

THE WARBURG BUGLE



Musings from the East End Scriptorium

by Elizabeth Emond
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Now that the holiday kerfuffle is over with, and we wait while the sun comes back, it's a good time to snuggle into your favourite chair and read something to take your mind completely off COVID-19. King Solomon is said to have observed that "of making many books there is no end" --and that was well before printing-presses --so finding something to read is no problem. However, you might, like me, be tired of contemporary novels in which two feuding characters end up in a passionate embrace wherein one's back arches involuntarily while a moan (again involuntary) escapes his/her lips. Big deal. Such light reading is best for summer. In winter, I personally prefer literature with less intellectual sugar and more fibre.

I'm partial to the 19th century, but there was some good stuff written in the 20th. (The 21st is too fresh to tell.) In the past, I've recommended *A Confederacy of Dunces*, by John Kennedy Toole, and I do still. It's a delightful comedy; you'll love it.

Still in the comedic mode, William Faulkner's tale of a stolen car in *The Rievers* is great fun to read. It takes place in the very early 20th century, when cars were first appearing on the

roads, and it begins and ends in a small town, so the narrative is very cozy.

For Canadian content, there's the Deptford Trilogy by Canadian author Robertson Davies: *Fifth Business*, *The Manticore*, and *World of Wonders*. The overall story follows the lives of three boys from a small town in Ontario, and the far-reaching consequences that ensue from a malicious prank. We're taken over topics that range from Medieval saints to the geek show at a circus. Strap yourself in. By the way, you must read the novels in order!

So wrap yourself in a shawl, equip yourself with a cup of tea, and go for it.

See you in the spring!

Happy New Year!



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It is with great sorrow that we announce the passing of our beloved father and grandfather on Dec. 15, 2020, at the age of 95.

Bill is survived and will be forever remembered by his four children: Stewart (Shirley), Donna (Roger), Ross, Rod (Beverly) and three grandchildren, Stefanie, Melanie and Jeffrey (Robyn).

He was predeceased by his sister, Jeanette; his brothers, Henry and John; and his beloved wife, Mary in 2010.

Bill was born on June 6, 1925 in the Telfordville, Alberta area and began his 41-year career with Esso when he was 17 years old. In 1948 he married Mary and they raised their four children in Edmonton, enjoying summers at Bill's hobby farm near Thorsby and at their cabin at Island Lake.

In his retirement, Bill restored a 1955 Buick Roadmaster, and he and Mary went to Campbell River several times to salmon fish. They wintered in Arizona for 24 years and Bill returned there for another eight years after Mary's passing. Bill will be remembered for his ability to live life to the fullest and for his independent spirit!

Special thanks to the caring staff at Emmanuel Home and at the Fort Saskatchewan and Royal Alexandra hospitals for providing care and support to Bill in his last weeks.

Due to Covid-19 restrictions, a Memorial to Celebrate Bill's life will be held at a later date. In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to the Mazankowski Alberta Heart Institute in Edmonton, 8440 - 112 Street NW Edmonton, AB, T6G 2B7.

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PROGRAMS & REGULAR EVENTS

Warburg Museum - CLOSED due to COVID-19.

Royal Canadian Legion #246 Mulhurst Branch: Has **Cancelled** the General Meeting that was to be held Jan. 11, 2021. No Bingo's at this time. No Social's at this time either. All due to, you guessed it... Covid. Call: 780-935-6281

Thorsby Bingo CANCELLED due to rise in COVID.

"Sew Heavenly Quilters" meet every Thursday at the Warburg Cultural Centre, from 10:00 to 4:00. Everyone welcome to join. Call Peggy Lunde @ 780.789.2545 for more info.

Parent Link - Stay 'n Play held every Thursday from 9:30 am - Noon at the Warburg Village Office. Join us for some play time with your child!

Breton Crib Tournaments will be held every Saturday at the **Breton Golden Age Centre** - Starting January 5th at 12:30 p.m. except July & August.

MARKETS / THRIFT SHOPS (NON PROFIT)

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 CLOSED for Holidays from December 24th - January 14th. We will still be accepting donations during that time.

Winfield Public Market text Carla for info 780-621-1285. **SUSPENDED**

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

COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES

Warburg Family and Community Support Services (FCSS): Tami Tubbs 780.848.2828 or email fcsc@warburg.ca

Warburg Village Office: 780.848.2841 ore email village@warburg.ca

Village of Warburg Bylaw Enforcement: 780.983.2096 or brasch@gmail.com

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.

