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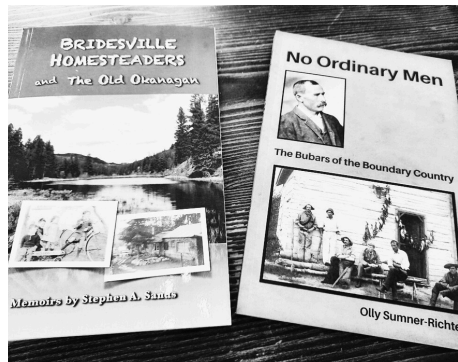
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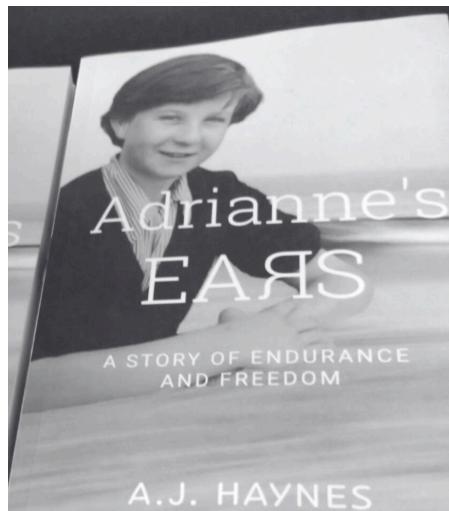
NEW BOOKS AT RIVERSIDE CENTRE

In addition to Riverside Centre's current library of historical books, two new volumes have been added.

"No Ordinary Men" by Ollie Sumner-Richter, the story of the Bubar family, and "Bridesville Homesteaders and the Old Okanagan" by Stephen A. Sands. These make excellent reading for those who enjoy local history.



We are also excited that Adrienne Hayne's book "Adrienne's EARS" has arrived. This is a beautiful, heartfelt memoir of her remarkable life.



There's no such thing as good weather, or bad weather. There's just weather and your attitude towards it.

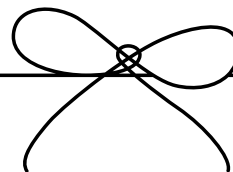


WISH TREE

TTTBS is pleased to confirm that the Christmas "WISH TREE" program will continue this year.

Come in to Riverside to select an envelope showcasing a child and then have fun shopping to enrich that child's Christmas.

This project, in conjunction with West Boundary Elementary School, has been a heartwarming and enjoyable event. Volunteers at the centre will be happy to answer any questions you may have.



CHRISTMAS BOXES

Christmas Boxes are, once again, available at Riverside Centre.

Call to order at 250-528-5955.

Small Christmas Box is \$30

Large Christmas Box is \$60

The purchase of these Christmas boxes supports local businesses.



SENIORS BEING SEEN

Upcoming Sessions...

FRIDAY, Nov. 21st @ 1:30 pm

- "THE LEMONADE GIRLS of MIDWAY" - Meet the next generation of community organizers! These delightful young ladies have raised thousands of dollars (seriously) for restoration of a community Heritage building, all while attending school, and captivating this Senior playground observer, with their tree climbing prowess, hide-and-seek games, bicycle and skateboard skills! "THE LEMONADE GIRLS," and others like them, are our rays of a hopeful future! Bet you'll HAVE to HAVE at least one glass...

THURSDAY, Nov. 27th @ 1:30 pm

"INTRODUCING the NEW FOOD HUB for WEST BOUNDARY" - Vicki Gee will talk with us about the NEW FOOD HUB currently being constructed in the West Boundary - its uses and potential for generating local small food-related businesses. Bring your questions!!!

THURSDAY, Dec. 4th @ 1:30 pm

"WILD BEAUTY" now in West Boundary! Diane Edovinkoff presents the opening of "WILD BEAUTY!" Ms. Edovinkoff, new to Rock Creek, will introduce us to her yummy, naturally sourced beauty products. Meet Diane and you'll be WILD to buy local!

