THE BRETON BOOSTER

Mr. E. Bunny Visits Breton From Breton FCSS

Spring was in the air along with the laughter of children young and old on Friday April 2nd.

Mr. E. Bunny made a special appearance to visit with the kids while they waited their turn to collect some Easter eggs. Some were fortunate enough to find special eggs to earn prizes.

Thank you to all our Volunteers that helped to host the event. Especially the members of the Breton Agriculture Society. Also thank you to ACE Hardware, Breton IDA, and Breton ATB for your donations. Over 1300 eggs were found that made the many families participating smile as they headed for home. We hope that this can be a annual event in our community.

Spring Coloring Contest – The Breton Agricultural Society and Breton FCSS were so very impressed with all the entries in our coloring contest. Congratulations to the winners in each of the categories – Blake Walker, Hayley Polischuk, Andreas Rasmussen, Iris Mitchell and Kelsie Cygan. You are all very talented. Thanks for participating.









WANTED

WANTED: Arcade machines & related bar type items, pinballs, video games, other arcade items, pool table, jukebox,shuffleboard,roulette & blackjack tables,etc. Parts, pieces, whole units, manuals, dead or alive - all considered. Text or call Steve 780.918.8495 (3-4)

FOR SALE

Rainbow Trout and Pond Supplies - Order now for spring pond stocking. Mountain View Trout Farm. Vant & Ethel Hayes, Alsike. 780.696.2473 (5-9)

Mixed Hay Bales For Sale - \$40. 780.542.1123 (2-2kr) **Breton West Herefords** has both horned and polled bulls for sale. Call or text Leonard at 780-898-9590 (2-10)

2 Blue/Gray Loveseats For Sale - Both in excellent condition. Asking \$300.00 for the pair.

780.389.4443 (1-2)

Cattle/Horse Hay - 100 bales available, approx. 1250lbs per bale. Call for pricing & hay mixture.

780.621.7087 (1-2)

Frigidaire Super Duty Washer & Dryer - Heavy duty front load washer and matching dryer, white stackable. \$150 OBO - can be seen working. 780-234-5656 (1-2)

FOR RENT RESIDENTIAL

For Rent in Breton - 2 Bedroom Mobile Home. \$800 monthy. Pay own heat & electricity. DD \$400. Available immediately. 780.696.2539 (1-2)

FOR RENT COMMERCIAL

Building for rent in Breton - \$500/mth plus utilities. Call 780.696.3551 (2-2kr)

LAND FOR RENT

Land for Rent/Lease - Approx 50 acres presently in hay/pasture, would like returned to crop rotation system to rejuvenate the land. Open to yearly fees or crop share structure. Location south of Warburg on RR31. Contact Doug 780.717.3249 (1-2)

BOOKKEEPING SERVICES

TAXES - Will do income tax, GST, payroll and bookkeeping. Call Lois at 780.696.2141. If I am with a client I will return your call. (6-10)

Booster Online: www.community39.com

BUILDERS/RENOVATIONS

Custom Built Epoxy Countertops and Interior Renovations - are you looking to update your countertops, renovate your home or need home repairs - call Greg Sharman @ 780.898.3866 or visit www. gregsharman.com or www.counter.gregsharman.com (2-2kr)

Dueck Construction can build from start to finish: framing, insulating, drywall & taping, painting, tile work, base boards, custom cabinetry, siding & decks. References available. Phone Mike 780-621-3658 (40-50)



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.

breton and area fcss CELEBRATING OUR VOLUNTEERS

Join us for Coffee and Dessert on the deck of the Breton Golf Course Tuesday April 20th, 2021 1:30 - 3:00pm



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Felix Felske February 10, 1934 - April 3, 2021

It is with great sadness that we announce the passing of Felix Felske on Saturday, April 3, 2021 at the age of 87 years.

Felix will be fondly remembered by his children, Jim Connors, Patrick Connors, Nita Randahl (Dale), Lawny Felske, Tammy Saar (Darcy), many grandchildren and numerous great grandchildren.