COMMUNITY GROUP REGULAR MEETINGS

Warburg Bloomin' Buddies Meetings - Please contact Linda McLaughlin @ 780 848 2916 for information re meeting dates and times.

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.

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

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

Community Bible Church – Alder Flats. Pastor Samuel Hayford 780-388-3926. Sunday Service & Sunday School at 11 am. 780-388-0018.

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.olvtorsby.wordpress.com.

Join Us In Worshipping the Lord - Faith Evangelical Covenant Church Breton- Worship Service 11:00 am, Mid Week Adult Bible Study & Youth Groups. Please Call 780-696-3669.

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

FACILITY RENTALS

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

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.

Warburg Pioneer Ag Society & Hall– hall rental \$300, phone 780-848-2841 (non-smoking, 350 capacity), Meetings 2nd Wednesday of each month.

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

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

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

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

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**

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Funnell Community Hall - Christine Burton @ 780-898-6598 for bookings Hall Rent - \$50/day.

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

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

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

Rundle's Mission Retreat Centre: 780.389.2422 or rent@rundlesmission.org, you can also visit our website at www.rundlesmission.org

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

Telfordville Hall - For bookings call Tracy at 780-718-9549.

Thorsby Community Centre - For bookings call Marlene at 780-789-3734 or text 780-217-9394 or email thorsbyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com. Visit our Facebook Page at www.facebook.com/ThorsbyHistoricalSociety

Thorsby Senior's Centre rentals. Call Cathy Kuzio 780-789-2423 / 780-719-7124.

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The Poppy Campaign Closes...

From The Warburg Legion Branch No. 205

Remembrance Day Service— Members of the Legion were at the cenotaph on November 11, 2020 with a few members of the public to acknowledge what our veterans have done for all of us. A wreath was laid to pin your poppy on in memory of loved ones and known veterans. We were unable to have a service and luncheon at the Community Center due to the Covid-19 regulations and not enough manpower. We hope to have one in November of 2021.

NOTICE: For those businesses we had rented wreaths for 2020 and we were not able to lay wreaths this year, we would like to offer you all your choice of either opportunity,

(1) Reimbursement of funds for the wreath rental.

(2) Carry this wreath rental over until 2021 service for laying of the wreaths.

Please contact Deb Mellafont (780 848 2923) should you like a refund of your rental.

The Poppy and Literacy Contest - We were pleased to have two of community schools involved in this activity.

We are proud to announce the winners from Breton Elementary School and The Warburg Hutterite Colony School. We would like to thank the teachers & parents for their assistance with the students in completing some genuinely nice entry work.

The winners for the Breton Elementary School are:

Primary Color Poster

Astrid Rasmussen, 1st place, Color Poster

Annelise Rasmussen, 2nd place, Color Poster

Junior Color Poster

Jasmine Keusch, 1st place Color Poster

Andreas Rasmussen, 2nd place Color Poster

Lily Ivey, 3rd Place, Color Poster

Junior Black & White Poster

Marissa Myrhaugen 1st place, Black & White Poster

Eywone Sass, 2nd place, Black & White Poster

Adam Matthews, 3rd place, Black & White Poster
The winners for the Warburg Hutterite Colony School are:

Primary Color Poster

1st – Kimberly JoAnn Wipf, 2nd Saralyn Wipf, 3rd Ivan Wipf

1st Amy Wipf, 2nd Adam Wipf, 3rd Caitlyn Wipf

Intermediate Color Poster

1st Breanna Wipf, 2nd Tabea Wipf, 3rd Joel Wipf

Junior Black & White Poster

1st Britney Wipf

Intermediate Black & White Poster

1st Samson Wipf

Good luck to the first-place entrants, as we have forwarded their posters on for judging at District/ Provincial/National levels! We would like to thank all the support from the communities of Warburg, Breton and Sunnybrook.

Looking in 2021...

