THE BRETON BOOSTER



Our House Rocks
From Kevin Maine

Just a short update on curling rink.

The club is looking at a refund to the loyal members based on days played and days that would have been played. The refund will not be returned until the end of March, at which time one cheque will be made out per team.

The curling club has a cash raffle running which will end at the end of March. Three cash prizes: 1st \$2000.00 2nd \$750.00 3rd \$250.00. Tickets are available from any curler or the Warburg village office.

When teams come to get their refund cheques, please return the tickets. I will be contacting the team name on our records when this will be done.

Some good/sad news Kelsie Cygan and Ethan Chung qualified for the fourth time to go to Mixed Doubles Provincials. These two young athletes have qualified 4 times and are only 17, they have a great future if they continue down the road of curling.

Alberta Curling had organized a bubble at Sylvan Lake, then 2 weeks before the event, the province changed the restrictions and they were cancelled.

The Brier, Scottie's and Mixed Doubles are still a go at this time, so we may get a curling fix then.

Thank you for your continued support of the Warburg Curling Club and we looking forward to getting back to our old lives soon.

Kevin Maine

Library is closed to the public.

to keep our community and staff safe the library will be offering "No Contact" services until further notice.

Please call or email to schedule curbside services



Monday-Friday 10-5 780-696-3740 bretonlibrary@yrl.ab.ca



WANTED

Pasture Land Wanted to Rent - for the 2021 season. Call Kristen at 403.559.6863 (2-4)

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 (1-6)

HELP- Looking for an instruction manual for an I-Phone 7. If you have one please call 780.898.3034

FOR SALE

HAY HAY - Winter's Here! 130 2nd cut alfalfa bales, large round, no rain - baled dry. Horse & dairy quality. Protein samples avail. \$85; 21 grass bales, baled dry, horse quality. \$45; 38 1st cut alfalfa, 70% alfalfa 30% timothy, large 1200lb-1400lb bales, good quality. \$60. All located in the Pigeon Lake area. 780.405.3260 (3-4)

Butcher ready pigs for sale. Must be picked up live. Contact Tyler at (780) 621-7120 (3-3kr)

FOR RENT RESIDENTIAL

Newly remodelled 2 bedroom, open concept kitchen with island. Appliances supplied. Small pet could be considered. Rental incentive with a signed 1 year lease. \$895. 780 848-2628 (3-12)

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Building for rent in Breton - \$500/mth plus utilities. Call 780.696.3551 (3-3kr)

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Classified Ads

- call or text 780-887-0077
- drop off your ad at The Breton Library
- email media@community39.com



Delbert (Del) David Neufeld September 2, 1949 – January 13, 2021

On Wednesday, January 13, 2021, Delbert Neufeld passed away at the age of 71 years.

Del leaves to cherish his memory his wife of 49 years Kathy, his son Vince (Susan), three grandchildren, Kelly, Zoe and Dalton, three sisters, Beverly (Brad), Pat (Rick) and Sharon (Doug) as well as numerous relatives and friends.

Del was predeceased by his parents David and Janet Neufeld and his brother Gerald.

A Private Graveside Service for Del will be held on Tuesday, January 19, 2021 at 2:00 pm at the Breton Cemetery with Pastor Jeff Gooderham officiating.

If friends so desire memorial donations may be made to Faith Covenant Church, Box 57, Breton, Alberta TOC 0P0.

Del's family would like to extend a heartfelt thank you to all the family and friends for the kindness you have shown during this difficult time.

> Drayton Valley Funeral Services in care of arrangements Faith Van Manen & Harvey Giesbrecht - Directors 780-542-5511

> Condolences: www.draytonvalleyfuneralservices.com



Village of Breton 2021

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UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS

Golden Spur Gymkhana Club Annual General Meeting on January 23, 2021 @ 1 pm, location TBA

Sunnybrook Community Hall yearly Membership Renewals are due. \$5 a person Or \$10 for a family. Payments can be done via etransfer to: sunnybrookcommunityhall@gmail.com

PROGRAMS & REGULAR EVENTS

Breton Golden Age Club: Cards (Whist) Mondays at 1 pm. \$3. Floor Curling on Tuesdays at 1 pm \$3. Crib Saturdays at 12:30 pm starting Oct. 17th. Minimal fee. Come join the fun! COVID protocols in place. Masks are optional. Until further notice the Breton Golden Age Club is NOT available for rent. For additional info you can contact Pat Monteith at 780.696.6557 or clwaymon@telus.net

Winfield Community Library is open *Please note we have new hours as of Sept. 6th* Wednesday nights 5 - 8 pm Saturdays 10- 2 pm. Restrictions are in place. No public access to the school, not even the bathrooms. Please call 780-682-2498 for more info.

