

THORSBY TARGET

Nurse Practitioner Clinic to Open in Thorsby August 25

Announced earlier this year, the underserved towns of Thorsby and Warburg, and their surrounding communities, now have the option to receive ongoing primary health care from dedicated Nurse Practitioner (NP). Michelle Williams, NP, has been hired by the Leduc Beaumont Devon Primary Care Network (LBD PCN) through a grant provided by the Government of Alberta via the Nurse Practitioner Support Program.

After months of preparation and delays due to COVID-19, the Thorsby Nurse Practitioner-Led Clinic is now ready to serve those looking for a new family primary care provider.

Clinic hours will be: Tuesday, Thursday 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. Closed for lunch between 12:00 p.m. – 1:00 p.m. and on statutory holidays

Appointments are being accepted now. If you are looking for a new family care provider, please contact the clinic for a meet and greet by calling: 825-320-3000 (825 is an Alberta area code that was introduced in 2016 and covers the entire province)

- The clinic space has been provided by Alberta Health Services and is located in the Thorsby Public Health Centre at 4825 Hankin Street.
 - Funding for the NP Clinical Administrator has been provided by the County of Leduc.
- Michelle will provide health services to individuals, families, and communities including health promo-

tion, disease and injury prevention, and treatment of acute and chronic illness. NPs provide health-care that is grounded in nursing care and includes the physical, emotional, social, and psychological aspects of your health.

NPs can:

- Diagnose and treat illness and injury
 - Perform physical examinations and screening interventions
 - Order and interpret diagnostic tests, such as lab tests and x-rays
 - Provide counselling and education
- #301, 4710 50 Street Leduc, AB T9E 6W2 Telephone: 780-986-6624 Fax: 780-986-6634 Website: www.lbdpcn.com
- Refer you to other healthcare professionals and specialists
 - Prescribe medications
 - Manage chronic diseases such as diabetes, COPD and asthma
 - Provide palliative care

All appointments are held at the Thorsby Nurse Practitioner-Led Clinic located inside the Thorsby Public Health Centre building. Walk-ins and house calls cannot be accommodated.

The Warburg Nurse Practitioner-Led Clinic, which opened to the community, June 1st, is operating out of the Village of Warburg office. Appointments are accepted in the Warburg location by calling 825-320-3000. Patients of the nurse practitioner are welcome to be seen at either location.

To find out about programs and services offered at the LBD PCN visit www.lbdpcn.com

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Classifieds

WANTED

Wanted 12 Volt Starter in working condition for a TEA 20 Ferguson tractor. 780.696.2388 (2-2)

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GARAGE SALES

Garage Sale - 33 Sundance Estates, Pigeon Lake. August 7th from 3-7pm August 8 from 9am-5pm & August 9 from 9am-1pm. Lots of misc. items! (1-1)

Garage Sale: August 7th - 9th; Fri 5-9pm, Sat 10am-9pm, Sun 10am-6pm. Lots of girls clothing - all sizes! Incl. Tops, pants, dresses, pj's, swimsuits, hoodies, jackets & halloween costumes! Plus other sale items, come check it out at 4805 - 52 Ave Thorsby! (1-1)

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Town of Thorsby - Employment Opportunities

Competition will remain open until suitable applicants are selected



Thorsby, is located 25 minutes from the City of Leduc and the Edmonton International Airport, with a population of approximately 1025. We believe in accountability, leadership and sustainability and we offer a workplace setting that promotes a positive work environment encompassing transparency, innovation and community building. If joining the Thorsby team is of interest, we are currently recruiting for the following positions

Public Works Manager

Permanent, Full-Time – 40 hours per week

Reporting to the C.A.O. , the Public Works Manager will be an integral member of the senior management team and be responsible for the safe and efficient delivery of a range of services in the planning, organization, control, and direction of issues related to water, sewer, roads and drainage systems, solid waste, snow clearing operations, fleet and heavy equipment management and maintenance of public facilities.