The Warburg Legion Branch No. 205 was given the opportunity to complete two projects in our community and surrounding areas. The First Grant - Building Garden Boxes and Flowerbeds for Cloverleaf Manor. We have been in contact with the manager of Cloverleaf Manor, who will be soon receiving drawings for management and residents to decide what they would like.... we have been waiting on 2 drawings, but we now have them. We are to complete this project in the spring of 2021. We have several businesses who want to be a part of this project, but we will be looking for other talent.....carpenters, planters, and general set up, and more. Since we have Covid 2019 still, AHS have some protocols that must be followed. If anyone has time to help us with this project, please call Deb 780 848 2923. The other half of this grant will be applied to Legion updates and repairs. A meeting will be held in spring concerning volunteers and what is to be completed.

Our Second Grant - Seniors Online (Covid-19 AHS protocols apply) - As a senior who may not be active in social media, do you find yourself sitting in the middle of family or gathering of friends and not feeling a part of the conversation, as they look at pictures on their phones, tablets or computers and communicate with each other-

occasionally they may show you a picture. Well, the Legion has received another grant to help seniors learn how to use cell phones, tablets, and computers made for seniors. We tentatively have several resources available where you can learn one on one, on the device of your choice, would you be interested?

Check this out -

We have a great central location to have this event. We have drivers who will pick you up and drive you home. This event will likely be held on Saturdays from 10 to 4pm. Luncheon will be served. Facilitators of all sorts to help you. ITS FREE TO ALL SENIORS.

The Vendors who would be supplying all the devices are more than eager to give us an exceptionally good offer. All I need you to do is have a discussion with a friend, your family, etc., to get the feel of how you would like to learn to operate your own device. Think about cost, your budget, and products that are affordable. Then, if you are ready to have some fun and learn, call Deb 780-848-2923.

This will only be successful if we have participants, if not, we have to return the funds so they can be distributed to other communities who do want this program. I look forward to hearing from people interested in both projects.

Take care all! Be safe, stay healthy, and have a Happy New Year!

The Warburg Bugle apologizes to Deb Mellafont for not getting this article in before Christmas.



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Dear Editor:

No Mask Equals Breathing

I am one, due to medical conditions, who cannot wear a mask and there are others. I have tried.

Unfortunately with people's attitudes and government misinformation I have been harassed, mental and verbal abuse, even threats of beating me up. This is all by the general public, business owners and employees.

There is an exemption rule that we cannot be refused service due to underlying conditions. This is literally being avoided. Myself and others have become the targets, and even the police have told me that it's a waste of time to respond to these incidents.

Next time you see someone without a mask think of what I wrote and please treat them with some respect. Maybe they are trying to get away without wearing one, or maybe they have a medical condition preventing them from wearing one.

I have either kept quiet or told people politely that I cannot wear one and still got attacked. This anger and anxiety has to be brought under control so that everyone is treated equally with respect.

Yours truly,
Eric Lindstrom

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Library Chatter

From Gail O'Neil

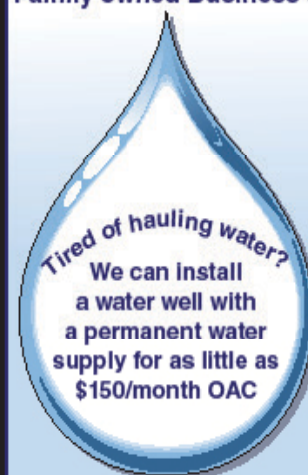
Welcome everyone to 2021, the year that will shine brighter than 2020 and kicks out COVID-19! A shout out to everyone who has been self isolating, wearing masks, and sanitizing, hopefully this means the COVID-19 virus will be conquered! And we all can get back to doing everything we have been missing out on - and most importantly spending time with our loved ones. On Tuesday, January 12, 2021 the province will re-evaluate the Covid numbers and decide if it is safe to reopen Public Library's

Warburg Library is open for curbside pickup and the staff is available to answer phones and any questions community members have.

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Happy New Year! Welcome to the 2020-2021 4-H year, from the Lakedell 4-H Lighthouse Club. To start we would like to introduce ourselves, we are the Club Reporters; Kamryn and Emersyn Tabler, Rylin Klatt and Payton Schwindt. Our club is offering equine projects and new this year, canine projects. We have seen a lot of growth in our club this year, we currently have 37 regular members (ages 9-18) and 14 Cleavers (members ages 6-8). We have two General Leaders this year, Amy Belec and Amy Johanson, who work with a team of assistant leaders to make everything run as smoothly as it can. We operate out of the Lakedell Ag Society facility, on the south side of Pigeon Lake. We draw families from many different communities around the lake; Westeros, Falun, Warburg, Breton, Winfield, Battle Lake, Mulhurst, Wetaskiwin, Rimbey, Bluffton, and Sylvan Lake just to name a few.

