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By *Rosalind Russell* - Flags were lowered to half-mast at all municipal facilities on September 4th, in honour of former Espanola Mayor Ron Piche who has passed away.

A long-time resident of Espanola, Piche served Espanola as Mayor from 2014 to 2018.

One of Piche's biggest accomplishments was bringing in the Ontario Provincial Police in 2018, the hot button issue when he ran for mayor four years before. Piche had promised a referendum on the

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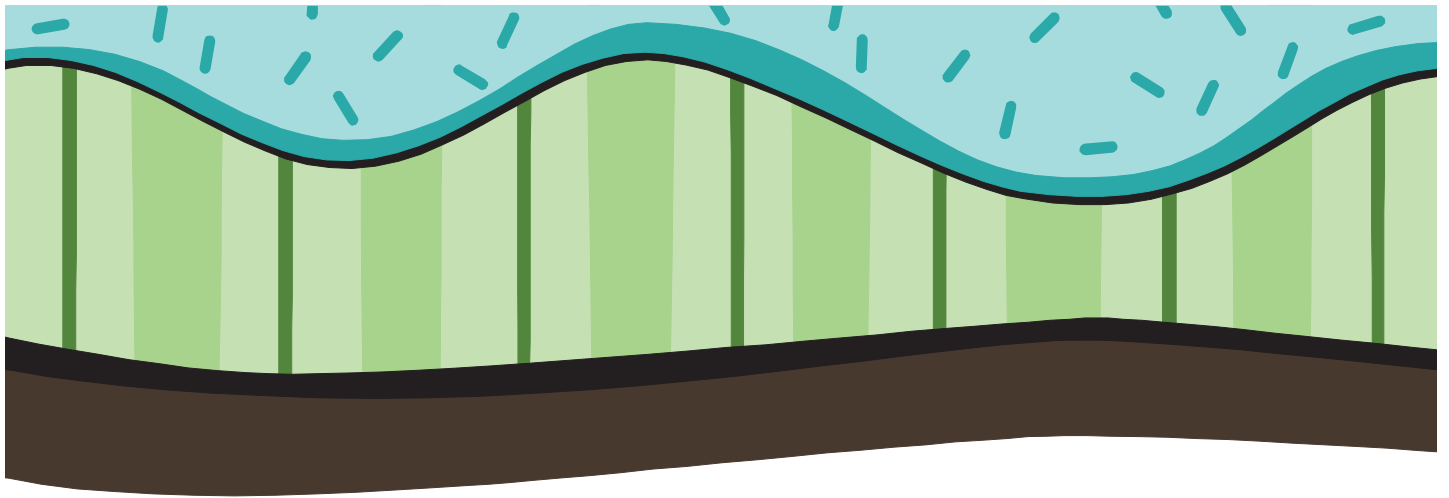
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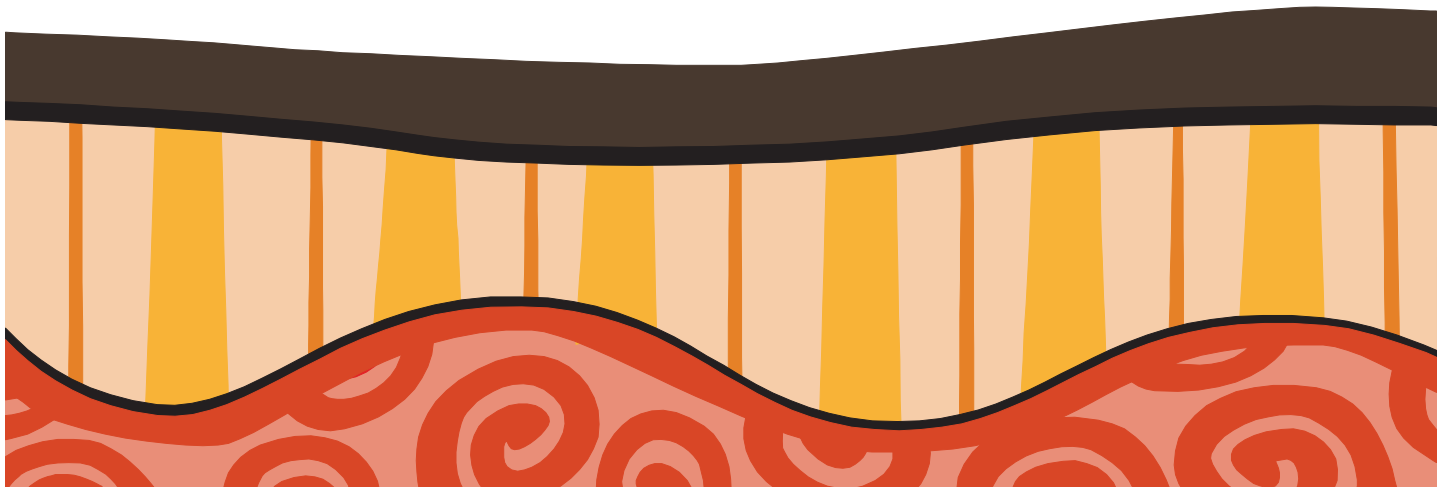


