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Espanola Public Library Expands Lending Collection to Support Active and Engaged Living



By *Shylene Berry* – Espanola Public Library continues to grow as “a welcoming hub where all come to learn, discover, create, and connect” with the introduction of an expanded collection of non-traditional items, developed to support active lifestyles and independent living—particularly for older adults. This new collection builds on the library’s mission by offering practical, hands-on resources that extend beyond traditional library materials.

Library patrons can now borrow a diverse range of items, including:

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Espanola Council Approves The Purchase Of Two Loaders

By Rosalind Russell - Expect to see two new loaders on Espanola roads soon. Council will be spending over \$635,000 plus tax for the machines from Equipment Sales and Services Limited. Lenny St. Michel, Assistant Superintendent of Espanola Public Works, says the two new Komatsu eight-wheel loaders, each equipped with a gravel bucket, snow bucket and four-way snow plow, and one set of forks, so that they can be used year-round from loading to plowing, road

maintenance and more. He says \$700,000 was included in the 2026 municipal budget to replace the town's two current loaders. The loaders are expected to arrive in June. St. Martin adds Included in the price is a five-year extended warranty, adding when they arrive, the department will also include installing automated greasing systems and two-way radios at an estimated cost of \$18,400.00, which is still within the budget.

Whirlwind Tour With Rosenberg ... Funding Announcements



By Rosalind Russell - Algoma-Manitoulin MPP Bill Rosenberg was on tour last week making major announcements in the Algoma and Manitoulin Districts. He kicked off his first stop in Sault Ste. Marie distributing nearly \$5 million for water infrastructure and primary health care. In Espanola he met with health care workers to announce \$1,320,900 to connect up to 3,098 people to primary care in Sudbury, Espanola, Manitoulin Island,

and Elliot Lake, and another \$1,580,400 to connect up to 1,575 people to primary care in Wiikwemkoong. At a stop in Assiginack Township on Manitoulin Island Rosenberg presented a grant of \$16,400.48 for senior spaces and a grant for the fire department. He capped off the day with six different announcements in Wikwemikong focusing on primary care, policing, the arts, and the seniors centre, for over just \$1.69 million. Photo Provided



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- Assistive and accessible technology including the Victor Reader Stream 3, Odyssey, Connect 12, and Explore 12
- Hobby related items such as puzzles, and a DVD player

“This collection reflects our commitment to build our capacity by offering new services and resources” said Espanola Public Library CEO, Laura Luopa. “Whether someone is looking to stay active, try a new hobby, or access adaptive technology, the library can now support that journey.” The initiative is especially meaningful for older adults, offering opportunities to maintain independence, explore new interests, and stay active. Funding for the development of this collection was supported by the Province of Ontario through the Seniors Community Grant Program.

In addition to these new resources, Espanola Public Library continues to offer STEAM kits, Ontario Provincial Park passes, books, magazines, DVDs, audiobooks, and digital resources for all ages.

Through innovative collections, strong partnerships, and engaging programming, Espanola Public Library continues to strengthen services and ensure that creativity and learning remain at the heart of community life.

For more information, please contact:
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Step into the Wild P. Lynn Halliday

Missinaibi Mishap
 (town is spelled- Missanabie and River is spelled- Missinaibi)

Chapter Nine

I gulped. My face an open question. “Yes, that bear just about put me out of business permanently. But as you can see, I have recovered, though I still get nightmares. This work is part of my recovery. I find peace, here in the wilderness.” Silence filled the air as we sat around the fire contemplating how quickly life can change. I reflected on my grumpy attitude about the weather and compared that to what Norm must have endured. Giving my head a shake, I vowed to be more thankful—in all situations. We finished our tea and stood up to leave. “Well, we’d best be paddling on,” said Bob. “We still have a long way to go to the next campsite. Thanks so much for the hospitality. We needed a break.”

“No problem. I enjoyed the company.” He bit his lip, then looked up, hopefully. “You wouldn’t consider staying here tonight, would you?” His arm swept around the area. “I’ve got lots of room under the canopy and plenty of food to share.” I practically jumped up and hugged him. Bob grinned as he nodded. “Great, I’ll help you to get your gear.” We all headed off to unload the canoe. I breathed a prayer of thanksgiving, for this very unexpected ‘angel’ from the Lord. Who could fathom the workings of God, to send this scruffy unkempt person to give us rest after the storm. Who knew?

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A heartfelt and special thank you to all of the healthcare workers, especially the Bayshore nurses, Erin, and her palliative care team, for their compassion, dedication, and exceptional care.

Words truly don't seem enough. Please know how thankful we are.

With sincere gratitude,
Brenda Meloche-Gagne
Tori and Jessy Poulin
Kyle and Abby Gagne

OBITUARY



SOUTHWIND – **Errol John** of Sagamok passed away at the Espanola Nursing Home on April 15, 2026 at the age of 73. Dear son of the late Norman & Jean (Bob) Southwind. Beloved brother of Vernon Southwind, Clyve & Patricia, Wihlamena (Sylvester Sr. Baa), Marlene (Silas Sr.) of Sagamok, Mae of North Bay and Barbara and late Davis, Andreson, Thomas, Calvin, Carmen, Phyllis, David. Sadly missed by many nieces & nephews & great nieces & nephews & many cousins. Visitation at the New Community Centre, Sagamok on

Saturday April 18, 2026 starting at 10:30 Am. Funeral Service Monday April 20, 2026 in the new community centre at 11 AM with interment to follow in the New Sagamok Cemetery. Arrangements by BOURCIER FUNERAL HOME Ltd, Espanola

COMMUNITY NOTES

Celebrating National Superhero Day - at the United Church of Espanola Tuesday, April 28, 1:30 to 3:00 p.m. activities and snacks for all abilities and caregivers. Contact 705-869-1215 or ucespanola@eastlink.ca for information

Massey Legion Wing Night - Last call for Massey Legion Br 432 Wing Night is Thursday April 30. Thanks for Supporting your Legion. See you in the fall!

Seniors Sewing Club Craft Sale – at the Espanola Mall, Saturday, May 2, 9:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.

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

Voices of Spring Concerts – 7:00 p.m. on Sunday, May 3, at the Lutheran Church, Massey. Admission is by Free Will Offering.

Massey Area Museum Bingo's - May 4 & June 1, 6:45 p.m. at Massey Arena. Everyone Welcome!

Mothers Day Pancake Breakfast – Sunday, May 10, 9:00 a.m. – Noon at the Walford Community Centre. Door Prizes. Bake Sale. For more Info Call 705-844-2887

Free Mini Hearing Clinic – Thursday, June 11, 11:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the Espanola Elks Lodge, 539 Second Ave, in conjunction with the Espanola and Area Lions.

Calvary Baptist Church - God-Centered Engaging Worship, 10:30 a.m. Sundays. Youth Group 5:00 p.m. Thursdays. 599 Barber St.

North Shore Seventh-day-Adventist Church - invites you to join us on Saturdays (Sabbaths) 10:00 a.m. for Sabbath School, 11:00 a.m. Divine Service. 10 Menard Cres. Walford. For more info call 705-865-3013.

St. Andrew's Church Massey - Services at 10:30 every Sunday. All are welcome.

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

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.

Free Community luncheon - at the Light House 2nd and 4th Tuesday of every month. 11:30 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. 84 Centre St. 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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