

THORSBY TARGET



MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR From Mayor Rod Raymond

Stay the course

We still need to keep our 2m-6F distance (social distancing) and wear face masks if we are to get through these troubling times. Face masks do not protect you, but do protect people or things around you. I would avoid anyone not wearing a mask in public. I assume everyone is infected and will continue to protect myself.

I am in isolation since the weekend, with what I think is a cold. I will be tested for Covid19, on Wednesday, as a precaution. For the last 3 weeks I have been wearing a mask in public. It wasn't to make a fashion statement, but to protect anyone I came into contact with. Up to 50% of infected people DO NOT show (or have very mild) symptoms. It is not mandatory (it should be!) but to protect your neighbors, family, friends and fellow residents, I suggest you wear one as well.

I wish to direct these words to the young adults, still going to parties, driving around with a car load of your friends. I understand, for I think back to my teenage year and the importance of my social life. It is especially more of an issue this year, with the cancelling of school and the

postponement of graduation. I know you feel robbed of a rite of passage, but I ask you to consider the situation and use intelligence in how and where you congregate. From a socialization perspective, you have been asked to give up more of your newly found freedom than any other age group. I do not want to see you charged with a violation under the health act, by not social distancing or gatherings of more than 10 people. This pandemic is not like an STD, where physical intimacy is required to spread it. It is a virus, spread by exhaling and becomes airborne which can live on surfaces for a while. By coming into contact with an ASYMPTOMATIC carrier, you could easily pass it on to your parents, grandparents, family members, co-workers or fellow residents. Please have more patience, for if you want to shorten the time to return to normalcy, please comply with social distancing measures.

Continue to stay at home and support local. In our community, our local merchants have stepped up, along with dedicated staff, to ensure we have what we need. Please respect all staff by staying 2M-6F back and wear a mask.

To the people, picking up, touching items and returning them to the shelf and not buying them: what are you thinking? Buy what you need, make a trip or two a week and quit using the store to recreational shop or as a family outing! DON'T become a pinhead!

Cont'd inside...

The CLASSIFIEDS

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 (3-3kr)

WANTED

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780.984.0855 (3-3kr)

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 (3-3kr)

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.

780.940.2243 (6-6)

2 Bedroom Apartment for rent in Thorsby. Available immediately on Hankin Street, next to the Village Office. All utilities except power included. No smoking or pets allowed. Please call: 780-789-2210 or 780-446-1596 (3-3kr)

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 (3-3kr)

COMMERCIAL SPACE FOR RENT

Building for rent in Breton - \$500/mth plus utilities.

Call 780.696.3551 (3-3kr)

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Accutrax Cat and Trackhoe Ed Neumann 780.789.2547 (16-26)

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Timed Online TEAM Real Estate AUCTIONS

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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 getaway 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.



780.696.2249



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 free 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)



WALKING THE DOG?

Under the current stay home restrictions, walking the dog with respectful social distancing is a great way to get exercise, provide a little stress relief and may even provide a way get the children actively involved and out of the house for a little while.

When walking the dog, please remember that local bylaws require that the owner or any other person having care or control of a dog when it is off the property of the owner, must have it under control and held on a leash not exceeding two metres in length at all times.

Please be cautious when allowing children to walk the dog with regards to interactions with other animals or even people, and ensure that they are physically able to keep proper control of the dog should an incident occur.



Fine for first offence is \$100

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You can still pick up the Thorsby Target
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at community39.com:

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Kollbrook Esso
Twisted Lime
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Sunnybrook Post Office
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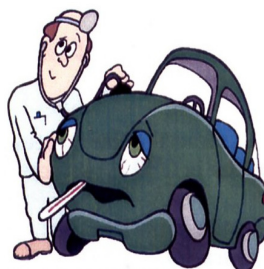
Our reception area is set up for social distancing.
We are disinfecting our reception area and wiping
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Starting: Thurs, May 14th @ 9:00 AM
Closing: Sun, May 17th @ 12:00 NOON

Directions: From the Buck Creek Service Station on Hwy#22, 1 km East on SH#616 or from Breton on Hwy#20, 24 km West on SH#616
Terms: Cash/Approved Cheque/Debit/Visa/Mastercard GST will apply where applicable



SALE INFORMATION

Due to Government Regulations regarding the COVID-19

Timberlind Auctions will be converting our Annual Spring Auction to an "Online Timed" Auction until COVID-19 crowd restriction policies are lifted. Viewing and inspection of equipment will be allowed for our buyers. We will continue to monitor the situation daily and make public safety our priority.

