON, Sunday August 3rd at 11:00am until the funeral service, Tuesday August 5th at 11am where he will leave to be cremated. A feast will follow at the New Community Hall, Sagamok, ON. Archie better known as Marvelous, will keep that name in the Spirit World. Baa maa pii. Arrangements by BOURCIER FUNERAL HOME Ltd, Espanola.



It is with profound sadness that the family of **Fay Gilliard (née Brown)** of Espanola, Ontario, announce her passing on August 1, 2025. Peacefully, and surrounded by loved ones at home, Fay entered into God's Kingdom of Heaven at the age of 83. Fay was born January 12, 1942 in Timmins, Ontario, to her parents. Her fondest memories of childhood were made in the company of her beloved grandparents William and Eva Havard. Fay lived in Azilda, and then moved to Sudbury, Ontario where she met the love of her life, Wilfred Gilliard. Fay and Wilfred

were married June 24, 1961. Together, they raised two children, a son and a daughter. Fay worked as a sales associate at Sears until retirement, and had a passion for expressing herself through fashion. Fay was skilled with a sewing machine and made clothing, drapery, and intricate quilts. Fay loved curling, bowling, playing cards with friends, and dancing with her partner of 64 years, Wilfred. She was a member of the Red Hats Society, and volunteered with her Church community. Fay also delighted in a good cup of tea while bird watching or reading a thrilling novel. She was a woman of faith, always guided and protected by her guardian angel. Now Fay walks in a garden of eternal beauty, forever dressed in her finest attire. Fay's memory will forever be cherished by her husband, Wilfred and their children. She is survived by James Gilliard (Adrienne Keyzer); grandchildren Jessica Wherley, John (Samantha) Wherley, Jack Keyzer-Gordon, and Luke Keyzer-Gordon; siblings Darlene Hill and family, William (Carol) Salewski and family, and sister-in-law Lila Brown and family. She will also be dearly missed by many at the Espanola Senior's Club. Loving sister to Mark Brown, and sister-in-law, to Ian Hill. Information on a private family gathering to follow. Memorial Donations may be made in Fay Gilliard's name to your local food bank. The family wishes to send a special thank you to the staff at the Espanola Hospital for their care and compassion. ARRANGEMENTS BY BOURCIER FUNERAL HOME, Ltd., Espanola.