

Fire Permits Needed For Open Burning

From Leduc County

Individuals who plan to conduct open burning in Leduc County must have a fire permit.

Fire permits are free and are available from a local fire guardian. A permit is needed for each open burn conducted between March 1 and Oct. 31.

Open burns can get out of control quickly. Fire permits help us monitor open burning across the county, and also give us the opportunity to discuss fire safety and safe burning practices with applicants so we can work together to practice safe burning. Brad Gurmin, fire marshal

Open burning is not allowed in hamlets, localities or subdivisions. Contained fires – in approved fire pits or burn barrels – do not require a fire permit.

Business representatives who wish to have an open fire in the Nisku Business Park can apply for a fire permit online.

Individuals conducting open and/or contained burning must abide by all fire restrictions and bans issued for Leduc County, which are posted to albertafirebans.ca.

A list of fire guardians is posted at leduc-county.com/fire-permits.

Public Input Needed For Land Use Bylaw Update Project

From Leduc County

Leduc County is beginning an update of the Land Use Bylaw, and input from the public is needed to shape the project and the future landscape of the county.

The goal of the update is to create a more user-friendly, comprehensive bylaw that supports growth, streamlines processes and protects county resources.

The Land Use Bylaw is one of the most important tools we have to guide growth and development in the county. It helps us plan for safe, compatible and harmonious communities and make sustainable decisions on planning applications. What we are hoping to hear from the public right now is any input they might have on how they want to see the county develop into the future. Mayor Tanni Doblanko

From now until April 12, residents, business owners and any other stakeholders can visit www.leduc-county.com/shapingyourcounty to learn more about the project, subscribe to project updates and provide their input.



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The family of Marjorie Bilar would like to thank our family, friends and community for their prayers, cards, flowers, food and kind expressions of sympathy shown following her sad passing. Please know, that your generosity and thoughtfulness has touched us deeply and is greatly appreciated.

A special note of appreciation to Pastor Dieter Gohl, for performing the beautiful and touching tribute to Marjorie; your words were of great comfort to us.

Our heartfelt appreciation to the staff at Salem Manor Nursing Home for the wonderful care and kindness Marjorie received while a resident there. We also want to acknowledge and extend that gratitude to caregivers across the country and the world, who make sacrifices every day to keep those in their care safe. God Bless you all.

Finally, thank you for the generous donations to many worthy and deserving charities, made in Marjorie's name.

Sincerely Ted Bilar & Family



Harold Gulde

Harold Gulde of Warburg, passed away February 11th, 2021, at the age of 87.

He is survived by his loving wife Nancy of 65 years, daughter Bonnie (John) Houle, sons, Melvin Gulde and David Gulde, grandchildren; John (Sabrina) Houle, Tammy (Ricardo) Martins, Arlis Gulde, Owen Gulde, and Emmaline Gulde, as well as 4 great-grandchildren.

Due to Parkinson's disease, in June 2019, Harold and his wife Nancy moved into Cloverleaf Manor in Warburg. He lived there just over a year before having to go to the Leduc Hospital for several months, before passing away.

Harold lived all his life on the farm of his parents, Hugo and Hedwig Gulde, in the Sunnybrook area. Later, he took over farming. The homestead is now owned by a grandson, and a 4th generation relative.

As a young boy Harold wanted to be a truck driver. As soon as he became old enough, he went to work for Pankewitz Bros. Trucking Service in Sunnybrook. He hauled gravel in Leduc County, and in winter, coal for oil well patches. He was always available to be home to help put in the crop and for stooking at harvest time.

Road construction time came for the new Highway 39. Harold got a job with a surveyor as a chainman, marking numbers on stakes, then driving them down on the side of the road every several feet ahead of the road machinery. Harold jokingly said he knew every foot of the road from Alsike to Drayton Valley.

Vern Muth started a machinery sales and service in Thorsby, Harold liked working with machinery, he went to work there putting new machinery together, especially bale wagons and swathers. He worked for Muth Sales on and off for 10 years.

