

November Newsletter 2025



Hello Tecumseh Co-op Members!

November has arrived - the month where Mother Nature can't decide if she's hosting fall or winter, and we're all caught somewhere between raking leaves and shoveling snow. One minute you're admiring the crisp autumn air, and the next you're wearing every jacket you own because the wind has decided to personally attack you. Welcome to November in true Tecumseh fashion!

A few quick reminders as we head into the colder months: please make sure outdoor hoses are disconnected before they freeze (we love our gardens, but we don't need any accidental ice sculptures). Check your furnace filters! your future self, wrapped in a cozy blanket, will thank you. And if you're storing things outside, make sure they're secured; no one wants to explain to a neighbour why their patio chair went on an unplanned cross-yard adventure.

For those braving the outdoors, here are some handy November survival tips: layer up like a lasagna, keep a shovel handy *just in case*, and remember that the "check engine" light and "low tire pressure" warnings are simply your car's way of saying, "It's cold, I hate this too." Inside, it's the perfect time to start your winter nesting - bake something warm, reorganize that drawer you've been ignoring since June, and make yourself a hot drink that's at least 50% whipped cream.

Now's a great time to start winter nesting. Try some baking (bonus points if you share), dig into that puzzle you meant to start last March, or just embrace the glory of fuzzy socks and tea. Remember: you can't spell "November" without "No" - as in "No, I'm not going outside today."

As always, your board thanks you for keeping Tecumseh Co-op such a vibrant and caring community. Let's stay warm, stay kind, and prepare for the magical season ahead - because if there's one thing we can all agree on, it's that we'll be complaining about snow together soon enough.

Stay toasty,
Your Board of Directors

Friendly Reminders:

- ❖ After window cleaning or releasing the locks/clips to remove the sash, please ensure the window sash is fully pushed back into place and securely locked.
Kindly double-check that all locks or clips are properly engaged.
Failure to lock the sash may result in it sliding or falling due to strong winds or vibrations, which can cause damage to the sash and brackets.
- ❖ Please **remove laundry promptly** after use to ensure the machine is available for other members in a timely manner.
- ❖ Kindly make sure **the recreation center is cleaned** thoroughly after every use.
- ❖ For everyone's safety, please ensure **dogs are always kept on a leash**.
- ❖ Please submit a work order for any needed maintenance repairs. Maintenance staff member will handle tasks based on work orders submitted **through NewViews**. If you have any difficulty accessing the NewViews portal, feel free to contact the office for assistance.

FRIENDLY REMINDERS:

Please remember:

- ✚ Our office staff are here to assist the membership at-large; members are reminded to treat them with respect. Any abusive or aggressive language or behaviour towards staff will not be tolerated.
- ✚ Members are encouraged to set an appointment with the office to discuss important matters or give the office a call at 905-821-8525 or send an email to: admin@tecumsehcoop.net or pm@tecumsehcoop.net for urgent matters.
- ✚ Members are reminded it takes a community to keep our co-op safe. If you witness or know of any criminal activity, please contact Crime Stoppers and let our office know. You can submit tips to Crime Stoppers anonymously at: <https://peelcrimestoppers.ca/> or call 1-800-222-TIPS (8477).

IMPORTANT REMINDERS:

- ✚ Do not remove or disconnect the smoke and carbon monoxide detectors from the ceiling for any reason. Please always contact the office if there is a problem with your smoke detectors. It is a safety hazard and a liability to both you and your neighbors to not have them connected. Please ensure your batteries are in working order. Safety First Always!
- ✚ Please note that visitor parking is strictly reserved for guests only; members are not permitted to use these spaces. We kindly ask for your cooperation in following these procedures to avoid ticketing and to help maintain fair use of parking for all residents and their visitors.
- ✚ A very friendly reminder that your housing charges are due on or before the first of the month. You have the option to pay via Cheque, PAP or Tenant Pay. If you have not decided and would like more information, please contact the office.

Parking Update – Enforcement Measures

Parking enforcement is now in effect. All members must ensure vehicles are registered and display a valid **permit at all times**. Guest vehicles must be registered through the **EZ Permit system**, and visitor parking is **for guests only**.

Please note: permits activate upon registration and **expire at 11:00 AM** on the selected end date — think of them as operating on an **11:00 AM to 11:00 AM** window.

Thank you for your cooperation!

Rec Room Bookings

We kindly remind everyone that if you wish to book the recreation room **during office hours**, please inform the office in advance so that arrangements can be made accordingly.

