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FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Barry Porter



“The best Laid Plans of Mice and Men often go awry”.

This is a line from the 1785 poem “to a Mouse” by Scottish poet Robert Burns.

It means that despite careful planning and best intentions unexpected circumstances can often disrupt the most carefully thought-out plans.

Such is the case here at Clearwater Cascade in regard to our recent management changeover.

Unfortunately, the anticipated organized, detailed and efficient operation promised by the PMI Management principal has not materialized. Errors, oversights and communication difficulties have brought the Board to take a closer look at the decision to go with PMI.

After a thorough review it was determined that although it was promising, PMI is just not a good fit for CCHOA. Recognizing and acknowledging that fact was difficult but imperative to our continued success.

As a result, the Board is once again looking for a management solution that fits CCHOA and we are close to making that determination. You will all receive more detailed information in the coming weeks and we will call a Town Hall to answer questions, so please give the Board the next few weeks to finalize a plan of action.

This Board works in your best interest so your support is important in these circumstances. Your patience and your support are appreciated.

MANAGER'S MESSAGE

By Scott Allen, LCAM

It's been 90 days, and what a 90 days it has been. Although tremendously busy and a very steep learning curve, I sincerely appreciate being able to manage this park. I can see why residents love this home environment and why it is so important to have management that supports and administers good policy to protect and defend the Clearwater Cascade way of life.

My policy is to proactively communicate the HOA's rules, regulations and expectations and setting a clear standard from the beginning. When residents are well-informed, they're better equipped to comply with community guidelines. This proactive approach can minimize potential misunderstandings and conflicts down the road and ensures Clearwater Cascade remains the beautiful, welcoming place we all love.

I look forward to getting to know more of you and I welcome & enjoy the tremendously positive feedback I've received.

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Change is usually not easy, but I admire the vibe of Clearwater Cascade and the willingness to embrace something new in management and a desire to refresh and rejuvenate.

Regards,
Scott Allen, *LCAM*
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FROM THE EDITOR

By Donna Collins



Fall is upon us and what a beautiful time of year it is. Nature can certainly destroy but She can also create beautiful colors and vistas.

The Summer Crew has certainly provided many different and exciting activities for your enjoyment. Thank you so very much to Theresa Parson and all the people who stepped up to help and to those who attended these activities.

The Social Club is gearing up for the 2025-2026 season, with the usual breakfasts, dinners, and dances with a Pub Night thrown in.

Keep in mind that there are openings for the Board of Directors for **five** people. Please consider what you could do to help make Clearwater Cascade continue to be the best place to live. So many residents have talents that are needed on the Board. The demographics of our Park are changing and new ideas and your talents are going to be important to the future of the Park.

Remember that I have only six more Chronicles to put together, so consider whether you or you and a friend would like to be editors of this important way to communicate with ALL the residents.

Happy Thanksgiving Canadians and Happy Halloween everyone.

CASCADE SOCIAL CLUB

From your Social Club:

And just like that, summer is over. Autumn has officially begun. Snowbirds have started making preparations to return to our wonderful park to join missed year-round family, friends and neighbors. We can't wait to reunite and continue the fun with activities for the winter and spring season. The summer tribe did an awesome job planning and executing some amazing events for all. We hope to continue to provide enjoyable activities for all. Tickets will go on sale in November for the breakfasts and dinner dances. Come see the girls in the library on Wednesdays from 10-noon. We'll keep you posted on the date sales will start. Until then, if you're traveling back to paradise have a safe trip. See you soon!



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Sandy Draper, Admin
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The Canadian Thanksgiving History

Watch for the American Thanksgiving History next month.

Early Influences

• **Indigenous Traditions:**

Indigenous Peoples in North America held harvest celebrations, including prayers, dances, and feasts, long before European arrival.

• **Martin Frobisher's Voyage (1578):**

Explorer Martin Frobisher held a ceremony in Newfoundland, giving thanks for his crew's safe arrival after a failed attempt to find the Northwest Passage.

• **French Settlers:**

Samuel de Champlain and French settlers also held feasts of thanks with Indigenous neighbours in the 17th century.

From Colonial Times to National Holiday

• **Varied Dates and Themes:**

After the 1763 British acquisition of New France, various Thanksgiving days were held in the colonies, often to celebrate military victories or good harvests.

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- **Official National Holiday (1879):**
Sir John A. Macdonald, Canada's first Prime Minister, officially declared Thanksgiving as a national holiday in 1879, recognizing a successful harvest.

- **A Move to November:**
For a period in the early 20th century, Thanksgiving was sometimes observed on the same day as Armistice Day (later Remembrance Day).

