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By Rosalind Russell - A clean-technology company is looking at being a tenant at the Domtar Mill in Espanola. According to BMI, CHAR Technologies is considering setting up shop to produce renewable natural gas and a bio-coal product made from residual wood waste at the former Espanola pulp and paper mill.

The company adds as a renewable energy production facility at the mill site it will be called Bioveld North. BMI is in completing the purchase of the property from Domtar, which closed the mill in 2023 with the deal expected to close later this month.

File photo of Domtar Mill by Rosalind Russell

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A Successful First: CSC Nouvelon Connects Passion And Learning Through Esports



By Rosalind Russell - On May 8, 2025, more than 60 video game enthusiasts from grades 5 to 12 representing nine Conseil scolaire catholique Nouvelon schools gathered in Sudbury to take part in the very first CSC Nouvelon electronic sports league tournament. In the championship finals, Team “Les grands plats” (The Grand Plats) from Ecole Alliance St-Joseph (Chelmsford)

won the Division A banner against Team “Lions 1” from École Ste-Marie (Azilda), while Team “JustDoIt” from Collège Notre-Dame (Sudbury) claimed the Division B banner against Team “Le duo dynamique” (Dynamic Duo) from ÉSC La Renaissance (Espanola). PHOTOS - Esports teams from École élémentaire catholique La Renaissance (Espanola)

Espanola Legion Makes Generous Donation to Regional Hospital Foundation



By Terri Noble - The Espanola Royal Canadian Legion has made a significant contribution to the health and well-being of the community with a generous donation from its Poppy Fund. The Legion presented a large donation to the Espanola Regional Hospital Foundation to support the purchase of cardiac monitoring equipment. This vital contribution will help enhance care for patients across the region,

ensuring timely treatment for those with heart conditions. The new equipment will strengthen the hospital’s capacity to provide high-quality care close to home. “This donation reflects the Legion’s ongoing commitment to the health and safety of our veterans and our entire community,” said Gary MacPherson, President, Espanola Legion. “We’re proud to support our hospital and help ensure they have the tools needed to save lives.”

The Espanola Regional Hospital Foundation expressed deep gratitude for the support, emphasizing how such community partnerships are essential to advancing local healthcare services. Pictured L - R - Jane Battistelli, CEO, Terri Noble, Foundation Coordinator, Gary MacPherson, Legion President, Marlo Desjardins, Director of HR, Anna Love, CNO, Michelle Parker, ED & Acute Manager

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Smile Cookies



By Grant Lewis - The Helping Hand Food Bank is once again indebted to the "Tim's Teams" in Espanola and McKerrow for another successful Smile Cookie Campaign. Also a heartfelt thanks to the management for choosing the Food Bank to benefit from the cookie drive. All proceeds from the sale goes to support those in need in our area. The staff at both stores were



keen, helpful, and most of all PATIENT as they dealt with the MANY "talented volunteer decorators" for a week. Enjoy the gift basket everyone....you truly deserve it! Thanks again. Photos Supplied By Grant Lewis

WHITEFISH FALLS & WILLISVILLE Volunteer Fire Department

Join our Team and make a difference in your Community!



We are seeking dedicated individuals in the Whitefish Falls, Willisville & Lang Lake areas to become volunteer firefighters. Contribute to the safety & well-being of your community by responding to emergencies and providing essential fire services.

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Experience is not necessary as you will be involved in our new Fire Training Program that has recently started.

The Whitefish Falls & Willisville Fire Department protects both communities plus all Lang Lake residences.

Our current volunteers are from:

Whitefish Falls - 12 Willisville - 1 Lang Lake - 0

Our Practices take place at our Fire Hall in Whitefish Falls on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday of each month at 6:30pm and are generally 2 - 2 1/2 hours long.

We have just begun the new Fire Training Program, so now would be an ideal time to join our volunteers & contribute to your Community.

Anyone over 18 years of age is welcome!