The successful candidate will have a fully rounded, strong public works background in infrastructure with a preferred minimum of three (3) to five (5) years municipal management or senior supervisory experience, ability to lead the health and safety program and will be accountable to develop and manage the Public Works budget. Asset and Emergency Management experience and training is considered an asset.

General Accountant

(Part time/Temporary - long term leave coverage)

The Town of Thorsby is looking for a detail-oriented individual that has strong working knowledge of municipal accounting (Microsoft Dynamics Great Plains) and the MGA along with strong leadership skills.

Reporting to the Town Manager, the General Accountant is responsible for the financial management, accounting and reporting functions for the Town of Thorsby and is an integral member of the senior management team. The successful candidate will have strong financial knowledge of municipal operations, ability to work unsupported and comply with all bylaws, policies, regulations, legislation and other criteria in a professional, safe, timely and efficient manner ensuring quality support and information to team members, public and Town Council. The individual will be responsible for budget development, banking and investment portfolio, long term financial planning, audit preparation, federal and provincial grant submissions and reporting, taxation and recovery and full cycle payroll functions.

For full details of the above positions, please see our website www.thorsby.ca

We thank all parties for their interest, however only candidate selected for interview will be contacted.

Submit resume and cover letter for the attention of: Christine Burke, Town Manager, Box 297, Thorsby, AB T0C 2P0

Or via email: cburke@thorsby.ca



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UPCOMING EVENTS

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION #246 MULHURST. WEEKLY BINGO'S HELD EVERY TUES. AT 7PM. MEAT BINGO AUGUST 11TH! (.PER A.H. GUIDELINES OF COURSE!!) NO SOCIAL THIS MONTH. CALL: 780-935-6281

PROGRAMS

Thorsby Bingo HAS RESUMED- 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.

Follow Thorsby Library on Facebook to learn the latest news. Visit us to renew your library card at <https://thorsbymunicipallibrary.ab.ca/copy-of-form>

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) at Thorsby Seniors Centre - Mondays, weigh in at 9:00 to 9:15 am, meetings 9:15 - 9:45 am, for more info call Jane 780-789-37891 or Elaine 780-221-3939

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 - 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.

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!

MARKETS / THRIFT SHOPS (NON PROFIT)

Winfield Public Market: We're back to our Regularly Scheduled Markets!! Social distancing rules will apply. Winfield Hall from 11 am - 2 pm. Call or text Carla 780-621-1285 for more info. Follow us on Facebook for up to the minute details! **Upcoming Markets:** July 12 & 26.

Thorsby Senior's Thrift Store is OPEN! Thursdays and Fridays from 10 am - 3 pm. Share our Bounty Sale - Clear-

ance 50% off. COVID-19 regulations apply.

Treasures Thrift Shop -IS NOW OPEN! (With restrictions) Please see signs at the store for everyone's safety. Wednesdays from 10 am - 4 pm. Donations will only be accepted during store hours, please ensure your donations are clean. 5112 - 53 Street Warburg.

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.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES

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

Thorsby Bylaw Enforcement - For concerns or inquiries email bylaw@thorsby.ca or call 780.789.3935 Ext. 21

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

Bus Transportation To Leduc - The 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month. Departs from the Thorsby Rec Center. Approx. 9:30 am, cost of \$7, call to reserve a seat: 780-848-7717.

Community Events Sign is Now Free to Non-Profit Organizations on a first come, first served basis for a period of one week, or less. To have your event placed on the sign call, 780-789-4041.

WORSHIP

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

New Life Christian Fellowship - Worship Services Sunday - 10:30 am, Ladies Fellowship and Prayer Friday - 9:30 am. 780-789-3020.

Our Lady of Victory Mass Time is 9:00 am. and anyone wishing to attend Mass must register first with Guy Giroux at 780-940-2751. There will also be Wednesday morning Mass at 11:00 a.m. Again registration is recommended by calling Guy Giroux.



Your Input is VITAL PLEASE ATTEND!!

**Business, Resident,
& Community Group Discussion**
for an Economic Development
Strategy and Action Plan
to understand local needs,
issues and opportunities

Your input is central to collaboratively inform
the framework to grow a preferred resilient
and viable community where business
and people succeed.