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issue, but it ended with his council making the final decision with the municipal Espanola Police Service dissolved in October, 2018 at the end of his one term as mayor.

He was also a local businessman who ran his welding business, North Shore Fabrication, for decades, and was known as a down-to-earth man who enjoyed a simple life.

Bereavement Peer Support Group In Espanola For Individuals Along The North Shore Corridor

By Rosalind Russell - If you have lost a loved one, there is now a bereavement peer support group available in Espanola. VON's Grief and Bereavement Coordinator Susan Sonnenburg says the agency will be hosting a support group, which will meet for the first time on Tuesday, October 8th from 6 pm to 8:30 pm at the VON office at 439A on Second Avenue.

a loved one. She points out that once individuals register, no one else will be able to be part of that particular closed group, and individuals are asked to commit to the meetings for an eight-week period.

She says it is a closed group and a safe place to talk about loss and find comfort with others who are also grieving the loss

Sonnenburg adds there are also one-on-one meetings available for those who are uncomfortable with a group setting. The program is open to anyone in the North Shore Corridor. Call to register at 705-869-3304 or email susan.sonnenburg@von.ca

Espanola Helping Hand Foodbank Receives Donation From The Remnant Call Church Of Espanola



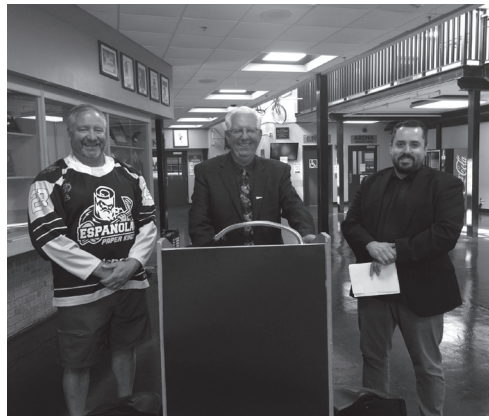
The Espanola Helping Hand Foodbank was presented with a generous donation of \$1000.00 from the Remnant Call Church of Espanola. The church was established in January of this year and meets for Sunday services at 10:30am at the Elks Hall. All are welcome. Pictured from left

to right are Associate Pastor Dave and Monika Baxter along with food bank volunteers Monique Alexander, Helen Armstrong, Susan Kryzanowski, Janice Mantle, Grant Lewis, Bernie Houle and Jennifer Stables.

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Espanola Completes Hvac System At Complex



Photos - 1. The Town of Espanola Council and staff joined Algoma-Manitoulin MPP Mike Mantha in marking the new HVAC air system completion at the Espanola Regional Recreation Complex. The installation improves the air in the changing rooms and the pool area. Espanola Mayor Doug Gervais says the project was fully funded through the Ontario Trillium Foundation and was joined by Mantha thanking the foundation for its support. Photo by Rosalind M Russell. 2. Algoma-Manitoulin MPP Mike Mantha and Espanola CAO/Clerk are joined by Espanola Mayor Doug Gervais in marking the new HVAC air system completion at the Espanola Regional Recreation Complex. The work is timely being completed in time for the 25-year anniversary of the complex. Photo by Rosalind M Russell. 3. The new HVAC system was installed on the roof of the Espanola Regional Recreation Complex. Photo provided by the Town of Espanola.

By Rosalind Russell - Espanola council, admin staff and Algoma-Manitoulin MPP Mike Mantha gathered at the Espanola Regional Recreation Complex to mark the installation of the new HVAC air system.

Espanola Mayor Doug Gervais says last year the facility was in desperate need of a new Make-Up Air Unit, (MUA) to filter and heat air in the complex, thanking the staff for carrying out the work to bring the project to fruition.

Gervais says the Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF) provided just over \$58,000 to pay for the new unit and the contribution is much appreciated.

Mantha also acknowledged the importance of the foundation providing the funding, which is fully paid for, to allow safe, healthy access to the facility.