***** PLEASE NOTE *****

Regular "Seniors Being Seen" programming will resume in the NEW YEAR, 2026, in early. TBA in the "Echo" and at www.westboundary.com, in the Calendar section - watch for up-coming programs. In the meantime, there will be our potluck and 'Sneaky Santa' Gift Exchange for our Riverside Volunteers and staff, without whom we could NOT function.



Oct. 16th, Seniors Being Seen Program:
'Ben Garrison's Vancouver Island Country Band,'
featuring the Boundary's David Hecht (on mandolin)
& Curt Garrison on banjo."

******* YOU ALL HAVE A
 HAPPY CHRISTMAS
 AND A
 HAPPY NEW YEAR!!! *******



Come and join us for lively presentations, socializing and great locally-catered refreshments. Our free-of-charge programmes with refreshments are Thursdays at 1:30 pm at Riverside Centre, 3990 Hwy 3, Rock Creek, BC.

For suggestions and/or further information, please contact Programme Coordinator - Michele (Shelly) Garrison at shellygarrison1@gmail.com 250-442-2415 or check our monthly schedule online at www.westboundary.com

Cold Water Does It Every Time

John visited his 90-year-old grandpa who lived way out in the country. On the first morning of the visit, John's grandpa prepared a breakfast of bacon and eggs. John noticed a film-like substance on his plate, and asked, "Are these plates clean?"

His grandpa replied, "They're as clean as cold water can get them. Just go ahead and finish your meal."

For lunch, Grandpa made hamburgers. Again, John was concerned about the plates, as his appeared to have specks of dried egg on it. "Are you sure these plates are clean?" he asked.

Without looking up, Grandpa said, "I told you before, those dishes are as clean as cold water can get them!"

Later, as John was leaving, his grandpa's dog started to growl and wouldn't let him pass.

John said, "Grandpa, your dog won't let me get by!"

Grandpa yelled to the dog, "Cold Water, go lie down!"



NETWORKING - LEARNING - LAUGHING WITH WE LADIES

NETWORKING-LEARNING-LAUGHING was the theme for the fall workshop held at the Kettle River Wildlife Hall in Rock Creek on November 3rd, 2025.

After a warm welcome by President Maria Robichaud she invited everyone in attendance to enjoy the muffins, teas and coffee while perusing the silent auction table, plants and books for sale by donation. Maria explained that the two concurrent workshops would allow everyone to participate in both workshops prior to lunch.

Donna Anshetz, secretary KRDWI/ Main River WI Westbridge branch, gave a brief history of the sponsor Victoria Salliss's establishing the "Victoria Salliss Creative Arts Legacy" in 1996 by donating/ bequeath \$56,000.00 to the Women's Institute.

"Since old time crafts are disappearing" Salliss wanted to promote crafts and train people how to do them, so created this opportunity for each district to apply for funding to pay for speakers/ presentations.

Therapeutic Zentangle workshop was presented by Bianca Craig, an active member of the Federation of Canadian Arts Legacy. She has exhibited her work in the Osoyoos Art Gallery and other venues in the South Okanagan. She is passionate about creating meaningful art and welcomes commissioned work. Bianca shares her passion with fellow artists and enjoys mentoring those who want to further develop their art.

Bianca demonstrated "Therapeutic Zentangle" a calming and meditative painting art which promotes relaxation, focus and mindfulness. Each participant will get to make their own piece. No prior artistic skill is required.

Jelly roll rug workshop described what a jelly roll rug is, and the technique used to make it. The presentation included samples of the process in each stage, as well as a finished rug. For this workshop the presenter was Miriam March who has been quilting since 1992. She has tried a wide variety of techniques offered by quilting, from the traditional piecing, paper piecing, fused applique, needle-turn applique among others; from contemporary to traditional quilting.

She has taken many workshops to learn new techniques and to enjoy her passion for quilting with others who share her excitement at what is possible. As a member of the Rumpelstiltskein Fibre Arts Guild she has also moved into the realm of Art Quilting- a one-of-a-kind quilt that uses fabric and other embellishments to create a unique artistic representation of a chosen subject.