Thank you for your patience!

Taking Consignments: May 1st to May 13th
from 9 AM until 6 PM OR UNTIL FULL

VIEWING: Thursday & Friday, May 14th & 15th from
9:00 AM until 8:00 PM

" Online Timed Auction"
to Register and View Listing, please go to
www.timberlindauctions.hibid.com

Bidding will Start - THURS, May 14th @ 9:00 AM
Bidding will Close - SUN, May 17th @ 12:00 NOON*

*Any items that have a bid placed on them in the final moments will have an additional 2 minutes added to the closing.

Please regularly monitor our online site as items for the auction will be added as they are consigned.

If you are not familiar with internet auctions, you can view the items at our yard and leave an absentee bid at the office.

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Community Events Page

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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.

Community United Church – all worship services, meetings and gatherings are suspended until further notice. For updates contact the church office at 780-848-2227.

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.

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

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION #246 MULHURST All Bingo's cancelled until further notice. Community Social has been **cancelled** for the month of April. **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.

Winfield Public Market: Winfield Hall. From 11 am - 2 pm. **Upcoming Markets are Postponed** and will be announced. 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!

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

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 UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE - WE ARE NOT ACCEPTING ANY DONATIONS AT THIS TIME. 50% OFF CLEARANCE!

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.

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!

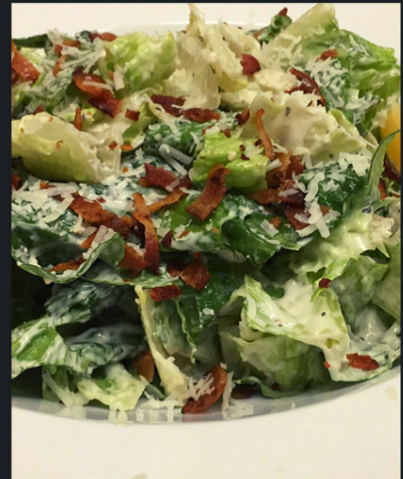
POSTPONED - Thorsby Bingo - Bingo is held every Thursday evening at the Senior's Centre. Regular Bingo starts at 7:15 p.m. Early Bird is at 7:00 p.m.



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Community Events Page

Loonie Pots and Progressive Bingos. Everyone is welcome!

POSTPONED - Friday Night Crib at the Thorsby Senior's Centre - Every Friday night at 7 p.m. All ages welcome!!!

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.

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 thorsbyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com. 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.

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.

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

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.

Leduc Public Market runs every Thursday 10-3 in the City Center Mall (Ken's Furniture) 5201 50 Street. Lots of vendors with a wide variety of items. For tables or info call Jenna 780-868-7616.

"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.

CANCELLED Thorsby Senior's Supper Meetings These monthly meetings will now be held in the Senior's Centre (4812-51st Street) and are on the last Wednesday of every month at 6:00 p.m. Members are requested to bring a potluck dish. Memberships are available for \$10 from Elaine Warnock at 780.221.3939.

Thorsby & District Lions' Club (non-profit organization serving Thorsby & District), Meeting the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month at the Lions' Den in Community Hall Basement at 7:00 pm. For information or membership, call Frank @ 780-905-8019.

Foot Care Nurse will be at the Thorsby Recreation Centre on the 1st Wednesday of every month. Please call Irene at 780-789-3176 to make an appointment or for information.

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



2020 DUST SUPPRESSION PROGRAM

Application deadline: Friday, May 15

Applications and payment must be received by **May 15, 2020**. After road bans have been removed, dust suppression product will be applied to the road as soon as possible.