If you are interested, please contact our Fire Chief, Chad Wingrave @ firechief@whitefishfallsfire.com

Major Highway Reconstruction Project Underway In Espanola

By Rosalind Russell - A major highway reconstruction project is now underway in Espanola.

Highway Six, from Station Road north to the Tudhope Street intersection will undergo reconstruction this summer including new roadway, sidewalks, water and sewer lines.

Special Projects Manager Joel Yusko says in February the town received five tenders for the work to rebuild the main

byway from Station Road to Tudhope Street.

He says the winning bidder is Green Infrastructure Partners Limited at just over \$6.0 million dollars.

The work is expected to be completed by early fall.

This phase of construction will complete the work along the entire length of Highway Six within the town proper, which began some five years ago.

COMMUNITY NOTES

Lee Valley Autumn Leaves Meetings - rescheduled to every 3rd Wednesday of Month. Wednesday May 21, 6:30 p.m.

Espanola Elks Garage Sale - May 24, 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 p.m. Accepting gently used functional items. Text 705-822-3733 for information about donating.

Northern Life Church Yard Sale/BBQ/Bake Sale - Saturday, May 24, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. 270 Queensway Ave, Espanola.

Massey Area Museum Monthly Bingo - At Massey Arena June 2, July 7, August 11, September 8, 2025

Pig Roast at the United Church Espanola - Friday, June 6, 5:30 p.m. For info or tickets call 705-641-0743 or email ucespanola@eastlink.ca

Webbwood Eagles #4269 Spaghetti Dinner - Saturday, June 7. Eat in or Takeout 4:30-6:00 p.m. Spaghetti, salad, garlic bread & desert.

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

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.

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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ALSSociety, or the charity of your choice

OBITUARY



In Loving Memory of Brenda Shiels (née Hamelin) -February 13, 1961 – May 8 2025. On May 8, 2025, Heaven gained a beautiful soul as Brenda Shiels (née Hamelin) was called home to be with her Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. Born on February 13, 1961, Brenda's life was a radiant testimony of faith, kindness, and joy—a life lived generously, authentically, and with a heart that beat for others. Brenda was the devoted wife of Jamie Shiels, a loving and steadfast partner through life's many seasons. She was the proud and nurturing mother of William Shiels (Stacey) and Angie Bernard (née Shiels) (Denis), and the joyful, ever-present grandmother of Petra, Brock, Logan, Alexi, and Andre—each of whom

brought her immense pride and delight. To know Brenda was to feel deeply seen and sincerely loved. She was the kind of person who laughed easily and listened intently, always making space for others in her presence. Her humor was warm and real, her generosity without fanfare, and her faith an anchor that shaped everything she did. Whether through a thoughtful word, a shared prayer, or a gentle hug, Brenda made people feel that they mattered—and they truly did to her. Brenda's love for Jesus was not just something she believed in; it was something she lived. It infused her words with grace, her actions with purpose, and her life with courage. She walked closely with God, and in doing so, led many to know His love more deeply through her. Though her absence here leaves a space that cannot be filled, we rejoice in knowing that she is now face to face with the One she loved most, basking in eternal peace and unspeakable joy. As it is written in 2 Timothy 4:7, “I have fought the good fight, I have finished the race, I have kept the faith.” Brenda did all this—and more. She is now embraced by Heaven's glory, reunited with loved ones who went before her, and surrounded by the perfect love of Christ. While our hearts ache, our hope remains, and our gratitude for her life is endless. Until we meet again, Brenda—thank you for every light you lit in this world. **Funeral Service Details:** Visitation was held on Tuesday, May 13th, from 6:00 to 8:00 PM at Bourcier Funeral Home. A second visitation followed by the funeral service took place on Wednesday, May 14th, from 9:00 to 11:00 AM at Bourcier Funeral Home. Interment followed at Grandview Cemetery in Massey, with a luncheon reception afterward at The Lighthouse in Espanola. All who knew and loved Brenda were welcomed to attend and celebrate her life.

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