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## EHS Spartan Junior Boys Are Basketball Champs

By Rosalind Russell - The Espanola High School Junior Boys Basketball Team is off to a great start in 2025. Last week, the team travelled to Sudbury for the Mitch Lalonde Memorial Basketball Tournament. They won their first two games putting them up against O'Gorman High from Timmins, and then defeating them 49 to 43 bring home the trophy. This is the second tournament won this year for the Spartans who now stand at 14-0 for the season.

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# Espanola 2025 Winter Carnival February 7, 8, 9



## Friday, February 7

**Winter Book Sale & Make-and-Take Bags**  
in the Library Meeting Room @ the Espanola Public Library

**4:30pm-1am Spaghetti Supper, Elimination Draw, and Dance with DJ Anna** @ The Espanola Elks Hall  
Tickets are \$35 for dinner, draw, and dance (takeout is available) \$10 for a draw ticket.  
Contact Beth 705-869-8653 or Angela 705-869-7994

**6:30-7:30pm Free Black Light Public Skate**  
At the Espanola Rec. Complex  
Sponsored by FCR Accounting & Noojmowin-Teg Health Centre

**7-9pm Charcuterie Workshop**  
At the Espanola Rec. Complex  
First 40 prepaid spots - Contact Laura 705-862-0208 or laurasbuns@yahoo.com to register



## Saturday, February 8 at Boogie Mountain Ski Hill

**10am-4pm**  
**Big Air Rail Jam Ski & Snowboard Contest**  
**Radar Races** (gun speed for ski & snowboard)  
**Prize Presentations**

**10am-2pm Human Bubble Balls & Laser Tag**  
Sponsored by Noojmowin-Teg Health Centre  
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**4pm Saturday the 8th until 4pm Sunday the 9th**  
**24-hour Ski-A-Thon**

Costumes, Food, Family Fun, Music, Competitions, and more!

For more information and a full schedule follow the Boogie Mountain Facebook page.



## Saturday, February 8

**9am-1pm Winter Book Sale & Valentine's Day Card Making**  
in Library Meeting Room at the Espanola Public Library

**Espanola Curling Club 100th Anniversary of the Baxter Cup**  
Come and watch some curling at the Espanola Curling club

**11:30am-3pm Display Booth** at the Espanola Rec Complex lobby  
Sudbury & District Kennel Club  
Espanola Fire Department

**12-1pm FREE Community Skate with the Paper Kings and the Espanola Fire Department**

at the Espanola Rec Complex Arena  
sponsored by the Espanola Lions Club  
**1-3pm FREE Hot Dogs, Juice and BINGO**  
at the Espanola Rec. Complex upstairs auditorium  
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**3-4pm FREE Rec. Swim** at the Espanola Rec. Complex  
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**2pm Meat Roll Off** hosted by  
Espanola Royal Canadian Legion



## Sunday, February 9

**8-11am Breakfast** at the Espanola Rec. Complex upstairs auditorium  
Pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, hash browns, coffee and juice  
Adults \$10, Kids \$7 - hosted by Councilor Gerry Massicotte

**Snowarama for Easter Seals Kids 50th Anniversary**  
9am Registration @ Tim Hortons, Centre St., Espanola  
10am Ride to Jeremy's in Nairn Centre for lunch  
For more information visit Snowarama.org

**11am-1pm Guided Hike or Snowshoeing** at the Black Creek Sno-Shoe Trail - Snowshoeing and hiking on the trail, feeding the birds, and more!

**2-3pm FREE Rec. Swim** at the Espanola Rec. Complex  
Sponsored by Adam Rocha - Royal LePage

**3-6pm FREE Movie "The Lion King"** at the Espanola Elks Lodge.  
Snacks and drinks are available with a cost.

**Snowarama for Easter Seals Spaghetti Dinner**  
\$15 per person - Everyone Welcome! Eagles Club in Webbwood - Social at 5:00 p.m., Dinner at 5:30 p.m.  
For more information contact Gaetanne Sokoloski at 705-869-3509 or Sue Belanger 705-869-0179.



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## Centre Street Dental Food Bank Donation



**By Grant Lewis** - Thanks to Doctors Raval and Vyas and their staff at the Centre Street Dental Clinic for their generous food

donation to the Helping Hand Food Bank. As a result of their Holiday Giveaway held in December, 110 food items were donated. And...the Food Bank staff were able to select items that don't stay on our shelves for very long...pasta sauce and boxes of cereal. On hand to receive the donation is Grant Lewis. This is the second year for the Holiday Giveaway and we hope, not the last. Local businesses play an important role in the success of our local Food Bank. Combined with individual donors, the Food Bank is able to answer the needs of our community.

