

Thorsby 4-H Multi Club Submitted by Ashton Dobko Club Reporter

It's been awhile, but I'm happy to say that I have news about the Thorsby 4-H Multi Club.

In January, when the Stollery Children's Hospital had their Radio-thon, the club gave a donation of \$2100, which also included contributions from the Lunde, Belair and Horn families.

The Horse project was able to have a riding meet after some of the Covid restrictions were lifted. They are planning for more riding events, hopefully outside as the weather gets nicer.

Because of so many limitations with the Covid restrictions, sadly, the Small Engines project has been put on pause until hopefully next year.

The Cleaver project has been doing a few things. They did a community service activity before Christmas, which was making Christmas wreaths and having a silent auction to raise money for the Thorsby Christmas Elves. The auction raised \$875. On March 7 they got together outside, following all AHS protocols, and had an animal handling workshop. They are hoping to do some more workshops in the future. They have a Thorsby 4-H Cleavers

page on Facebook and will be posting details about their projects on there.

Unfortunately, the Beef project hasn't been able to do the activities that they have done in the past, like calf tour day, mini show and clipping day. They had a zoom meeting on March 8th and 22nd where we talked about how the member's calves are doing and how they are getting them ready for the upcoming virtual show and sale. Watch for ads in the local paper and on Facebook for more details regarding that.

Now that spring is here, the members are definitely going to be busier!!

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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.



Accepting Registrations for the 2021-2022 Playschool Year

We are currently taking names for our 3 and 4 year old classes.

For more information or to be placed on a list please call or email:

Mandy

mandy_1104@hotmail.com 780.999.3379

> Sharon dspowlik@gmail.com 780.719.5110

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Call RoaData at **1-888-444-9288** to obtain a road ban exemption permit for agricuture. Please call a minimum of 24 hours in advance of a planned move to ensure conditions allow for it.

This **FREE** permit will allow you to haul during spring road ban season. Conditions will apply. For a detailed listing of Leduc County road bans, visit **www.leduc-county.com/roadbans** or call:

- **780-979-6185** (Monday to Friday, 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.)
- 780-955-7226 (24-hour information line)





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





COMMUNITY & info

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION #246 MULHURST: Will remain closed due to Covid restrictions: Sorry no Bingo, social's or meetings at this time. Please stay safe, wear a mask and we hope to see you soon. Marion 780-935-6281

FRESH LUNCH FRIDAYS at Sunnybrook Hall. 2 Options - Must Order Thursdays. First Friday will be April 16th. Call 587.986.9031 or email sunnybrookcommunityhall@gmail.com

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

The Thorsby Library is now open for in-person or curbside service from 10:00-6:00 Tuesday and from 10:00-4:00 Friday. Please call 780-789-3808 for more information. The library is closed on April 2 for Good Friday. Follow Thorsby Library on Facebook to learn the latest news. Visit us to renew your library card at https://thorsbymunicipallibrary.ab.ca/copyof-form

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.

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!

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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 Sundays 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.



Leduc County is beginning an update of the Land Use Bylaw and we need your input to shape the future landscape of our county.

What's a land use bylaw?

The Land Use Bylaw is the primary document we use to guide decisions on planning applications for everything from building a shed to building a shopping mall. It outlines what types of development is allowed on each parcel of land in the county.

Why are we updating it?

We want to create a user-friendly, comprehensive document that supports growth in the county, streamlines processes and protects our resources.

To make our goal a reality, your input is vital.

If you own land in Leduc County, the outcome of this project could affect you.

From **March 1 to April 12** we want to hear your comments, suggestions or past experiences with planning in Leduc County.

Visit leduc-county.com/shapingyourcounty to learn how you can get involved and to sign up for project updates.

For more information call us at 780-979-6180 or email the project team at shapingyourcounty@leduc-county.com.





Secure your cargo

As a driver, you are responsible for making sure the cargo you are carrying is secured to your vehicle.

► Use tie-down straps to properly secure objects.

Place light objects lower in the container instead of on the top, to prevent them from exiting the container.

▶ Tie large items, like mattresses and construction equipment, directly to your vehicle with appropriate tie-down straps.

Put loose items, like garbage and yard waste, in a covered container so they are easier to secure.

