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Rerouting Creek Prevented Catastrophe This Fall On Clear Lake



By Rosalind Russell - The Clear Lake Stewardship Association has completed a major project in rerouting a creek that feeds Clear Lake (also known as Griffin Lake) in Espanola's south end. Stewardship spokesperson, Fred Yachuk says 10 years ago, the association took on one of the biggest and most daunting and satisfying projects, which has now come to fruition. He says well over 10 years ago, a massive rainstorm washed away nearly half of the Clear Lake Beach when the creek overflowed its banks. He says a similar weather event occurred this July, but the beach remained untouched. Yachuk explains the association spearheaded the project to reroute the creek under the guidance of the Ministry of Natural Resources and the Town of

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Assessment Of Espanola Ball Fields

Approved By Council

By Rosalind Russell - Espanola council has endorsed a resolution to have a complete assessment done of the local ball fields.

The Corporate Services Committee had recommended to council that the recreation department proceed with obtaining an assessment of the Red McCarthy Memorial Baseball Fields with the project financed through the Parkland Reserve at a cost of \$15,400.

The four fields are in use annually from May through October by various leagues.

With the increased use of the fields, several issues have been identified including the danger

of balls being consistently hit into adjacent fields, pavilion or adjacent playground area, no shade covers for the dugouts, older structures such as dugout benches that need replacement and more.

The assessment will include identifying existing safety hazards and recommendations for a new layout, the installation of safety and accessibility features, as well as an estimated cost for consideration in the 2026 budget.

With council's approval the firm MBTW Group will carry out the assessment with a report expected soon.

COMMUNITY NOTES

The United Church of Espanola - is changing their Sunday Service time to 10:00 a.m. effective November 2nd.

Living the Dream – Walford Community Centre. Friday, November 7, 7:00 p.m., Saturday, November 8, 10:00 a.m. – all day, free lunch, Sunday, 1:00 p.m. For more info, call 705-865-3013

Massey Area Museum Craft Sale - at the Massey Arena, November 8, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

Soup & Sandwich Lunch - at the United Church of Espanola on the 3rd Tuesday of the month, 11:30 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.. Everyone welcome.

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: Nov 3, Dec 1, Jan 5, Feb 2, Mar 2, April 13.

Soup & Sandwich - November 4, 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. St. George's, 213 Tudhope St.

Webbwood Eagles #4269 Spaghetti Dinner - Saturday Nov. 1, Dec. 6, Feb. 7, Mar. 7, April 4, May 2, June 6. Eat in or Takeout 4:30-6:00pm. Spaghetti, salad, garlic bread & desert.

Creative Hands Outreach - November 7, 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. Espanola Curling Club

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.

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

CONGRATULATIONS

Phil Smith, Manager of Diagnostic Imaging, received the Gold Trillium award at the Ontario Association of Radiology Managers conference for his leadership in radiology management. He has played a key role at Espanola Regional Hospital and Health Centre, helping his team deliver excellent diagnostic imaging services.

The Diagnostic Imaging department offers diagnostic radiology, fluoroscopy, general and vascular ultrasound. Our Cardio Diagnostics Program provides echocardiography, Holter monitoring, stress testing, and ECGs, serving around 30,000 residents across the north shore. Known for their exceptional wait-times and quality patient-centered care our skilled team delivers a wide range of services locally.

Our campus and DI department are committed to evolving care and expanding services to meet growing community needs amidst the changing landscape of the healthcare system. This includes advocating for future investments in infrastructure and program expansion to include the addition of CT Imaging services at ERHHC.

Join us in celebrating Phil and his team during National Diagnostic Imaging week Nov 2nd – 8th.



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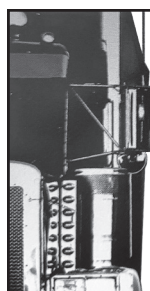


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Espanola rerouting it so it would not affect the popular beach area.

It was a community effort, he adds with the Espanola Lions Club funding the project, Belanger Construction digging the trench and graveling the new streambed, and Don Eadie Construction donating the stone for

the break wall along the creek.

Yachuk adds the association continues to monitor the health of the lake ensuring the waterway maintains its health and for residents and visitors alike.

Photos provided by CLSA

Espanola Going Digital To Improve Housing Systems And Tax Rolls

By Rosalind Russell - Espanola council has given approval to hire a company to digitize their housing systems and housing rolls as part of the Strategic Plan.

Treasurer Julie Bouthillette says the corporate services committee recommended to council the digitization project be awarded to Polar Imaging Digitization for nearly \$37,000 and funded through the Housing

Accelerator Funds.

She says in May, the town obtained the monies adding council approved the digitization of the property and role files and received three quotes with Polar winning the tender.

She says the digitization process will take place over the next couple of months with implementation in time for the new year.