Felix enjoyed a long career with the railroad and his passion for trains extended into his retirement. He will be remembered as a long-time resident of the Breton community who enjoyed the outdoors and had love for growing fruit trees and flower gardens. Felix was referred to as a "Pot Man", filling his entire yard with potted flowering plants. Each year, friends and neighbors loved to see all his peonies and petunias as they flowered under the care of his green thumb. In addition to his passion for horticulture, Felix was a sharp card player who was difficult to beat at canasta or cribbage and truly appreciated the company of his cats and dogs. Felix was an avid Oiler fan, but whenever the Oilers were not playing hockey, he enjoyed in watching baseball, football and especially soccer games. But his greatest joy was his family, especially his grandchildren and great grandchildren, and his face illuminated whenever you saw them together. There are many happy memories of the camping trips to B.C. and Jasper.

Felix was predeceased by his wife, Grace, his parents, Wilhelm and Otelia Fenske and each of his siblings.

His family extends a special thank you to Sylvia and the staff at the Shangri-La for their kindness and caring during Felix's time at the Lodge.

Those wishing to pay their respects to Felix can do so at Affinity Funeral Chapel on April 16, 2021 from 5:00 to 7:00 p.m. Interment with family will follow at the Breton Cemetery on April 17, 2021.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to the charity of one's choice.

Condolences may be sent by visiting: www.affinityfuneralservice.ca Arrangements in care of Colleen Sekura at:



5137 50 Avenue, Drayton Valley, Alberta 780.542.3338



CRYSTAL GAIL MAHONEY November 11, 1980 – March 24, 2021

On March 24th at 1:00 am, Crystal passed away peacefully at the Misericordia Hospital in Edmonton, Alberta, at the age of 40 years.

She is survived be her mother Debbie, stepdad Ken, sister Colette, father Arthur; nephews Kyden, Christian, Kaelan, and a very special nephew, Ashton, who spent all of his time with Crystal, and her niece, Denae.

Crystal loved being an auntie more than anything. She will be greatly missed by many aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

Crystal is predeceased by her grandparents Bill and Madeline Cooney, Bill and Margaret Mahoney, and her cousin Jason Cooney.

As a family, we would like to give special thanks to all the nurses and doctors that have helped Crystal this past year. We feel very grateful for all of you.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to Wetaskiwin Health Foundation for Winfield Home Care at 6910 47 Street, Wetaskiwin, Alberta, T9A 3N3

Condolences may be sent to www.affinityfuneralservice.ca Arrangements in care of Dwayne Henley at: Affinity Funeral Service 5137 50 Avenue, Drayton Valley 780.542.3338

A Memorial Tree was planted for Crystal Gail Mahoney We are deeply sorry for your loss. - the staff at Affinity Funeral Service Join in honoring Crystal's life - plant a memeorial tree... /obituary//1072840/memorial-tree



COMMUNITY & info

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS

Sunnybrook Hall is having their monthly Community Meeting on Wednesday, April 14th at 7 pm. All are welcome to come join !

FRESH LUNCH FRIDAYS at Sunnybrook Hall. 2 Options - **Must Order by Wednesday Evening**. First Friday will be April 16th. Call 587.986.9031 or email 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.

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 is OPEN again - 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-SELL-ABLE. Thank You!

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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.

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.

Alder Flats Community Bible Church - 780-388-0018, Pastor Samuel Hayford - 780-388-3926.

Darren Scott Accounting Services Ltd.

Is looking for someone to do income taxes and bookkeeping on a full-time basis.

Job Description:

QuickBooks data entry knowledge. WCB, GST, Payroll preparations and filings.

Please send resume to wades@telus.net or contact the office at 780.696.3800



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Employment Opportunity Administrative Assistant Permanent part-time position

The Village of Breton is seeking a part-time Administrative Assistant for 2 days / week. This part-time position may have the opportunity to move into a full-time position sometime in the next few years.

