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**Espanola Lions Support Pond Hockey**

By *Grant Lewis* - The Espanola Lions club is thrilled to support the Espanola Pond Hockey program for kids of all ages. Making hockey accessible and affordable for kids starting out in hockey is worthy of our help. And we have...for over three years! This year's donation is for \$2,500 to help with the cost of renting the ice. Ages for the program range from 4 years old to 14. The season starts in October and ends with a wind-up banquet in March. Hockey skills and sportsmanship and fun go hand in hand with 1/2 hour skills training and 1/2 game time. Of course none of this is possible without the time, effort and dedication of many volunteers and willing parents. Hats off to the 38 children involved and have a fun season!! Photo Supplied

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2pm - 4pm Free rec. swim

*Free events Sponsored by the Espanola Lions Club*

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5:30pm Skating Club performance in the arena

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For the latest schedule please visit  
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## Changes for the Boogie Snow Sports School

By **Rosalind Russell** - Boogie Mountain in Espanola will be running the Boogie Snow Sports School once again. According to general manager, Tom Hutchinson, the executive thanks Claudia Hutchinson for her work in building and leading the school over the last few years, but she will not be returning to the position. He says it will be led by himself and a

group of experienced instructors for beginners to advanced level skiers. Hutchinson adds the lessons focus on safety, fun and progression through the various levels of skiing. For any information about lessons and programs, contact Tom Hutchinson at gm@boogiemountain.com or give him a call at 249-360-6520

## A Celebration of Craft, Culture, and Community: Anishinabe Spiritual Centre Hosts 3rd Annual Christmas Indigenous Craft Fair



“The Christmas Indigenous Craft Fair is more than a marketplace,” said Eddie MacDonald Executive Director, Anishinabe Spiritual Centre. “It’s a celebration of sharing — a chance to honour Indigenous craftsmanship, build community connections, and support all local makers during the Christmas season.” The event will feature:

- Over 18 local and regional vendors, including Indigenous artists and craftspeople
- Children’s activities and a Kids’ Corner
- Lunch and bake tables hosted by community volunteers
- A welcoming, family-friendly atmosphere that reflects the true spirit of Christmas

The Anishinabe Spiritual Centre (ASC) is proud to announce its 3rd Annual Christmas Indigenous Craft Fair, taking place on Saturday, November 22, 2025, from 10 a.m. to 3p.m. at 1091 Anderson Lake Road, just west of Espanola.

This festive event has quickly become a local favourite — bringing together Indigenous and non-Indigenous artisans, crafters, and community members for a day that celebrates creativity, culture, and the spirit of giving. Visitors will discover a wide variety of handmade gifts, traditional crafts, beadwork, woodwork, seasonal décor, and baked goods — all infused with the warmth and artistry of Northern Ontario’s creative community.

The Anishinabe Spiritual Centre invites families, friends, and visitors from across the region to join in this unique holiday tradition that blends Indigenous culture, community spirit, and the joy of the season. Would you care to help? We are accepting baking for our very popular bake table; volunteers are welcome to come and help us out (please sign up before the date) and, if you can’t make it but would like to support our growing mission of education, reconciliation and Indigenous/Christian Spirituality, please donate to Anishinabe. acct@gmail.com. Give Aaron a call at 705-869-4994 for more information.

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## Smile Cookie Campaign Kicks Off- Want To Volunteer?



**By Rosalind Russell** - Tim Hortons across the country are preparing for the annual Fall Smile Cookie Campaign and all outlets will need volunteers to help put the smiles on the tasty treats.

The funds raised from the campaign goes to various causes throughout the country. In Espanola and McKerrow, the funds will go towards the Espanola Hospital Foundation to kick off its 2025 Christmas Radiothon in partnership with The Moose 99.3 FM - CJJM Espanola.

Foundation spokesperson Terri Noble says they need volunteers November 17 - 21 (8am - 4pm)

in Espanola & McKerrow. In Little Current, the Lions Club will be this year's recipient.

The Lions Club in Elliot Lake will also receive 50% of the proceeds with the other half being designated to a local charity.

Blind River's two locations will be donating the Blind River Public Library.

And in Sudbury, most of the funds are going to the Children's Society which provides supports across the North Shore Corridor and Manitoulin Island. (CASDSM has partnered with most stores in the Greater Sudbury area. According to the Tim Hortons website, two stores at Health Sciences North are supporting the HSN Foundation, and one store on Notre Dame is backing the Sudbury Food Bank.)