We also ask that all members **respect the office hours** when using or accessing the recreation room. Your understanding and cooperation help us maintain a smooth and respectful environment for everyone.

Thank you for your continued support and courtesy! ❤️

Window Air Conditioner Notice

Members are reminded to ensure that any window air conditioner is **properly secured with a suitable bracket**. Please make sure use of AC does not interfere with or violate the window warranty.

Thank you for your cooperation.

Community Reminders – Pet Etiquette

Please be considerate of your neighbours:

- **Barking:** Do not leave dogs unattended outside for long periods, as it causes noise disturbances.
- **Waste:** Ensure your dog does not urinate or defecate on other members' lawns and always clean up after your pet.

Thank you for helping keep our community safe, clean, and respectful for everyone!

The Network Portal – Now Live!

We're excited to announce that The Network Portal is now live! 🐦

All work orders, announcements, and notices of entry will now be posted through the portal.

Members should have received a welcome email with login instructions.

You can access the portal here: [Community Housing Management Network](#). The application name is "The Network CHMN"

Please log in to create work orders and stay updated with community news.

65+ Fitness Program

If you're **65 years or older** and live in **Mississauga**, you can enjoy **free fitness opportunities** designed to help you stay active, healthy, and feeling great.

Learn more or register here: <https://www.mississauga.ca/recreation-and-sports/memberships/65-fit-membership/>

November

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Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
						1 Fall Cleanup & BBQ
2 Fall Cleanup & BBQ	3 Maintenance	4	5 Maintenance	6 Recycle Organic Yard Waste	7	8 Rec Room Booked
9 Rec Room Booked	10 Maintenance	11 Remembrance Day	12 Maintenance	13 Garbage Organic Yard Waste	14	15
16	17 Maintenance	18	19 Maintenance	20 Recycle Organic Yard Waste Landscaping meeting in the Rec Centre	21	22
23	24 Maintenance	25	26 Maintenance Board Meeting 7:00 PM in the Rec Centre	27 Garbage Organic Yard Waste Seniors' Committee meeting in the Rec Centre	28	29 Rec Room Booked
30 Rec Room Booked						

**IN CASE OF AN AFTER-HOUR
EMERGENCY PLEASE
CONTACT:**

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Office Hours:

Monday- 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

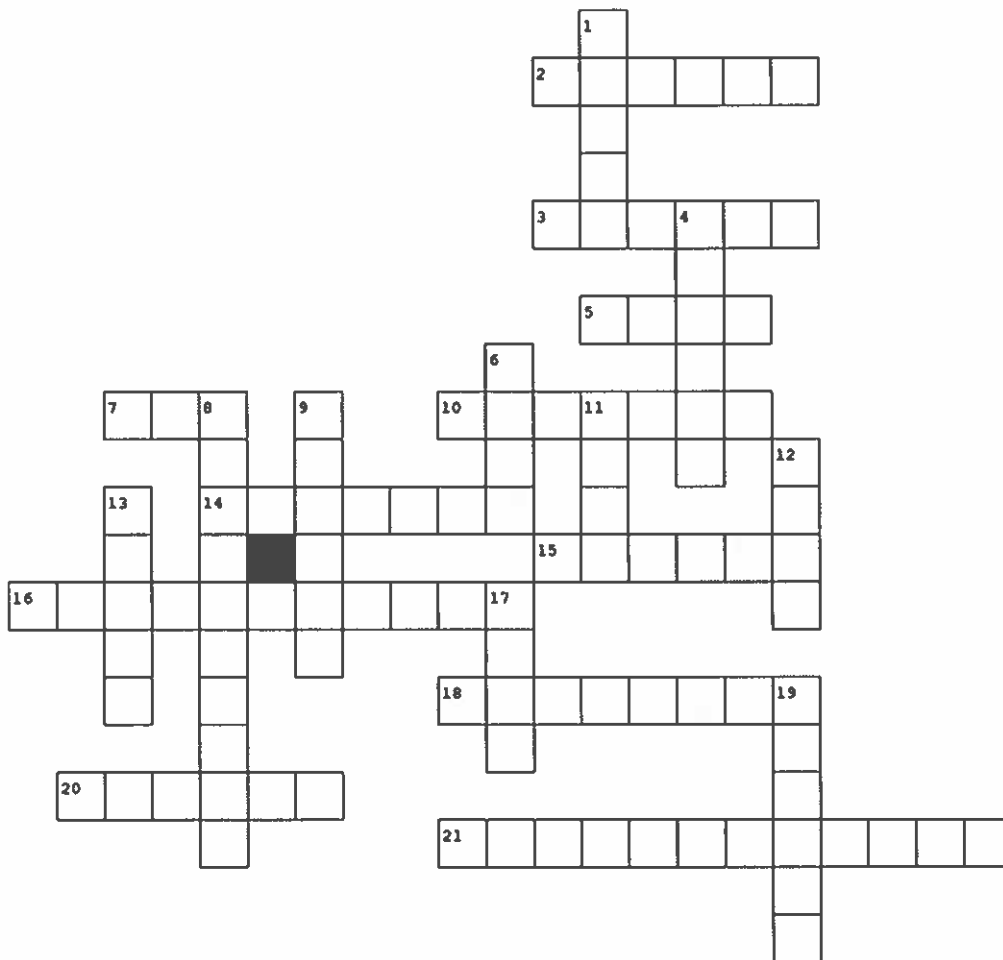
Tuesday- 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Wednesday- 4:00 PM to 7:00 PM

