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### Participating in the Act of Remembrance

### "Lest We Forget"



We honour all Veterans who have served in the cause of peace and freedom

### Remembrance Day 2025

**Grandview Cenotaph** 

Grandview Park, Commercial Drive & William Street, Vancouver, BC



**Remembering Canadian Women at War** 

by The Royal Canadian Legion, Grandview-Collingwood Branch 179

# The Royal Canadian Legion is committed to ensuring Canadians never forget.

All are invited to attend the service, starting 10 AM at the Grandview Cenotaph (Commercial Drive and William Street) to honour our veterans. After the service, we will be marching down Commercial Drive to Legion 179 (at 6th and Commercial Drive), where we invite you to join us for refreshments and entertainment in our Canteen.

This year, Remembering Canadian Women at War is the focus. During the Second World War, the role of women in Canadian society changed dramatically. Canada needed women to pitch in and support the war effort from their homes, to work at jobs that were traditionally held by men, and to serve in the military. Canadian women enthusiastically embraced their new roles and responsibilities and helped contribute to the success of Canada's Victory Campaign.

Remebrance Day is a time to honour and remember all those who served at home and overseas and to those who gave their lives. We will remember them.

Legion members make a difference in the lives of Veterans, their Families and your Community. *More about that on page 2* 







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# Granview-Collingwood Branch #179 of the Royal Canadian Legion **Update**

by Paul Reid



Larry Carlson (left) with Jack Reid (right) drawing prize tickets at Larry's *Terry Fox Foundation* fundraiser that raised over \$10,000!

Jack Reid has been hard at work all year spear-heading the renovations to the upstairs hall. With the building now 70 years old, it has been a long time coming, but now the hall is looking like new again. New carpets, paint job; the dance floor has been redone; the green room and lighting is next. It's a beautiful hall that is availabe for rent.



President Diane Janes, is leading her crew of volunteers (which could really use some assistance) to take care of the yearly poppy campaign. Diane has really been working night and day. Our hearts go out to her as her husband John recently passed away, making all her duties that much more difficult. Hang in there Di! Way to lead!

Back from a bout with cancer, and now in his eighties, *Larry Carlson* is back better than ever, leading the fundraising charge. In September, his branch fundraiser

for the *Terry Fox Foundation*, raised over \$10,000! Way to go Larry!

Yes, our *Grandview-Collingwood Branch 179* really does do a lot of good things in this community, most of which occurs without a lot of fanfare. In addition to all they do for Veterans, the RCMP and their families, the branch is continuously helping out the local community.

In August, they managed to raise \$4000 to help out Grandview Elementary School with their breakfast program; Queen Alexandra Elementary is next on the list to receive support.

In just the past few months, the branch has donated to many local organizations: \$2000 to the *411 Seniors Society*; \$1000 to *Kindred Farms*; \$1000 to *Grandview Community Policing Office*; \$2000 to *Citadel Canine*, \$1000 to *Quilts of Valour*, \$1000 to *SPCA*, \$2000 to *Volunteer Cancer Drivers*, \$1047 to *Variety Club* and \$500 to *Easter Seals* Drop Zone event.

This is just an example of the type of assistance that *Royal Canadian Legion* branches, such as *Grandview-Collingwood 179*, are doing for their communities. That's why it's important that we remember to support our branches by becoming a member, paying a visit, and enjoying all of the fun games and events that are happenning throughout the year.

There are the meat draws and 50/50 on Fridays and Saturdays; the Thursday night Jam sessions; DJs and bands every Friday and Saturday Night; lots of yearly events; darts, pool, foosball; and it's the place to see all of the best sports action. And the best part is, unlike most places, you know that the money you pay for that cold beverage is doing a lot of good in your community.

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### It's time! Save Carleton

Help save this school in our rapidly growing East Vancouver community!

#### by Melanie Cheng

The VSB is considering closing Carleton. But Carleton is not a "surplus" site. Did you know that by 2033 Joyce-Collingwood will have about 1,000 more youth from 5-12 years of age? We are going to need Carleton for this community!

