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New OPP Detachment For Espanola Part Of Larger Announcement



By Rosalind Russell - A new Ontario Provincial Police detachment for Espanola is part of a larger announcement.

Solicitor General Michael Kerzner announced the Ontario government is building 12 new detachments and a regional headquarters in Thunder Bay.

He says once built, these new state-of-theart facilities will respond to the demands of modern police operations and ensure the OPP have the tools and facilities they need to crack down on crime and protect communities.

Closer to home, Espanola CAO Joseph Burke says the town donated land for the new detachment near the Industrial Park on Penage Road and has passed its initial feasibility study.

He adds the addition to the community is welcome in terms of policing, but also additional tax revenues and stability for the town once construction is completed.

The next steps to design and tendering the work is expected soon.

In addition to building the new regional headquarters, the government is constructing new detachments in Ignace, Niagara, Bracebridge, New Liskeard, Burlington, Kenora, Lancaster, Red Lake, Sioux Lookout, Killaloe, and Wawa. Logo provided



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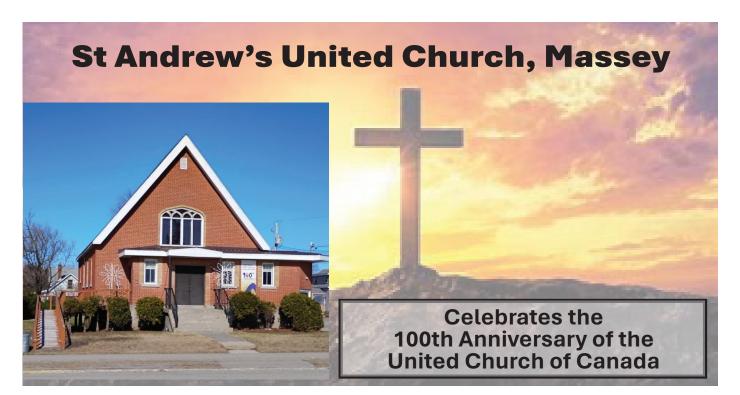


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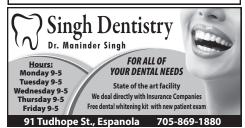




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Rainbow Board School Board Celebrates Staff With Annual Awards





By Rosalind Russell - Rainbow District School Board honoured its dedicated employees and community partners across the Manitoulin and Sudbury Districts with the presentation of its annual awards last week.

In our local area, The William N. Roman Teacher of the Year Award was presented to David Gallant for his 30 plus years as a teacher, coach and volunteer at Espanola High School.

Espanola High School's Karen Patterson also received an Award of Excellence as an outstanding Educational Assistant in the Intensive Support and Special





Education programs.

Manitoulin Island's Charles C. McLean Public School is this year's recipient of the Go Green Globe Award achieving the highest honour in EcoSchools Canada -Platinum level.

The school's custodian Richard Panton was also presented with an Award of Excellence for his work over the years in maintaining the school and its grounds.

Photos: David Gallant, Karen Patterson, Charles C. McLean Public School representatives and Richard Panton. Photos provided

Local Representation On Public Health Board

By Rosalind Russell - Public Health 2024 encouraging municipalities to Sudbury & Districts has welcomed some local representation on its board.

Aligned with its commitment to reconciliation and advancing Public Health's Indigenous Engagement Governance ReconciliAction Framework, the board welcomed Angela Recollet as Greater Sudbury City Council's newest appointee at its meeting on Thursday, May 15th.

Recollet's appointment follows a motion passed by the Board of Health in June advocate for and appoint Indigenous persons who are grounded in community, have lived experience, are from this territory, and who reside within Sudbury and Manitoulin districts.

The board also welcomed Nairn & Hyman Township Mayor Amy Macey, who will represent her municipality as well as the other three member municipalities of the LaCloche Foothills including the Town of Espanola, and the townships of Sables Spanish Rivers and Baldwin.