Time is running out and tickets are selling out! This year, we are having a cash raffle for our fundraiser. The tickets are \$5 each. You have a chance to win up to \$5000! If you would like to purchase some tickets, you can contact one of our leaders, Amy Volker at (403) 598- 4347 or Carolyn Schwindt at (780) 234-4300. We also did a huge tire and bottle drive, and an electronic and battery collection! We raised up to \$5000 from collecting all the tires! Thank you so much for all the donations of tires, bottles, electronics and batteries, the Lakedell Lighthouse Club truly appreciates all the support!

Our year started off having to make minor accommodations due to Covid. Things like wearing a mask, social distancing, and family seating were implemented so that we could continue with our in-person club structure. Very quickly 4H Alberta made changes to how we carried on due to updated Covid restrictions. What these changes meant for our club was that we could no longer meet in person whatsoever and everything was to be carried out via virtual and online formats.

As of today, we have altered our year of planned activities to follow the mandatory changes so that our members can successfully complete their year. Our leaders and volunteers have been creative in thinking up ways to keep our members involved and working on achieving their goals set out in the beginning of the year. The activities have encouraged working with their projects, working on personal goals, and mentoring new or younger members while at home connecting on platforms like zoom. Things like our communications activity, usually our public speaking event, will be done virtually in one of several ways. Members will be able to present an idea, or topic in a way they choose so long it follows the learning outcomes. We still have lots of modifications to make to get through the year and we will do our best to share them with you.

Each week we hope for things to return to the way things were but everyday we are happy we have our 4H family and our communities supporting one another through these difficult times.

Happy Riding, Stay Safe!

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What's The Silence Behind A Silent Call?

by Marlene Eisner provided by RCMP

It's dinnertime. You're just sitting down to eat and the phone rings. You rush to answer it, but when you do, there's no one on the other end. You say "hello" a few times but there is only silence. Annoyed, you hang up. This is not the first time this has happened. Read on to find out what's behind a silent call.

What is a silent call?

There are two kinds of silent calls:

Phone fraud: Silent calls are often the first step in a phone fraud scheme that could lead to your identity being stolen or your bank account being drained. The silence on the other end of the phone is actually a computer gathering information about you; any small noise, like a cough, can signal to the computer that the number just dialed is an active line, answered by a human. Once the computer notes a person has answered the call, the numbers are gathered and sold to criminals, who use them to get personal information. Phone fraud can take many forms. In addition to silent calls, one of the most common types is vishing.

Telemarketing blips: In Canada, a silent call is a telephone call from a telemarketing agency that does not have an agent immediately available to handle the call when you answer. In this instance, the call may be suddenly terminated and you hear silence ("dead air") or you may hear a dial tone from the telephone company indicating the call has been dropped. In the United States, the Federal Trade Commission (FTC) in its regulations for telemarketers, refers to a silent call as an "abandoned call."

How does it work?

The majority of silent or abandoned calls are made and caused by automated calling systems known as dialers, or predictive dialers. These dialers, mainly used in call centres, dial telephone

numbers automatically and connect people to call centre agents as soon as the phone is answered.

But dialers don't always work as they should. For example:

If the dialer makes a call but there is no call centre agent on hand to deal with it, the person being called will hear silence on the other end of the line.

When the technology used by call centres to detect an answering machine mistakes you for the answering machine, it cuts off the call without playing an information message, or before you hear anything.

What you can do

If you are being annoyed by silent calls, or unwanted calls from telemarketers, you can have your number put on the National Do Not Call Registry. This way, your telephone number will not be available to automatic dialers. There are some exceptions, so it's best to check the website. You can also try blocking individual numbers to avoid specific callers.

If you are still getting calls, you can complain about any that violate any unsolicited telecommunications rules (this includes automated dialing-announcing device rules). To file a complaint, you will need:

- Your phone number (where the call was received)
- The name and phone number of the telemarketer
- The date you received the call

The next time you answer the phone and all you hear is silence, don't panic. In fact, don't say anything at all. Just hang up. You've most likely just avoided a pitch from a telemarketer or even better, foiled a possible plan for telephone fraud! We encourage you to share this article with the people you care about to help protect them against silent calls and other scams.

Hope this information helps to explain why you should hang up right away!

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