There are many reasons to Save Carleton, but here are the top ones:

- 1. Rapid Growth Carleton is located in Joyce-Collingwood, which is one of Vancouver's fastest-growing Transit Oriented Areas (TOAs). There are six new towers over 30 storeys planned near Carleton and many mid-rise developments planned.
- 2. Lack of complete capital planning data - We need complete data to make capital plans. The VSB's capital planning data does not account for key factors like: local TOA growth under provincial legislation, the need for child care spaces, or spaces for district choice programs.



**Sir Guy Carleton Elementary School** 

- 3. Vancouver Plan commitments: The Vancouver Plan's "complete neighbourhoods" supports preserving Carleton for child care, and other essential public amenities.
- 4. Precinct Plan commitments Carleton is one of the only places in Joyce-Collingwood where there's

space for the public benefits promised to our community under the Joyce-Collingwood Station Precinct Plan.

For the complete story and to sign the petition, please visit: https://melaniecheng.ca/savecarleton/

The following is a paid advertisement by Adrian Dix, MLA for Vancouver/Renfrew

Dear Neighbours,

Remembrance Day: November 11th November 11th is Remembrance Day, set aside for all of us to take time to recognize the sacrifice of those who



fought and died for their country in battle, and to remember how important it is to work for peace so we may never again face the tragedies of wartime.

Please join me on Tuesday, November 11th at the Memorial South Park Cenotaph, located at 41st Ave and Windsor St. to recognize the sacrifice that so many have made across the world. The service at the cenotaph will commence at 10:30am. If you are unable to attend a service, you may observe the traditional moment of silence at 11am

#### 2026's Annual Allowable Rent Increase is 2.3%

The maximum annual allowable rent increase for 2026 cannot take effect prior to Jan. 1, 2026. This is the second year in a row that the maximum allowable increase is tied to the Consumer Price Index. In 2024, the Province capped rent increases at 3.5%, well below the increase to inflation of 5.6%. If landlords choose to increase rent, they must abide by the Residential Tenancy Act and provide three months' notice to tenants using the correct Notice of Rent Increase form, and rents cannot be increased more than once in a 12-month period.

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Residents are urged to take precautions to ensure personal safety. Start by developing a household emergency plan and learning how your local government will respond during an emergency. Put together a household emergency kit and prepare grab-and-go bags for each member of your household in case you are asked to evacuate. If your lights go out, check to see whether BC Hydro is aware of the outage.

As always, my community office, at 5022 Joyce St. Vancouver, is open to provide services for constituents in person with appointments and via phone and email. Please give us a call at 604-660-0314 or email us at adrian.dix.mla@leg.bc.ca, and we will get in touch with you as soon as we can. 聯絡本辦事處請電郵 adrian.dix.mla@leg. bc.ca 或致電 604-660-0314. 如欲親臨敬 請預約。

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Adrian Dix MLA for Vancouver-Renfrew

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# Renfrew Collingwood

COMMUNITY NEWS

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### **Collingwood Corner**

Remembering Christopher Bailey, a Fallen WWI Soldier from Aberdeen Street

#### by Loretta Houben

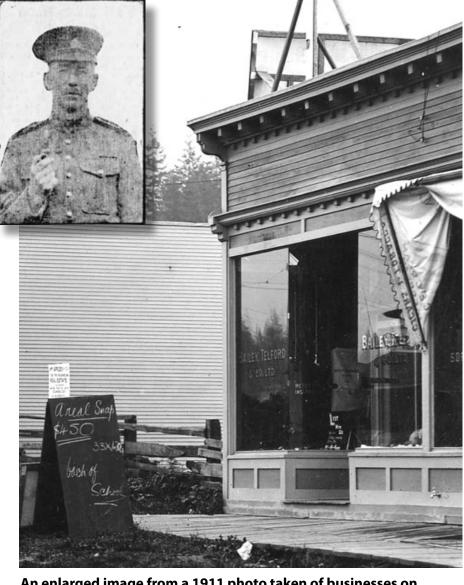
WWI happened over 100 years ago, yet each November 11th we remember those who made the ultimate sacrifice for our freedom in dying far from home, along with those who perished in WWII, 80 years ago. Most ordinary people who marched off to war are forgotten, but their names still exist in old newspaper clippings and in cemeteries.