Lunch consisted of four different types of soup, minestrone, split pea soup, squash soup and the traditional hamburger soup. They were accompanied by homemade white and whole wheat buns, topped with ham filling, tuna, and egg salad with or without green onions. The dessert table had a variety of different options, as well as gluten-free, items that were available to top off a truly delicious lunch.

After lunch, president Maria introduced Adrienne Haynes to read an excerpt from her newly published book "Adrienne's Ears- A story of Endurance and Freedom". A very thought-provoking look at society and women in the early war years trying to work, eat and live in London and trying to avoid being put in the "Poor House." The treatment of women at the time was demeaning with man dominated ideals. Women in the audience, who previously had the opportunity to read Adrienne's book, claimed to have laughed and cried while reading the book. "Good read" Adrienne's book is available on Amazon for purchase as well as at the Riverside Centre in Rock Creek. KRDWI Thanks Adrienne for donating her book as a door prize, and thanks for sharing her encouragement for everyone in attendance to "write" your own story, whether it's scrapbooking, art, or music your medium."

The Kettle River district WI would like to also thank Miriam March for donating one of her jelly roll rugs for a prize to one of her 36 participants in the workshops. Thank you to Bianca Craig for donating 3 beautiful framed Zentangle paintings as door prizes.

On behalf of the KRDWI Thank you to all participants, guests, sponsors, speakers, volunteers and the Kettle River Wildlife Hall for a truly successful day of NETWORKING LEARNING LAUGHING

submitted by Donna Anshetz
secretary Kettle River District Women's
Institute/ Main River WI Westbridge
branch



BOUNDARY "C" 4-H CLUB WRAPS UP THE YEAR

This has been an exciting year for the Boundary "C" 4-H club! We have completed our club speeches, rally day, practice days, and annual fundraiser Cattle Baron's Ball, thanks to the community's support. In September we finished the last of our shows and our sale at Ag Expo in Barriere. Thank you to everyone who supported us in our auction! We are now finishing off the year with our awards night, and getting ready for 2026 with our new "A" leader, Tristan Wintrup.

4-H is an amazing program that teaches youth leadership, responsibility, and confidence through the offered projects. Additionally you are taught public speaking and judging skills, through the year put into practice with the 4-H moto "Learn to do by doing." For anyone interested in joining our club or in the 4-H program, email boundaryc4hclub@outlook.com for more information.

-Lydia Wamsley
Stand-in Club Reporter
Boundary "C" 4-H Club

REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE IN KETTLE VALLEY



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RDKB BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

October 29, 2025 meeting

Proposed Amendments to Directors' Remuneration Bylaw

A revised Board approved meeting allowance of \$128; plus the introduction of a new annual wellness reimbursement of \$400 per director and enrollment in the RDKB Employee Family Assistance Program.

OCP and Zoning Amendments

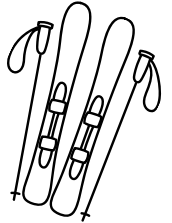
A Public Hearing will be held regarding proposed bylaws - 1921: Electoral Area C/Christina Lake Official Community Plan Bylaw 1855 Amendment; 1922: Electoral Area C/Christina Lake Zoning Bylaw 1300 Amendment; 1916: Area A Zoning Amendment; 1918: Area D/Rural Grand Forks Zoning Amendment; 1919: Mt. Baldy Ski Resort Zoning Amendment. (Proposed Bylaw 1920: Big White Zoning Amendment was deferred).

Liquor and Cannabis Regulation Branch Referral - Mooney Supply Inc. (Cantina Del Centro) - Electoral Area E/West Boundary (Big White)

RDKB staff will conduct a public consultation on the Patron Participation Entertainment Endorsement application. Notices will be sent to owners & tenants within 100m of the subject parcel for comments.

