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Reinharts supports new hospital fund

The Collingwood General and Marine Hospital (CGMH) Foundation has received a \$250,000 donation from Reinhart Foods, in support of the Tomorrow's Hospital Campaign.

Reinhart Foods, based in Stayner for over 125 years, has been a steadfast supporter of CGMH since 1986. Over the years, their contributions have helped fund vital medical equipment and technology, directly impacting patient care across the region.

This latest gift will support the development of CGMH's future facility, designed to meet the growing needs of more than 70,000 residents

and over three million annual visitors. The new hospital will feature expanded services, modern infrastructure, and a patient-centred design to better serve the entire South Georgian Bay community.

"We are incredibly proud to be part of this campaign," said **Scott and Jeff Singer**, co-presidents of Reinhart Foods. "Our father, **Tom**, has always emphasized the importance of investing in our community and we are passionate that everyone in the South Georgian Bay region should have access to first class local healthcare. We encourage all local businesses

to support the Tomorrow's Hospital Campaign."

Sandra Taylor, CGMH Foundation president and CEO, added, "We are so grateful to Reinhart Foods for their continued generosity and commitment to our hospital, bringing us one step closer to building the hospital that South Georgian Bay needs and deserves."

The Tomorrow's Hospital Campaign aims to raise over \$100 million to bring this vision to life.

To learn more about the campaign or to contribute, visit TomorrowsHospital.com.

SUV collides with bus on Ten Hill during snowfall

Ten Hill was closed Monday morning due to a collision caused by an early snowfall.

Huron West OPP reports that a northbound SUV lost control on Fairgrounds Road and struck a southbound school bus at about 8 a.m. No injuries were reported, and another school bus came to pick-up the students.

Program supports seniors at Christmastime

The Clearview chapter of Senior Wish Association is looking for individuals and businesses that would like to help spread holiday cheer to local seniors in need by purchasing a gift for them from their wish-list.

The seniors are supported through the Bags of Love program because they have no family, or their family does not visit over the holidays, or their families struggle financially and are not able to provide gifts for relatives.

There is currently about 50 seniors on the list for this year, but organizers are seeing an increase in need and expect more recipients to be registered, especially with the growth of the new Stayner Care Centre.

Potential gift givers who are assigned a senior will be provided their first name, gender, wish-list, sizing if applicable, favourite colour and whether or not there are dietary considerations to keep in mind. The participants then complete their shopping and can either drop off their unwrapped gift or arrange for it to be picked up.

The shopping deadline is Dec. 4, at which point volunteers, sort and package the gifts and deliver them to the care homes in the for Christmas.

Monetary donations are also accepted if people prefer the volunteers to do the shopping.

Anyone wishing to participate in the Bags of Love campaign this year are encouraged to reach out to **Myrna Kearnan** at seniorwish55@gmail.com.

For more information, visit aseniorwish.com.



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RECORD SNOWFALL

Patrick Charlebois, at Home Hardware in Creemore, got an early start on his mission to keep the sidewalk in front of his business immaculately clear after receiving up to a foot of snow overnight on Monday, setting a record for early November. The snow, which caused collisions and road closures, came before many people had a chance to get their snowtires swapped.

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Friday, Nov. 14

- Join host Bob Marek for **acoustic jam night** at the Dunedin Pub from 7 p.m. to midnight. Musicians are encouraged to bring their talent and an acoustic instrument of choice. This is a 19+ event with a cash bar. No cover charge, but donations toward the Dunedin Community Hall are gratefully accepted.
- **Line dancing lessons** every Friday night at Station on the Green. 7 p.m. to 9 p.m. \$15 per person. Beginner friendly, bring your water bottle. Sign up at the Creemore 100 Mile Store or call/text Linda at 705-794-0638.
- Dale Pearson and Friends **concert fundraiser** at Knox Presbyterian Church in Dunedin at 7 p.m. This will raise funds for church repairs including the church steeple and assistance for the Dunedin Community Hall. Free will offering. Knox Presbyterian Church is located at 8933 County Rd. 9, Dunedin.
- **Story time meet and greet** with the Stayner Siskins from 2 p.m. to 3:30 p.m. at the Clearview Public Library Stayner 269 Regina St. Stayner.