When a school bus route came up for the Warburg area in 1966, he applied for the job, as did many others. Prior to that he had driven at times as a spare bus driver. In learning that he got the bus route, he took a train to Ontario to get his bus and drive it back here. During his 33 years of bus owning and driving he purchased 2 new buses from Briggs Bus Co. in Edmonton. Due to government regulations, bus drivers had to quit driving at the age of 65. He then retired in 1999.

During his children's adolescent years Harold enjoyed travelling with his whole family and went on many camping trips. Fortunately family wasn't too far apart so he enjoyed family gatherings in later years.



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The Glen Park Hall is one of the most active and viable community groups in the area and we encourage you to join in this online outreach and see how you can benefit and help others in these challenging times. CALL MIKE & STELLA at 780-919-1250 to Register (get the link), or CALL RON at 780-668-2458 for tech support. UPCOMING TOPICS/EVENTS: FEB 24 ESTATE PLANNING, MAR 3 FAMILY HISTORY, MAR 10 HEALTH MATTERS

World Day of Prayer 2021 worship service is now available as video on www.wicc.org for anyone to view as there will be no in-person service this year.

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH - Divine Liturgy on Sunday, March 7 at 9:00 a.m. Masks are mandatory and all COVID restrictions apply. For any further information contact Dan @ 780-789-3698.

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION #246 MULHURST BRANCH: General meeting for March has been cancelled, Regular weekly BINGO's are still on hold and Socials held the end of each month are also ON HOLD until the restrictions have been lifted. In the meantime, stay safe, wear that mask and give me a call if you have any questions. Marion 780-935-6281

PROGRAMS & REGULAR EVENTS

Thorsby Bingo CANCELLED due to rise in 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

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 Cente - 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

MARKETS / THRIFT SHOPS (NON PROFIT)

Thorsby Senior's Thrift Store is OPEN - ALL COVID-19 regulations apply. Hours of operation: 10 am - 3 pm

Thursdays and Fridays. **PLEASE NOTE:** We will only accept donations during store hours. We do not accept mattresses, car seats, strollers, cribs, or furniture. All donations MUST BE CLEAN AND RE-SELLABLE. Thank You!

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

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

Thorsby Family and Community Support Services - PH. 780-789-4004 or email: fcss@thorsby.ca

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 inquires email bylaw@thorsby.ca or call 780.789.3935 Ext. 21

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 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

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

Community United Church – 5112 – 53 St., Warburg. Join us for Sunday morning worship on the 2nd and 4th Sun-

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NOTICE OF ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The 48th Annual General Meeting of the Buck Mountain Gas Co-op Ltd. will be held at 7:00 p.m. on Thursday, April 15th, 2021 at the Warburg Pioneer Recreation Centre 5435 – 50A Avenue, Warburg, Alberta.

Any member with an interest or desire to sit on the Board of Directors of the Buck Mountain Gas Co-op can call the office for more information at 780-848-2808 or toll free 1-800-265-5389.



Town of Thorsby Upcoming Council Meetings

MARCH 2021

Tuesday 9 | Regular Council Meeting Tuesday 16 | Committee of the Whole Meeting Tuesday 23 | Regular Council Meeting

APRIL 2021

Tuesday 6 | Committee of the Whole Meeting Tuesday 13 | Regular Council Meeting Tuesday 20 | Committee of the Whole Meeting Tuesday 27 | Regular Council Meeting

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

NOTICE of INTENT to SUBMIT DEVELOPMENT PERMIT APPLICATION COUNTY OF LEDUC

NE 1/4SEC 24 - 49 - 1 - W5

West side Range Road 10 (50th Street), south of Township Road 494

Please be advised that *Carbon Capture Farm Inc.* will submit a Development Permit application relating to a <u>Major Utility Service – Soil Composting Facility</u> to the County of Leduc.

The carbon capture/compost operation's 8.5 acres will be centered within a full quarter section of land (160 acres).

The remaining 110 forested acres will be left undisturbed and the +40 acre balance will be organically farmed.