Thorsby Bingo has been cancelled (due to COVID-19) until further notice.

"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.

MARKETS / THRIFT SHOPS (NON PROFIT)

Winfield Public METATED back for one last market of the year CANGE LILL 11 am-2 pm. Call or text Carla for info 780-621-1285.

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.

Thorsby Senior's Thrift Store will be OPEN again on January 14th - ALL COVID-19 regulations apply. Hours of operation: 10 am - 3 pm Thursdays and Fridays. We are accepting donations.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES

Breton & Area FCSS (Family & Community Support Services) Please contact Deanne at 780-696-3636 or email fcss@breton.ca

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

Meals on Wheels - Are you interested in receiving a hot nutritious meal? Please contact Deanne at 780-696-3636

Bylaw Enforcement Officer and Animal Control Officer - Doris McAllister 780-719-6447.

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 8:00 pm 780-270-7903

WORSHIP

Faith Covenant Church - 4712 53rd Avenue Breton, Alberta T0C 0P0 office.faithcovenantchurch@gmail.com 780.696.3669

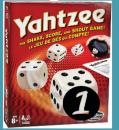
Community United Church – 5112 – 53 St., Warburg. Join us for Sunday morning worship on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month at 10:30 AM. For information please phone the church office 780-848-2227.

Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church Thorsby Mass Every Sunday 9:00 am, Father Arun Rodrigues. For more information call 780-987-2858 or visit www. olvthorsby.wordpress.com.

... Got the Wintertime Blues

Send us a paragraph of what you like about where you live Brazeau County or the Village of Breton and we will let you
select a new board game or puzzle. (Limit of one per
household - 50 available). Submissions can be sent by email
to fcss@breton.ca, Faxed to 780-696-3590 or dropped off at the
Breton FCSS office 4916 50th Avenue Breton

List your top 3 choices of games/puzzles with entry Village of Breton and Division 5 & 6 County residents are eligible.







































WORSHIP

St. Matthew's Lutheran Church Thorsby is holding in-Church Pender Sunday at 10:30 a.m. Following Covid protocols. Our weekly worship with Pastor Ron can still be found on You Tube.

Alder Flats Community Bible Church - 780-388-0018, Pastor Samuel Hayford - 780-388-3926. Reg. Sunday Service & School - 11:00 am. Welcome to all!

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.

Warburg Seventh Day Adventist Church, Sat. Sabbath School 10 am, Main Service 11:30 am, Pastor Jason Williams 780-848-2271

COMMUNITY GROUP REGULAR MEETINGS

Village of Breton Council Meetings - 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers of the Carolyn Strand Civic Centre.

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

Breton Golden Age Club: Regular Monthly Meetings on the first Monday of the month at 11 am. Come see what we are up to!

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

Breton Royal Purple meetings are CHANGING starting in January 2021 to the third Thursday of the month (except in the months of July and August) at 7:30 p.m.

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

Breton Municipal Library Board Meetings are held the third Wednesday of the month except July and August and are open to the public. Meetings are at 7 PM in the Library.

The Breton Book Club has online Facebook

Meetings: Second Wednesday of each month all day. All readers are welcome to join the conversation! Look for us at "Breton Book Club".

Buck Creek Community Assn. Meetings are held at the Buck Creek Hall the first Wednesday of every month at 8 PM. Jam Dance and Cards Night the first Friday of every month.

Funnell Community Hall - No Meetings until further notice.

Thorsby & District Fish & Game Regular Meet ings 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.

