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INFORMATION





Village of Breton Closures

- All playgrounds in the Village
- Waste Transfer Site
- Bulk Water Fill Station
- Municipal Library

PROVINCIAL

- Mandatory: No gatherings with more than 15 people are allowed
- Require returning travellers to self-isolate for 14 days upon returning to Alberta. This legal requirement also applies to close contacts of confirmed COVID-19 cases
- All non-essential businesses and services to close. If a business is not listed as an essential service, it can still continue to operate if
- It is not specifically prohibited from offering services in a location accessible to the public
- The business does not fall under previous business, workplace and facility closures
- A business must still follow all other public health orders and guidelines, including maintaining physical distancing, and prohibiting people from coming to work sick
- If you have questions about how the essential services list may apply to your business email <u>BizConnect@gov.ab.ca</u>

Steps you can take to protect yourself and others

Practice physical distancing

Wash hands often with soap and water for at least 20 seconds

Cover coughs and sneezes with a tissue or your elbow

Avoid touching your face with unwashed hands

Avoid travel outside Canada

Watch for COVID-19 symptoms: cough, fever, shortness of breath, runny nose or sore throat

Alberta Government

alberta.ca/covid-19-supports-for-albertans.aspx alberta.ca/coronavirus-info-for-albertans.aspx alberta.ca/prevent-the-spread.aspx alberta.ca/covid-19-alberta-data.aspx **Chief Medical Officer updates** alberta.ca/coronavirus-info-foralbertans.aspx#statement **Restrictions and Enforcement** alberta.ca/prevent-the-spread.aspx#toc-4 alberta.ca/restrictions-on-gatherings-andbusinesses.aspx alberta.ca/restrictions-on-gatherings-andbusinesses.aspx alberta.ca/covid-19-travel-advice.aspx#toc-4 How to file a complaint ephisahs.microsoftcrmportals.com/create-case/ alberta.ca/self-isolation.aspx alberta.ca/covid-19-support-for-employers.aspx **Financial links** alberta.ca/covid-19-travel-advice.aspx **Essential Services – Businesses** alberta.ca/essential-services.aspx Students alberta.ca/student-learning-during-covid-19.aspx Economy alberta.ca/relief-for-the-energy-sector.aspx alberta.ca/economic-recovery-council.aspx **Alberta Health Services Page** albertahealthservices.ca/topics/Page16944.aspx Federal canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019novel-coronavirus-infection.html?topic=tilelink Info and resources canada.ca/en/publichealth/services/diseases/coronavirus-disease-covid-19.html Epidemiological summary of COVID-19 cases in Canada canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/2019novel-coronavirus-infection/healthprofessionals/epidemiological-summary-covid-19cases.html?topic=tilelink World Health Organization page who.int/emergencies/diseases/novel-coronavirus-2019



HELP WANTED

Full-Time Personal Aide - Must have First Aid and Police Check. Must like animals, and have own vehicle. Must also be ok with having a service dog in the vehicle. Call Shelley at 780-691-2239 or 780-848-2560 (2-2kr)

WANTED

Wanted to Buy - Will buy your old lead batteries for recycling. Also **Free removal** of scrap vehicles. We pay cash for both!

1.403.396.8629 (3-8)

Person for Room & Board - Private bedroom (w/ bed & dresser), shared use of common areas. No pets. Located close to Breton. \$450/mth.

587.277.7420 (2-2kr)

Pasture Wanted - Cow/calf pairs, will look after fence. Quiet cows. 780.405.7380 (5-8)

House or Acreage - Elderly couple with 1 older male seeking a house or acreage out of town. Have well-trained small dogs. 780.515.1507 (4-4)

FOR SALE

2 Year Old Open Replacement Heifers - 4 Angus, 2 Angus / Hereford heifers for sale.

780.542.5136 (3-3)

Rainbow Trout and Pond Supplies - Order now for spring pond stocking. Mountain View Trout Farm. Vant & Ethel Hayes. Alsike.

780.696.2473 (4-4)

Premium Firewood for sale. For details and pricing call James. 780.405.0826 (2-2kr)

Hay for Sale - \$60/bale. Baled dry and good protein content. Call Tammy. 780.984.0855 (2-2kr)

FOR RENT

House in Warburg - Recently renovated, 2 bedroom home in Warburg with nice yard now available to rent. \$800/mth + \$300 utilities and DD. Call Tyler.