Two product choices:

1. Calcium Chloride – two applications of product will be completed for every residence applying for this dust suppression product. The second application will be automatically applied approximately six to eight weeks following the first application (weather permitting).
2. Incorporated DL10 – warranted one year from date of application.

Residents desiring a calcium chloride dust control product on the county road adjacent to their residence will be required to complete an application form and to prepay a fee of \$374.50 plus GST for the first 122 metres (400 feet). Leduc County provides a subsidy of \$695.50 for this strip. Dust suppression requested beyond 122 metres (400 feet) will be charged at \$8.77/metre, plus GST.

Residents desiring a DL10 incorporated dust control product on the county road adjacent to their residence will be required to complete an application form and to prepay a fee of \$2934.50 plus GST for the first 122 metres (400 feet). Leduc County provides a subsidy of \$695.50 for this strip. Dust suppression requested beyond 122 metres (400 feet) will be charged at \$29.75/metre, plus GST.

Application form submission

Application forms are available at www.leduc-county.com/dust-suppression.

Leduc County offices are currently closed to the public due to COVID-19. Application forms and cheques can be dropped in a mail slot on the north side of County Centre or mailed to **101-1101 5 St., Nisku, AB T9E 2X3**.

If you require assistance, please give us a call at **780-979-6185**.





MESSAGE
FROM THE MAYOR
From Mayor Rod Raymond

Cont'd from front

Please continue to support our restaurants with takeout orders.

A special shout out to Deepak at the hotel; what you are doing shows dedication, compassion and kindness.

We on council and town staff are working on a worst case scenario budget. It will take a few more weeks. Our expectation is that we will be somewhere in between worst case and existing 2020 budget. As stated previously, deferring any payments only makes things worse. We don't plan on the simple to get votes, a political prudent approach, for ascetic purposes, of deferring water bills or tax payments. A deferral is NOT a payment holiday, but only compounds future financial issues. As stated, if you are having issues, call the town office and we will work with you.

I am concerned about the provincial spike in domestic violence. There are avenues for you to take. Nobody deserves to be bullied, verbally or physically abused: NO ONE! We are all under pressure, but you can get help!

Continue to help your neighbors: I am still amazed by the kindness of this community and how we look out for each other.



Town of Thorsby
Upcoming Council Meetings

These meetings are subject to change

APRIL 2020

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

MAY 2020

Tuesday 5 | Committee of the Whole Meeting
Tuesday 12 | Regular Council Meeting
Tuesday 19 | Committee of the Whole Meeting
Tuesday 26 | Regular Council Meeting

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

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May 1-3, 2020

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Starts at 12 noon Friday May 1, 2020

Ending starting at 5pm Sunday May 3, 2020

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- **Thorsby - Older, solid 1 1/2 Story on huge lot.** 3 bedroom, double detached garage. Very affordable. \$89,000.00
- **Thorsby - 1338 sq.ft. immaculate bungalow.** Fenced yard, back alley access, double detached garage. 4 bedrooms and full, partly finished basement. \$259,000.00

FARMS & ACREAGES

- **Pigeon Lake - 35 Acres** - with modern renovated house on new ICF basement. \$2979 in oil revenue. Private and quiet setting. \$389,000.00
- **Thorsby - Beautiful building spots** backing onto Strawberry Creek Ravine. Zoned Agricultural 7.36 acres \$132,900.00 & 142,900.00
- **St. Francis - On Pavement** - Secondary Highway 622 - 12 Acres+. 1400 sq.ft. bungalow, older shop, all services, some corrals. \$279,000.00
- **Thorsby - 12 Acres on Pavement** - Gorgeous yard, lots of good outbuildings with shop, solid, well maintained home. Excellent for horses. \$379,000.00
- **Sunnybrook - 7.22 Private Acres** - All services - 3 bedroom 1379 sq.ft. home with double detached garage. \$239,000.00
- **Thorsby - 14.7 Acres** - with large, absolutely gorgeous home. 4 bedrooms, full developed basement, triple detached garage. \$629,900.00
- **Sunnybrook - 22 acres** with a 2017, 1550 sq. ft. amazing bungalow built by Mikes Homes. Fully finished basement. Immaculate home. 40x60' shop, heated, power, insulated. \$799,000.00
- **Warburg - 13.66 acres** with 2015 outstanding bungalow, fully finished basement, attached garage and set in storybook private setting. Tall evergreens and creek, on pavement. \$685,000.00
- **Thorsby - 27.11 acres** - Set up for horses or hobby farm. 1488 sq.ft. modular home in excellent condition. Barn and many other buildings, lots of pasture. \$399,000.00