Area E Grant-in-Aid approved

- Boundary Central Secondary School - Class of 2026 Graduation: \$500
- Boundary Central Secondary School - purchase of wireless microphones for Musical Theatre and Performing Arts Program: \$3,668.45
- Beaverdell Community Club - Haunted house: \$600
- Phoenix Cross Country Ski Society - refurbish Dacha at Marshall Lake: \$1,000
- Westbridge Recreation Society - computer for society use: \$1,000



November 12, 2025 Meeting

Board elects Chair and Vice-Chair for 2026

The RDKB Board elected Grace McGregor for its Chair for 2026. McGregor, from Area C/Christina Lake, is the only director to serve non-consecutive terms as Chair. Returning to the role of Vice-Chair is Terry Martin, Director for the City of Trail. McGregor thanked previous Board Chair Any Morel for his service to the RDKB in that role.

Next board meeting: Wednesday, Nov 26, 2025

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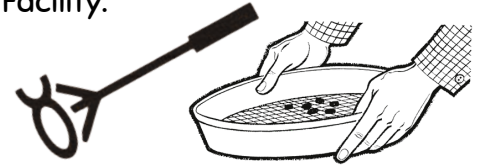
RCBFA PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE –Dean Corbett

I get to be lazy this month in my President's Message because the RCBFA Financial Manager, has done it all for me (thank you Lisa)! If you have questions or concerns about the numbers and information presented here, please feel free to contact me at 250-446-2420.

This year the 80th Rock Creek and Boundary Fair Association's Annual Fair was held on September 13th & 14th with the theme "Flannel & Denim: Fabric of our History". The RCBFA's 2024 – 2025 Annual Operating Budget and Fair Weekend Budget was \$350,000 or an average of \$959.00 per day. The Fall Fair, which is the RCBFA's major fundraiser accounts for 67% of the revenue to operate and maintain the facilities and put on the Fair. The remaining 33% comes from facility and event rentals, donations, sponsorships, grants and 50/50 fundraisers. Preparations are in full swing for the 81st Fair on September 19th & 20th, 2026, with the theme "Gold Pans & Cattle Brands, and in the coming months you may be approached to volunteer your time, donate a prize or sponsor an exhibit class. The RCBFA is successful because of the commitment of its members and volunteers and the contributions and generosity of the community. The time spent volunteering, or the donation of a prize or sponsorship, by extension, contributes to the success of other local organizations which benefit from utilizing the well-maintained Fair Grounds Facility.

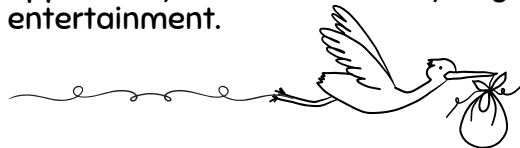
AT THE 2025 FALL FAIR, DID YOU KNOW THAT.....

- A total of 11,094 people came through the gates over the weekend.
- A total of 271 people exhibited 2,528 exhibits in over 700 classes.
- A total of \$17,418.25 was awarded in exhibit and participatory prizes.
- Three local groups and organizations, the Kettle River Lions Club, the Beaverdell Volunteer Fire Department and Grand Forks Rotary Club, grossed approximately \$33,300 combined, operating food and beverage booths and the funds these groups earn go back into helping the Boundary Communities.
- The RCBFA provided funding of \$9,450 to the Grand Forks Ultimate Frisbee Club, Bridesville Women's Institute, Kettle River Food Share, West Boundary Senior Housing Society, Grand Forks ATV Club, Kettle River Horse Club, Kettle River District Women's Institute, Boundary Central Secondary School Grads and Grand Forks Scouts, in exchange for providing services such as running the shuttle bus, staffing the admission gates, waste collection, campground collection fees, running Bingo, help with set up and tear down and many other facets of Fair.
- Community organizations are given space, at no cost, to educate and make the public aware of their organization, including AgSafeBC, Boundary History, Boundary Invasive Species Society, Grand Forks Search & Rescue, Boundary Historical Society, Kettle River District WI, RDKB Firesmart, Trails to the Boundary Society
- Up to six local area residents are employed by the Fair as Grounds & Building Maintenance Manager, Fair & Facility Manager, Vendor & Sponsor Coordinator, Finance Manager and two summer youth jobs positions that assist the Grounds & Building Maintenance Manager.