Christopher Thomas Bailey worked as a notary public for Bailey Telford and Company, a real estate company on Joyce road. His name appears in the 1913 and 1915 BC directories. He was married at age 27 in St. John's Anglican church in Central Park on June 29th, 1912, to Irene Kirkland age 21. According to the 1915 directory they lived at 351 Aberdeen street.

In September 1914, Christopher signed a form of attestation and agreed to serve in the Canadian overseas expeditionary force. I don't know the date he left for France. He was a sergeant, and he sadly died from wounds on April 28, 1915. He had just turned 30.

He is buried in Bailleul Communal Cemetery Extension in France. Two other brothers also died. Please check here to read more about Christopher Bailey at the Canadian Virtual War Memorial: <a href="https://veterans.gc.ca/en/remembrance/memorials/canadian-virtual-war-memorial/detail/198243">https://veterans.gc.ca/en/remembrance/memorials/canadian-virtual-war-memorial/detail/198243</a>

Let us never forget their sacrifice.



An enlarged image from a 1911 photo taken of businesses on Joyce road, showing *Bailey, Telford & Co* shop where Christopher worked. (Inset) Picture of Christopher Bailey from *Find a Grave* website.

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Advertisement for Bailey, Telford & Co with a branch in the Collingwood area.







### SERGEANT IS DEAD; THIRTEEN WOUNDED

Sergt. Bailey Now Numbered Among the Slain—Lieut. Mc-Lean Is Prisoner of War.

Sergt, C. T. Bailey, serving with the Fifth Battalion, in which is incorporated the detachment of the British Columbia Horse which went from Vancouver, is reported to have died of wounds. His wife, living on Aberdeen street, East Collingwood, received a telegram this morning conveying the sad intelligence.

Clip of Christopher's death in the May 7, 1915 Province paper.



### Four Ways to Celebrate Salmon Season at Still Creek

#### By Clea Moray & Connelly Stirling

November is the best time of year to see spawning salmon in Still Creek. Renfrew-Collingwood is blessed to be home to Still Creek, one of only three Vancouver streams where salmon return to spawn in the fall. Salmon have returned intermittently since 2012 after an 80-year absence, thanks in part to streamkeepers and government efforts to clean pollution, reconnect, and restore the stream.

During November, *Still Moon Arts* – a Renfrew-Collingwood arts & environment non-profit that is home to the *Still Creek Streamkeepers* – invites you to celebrate salmon season.

Visit a lookout point along the creek and email your sightings to salmon@ stillmoonarts.ca. This will help our community effort to better understand how many salmon return, as well as how and where they use the creek. You can also join us for our group bike ride along the creek on Sunday, Nov 2, take part in the Salmon Celebration on Saturday, November 8, or volunteer at one of our creekside planting sessions to improve salmon habitat. More info on these events is below.

In Still Creek, you will see Chum salmon, which are large fish nearly 2-3 feet in length. Male Chum develop dark purple and black vertical striping on their sides when they return to the stream where they hatched. Female Chum can also develop this stripy effect, but it will be less pronounced; they are better recognized by the thick blue line that runs horizontally along the body, from behind the head to the base of the tail. Chum return to their natal stream after about four years in the ocean. In these streams, they reproduce and die, continuing the life cycle and providing food for other species. Chum eggs remain in the gravelly nests called 'redds' for two to four months, then they will hatch, develop into a juvenile salmon, and immediately start navigating to the ocean.

#### **Still Creek Salmon Activities**

#### November 2: Join the Still Creek Salmon Bike Ride

Still Moon Arts will lead a free group bicycle trip along the Central Valley Greenway from Renfrew-Collingwood toward Burnaby Lake, stopping at Still Creek lookout points to look for returning salmon. The ride will start at 1:30 PM at the Beaver Pondering Lodging Sculpture (NE corner of 3185 Grandview Hwy, the Superstore parking lot). For more details and to register, visit <a href="https://SalmonCycle2025.eventbrite.ca">https://SalmonCycle2025.eventbrite.ca</a>.

