

## Self-Isolating Options for Thorsby & Area Residents From Laurie Gellert

We are living in a new world, and we are learning to adapt to this changing world daily. To help keep our community as safe as possible it is good to see many self-isolating or only going out when absolutely necessary. However, we all still need supplies, and to help keep everyone as safe as possible these businesses have stepped up to offer alternatives to the way we shop.

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.

Please contact the business directly to order, for questions and detailed information regarding delivery / curbside pick-up and payment options.

Village Supermarket - 780.789.2132 Royal Care Guardian Pharmacy - 780.789.3686 Pet Necessities - 780.789.0147 Reclaim Urban Farms - 780.803.2381 check website for options www.reclaimurbanfarm.com
Ranchland Meats - 780.789.4140
Curbside pickup with no contact payment options

Ruhr Valley Hardware - 780.900.3424 Thorsby Hotel Bar & Grill - 780.789.3681 Heart to Home Meals - 1-800-704-4779 https://www.hearttohomemeals.ca/

We thank these businesses and their staff for staying open and providing safe alternatives in order to help protect our community.

## Assistance for Pigeon Lake Residents

From Ed Alspach

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 COVID 19

For assistance and information For North Pigeon Lake contact: ED ALSPACH: 587.598.2256

For South Pigeon Lake contact: MARIA FON-TAINE:

780.312.9119

For community updates, information like us on: Facebook.com/@pigeonlakecovid19



#### **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 (1-1kr) **WANTED** 

Pasture To Rent - Looking for pasture to rent for summer.

780.848.2915 (3-4)

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)

**Pasture Wanted** - Cow/calf pairs, will look after fence. Quiet cows.

780.405.7380 (5-8)

#### **FOR SALE**

**Hay For Sale - \$35** - Mixed round hay bales. Baled with Hardcore JD Baler.

780.717.1048 (2-2)

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#### **HOMES/APTS 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)

**1350 Sq.Ft. 4 Bedroom Bungalow in Thorsby** - 1 & 1/2 bath, 5 appliances, fresh reno, finished basement, on a large lot close to schools. No smoking / pets. \$1250/mth + utilities.

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**2 Bedroom Apartment for rent in Thorsby**. Available immediately on Hankin Street, next to the Village Office. All utilites except power included. No smoking or pets allowed. Please call: 780-789-2210 or 780-446-1596 (1-1kr)

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**Building for rent in Breton** - \$500/mth plus utilities. Call 780.696.3551 (1-1kr)

#### **CLEANING SERVICES**

Maids of Honor Housekeeping Serivces - Willing to clean your home - office - RV. Move-in, move-out clean-

# LETTER TO THE EDITOR

High Five Mayor Raymond!

Your views on "Stay Home" in last week's Target were excellent.

I have had issues with Council in the past and I am sure that I will have them in the future.

I always thought you dealt with issues with a "kid glove" but now realize you can also manage with an "iron fist". You have shown leadership, not only to the citizens of Thorsby but all of Canada and beyond. Leadership is a fact and facts cannot be incorrect.

I now feel more confident in your role as Mayor. Keep up the good work!

Respectfully submitted, Irene MacPherson

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.

#### Other Important Numbers / Websites:

Thorsby Village Office - 780.789.3935

www.thorsby.ca

Thorsby FCSS Office - 780.789.4004

Leduc County - 780.955.3555

www.leduc-county.com/COVID-19

Alberta Government Info & Programs:

https://www.alberta.ca/coronavirus-info-for-albertans.aspx

Government of Canada Info & Assistance

https://www.canada.ca/en/department-finance/economic-response-plan.html

Crisis Hot Lines:

Addictions 1866-332-2322

A Safe Place 780-464-7233

Child Abuse 1800-387-5437

Child's Mental Health 780-427-4491

Children's Services Crisis Unit 780-422-2001

Distress Line 780-482-4357

Kids Help Phone 1-800-668-6868

Mental Health Help Line 780-342-7777

Poison and Drug 1-800-332-1414

SAGE Seniors Safe House 780-702-1520

Sexual Assault Centre 780-423-4121

WIN House 24-hour Crisis 780-479-0058

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# Timed Online Auctions Sekura Auctions 1966 Real Estate AUCTION

Selling for Larry Pankewicz & Paula Maciborksky
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**Bidding Opens:** April 15, 2020 10 am **Bidding Closes:** April 21, 2020 at 5 pm

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





## LIGHTEN YOUR LOAD TO PROTECT OUR ROADS

## Road bans are now in effect for all local roads in Leduc County.

Agricultural producers hauling grain or other agricultural commodities can apply for a road ban exemption permit from RoaData at **1-888-444-9288**.