780.621.7120 (1-1kr)

3 Bedroom Mobile - Available immediately. \$950 per month plus damage deposit. 780.542.1791 (2-2kr)

4-Plex Unit in Winfield Under New Management - 2 bedrooms upstairs + 1 small room downstairs, finished basement, incl. 4 major appliances. Small pets ok. \$850 + utilities / month, (Negotiable on 1 Year Lease) \$850 damage deposit. Phone Maria 403.606.6977 or 403.249.2708 or Angel 587.891.6445 (2-2kr)

COMMERCIAL SPACE FOR RENT

Building for rent in Breton - \$500/mth plus utilities. Call 780.696.3551 (2-2kr)



Wild Rose School Division

Wild Rose School Division is seeking a contracted services to maintain the grounds in the proximity of the following schools: Drayton Valley Breton

Rocky Mountain House and Area Condor School Leslieville School David Thompson High School

Caroline

Tender packages will be distributed electronically. Email tenders to Matthew Chant (matt.chant@wrsd.ca) Wild Rose School Division

Tender closes April 15, 2020 at 2:00 p.m.

Lowest or any tender not necessarily accepted.

Please direct questions to : Matthew Chant, Facilities and Custodial Coordinator Wild Rose School Division 403-845-3376 matt.chant@wrsd.ca

Timed Online LEAM Sekura Auctions Since 1966 Real Estate AUCTION

Selling for Larry Pankewicz & Paula Maciborsky By **Online Timed Auction Bidding Opens:** April 15, 2020 10 am **Bidding Closes:** April 21, 2020 at 5 pm

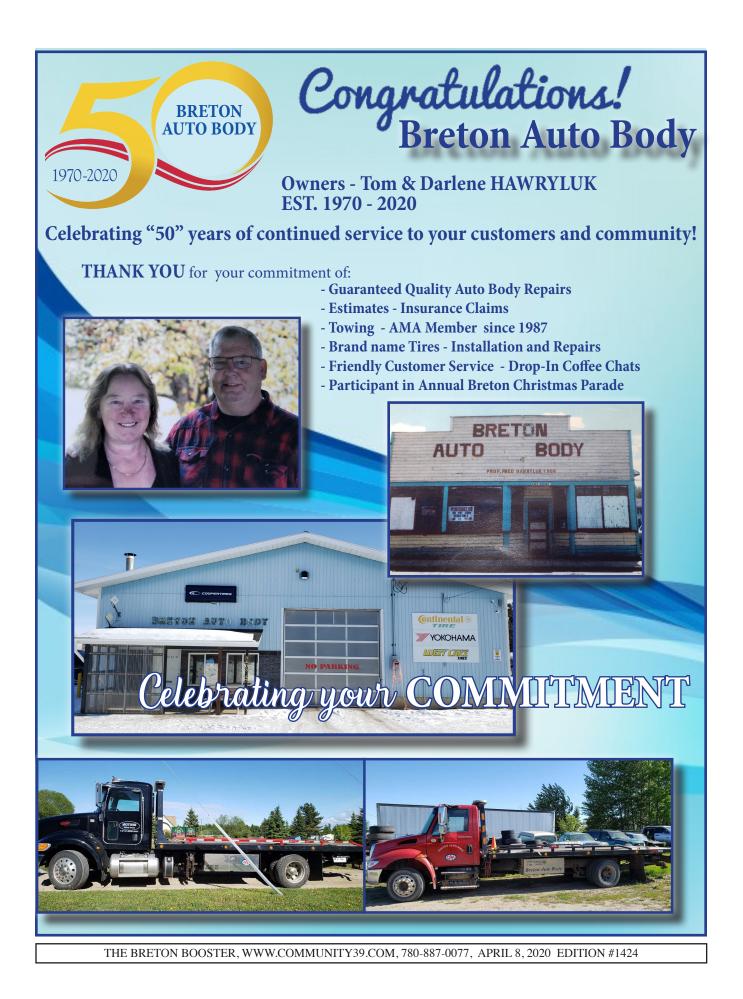
P1: NE27-47-2-W5 160± acres: Cultivated Land, Trees, Water well, Power, Surface Lease Revenue... This land has been in the Pankewicz Family for over 60 years. Don't miss this opportunity to increase your farm land base or perhaps to have a treed get-away with annual revenue. Location: Leduc County (Just minutes from Pigeon Lake North Shore!)

160 acres rolling land, with approx. 100 acres open cultivated crop land. Land has been seeded to Canola the past 2 years.