DURING THE REST OF THE YEAR, DID YOU KNOW THAT ...

The Fair Ground Facility which contains a certified kitchen, a meeting room, washrooms, and a dance hall that can accommodate 300 people are used by many groups, both local and regional, including non-profit and for-profit organizations. Many of these events, while raising funds for their organization, also provide an opportunity for the community to get together, support worthwhile causes, and enjoy some wonderful entertainment.



COMPANY BABIES



Four men are in the hospital waiting room because their wives are having babies. A nurse goes up to the first guy and says, "Congratulations! You're the father of twins."

"That's odd," answers the man. "I work for the Minnesota Twins!"

A nurse says to the second guy, "Congratulations! You're the father of triplets!"

"That's weird," answers the second man. "I work for the 3M company!"

A nurse tells the third man, "Congratulations! You're the father of quadruplets!"

"That's strange," he answers. "I work for the Four Seasons hotel!"

The last man is groaning and banging his head against the wall. "What's wrong?" the others ask.

"I work for 7 Up!"

Beaverdell Christmas Market

November 30 | 10am - 2pm
Community Hall

No Fees For Vendors

For further information

email

beaverdellcommunityclub5841@gmail.com



Kettle River Art Club

CHRISTMAS MARKET

Saturday, November 29
9 am - 3 pm

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To be a vendor or for more information contact
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www.kettleriverart.org/markets



WATER MAPPING PROJECT IN THE KETTLE RIVER WATERSHED

The Province of BC, led by a regional Research Hydrologist with the Ministry of Forests, is launching a study to map how water moves through the Kettle River Watershed using natural tracers and stable isotopes. This builds on a study suggesting a shift in the precipitation-streamflow correlation over the last 30 years (kettleriver.ca/forum-ripple-effect). These natural chemical "fingerprints" can show where water travels underground (pathways), how long it travels, and where subsurface water interacts with streams and rivers across the watershed. The results can help identify climate change effects, understand forest disturbance impacts, determine which elevations contribute most to streamflow, and map surface-groundwater connectivity and recharge.

STUDY AREA

- West Kettle and Kettle River (upstream from Midway) watersheds

WHAT'S INVOLVED

- Water Collection: This involves water quality testing, providing a detailed analysis of the water quality at each well. Well owners will receive copies of these tests.
- Process: No substances will be introduced into the wells. Water will be collected from a tap that provides unfiltered and untreated water.
- Frequency: Collection frequency is yet to be determined, but it may occur up to three times a year for two years.

WHAT'S NEXT

- We are compiling a list of wells to sample throughout the watershed; a total of 30 wells are needed. If you are located in the study area and would like to see if your well might be a good candidate for this project or want to learn more, contact watershedplanner@rdkb.com | 250 442 4111

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Prohibition in BC By: Vic Boychuk

Saloons in BC took after the British tradition of the Inn, providing food and shelter as well as liquor. To control the number of saloons, the government required them to be in hotels, hoping that the high cost of operation would act as a deterrent. It had little effect. Many unlicensed saloons operated under the radar and many hotels operated as saloons by another name.

In 1887, British Columbia passed an act titled the "Habitual Drunkards Act" which restricted the ability of certain individuals to purchase liquor. People were added to the list based on misbehavior after excessive drinking. Indigenous people were automatically placed on the list, preventing them from being able to purchase alcoholic beverages. This list was referred to as the "Indian List". In 1963, the Liquor Control Board chairman, Colonel Donald McGugan reported that 4,500–5,000 British Columbians were on the list. The Act was scrapped in 1968.

In May 1916, the Canadian Government passed a bill banning liquor sales, but the ban would not come into effect until a referendum was held. The referendum took place that September and prohibition won at 56%. But unlike every other province British Columbia gave its 20,000 soldiers overseas a chance to vote and these votes were not counted until the end of the year.