The property is currently zoned <u>AG – Agricultural</u> under the County's Land Use Bylaw and <u>Utility Service, Major</u> is considered a <u>Discretionary Use</u>.

Prior to the County deciding on this application, interested parties are invited to join us virtually in an online (Zoom) presentation followed by a live Question & Answer session on <u>Saturday, March 13 @ 11:00 AM</u>.

(Please note that you must register in advance by emailing <u>admin@carboncapturefarm.ca</u> to participate in the Zoom call. You will be required to provide your name and property address.)

Your submission of comments and/or questions will be accepted until Friday, April 2, 2021

The Development Permit Application will then be considered by the Development Authority and the application will be either approved or refused.

Please send your comments to Carbon Capture Farm: admin@carboncapturefarm.ca
Telephone: **780-488-7926** to speak directly with a project team member
Mail: PO Box 4513 South Edmonton CRO, Edmonton, AB T6E 4T7



WORSHIP

days of each month at 10:30 AM. For information please phone the church office 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.

Philippian Christian Friendship Church of Canada Thorsby - This is Rev. Pollard, if you need prayer or just to talk, please leave your number and we will get back to you. Have a blessed day! 587.930.7801

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

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 infor-

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 780-903-1695.

The Royal Canadian Legion, Pioneer Br. 144 Thorsby is wanting more members. Meetings are every third Wednesday of the month, except July and August, at the Thorsby Senior Club 4512-51 Street at 9:30 am.

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 Facebook Page at www.facebook.com/ThorsbyHistoricalSociety

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

FACILITY RENTALS

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

Centrelodge 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-

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

Mulhurst Legion #246 Hall 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

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.

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 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. Rental Inquiries - Gordon 780-542-1243

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THE TOWN OF THORSBY HAS THE FOLLOWING VACANCIES FOR COMMITTEES AND BOARDS

Interested applicants are invited to submit their letter of interest to Council for consideration for selection for the following Committee and Board:

Thorsby and District Recreation Advisory Committee

One (1) Vacancy:

- Member at Large from the Thorsby Recreation District
- Term will be 2 years for a maximum of (2) consecutive terms
- 3 4 meetings annually dates and locations determined at the discretion of the Committee

Family Community Support Services Advisory Board

One (1) Vacancy:

- Member at Large from Thorsby and District
- Term will be 1 year and reviewed annually by Council, a member may serve for consecutive terms
- 1 meeting per month

Letters of interest may be mailed to: Town of Thorsby Box 297 Thorsby, AB TOC 2P0 or submitted via email: to cao@thorsby.ca

For copies of the Committee and Board Terms of References, please contact the Thorsby Municipal Office at 4917 Hankin Street or phone 780 789 3935.



Notice of Public Hearing: Proposed Bylaw #2021-01 to amend the Land Use Bylaw #2017-02

The purpose of the proposed bylaw is to amend the Town of Thorsby Land Use Bylaw #2017-02 to change the Land Use Classification from R3 HIGH DENSITY RESIDENTIAL to R1 LOW DENSITY RESIDENTIAL Lot 10; Block 3; Plan 162 1731

Representation

If you or someone you represent is affected by the proposed bylaw, you may address Town Council at this public hearing.

Written submissions will be received by the Town Manager until **noon** on **Tuesday March 23, 2021**. A Public hearing will be held on March 23, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in Council Chambers at which time written and oral submissions can be presented to Council. Written submissions received before the designated time will be reviewed before oral presentations are heard. Submissions may be made by any person whom council agrees to hear. If you wish to attend in person please call to reserve your spot.

If you make a written submission, the information you provide may be made public, subject to the provisions of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act*.

Copies of the proposed bylaw amendment is available at the Town Municipal Office, 4917 Hankin Street, Monday to Friday between 8:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

For further information, please contact:

Tamara Sloboda, Chief Administrative Officer at 780 789 3935 Ext 28 Or via email cao@thorsby.ca

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

NOT IN OUR BACK YARDS

In the Thorsby Target last week there was a notice of intent to submit an application to Leduc County to develop a soil composting facility from Carbon Capture Farm Inc. The first thing that jumped out at me was the address, which was 50th street (my street).