MOORE'S

780.696.2249







PROFESSIONAL SERVICES

Taxes - will do income tax, GST, payroll and bookkeeping. Call Lois at 780.696.2141. If no answer, I will return your call or call me at 780.515.0663 (7-10)

CLEANING SERVICES

Maids of Honor Housekeeping Serivces - Willing to clean your home - office - RV. Move-in, move-out cleaning available. Call Villetta. 780.898.4483 (2-2kr)

BUILDERS / RENOVATIONS / CARPENTRY

Custom Built Epoxy Countertops and Interior Renovations - are you looking to update your countertops, renovate your home or need home repairs - call Greg Sharman @ 780.898.3866 or visit www. gregsharman.com or www.counter.gregsharman.com (2-2kr)

Dueck Construction can build from start to finish: framing, insulating, drywall & taping, painting, tile work, base boards, custom cabinetry, siding & decks. References available.

Phone Mike 780-621-3658 (45-50)

Classified Ads are

\$5.00 (incl. GST) for 2 weeks, (up to 30 words) call in 780-887-0077 or email to media@community39.com

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor,

This is in response to the Letter to the Editor in last week's edition of the Breton Booster.

Just to let everyone know, I was defending my employers from nasty remarks about being price gaugers on toilet paper. When my employer found out that there was not going to be any toilet paper on the supply truck they went out of their way to find some and bring it in for the people of Breton.

I have the utmost respect for them, they are good, decent people and would not use this pandemic as a reason to increase any prices!

As for the numerous people that are talking about me... good! I hope I take their minds off COVID-19.

Thank you, Tracy Bolton

To the Editor:

Pursuant to my three previous letters about our county council actions, the following can be added:

On the first page of council meeting agendas is a statement of goals and values. In one value, it is stated that "We respect our citizens through active listening...."

At a public meeting held at the Breton Fire Hall shortly after the last election to discuss a change in subdivisions per quarter, the attendees unanimously rejected the idea of increasing the number of subdivisions.

At a public meeting held at Funnell Community Hall to discuss the spending of close to a million dollars to develop the west end of Township Road 474, all but one resident rejected the idea.

Since there has been a recent motion to raise the subdivisions per quarter to 9 (Motion 050/20-01-21) and Township Road 474 upgrade was approved, one must question the council's commitment to the above "value," as stated in paragraph 2.

What would be wrong with each councillor holding public meetings to discuss issues of significance and giving due consideration to their input. Would this not be part of what can be expected for the \$1500 per month they receive for citizens' concerns?

Lynn Oberle 780 696 2459

> All "Letters To The Editor" must be printed with the name of it's author. Letters To The Editor are the opinions of those who wrote them, not necessarily those of Community 39 Enterprises.



<u>NEXT MEETING</u> T.B.A.

Hall Bookings 780-621-1125

Effective Immediately

The Winfield Community Hall and multi-purpose rooms are closed for all events, gathering and meetings. This is based on our current risk assessment with the COVID-19 pandemic and the well being of members in our community. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this please contact Corey anytime 403.437.4872

Don't forget your tickets for Meghan Patrick July 4th!





Village of Breton Information / Employment Opportunities If you require more information please phone or email the Village Office 780-696-3636 or vbreton@telusplanet.net

EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY

FOR THE FORESEEABLE FUTURE THE VILLAGE OFFICE WILL BE ASSISTING WITH ESSENTIAL SERVICES ONLY. WE ASK FOR UNDERSTANDING AND PATIENCE DURING THIS TIME OUR PHONES LINES, EMAILS AND FACEBOOK ACCESS WILL REMAIN ACTIVE AND AVAILABLE TO ALL RESIDENTS

All Village Facilities are CLOSED to the Public until further notice All Playgrounds • Waste Transfer Site • Bulk Water Fill Station



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MICHAEL JACOB 780-991-1008 MIKE PETRACEK 780-699-3700

Assistance for Pigeon Lake Residents - We are a group of citizens who formed a group to help our quarantined and our seniors who should not be in public. Pigeon Lake Quarantine Assistance. For assistance and information For North Pigeon Lake contact: ED ALSPACH : 587.598.2256 For South Pigeon Lake contact: MARIA FONTAINE: 780.312.9119. For community updates & information, like us on: Facebook.com/@pigeonlakecovid19

Night In Italy - Event postponed until further notice. Raffle Draw new date is July 1, 2020. Tickets are still available. Contact Rhonda at 780.514.5200 or Trent at 780.202.0140

Winfield Legion Social for March Cancelled. Stay tuned for information for April 2020.