Attach a safety flag to any items that extend beyond the back of your vehicle so they are more visible to other motorists.

Place a tarp over loose items or those that billow in the wind to ensure they don't fall from your vehicle.

▶ If you are transporting earth, sand, gravel or other loose material, it must be at least 75 millimetres below the top of the container or your truck's box, and must be completely covered at all times.





WORSHIP

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**

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH - Divine Liturgy Sunday, April 18 @ 9:00 a.m. Masks are mandatory and all COVID restrictions apply. For any further information contact Dan at 780-789-3698

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. <u>www.thorsbyhaymaker.com</u> 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 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 <u>thors-</u> <u>byhistoricalsociety@gmail.com</u>. 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 780-919-1250.

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





NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING Proposed Community Standards Bylaw

The proposed Community Standards Bylaw helps address unsightly premises in Leduc County. The purpose of the bylaw is to prevent unsightly premises from developing by outlining clear expectations and standards to citizens, and to provide an enforcement mechanism to address them when they occur.

The proposed bylaw applies to properties in hamlets, subdivisions and other identified areas. The proposed bylaw **does not** apply to agricultural, farming, commercial or industrial lands.

View the proposed bylaw at leduc-county.com/community-standards

Public hearing on May 11

This public hearing is an opportunity for members of the public who believe they are affected to provide feedback to council. Council will listen to/review your input, and consider it before deciding the future of the proposed bylaw.

The public hearing will be held on **Tuesday, May 11, 2021 at 1:45 p.m.** in the council chamber of Leduc County Centre (101, 1101 5 St. in Nisku). These details are subject to change to ensure we comply with public health guidelines; any changes will be shared on **leduc-county.com/community-standards** and with those who have registered to speak at the public hearing.

You can take any of the following actions by **May 5** to submit your input:

register to make a submission at the public hearing, either in person or via teleconference, by visiting

${\it leduc-county.com/community-standards}$

- submit your input using our online comment form at **leduc-county.com/community-standards**
- mail your submission to: Leduc County | Re: Community Standards Bylaw | 101, 1101 5 St. | Nisku, AB | T9E 2X3
- email your submission to clarence@leduc-county.com
- fax your submission to 780-955-5557

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*.

Contact Clarence Nelson Director, Enforcement Services 780-955-4538 clarence@leduc-county.com



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

Re: Carbon Capture Farm proposal

The Carbon Capture Farm team thanks Leduc County and Thorsby residents for participating in three public engagement sessions over the past several weeks. We gathered valuable feedback and will report on everything we heard to Leduc County as part of the development permit application.

With community discussions and media coverage about the project, we want to ensure people who did not attend the information sessions understand the basics of the proposal.

The Carbon Capture Farm is an agriculture and recycling operation designed to reduce the amount of regional carbon emissions. This is achieved by manufacturing soil from organic waste, protecting the 110 acres of forested land on the selected quarter section and growing crops on the 40 acres of arable land.

The soil manufacturing component will be the most advanced facility of its kind in Alberta, using the latest composting best practices.

Many people have asked why we have chosen the quarter section on Range Road 10 northeast of Thorsby. We chose it because the site is nearly ideal for the following reasons:

• The quarter section (160 acres) allows us room to build the composting area in the middle of the property and have ample setbacks from neighbouring properties

• The site allows for an 8.5-acrea composting area, which is five per cent of the total acreage and double the area at the Cleanit Greenit site in Edmonton's west end, for example. This allows for the material to be more spread out, reducing wind effects

• A major portion of the property – 110 acres – is still treed, allowing for a natural barrier

• Vegetated berms will be added on non-treed areas and facing the RR 10. The composting piles will be in line to the berm height and be no taller than four metres

• Our closest neighbours are an intensive livestock operation, Thorsby's sewage lagoon and a county waste-transfer station

• Prevailing wind is West-North-West, helping keep any fugitive smells away from more populated areas

• With 40 acres of already arable land around the composting area, the plan is to grow chemical-free barley for brewing (possibly an organic brewery developed at another site by the ownership group) Another major theme we heard about is odour prevention. We have a team of six scientists supported by a team of five expert consultants to make sure leading technology is deployed at the site. We are building on 25 years of experience and have selected this site because of its many advantages to prevent odour and the space to implement best practices in composting.