Richard McBride, former premier of BC, was in charge of counting the votes. When the votes were counted, the soldiers that were stationed overseas voted overwhelmingly against prohibition, yet the soldiers in BC voted 50-50. The government investigated for fraud and found that many men overseas voted more than once. Many other votes were of dead people and others were not a resident of BC. In the end more than half of the ballots were disqualified, and on October 1, 1917, prohibition became law.

Due to all the corruption, prohibition was hard to enforce. Despite the law a lot of liquor was coming from other provinces. Walter Findlay, who was in charge of enforcing prohibition, was caught importing a train load of whiskey from Ontario. In March of 1918 the Federal Government banned the import of liquor into provinces under prohibition. There were many ways to get alcohol. One way people tried to obtain alcohol legally was through a doctor's prescription. During the Spanish Flu there were a lot of prescriptions given out. As public sale of alcohol was banned, the drinking went underground to private places not everyone could access. "Speakeasies", or "blind pigs", were private saloons set up during prohibition that were accessible only by password. These speakeasies still obtained good liquor from brewers and distillers through bribery and falsified contracts.

In 1921 BC became the first to scrap the law and introduce a

system of government liquor stores. The act was passed in March of that year, and the first government-run liquor stores were opened on June 15, 1921. Within the first week of the Government Liquor Act becoming law, 17 stores had been opened.

The ability to purchase liquor was limited to those who purchased an annual liquor permit for five dollars and who were above 21 years of age. British Columbians were not able to buy liquor by the glass between 1921 and 1924.


A 1925 amendment allowed for the establishment of beer parlors. Only draught or bottled beer was allowed; no food, soda or cigarettes. Only one brand of draught beer could be served. Patrons couldn't stand with their drink but were instead served at tables by waiters. There was no bar. There was no advertising. No entertainment or games of any kind were allowed. For a time, only men were allowed in beer parlours. Soon, a separate space and entrance was allocated for women and escorts. During the Second World War, officials' fears over venereal disease led to a six-foot-high partition being installed between the two sections of the parlor.

The 1953 Government Liquor Act allowed music, radio and TV in beer parlors. Sandwiches could also be served. At the same time, restaurants and cabarets were given the chance to apply for liquor licenses and cocktail lounges were allowed for the first time.

Things didn't significantly change until 1974, when a new government unveiled a more liquor reforms, including the first licenses for neighborhood pubs. In a complete reversal to the thinking behind beer parlors, these pubs had to provide food and entertainment to prevent patrons from drinking to excess. Beer parlors, meanwhile, were given the right to serve wine in a bid to attract more women, and standing, at last, was allowed.

By the 1980s, the beer parlors as had almost disappeared. Today, many of the old parlors have been refurbished beyond recognition. It was Expo '86 when liquor laws were relaxed for the World's Fair. British Columbians got a taste of pub culture and liked what they saw. The government approved Sunday opening hours for pubs as well as BC's first private liquor stores. When the provincial liquor policy review began in 2014, many more of the laws dating back to the days of Prohibition, were relinquished. Now, alongside pubs, bars and restaurants there are tasting rooms, lounges and picnic areas at BC's growing number of breweries, distilleries and wineries.





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West Boundary Family Connections

Rock Creek Medical Centre
Every Friday 9:30 – 11:00

September to June



A free play group for families with at
least one child aged 0-6.

A healthy snack will be provided.

Registration is not required for this program

For any further information please email:

mary-ann.dennis@bfiss.org

This program is presented by Boundary Family Services and funded by the Public Health Agency of Canada



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DRUG PROBLEM? WE CAN HELP.


NA is a nonprofit Fellowship, or society, of men and women for whom drugs have become a major problem. We are recovering addicts who meet regularly to help each other stay clean. Narcotics Anonymous has opened a weekly meeting, as of October 22, 2023, and all are welcome to attend.