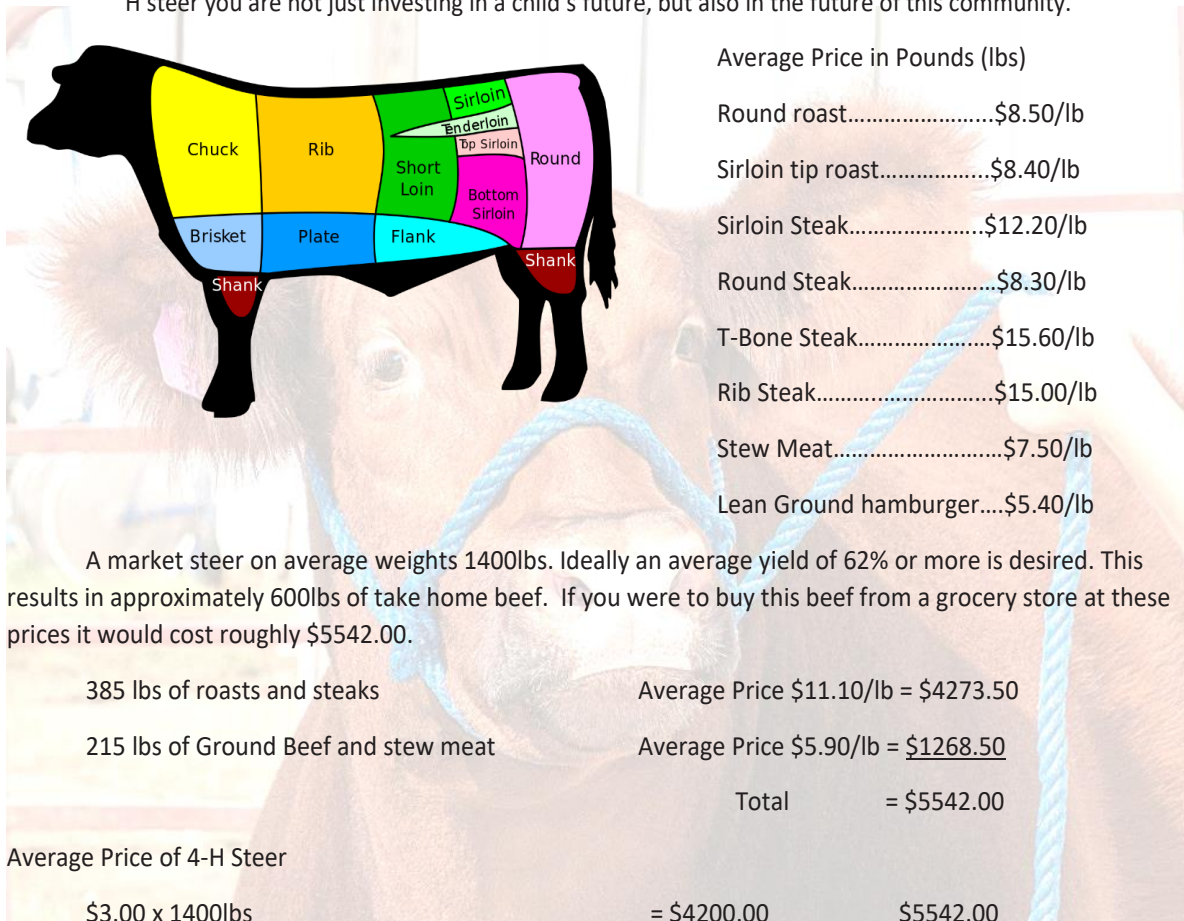
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COUNTY INFORMATION

May 5 @ 10 a.m. via teleconference

See leduc-county.com/live-stream for details

LEDUC COUNTY COUNCIL, COMMITTEE MEETINGS TO RESUME VIA TELECONFERENCE

Council and committee meetings will be held via teleconference until further notice.