Specifically, the site will use the following technologies and best-management practices to prevent odour:

• A rigorous aeration program, including pipes, blowers and excavators

• Biofiltration, which uses moist organic materials to stick to odorous compounds and break them down, which studies show is 80 to 98 per cent effective at stripping odours

• Composting piles with a lower profile than most sites (no more than four metres high) and tree and berm protection around the facility along with ample setbacks

• Strict inventory, process and housekeeping controls will be in place to help mitigate odour and present a clean, orderly appearance

Also, the site will house no more than 20,000 tonnes, which is 25 per cent less than the Cleanit Greenit site and conforms to draft Alberta Environment and Parks (AEP) regulations. The 25-per-cent reduction is due to increased throughput efficiencies.

As well, a thick clay liner and retention-pond system will protect Weed Creek.

In last week's letter we addressed several concerns brought up by the community, including wildlife and transportation. We are still conducting a traffic impact assessment, which will be presented to Leduc County as part of our application. We have a vested interest in road maintenance and safety and will do everything we can that is asked of us to keep the roads maintained and safe for everyone.

The Carbon Capture Farm represents a multi-million-dollar investment in Leduc County and the Thorsby area. We will hire local people for positions on-site and for contract hauling and other work. We are also eager to work with local communities on organics programs and contribute to the community through our composting fundraiser sales.

We are listening and want to be a longstanding, valued part of the community. If you have any questions, please contact us by emailing admin@carboncapturefarm.ca or by telephone at (780) 488-7926.

Sincerely, Kirstin Castro-Wunsch P.ENG Carbon Capture Farm (CCF) Senior Waste Diversion Engineer

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Acreage hitting market soon.



5.9 Acres. Partially treed. Totally renovated home top to bottom. 30x40 pole shed and huge heated workshop. Not in subdivision. Just off Yeoford Road.



Leduc County Scavenger Hunt APRIL 1 to 30

Taking place throughout the month of April, our Scavenger Hunt will take you across the county in search of challenges. This family-friendly activity is meant for all ages and it's easy to participate.

How it works

- First, view our Scavenger Hunt map, which has challenge locations marked throughout Leduc County.
- Each time you complete a challenge, submit your answers to us using an online form.
- If you solve five challenges, you will win a family prize.

View the map and full details, including how to submit your answers, at **leduc-county.com/scavenger-hunt.**



THORSBY

Town of Thorsby Upcoming Council Meetings

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 <u>7:00 p.m.</u> in the Council Chambers unless otherwise stated.

Thorsby Bottle Depot

We achieved the

Industry Standard of Excellence by BCMB refund compliance audit which took place in September 2020 and February 2021. We are very proud to be recognized for our consistent accurate cash refund and our customer confidence!

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As of Thursday the 1st of April, 2021 We will open our depot <u>Wednesday through Saturday</u> Sunday: Closed Monday: Closed Tuesday: Closed Wednesday: 9:30am – 5:00pm Thursday: 9:30am – 5:00pm Saturday: 9:30am – 4:00pm

To replace the days off, we will try to work faster, accurately, efficiently and cheerfully.