Please call a minimum of 24-hours in advance of a planned move to ensure conditions allow.

This <u>free</u> permit will allow you to haul during spring road ban season. Conditions will apply.

For more information about road bans, visit our website at **leduc-county.com/roadbans** or call:

- **780-979-6185** (during office hours)
- **780-955-7226 ext. 4** (24-hour info line)





#### **COUNTY INFORMATION**

**Council meetings cancelled until further notice** 

### **BUILDING CLOSURES, PROGRAM AND EVENT CANCELLATIONS**

#### **Building closures**

Leduc County's administrative buildings, Nisku and Thorsby public works shops and fire services district stations are closed to the public until further notice. If you need to book an appointment with a staff member, please call **780-955-3555**.

Our Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) office is also closed, but staff are still available to support you during this difficult time. You are encouraged to call **780-979-2385** during regular business hours, Monday to Friday, between 8:30 a.m. to noon and 1 to 4:30 p.m. We are here to answer your calls and questions and direct you to other resources.

#### **Program and event cancellations**

All Leduc County-hosted programs, workshops and events are cancelled until further notice. This includes all upcoming council, internal committee and in-person external committee meetings.

These measures are in line with provincial recommendations to practice social distancing and avoid time spent in crowds, and will help to ensure the health and safety of our residents and staff.

Visit www.leduc-county.com/COVID-19 for the latest county updates.

101-1101 5 Street, Nisku, AB, T9E 2X3 | 780-955-3555 | 1-800-379-9052 | fax: 780-955-3444 | www.leduc-county.com



ing available. Call Villetta. 780.898.4483 (1-1kr)

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## We're open by appointment only

Sorry for the inconvenience.

If you have a banking need (including access to your safe deposit box), you can set up an appointment by calling 780-789-3886 or by submitting a request at atb.com/appointments.

You can also take care of your banking transactions quickly and securely the following ways:

- For cash transactions, visit our ABM
- ATB Online or ATB Online Business
- ATB Mobile or ATB Business Mobile app
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Town of Thorsby Upcoming Council Meetings

These meetings are subject to change

#### **APRIL 2020**

Tuesday 7 | Committee of the Whole Meeting Tuesday 14 | Regular Council Meeting Tuesday 21 | Committee of the Whole Meeting Tuesday 28 | Regular Council Meeting

All meetings start at <u>7:00 p.m.</u> in the Council Chambers unless otherwise stated.





We are still having our Raffle!

NEW Draw Date: June 20, 2020

at Martin Deerline in Warburg

Call for Raffle Tickets

Bruce (780) 621-2200 or Brent (780) 898-5013





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# **Community Events Page**

## **Custom Built Homes**

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St. Matthew's Lutheran Church weekly service can be found online at You Tube, search for St.Matthew Thorsby where you can watch a message from Pastor Ron, music and prayers. All activities at the church remain suspended until further notice.

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

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION #246 MULHURST All Bingo's cancelled until further notice. Community Social has been cancelled for the month of March. Veteran's in the community needing assistance please contact 780-935-6281

St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church, Thorsby - All Divine Liturgy is cancelled until further notice due to the Covid-19 virus. For more information contact Dan @ 780-789-3698.

**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 - 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

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

**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

**CANCELLED - Our Lady of Victory Parish** - All masses and services are cancelled until further notice.

Thorsby Senior's Thrift Store is CLOSED UN-TIL FURTHER NOTICE - WE ARE NOT ACCEPTING ANY DONATIONS AT THIS TIME.50% OFF CLEAR-ANCE!

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.

We invite the community of Thorsby and surrounding areas to attend the **Philippian Friendship Church.** We are located at 4916A Hankin Street in Thorsby. Tuesday night Bible Study at 7 pm, Wednesday Praise and Worship 7 pm, Thursday Night Youth Group 7 pm, Friday Night Bible Study 7 pm, Saturday Night Prayer 6pm. Sunday morning service at 9:30 am and 6 pm. Office hours Tuesday and Thursdays from 10 am - 3 pm. Rev. Warrick Pollard.