## E.H.S. Students Make Donation to Food Bank



For the first three weeks of December, over 50 students at E.H.S were involved in various activities and initiatives involving collecting food and raising funds for our local Food Bank. On December 10th, students and

staff canvassed homes in Espanola, Nairn, Sagamok, and Massey. The final tally was over \$1,400. Class completions were held, assemblies were organized to organize food donations! In total over 1,100 items were collected and delivered to the Helping Hand Food Bank. Mrs. Sheppard's "Stingers" came first: Mrs. Greenough's "Holly Jolly Historians" came second and Ms. Harvey's "Holiday Heroes" came third. Kudos go to the Student Parliament and the Transition class and staff for their help. Talk about a great combined effort by all. Your contributions are truly appreciated by the Food Bank Executive and volunteers. A true Spartan achievement!!!  
 Photo by Grant Lewis ...text by Grant Lewis and Andrew Kendall

## North Shore Quilting & Stitchery Guild Returns With Its Community Quilts Day

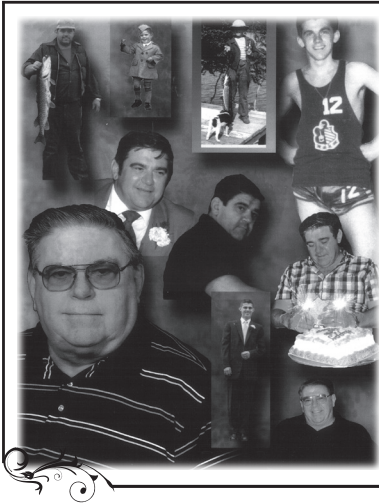
**By Rosalind Russell** - The fingers were moving and the machines whirring Saturday, January 18th at the Espanola Regional Recreation Complex with sewing machines scattered throughout the arena lobby. Members of the guild were on hand to not only work on a project but also to talk to members of the public about the work they carried out, not only for their own satisfaction and/or gifts for family but to assist the wider public. The stitchers are well known for their

generosity with their Quilters Who Care Program donating to the Espanola Lions Club toy drive to give to the 13-year-olds for Christmas, to those who are in tragic circumstances such as house fires or loss and are also found in OPP cruisers to give to those in trauma or need. Quilt making is a dedicated hobby sometimes taking hundreds of hours to complete one quilt depending on the complexity of the blocks and the stitching details. A heirloom like no other.

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**OBITUARY**

**Steven "Moose" Howard Hansson** - June 15, 1953 to January 13, 2025. Family announces with sorrow the passing of Steven Howard Hansson on Monday, January 13, 2025 at the Espanola Regional Hospital at the age of 71. Son of Hilda Hansson and late son of Edward Hansson (deceased). Brothers of Don Hansson, Daryl Hansson (deceased) survived by wife Kelli, Bill Hansson and sister Tina Brandow (husband Mal). Will be missed by his nieces and nephews as with his relatives and friends.

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**Voices of Spring** - Rehearsals have begun for the 2025 season. If you like to sing, come to St. Andrew's United Church, Massey on Saturdays from 10:30-12:00.

**Webbwood Eagles #4269 Spaghetti Dinner** - Saturday, February 1. Eat in or Takeout 4:30-6:00 p.m. Spaghetti, salad, garlic bread & desert.

**Carnival Weekend Family Movie** - Live Action Lion King. Espanola Elks Lodge, Sunday, February 9, 3:00 - 6:00 p.m. Free Entry.

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

**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.

**The Remnant Call Church** - Services at 10:30 a.m. every Sunday. All are welcome. (Elks Hall, Espanola)

**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.

**The Baytones** - North Bay's women's acapella chorus are recruiting! If you love to sing, come join us! For details call Janet 705-662-2770

**NAR-ANON** - Are you affected by someone else's addiction? NAR-ANON offers hope. Every Thursday, 1:00 p.m. at the Noojmowin Teg Health Centre, 407 Centre St, Espanola.

**Narcotics Anonymous Meetings** - Tuesdays 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. and Saturdays 7:30 - 9:00 p.m. United church, downstairs. 137 Shepard St. Espanola

**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](mailto:toastandroastsspeakingclub@gmail.com)

**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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