Saturday, Nov. 15

- **This Life With You Concert:** Musician Patrick Savage performs at Compass Life Church at 7 p.m. The evening will feature stories, songs, worship and entertainment — and maybe even a Christmas carol. All are welcome. Freewill offering.
- **Deck the Legion Hall.** 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. at the Royal Canadian Legion, Creemore Branch 397, 27 Wellington St. W. Volunteers are wanted to help decorate for Christmas. Get into the Christmas spirit and enjoy fun community hours for students. For further information, contact Donna B. at CreemoreChristmasElf@gmail.com, visit www.creemorechristmas.ca or call 705-466-2523.
- **Christmas In A Box** will be set up at Stayner Foodland, 100 Grand Trunk Road from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. Collecting donations for Christmas Dinner packages that will be donated to families in need. Gift cards, food and toy donations will also be accepted. To make a donation ahead of time, contact Cayleigh at christmasinaboxclearview@gmail.com.

Tuesday, Nov. 18

- **Pub Trivia Night** every Tuesday night from 8 p.m. to 10 p.m. at the Old Mill House Pub, 141 Mill St., Creemore. \$10 cover includes entry, answer sheets and a shot at prizes. Gather your team and put your knowledge to the test. For more info, contact 705-466-5244, visit theoldmillhousepub.com, or join the Pub Trivia Facebook group.

Saturday, Nov. 22

- **Mistletoe Market at Dunedin Community Hall.** 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Get your gift list ready for this year's Mistletoe Market, featuring more than 20 local artisans with handmade items, Dunedin swag and a bake sale. Free admission.
- After visiting the craft shows stop by St. John's United Church, 192 Mill St. Creemore, for a hearty **soup lunch.** Enjoy a bowl of soup for \$10, served from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Pick up some tasty treats or kitchen crafts to take home. Everyone welcome.

Saturday, Nov. 29

- **Christmas Market** at the Singhampton Hall, 6 Milltown Rd. Singhampton 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Fresh baked goods and local crafts on offer. For more information contact singhamptonfarmersmarket@gmail.com. This will be followed by the Santa Claus Parade at 5:30 p.m. Tour the village and end at the firehall for a visit with Santa.
- **Creemore Holiday Shopping Kick Off** from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m. Visit downtown Creemore for horse and wagon rides and sip and shop at participating retailers.

Saturday, Nov. 29 - Sunday, Nov. 30

- **Handmade Holiday Market:** More than 40 local vendors and musicians will be featured at the Creemore Legion, 27 Wellington St. W. The show runs Saturday from 10 a.m. to 4 p.m. and Sunday from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m. Different vendors each day. Contact thehandmadeholidaymarket@gmail.com for details.

Sunday, Nov. 30

- The Avening Community Centre Board invites you to the **grand re-opening** of the hall. 2 p.m. ribbon cutting. 2:30 p.m. official welcome and remarks. Refreshments and tours to follow.

Friday, Dec. 5

- **Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony** from 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m. hosted by the Creemore Village Green and Creemore Firefighters Association.

Saturday, Dec. 6

- **Breakfast with Santa** at the Creemore Legion from 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. \$10 for adults and \$5 for children, with proceeds going to St. Luke's Food Bank and Creemore Public School. The event will feature a silent auction and a special visit from Santa Claus.
- **Stayner Santa Claus parade** from 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Watch the parade come down Main Street and finish at the old Foodland. There will be hot chocolate and hot dogs at the end of the route. Monetary donations accepted for the Foodbank.
- **Creemore Santa Claus Parade** hosted by the Creemore BIA at 1:30 p.m. Visit Santa in the Village Green after the parade.

Sunday, Dec. 7

- **Creemore Farmers' and Craft Market** indoors at the Station on the Green from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. during December. For info visit creemorefarmersmarket.ca. There will be no market on Dec. 21.
- **J.S. Bach's Long Walk in the Snow:** The Purple Hills Arts and Heritage Society, with support from Kayla Thompson Realtor, presents musician and broadcaster Tom Allen in an afternoon of **music and storytelling.** The performance brings to life J.S. Bach's coming-of-age journey through music. St. John's United Church, 192 Mill St., 2 p.m. Tickets \$40 at ticketscene.ca.

Friday, Dec. 19

- **Christmas Cheers** at The Dunedin Pub Start your holidays off with good spirits and great company at The Dunedin Pub's annual **Christmas Cheers event.** Festivities begin at 7 p.m. 19+ event. Cash bar. No cover.