Warburg Museum - Re-opened Feb. 1st. Open every Saturday (excluding long weekends). Stop in for pie and coffee from 1 - 4 pm.

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.

CLOSED - Thorsby Municipal Library Hours: Tuesday 10 am- 7 pm, Wednesday Noon-7 pm, Thursday & Friday 10 am- 5 pm Now Open Saturdays from 10 am - 1 pm (closed Saturdays of long weekends) Questions/Feedback/RSVP contact us through Facebook (Thorsby Municipal Library) or call 780-789-3808.

**POSTPONED - Thorsby Crib Nights** - Need new players! Crib Nights at the Arctic Spas Rec Centre are held every Wednesday at 6 pm. Everyone is welcome!

**POSTPONED - 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.

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

Mulhurst Bay Seniors - Our weekly Floor Curling started on Oct. 16/19 at 1:00 p.m. at the Legion Hall in Mulhurst. For more info please contact me: Eileen MacDonald (Secretary) at 780-389-3333.

Wilton Park Community Centre Monthly Jamboree - 4th Saturday of every month from October - April excl. Dec. Doors open at 6:30 pm. Jam at 7:30 pm. For more info call Ron 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

**CANCELLED - Thorsby Senior's Soup & Sandwich Day** at the Senior's Centre is on the second Wednesday of every month. Five dollars will buy you a bowl of soup, a sandwich, a coffee, tea, or juice. Enjoy all this between 11:30-1:30 pm. Birthday Party follows at 1:30 pm. Everyone Welcome!

**Thorsby Bylaw Enforcement** - For concerns or inquires email bylaw@thorsby.ca or call 780.789.3935 Ext. 28

**Thorsby Community Centre -** For bookings call Marlene at 780-789-3734 or text 780-217-9394 or email <a href="mailto:thorsbyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com">thorsbyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com</a>. Visit our website ttcahs.yolasite.com .

**Centrelodge Community Centre** - For bookings call Caroline 780-789-3089.

**Morrowdale Community Hall** - For bookings call Elaine at 780-789-2104.

**Mulhurst Legion #246** Call: Marie 780-361-7350

**Genesee Community Hall** - Rentals call Joanne Liba at 780-940-7229.

**Glen Park Hall** - For bookings call Mike at 780-919-1250.

**Sandholm Community Hall** - For hall bookings call Doris 780-389-2381.

**Sunnybrook Hall** - For bookings call Cheryl Krawiec @ 780-789-3193 or 780-920-1950. Sunnybrook Hall Meetings - 1st Tuesday of the month at 7:30 pm. Everyone welcome.

**Telfordville Hall** - For bookings call Tracy at 780-718-9549 after 5:00 pm.

**Thorsby Senior's Centre rentals.** Call Cathy Kuzio 780-719-7124.

**Rundle's Mission** - For hall bookings call 780-389-2422 or www.rundlesmission.org .

Strawberry Community Hall - Call Ollie at 780-789-2180.

**Warburg Senior's Centre** rentals. Call Nancy/ Allan Gruninger 780-848-7756. \$75 per rental, \$50.00 damage deposit refundable after inspection.

**Wilton Park Community Centre** - For Hall Bookings or Information call Aileen at 780.850.9607.

**Winfield Legion** is available to rent. Keep eyes open for a list of upcoming social events. Rental Inquiries - Call Gordon 780-542-1243 Or Mona 780-682-3905

Warburg Cultural Centre - For rentals of facility, wine glasses and/or tablecloths, phone Linda McLaughlin at 780.848.2916. Meetings held quarterly.

Our Lady of Victory Roman Catholic Church Mass times are at 9:00 am every Sunday until further notice

Thorsby Agricultural Society Meetings are held the first Wednesday of the month at 7 pm upstairs in the meeting room at the Haymaker Centre.

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

Warburg Alliance Church Fall Worship Service 11 am. Sunday School 9:45 am. (Summer Worship Service 10:30 am) (No Sunday School for the summer) Bible Studies. Do you need prayer? Please call 780-848-7577

Warburg Legion Hall is available for rent at \$75.00/full day and \$50.00/half day with a deposit of \$50.00 that is refundable upon inspection. For Hall rental, please contact Deb/Max 780 848 2923 or (780) 264 9217 or Nancy/Allan 780 848 7756.

Community Events are placed FREE of charge, thanks to the community commitment of



# **Royal Care Pharmacy**



4902 Hankin Street Thorsby

## We are happy to announce that

Maxim Eskin, BPharm, MSc, Additional Prescribing Authorization has joined our team here at the Royal Care Pharmacy!