**Tuesday August 11, 2020
4:00 pm – 6:30 pm
Thorsby Seniors Centre**

All AHS protocols will be in place.
Social distancing, hand sanitizer,
and masks will be available.

Central Alberta Economic Partnership
(CAEP) will facilitate this session



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| 587-447-2237



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Job Title: Production Team Member

Base Salary: Start @ \$18.00 hourly

Summary:

- Working in the production facility assembling Arctic Spa Hot Tubs @ Blue Falls Manufacturing in Thorsby & Breton, Alberta.

Required Skills:

- Physically fit and capable of performing repetitive tasks in a fast paced environment.
- Unskilled and Skilled positions available.
- Experience working with air tools, hand tools would be an asset.

Key responsibilities:

- Reporting daily to the Production Manager/ Supervisors to be informed of daily tasks.
- Meet the scheduled build demands as set by daily, weekly, monthly orders.

Physical Demands Required:

- Able to be on your feet 8 hours per day.
- Able to work in a warm environment.
- Have no issues with adjusting personal schedule to work overtime hours when required.

PPE:

Due to COVID-19, Mask, safety glasses & steel-toe boots required, any further PPE required will be provided.

This is not a complete statement of all duties and responsibilities of this position. The position holder may be required to carry out any other duties as directed by their Manager.

Please submit resume in person at Blue Falls Manufacturing:

- 4549-52 Street, Thorsby, Alberta T0C 2P0
- 5303-47 Street, Breton, Alberta T0C 0P0
- or via email to hr@goarctic.com



Community Events Page

WORSHIP

Philippian Christian Friendship Church of Canada Address 4721 48a Ave Thorsby. We are here for you. We want to see you Receive New Life. We are a church here to help you and your family, so you will be put in Christ, the Hope of Glory, so please stop by for pray or just to talk. We all need help when we come together. We help each other with each other testimonies. We all come from sin and unrighteousness and now we are born again and changed. We can help each other. So come and we can worship together and pray together. Learn together as the Lord leads. Rev. Warrick & Elaine Pollard Call 780 921 7790

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH - GRAVE BLESSINGS. SUNDAY, No Divine Liturgy will be held until further notice. Should further information be required please contact Dan @ 780-789-3698 .

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.

Telfordville Pastoral Charge of United Church of Canada - Office: phone 780-848-2227. Join us for worship, programs, community outreach. Sunday worship times: Warburg: 1st, 3rd, 4th Sundays of each month at 10:30 AM Telfordville: 2nd Sunday of each month at 10:30 AM

Warburg Alliance Church is open. 11 a.m. worship service. For more information please phone 780-848-7577, check out our Facebook page or email us warburgalliance@gmail.com.

COMMUNITY GROUP REGULAR MEETINGS

Thorsby Ag. Society Regular Meetings – First Wednesday of every Month, 7:00 pm, Haymaker's Arena. www.thorsbyhaymaker.com or call 780-789-3829.

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 Fish & Game Regular Meetings are held on the third Monday of each month @ 7:00 pm at Warburg Village Office Basement (entrance through the back). Please join us. Contact Bruce at 780-848-2242 for more information.

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 @ 780-903-1695.

The Royal Canadian Legion, Pioneer Br. 144 Thorsby is wanting more members. Our meetings are on

the 3rd Tuesday of the month, except July and August, at the Fire Hall at 9:30 am. If interested, attend our meetings or give Phyllis a call at 780-789-3606.

FACILITY RENTALS

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.yola-site.com .

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

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

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

Centrelogde Community Centre - For bookings call Caroline 780-789-3089.