Thursday, Dec. 25

- **Creemore Community Christmas Dinner** at 4:30 p.m. at the Creemore Legion, PWYC. Everyone is welcome. Come out to dine and/or volunteer. Take-out dinners and delivery available. A donation of a non-perishable food item is appreciated. To reserve your seat, make special arrangements, or donate to the event, contact or e-transfer Donna B. at CreemoreChristmasElf@gmail.com or call 705-446-2523. For more information, visit www.CreemoreChristmas.ca.



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Avening Hall celebrates accessibility at re-opening

by Trina Berlo

Avening Community Centre will celebrate the completion of an accessibility renovation with a grand re-opening on Nov. 30.

The community is invited to take part in the celebration and tour the updated facility. To render the hall fully accessible, it has been outfitted with an elevator, ramps, a new kitchen and gender-free washrooms, including two wheelchair accessible stalls. The renovations were paid for by the Township of Clearview, who owns the building.

Bill Hewitt, who served as hall board chair during the renovation, said he is grateful that the building has been improved to better serve the community and ensure its longevity.

"I think it's important to have spaces like this to bring people together," said Hewitt. "It's been a long time coming but it's great that we're here."

The \$1.4-million renovation began in June 2023, after more than a decade of planning, and was plagued with construction delays. A replacement contractor had to be hired after construction targets weren't met.

"We look forward to welcoming the community back to the hall," said Hewitt, noting that the hall was often closed during the pandemic, before the renovation began. "We absolutely want people to come and reengage with their community hall and use it."

He hopes people will come together



Staff photo: Trina Berlo

The newly renovated Avening Community Centre will celebrate a long awaited re-opening on Nov. 30.

at the re-opening to visit with fellow community members and share memories.

Avening Community Centre first celebrated its grand opening on July 6, 1951, and with 700 cold meat suppers served that day it was declared "the biggest event in the history of Avening," by *The Creemore Star*.

Since then it has been the gathering place for the Junior Farmers and the Avening Women's Institute, a venue for funerals and weddings, flower shows, bowling leagues, card games, baby showers and birthday parties.

The grand re-opening will be marked with a ribbon cutting at 2 p.m., remarks at 2:30 p.m., afternoon tea, and tours of the

facility. Dignitaries, past volunteer board members, and community members should be in receipt of invites but all are welcome.

Visitors will notice that no changes have been made to the main hall, its original character perfectly preserved. The only exception is the installation of an upgraded sound system funded by donations. The bowling alleys are in the process of being refurbished by **Murray Lackie**, and have already been used several times since the hall opened last month.

According to *Let's Celebrate Nottawasaga's Sesquicentennial and Ontario's Bicentennial*, the prospect of a community centre started with

Avening and Banda Farm Forums which had begun in 1941. In 1950 Jack Rainbird, president of Avening Farm Forum, learned that an Air Force hut was available from Edenvale Aerodrome for \$1,000.

Rainbird, Lorne Sutherland and Howard Noble were the key men who approached the bank, and put in money besides, to start the fund. Members of Avening and Banda donated \$60 each with the result the hut was purchased for cash.

The hut, 30 feet by 130 feet, was dismantled and moved to Avening. All work was done by community volunteers, except the head electrician, the plasterer and the installation of the furnace.

Beef barbecues, since 1980, have raised considerable funds for renovations and upgrades over the years, along with Wintario grants.

Since 2002, the hall has been a concert venue featuring some of Canada's top performers, with bar proceeds going to maintenance and upkeep of the hall.

— With files from Helen Blackburn and *Let's Celebrate Nottawasaga's Sesquicentennial and Ontario's Bicentennial*.

Editor's Note: Two members of The Echo staff – Sara Hershoff and Bonnie MacPherson – are members of the Avening Community Centre board and Bill Hewitt is married to the author.



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LETTER

Community dispersed when encampment dismantled

Editor:

I am writing this to inform our community about a situation that is happening in another closely knit community. The Kensington Market in Toronto has historically been an inclusive community which values diversity and change. The Rev. Maggie Helwig and the people of St. Stephens-in-the Fields Anglican Church have been supporting an encampment in their church yard for some years. On Oct. 16, I bore witness as the city removed the personal belongings of the residents. St. Stephens has been supporting this community with outreach support, daily meals, and personal contact.