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

FACILITY RENTALS

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

Winfield Legion is available to rent. Rental Inquiries - Gordon 780-542-1243 or Mona 780-361-9558

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

Calmar and District Senior Citizens Club 4916 - 50 Ave Calmar: hall rentals, please contact Marg Roskewich 780-985-3221. Rental Rates: 4 hr or less \$100 and more than 4 hrs \$200.00

Funnell Community Hall - For hall rental or more info contact Kelsey at 709.638.3689.

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

Royal Canadian Legion #246 MULHURST Hall Rental Call: Marie @ 780-361-7350

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

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

Warburg Legion Hall is available for rent at \$75.00 for a full day, \$50.00 for ½ day, with a deposit of \$50 refundable after inspection. For Hall rental please contact Tina Tollenaar at 780.848.2469. For events, meetings or information, please call Max at 780 848.2923.

Warburg Senior's Centre rentals. Call Nancy/ Allan Gruninger 780-848-7756. \$75 per rental, \$50.00 damage deposit refundable after inspection – no exceptions!

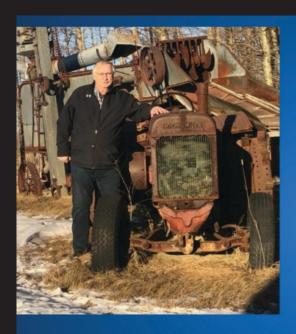
Pre-Selling 1 to 10 acre parcels in the Village of Warburg

Available in the spring of 2021. Residential and or commercial. Approx 40 acres to be subdivided. \$25,000 per acre. Lot sizes will vary but will be approx 280' X 775' (5 Acre) or 220' X 220' (1 acre). All services are at curb side on the newly constructed & paved 56th Avenue. Currently used for agricultures purposes.

Land is located west of Martin John Deer and Buck Mountain Gas on 56th Avenue.

Visit the Village of Warburg for details on the services and amenities the Village offers. See signs at location. Call or text Bill at 780-218-5024.





GLENN BELOZER

With this I am declaring my intentions to run for re-election as councillor in Division 6 - Leduc County.

Elections to take place Oct 18/2021.

Personal: 780-996-2791 County Business: 780-920-0676

Email: glennb@leduc-county.com

Covenant Corner

from Pastor Jeff Gooderham

Mark Twain once wrote; "Courage is resistance to fear, mastery over fear--not the absence of fear." The truth is, fear exists all around us. It is an emotion caused by the belief that something or someone is dangerous or in some way harmful. Courage on the other hand is a word that speaks to that which is in the depths of our hearts, the root word or Latin word is 'cor' the heart of who we are. The question then is, especially in the face of fear, what am I at my 'cor'? What do I believe in my heart?

Jesus said in this world you will have tribulation, there will be things that cause us fear and anxiety. That, is a given in this world. But, Jesus also goes on to say that we should be of good cheer, for He has overcome the world. The fear of living, and dying, is overcome in one person! God Himself. The very One who says, "behold I stand at the door and knock, if anyone hears My voice and opens the door, I will come to him." So what am I at my 'cor'?

Am I weak and unsure? Or do I as Paul says, have the power and peace of Christ within me? Ephesians 3:17 says, "That I have been strengthened with power through His Spirit in my inner being, so that Christ may dwell in your hearts through faith!" My inner being, my 'cor' is courageous, not for anything I have done, but because Christ dwells within me. He has overcome this world with all its trials and tribulations, and because He lives so too shall we! May that strengthen you and encourage you!



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WARBURG



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Home Alone Safety for Kids is available online and can be completed independently, at your child's own pace, in the comfort of your own home.

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FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT BRETON FCSS AT 780.696.3636

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UPCOMING NEWS & EVENTS

- February 2 | Council Meeting | 9:00 a.m.
- February 4 | Alternative Land Use Services PAC meeting | 9:00 a.m.
- February 15 | Brazeau County Administration Building closed
- February 16 | Council Meeting | 9:00 a.m.

RCMP POLICING PRIORITIES



The RCMP is committed to preserving the peace, upholding the law and providing quality service in partnership with the communities it serves. The purpose of this brief, seven-question survey is to ensure the public has a say in what the RCMP priorities are for the region. This is not a crime reporting tool but allows the public to provide input into how policing priorities are formed.