Espanola Lions Club Donates to Minor Soccer



By Grant Lewis - What has 18 teams, 225 kids, dedicated coaches, skill development, tournaments, healthy exercise and most importantly fun? Espanola Minor Soccer! Their season started May 26th and ends July 17th, and includes all of the above! The Espanola Lions club appreciates the time and effort

of the volunteer coaches and refs. It takes a lot of planning and organization to pull off a successful Aidan Kallioinen season. and his staff do exactly that. It was a no brainer to donate \$2,000 to Espanola Minor Soccer. The funds will help in purchasing new equipment: 30 new soccer balls, new corner flags, goalie gloves, clipboards for officials, new markers. whistles. and first aid kits. We know this does not come cheap! Local businesses help out by sponsoring teams, as well as support from the Dairy Farmers' Co-op, O.J. Graphix, Lions and the club. Seen peeking through the window to receive cheque are Sam Brown, Aidan Kallioinen. Josh Chaput and Christine Currie. Have a great season !!!

New Data Centre For Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory

By Rosalind Russell - The Wiikwemkoong Unceded Territory is opening a state-of-the-art data centre at the Wiikwemkoong Administration Building.

Ogimaa Tim Ominika says the centre marks a major milestone in the community's journey toward data sovereignty, empowering the band to take control of their own digital infrastructure and information systems.

He adds that by investing in their digital infrastructure, they are reclaiming the way their stories, knowledge, and data are protected and shared. Ominika says it also opens doors for youth to see themselves in the world of science, technology, and innovation, highlighting the growing importance of Anishinaabe voices in STEM (Science, Technology, Engineering, and Math).

Beyond safeguarding their data, he says the data centre will create new employment opportunities in fields such as IT, cybersecurity, and system maintenance, fostering skills development and economic growth.

A data centre is a secure facility that is designed to house servers, and computing systems. This is responsible for storing, managing, and accessing digital information. Data centres serve as the backbone of modern digital communication and services—powering essential functions like email, records management, websites.

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Real [Estate] Talk

By Chloe Bichette, Broker/ Owner – Claudine Bichette Real Estate – In the last column, we talked about the importance of qualifying for a mortgage in the home-buying process.

This time around, it's all about the lingo. It's always a good idea to ask questions for clarity and a full understanding of what the terminology means.

Here are some basics to get you started:

- Term: The length of time that your interest rate will be in effect. It's common for a borrower to go with a 5-year term, as those usually offer the best rates; however, longer or shorter periods are available. At the end of the term, you will renew the mortgage with your lender at the current interest rate (hopefully it has changed in your favour).
- Amortization: This is how long it will take you to pay off your mortgage in full (the borrowed amount plus interest). 25 years is standard, but shorter terms are available. The number of years that you borrow for is a key factor in determining how much your mortgage payment will be.
- Principal: The outstanding balance of your mortgage.
- Monthly, bi-weekly, etc. payment: How often a payment is to be made.
- Open/closed mortgage: Whether or not you have flexibility in paying off your mortgage open, yes; closed no, or with conditions.
- Pre-payment privileges: Most lenders will allow you to pay

some extra towards the principal without a penalty. 20% of the original mortgage amount is fairly standard, but even just a little extra towards the principal makes a big difference, because it directly reduces the total amount of your mortgage, and therefore saves you money on interest.

- Pre-payment penalty: If you decide to sell your home before your mortgage renewal date, or otherwise pay it off completely, you will be faced with a pre-payment penalty which amounts to 3 months' worth of interest or a calculated interest differential amount (if the rates have changed since you took the mortgage). There may also be additional fees associated with paying off a mortgage.
- Life and disability insurance: Your lender may offer you insurance on your loan to cover it if you become disabled and cannot work, or if you pass away. This insurance will cover either the payments or pay off the entire mortgage if either happens.
- Insured or high-ratio mortgage: Not to be confused with life and disability, an insured mortgage through an underwriter such as CMHC is a must when you don't put 20% or more down on a property. The cost of the insurance is approximately 4% of the loan value and is rolled in with the mortgage (except for the PST that's charged on the policy; you have to pay that up front). It protects the lender in case of default.