Currently the church yard is fenced off and covered with cement blocks with no removal date given. Private security has been monitoring this church yard, and several other parkettes in the area 24/7. As a result the entire Kensington Market neighbourhood has become an unwelcoming security zone, in response from a small number of loud voices.

In Creemore and our surrounding beautiful escarpment we are also a diversified community. We have the privilege of open spaces, trees, parks for our children to enjoy, and the Bruce Trail to hike on.

We also are privileged in many ways. We have food, warm homes and a community to help in times of need. The people that I met that day, were a community amongst themselves. They passed around the food for breakfast, such as it was, to share amongst themselves. Now they are separated, and living in alleys, and in some cases have not yet been found.

I urge you to write to Mayor Olivia Chow and ask how much money is being spent on security that could be spent to enhance social services for the most vulnerable of our society.

Lorna May,
Deacon-in-Charge, St. Luke's Creemore.

Remembrance Day Poem

by Evangeline Leal

On November 11th we shed our tears
And talk about it with our peers
Videos to watch, books to read
Poppies to pin and plant their seeds
People fallen, people died
It just makes me want to cry
We lay flowers at their graves
To remember all the lives they saved.
We have a moment of silence
To mourn the ones we lost
In Flanders Fields we see the cross
It's so old it's covered in dead moss.
It may be old, but we have not forgot
How many fights our ancestors fought
On this day we remember always
Lest we forget is what we say

THE WAY WE WERE



An ad for the grand opening of community centre in 1951.

LETTER

School in need of new Chromebooks

Editor:

Nottawasaga and Creemore Public School is reaching out to our community for support as we work to update our classroom technology. Many of our Chromebooks are reaching the end of their lifespan, and our goal this year is to replace and expand our supply so that students have reliable access to the tools they need for modern learning.

Each Chromebook, including the required school programming, costs approximately \$450-\$500. These devices are essential for supporting student learning, research, and digital literacy – skills that are increasingly vital in today's classrooms and beyond.

We are asking our generous community members to consider making a donation to help us reach our technology fundraising goal for the year. Donations can be made directly at the school office. Donation receipts will be issued for all contributions and can be mailed or picked up at the school office for your convenience.

Your support will make a meaningful difference in ensuring our students have the resources they need to learn, create, and thrive.

With sincere thanks,
Vickie Brulotte,
On behalf of Nottawasaga and Creemore Public School parent council.

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Golf ladies raise food bank funds

by **Bonnie MacPherson**

Organizers of the recent Ladies Members Guest Day at Mad River Golf Club paid a visit to St. Luke's Community Food Bank with a cheque for \$2,585.

Carrie Stinson and **Michelle Meneley** represented the members who raised the funds during a tournament with proceeds going to the food bank, which is located at St. Luke's Anglican Church.

Food bank manager, Rev. **Lorna May** received the donation, which will help feed the 52 families who currently rely on the service.

"We always need peanut-free snacks, puddings and juice boxes and Honey Nut Cheerios," said May. "We are fortunate to have the support of local businesses like A&D Birdseed which provides us with fresh eggs, and the owners of the farm market near Cashtown Corners who collected more than \$800 in a donation jar at the cash register."

May said there is always a need for pasta sauce, pet food and personal hygiene products, and with the holidays approaching, the food bank would welcome cash donations and gift certificates from places like Walmart, Winners and Amazon.



Staff photo: Bonnie MacPherson

Lorna May accepts a \$2,585 donation to the St. Luke's Community Food Bank from Mad River Golf Club's **Carrie Stinson** and **Michelle Meneley**.

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100+ Women Who Care South Georgian Triangle surpasses \$600,000 in funds

Members of 100+ Women Who Care South Georgian Triangle (SGT) continue to make a remarkable impact across South Georgian Bay, surpassing \$600,000 in collective donations since the chapter's founding eight years ago.

This year alone, members raised more than \$91,300 to support four vital community causes, spanning healthcare, anti-human trafficking, food security, and education.

The group's largest-ever donation, \$25,500, was directed to Collingwood General and Marine Hospital (CGMH) to help purchase a state-of-the-art mammography machine. This machine will significantly enhance early detection and diagnostic accuracy, particularly for patients with dense breast tissue.

At a separate giving event, members contributed \$21,800 to Studio Blue Youth Services through The Women's Centre Grey Bruce, strengthening safety measures and providing critical security upgrades for at-risk and trafficked youth.