POSTPONED - Lakedell Ag Society's Event Bullridin' & Bootscootin'

CANCELLED - St. Patrick's Thorsby Senior's Music Jam - Thorsby Seniors' Centre - **Tuesday, March 17th** 1:30 pm - 3:30 pm. Admission \$5. Musicians/Singers free! Light lunch provided! All ages welcome! Make sure to wear green!

CANCELLED - **Garage and Vendor Sale** in the Sunnybrook Hall, Saturday, March 21, doors open at 10:00 til 4:00. To book a table, text or call Cheryl @780.920-1950. A table is \$10 each with limited space. Concession will be available.

CANCELLED - **LADIES! BREAK FREE! Day of Refreshing** for women 16 yrs and older. April 18, 2020 9:30 am – 3:30 pm. At Warburg Alliance Church. \$15 - lunch included. To register or for more info call or text Sandra 780 504 7908

Community Blood Donor Event - Monday, April 6th from 3:30 - 7:30 pm. Rimbey Community Centre 5109 - 54 St. Proudly supported by the Rimbey Lions Club. Visit blood.ca to learn more!

? - Easter Dinner at Warburg Senior's Centre - Wed. April 8th, 2020 at Noon. \$10 / person. Everyone is welcome!

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ets \$2.00 Each. Minimum \$1,000.00 Payout Or 50% Of Sales To A Maximum Of \$2,500.00. Contact Royal Canadian Legion Winfield or Our Members for Tickets. Thank You Once Again for Your Support. Draw held August 8th, 2020.

Winfield Public Market: Winfield Hall. Schedule dates from 11 am - 2 pm. Come have a coffee, eat at the concession & visit with our great vendors! Call or text Carla 780-621-1285 for more info. Follow us on Facebook for up to the minute details! **Upcoming Markets**: Regular Markets on April 19th, May 3rd & 17th.

HAVE YOU HEARD? Over the upcoming year Warburg Alliance Church, 4628-55 Ave, is offering a variety of EXCITING COMMUNITY EVENTS! Something for everyone! email: WAChurch.Betty@gmail.com Betty Desjarlais (403) 418-5266 Cell Upcoming Events: Mother's Day Tea - May 9th, \$5/adult, \$2.50/under 10. 2 - 4pm - photo booth, luncheon, gifts for Moms.

The Golden Spur Gymkhana Club has scheduled gymkhana events at Breton for May 10 & 24, June 7 & 21, July 5 & 19 and August 9 & 23, 2020. Contact Shauna at 780-918-3686. The July 1st Family Gymkhana is being planned by the GSGC & will include pig chasing, mutton bustin', bloomers on a goat & more! Contact Lexya at 587-340-6047 to help volunteer!

Tai Chi meets every Monday, Wednesday and Friday at 6:00 p.m. For more information please call Barbara at 780-696-6581

CANCELLED - Wilton Park Community Centre - Annual General Meeting as well as the Jamboree for March and April are cancelled. Call Ron Kozial for info at 780.985.2478

Does drinking affect your personal life in any way? Have friends or family expressed concerns towards your drinking habits? Have you ever tried to quit drinking, but could not manage to do so? AA can help! 5203 -54th Avenue Thorsby New Life Christian Church (every) Monday 8:00pm 780-270-7903

Community United Church – all worship services, meetings and gatherings are suspended until

THE MALONE MEDICAL CLINIC ASSOCIATES 4955-41 Avenue Drayton Valley, Alberta T7A 1V4 Telephone: 780 542-3366 Fax: 780 542-6207 Email: malone@telus.net

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Dr. Rod Bealer M.B., B.S., D.A Dr. Robert Thompson M.B., B.S.,M.R.C.G.P.

ATTENTION PATIENTS WHO ATTEND THE BRETON CLINIC

ALBERTA HEALTH SERVICES HAS DECIDED TO CLOSE THE

BRETON MEDICAL CLINIC DUE TO THE COVID 19 VIRUS FOR THE SAFETY OF THE PATIENTS/STAFF AND LONG TERM CARE RESIDENTS.

ALL PATIENTS CAN STILL BE SEEN BY TELEPHONE CONSULT/VIDEO CONSULT OR YOU CAN ATTEND THE MALONE CLINIC IN PERSON. THIS IS EFFECTIVE IMMEDIATELY.