Volunteers are asked to contact their local charity to assist with putting the frosting on the cookies.

Photo provided by Terri Noble

## That Training Will Travel, Bringing Learning To Students

**By Rosalind Russell** - Lopes Limited and Coniston Industrial Park Ltd. have leased a new truck and purchased a new trailer for Rainbow District School Board to take trades education on the road.

According to the release, the Think Trades initiative targets students in Grade 8 by inspiring students to consider the trades in secondary school and beyond. When the trailer stops at schools in Sudbury, Espanola and

Manitoulin Island, students have access to high-quality tools and materials to participate in hands-on projects.

During guided lessons, students learn tool safety, woodworking, metal tooling, simple electrical and plumbing tasks, graphic design and 3D printing.

The Think Trades Trailer will be officially launched today at Alexander Public School where students will engage in hands-on activities.

## Espanola Hospital Staffer Recognized For Excellence



**By Rosalind Russell** - An Espanola staffer from the Espanola Regional Hospital and Health Centre has been recognized for excellence.

According to the release, Phil Smith, the manager of Diagnostic Imaging, was presented with the Gold Trillium Award at the Ontario

Association of Radiology Managers for his leadership in management.

The award was presented to Smith last week and his role is being acknowledged as part of National Diagnostic Week, which runs until November 8th.

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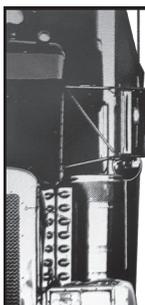
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**Massey Legion Wing Nights** - Thursdays 5:00 – 9:00 p.m. Wings, deep fried pickle spears, mushroom caps, onion rings, Cheese sticks

**Massey Area Museum Bingos** - at Massey Arena. New start time, Mondays, 6:45 p.m. Dates: Dec 1, Jan 5, Feb 2, Mar 2, April 13.

**Webbwood Eagles #4269 Spaghetti Dinner** - Saturday Dec. 6, Feb. 7, Mar. 7, April 11, May 2, June 6. Eat in or Takeout 4:30-6:00pm. Spaghetti, salad, garlic bread & desert.

**Annual Walford Christmas Bazaar & Tea** – Saturday, November 22, 1:00 – 3:00 p.m. at the Walford community centre. Call 7058442887 for more info.

**North Shore Quilting & Stitchery Guild: Next meeting** – Wednesday, November 26, 2025 at 7:00 pm at the Espanola Royal Canadian Legion. New members welcome.

**First Walford Christmas Vendors Market** - Saturday November 29, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. Call 7058442887 for details.

**Christmas Tea & Bazaar** – Saturday, November 29, 11:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. at the Espanola United Church, 137 Sheppard St. Fully Accessible.

**Espanola Elks 49th Christmas Hamper** – Saturday, November 29 from 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the Espanola Mall.

**Zion Lutheran Church Massey Annual Harvest Dinner** – Sunday, November 30, 4:30 – 6:00 p.m. Turkey dinner and all fixings , dessert.

**Journey to Bethlehem** - will happen this year on Dec 6 & 7. For more information or to volunteer please contact Elizabeth brown at 705 582 2010 or ebrown1645@gmail.com

**Meat roll-offs** - every Saturday at the Espanola Legion. 2:30 p.m. everyone is welcome.

**Al-Anon** - Not everyone Trapped by Alcohol is an Alcoholic. Family and Friends are suffering too. Meetings: Tuesdays at 7, St George’s Anglican Church. 213 Tudhope St, Espanola on.

**Free Community luncheon** - at the light house 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month. 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Everyone Welcome.

**The Remnant Call Church** – Service: Sunday 10:30 a.m., Espanola Elks Hall; All welcome. Non denominational.

*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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## OBITUARY