I went on Thorsby social media to find where the physical property was (thank you Thorsby and area residents for your help). I find out it is located about 1.5 miles from my house, Lions Park, RCMP and other residents of Thorsby.

I looked up the name and phone number and it is the same as Cleanit Greenit Composting System Inc (the same company that is in dispute with residents of west Edmonton), because of the odors emitted from composting. I don't care who owns it - not in our back yards.

My concerns:

- Smells
- Rodents mice, snakes, rats (yes there are rats in Alberta)
- Attraction of more flies, mosquitoes, hawks, ravens, magpies, crows, coyotes, wolves, to name a few - You get the picture on attraction
- Weed Creek where there are fish that could be destroyed as well as the creek itself could be compromised
- Leakage from the composting liquid
- The Lions Park walking trails that residents and volunteer groups have put money and time beautifying and are very much used. (what a lovely attraction if you smell rotting odors)
- · Devaluation of properties

I'm totally opposed to Carbon Capture Farms Inc putting in an application to the county, as the residents of Thorsby should be also.

If you feel as I do please send an email to the company and cc the following people at Leduc County and let it be known that we do not want this in our back yards.

company-admin@carboncapturefarm.ca

Ray Scobie - Leduc County representative for Thorsby: ray@leduc-county.Com

Charlene H. Leduc County Planning and Development charlene@leduc-county.com

Denice Pharis

Dear Editor:

Below is a letter I have sent to: Carbon Capture Farm Inc. Box 4513, South Edmonton CRO Edmonton, AB T6E 4T7 780 488-7926

The Town of Thorsby is less than 1.5 miles from the proposed site of a major Utility Service – Soil Composting Facility. Many Thorsby residents are concerned about the ramifications of such a site. It would be an environmental issue in that the leakage could potentially enter the soil and ground water and pollute it, including Weed Creek where our residents use the park and creek for recreational purposes.

If the facility is operational the heavy truck traffic on Highway #39 would increase thus creating more potholes and RR#10 would need continual maintenance by Leduc County.

When the east winds blow towards Thorsby the noxious odors could possibly discourage residents and business owners to stay in Thorsby, illnesses may increase, and eventually many will move away. What would happen to our schools? Would our homes be devalued?

The contamination also affects wildlife and natural habitats would be interrupted. The site may attract more scavenger birds, rodents, and fish and wildlife would be at risk.

Our farmland and water are precious, and we must be good stewards of the land. We, speaking for many residents of Thorsby are opposed to the company accessing a development permit. We do not want a soil Composting Facility in our backyard.

Sincerely, Concerned resident of Thorsby. Carol Rempel

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- Thorsby 130 acres good quality farm land. \$399,000.00
- Genesee 12.36 acres 1300 sq. ft. bungalow lots of outbuildings. Nice treed yard. \$449,000.00
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Take the survey by March 31

Leduc County is conducting its first-ever Citizen Satisfaction Survey. This survey is an opportunity for residential citizens – including property owners and renters – to provide input on the services and programs they receive, and share what they think the county should prioritize.

You must have your unique survey code to take the survey. A survey code was sent to each residential **property owner** via letter in late February. If you haven't received a code, misplaced your code or are a **renter**, call 780-979-2391 or email meganc@leduc-county.com.

The anonymous online survey is open until March 31 and takes 10-to-15 minutes to complete.

Learn more at leduc-county.com/citizen-survey





Volunteer Income Tax Program

The **Community Volunteer Income Tax Program** is now completing 2020 income taxes free-of-charge for people with low to modest income and a simple tax situation. This can include seniors, students, social assistance recipients and newcomers to Canada. The volunteer program does not complete returns for people who are deceased, bankrupt, or have business, farming or rental income. Assistance to complete past year tax returns is also available.