Establishing the Modern Holiday

- **Fixed Date:**
In 1957, Parliament officially proclaimed the second Monday in October as the permanent date for Canadian Thanksgiving, a tradition that continues today.
- **Harvest and Community:**
The modern holiday continues to emphasize gratitude for the harvest and the gathering of family and friends for a shared meal.

Canadian Thanksgiving Puzzle

Match the scrambled words here with the answers below.

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| Annual holiday | Brussel Sprouts | Butter Tarts |
| Cornucopias | Harvest Celebration | Jiggs Dinner |
| Nanaimo Bars | October | Second Monday |
| Sweet Corn | | |

Now, look up Butter Tarts, Nanaimo Bars, and Jiggs Dinner

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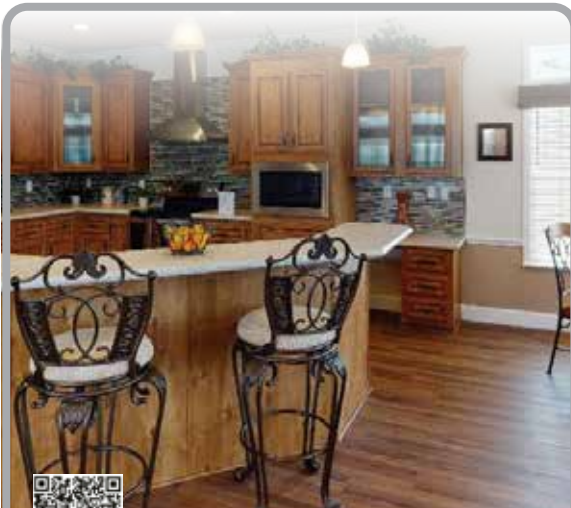
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By Ann Vetter



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I'm looking forward to hearing what everyone has been reading since the last time we met. If you're new to the community, know that there is no special book to read. We share the books we enjoy and chances are you'll leave with many great suggestions. I've often said that one of the best things about Book Talk is the conversation. So, bring your favorite morning beverage and join us!

Happy Reading,
Ann Vetter

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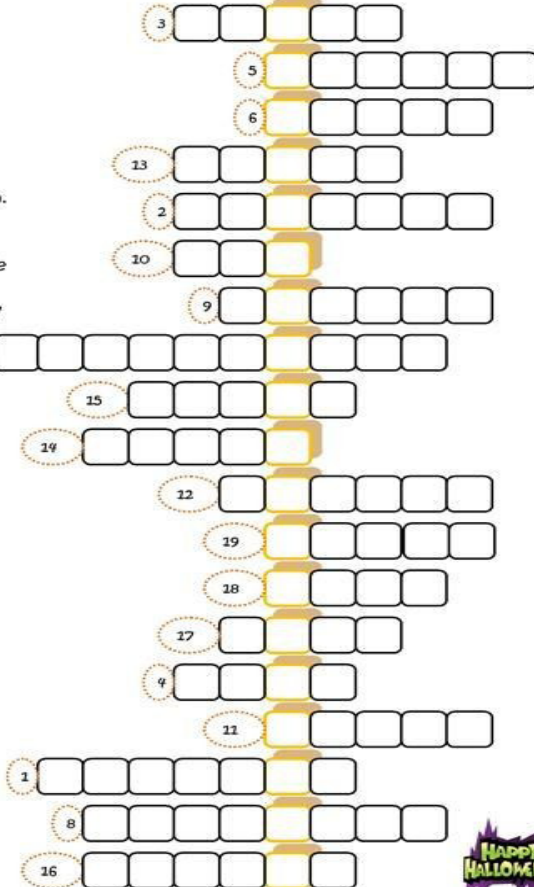
Clues

- Vegetable you can carve.
- Month of Halloween.
- A "mean" woman.
- Opposite of light.
- A colour of Halloween.
- The soul of a dead person.
- The handle of a broom.
- A large Kettle.
- It is made by a spider.
- An animal related to Halloween.
- The skeleton of the head.
- A box to hold a dead body.
- A spoken word believed to have magic power.
- A hole dug to bury a dead body in.
- Opposite of day.
-  Opposite of alive.
- To pull with effort.
- Trick or



Answer of riddle:

Why did the ghost cross the road?



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The Origins of Halloween

Halloween may feel like a modern, candy-filled celebration, but its roots go back more than 2,000 years.

From Celts to Costumes

The holiday began with the **ancient Celts** of Ireland and Scotland, who celebrated a festival called **Samhain** (sow-in). This marked the **end of harvest** and the **start of winter**.