#### **November 8: Join the Salmon Celebration**

Join us at this free family-friendly celebration on the banks of Still Creek with live music from Indigenous Women *Rise and Mauro Perelman & Tania Grinberg Duo*, art activities, guest speakers including *Sesemiya*, and warm drinks. From 2:00 to 4:00 PM, Cornett Road at Natal Street. For more details and to RSVP, visit <a href="https://SalmonCelebration2025.event-brite.ca">https://SalmonCelebration2025.event-brite.ca</a>

### Throughout November: Report your Still Creek Salmon Sightings

Email salmon@stillmoonarts.ca any time during November and include:

- Where did you look for salmon? (for example, nearest intersection or name of bridge).
- Did you see any?
- How many? Alive or dead?
- Include a photo if you can

To protect the salmon and their eggs, make sure to stay out of the stream and approach quietly. Visit https://stillmoonarts.ca/salmon for more information, maps of spotting locations, and updates.



Cyclists look for salmon at Still Creek in Vancouver.

### Throughout November: Plant local species to improve streamside habitat

We are hosting many planting events in November. We have planting sites along Still Creek where we are aiming to restore the streamside habitat. Planting native species along the creek helps slow the flow of water, filter pollutants, and improve habitat for salmon and other animals.

To learn more & see our planting schedule, visit https://stillmoon-arts.ca/events-calendar/.



### Who's Who in Stanley Park: Harry Jerome

#### by Penny Lim

I headed to the statue of famed Vancouver Harry Jerome -- fastest man on earth in 1960's holding four records. In *Running Uphill*, author Fil Fraser declared that Harry Jerome was larger than life, an elite athlete of unrelenting crusading spirt. He fits: "Courage is grace under pressure." (JFK quote by Ernest Hemmingway.)

Any individual striving to excel faces challenges. Unforeseen trauma may be brutal. Harry Sr. purchased a heritage home in North Vancouver (Harry Jr. a preteen then), the hostile neighbours asked them to move. Their real estate agent help realized the father's wish to stay in North Vancouver. Relocated neighbourhood more tolerant.

A young Harry described as confident, shy, and moody and kind to friends. True, his friends remained lifelong friends. In Grade 11, John Minichiello became his coach thus developing into a lasting professional relationship and friendship. Unusual for sprinters, John Minichiello added weight training to the program. Eventually, witnessing the results, Bowerman agreed with weight training.

In the 1960's, Canada offered little support to sprinters whereas the USA did offer much more support to athletes. Awarded a full scholarship in Oregon, Harry trained years with Bill Bowerman, track coach at *University of Oregon*. Bowerman's focus in improving running sneakers led to lucrative co-founding of *Nike*.

Constantly striving, training, competing, breaking records, winning national titles, and world titles. Harry made the headlines. Winning deemed him a national Canadian hero. Missing the mark? The same media vilified him.

At the 1960 Olympics in Australia, Harry unable to continue his race, came off the field. Later, three days



later, two Perth Ortho surgeons found that his kicking muscle, the strongest in the upper leg severely damaged. Fellow Olympian Bruce Kidd stated that he could put his fist into that hole in Harry's left leg.

Flown back to Vancouver, Dr. Hector Gillespie, *BC Lions*' team doctor, performed a radical new surgery. Never before had such a super athlete injury occurred. {You and I could not injure ourselves like that.} Consequently, his recovery demanded a new kind of rehab and physiotherapy. "Hector kept me positive," praised Harry. Six weeks hospitalized, 6 months in a full leg cast. Bill Bowerman: "Jerome's spirit and his doctor's skill did it."

Both of these coaches were of world-class calibre. Working long careers.

Prognosis deeply pessimistic. Absolute fear that he might never walk properly again. Not Harry who trained while in his cast! "Near super human determination" baffling all including his coach.

Triumph! At the 1964 Tokyo Olympics, Harry Winston Jerome won his bronze medal, 10.2 secs., 100 metres. "This feat is generally acknowledged as one of the greatest comebacks in track and field." "Eight years is exceptionally long run in life of sprinter."

# Support C.R.E.W. - Fundraiser for Indigenous Youth Program

We're excited to share that C.R.E.W. has launched a T-shirt and hoodie fundraiser featuring our new C.R.E.W. logo, designed by artist Larissa Healey in collaboration with C.R.E.W. youth!

C.R.E.W. (Culture, Recreation, Education & Work) has been creating opportunities and community connections for Indigenous youth since 2005, originally known as the Renfrew-Collingwood Aboriginal Canoe Club.