OUR PHONE NUMBER IS 780 542 3366 (HRS ARE 9-3 Mon – Fri) OUR FAX IS 780 542 6207 OUR EMAIL IS malone@telus.net

Please feel free to come to the Malone Clinic in Drayton Valley but if you display any of the covid19 symptoms please call 811 immediately if you have a fever, cough or have been in contact with anyone or yourself have been the country self isolate and call 811.

If you have medical emergencies please dial 911.

WE HOPE TO BE ABLE TO PROVIDE APPOINTMENTS ONCE AGAIN IN MAY AND AT THE END OF APRIL AHS WILL REVIEW THE COVID SITUATION.

Physicians of Malone Clinic



further notice. For updates contact the church office at 780-848-2227.

Breton Food Bank - Call 780-696-3669 by Thursday at noon to request a hamper. Please leave a message and a volunteer will contact you.

Treasures Thrift Shop –will remain temporarily closed until further notice (located in Community United Church). No donations will be accepted during this time of closure. Connect with us on Facebook at TREASURES for updates.

FUN & EXERCISE Sandholm Modern Square Dance Club welcomes new members, YOUTH, COUPLES and SINGLES . Dancing every Thursday from 7 pm to 9:30 pm. at Sandholm Hall (10 Miles south of Thorsby) For more information call 780-389-2381 or 780-387-4927

CANCELLED - **Thorsby Bingo** - Bingo is held every Thursday evening at the Senior's Centre. Regular Bingo starts at 7:15 p.m. Early Bird is at 7:00 p.m. Loonie Pots and Progressive Bingos.

Breton and District Historical Society Monthly Board meetings are held the 4th Monday of the Month at 7 PM at the Breton Museum. The Board meets January- June and September- November. New members welcomed. To confirm meeting dates and times Ph. 780 898 1155 and for more information go to www. bretonmuseum.ca

Winfield Legion is available to rent.Rental Inquiries Call Gordon 780-542-1243 or Mona 780-361-9558. Keep eyes open for Upcoming Social Events.

Winfield & District Historical Society meets at 7pm on the 3rd Tuesday of every onth at the Winfield Community Hall Meeting Room. New members always welcome!

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) at Thorsby Seniors Cente - Mondays, weigh in at 9:00 to 9:15 am, meetings 9:15 - 9:45 am, for more info call Sherilyn 780-621-3461 or Elaine 780-221-3939.

CLOSED - Treasures Thrift Shop located in Community United Church, 5112-53 St. Warburg, is open Wednesdays 10 am - 4 pm. Gratefully accepting donations of clean, gently used clothing and small household items on Wednesday and Friday mornings.

CLOSED - Thorsby Senior's Thrift Store Bag Sale - Fill a large bag for \$15 or a small one for \$5! Regular Hours Thursdays, Fridays & Saturdays 10 am - 3 pm. DONATIONS can now be dropped off at the donation box located at the north door. 4812 - 51 Street Thorsby (south of Esso)

"Busy Brushes" meet every Wednesday from

10-2, at the Warburg Cultural Centre. Everyone welcome! Come join us for some relaxing fun and art. Call Linda Mayr @780.848.7782 for more info.

Ashland Dam Park - For reservations call Bruce @ (780) 898-9636.

Breton Community Center- To rent the community center please visit our website www.bretonagsociety.com, call 780-696-3561 and leave a message or email us at bretonagsociety@gmail.com

Camp Barvnok - For bookings, call Walter 7807172432, or Jason 7809904043, or email book-ings@barvnok.com

The Breton Agricultural Society meets every second Thursday of the month (except July and August) at 7 pm at the Breton Community Center. Everyone is welcome to attend!

Breton Royal Purple meetings are every third Monday except in the months of July and August.

Breton Elks meetings are at 7:30 pm every third Thursday of the month at the Breton Community Hall, except for July & August.





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Welcome to another week of our new normal. We hope that you are coping and managing as best as possible during this challenging time The Breton FCSS office is closed to the public but we are here working in the office to help you. Please call 780-696-3636 or you can also follow the Breton and Area FCSS Facebook page for information. The Village of Breton website is also updating information and can be found at www.village. breton.ab.ca

Health Canada is advising that you **Stay Home** as much as possible to limit contact. The more that we are able to do this the sooner we will be able to resume our normal lives.

Home Delivery - Grocery orders can be placed over the phone for seniors., those that are self isolating and those that may not have transportation. Breton Family Foods, Breton Supermarket and Breton IDA are taking orders for those in the Breton area. Our Breton grocery stores have been working non stop to meet our need. Thank you so very much to them and their staff for being an essential service to our community.