Wiikwemkoong Gets Funding For A New Forestry-Related Build

By Rosalind Russell - The Government of Ontario is investing \$11.3 million in five forestry research, innovation and modernization projects in northeastern Ontario, including Manitoulin Island.

Kevin Holland, the Associate Minister of Forestry and Forest Products, says the investments from the Forest Biomass Program will help accelerate Ontario's forest sector's competitive advantage by increasing productivity and identifying new revenue streams.

He says the Wikwemikong Development Commission is receiving \$200,000 to support the development of a combined wood pellet and biocoal facility by assisting with licencing, contracting, business development and community engagement.

Holland says this project and the other four will also help create jobs while supporting the delivery of high-quality, made-in-Ontario products to market at a lower cost.

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VAN ALLEN, David - Sept 1, 1951 - May 11, 2025. Passed away at the Espanola Nursing Home at the age of 73. Loving son of Marge (Robbins) & Ken Van Allen. Cherished father of Leann Beland (Nick). Loving grandfather of Milka & Hayden. Dear brother of Wayne (whom is Dave's bestfriend), John (Sue) Van Allen, Betty Giesbrecht (Dennis), Lynda (Bill) Stewart, Kathy (Tim) Kutschke and Linda Godfrey. Will also be missed by many nieces, nephews, friends & relatives. Cremation with a graveside service at a later date.

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Dorothy "Dot" J. (Miller) Raby, 101, of Grove City formerly of Espanola, passed away at her son-in-law's home on May 16, 2025. Dorothy was born to Elmer and Mildred Miller on January 21, 1924. Dot obtained her GED and attended nursing school to receive the licensure to become an LPN. Dot also worked as a telephone operator in the '40s. Dorothy was married to her sweetheart, Jack Raby, for 33 years before his passing in 2007. They enjoyed running Raby's Roost along Panache Lake for many years. Dot was a member of the

Calvary Baptist Church in Espanola. She loved to get out and bowl. Dot never missed a chance to play some bingo or hit the casino with her girls. She enjoyed to travel with her husband, taking many trips throughout her life. She would always have a good time if there was some bluegrass music being played too. And most importantly, Dot loved a good bargain. Dot is survived by her son-in-law, Carl "Junior" Gadsby, and his family with whom she made her home with as well as her stepsons, Kevin (Sue) and Dwain Raby, and their families. Dot was known by her PA family as Nan and her Canadian family as Oma, but she was still an amazing grandmother to them all. She is survived by her grandchildren of the heart; Laura-Jean (Derrick) deRuiter, Kristy (Dana) Desjardins, Cassandra Raby, Allanna (Braden) Macaluso, and Makala Raby, and their families. Dot is preceded in death by her parents, her husband, and her daughter; Sue Gadsby. Funeral arrangements have been entrusted to Rose and Black Funeral Home and Crematory, Inc. 99 Franklin St. Stoneboro, PA 16153. A memorial service will be held in Canada at a later date. Online condolences may be made to the family at rosefh.com.

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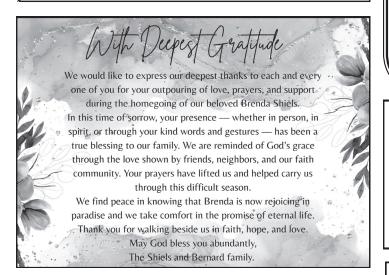
Mass will be held at the St. Jude's Parish in Espanola at 11:00 a.m. followed by a celebration of life at the Espanola Legion from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m.

Cash bar and light refreshments provided. Please bring your favorite memories to share. All are welcome.

THANK YOU



The Family of the late Christy Lynn Hamill, Johnston would like to express their heartfelt thanks & appreciation to our family & friends for the many acts of kindness, the love support, prayers, phone calls, visits, flowers, food, and beautiful cards during this heart breaking time. They have all been greatly appreciated.



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Murder Mystery Dinner Theatre – Espanola Little Theatre and Espanola Elks present Stairway to Murder, Friday, June 6, 6:00 p.m., and Saturday, June 7, 6:00 p.m. Tickets must be purchased in advance at the Elks Club 705-869-7994.

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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.

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