780-901-4832 (Tim) / 780-938-4856 (Jihee) return.bottles@gmail.com

Thorsby Healthy Communities Trail Development Survey

The Thorsby Rec. Department was successful in securing grant funding in 2019 in the amount of \$20,000.00 through a healthy communities initiative. The Committee has been diligently working over the last year to gather information from the community. The information gathered identified two projects. One being Taylor Park for \$10,000.00 and the other being Trail Development for \$10,000.00. The Thorsby Healthy Communities Committee is made up of passionate volunteers in the community. We are seeking your valued feedback on trail development. Completed forms can be dropped off in the Thorsby Target box at the drug store .			
Question * 1. Do you and your family enjoy outdoor activities?			
- Walking	- Hiking	- Running	- Biking
Question * 2. Have your outdoor activities increased since the beginning of the pandemic?			
Check which ones. - Not at All	- Some What	- Often	
Question * 3. Are you av			
Check which one.			
- Yes	- No		
Question * 4. How would you like to see the trails develop going forward?			
Check which one.			
- Continue to expand with more trails			
 Do not expand just improve what we have Question * 5. How Is Our Mapping? 			
Check which one.			
- There is adequate mapping in place to feel comfortable where you are at and how to			
find the trails			
- There is not adequate mapping in place			
Question * 6. How Is Our Signage?			
Check which ones.			
 Would you like to see QR Scanning Codes used to add updates and pictures? Would trail signage be helpful to notify users of trail difficulty? 			
- Should all trails be identified in GPS?			
 Would it be helpful to identify where bridges, rest points, garbages, historical areas, 			
and art installations are located?			
- Would you like to see Geocaching opportunities on the trails?			
- Other (please specify)			
Question * 7. Trail Viewpoints			
Check which ones.			
- Would you like to see the trails become more interpretive with points of interest?			
- Would you like to see more viewing areas on the trails? Question * 8. Volunteering			
Check which ones.			
- Would you be willing to volunteer your time to help develop the trails if the request was			
made?			
 Would you be willing to donate equipment to help develop our trails to keep costs down? Would you be interested in donating materials to help build the trails as it develops? 			
		g materials to help bu	uld the trails as it develops?
- Other (please specify) Question 9. If we have missed anything, we really want to hear from you. Your feedback is important			
in the development of the trails and we value the time that you have given to answer these			
important survey questions. Thank You			
Surveys will be accepted u	until April 7, 2021		communities —
For questions: Barry Rasch, Committee Member			
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MLA REPORT from The Office of MLA Mark Smith, Member of the Legislative Assembly for Drayton Valley - Devon

Alberta's government has introduced two pieces of legislation as part of an ambitious democratic reform package that will strengthen democracy and accountability in Alberta. Bill 52, the Recall Act, would give Albertans the power to initiate a process that could potentially lead to the recall of provincial and municipal elected officials, and Bill 51, the Citizen Initiative Act, would allow Albertans to bring forward important matters to the legislature for consideration. Both pieces of legislation would help strengthen Albertans' roles in our democratic system.

If passed, Bill 52, the Recall Act, would allow Albertans to hold elected officials accountable and replace them if they aren't getting the representation they deserve. It would allow voters to remove elected officials from office, including MLAs, mayors, municipal councillors or school board trustees, providing them with one more tool to hold their elected representatives accountable. This builds on the accountability mechanisms that are currently in place, such as the Municipal Government Act which allows the Municipal Affairs minister to remove elected municipal officials from office under specific circumstances, and the Education Act which includes accountability measures for school board trustees.

If the Legislative Assembly of Alberta passes the Recall Act, Alberta will be the first province that provides the public with the power to initiate a process that could recall mayors, councillors or school board trustees from office. Under the proposed legislation, recall of elected officials becomes an option 18 months after their election. Any Albertan wishing to recall their elected official would need to contact the chief electoral officer, their municipality's chief administrative officer, or their school board secretary. They would then have 60 days to gather signatures from 40 per cent of the eligible voters for their provincial riding, municipal ward, or school ward, and if successful, a recall vote would be held.

Bill 51, the Citizen Initiative Act, also gives Albertans a more direct role in their democratic system. This legislation would strengthen our democracy by enabling Albertans to initiative legislative action on issues that affect them. If enough support is received through a public petition, Albertans would be able to submit proposed bills and policies to the Legislative Assembly of Alberta for consideration and submit constitutional referendum questions to the provincial government. These proposed changes would complement the work of our elected officials and be a check and balance if Albertans feel their interests are not being considered.

Under this proposed legislation, if an Albertan wanted to bring an initiative forward, they would first need to apply to the Chief Electoral Officer. They would then have 90 days to gather signatures in support of their initiative. For legislative and policy initiatives, petitioners would need the support of 10 per cent of voters province-wide. For constitutional initiatives, they would require the support of 20 per cent of voters province-wide across two-thirds of Alberta's constituencies.

Democratic reform and recall legislation were election platform commitments. Both of these pieces of legislation represent promises made, and promises kept. The Citizen Initiative Act also builds upon Premier Jason Kenney's commitment to introduce citizen initiative legislation when discussing getting a 'fair deal for Alberta.'