These meetings will continue to be open to the public; however, in-person attendance is not allowed at this time due to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic. Members of the media and public can participate in the following ways:

- listen to a live feed of the meeting via leduc-county.com/live-stream
- to make a presentation to council, email your submission to joyceg@leduc-county.com by noon on the Wednesday before the meeting

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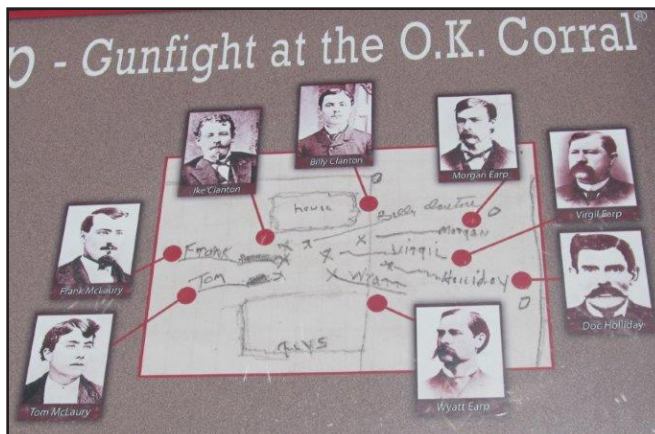
Special Edition Straight Out of Thorsby THS Grads and the Old West

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.

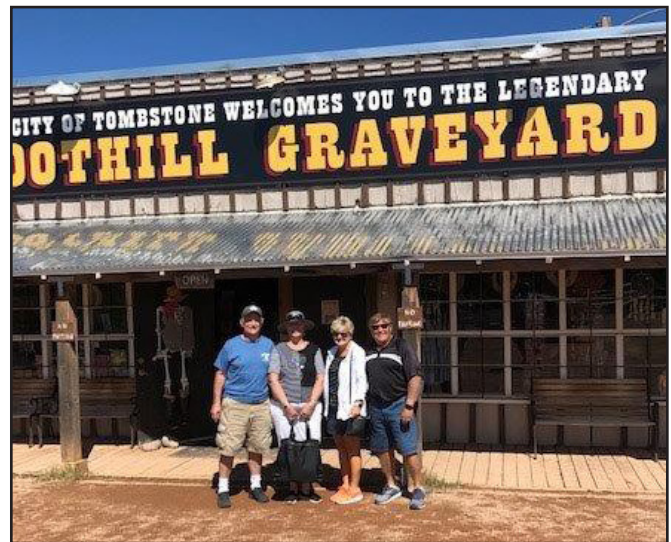
THS Grads and the Old West From John Elson

PART 3 "In Search of Wyatt Earp"



*Map of the gunfight drawn by Wyatt himself.
Photo courtesy of The Chruniks from Thorsby*

The THS grads decided their next logical stop would be at the Boot Hill Cemetery where the remains of the three cowboys lie today. Billy Claiborne's plot is close-by as well, although he arrived in Boot Hill as the result of an unrelated incident. He had cursed-out a bartender in one of Tombstone's saloons and paid the price.



THS grads in front of the Boot Hill sign They are L.-R. Harry Schmolke, Marlyn Schmolke, Bonnie Nelson, Doug Nelson



Grads Marlyn Schmolke, camera at the ready and Bonnie Nelson, guide book in hand, get set to tour Boot Hill. It is believed that the hat worn by Marlyn is the one lost by Ike Clanton as he ran down the alley. The subsequent investigation showed the claim to be unsubstantiated, although doubts remain.