“For years, I have enjoyed many opportunities to visit the Espanola Regional Recreation Complex. No matter when I come, it’s always a bustling place,” says Mantha, who went on to observe that the community is fortunate to have such a fine facility at its disposal.

“Now, with OTF’s generous support, the Complex has been able to upgrade its environmental controls and

conditions to make it safer, healthier and more enjoyable. As I see it, the improvements are not an expense, but rather an investment and vote of confidence by the foundation in the community.”

In addition to the installation of the new HVAC unit, the Town is committed to investing in ways to increase the year-round use of the facility. The complex is used by hundreds of members and patrons from across the Manitoulin-LaCloche and North Shore region throughout the year for fitness activities, meetings, special events, community programs, celebrations, and fundraisers. Thanks to the OTF grant, residents of Espanola and surrounding areas will continue to have access to healthy recreation activities.

The Espanola Regional Recreation Complex is committed to providing healthy active living opportunities to all residents of Espanola and surrounding area. It offers over 2,000 hours of fitness and aquatics programming annually, as well as ice programming in the fall and winter months. If you wish to enquire about recreation programs or services, visit the website at: www.espanola.ca/recreation.

The Ontario Trillium Foundation (OTF) is an agency with a mission to build healthy and vibrant communities across the province. Visit otf.ca to learn more.

The contribution was also

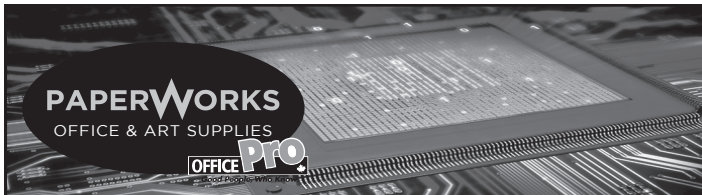
acknowledged with the erection of a plaque in the hall where the change rooms access is located. It has been completed in time for the fall season and the 25th anniversary celebration of the complex set for October 17th.

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“Students receive individualized support within a friendly community,” says

Principal Heather Downey. “Students also have access to many programs and services including small and large group instruction.”

She adds: “Holistic, cultural and land-based activities meet the needs of our Indigenous learners.”

Courses include Math, English, Media, Canadian History, Parenting, Foods, Science, Civics, Careers, Physical Education and Aboriginal Beliefs and Values. To learn more about the N'Swakamok Alternative School, please contact Kelly-Lee Assinewe at 705-674-2128 or visit nfcsudbury.org.

Rural Economic Development Program To Help Boost The Local Economy

By Rosalind Russell - The Ontario government is investing more than \$5.7 million in 85 projects including two in our local area that create jobs and boost economic development in rural communities across the province.

Lisa Thompson, Minister of Rural Affairs, says the funding through the recent intake of the Rural Economic Development program, supports projects that diversify and grow local economies, build community capacity and address barriers

to economic development and labour force challenges.

Locally, the City of Elliot Lake will implement an eco- and geo-tourism strategy to promote local tourism to a broader market throughout Canada with a \$16,176 grant.

The Township of Sables-Spanish Rivers will also receive \$2,566 to erect cultural heritage pole banners within the township, specifically featuring local veterans, to promote culture and community engagement.

COMMUNITY NOTES

United Church - Soup & Sandwich September 17, 11:30 a.m.

Meeting for Lee Valley Autumn Leaves – Tuesday, September 17, 6:30 p.m. All members encouraged to attend!

Spanish River Snowmobile Club - First meeting Tuesday, September 17, 7:00 p.m. at the Spanish Legion. Everyone is welcome!

North Shore Anglers and Hunters Conservation Association Meeting - September 18, 7:00 p.m. at the Walford Community Centre, 402 Hwy. 17, Walford. Hope to see everyone at the meeting! New members always welcome!!! If you love the outdoors !!

Massey Area Museum - Yard Sale, Saturday September 21, 9:00 a.m. – 2:00 p.m. at the Massey Area Museum. To donate items, please email info@masseyareamuseum.com.

Calvary Baptist Church of Espanola - Honouring Ron Piche this Sunday at 10:30 am.

Espanola Seniors Sewing & Quilting Group Fabric Yard Sale – September 28, 10:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. at the Drop in Centre, 799 Queensway Espanola.

Espanola Helping Hand Foodbank AGM and Election of 2024-2026 Executive - 2:30 p.m., Wednesday, September 18, 2024. 87 Centre. St. Everyone is welcome.