More information on both of these pieces of legislation can be found at alberta.ca. Additionally, your United Conservative Caucus is interested in your thoughts on recall legislation. Visit unitedconservativecaucus.ca/recall to have your say.

Mark Smith, MLA for Drayton Valley – Devon

I can be reached at the main constituency office in Drayton Valley at 1-800-542-7307 toll-free Monday to Friday, the Devon constituency office at 780-987-3666 Wednesdays and Thursdays or emailed at draytonvalley.devon@assembly. ab.ca anytime.





HOUSE OF COMMONS CHAMBRE DES COMMUNES CANADA

Gerald Soroka, MP PRESS RELEASE

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

March 19th, 2021

Joint Seconder on Motion M-61, a Motion to Support the Oil and Gas Sector

OTTAWA: Gerald Soroka, Member of Parliament for Yellowhead is pleased to advise that he is a joint seconder on Conservative MP Ziad Aboultaif's Motion M-61, '*Motion to Support the Oil and Gas Sector*'.

The Motion reads "(a) in the opinion of the House, the government should recognize that,

(i) replacing oil and gas with more environmentally sustainable options is not technologically or economically feasible,

(ii) Canada's energy needs require the use of oil and gas to heat Canadian homes, schools and hospitals, to propel vehicles, to bring food to Canadian tables, and to produce electricity,

(iii) Canadian oil and natural gas are produced with the highest environmental standards in the world, and domestic producers are global environmental leaders and responsible corporate citizens,

(iv) using Canadian resources creates Canadian jobs,

(v) First Nations involved in Canada's oil and gas industry experience significant and profound positive economic effects, including higher rates of employment, higher incomes, and improved health and educational attainments,

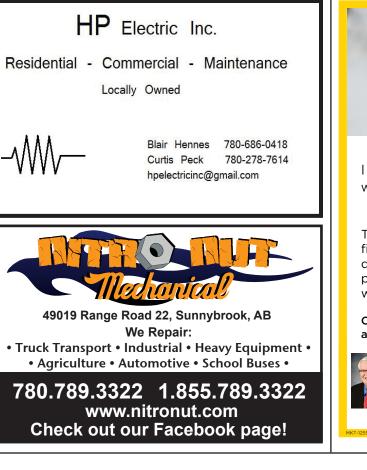
(vi) tax revenue from the fossil fuel industry is an important contributor to the national treasury, facilitating transfer payments benefitting all Canadians and allowing Canada to afford the social programs all Canadians depend on; and

(b) the House recognize that,

(*i*) Canada's oil and gas industry from Western to Atlantic Canada is essential to the well-being of the nation and should be celebrated,

(ii) tax and regulatory barriers limiting the responsible growth of Canada's oil and gas industry should be removed."

MP Soroka stated "The passing of this motion will mean that the House officially recognizes the truths of Canada's Oil and Gas sector, and that is something I am proud to support".





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In summer 2021, Leduc County is hosting two local agriculture tours, and we are looking for direct-market producers to participate. One tour will take place east of Highway 2 and one will take place west of Highway 2.

GET INVOLVED

If you are a local direct-market producer and want to get involved, please contact Sharon at sharon@leduc-county.com or 780-770-9271.

All interested producers must fill out an application form for pre-approval. The registration deadline is April 9.



a Family Wellness Moment

Children's Divorce Bill of Rights

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- 1. The right to love and be loved by both of your parents without feeling guilt or disapproval.
- 2. The right to be protected from your parents' anger with each other.
- 3. The right to be kept out of the middle of your parents' conflict, including the right not to pick sides, carry messages, or hear complaints about the other parent.
- 4. The right not to have to choose one of your parents over the other.
- 5. The right not to have to be responsible for the burden of either of your parents' emotional problems.
- 6. The right to know well in advance about important changes that will affect your life: for example, when one of your parents is going to move or get remarried.
- 7. The right to reasonable financial support during your childhood and through your college years.
- 8. The right to have feelings, to express your feelings, and to have both parents listen to how you feel.
- 9. The right to have a life that is a close as possible to what it would have been if your parents stayed together.
- 10. The right to be a kid.
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