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Don't forget... we offer FREE Delivery to Thorsby, Warburg, Calmar and everywhere in between!



## Small Town Advantage

Here we are in the middle of a pandemic. I am so happy that just about everyone is complying with social distancing and respecting the people who own and work in our local stores. Buying local, ensures that we will have access to essentials. I wish to extend and heartfelt thank you our merchants and their staff. This is the first "Small Town advantage. Our merchants.

I want to give a huge shout out to all our local industry and businesses. You guys are the anchor of the community, and you continually prove that you are the best corporate citizens any community could ask for and we thank you. This would be the second Small Town Advantage.

I want to give a shout out to our Town Manager, Christine, the Public Works Manager, Wayne (DEM), Office Manager Marianne, FCSS, Patti, and all our town staff. You all have gone above and beyond expectations. We on council, thank you for your efforts and appreciate the work you all do. The 3rd Small Town Advantage

I want to thank our restaurants for staying open and providing takeout. It must be tough, and I really appreciate your dedication to your community. I would hope, everyone, from time to time, if they can afford it, support our restaurants with takeout orders. This is the 4th Small Town Advantage.

I want to give a shout out to my fellow councilors. I really do appreciate your efforts, your perspectives and your commitment to your community. Ken, who returned from the US, 2 weeks ago, I commend you for following the 14-day isolation rules. I know Carol has threatened to beat you, but you and Wiley only have a few more days of isolation. LOL. Having four other like-minded, intelligent, fiscally responsible people on council is the 5th Small Town Advantage.

I think the largest Small-Town Advantage is the people, that live here. To my fellow citizens, I commend you on how, we pull together in a time of crisis. It makes me proud to be your Mayor, even if the rest of my hair falls out. LOL I cannot think of any better place to be during this crisis then here. There are so many other Small-Town Advantages, but to me, this is the best one.

I was going to write something witty about our seniors and our teenagers. The Prime Minister beat me to it. We know, you guys/gals, in isolation feel the most pain. As a senior, it is tough to be home and not be out with your friends and family. The same can be said of our kids/teenagers. The commonality between both age groups, surprised me. A little inconvenience now is all we ask for, for we will get through this.

Face Masks: you do not have to be afraid of anyone wearing a face mask. Wearing a face mask does not prevent you from catching the virus, but may help limit the spread of the virus. The person wearing the mask is protecting you! If a person is infected and not showing any signs, inadvertently they could be infecting other people. Statistically, in China, they estimate that 86% of the people who didn't show symptoms infected other people. This is important information.

My sister made Sandi and I masks, and I will wear it in public places (along with nitrile gloves) and If infected (I'm not) it will reduce the odds of infecting someone else. It is an issue of respect and prevention. Don't be afraid, arm yourselves with information. Both levels of Government are doing a great job, and there is so much on the web on what other countries are doing also, however, like any webbased information, you still need to sift through the BS and watch out for Covid scams.

As I have said in the past; comply with the prevention measures and we will get through this. Short term pain for long term gain! STAY HOME and go out for only essentials. Wash your hands and don't touch your face! Stay 6 feet – 2 Meters apart and don't share doobie's!

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- **Sunnybrook 7.22 Private Acres** All services 3 bedroom 1379 sq.ft. home with double detached garage. \$239,000.00
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# Special Edition Straight Out of Thorsby THS Grads and the Old West

From the County of Leduc, from Alberta and Canada, from Singapore to the U.K., from Australia to Holland, from the USA to Panama, Thorsby graduates are making a difference. This is the 59th installment in a series of profiles which indicate what a small school and community can produce.

The people who conduct the interviews are Audrey Brosseau and John Elson. If you have. suggestions please contact John at 780-789-3822 or Audrey at 780-886-0658.

## THS Grads and the Old West

From John Elson

Pastor Jeff Gooderham, in his Covenant Corner column (The Target, Mar.20) introduced us to an outlaw who has added much to the romance of the Old West. This was Black Bart, a stagecoach robber operating mainly in California and Idaho from 1875 onwards. His exploits (if that is the correct word) set the tone perfectly for a happening in another part of the Old West that has lived on in legend for close to 140 years. The site is Tombstone, AZ. In the not too distant past four intrepid grads of THS set out for Tombstone to discern what the fuss was about at the OK Corral. But first let's take Pastor Gooderham's findings a little further.