Each year, RCMP from the Drayton Valley and Breton detachments establish policing priorities to ensure that, in addition to responding to calls for service, members focus on the policing issues identified by the public as being the most important. These priorities are determined based on the feedback the RCMP receives from the municipalities and communities they serve.

Brazeau County, the Town of Drayton Valley, and Parkland County have partnered with the RCMP to conduct this brief survey to ensure that RCMP priorities align with those of the public. Information collected from this survey will be reviewed and considered by the RCMP, County and Town Councils. Please note, Tomahawk is served by the Drayton Valley RCMP detachment and this survey is intended for residents of Tomahawk and the immediate

This survey will remain open until February 8th, 2021.

This survey can be taken online at: https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/8J8LJVD Alternatively, surveys can be dropped off in-person or mailed to any of the addresses found below.

Drayton Valley RCMP 5409 Industrial Road Drayton Valley, AB T7A 1R6

Brazeau County Administration Building Box 77, 7401 Twp Rd 494 Drayton Valley, AB T7A 1R1

Drayton Valley Civic Centre 5120-52 Street Drayton Valley, AB T7A 1A1

Tomahawk Shop 4902 50 Avenue Tomahawk, AB T0E 2H0







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TALK•ASK•LISTEN

Mental Health in Ag Workshop

Gain a better understanding of mental health, plus **learn strategies** to help support well-being for you and those around you.

Tailored for farmers and delivered by a mental health professional who understands agriculture.



Date: Tuesday, February 23, 2021

Time: 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

Online Via Zoom Meetings

How to register: https://www.eventbrite.ca/e/talk-ask-listen-wetaskiwin-ab-tickets-132348990393

If you have any questions please contact:
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Wintertime Blues - Now that the holidays are over and we still have some restrictions in place we want to help with your Wintertime Blues. Write a paragraph of what you like about where you live - Village of Breton or Brazeau County. Submit your paragraph and we will reward you with a new board game or puzzle. Submissions can be made by email - fcss@breton.ca, Fax - 780-696-3590 or dropped off at our office at 4916-50Avenue in the Village of Breton Office. Limited to one per household. Please list your top three choices of games/ puzzles with your application. Choices can be found in our ad in the Booster or on our Facebook page – Breton and Area FCSS. Submission are being accepted now. Games/puzzles will be handed out after January 18th. We have had some wonderful applications already submitted. Let us know what you love about the community you live in!

Bell Let's Talk Day

Bell Let's Talk Day is January 28 and we're encouraging you to help create positive change.

Mental illness affects people of all ages and from all walks of life. According to the Mental Health Commission of Canada, one in five people in Canada will experience a mental health issue or illness in any given year. Over the past 9 years, Canadians and people around the globe have joined in the world's largest conversation around mental health on Bell Let's Talk Day. Together we have taken big steps to reduce the stigma around mental health issues.

In a recent survey conducted by Nielsen Consumer Insights in 2019, 84% of Canadians now say they are comfortable speaking with others about mental health, compared to only 42% in 2012.

However, there is still work to be done to ensure all Canadians have access to the mental health support they need. This year, on Bell Let's Talk Day Canadians are encouraged to share the actions, large and small, that they are taking to improve the lives of people living with mental health issues.

When it comes to mental health, every action counts.

On Bell Let's Talk Day, for every text, mobile and long distance call made on the Bell network, tweet using #BellLetsTalk, social media video view, or use of the Facebook frame or Snapchat filter, Bell will contribute 5 cents more to Canadian mental health programs.

You can also learn more about some of the organizations providing meaningful mental health supports and services throughout Canada and download the Bell Let's Talk toolkit to begin your own conversation about mental health at home, school or in the workplace.

Join in to as we work together to improve the lives of Canadians living with mental health issues and help create positive change.

5 AWESOME FAMILY DAY ACTIVITIES FOR ALL AGES

One of the best ways to make family memories is to spend some good old-fashioned time together. Kids will often remember that awesome game night or classic book you read together as a family. Making more of an effort to disconnect from technology and enjoy family time with your kids will have long lasting effects. These 5 awesome family day activities are great ways to connect with your kids and encourage some new family hobbies!