With heavy hearts, the family of **Gordon Frank Charles Heins** announce his sudden passing on November 7, 2025 in Espanola, Ontario at the age of 68. He was the son of the late Milly and Garnet Heins. Gord was born and raised in Espanola and after graduating from Espanola High School worked at EB Eddy/Domtar until his retirement in 2014. Gord's second home was the camp on Panage. First with his parents, brother and sisters, then their families and eventually his boys and their families; so many unforgettable memories

were made. Most of which involved family, great friends, tools, rods, guns, a crib board, boats, snowmachines and/or quads. One of Gord's favourite was late night cruises on the calm waters of the lake where he captured some of the most breathtaking sunset pictures. Gord was involved with many clubs over the years including North Shore Search and Rescue, the Espanola Handgun Club and Espanola Game and Fish. But his favourite was his "coffee crew" club where every morning him and his childhood friends would meet for coffee at the garage to discuss ways to solve world problems. Loving father to Jason (Stacey) and Kurtis (Lyette) and his inherited daughter Kayla (Kyle). He will be fondly remembered by his grandchildren Cole (Brooke), Abbie, Ella, Kailyn, Hailey (Dakoda), Danica, Ellie, Finn and his special great grandchildren Daxon, Myles and Bennett. Dear fur Poppa to Molly, Moose, Aussie and Zahra. Dear brother to Pat Bernatchez (Moe), Cindy Bergeron (Guy) and brother in law to Carolyn. He also leaves behind many nieces, nephews, cousins and dear friends. Gord was predeceased by his loving parents Milly (Shroeder) and Garnet Heins, brother Jack Heins and sister Carol Linton (Bob). True gems are rare and we were lucky enough to know one. Gord always listened with no judgment, supported with no hesitation and always showed up whenever needed without ever asking for anything in return. His love for his family and friends was constant and dependable. He had a great laugh, a wicked whistle, the best Santa look and sensational dog whisperer skills. He was a big man and we all know why, how else could he house the biggest heart there ever was? He was a wonderful Poppa to his grandkids and fur buddies and the best father who went above and beyond to do everything and anything for his 2 boys and what an amazing job he did. Even though his life was cut way too short, his presence will remain forever in every story told, every lesson remembered and every beautiful sunset. There will be a celebration of life on Sunday November 30th from 3 to 7pm at the Elks hall in Espanola. Let's celebrate Gord's life the way he would have wanted. Join us for some stories, laughter, memories and cheers. Food will be provided by Good Enuf to Eat. Arrangements by **BOURCIER FUNERAL HOME, Ltd.**, Espanola.



**Elizabeth Dawn Coe (née Gladden)**, who made it very clear she was not an Elizabeth, passed away peacefully on November 8, 2025, at the age of 84. Born in Cobourg, Dawn made Espanola her home. She was the beloved wife of the late Richard (Dick) Coe and loving mom to Cheryl and to the late Richard. She was Grandma to Sean (Taylor) and Avery (Jean Yves), and Gigi to Laine, Luella, and Austin, her little sunshines who always made her smile. She was the daughter of Harry and Eleanor Gladden, and sister to Winkie Lloyd (Doug) and Frank Gladden

(Marg). She is remembered with love by many nieces, nephews, cousins, and the beloved Coe family. Dawn lived a long and full life. She loved the simple things, her cats close by, a comfortable home, and a good laugh with the people she cared about. She loved to travel and enjoyed seeing new places, especially when she could share those experiences with family. She had a way of bringing lightness and laughter into everyday moments. She was grateful for the friends who remained part of her life, near or far, especially her dear friend Elaine, whose friendship was always cherished. Above all, Dawn was deeply proud of her family. Being a mother, a grandmother, and a Gigi meant everything to her. She was a wonderful mom, a memorable and fun grandma, and a Gigi who made little ones feel seen, heard, and loved. Dawn leaves behind a family who adored her and will carry her love forward in all they do. Her warmth, her laugh, and her gentle presence will be missed every single day. The family extends heartfelt thanks to Dr Ainslie and the Espanola Palliative Care Team. Thank you to the staff at the Espanola Hospital including nursing, physicians, housekeeping, dietary, laboratory, and diagnostic imaging for your exceptional care, kindness, and compassion. In lieu of flowers, donations to the Espanola Black Creek Hiking Trail, a place that brought her peace and joy, would be appreciated.

### THANK YOU

## Thank You!

We would like to thank everyone for your kindness, love, and compassion shown to our family at the passing of our mother Bernice Pilon.

Your many acts of kindness, and gifts of food, cards, memorial donations, and support truly helped us through this difficult time.

Your presence at mom's mass and luncheon, meant a lot to us.

Bernice was loved by all who knew her.

Her memory and kind spirit will continue to live on in our hearts.

A heartfelt thank you from the  
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### IN MEMORIAM

In Memory of

*Catherine Sangster*

It broke our hearts to lose you, but you did not go alone.  
A part of us went with you, the day god took you home.  
If tears could build a stairway, and heartaches make a lane,  
we'd walk our way to heaven, and bring you back again.

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