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The Messy River Series



Article #11 "The Engineer of the Watershed"



There's one animal that truly earns the title engineer of the watershed. Some people love them; others... not so much. But their presence tells us a lot about the health and function of our rivers. The beaver should be cherished wherever it's found.

Why are these remarkable animals known as the engineers of watersheds? Because they don't just live in rivers — they build and reshape them. By constructing dams, beavers slow the flow of water, spread it across the landscape, and transform straight channels into complex, living wetlands that hold moisture year-round. These ponds and wet meadows become refuges for frogs, fish, birds, and mammals — true water catchments that nurture biodiversity and resilience.

Researchers around the world have documented the wide-ranging benefits of beaver activity. Dr. Emily Fairfax's work shows how beaver wetlands remain green and hydrated even during severe wildfire events, acting as natural fire refuges. Other studies reveal how these wetlands spark trophic cascades — from new plant growth to thriving insect, bird, and mammal communities — building the ecological complexity that underpins a healthy watershed.

In short, beavers turn moving water into staying water, and in doing so, they weave resilience into the very fabric of the landscape. Of course, sometimes beavers challenge us by felling mature cottonwoods or flooding areas close to where we live. Sometimes, giv-

g the river a little more space along its edge leads to better outcomes for wildlife and people. What may look like destruction may also be renewal — a single downed cottonwood may sprout twenty new shoots, feeding the next generation of beavers and stabilizing the bank once again.

Beavers are as social as they are industrious. A family typically includes a lifelong pair, their yearlings, and new kits — siblings caring for one another and working together to maintain their ponds.

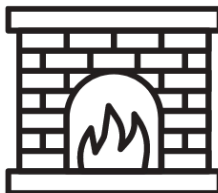
The beaver is the very epitome of the Messy River — shaping, rejuvenating, and reconnecting the watershed. What looks like a tangled pile of sticks is in fact a perfectly engineered home — a design born from instinct, patience, and purpose. Just like the rivers they inhabit, beavers remind us that what appears messy on the surface is often the foundation of life itself.

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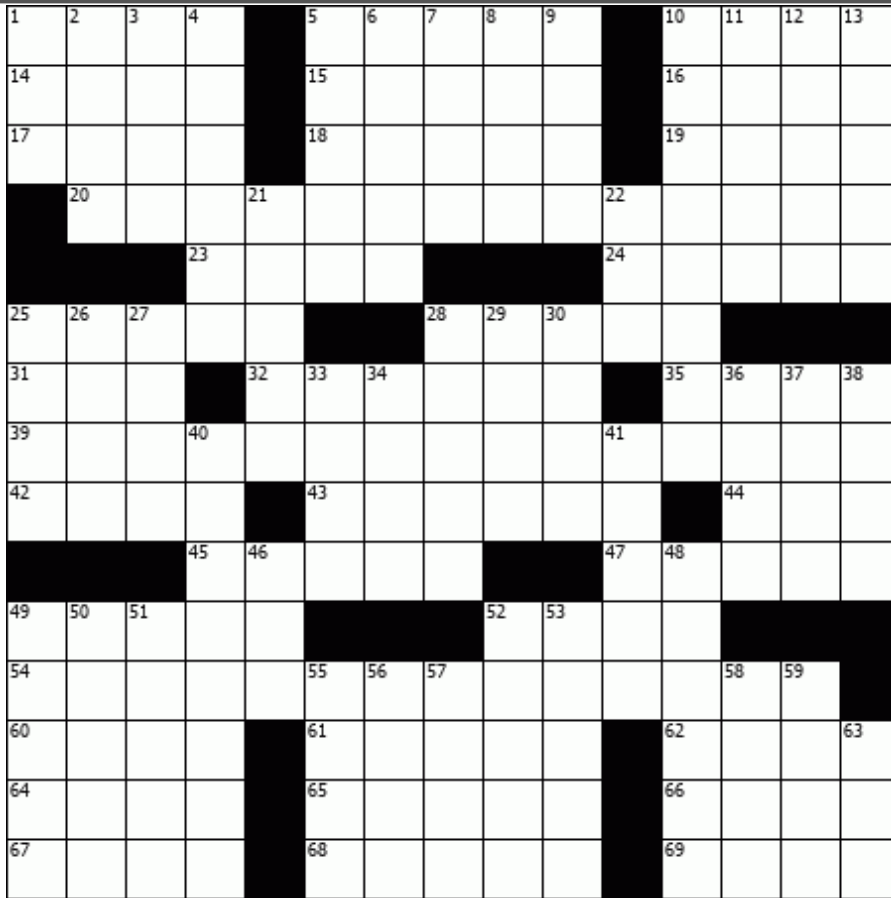
"It's like those necklaces we wore as kids, but instead of candy, it has Tums, ibuprofen and my blood pressure meds."