In order to ensure that your order goes smoothly, please be patient and understand that they may not have every item in stock that you require. Please allow flexibility on the brand of item that you are requesting, and make generic requests for "bread, milk, eggs". This will make the process much easier and will allow for more orders to be filled. After your order is placed a volunteer will then deliver your groceries.

If you would like to place an order in Breton, please call:

Breton Family Foods - 780-696-2441 Breton Supermarket - 780-696-3933 Breton IDA - 780-696-3594

Deliveries are being made by VOLUNTEERS that have signed an oath of confidentiality, along with knowing the protocols for COVID-19.

Heart To Home Meal Delivery - If you are a senior or have an older adult family member this company delivers frozen nutritious meals to Breton once a month. The next delivery date will be April 29. Payment can be made online or by cheque on delivery day. https://www. hearttohomemeals.ca/ If you would like to order and are comfortable with Deanne from Breton FCSS helping you on the phone please call her at 780-696-3636. You can also place an order by phone to the company at 1-800-704-4779

Income Tax - Breton FCSS will continue to provide the Volunteer Income Tax Program for low income individuals, families and seniors. We will be placing intake forms with an envelope in the information rack in the entrance of the Civic Centre. Please complete the form and place your personal information (T Slips, etc.) in the envelope and seal it. You can then slide it under the door of the Village Office. Your Income Tax will be filed. We will contact you to pick up your information at a later date. For more information please call 780-696-3636. Although the deadline has been extended to June 30, we recommend filing as soon as possible. The new financial increases to GST are processed when you file your taxes.

If you did not file your income tax in 2018 you will not receive the additional GST Payment that is being distributed in April. We can do taxes for previous years.

Utility Payment Deferral

Residential customers can defer electricity and natural gas bill payments for the next 90 days to ensure no one will be cut off, regardless of the service provider. The amount owning will still need to be paid at the end of the 90 days. Call your utility provider directly to arrange for a 90-day deferral on all payments. This is only for Provincial utilities at this time

Please be aware that SERVICE ALBERTA HAS EX-TENDED THE RENEWAL EXPIRY DATES ON PLATES AND DRIVERS LICENCES UNTIL MAY 15TH, 2020 WITH NO FEAR OF PUNISHMENTS.

Breton Landfill – Closed until further Notice

Breton Municipal Library - Closed until further Notice

Village of Breton Office & Breton FCSS – Closed to the public but available by phone – 780-696-3636 or email – vbreton@telusplanet.net or bfcss@telus.net

Volunteer Deliveries - Thank you to the Volunteers that have registered to do home deliveries of supplies, groceries and prescriptions. If you would like more information on being a Volunteer please contact Breton FCSS at 780-696-3636 or bfcss@telus.net

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UPCOMING NEWS & EVENTS

- April 10 | Good Friday
- April 13 | Easter Monday
- April 14 | Municipal Planning Commission meeting | 1:00 p.m.
- April 15 | Agricultural Service Board meeting | 9:00 a.m.
- April 21 | Council Meeting | 9:00 a.m.
- April 22 | Council Budget Meeting | 1:00 p.m.
- May 5 | Council Meeting | 9:00 a.m.

For details on how to participate in County meetings, please contact Tina Kwirant at 780-542-7777 or tkwirant@brazeau.ab.ca.



Please note the Pitch-In Program is **postponed until further notice** due to social distancing recommendations.

2020 No Spray Program

Brazeau County property owners who do not wish to have roadside spraying performed adjacent to their property must enter into a No Spray agreement. In the agreement, the landowner consents to maintain the adjacent municipal right of way themselves, for the purpose of weed and brush control without herbicides, in compliance with the Alberta Weed Control Act. For highway right of ways, the landowners must contact Alberta Transportation if they do not want herbicides applied to the area adjacent to their property.

To enter into a No Spray agreement with the County, please fill out an application form by visiting the Brazeau County office or visiting www.brazeau.ab.ca. Agreements must be renewed annually.

Deadline to apply for the program is May 1st, 2020. No late agreements will be accepted.

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Roadside Vegetation Control Program

Brazeau County Agricultural Services Division will be carrying out roadside spraying of prohibited noxious, noxious weeds and woody vegetation (brush) throughout the County from May to October. For public safety, a buffer zone will be maintained between these roadside spray areas and county residences/yard sites.