Step into the Wild P.LynnHalliday

Not All who wander – At Home

Chapter Three

I went about halfway along the starting trail and turned to face the direction that I knew the other trail was located and began to cut. This particular section of bush was filled with tag alders—a rather nasty thick shrub with lots of small branches to cut. The cutting was arduous because of this and it wasn't easy to keep a straight line. Stopping, I put the brush axe down and wiped my brow." Man is it ever thick brush in here," I muttered, turning a big circle. "Can't see a thing." Glancing at my watch, I exclaimed, "Wow, I've been cutting for two hours, no wonder I'm tired. I'm surprised that I haven't reached the other trail, yet." I looked up, and corrected my direction according to the sun. "Let me see, it's morning still, so the sun is in the east and I want to go west—ah that's my problem. I've veered too far to the east, so I should turn here," I muttered. I turned in what I thought was a westerly direction and looked ahead. I planned a path to a tree about twenty metres ahead and began to cut. Glancing at the sun, I continued in what I hoped was west, fully expecting to spot the trail at any moment. Cutting from tree to tree, I bee-lined through the bush for another

hour. "Phew," I grumbled, throwing down my axe. "How was I to know how thick the forest underbrush would be?" Peering all around, suddenly I spotted something ahead through the woods. Bending down, I tried to get a better view. I could just barely see what looked like a roof—perhaps of a barn, though I couldn't be sure. Standing up, I scratched my head. "That's odd," I thought.

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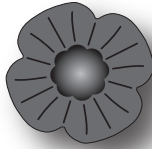
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OBITUARY



GIROUX, Yolande Gilberte Of Espanola passed away at the Espanola Nursing Home on Monday, October 27th 2025 at the age of 96. Beloved wife of the late Fernand Giroux (1975). Dear daughter of the late Joseph & Adelia (Michaud) Rioux and Ilda Roussel. Loving mother to Andre (Lynn) of Espanola and the late Francis. Cherished grandmother of Shallen, Jessica & the late Travis. Great grandmother of Kaydence, Quinn & Kesliegh. Dear sister to Juliette Beaulieu & Madeline Proulx, and predeceased by 12 other siblings.

Will also be missed by many friends and relatives. Funeral Mass will take place at St-Jude's Parish, Espanola, on Friday, October 31st, at 10:00 a.m. with cremation to follow. Interment of ashes in the Espanola Cemetery will be at a later date. Arrangements by BOURCIER FUNERAL HOME, Ltd., Espanola.



FUHRER, Joan Elsie - Formerly of Massey passed away at the St. Gabriel's Villa in Chelmsford on October 23, 2025, just two days after her 92nd birthday. Joan was the daughter of the late Marie (nee Corbett) & Harold Vance. Beloved wife of Wally Fuhrer & Phillip Pike. Dear step-mother to Dale & Debbie. Loving sister of Helen, William, Lloyd, Allan, George & Lorne. Predeceased by her dear friend, Carol Houle. Joan took great pride in her community, having served as the Mayor of Massey, a role she cherished deeply. She was also a devoted teacher at St.

Geiger School, where her caring nature and dedication touched the lives of countless children and families. She loved to travel and had a lifelong passion for playing the piano, which she continued to enjoy well into her later years at St. Gabriel's. The team at St. Gabriel's became Joan's family over the years. They will all miss her greatly. Cremation with a graveside service in the Walford Protestant Cemetery on November 5, 2025 at 1:30 PM. Arrangements by BOURCIER FUNERAL HOME Ltd, Espanola.



It is with great sadness that the family of **Bertrand Poulin** announces his passing on October 24, 2025, in Espanola, Ontario, at the age of 87. Born on July 18, 1938, in Beauceville, Quebec, Bertrand grew up on his family's farm, where he developed a lifelong love of hard work and the outdoors. At the age of 23, he married Gilberte Rodrigue, and together they moved to Ontario in search of new opportunities, eventually settling in Espanola, where they built their life and raised their family. Bertrand spent his career working as a logger—a profession that suited his strong

work ethic and deep appreciation for nature. He was happiest in the bush, whether working, hunting, or fishing. His "cabane à chasse" was his sanctuary, a place where he found peace, purpose, and joy. Even in his later years, his love for the outdoors never faded; he was always eager to get out and do the things he loved most. Bertrand was predeceased by his beloved wife, Gilberte (2000), and his grandson, Jonathan (2009). Loving father of Berthier Poulin (Paulette), Martine Poulin (Jean-Paul), and Ghilaine Poulin (Michel). He will be fondly remembered by his grandchildren Karla (Sheldon; children Sophie, Anna, and Grace), Jessy (Tori), Josée (David), Natascha (children Josyann and Ophélie), Jonathan (predeceased), André, Éric, and Gabrielle. He also leaves behind many siblings, in-laws, nieces, nephews, and cousins who will cherish his memory. Bertrand will be remembered for his strength, kindness, and unwavering love for family and nature. His legacy lives on in the stories shared around campfires, the laughter of his children and grandchildren, and the quiet beauty of the woods he so loved. The family wishes to thank the staff at the Espanola Regional Hospital and Health Centre, Dr. Bignucolo, Bayshore HealthCare, and VON staff for their exceptional care and compassion. Funeral service will be on Monday, November 3rd at 11:00 a.m. at the St-Jude's Parish, Espanola, with interment to follow in the Espanola Cemetery. Arrangements by BOURCIER FUNERAL HOME, Ltd., Espanola.