Another giving event raised \$22,000 for the Mobile Soup Kitchen, which prepares and shares nourishing meals with individuals experiencing food insecurity in Collingwood and Wasaga

Beach. The funds will enable the Mobile Soup Kitchen to purchase fresh food and expand its meal service to reach even more community members.

Most recently, members selected the Mouse and Ru Scholarship Fund to receive an estimated \$22,000 in support of local students pursuing post-secondary education.

As the chapter embarks on its ninth year of giving, new members are always welcome to join this growing movement of women committed to creating meaningful, measurable change in their community.

For more information and upcoming meetings, visit 100womensouthgeorgiantriangle.com.

100+ Women Who Care South Georgian Triangle (SGT) is a volunteer-run non-profit that unites women from across the region to make an immediate, direct, and positive impact in the community. Meeting four times a year, each member contributes \$100 to a local charity selected by the group. Together, their collective giving creates nearly \$90,000 in community impact annually, demonstrating the power of shared generosity to uplift our local community.

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Saturday, Nov. 29, 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.
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Annual Tree Lighting Ceremony
Friday, Dec. 5, 5:30 p.m. to 7 p.m.
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Santa Claus Parade
Saturday, Dec. 6, 1:30 p.m.
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REMEMBRANCE DAY Jayce Fox (above) plays bagpipes at the Remembrance Day service hosted by Royal Canadian Legion Branch 397, with guests from Base Borden and the local cadet corps.



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Young athlete training for biathlon at top tier

by Bonnie MacPherson

He’s become a familiar sight in Creemore: 13-year-old **Nolan Martin-Mills** whipping around town on his roller skis. Martin-Mills is training for the biathlon – an event which pairs cross country skiing and shooting. He is already competing at an advanced level, and his coach says an Olympic berth is a reasonable goal.

Martin-Mills advanced from Development 2 level to Development 3 in the past year.

“Now there are more races and I’m training about 350 hours over the course of the season.”

He trains along with five other Development 3 athletes at Highlands Nordic in Duntroon where he and two others moved up to the top tier this year. Three senior members of the team train more than 550 hours per season. Many athletes max out at Development Level 2 by the time they are 16-18 years of age. Only the most dedicated advance to Level 3.

Martin-Mills trains with his teammates at Highlands Nordic on Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday. The rest of his training is self directed, based on a program set out by his coach.

“We can only get out on skis here once there is enough snow, probably in late December or early January. Until then, it’s all roller skiing. It’s harder to practice at speed because if you fall you’re not landing on snow. It’s concrete. There are no brakes on roller skis but it’s a great way to work on technique.”

Shooting practise also continues year-round. Martin-Mills says the focus shifts with the season. “In summer, we work on precision shooting, trying

to put five bullets one right on top of the other. Once we get into biathlon season, we are trying to get all five bullets somewhere on the target.”

In addition to Nolan, mom **Sarah Martin-Mills** has two younger children in the program.

“We are a volunteer organization and every parent pitches in to keep it as affordable as possible. Even so, the cost of equipment and travel adds up.”

“If you want to be competitive, you need race skis plus rock skis, classic roller skis and skate roller skis, two pairs of boots and three sets of poles,” according to Sarah. “Fortunately you can get some bargains at the ski swap at Highlands, and the club leases equipment.”

Each pair of skis can cost \$500 plus, if purchased new and the rifles used for the shooting portion of the competition can be \$4,000 used, or about \$8,000 new.

Competitions last for a full weekend with sprint races on Day 1 to earn starting placements in the pursuit races on Day 2. A sprint race typically involves three bouts of shooting and four legs of skiing. The pursuit races involve shooting four times and skiing five legs.

Biathlon is a very popular winter sport in Europe. Within Canada, it’s most popular in Alberta and British Columbia and not so well known in Ontario. There are a limited number of races at the Development 3 level including a big annual competition in Van Cartier, Quebec. This year’s Nationals will be held in Canmore, Alberta. Nolan says in a typical season, the team might travel south of the border three or four times for races and training camps. This year, they will go to the U.S. only once.



Staff photo: Bonnie MacPherson

Nolan Martin-Mills has been gaining some attention while roller skiing in the village.