In order to be eligible to receive the **Guaranteed Income Supplement**, **GST Tax Credit**, **Canada Child Benefit**, **Canada Workers Benefit or the Climate Action Incentive**, your 2020 tax return must be filed. Income taxes are due by April 30.

To find out if you are eligible for this program or to make an appointment, please contact your local Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) office:

- Leduc County, New Sarepta and Thorsby: 780-770-9254
- Calmar: 780-985-3191 | Warburg: 780-848-2828 | City of Leduc: 780-980-7109



Supported Self-File Tax Program

Have you ever wondered whether you could learn to prepare and file your own simple income tax return? If you have thought about filing your own taxes but are worried that you might make a mistake, the Supported Self-File Tax Program is for you!

In order to participate in the program, all you need is access to the internet and a willingness to learn. Our volunteer coaches* will assist you to collect all the necessary paperwork, help you create a **My CRA Account** (if you need one) and walk you through the online tax filing software step by step.

This **free virtual program** will assist you to gain the confidence and skills to prepare and file your 2020 income tax return.

Upcoming virtual clinic dates:

- Saturday, March 20 at 11 a.m.
- Friday, March 26 at 1 p.m.
- Wednesday, March 31 at 9 a.m.
- Tuesday, April 6 at 7 p.m.

For more information or to sign up for a virtual clinic, contact **Eugena** at **780-955-6421** or **eugena@leduc-county.com**.

Telephone-only support is also available.

If the above dates and times don't work for you, please call to find out about additional options.



*While our volunteer coaches have been thoroughly screened, you are not required or encouraged to share your personal or financial information with your coach. You will maintain control of your own information while learning how to use the tax filing software.



News From Gayle Sacuta

Dear Library Patrons,

As you may have noticed, the library is still closed for curbside service this week. Thank you for your continued patience. We are unable to be in the building while the Town completes repairs in the Recreation Facility.

In the meantime, please leave us phone messages (780-789-3808), send emails (thorsby-publib@yrl.ab.ca) use the e-resrouces available from Thorsby Municipal Library website, and check out our Social Media. We post to Facebook and Instagram with online programs and library updates.

We are expecting the next update after the March 9th Town Council meeting.

Monday, March 8, is International Women's Day. In celebration, tune into the Library Facebook and YouTube channels for an interview with Tamara Sloboda, CPA, CGA, live from downtown Thorsby.



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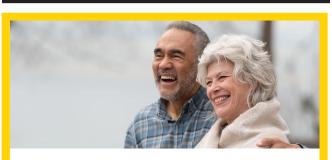
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Musings from the East End Scriptorium

by Elizabeth Emond eemond.phd@gmail.com

Why not get away from it all? Why not go to a world where there hasn't been even one World War, let alone two, a time and place when heroes were pure, and villains were easily identifiable, and women came in three types: pure maidens, wise matrons, and wicked witches? Why not forget all our troubles, and join the French Foreign Legion?

I'm talking about the works of P.C. Wren, who wrote the thrilling adventure trilogy. Beau Geste, Beau Sabreur, and Beau Ideal. The first of these has been made into several movies. but as you know, movies (by and large) don't tell stories as well as books do. It's an intricate story -- and the complete trilogy weaves a complex but completely satisfying tale in which all the loose ends are tied up in the final chapter of Beau Ideal. You have to accept a certain amount of colonialism in the narrative, but not as much as you'd think. The setting has the French versus the Arabs, but the bad guys come in all stripes.

P.C. Wren's stories are classed by literary critics as Romances, as opposed to Novels. Novels conform to some standards of reality; characters are complex, and coincidences are restricted. In a Romance, all bets are off. The hero has no money troubles. He often has a magic talisman (if he's a knight), or an ultra-secret weapon (if he's a spy), or he's The Fastest Gun in the West (if he's a cowboy), or he carries a ray-gun (if it's a science-fiction story).

Romances are the champagne of literature. So enjoy the returning sun and dip into something that's fun to read. To your health!



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