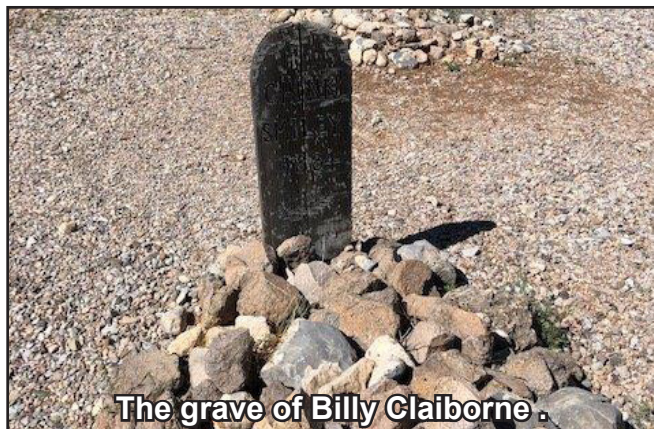
Line of rock-covered graves in the cemetery.



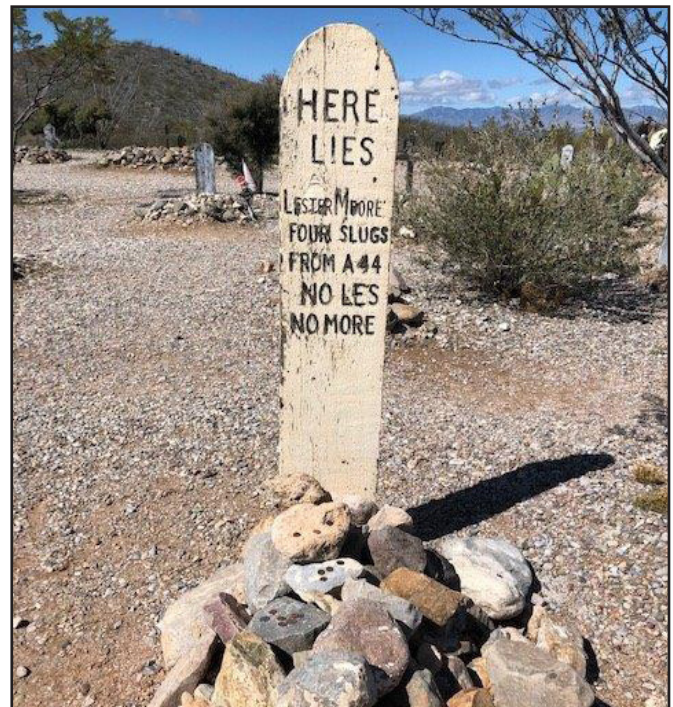
The graves of the two McLaurys and Billy Clanton.



The grave of "Old Man" Clanton who had been killed two months before the shootout.



The grave of Billy Claiborne.



The grave of Lester Moore, one of the most famous graves in the Old West because of the creative epitaph. (He had nothing to do with the OK Corral incident).

There was so much conflicting testimony at the preliminary hearing it is hard to draw provable conclusions. What the THS grads could find as truth were the following facts about some of the characters involved:

1. One month after the hearing Virgil Earp was ambushed, shot in the back, and maimed for life. No one was convicted for the attempt on his life. He lived to be 62.

2. Morgan Earp was shot and killed in 1882 while playing pool in Tombstone. There was no conviction.

3. Wyatt Earp, in revenge for what had happened to his brothers, carried out a vendetta against the cowboys, he and his men killing several. He was now clearly outside the law. He and his wife, Josephine Marcus, moved to California. He died at the age of 80 in 1929, his burial place remaining unknown for some time. His wife, who was Jewish, had him buried in the Hills of Eternity Memorial Park, a Jewish

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cemetery in Colma, CA.

4. Doc Holliday, who was sick with tuberculosis at the time of the confrontation moved to Glenwood Springs, Col. An interesting character, he had graduated from the Pennsylvania College of Dental Surgery in 1872. After being diagnosed with tuberculosis he moved west hoping the climate would help him. He soon found he liked playing cards better than looking in people's mouths and also found he was handy with a gun. As a matter of fact, when he approached the OK Corral he had a shotgun hidden under his long overcoat. Wyatt Earp, in giving testimony in Nov. 1881 stated that it was Doc who had killed Tom McLaury with his shotgun. Holliday died in bed at his hotel at age 36 in 1887.