Thursday- 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

Friday- 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

November Crossword



Across

2. Friendly face during the day at the Co-op center
3. Don't forget to change these! (hint: makes it darker earlier)
5. Mississauga's municipality
7. The dreaded yearly meeting
10. Mississauga's Mayor
14. Throw them out before they rot
15. Lawn confetti
16. Winter essential that makes you feel overly confident on icy roads
18. The birds everyone's watching
20. Essential warm beverage for early-morning leaf rakers
21. the village in the city (___ ville)

Down

1. Mayor who cut the ribbon for the Co-op
4. ___ river (it's very close to us!)
6. ___ Mills Town Centre
8. Toronto's hockey team, or what you might find clogging your gutters
9. Couch treasure?
11. Board member who writes the board newsletter
12. What you should disconnect before it freezes
13. You might steal this from your kids on the last day of October
17. Makes food taste better, and adds traction to our sidewalks
19. Snow clearing tool



TECUMSEH CO-OP FALL CLEAN-UP / BBQ 2025

On Saturday November 1, 2025 the members of Tecumseh Co-op enjoyed the fall colors and cooler temperatures while utilizing their rakes, shovels, bare hands and leaf blowers to clean up and bag the leaves from the community common areas around their homes. A large number of members, friends and family came out to enjoy the fellowship of other members and then tuck into some BBQ burgers and hotdogs while other members brought some of their own homemade delicacies for us all to enjoy.

Thanks to all the members and friends that came out for this special community event, hopefully this is the beginning of something that will continue and ultimately bring healing and unity to our community.