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

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

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

Mulhurst Legion #246 Hall Rentals - Call: Marie 780-361-7350

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

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

Sunnybrook Community Hall Rentals: Contact Name: Mikayla, Phone Number: 306-307-2599, Email Address: sunnybrookcommunityhall@gmail.com

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

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

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

Breton Golden Age Centre Rentals - \$10 / hour with \$25.00 for use of kitchen or \$15/day. Deposit of \$50 required. **Call Pat at 780.696.2056**

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

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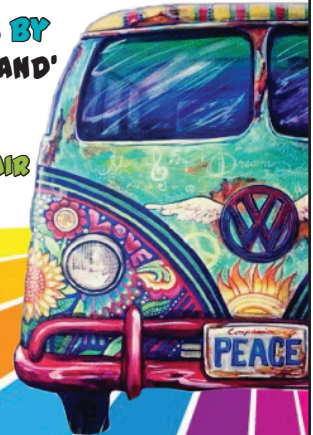


Outdoor Parking Lot Party
Saturday August 22nd 4 pm - 10 pm
@Thorsby Hotel Bar & Grill Parking Lot

FEATURING LIVE MUSIC BY
'THE STEVEN SPENCER BAND'
COVER \$5 A PERSON
OR \$20 FAMILY OF 6
BRING YOUR OWN LAWNCHAIR

WATCH FOR MORE
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COMING AUGUST 8TH!

Shared proceeds
from all food & drink & cover charge
to CIB Trail Development
from the Thorsby Hotel Bar & Grill



If the spirit of the groove moves ya...
dress in your best bebo/hippie garb!

Max. 200 capacity due to COVID-19 regulations



Community Engagement Session

Come and join us!

Saturday August 22 from 2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
TAYLOR PARK

Location: Hankin Street
(greenspace next to the pharmacy)

*Come and share your ideas on how you envisage
the pocket park space being developed*

Can't make it on the 22nd?
Save the date for our second session
on Friday September 11th from 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm

Enter To Win
free draw for 2 tickets to
Tunes for Blooms Event
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Starting: Fri, Sept 4th @ 12:00 NOON

Closing: Wed, Sept 9th @ 6:00 PM

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 Fall Consignment 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!

DATE & TIME CHANGES AS BELOW

(Please note some dates and times have changed)

Taking Consignments: Aug 10th to Sept 2nd
from 9 AM until 6 PM

VIEWING: Thursday, Sept 3rd - Wednesday, Sept 9th
From 9:00 AM until 6:00 PM

" Online Timed Auction"

to Register and View Listing, please go to

www.timberlindauctions.hlbld.com

Bidding will Start - FRI, Sept 4th @ 12:00 NOON
Bidding will Start to Close - WED, Sept 9th @ 6:00 PM*

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

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August 5, 2020

Dear Patrons,

This update talks about library returns, renewals, hours and how to contact us. I hope you have had enough reading, watching or listening material over the past few months! I'm sure you know that Thorsby Library is now open again to the public, one day per week. We will soon be open more hours and working to get back rolling into the swing of things for fall, for now:

LIBRARY HOURS

Tuesdays from 10:00 AM - 4:00 PM

RETURNS AND RENEWALS

Library patrons need to now take back responsibility to either return or renew your library materials. Bring them back to Thorsby Municipal Library or (another library) or renew them online. Contact us if you need assistance. Since we do not have an outside book drop you must bring them during open hours or try elsewhere.

While libraries were closed, your library books were automatically renewed for you until July 31, by YRL. Yellowhead Regional Library is our regional library located in Spruce Grove, to which municipalities in our region join in order to participate in services such as province wide borrowing of library materials, knowledge and information sharing. Once you bring your books back, we quarantine them for a week, so they may still be on your account. Talk to us if you'd like us to try to renew any that are seriously overdue!