Overeaters Anonymous - Do you have an eating disorder? We can help. Tuesdays 7:00 p.m. The Anchor Inn, 1 Water St. E, Little Current, Downstairs.

North Shore Seventh-day-Adventist Church - Saturday (Sabbath) Song Service 9:45 a.m.. Sabbath School 10:00 a.m. Divine Service 11:00 a.m.

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Al-Anon - Do you worry about how much someone drinks? Al-Anon can help. Tuesdays at 7:00 P.M., St. George's Anglican Church, Espanola. (basement).

Toasts & Roasts Speaking Club – 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month, 6:30 – 8:00 p.m. at the Espanola Library. For more info, email toastandroastsspeakingclub@gmail.com

Paroisse St-Sébastien Parish Reminder – The Sunday (bilingual) Mass at St-Sebastien (Spanish) is held at 4:00 p.m.

St. Andrew's Church Massey - Services at 10:30 every Sunday. All are 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.
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from **11:00-11:45am**
and for light luncheon at the
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Sincerely,
**Stacey, Mandy
and families.**

OBITUARY



In Loving Memory – **Ronald Micheal Piche** passed away peacefully at Sudbury Extencicare Countryside on Saturday, August 31, 2024 at the age of 78, Beloved husband of Mary of Espanola. Dear son of the late Steve & Irene. Dear father of Tracy, Todd, and Allan (predeceased). Loving brother of Donald, Gerald (predeceased), Vitor, Stephanie, Sharon, Gary & David. Ron was a certified welder and fabricator. He loved playing guitar and signing while being a deacon in church. He was constantly helping people in need. Ron was mayor of Espanola for 1 term, and

took it seriously. He enjoyed serving the community. We will miss you forever. We are honoring Ron Piche in a Sunday Service on September 22nd, at 10:30 a.m. and we are having soup & sandwiches & drinks. Donations may be made at the church for a future chair light.



Gary Steven Buzdygan - January 23 1955 - September 5 2024. Son of the late Steve and Joyce (Menard) Buzdygan. Beloved husband of Claudette of forty one years. Loving father of Mike (Sylvie) Buzdygan, Jessica (Garrett) Strachan Banks, And also two grandchildren Zoe and Yanik. Dear brother of Wayne (Irene) Buzdygan. Gary always loved hunting and fishing no matter the season. Unfortunately his illnesses later in life prevented him from doing them with his family. His Espanola Paper kings hockey games were always an activity he tried to attend. While battling cancer he received

many great meals from the Ukrainian Senior Centre Sudbury, which he loved. He has left us too soon and will never be forgotten. Till we meet again Smoo !! Visitation was held on Thursday September 12th from 6-8 pm at the Bourcier Funeral Home, Espanola. Memorial Service was at the Immaculate Conception Parish, Massey on Friday September 13th at 10 am. Interment at a later date. Memorial tributes can be made to the Ukrainian Senior Centre Sudbury, Northern Cancer Foundation or the Heart and Stroke foundation. Arrangements by BOURCIER FUNERAL HOME Ltd, Espanola

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OBITUARY



Budge- Elizabeth (Bessie) nee Fox of Espanola passed away on Tuesday, September 10, 2024 at the age of 85. Bessie is survived by her children Lori Budge of Toronto, Leslie Kozachanko (Tony) of Espanola and Craig Budge (Tracy) of Ottawa. She was grandmother to Emily Kozachanko (Alex) of Sudbury, Taylor Kozachanko-Moroz (Andrew) of Espanola, Corinne and Dawson Budge of Ottawa. Great-grandmother to Miller and Remi Moroz. Bessie is predeceased by her loving husband Albert (Junior) Budge, her

parents: Henry Fox and Rosalie Fox nee King of Wiikwemkoong and her sister Mary-Lou Fox-Radulovich (Steven) of Kagawong. Bessie had many nieces, nephews, friends and former students that were near and dear to her. She was the most loving and caring wife, mother, grandmother, great-grandmother and teacher. With her larger than life personality and her ability to make everyone feel special, Bessie had an impact on all who knew her and will be greatly missed. Visitation will be held at the Bourcier Funeral Home on Tuesday, September 17, 2024 from 2-4 & 6-8 PM. The funeral service will be held on Wednesday, September 18, 2024 at 10 AM at St. Jude Parish with cremation to follow. Our family would like say a special thanks to Delma Toulouse, Corine Bow, Sue Snowden and Tammy Jones for your dedication, compassion and friendship throughout this past year. Without your constant love and caring we would have never been able to keep our mother in the home she loved, feeling safe and cherished. She loved you very much. We would also like to thank the staff of the Espanola General Hospital for your compassion, guidance and kindness. Corinne and Christine you are truly amazing! You will never know the impact you have had on our family. We will forever be grateful. Arrangements by BOURCIER FUNERAL HOME Ltd, Espanola

Joan Naples (Bonathan)



Though we no longer see your beautiful face, hear your voice, or feel your comforting embrace, we hear your laughter in our joy, your wisdom in our thoughts, and your kindness in our gestures. Your love we will carry in our hearts forever.