Crossword

Across

1. Psych attachment?
 5. SNL original
 10. End of week letters
 14. Hang new paper in
 15. An animated dwarf
 16. Eat, as a meal
 17. "It's ___ grand!"
 18. Time unit
 19. Indy 500 winner
 Luyendyk
 20. Waves
 23. Tout's forte
 24. "___ Before Dying"
 25. Female prophet
 28. Like Niagara Falls
 31. Commotion
 32. African antelope
 35. Send packing
 39. Waves
 42. Certain singing voice
 43. Traveler's bane on
 choppy waves
 44. Word with bed or
 board
 45. Black flies
 47. Legendary
 quarterback
 49. Irish-born actor Milo
 52. Kyle, father or son
 54. Waves
 60. "The American Tribal
 Love-Rock Musical"
 61. Looking-glass girl
 62. Computer input
 64. Ocean-fish feeder
 65. Saturn's largest
 satellite
 66. Musical composition
 67. Accomplishment
 68. It's okay to dribble in
 this
 69. Bills on birds

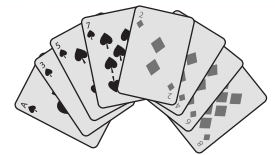
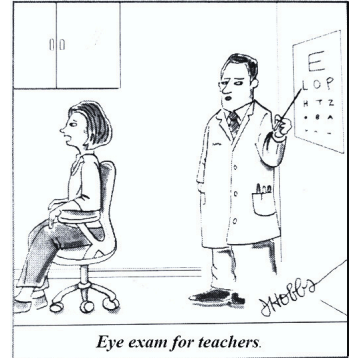
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Down

1. Christmas bulb, e.g.
 2. Prom goer
 3. Flash of brilliance
 4. Procession
 5. Family member
 6. Metal fasteners
 7. Church recess
 8. Goad
 9. "___ of Laura Mars"
 10. Response to "What
 do you say?"
 11. "With parsley," on
 some menus
 12. Outdoor climbers
 13. Senses
 21. Off-the-cuff
 22. Kind of bran
 25. Lengthy narrative
 26. Matinee follower?
 27. Word with half or
 cowboy
 28. Caspar, for one
 29. Seine sights
 30. Business letter enc.
 33. Talkative pet
 34. Moss used as fuel
 36. Bear that's looked
 up to
 37. Crystal gazer
 38. Russian leader
 before 1917
 40. Like a used
 paperback, perhaps
 41. Type of test
 46. Palindromic fictional
 twin
 48. Muscle-bone
 connector
 49. Exclaimed in
 pleasure
 50. Alarm
 51. "Book of Songs"
 writer Heinrich
 52. Summarize
 53. Spilling salt and
 breaking a mirror, say
 55. Short HS course
 56. Mishmash
 57. One of the Corleones
 58. Finish line feature
 59. Pencil remnant
 63. Beast of burden

*Winter
 Times
 are
 Beautiful*



The teacher asked little Johnny if he knew his numbers. "Yes," he said. "My father taught me." "Good. What comes after three?" "Four," answered the boy. "What comes after six?" "Seven." "Very good," said the teacher. "Your dad did a good job. And what comes after 10?" "Jack."

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