As per our Vegetation Management policy, spraying on roadsides is done under the authority of Alberta's *Weed Control Act*. Brazeau County is required to control the weeds in the roadside just like any other landowner is on privately owned land. As well, in the public interest of safety, brush control is performed to increase the sightlines on roadways and intersections. As a result, costs of maintaining these open roadways are reduced where brush and trees are managed properly as it makes snow removal easier and allows roads to dry out quicker after precipitation falls.

The following programs related to herbicide use are available to residents:

- Fence-line Program (County staff will treat area up to 5 meters inside a fence line at no cost)
- Hawkweed Program (County staff will treat up to 5 acres infested with Hawkweed on private land at no cost)
- Herbicide Rebate Program (the County will reimburse landowners 60% of the cost of herbicide used on the landowner's property)
- No Spray Agreement (the County will not use herbicides in the ditch adjacent to a landowner's property; responsibility for weed control is assumed by the landowner)

For further information about any of the above mentioned programs, please visit <u>https://www.brazeau.ab.ca/living-here/agriculture/services</u> or contact the Agricultural Services Division at (780) 542-7777.

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Community Challenge - April has started off cool, it isn't feeling very spring like right now. Maybe we can fill the community with some color by decorating our street side windows. Get creative with your kids and family members, or make some faux stained glass or tissue flowers. Post a picture of your window on the Breton and Area FCSS Facebook Page. Or email to bfcss@telus.net and we will post it for you.

Craft supplies are available in the lobby of the Civic Centre. If you live in the rural area, also send us a picture of your window so that we can share on our Facebook page.

Be A Good Neighbor – During this time it is even more important to be in contact with your neighbors as well as friends and family. Please practice social distancing. A quick phone call to see how someone is doing could make the world of difference to them. If you want to share a meal or some cookies. Leave them on the door step and then let them know they are there by phoning.

Government Funding COVID-19 - For any of the financial government programs that have been announced we are recommending that you apply for a account with either My Alberta – Digital ID at https://account.alberta.ca/ or My Service Canada at https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-socialdevelopment/services/my-account.html This is how the government will be wanting you to apply for these programs. Due to the volume of people applying please be patient as the websites may be overloaded at times.

Internet Services for Government Programs – If you do not have a computer or access to the internet at this time, and require assistance with applying for EI or a Service Canada Account, please contact the office of our MP – Gerald Soroka at 780-723-6068 and his staff may be able to assist you.

Vegetable Growing Kit - You may have seen on

social media or information that was mailed, about a program for growing vegetables in containers. We have had an over whelming response to this program. We were able to make a few adjustments to the program and find some additional resources that will now allow over 100 families take part in the program. Unfortunately, by the time you read this our list will be full. Thank you for everyone that showed interest and for those that have contacted us we will be in touch in the next few days. Please be patient with us. We look forward to seeing all of the wonderful food that you produce for your families over the summer.

Covenant Corner from Pastor Jeff Gooderham

The day of resurrection? Earth, tell it out abroad; The Passover of gladness, The Passover of God. From death to life eternal. From this world to the sky, Our Christ hath brought us over With hymns of victory. Now let the heavens be joyful, Let earth her song begin; Let the round world keep triumph, And all that is therein: Let all things seen and unseen Their notes in gladness blend, For Christ the Lord hath risen, Our Joy that hath no end.





Community United Church During COVID-19

WORSHIP SERVICE & MEETINGS

In light of the recommendations made by the Public Health Agency of Canada we will not be having Sunday services or meetings for the foreseeable future (the board meeting April 5 is postponed indefinitely).

REV BERT GIFFEN

Rev Bert will be at home doing church business and pastoral care by phone. He welcomes your calls (780-719-7786). Please leave a message or text if you are unable to reach him directly.

OFFICE HOURS

For the time being, office hours at CUC remain as before ~ Wednesday & Friday 9am-1pm. Phone calls are welcome (780-848-2227) but face to face meetings will not be possible in order to keep everyone safe. There are frequent updates from National and Regional church offices offering advice, resources and strategies for faith communities during this challenging time. Watch for updates to the church website (www.communityunitedchurch.ca) and the Telfordville Pastoral Charge Facebook group.

TREASURES

Treasures Thrift Shop is temporarily closed until it can safely open.

WORSHIP ONLINE

At CUC we do not have this option, but numerous United Church communities of faith are live-streaming Sunday worship services during the COVID-19 pandemic. See the interactive worship map at www.united-church.ca for links to some of them Bert says he will be worshipping online Sunday mornings with Southminster-Steinhauer United Church in Edmonton available in real time as a streaming option at 10am at www.ssucedmonton.com/live.