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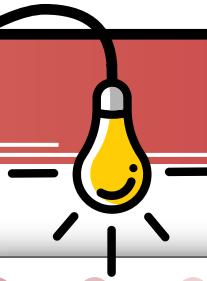
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19	20 Water Aerobics 9:30 Cardio Drumming 1:00 CH Euchre- 6:00 LIB	Bingo 5:30
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Clearwater Cascades

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They believed that on **October 31**, the line between the living and the dead blurred.



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Romans and Christianity Join In

When the **Romans** conquered Celtic lands, they blended Samhain with their own festivals:



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Later, the **Christian Church** renamed the season:



November 1 became **All Saints' Day** (All Hallows' Day).



The evening before, **All Hallows' Eve**, soon became **Halloween**.



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Irish and Scottish immigrants brought these customs to **America in the 1800s**, where Halloween grew into a fun, family-friendly holiday.



Did You Know? 🎃



Halloween is over **2,000 years old**, starting with the Celtic festival **Samhain**.



Costumes began as disguises to **hide from spirits** on October 31.



The first **Jack-o'-Lanterns** were carved from **turnips**, not pumpkins!



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Patti Ranslow #58

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Submitted by Cheryl Murphy

The following are the results for the month of August:

August 4

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| 1. Billie Parr | 62 |
| 2. Christina Brown | 58 |
| 3. Debbie Shaver | 53 |
| Most Loners: Cheryl Murphy | 3 |

August 11

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|----------------------------|----|
| 1. Bill Ray | 54 |
| 2. Diana Leffler | 53 |
| 2. Billie Parr | 53 |
| Most Loners: Cheryl Murphy | 4 |



Rhonda O'Driscoll



Barry Porter

August 18

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| 1. Cheryl Murphy | 67 |
| 2. Mirian Weage | 56 |
| 3. Diana Leffler | 54 |
| Most Loners: Billie Parr | 4 |

August 25

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| 1. Billie Parr | 63 |
| 2. Cheryl Murphy | 60 |
| 3. Christina Brown | 56 |
| Most Loners: Len Eckhart | 5 |

Code Breaker Solution

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| 1. Halloween | 2. Bat | 3. Pumpkin | 4. Cat | 5. Costume |
| 6. Trick | 7. Spider | 8. Treat | 9. Ghost | 10. Witch |



SPADES

Submitted by Cheryl Murphy

The following are the results for the month of August:

August 6

1. Greg Hughes	1608
2. Diana Leffler	1522
3. Billie Parr	1461
4. Gary Simmmons	1201
High Game Score:	
Billie Parr & Greg Hughes	396

August 20

1. Tim Erwin	1560
2. Christina Brown	1542
3. Greg Hughes	1539
4. Jim Quinn	1518
High Game Score:	
Christina Brown & Dick Boucher	400

August 13

1. Cheryl Murphy	1872
2. Christina Brown	1763
3. Christine Becker	1761
4. Bill Ray	1758
High Game Score:	
Diana Leffler & Jim Quinn	410

August 27

1. Jim Quinn	2032
2. Bill Ray	1878
3. Samantha Gaines	1841
4. Cheryl Murphy	1830
High Game Score:	
Bill Ray & Gary Simmons	448

Canadian Thanksgiving Puzzle Solution

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| 1. Nanaimo Bars | 6. Jiggs Dinner |
| 2. Butter Tarts | 7. Harvest Celebration |
| 3. Annual Holiday | 8. October |
| 4. Second Monday | 9. Brussel Sprouts |
| 5. Cornucopias | 10. Sweet Corn |

The Nanaimo bar is a bar dessert that requires no baking and is named after the Canadian city of Nanaimo in British Columbia. It consists of three layers: a wafer, nut, and coconut crumb base; custard icing in the middle; and a layer of chocolate ganache on top.

Source: Wikipedia



Jiggs dinner, also called boiled dinner or cooked dinner, is a traditional meal commonly prepared and eaten on Sundays in Newfoundland and other Atlantic provinces.

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Variations: Addition of raisins, walnuts or pecans or other flavourings.

Source: Wikipedia



Halloween Crossword Solution

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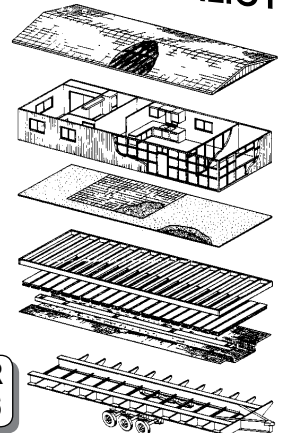
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