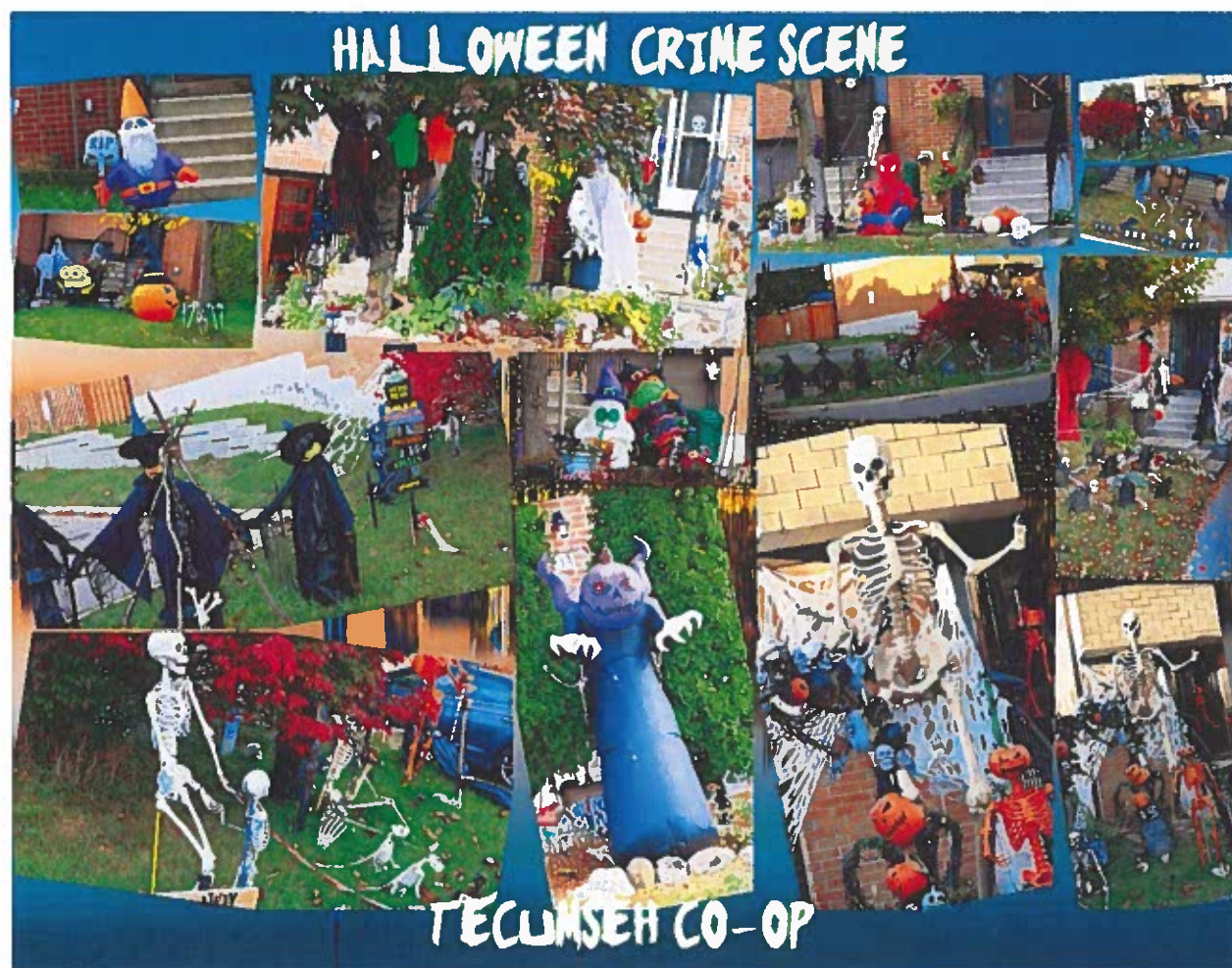
A special thanks goes out to Steve and Joanne for their efforts in having this event come to pass, and to all the others involved making this Clean-up /BBQ a great success...but a very SPECIAL THANK-YOU to all the members of Tecumseh Co-op, as it is YOU that this is all for.

"The more man meditates upon good thoughts, the better will be his world and the world at large." — Confucius

A Quick History of Halloween in Canada

Let's rewind. Halloween, as we know it, has its roots in the ancient Celtic festival of Samhain. Pronounced "sow-win", this celebration marked the end of the harvest, the boundary between summer and winter, and when the world of the living and the dead turned thin.

Over time, with the spread of Christianity, All Saints' Day, celebrated on November 1, and All Souls' Day on November 2, absorbed some of those customs, and the evening before, October 31, became All Hallows' Eve, which eventually developed into the Halloween we celebrate today.



How Canadians Celebrate Halloween Across the country, you'll find many of the classic elements:

- **Costumes:** Kids and even adults dress up as everything from monsters, witches, and ghosts to superheroes, pop-culture icons, and animals.
- **Trick-or-treating:** The door-to-door tradition is very much alive. Kids say, "Trick or Treat," and neighbours hand out candy.
- **Pumpkin carving:** The tradition comes from the older custom of carving turnips or root vegetables in Europe. However, here in North America, pumpkins became the go-to once settlers saw how well they worked.
- **Decorations and parties:** Homes take on spooky looks, neighbourhoods light up, community events take place, adult costume parties pop up, and haunted houses or eerie attractions are common.

What's great is that while Halloween is national, each province and territory adds its own flavour. Whether you're in the north, the Atlantic coast, the prairies, or the West coast, there are local traditions celebrated at Halloween across Canada.

- **Newfoundland & Labrador:** The age-old tradition of mummering is still alive in some places. People in disguises, mummers, go from house to house, perform little skits or dances, and are welcomed with treats or a drink. While often celebrated during the Christmas season, mummering is also celebrated at Halloween.
- **Ontario / Maritimes:** Lantern-lit walks, porch displays, and ghost tours are popular this week; some places also use the nickname "Mischief Night."
- **British Columbia:** On the West Coast, you'll find haunted corn mazes, forest-based spooky events, and a strong link to Indigenous legends spun into the Halloween season.
- **Prairie Provinces: Manitoba, Saskatchewan and Alberta:** Rural pumpkin patches, haunted farm-rides, and community fairs are common around this time.
- **Quebec:** With its deep historic roots, Old Quebec and other districts lean into the spooky past and ghost walks.