CONTACT US

Remember that we are here to help get you access to stories and information. Connect with us by: phone 780-789-3808

email: thorsbypublib@yrl.ab.ca on Facebook <https://www.facebook.com/ThorsbyLibrary/> or the web: <https://thorsbymunicipallibrary.ab.ca/>

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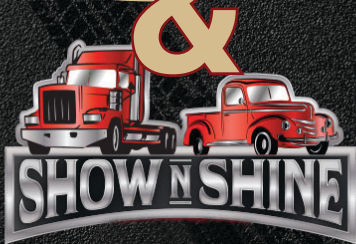
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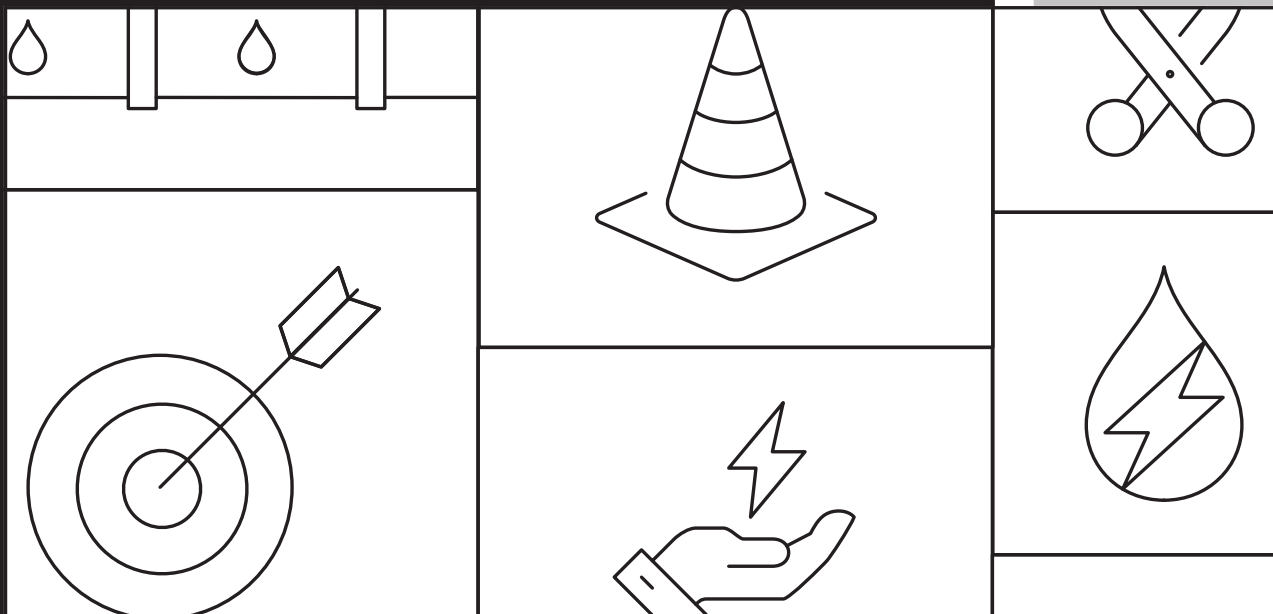
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Straight Out of Thorsby

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 68th 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.

*****Addition for summer reading: In recognition of Stacy Knull - Breaking Smith's Quarter Horse by Paul St. Pierre**

Crystal Bensen THS "Grad '85, Stay Alive"

Sitting far away in sub-Saharan Africa as I reminisce about growing up in Thorsby, it is difficult for me to fathom that it has been 35 years since graduating from Thorsby High School.

The UFA station was a landmark on the south edge of village limits where I lived with my family while my parents operated the business from 1965 until their retirement in June of 1999. One of the things I recall being a real treat was when we had our annual customer appreciation night at the community hall. Lots of families would attend the showing of a Walt Disney movie, Chitty Chitty Bang Bang comes to mind, and during intermission there were flats of glazed donuts to eat and the kids ran around in a hyped up sugar craze and then squirmed in their seats the whole second half of the movie.

I was fortunate to attend school from kindergarten to grade 12 in Thorsby. I shared common experiences with my classmates from the daily singing of the national anthem and "God Save the Queen" in Mrs. Hamilton's first grade class to walking across the paper flower decorated bridge into graduation surrounded by all the graduates' silhouettes on the gym walls. In between we shared, and survived, the grade five Jasper trip, grade eight hunters' training, the dreaded Canadian fitness tests, the Mud Bowl with smooshing, arm wrestling, and the bitter tang of warm root beer coming out of your nose during

the chug-a-lug contest, and Friday afternoon dances that always ended with our theme song "Raise a Little Hell". Retrospectively, graduating with 20 people that you have formative history with is one of the coolest things ever and I am very thankful for that experience.