PRAYER

Our world and its people need Sabbath time in order to heal. Let's continue to pray for the world and especially for those we know as family and friends, for frontline workers and residents of care facilities – wherever they may be. And let's continue to be in touch with each other.

CHURCH FINANCIAL SUPPORT

If you are able to continue to support Community United Church during this crisis, you can do so by mailing your contribution to:

Community United Church Box 212 Warburg, AB T0C 2T0

FUTURE SERVICES

When services begin again, we'll send an email and change the phone message at the church office (780-848-2227). Updates will also be on the church website (www.communityunitedchurch.ca) and on the Telfordville Pastoral Charge Facebook group. We will also try to catch up ASAP with notices in the local papers (Thorsby, Warburg, Breton).

EASTER

Good Friday and Easter services will be delayed to a time when it is possible to gather again to worship. (Hopefully before summer?!)

REV. BERT'S RETIREMENT

Though Bert Retires (again!) at the end of April, he, Christine, and daughter Margaret, will not be moving till later in the year. We hope to arrange a safe time and place to say good-bye. TBA

May God's blessing and Spirit be with you in these difficult times.

COMMUNITY UNITED CHURCH



COVID-19 pandemic in Alberta (April 6 at 7 p.m.)

April 06, 2020 - Ninety-eight new cases of COVID-19 have been reported, bringing the total number of cases in Alberta to 1,348. One Albertan has died since the last report, bringing the total deaths in the province to 24.

A total of 953 cases are laboratory confirmed and 395 are probable cases (symptomatic close contacts of laboratory confirmed cases). Laboratory positivity rates remain consistent at two per cent.

Cases have been identified in all zones across the province:

817 cases in the Calgary zone 351 cases in the Edmonton zone 89 cases in the North zone

66 cases in the Central zone

22 cases in the South zone

Three cases in zones yet to be confirmed

Of these cases, there are currently 40 people in hospital, 16 of whom have been admitted to intensive care units (ICU). Of the 1,348 total cases, 204 are suspected of being community acquired. There are now a total of 361 confirmed recovered cases.

One additional death has been reported in the Calgary zone. There have been 15 deaths in the Calgary zone, four in the Edmonton zone, four in the North zone, and one in the Central zone.

Strong outbreak measures have been put in place at continuing care facilities. To date, 112 cases have been confirmed at these facilities.

Those who choose to wear a non-medical face mask should:

continue to follow all other public health guidance (staying two metres away from others, wash hands regularly, stay home when sick) wash their hands immediately before putting it on and immediately after taking it off (in addition to practising good hand hygiene while wearing it) ensure it fits well (non-gaping) not share it with others avoid touching the mask while wearing it change masks as soon they get damp or soiled

As Albertans look forward to the upcoming holiday weekend, they are being reminded to:

avoid gatherings outside of their immediate household find ways to connect while being physically separated worship in a way that does not put people at risk, including participating in virtual or live-streamed religious celebrations More guidelines for faith-based organizations can be found online.

Emergency Isolation Support closure

The Government of Alberta's Emergency Isolation Support program is now closed after successfully distributing more than \$91 million to about 79,600 eligible Albertans over the last 12 days.

The temporary program provided one-time funding for working Albertans required to isolate by public health guidelines, or who had to take care of a dependent who was isolating and were not receiving compensation from any other source during their period of self-isolation. The purpose of the program was to bridge the short period until the Government of Canada announced its own support program.

The Government of Canada's new Canada Emergency Response Benefit is available and accepting applications. Payments for eligible applicants are retroactive to March 15.

Temporary employment standards changes The Government of Alberta is taking immediate action to allow employers to appropriately respond to public health measures and, at the same time, allow employees to remain attached to jobs and have the ability to access federal assistance programs.

The temporary Employment Standard changes take effect immediately and will be in place as long as government determines it is needed and the public health emergency order remains.

Healthy at home

Albertans are encouraged to stay healthy at home by maintaining their physical and mental health during COVID-19. Tips and ideas are available from a variety of online sources, including Active for Life. Post your wellness activities by using the hashtag #HealthyAtHomeAB.

Bits and Pieces program

More than 2,900 offers of support have poured into the government's Bits and Pieces program from private and non-profit organizations. Offers include commercial vehicles, hotel rooms and mobile trailers, food and water services, hospital gowns, face masks, ventilators and other personal protective equipment. More information is available online.

COVID-19 self-assessment.

For recommendations on protecting yourself and your community, visit alberta.ca/COVID19.



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