5. J. Isaac Clanton (Ike) was likely involved in the ambush of Virgil Earp. In June of 1887 he was involved in a cattle rustling operation in Greenlee County, AZ. A local sheriff shot him. He was buried where he fell at age 39.

6. The McLaury's older brother, William, was an attorney in Texas. He had much to say and advice to offer at the time of the hearing but to no avail.

7. Contrary to popular opinion the gunfight at the OK Corral did not take place at the OK Corral. It took place four or five doors to the west of the rear exit to the Corral in an alley.

Thanks to the grads for their investigation even if it was 138 years after the fact. Grad Harry Schmolke (RCMP ret.) must find most interesting the rumour that Magistrate Wells Spicer, who conducted the preliminary hearing, was somehow related to the Earps.

Most of the information presented here can be found in the Tombstone Epitaph newspaper which ran the results of Magistrate Spicer's findings.

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For many, this last weekend was an important time to observe religious traditions for Easter and Passover. These traditions bring us comfort and community in challenging times. From virtual Easter dinner and online Sunday services, to Easter egg hunts conducted from the car, many people successfully celebrated while maintaining appropriate social distance. I know that my family connected by having a Zoom Easter supper where we ate and visited over the computer. I hope that, despite everything that is going on, you were able to connect with loved ones and celebrate the Easter season in new and innovative ways.

I am happy to report that our government is taking strong, immediate action to get Albertans back to work. This week, our government announced \$2 billion in accelerated capital investment from the 2020 Capital Plan. The accelerated projects will resurface roads, repair bridges, restore schools, and fill potholes, all to get thousands of Albertans working through the COVID-19 recession. This doubles the planned capital maintenance for 2020-21, allowing our government to work with companies province-wide and help to keep workers employed.

The COVID-19 response has created serious challenges and uncertainty for small business owners in the past few weeks. Business Link is now available to help small businesses learn about and connect to available COVID-19 supports based on their unique business needs. The platform is offering free programming through June, including one to-one guidance and expert sessions with specialists to help small businesses survive this extremely difficult period.

This week, Alberta Health released its modelling projections outlining possible timelines of the COVID-19 pandemic. These projections highlight the importance of continuing aggressive countermeasures to protect the lives and livelihoods of Albertans in order to stop the pandemic and restart the economy. This modelling will help us prepare for the demands on Alberta's health care system and province-wide response to COVID-19, and provides transparent information to Albertans on this pandemic. As we continue to fight COVID-19, our province will keep Albertans informed on what we can reasonably expect in the weeks to come.

In order to keep vulnerable Albertans safe during the COVID-19 pandemic, the Chief Medical Officer of Health has ordered a province-wide ban on visitors to continuing care facilities. This ban on visits, except for in cases when a resident is dying, builds on restrictions implemented last week to ensure that all facilities in Alberta follow strict standards and prevent the risk of COVID-19 to vulnerable patients. These measures are not taken lightly, but they are critical to saving the lives of our loved ones from this pandemic.

Since the beginning of the pandemic, Albertans have stepped up to support frontline workers in the fight against COVID-19. In order to coordinate the hundreds of offers of medical supplies and other essential equipment from businesses and nonprofits, our government has launched the Alberta Bits and Pieces Program. This program will accept offers of materials that are needed by front-line workers and make sure that they get where these materials are needed most. If you have any services or equipment to donate to Alberta's COVID-19 response, I encourage you to visit [Alberta.ca/bitsandpieces](https://alberta.ca/bitsandpieces).

As a province and constituency, we will get through this, as always, our office is reachable at 780-542-3355.

MOUNTAIN PINE BEETLE UPDATE



Introduction: Last summer (2019) the Thorsby 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”. They should be attached to the north side of the 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



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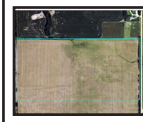
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