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Daytime

Team	win-loss-tie
Loranger	3-1-0
Lambert	2-2-0
Gallaugher	1-2-1
Beelen	1-2-1

From the Hack: On Monday, Team Loranger got off to a great start against Team Beelen, by taking the first three ends with six points. Then the tide turned! Marty, Ed, Deb and Lawrie fought back by scoring in the next four ends and securing a tie coming home. Despite their best efforts, Team Loranger managed the eighth end perfectly to score three and claim the win. Team Gallaugher easily got past Team Lambert.

On Wednesday, Joan, Rita and Al put on a curling clinic, easily beating Team Loranger, and allowing for an early coffee. Good curling everyone!

Ladies

Team	win-loss-tie
Crawford	0-0-1
Millsap	2-0-0
Verstegen	1-1-0
Harvey	2-0-0
McKay	0-2-0
Arsenault	0-1-0
Fuller	0-1-1

From the Hack: Snow may have been swirling outside, but things were heating up on the ice Monday night as Gayle Millsap stole the show with a spectacular last-shot win over team McKay.

The Crawford and Fuller teams curled to a friendly tie, while Harvey's rink picked up a win over Verstegen in another well-played game.

Plenty of great shots and good laughs made it a fun snowy-night gathering at the club.

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FUN & Games

Sudoku

by Barbara Simpson

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	9			7	4		3	6
		3			7			4
			4		6			
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Answers on page 11

FRED'S FUNNIES

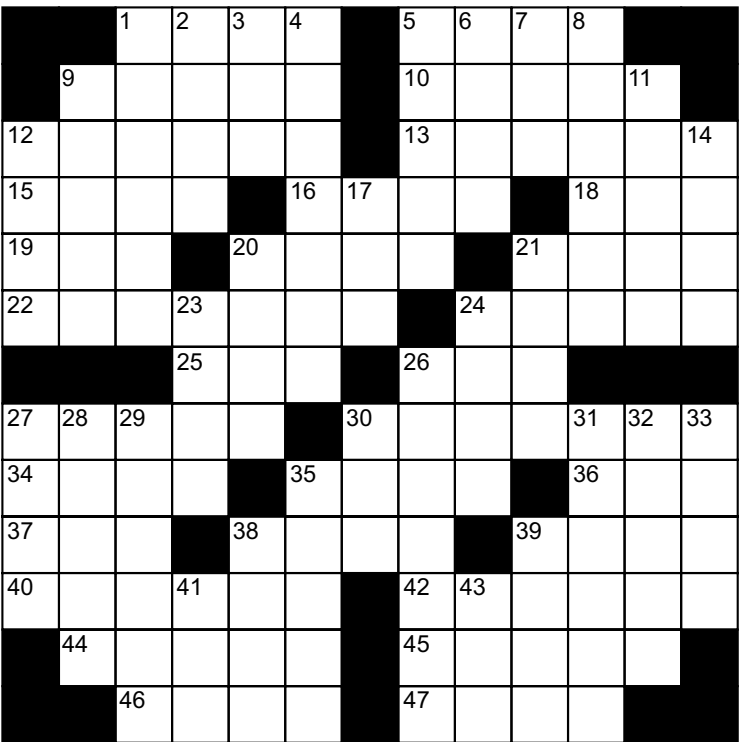
Someone asked me to name two
structures that hold water.
I was like well, dam.

Canadian Criss Cross

by Walter Feener

ACROSS

- Street
- Single woman's title
- Communications word for T
- "Under the weather", is one
- Be of importance
- Eye part
- Choir member
- Soil with fertilizing properties
- Raised pile on velvet
- Personification of the sun
- Village in the Yukon
- Unit of heredity
- Windflower
- Units of power
- Keyboard key
- Bit of consolation
- Fence part
- Ripple
- Put on the payroll
- Exposed to view
- Climbing plant
- Rowing pole
- Most excellent
- Scissors sound
- Pencil end
- For each
- Common place for a sprain
- Unit for measuring the fineness of gold
- Fight with lances
- Pitcher with a flaring spout



DOWN

- Baby's toy
- Atop
- What tree rings indicate
- Lying asleep
- Very small
- Object of worship
- What to call a knight
- Fourteen-line poem
- Hooked claw
- Intended
- Tortilla dough
- Primates
- Affirmative vote
- Congenital blemish
- Fence opening
- Bring about
- Moving ridge of water
- Take some
- Brake part
- Coronet
- Downright
- Happened
- One-dimensional
- Throw out, as a tenant
- Use a keyboard
- Flat hat
- It has a ringing sound
- Filly's father
- Go downhill fast
- Handle roughly

Weekly blast of the Duntroon Hall's Know-it-all-Ball trivia questions

Creemore's founder named the streets after his family members Elizabeth, Francis, Caroline and Mary. What was his name?