PLAY A BOARD GAME

A family board game night is a fun and interactive way to make family memories. Kids will love competing to win the game and watching mom and dad join the fun.

READ A BOOK OUT LOUD

Another special way to spend a family evening is to read a book out loud. Weekend afternoons are a great time to get the family together and read a few chapters of a book out loud. Listening to the story will encourage kids to use their imaginations to visualize the story. Reading out loud stimulates the brain and an imaginative storyline provides thought-provoking entertainment.

GO ON A FAMILY HIKE

Looking for an outdoor adventure? A family hike is

an interactive way to spend an afternoon and enjoy time out of the house, especially when visitors such as grandma and grandpa come to visit. It can be 30 minutes or a few hours depending on the ages of your kids.

BAKE COOKIES TOGETHER

Baking cookies together is one of our favorite cozy family day activities for all ages. Kids can learn some practical kitchen skills too You can easily include the whole family in making homemade cookies, and enjoy freshly baked cookies while you play a family board game!

PAINT & CREATE CUSTOM ART

A painting day is an awesome way to spend the afternoon together with your family. Kids love to be creative and get messy, and what better place to do so than on a canvas?? Plus, if your kids' art turns out interestingly, you can create a family art wall!

HOME ALONE - Online Course - This safety program is ideally suited for children aged 9-12 years old. Safety and accident prevention are the common themes throughout the program. The information is relevant and current to today's young learners. Course content includes:

Street smarts and bike safety

People safety ("Tricky People" and Safe strangers)

Online and internet safety

Snacking and kitchen safety

Home fire safety

Sibling rivalry

Preventing accidents

How to handle emergencies and other situations Basic first aid skills

Cost- \$10 - two weeks to complete from the time of registration.

Please contact our office to register for the course. Payment can be made at our office or on your credit card through Option Pay on our website at www. breton.ca

Counselling Subsidies – ALL Fees Waived Until March 31. Breton and Area FCSS is pleased to offer Counselling Services

A subsidy is available for individuals, couples and/ or families who are struggling with common, everyday issues to access short-term preventative counselling services. The goal is to:

- o Improve relationships with better communication and conflict resolution skills:
- Improve mood with anger management and

emotional support;

- o Enhance personal growth with creativity, spirituality, self-esteem, self-awareness, goal setting;
- o Improve parenting skills by focusing on attachment:
- o Reduce stress with life balance; and/or
- Learn new skills and behaviors

The cost of counselling can be a barrier for many individuals and families. This subsidy is available to those who do not have access to coverage through health benefits or employee benefits, such as an Employee Assistance Plan (EAP), and whose family income is less than \$75,000 per year. Fees are determined according to a sliding scale based on income and family size. Fees ranging from \$15 per session to \$50 per session will be reimbursed upon receipt of attending the appointment. This will be in effect until March 31, 2021 Counselling services are provided through a partnership with Karunia Counselling from Leduc.

We know that in this current environment many may have additional stress and anxiety. We also know that transportation may be an added barrier. These sessions can be arranged to be in person in the Karunia offices in Leduc, over the phone in your own safe environment or virtually on your computer.

To apply for the subsidy services, application forms are available through the Breton FCSS Office at 4916 50th Avenue or by contacting them at fcss@ breton.ca or calling 780-696-3636. ALL APPLICATIONS ARE STRICTLY CONFIDENTIAL. Please contact the Breton FCSS Office and we can discuss your individual situation.



MP REPORT

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



January 18, 2021

Statistics Canada Hiring Approximately 32,000 People Across Canada

OTTAWA: Gerald Soroka, Member of Parliament for Yellowhead is pleased to inform constituents of job opportunities at Statistics Canada relating to the 2021 Census.

The next Canadian Census of Population will take place in May 2021. To assist in the collection of the census, Statistics Canada is hiring approximately 32,000 people across the country. Census jobs are short-term positions, between March and July 2021, collecting census data from residents in every community. If you know of anyone who may be interested in census jobs, please spread the word. Candidates can apply online at www.census. gc.ca/jobs.