Family picture:, back row, Aline (Randy Bensen's wife), Barb Bensen, Crystal. Front row, Crystal's brothers, l-r, Dana, Randy, Jason

Moving to the city, I attended the University of Alberta, graduating from the Faculty of Nursing in 1990. During my training I had rotations in large hospitals, but I gravitated towards rural clinical placements working in Lamont, Wetaskiwin, High Level, and a public health rotation in Thorsby. Soon after graduation I landed my dream job working in the Emergency Department of the Royal Alexandra Hospital. One of the reasons for choosing nursing, besides the obvious making a difference in people's lives, was to have a career that was portable. I had 2 years of ER experience under my belt in September 1992 as the cool winds were rustling the colorful leaves off the trees forecasting the pending usual cold, hard winter, when a US travel nurse company called to ask if I was interested in working on the island of St. Thomas in the US Virgin Islands. Well, they didn't have to ask twice. This started my travelling career and my never-ending desire to see as much of the world as possible. I lived in the islands for 9 months, then did following assignments in some of the grittiest ERs in the country at the time, Washington DC, Florida, and Charity Hospital in New Orleans.

In 1995, I was missing family and interested in pursuing further education, so I moved to Seattle to be closer to my older brother and his family. I worked over 10 years in the ER at Harborview Medical Center while completing my Master's in Population Based Nursing, then two post masters for an Adult and Women's Primary Care nurse practitioner and finally a Family NP. As a nurse practitioner, I worked in a wide variety of settings in the Pacific North West including ER, OB-GYN, family practice, prisons, jails, school based health, homeless shelters, occupational health at Boeing, and a short stint at a remote fish processing plant in Akutan, Alaska where I met one of the captains from the "The Deadliest Catch" TV series.



Crystal wrestling with a King Crab during her time in Alaska.

Although I had travelled on vacation to several countries, I yearned to live internationally to get more than a tourist's view. After five years of pursuing dead leads, I was finally successful in getting a job as a Peace Corps Medical Officer with the volunteer organization.

In 2013 I boarded a plane destination Ouagadougou, Burkina Faso in West Africa. I was entrusted along with a local physician for the health and welfare of 120 American volunteers that lived in rural villages without electricity or water scattered throughout the countryside. This was one of the most difficult places I have ever had to work. The medical infrastructure was virtually nonexistent, it was a francophone country so there was a language barrier, the climate was inhospitable with temperatures soaring to 50C in hot season, and the food selection was sparse and required you to

bleach your fresh produce to prevent getting ill. I was on call 24/7 with patients all over the country that I had to talk through treating themselves with the expanded med kit provided or bring them to the office which might take hours or a whole day.

I learned to take advantage of seasonal produce. Strawberry season was a brief 5 weeks in January which was heralded by seeing ladies walking around with baskets of strawberries on their heads. I became an expert in blanching food and freezing like we did from our garden in Thorsby. During my last few months at post, the government was overthrown and I had a front row seat to witness history as locals burned down government buildings all around us and ousted the president of 30 years.

When Ebola hit West Africa in 2015, all the Peace Corps Volunteers in Liberia were sent home. I was asked to travel to Liberia during the very end of the epidemic to assist with reopening the program. I travelled all over the country evaluating what was left of the former health infrastructure to advise how best to support the volunteers. It was fascinating to hear all the locals' life stories surrounding Ebola and the atrocities of their civil war. Liberians are survivors.



Crystal in Liberia when her work took her to this west African country. (Liberia was founded by freed American slaves in 1822.)

Crystal's story will be continued in the next edition of the Thorsby Target

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Hello from West of the Fifth Law! By now you've hopefully seen our Ads or heard that a law firm has opened in Warburg. We thought it would be good to introduce ourselves and take a moment to talk about our practice.

Our firm is staffed by myself, Clayton Swan, a Lawyer and my fiancée, Linnée Peters, who will become a Lawyer on August 19. Both Clayton and Linnée have roots in Rural Alberta.