The Pastor, in explaining Biblical approaches to dealing with the emotional concept of fear, shows Black Bart to be the very personification of evil, haunting the Wells Fargo stage lines and being the perpetrator of at least 29 robberies His misdeeds were carried out during the same period of history that blood was being shed in Arizona.

Black Bart's real name was Bole or Boles and he was born in an obscure corner of the United Kingdom. He appears in California during the gold rush as a gold-panning prospector, then

later in the Civil War on the Union side. Having come to the conclusion that robbery was the best way to get ahead he carefully charted out the roads, times and likely chance of profit in the area directly north of San Francisco. He did not exactly fit the role of the quick- drawing and trigger happy gunmen we will later meet in Tombstone. Like some of those he was a big talker but considered more gentlemanly than the majority of the ruffians at the OK Corral. Pastor Gooderham points out that he never fired a shot. He carried out his robberies on foot as he was deathly afraid of horses. He would appear from behind a tree or cactus, armed with a shotgun, and, standing well back from the horses would say, "Throw down the box". This done, the stage would be waved on. On at least two occasions he wrote poems of celebration and handed them in at the door of the stage before retreating. The poems, though amusing, might be found offensive to the more gentile among us, so will not be reproduced here. To make a long story short, he was eventually caught, did time, and appeared back in California. He was last seen in Visalia, CA. in late February 1888 but left no trace. His disappearance is a complete mystery and myths, tall tales and even ghost stories abounded at the time. One such story had it that he was killed by a shotgun rider whom he had once robbed, another that on turbulent nights in the Bay area, near Alcatraz, he will appear as a zombie with a blood-soaked rag covering one eye. On such occasions he will say nothing. Another belief was that he fled to Canada to be reincarnated from time-to-time as a school superintendent. In these instances he attempts evil but disappears before he can carry out his malicious intent. In Mexico, at midnight on the "Day of the Dead" the laughter of his intended victims can be heard. In any event he was never seen, in the flesh, again.

Such a colourful story of the American West leads us directly to what our THS grads found when they visited Tombstone at least 138 years after the famous shoot-out. The title will be "In Search of Wyatt Earp".

To Be Continued...

## **MOUNTAIN PINE BEETLE UPDATE**





Introduction: Last summer (2019) the Throsby area from the westerly direction and experienced an inflight of mountain pine beetles (MPB) Dendroctonus ponderosae. This winter we have been told there is some trees that have been infected by the MPB. This insect is the most destructive insect pest of the lodgepole pine forest. It is expected that emergence will take place within the next couple of months and a new brood will continue its flight eastward.

What Can You Do?: Alberta Agriculture and Forestry recommends the removal of all pine trees with over 40 pitch tubes. When the MPB population approaches the maximum that the tree can support, the beetles in the tree release a pheromone called verbenone to repel newly arriving beetles. Verbenone can be synthetically produced and acts as an anti-aggregation pheromone which sends the message "No Vacancy".

tree between June 15 and July 1st.

**Effectiveness:** Verbenone has shown to be effective at low to moderate beetle population pressure and is not very effective when the pressure is high. Whether you value your pines as landscape trees or for shelterbelt protection you may want to make the investment to attempt to protect your trees this summer.

The Public Works Department is working on ways to mitigate these nasty critters within Town Limits. Any information please contact me at my Email: wmaclean@thorsby.ca



# A Message From ATB Financial for Thorsby

We are in unprecedented times and we understand that everyone has been impacted to one degree or another by the events and fall out of Covid. I want to thank everyone in the community for their resilience, compassion, and respect for one another at this time. With everyone's commitment, we will get through this together.

ATB would like to reiterate our continued commitment to serve our customers and community. Effective March 23rd, we have gone to an appointment only model in Thorsby. We are in the branch answering phones and helping everyone who reaches out to find solutions. It is still cold and flu season and we are running on reduced staff in order to ensure the health and safety of our team members and customers.

We want to ensure your transactional needs are met. As we support social distancing and control traffic, we will be accepting appointments for items that can not be completed through other electronic means or via the telephone. If you have never transacted through any of these channels, we will take the time to ensure you are comfortable and have confidence to complete transactions through those alternate channels. This does not change ATB's role in the community and is only meant to give our customers continued means of banking should there be any future service disruptions due to illness. For our business customers, we are also clearing our night deposits twice per day to ensure deposits reach your accounts in a timely fashion and will continue to accept cash and coin orders to support your continued operation in the community.