Right now, we are facing a major setback in funding and are at risk of closing our doors by end of October to mid-November. Your support through this fundraiser can help keep C.R.E.W. going strong for our youth and community.

T-Shirts are going for \$25; Hoodies for \$45. The fundraiser ends November 10th and orders ship starting November 21st, right to your doorstep!

You can order directly through the link below or by scanning the QR code on our poster: https://tees.ca/collections/c-r-ew-fundraiser

Every purchase helps us continue offering a safe, empowering space for Indigenous youth to connect through culture, recreation, education, and work.

Thank you for your continued support and for standing with C.R.E.W. during this challenging time.

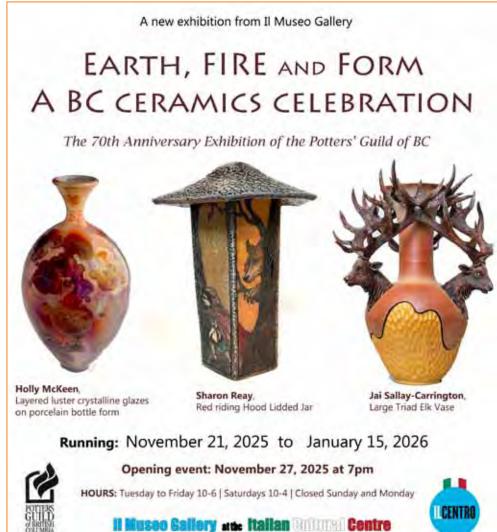


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### Read On! A news section for Renfrew-Collingwood learners

### The Meaning of Remembrance

by R. Delmar

Every year on November 11, Canadians gather to remember the soldiers, nurses, and peacekeepers who served during times of war. At eleven o'clock in the morning, the country grows still. Cars stop. People stand quietly. Even children in schools pause for two minutes of silence.

Long ago, that moment was only one minute. But in 1999, Canada officially made it two minutes — one to remember those who died, and one to think of those who returned home and still carry the memories of war.

The red poppy has become the symbol of this day. It reminds us of the flowers that grew on the battlefields of Europe after the First World War. Wearing one shows respect for those who gave their lives — and for those who continue to serve today.

But remembrance isn't only about the past. It's about peace in the present. It asks each of us: What can I do to make sure this never happens again?



#### Level 1

- 1. What day do Canadians celebrate Remembrance Day?
- 2. What colour is the poppy?
- 3. How long is the moment of silence now?

#### Level 2

- 1. Why was the silence changed from one minute to two?
- 2. Who do we honour on Remembrance Day?
- 3. What are some ways people remember?

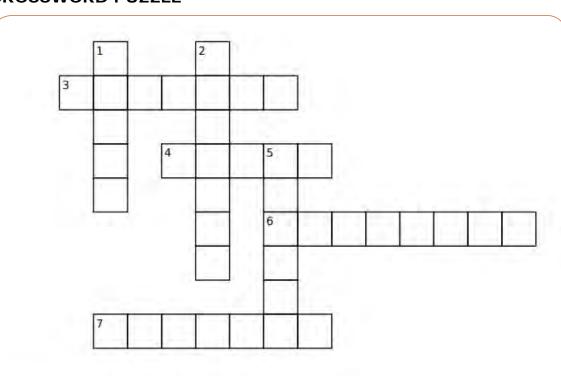
#### Level 3 ★★★

- 1. Why is it important for young people to remember the past?
- 2. How can peace start "small"?
- 3. What might you do to honour peace this year?



Original artwork by R. Delmar

#### **CROSSWORD PUZZLE**



- 1. The red flower worn on Remembrance Day
- 2. What people hold for two minutes
- 5. Country that remembers together

- 3. Someone who serves in the army
- 4. What we hope to protect
- 6. The month of Remembrance Day
- 7. Someone who served in the past



### NUESTROS HIJOS El Milagro de un Préstamo Divino

#### by Ricardo Cerna

Nuestros hijos son almas espirituales que Dios nos ha confiado temporalmente. Son un regalo sagrado que nos permite aprender la forma más profunda de amar: amar a alguien más que a nosotros mismos. Criarlos es un proceso de transformación, en el que nos vemos desafiados a vencer nuestros defectos para poder ofrecerles lo mejor de nosotros, y enseñarles, con el ejemplo, el valor del coraje y del servicio.