The Census Program has adapted to the COVID-19 pandemic to ensure that the 2021 Census of Population is conducted throughout the country in the best possible way, using a safe and secure approach.

More information can be obtained by emailing Census Communications at statcan.census-recensement.statcan@canada.ca





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MLA REPORT

from The Office of MLA Mark Smith, Member of the Legislative Assembly for Drayton Valley - Devon

Our Canadian parliamentary system of democracy is the result of a series of long struggles between ideas, powerful kings, the people and the exercise of political power. Through it all we have evolved a system of government that pursues ordered liberty. These two words would appear to be in opposition and yet the balanced combination of these two critical democratic values are foundational to protecting our way of life and will help us to live peacefully together. Unrestricted liberty results in societal anarchy only when individual freedom is bound by reasonable restrictions will all individuals in the wider society have true freedom. Ordered liberty is articulated in the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms when it says,

The Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms guarantees the rights and freedoms set out in it subject only to such reasonable limits prescribed by law as can be demonstrably justified in a free and democratic society.

Freedom is the foundational value in a democracy and in our Charter of Rights. Placing restrictions on our democratic freedoms should never be done lightly, yet it is sometimes necessary. When our freedoms are restricted those restrictions must meet the standard of reasonableness for a free and democratic society.

Recently, some constituents exercised their rights as engaged citizens and taped a series of posters of the Canadian Charter of Rights and Freedoms and a series of messages all over the front of the Drayton Valley-Devon Office in Drayton Valley, the Town Hall of Drayton Valley, and the Brazeau County offices. They believe that the recent pandemic restrictions placed on Albertans and their businesses are an unreasonable restriction of their Charter Rights and they exercised their right of free speech to send their

message to me, their MLA.

So this begs the question, is the government acting unreasonably when it places Covid restrictions upon Albertans?

During this Covid pandemic the Alberta government has argued that it has a duty to protect both the lives and the livelihoods of Albertans. For me, the ordering of these two duties is important to recognize for it speaks to a hierarchy and to when a government can reasonably place restrictions on people. The primary reason I supported the latest round of temporary restrictions was to protect life, by temporarily placing restrictions on Albertans being able to congregate. It was regrettable that we had to temporarily enact these restrictions but it was, in my view, reasonable because we had to protect the lives of all Albertans by safeguarding their access to emergency care.

Are Albertans split on this issue? Absolutely, in this constituency I have had conversations and correspondence that represents all positions on this issue. For those Albertans who disagree with the Covid restrictions you are right to be concerned any time government unreasonably restricts democratic freedoms. Are these temporary restrictions unreasonable or do they meet the standard of reasonableness? I believe they are reasonable but I will also support your right to disagree with that conclusion. Good people can disagree but that disagreement needs to remain within the boundaries of the law and maintain our ordered liberty.



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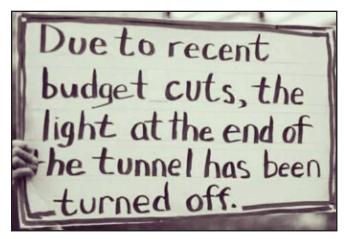


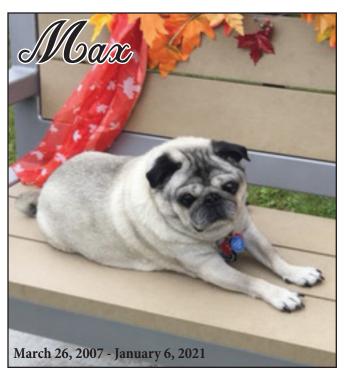
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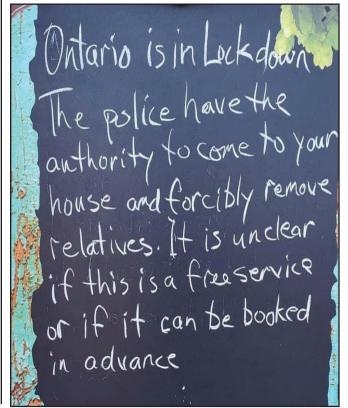








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