It is with deep sorrow that we announce the passing of Joan Naples (Bonathan) on August 7, 2024, at Health Sciences North. Joan lived a life defined by love and an unwavering dedication to her family. She

was the beloved wife of Kenneth Naples for 57 years. Their marriage was marked by a profound and unique bond, forged through their shared challenges and unyielding commitment to each other and their children.

Born in Houghton, Michigan, to Emanuel Bonathan and Dorothy Merrill, Joan was a loving daughter who embraced her role as daughter-in-law to Benon Naples and Anne Paconic of Toronto, Ontario. She was a devoted mother to Susan Howley, Nancy Naples (Tim Howard), and Anne Naples, and is predeceased by her son, Kenny Naples Jr. Joan was a proud grandmother to Madeline Howley, with whom she shared a special bond.

The family extends their heartfelt thanks to the medical staff at Espanola Regional Hospital and Health Centre, whose efforts gave us a few more meaningful days with Joan. Special thanks to the ICU staff at Health Sciences North, particularly Dr. S. McIsaac, for her compassion and understanding, which brought great comfort during a difficult time. We are also grateful to Ronald Perron for offering Joan the sacrament of the sick, providing her with spiritual peace in her final moments.

Our thanks also to Fathers Ignatius Xavier, Tony Baronowski, SJ, and David Shulist SJ, for their participation in Joan's Burial Mass, followed by her interment.

And to the extended family members and friends who have devoted their time and driven great distances to be with us on such short notice. Your thoughtful cards, and letters are comforting.

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MONDAY SEPTEMBER 23rd, 2024

UNTIL APPROXIMATELY

FRIDAY OCTOBER 4th, 2024

Flushing will take place between the hours of 3:30pm and 11:30pm each day. Flushing will commence in the South end of town (supply source) and progress North until all lines have been thoroughly flushed.

To find out the daily flushing areas:

- Like us on Facebook
- Listen to radio station 99.3 MOOSE FM daily at approximately 9:18 A.M. or 3:49 P.M.
- Check our website at www.espanola.ca

FLUSHING MAY CAUSE TEMPORARY DISCOLORATION OF WATER, LOSS OF PRESSURE AND AT TIMES NO AVAILABILITY FOR SHORT PERIODS. AREAS OUTSIDE OF THE DAILY FLUSHING LIST MAY ALSO EXPERIENCE DISCOLOURATION OF WATER.

PLEASE REFRAIN FROM DOING LAUNDRY UNTIL 24 HOURS AFTER FLUSHING HAS BEEN COMPLETED IN YOUR AREA.

Iron-Out Rust Remover will be available at the Firehall (temporary Public Works office) at 592 Second Avenue if required.
Office hours: Monday – Friday from 8:00 A.M. to 4:00 P.M.

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EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

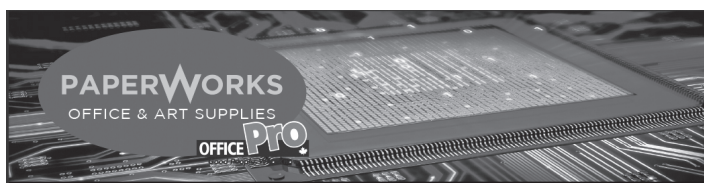
EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY

The Espanola Golf and Country Club is seeking applications for a **part-time bookkeeper**. Familiarity with SAGE accounting software or similar accounting software e.g. Simply Accounting is required. Duties include data input from the Point of Sale system, preparing payroll, bank deposits and preparation of monthly reports for the Executive. The bookkeeper is also responsible for preparation of HST remittances, payroll remittances, T4s and the membership files. The bookkeeper works with the auditors on the year end procedures.

Training will be provided to the successful individual. Hours are flexible averaging 15-20 hours per week, less hours during the off season. Wages will be determined based on experience.

Resumes including 3 references can be submitted by email to espanolagolfclub@outlook.com

Resumes may also be mailed to
**Espanola Golf and Country Club,
309 Golf Club Road, Espanola
ON P5E 1A3**



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