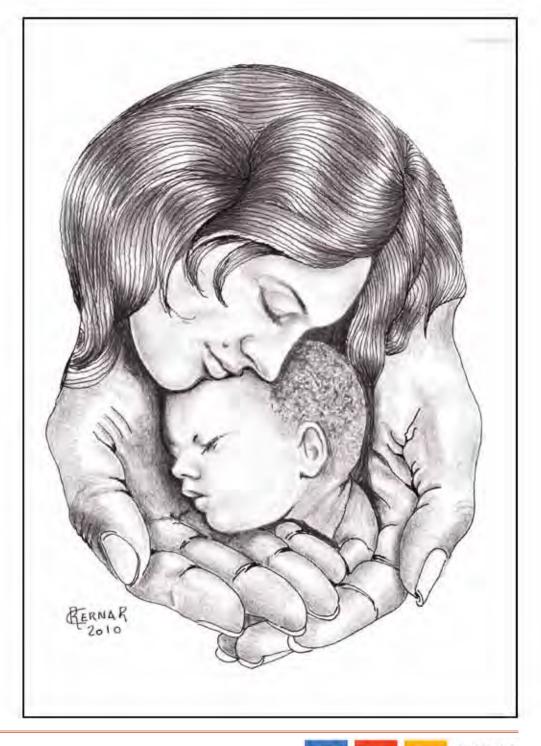
Ser padres es uno de los actos más valientes que existen. Es abrir el corazón al amor más grande, pero también a los mayores temores: la incertidumbre de no saber si lo estamos haciendo bien, y el miedo constante a perder aquello que más amamos.

- −¿Se nos han dado en calidad de préstamo?
- —iClaro que sí!

¿Por qué? Porque nuestros hijos no nos pertenecen. Son el más precioso y milagroso de los préstamos. Estarán con nosotros solo por un tiempo: hasta que puedan caminar solos por la vida. Luego, pertenecerán al mundo, a sus propios caminos, a sus futuras familias... y al final, su espíritu regresará a Dios. Dios bendiga siempre a nuestros hijos. Porque si nosotros fuimos elegidos para ser sus padres, es porque Dios —nuestro Padre Celestial— ya nos bendijo al permitirnos formar parte de sus vidas. Y quizás, sólo quizás... las familias puedan ser eternas.

Gracias, querido lector, por ser parte de la comunidad de Renfrew Collingwood, y por acompañarnos hasta estas últimas líneas.

Bendiciones para ti y para tu familia.



### What's happening at Collingwood Branch



Tuesday & Wednesday: 9.30am - 7pm Thursday & Friday: 9.30am - 6pm Saturday: 9.30am - 5pm Sunday: 9.30am - 5pm

#### **EARLY YEARS PROGRAMS**

#### **Babytime**

Thursdays, September 18 - December 11 10:30 - 11:00am

Rhymes, songs, bounces, fingerplays and stories for parents and caregivers with their babies. Recommended for newborns to approximately 18 months.

#### **Baby Stay and Play**

Thursdays, September 18 - December 11 11:00 - 11:30am Drop in for independent playtime with your baby and a chance to connect with other families. Explore library books, blocks and other toys in this casual, self-led session.

#### **Family Storytime**

Fridays, September 19 - December 12

#### 10:30 - 11:00am

A program for parents and caregivers with young children. Songs, rhymes and stories are shared. Suitable for children of all ages and abilities to enjoy and learn together.

#### Family Stay and Play

Fridays, September 19 – December 12 11:00 - 11:30am

Drop in for independent playtime

with your children aged 5 and under and a chance to connect with other families. Explore library books, blocks and other toys in this casual self-led session.

#### **SCHOOL-AGE PROGRAMS**

#### **Dynamic Dinosaurs**

Friday, Nov 21 2:30 pm - 3:30pm Calling all amateur paleontologists! Dinosaur bones have been found at the library and we need your help to investigate them! For Grades K-7 | Drop-in

#### **LEGO® Block Party**

Weekly on Saturdays 2:30 – 3:30pm Connect with other kids and break out the bricks for a buildina bonanza! For Grades K-7 | Drop-in

#### **ADULT PROGRAMS**

#### **ESL Conversation Club**

Tuesday, November 25 5:30 – 6:30pm Meet new friends and practice your English conversation skills with other English language learners. This is a supportive and casual meet-up. For intermediate speakers.