We will continue to help support the financial impact to our customers and work with you to find individualized solutions that include payment deferrals on existing credit products for up to 6 months. We also have deferral programs for our existing business customers and are anxiously awaiting details on government support and loan

programs to assist our business customers.

If you have any questions over your personal financial situation or need to be set up for a debit card, telephone, internet or mobile banking, please call us at 780-789-3886 or reach out to your Personal Banker or assigned Account Manager directly.

For after hours support, please contact our Client Care Centre at 1-800-332-8383.

Thank you.
Sincerely,
Matt Straker
Community Manager, Thorsby.

## Leduc County announces 2020 tax payment postponement

March 27, 2020 This afternoon, Leduc County council announced a postponement of 2020 tax payments and the cancellation of tax and utility payment penalties. The 2020 property tax payment deadline has been postponed from June 30, 2020 to Sept. 30, 2020. Property tax notices will be mailed out in May. As well, penalties for tax payments, water, wastewater and solid waste utility payments, and bulk water accounts payments have been cancelled. These changes are in effect from March 27 to Sept. 30, 2020.

We are all being impacted by COVID-19. Things are changing daily and we are facing new challenges. Worrying about taxes and utility payments should not be one of these challenges. We are here to support our residents and businesses however we can during this unprecedented time. Mayor Tanni Doblanko

On March 11, Leduc County activated its Emergency Coordination Centre (ECC) to coordinate resources and information, and ensure that essential services continue to operate. Operational updates from Leduc County are available online at www.leduc-county.com/COVID-19.

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# 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.

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## Update COVID-19 Pandemic in Alberta

(April 1 at 5:00 p.m. From Alberta.ca)

Since March 31, an additional 117 cases of COVID-19 have been confirmed in Alberta, bringing the total number of cases in the province to 871. There have been two additional deaths.

Cases have been identified in all zones across the province:

527 cases in the Calgary zone 219 cases in the Edmonton zone 57 cases in the Central zone 51 cases in the North zone

12 cases in the South zone Five cases in zones yet to be

Five cases in zones yet to be confirmed. Of these cases, there are currently 29 people in hospital, with 13 admitted to intensive care units (ICU). In total, there have been 62 hospitalizations, with 20 admissions to ICUs. Ninety-four of the 871 cases are suspected of being community acquired. There are now a total of 142 confirmed recovered cases.

All Albertans need to work together to help prevent the spread and overcome COVID-19. Restrictions remain in place for close-contact businesses, dine-in restaurants and non-essential retail services. A full list of restrictions is available online.

Albertans are prohibited from attending gatherings of more than 15 people, and they must continue to observe two metres of social distancing. This includes events both indoors and outdoors, such as family gatherings, weddings and funerals. Further details are available online.

### Update on special event licences

As a result of the limitation of mass gatherings to a maximum of 15 people, AGLC has temporarily suspended the special event licensing application process on its website.

People who had planned to host private events and had already purchased special event licences may apply for refunds by emailing sel@ aglc.ca or visiting aglc.ca for more information.

#### Access to justice

The Court of Queen's Bench is encouraging Albertans to access alternative dispute resolution mechanisms for non-urgent matters, including mediation and arbitration. More information: https://albertacourts.ca/qb/resources/announcements/alternative-dispute-resolution-consent-orders-and-applications-to-enforce-arbitration-awards

#### List of essential workplaces

The list of essential workplaces that can continue to operate in Alberta can be found online.

#### Emergency isolation supports

Emergency isolation supports are available for Albertans who are self-isolating or who are the sole caregivers for someone in self-isolation, and have no other source of income. Applicants can view eligibility criteria and apply at alberta.ca. To carefully manage the flow of applications, we are periodically closing online access to MADI and the emergency isolation support. We will provide daily updates about system availability

#### Quick facts

The most important measures that Albertans can take to prevent respiratory illnesses, including COVID-19, is to practise good hygiene. This includes cleaning your hands regularly for at least 20 seconds, avoiding touching your face, coughing or sneezing into your elbow or sleeve, disposing of tissues appropriately. Anyone who has health concerns or is experiencing symptoms of COVID-19 should complete an online COVID-19 self-assessment. For recommendations on protecting yourself and your community, visit alberta.ca/COVID19.



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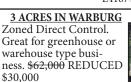


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