Our firm has four values: Being Innovative, Being Local, Being Affordable, and Being Available. This article, being the first of a four-part series, is going to focus on what it means for us to be "Available".

Our vision for our practice is to provide legal services to Rural Albertans. Small communities across North America have suffered in recent years as young professionals have been drawn to urban centres leaving few remaining local professional services behind. We believe that Rural Albertans deserve legal services just as much as Urban Albertans do, and to that end, we're being the change we want to see by making ourselves fully Available to Rural Albertans.

So, let's talk a little bit about what being Available actually means. We're not an Old School lawyer who sits in their office all day expecting everyone to come to them. In order to be more Available our firm structure is decentralized. This means we intend to find locations in communities where we can meet people. We would like to find a way to meet with you where you're at. We haven't completely fleshed out the plan yet so please bear with us as we figure this out. You can read more about it on our website w5law.ca/value/community-calls, and stay tuned for more columns from us on this subject and many others.

As a consequence of a decentralized model your odds of meeting with a lawyer will be much higher if you call ahead. We may be out meeting clients in other locations or we may be working from home that day but still able to drive out and meet you. We eventually hope to create a regular schedule of locations, but while we gauge demand our physical location will vary day-to-day.

A further point I'd like to bring up that sets us apart from typical Old School Lawyers, and is in keeping with our firm value of being Available, is that upon request we are able to be flexible about what times we meet with you at. Most Lawyers are limited to meeting with clients only during the 9-5 business day. We recognize that for many people this increases costs by requiring you to take time off from work. Our response is to provide some limited capacity for scheduling appointments with clients after-hours for no additional cost. This can also include telephone and video conferencing appointments.

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Leduc County Declares Municipal State of Agricultural Disaster

From Leduc County

Leduc County council declared a Local State of Agricultural Disaster at its special council meeting this morning, in response to excessive moisture and weather conditions negatively impacting local producers.

As a council, we recognize the extreme conditions our farmers are facing. The amount of precipitation we received in May alone is more than double the long-term average, and parts of our county have broken a 55-year record for spring precipitation. This has led to more than 220 quarter sections not being seeded and many crops in distress. It's our hope that making this declaration will bring awareness to the issue and encourage other levels of government to provide support where possible. Tanni Doblanko, mayor of Leduc County

From May 1 to July 9, precipitation recorded at four weather stations within Leduc County indicated at least 100 mm more rain than the long-term average for that time period.

Producers are rightfully concerned. Even with crops that are doing well right now, such as hay crops, farmers aren't able to get onto their fields to cut or bale because the ground is too saturated for heavy equipment. If this wet weather continues, many of the crops that are in fair condition will degrade in quality as well.

Aaron Van Beers, manager of Agricultural Services

As of July 9, approximately 65 per cent of barley crops, 50 per cent of canola crops and 35 per cent of wheat crops were estimated to be in poor condition in Leduc County. Poor crop conditions are defined as fields with less than 60 per cent of healthy plants.

An Agricultural State of Disaster can bring awareness to residents, industry, and provincial and federal governments, and facilitate collaboration with impacted groups.

Leduc County last declared a State of Agricultural Disaster in September 2019.



MP REPORT

from The Office of MP Gerald Soroka,
Member of Parliament for Yellowhead

August 5, 2020

Expanding the Canada Infrastructure Program

OTTAWA: Gerald Soroka, Member of Parliament for Yellowhead, would like to inform constituents that the Government of Canada will be adjusting the Investing in Canada Infrastructure Program. The new steps to the program will now include a new stream designed to deliver more infrastructure projects by:

- increasing the types of eligible projects and
- accelerating project approvals

Under a new COVID-19 Resilience funding stream worth up to \$3.3B, provincial projects will be eligible for a significantly larger federal cost share for public infrastructure projects up to 80%. A simplified funding application process will ensure that projects can get underway as soon as possible.