# Collingwood Neighbourhood House H I G H L I G H T S



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#### **CNH** milestones

### Celebrating over 30 years with Alison Merton

by Collingwood Neighbourhood House

Collingwood Neighbourhood House (CNH) proudly recognizes its long-serving staff members. At this year's Annual General Meeting (AGM), CNH staff and contractors who have reached the milestones of 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, and 30 years of service and dedication to the neighbourhood house, were thanked by the Board of Directors.

This year, we recognize and celebrate Alison Merton, Director of the Early Years, for over 30 years of service.

Alison's journey began in September 1995, shortly after emigrating from England. Within a week of arriving, she took a casual childcare worker position at CNH—and never left. With her Early Childhood Education and Infant and Toddler Certification, Alison has built a career she's loved for over 35 years. One of the highlights of her professional journey was a development trip to Reggio Emilia, a testament to her commitment to lifelong learning and excellence in early childhood education.

Over the years, Alison has worked in every role within CNH's childcare programs. Her connection to CNH runs deep—not only professionally, but personally, as both her children attended CNH childcare programs. Her countless memories at CNH include everything from classroom moments to driving a 26-foot U-Haul truck during COVID to pick up donated food—just one example of her willingness to go above and beyond.

Alison stayed with CNH because of its role in the community and its family-friendly approach. She often says that the people who work in a Neighbourhood House are special—and she is certainly one of them. Her integrity, kindness, compassion, and unwavering advocacy for quality, affordable childcare and fair wages for Early Childhood Educators make her an invaluable part of the CNH team.

Outside of work, Alison enjoys cheering on her



**Alison Merton** 

daughter at basketball games, spending time at the lake with her beloved black lab and occasionally getting a new tattoo. She's also planning a cross-Canada road trip—another adventure in a life full of meaningful experiences.

Alison continues to be a treasured asset at CNH, and we're hopeful for many more years of her wisdom, warmth, and leadership.

Thank you, Alison, and many congratulations on this milestone!





#### November 2025

#### Halloween in Collingwood October 25, 2025



Thank you all for joining us and participating in the 2<sup>nd</sup> annual Halloween in Collingwood. Trick or Treaters of all ages came out in their costumes and filled the streets along Kingsway and Joyce Street. We couldn't have done it

without the support of the Collingwood Safeway, the Collingwood Community Policing Centre, St. Mary's School and all the participating Collingwood BIA members!

We'll see you all again next year!



#### Winter Carnival & Community Tree Lighting – November 29th 3-7pm Safeway Parking lot



The Annual Community Tree Lighting and Winter Carnival has returned. Under the big tent at in the Safeway Parking Lot (corner of Kingsway & Tyne). Arts & Crafts, storytelling with the Vancouver Public Library, St. Mary's Choir, balloon twister, World Famous Lions Gate Chorus, Peter Yap, Windermere Ensemble, hot chocolate, Starbucks coffee, cookies and more. See ad in this newspaper issue. We invite you all to start the holiday season and help us light the community tree.

#### **Fall/Winter Street Banners**

It's time for the switch. Our beautiful Spring/Summer banners will be replaced with the Fall/Winter banners. Depicting the Journey of the Crow throughout the seasons. Artist Mara Cortez. Crows can be found in all corners of Joyce Collingwood, and they are social birds, protective and very intelligent. Look around and see how many crows you can see.

#### Collingwood BIA's 12 Days of Gifting – Instagram December 4-15

We are excited to announce that we will be hosting the 12 Days of Gifting again this year. Follow us on Instagram and from December 4-15<sup>th</sup>, a new Joyce Collingwood business will be featured throughout the day and offering a daily prize. Like, Share and Comment for more chances to win. All prizes can be picked up at the Collingwood BIA's office. Last years' prizes equalled over \$1200. Don't miss this contest, you could win a present for you or for someone special. @shopcollingwood

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#### **CALENDAR**

November 11
Remembrance Day



November 29
Winter Carnival & Tree
Lighting 3-7pm



#### **E-Newsletters**:

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