Planning is underway for this year's Creemore Community Christmas Dinner, an inclusive local holiday tradition.

Organizers are calling on volunteers to help "deck the hall" with decorations on Saturday, Nov. 15, in time for a number of festive events leading up to Christmas. The decorating will happen between 10 a.m. and 4 p.m.

Held since 2001, the Creemore Community Christmas Dinner attracts a wide array of people – volunteers who love to cook and others who love to decorate; empty-nesters whose children are away; grandparents whose family gatherings are on another day; people new to town; families that need greater table space; people who simply enjoy being with their neighbours on a festive occasion. All are welcome.

Last year's event provided 70 meals and purchased gifts for 14 Creedan Valley residents without family.

Organizer **Donna Baylis** said she is thrilled to have Master Chef Elf **Jim Henderson** back for a 16th year.

Baylis encourages diners to register as early as possible so food quantities can be calculated.

Special arrangements such as food requests, rides or meal deliveries can be arranged upon request.

Doors open at 4:30 p.m. on Dec. 25. Non-perishable food items, gift cards

and donations will be accepted at the dinner for the St. Luke's Community Food Bank.

With a view to staging another terrific event, elves are needed to set-up, prepare and serve the meal, clean-up after dinner, and then take down the decorations. Specific duties include: Six Food Prep Elves on Christmas Eve Day (Dec. 24, from 10 a.m.) – bring your own paring knife; Six Table Setting Elves on Christmas Eve Day (Dec. 24, from 1 p.m.); Two Dessert Prep Elves on Christmas Day (Dec. 25, from noon.); Six Dinner Elves to help Master Chef Elf Jim on Christmas Day (Dec. 25 from 11 a.m.); Four Pickup/Delivery Elves (Dec. 25 from 5 p.m.; Four After-dinner Clean-up Elves (Dec. 25); Pack-away Elves on Dec. 26 from 11 a.m. until finished). Elves are also needed to take photographs of the action.

To volunteer contact Baylis at 705-466-2523 or CreemoreChristmasElf@gmail.com.

Organizers are accepting pay-what-you-can donations at the dinner to help cover the costs. Financial contributions can be made through the following account: TD Bank "Community Christmas Dinner" Account #2320 0330-5202657 or via online Interac transfer to CreemoreChristmasElf@gmail.com.

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Developer unveils vision for restored Sovereign

by Bonnie MacPherson

Progress on two in-fill projects on Creemore’s Mill Street is slow but steady, according to principal **Frank Domenichiello**.

Domenichiello, a Woodbridge based builder is restoring the historic Sovereign building, which was heavily

damaged by fire in December 2022, and constructing a mixed use building dubbed Casa Riccia at 143 and 145 Mill St.

Architect **Nolan Bentley**, of D&H Architects in Orangeville, says the roof is scheduled to go on Casa Riccia this week.

“Then we can proceed with the stone and brick veneer, firewalls and fire separation, framing, plumbing and HVAC.”

Domenichiello says interior finishing will not happen until spring, and at that time, they will begin marketing the building.

“We’ve already had lots of interest. There will be one or two commercial units on the ground floor, with a total of about 4,500 square feet plus four second floor apartments and a roof top terrace. We have designed the commercial space to be flexible with good ceiling height and accessibility features.”

Over at the Sovereign, Phase 1 has been reinforcement of the existing building. With that work largely completed, the owners have applied

for building permits for a Phase 2 addition. Ultimately, Domenichiello says the building will have about 6,000 square feet of ground floor commercial space and seven apartments.

“The footprint will be the same as the previous building, but there will be plenty of upgrades including a fully accessible elevator and handicapped washrooms,” he said. “We stripped all the paint off the brick on the original building. We want this to be a quality restoration so we needed to know what we were working with.”

It is possible that the foundation for the addition will be poured before winter fully sets in. That depends on the timing of permits.

He predicts that the revitalized Sovereign will be ready for occupancy sometime in 2026.



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