More details can be found at: <https://www.canada.ca/en/office-infrastructure/news/2020/08/infrastructure-program-expands-to-support-covid-19-community-resilience.html>



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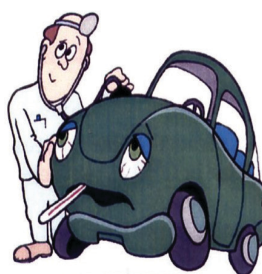
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MLA REPORT

from The Office of MLA Mark Smith,
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for Drayton Valley - Devon

Return To Schools

The suspension of in-person schooling in March has been hard for many students and their families. Kindergarten to Grade 12 education changed significantly as a result of the COVID-19 pandemic, and I know that students, parents, teachers and school boards did their best to adapt to a different way of learning. However, we all know that students who attend schools learn best in the classroom with their teachers and peers, and our goal is to get us back to normal learning as soon as possible. With back to school season approaching, many parents have been eagerly waiting to see what school will look like this upcoming year.

This week, Alberta's government announced that students will be returning to classrooms across the province, and here in Drayton Valley-Devon, at the beginning of the new school year. This is great news for families in our community. The decision to re-open schools has been made with the safety of students, teachers, and other staff members being the highest priority. For in-person learning to proceed, health measures are being put in place for their safety. Each school will implement public health measures, including frequent cleaning of surfaces, introducing hand sanitizers to school and classroom entrances, grouping students in cohorts, and adjusting schedules to allow for greater physical distancing. While school may feel a little different at first, these changes will allow a safe, near-normal return to class.

Throughout the COVID-19 pandemic, keeping Albertans informed on new measures has been a key part of Alberta's response. To help prepare families, Alberta's government has developed a re-entry toolkit to help prepare parents and students for

what to expect in the new school year. This toolkit includes videos for students explaining some of the health measures, a guide for parents, frequently asked questions, school posters, a self-screening questionnaire in multiple languages, and links to health guidelines. The resources in the school re-entry toolkit will help families discuss changes with their children.

As Alberta's students prepare to go back to school, the Minister of Education will continue to work closely with Chief Medical Officer of Health Dr. Hinshaw, as well as school boards, to ensure that all schools are prepared to welcome students back.

The re-opening of our schools, and our entire economy, is a result of the hard work of Albertans to slow the spread of COVID-19. As students return to school, each of us has the tools to ensure that we can safely return to daily life. I have been passionate about education for many years. I believe this plan to be truly beneficial for students overall.



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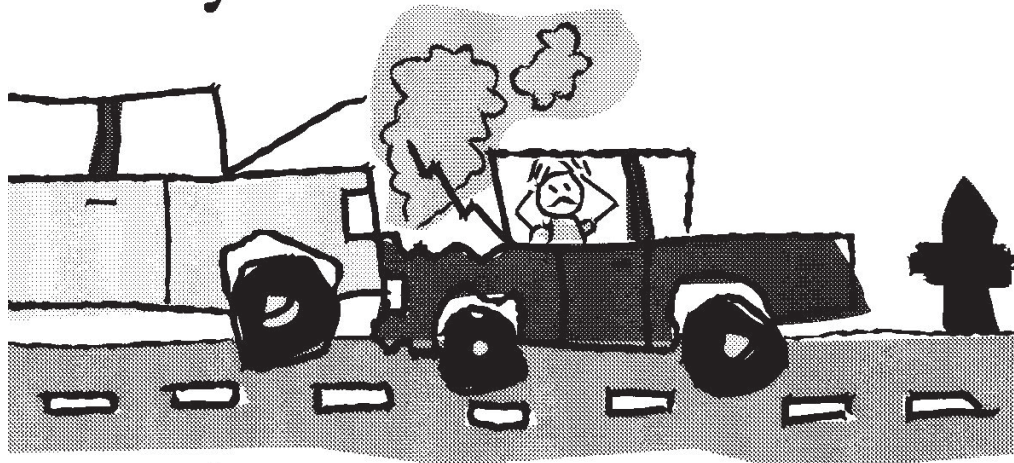


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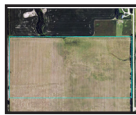
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