The position requires performing general office tasks such as dealing with the public via phone, email and in person. Duties include but are not limited to front counter, telephone reception, handling cash, taking minutes at Council meetings, data input, and other duties that may be assigned. Familiarity with office equipment and computers is preferred. Basic bookkeeping knowledge will be considered an asset.

The successful applicant must be responsible, diligent, resourceful, able to meet deadlines and a team worker. Occasional evening work is required such as the monthly Council meeting. This position will also cover the full-time position's vacation time off.

Wage grid: \$ 18.00 - \$ 23.50 depending on qualifications Part-time staff are currently not eligible for health benefits

Resumes to the attention of Terri Wiebe, can be:

 dropped off at the Village Office, mailed to Box 480, Breton, AB TOC 0P0, faxed to 780-696-3590, or emailed to cao@ breton.ca

Resumes for all the positions advertised will be accepted until suitable candidate is found and only those selected for interview will be contacted.

Wishing Jackson Asleson the very happiest 18th Birthday Ever!

Missing you so much! 10 years is a long time and we want to get to know the young man you have become!

> Much love from your BC Family (We are only one call away!)



WORSHIP

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

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 quarterly.



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VILLAGE OF WARBURG PART-TIME EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITY POSITION TITLE: ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

The Village of Warburg, with a population of approximately 766, is located on Highway 39 approximately 1 hour from Edmonton.

POSITION SUMMARY: The Village is looking for a highly motivated and well-organized individual to fill this position in a team environment. The Administrative Assistant, will be a job shared position, reporting directly to the Chief Administrative Officer (CAO), and will assist in managing the daily affairs of the Village within the policies adopted by Council. This position will act on behalf of the CAO in her absence. The part time position is based on 19.5 hours per week. Reporting to the Municipal Administrator, the individual will work in all aspects of daily operation of the Village Office in Warburg.

DUTIES AND RESPONSIBILITIES:

- Excellent communication, organization and inter-personal skills;
- Financial experience;
- Knowledge of budget development and financial reporting;
- Ability to work in a team environment;
- Office Inventory Management;
- Grant application experience;
- Social Media experience; and
- The ability to work with the CAO and perform related duties as requested.
- to provide a Criminal Record Check

Application deadline is 4 p.m. April 30, 2021

or until such time that a suitable candidate is hired. Candidate resumes, including references are to be submitted to:

Christine Pankewitz, Municipal Administrator at: Village of Warburg, Box 29, Warburg AB TOC 2TO or village@warburg.ca or faxed to: 780-848-2296 or delivered to 5212-50 Avenue, Warburg.

The Village of Warburg thanks all applicants for their interest but advises that only those selected for an interview will be contacted.



Unreserved Online Timed Real Estate Auction Sale for Schut Farms Ltd.

Selling in Conjunction with the 2021 Spring Machinery Consignment Auction Land Located in Wetaskiwin, Alberta Sale Starts on April 16th, 2021 & Begins Ending at on April 21st, 2021

Directions: 6 Miles West of Wetaskiwin on Hwy #13 to Rge 254 (West Side of the Road) or 2 ¹/₂ Miles East of Hwy #2 on Hwy #13 to Rge Rd 254

Selling the NW 9-46-25 W5M Being 148.59 Acres M/L with Hwy #13 on the North Side of the Property & Old Hwy #13 on the South Side, Plus Rge Rd 254 on the West Side.

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Real Estate Transactions are being Handled by Morrison Realty Kim Hughes - (403) 704-3141 Allen Olson - (403) 783-0556

> Owner: Arní Schut (780) 312-0095

Real Estate Terms & Conditions: 10 % Down on Sale Day. Balance & Possession on or before May 24th, 2021. If Balance is NOT RECEIVED by May 24th, 2021 the Deposit will be Forfeited as Liquidation Damages. All measurements are approximate and need to be verified by the purchaser.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Dear Editor:

Some years ago, Robert Service wrote ". . . there are strange things done in the midnight sun."

Here are a few examples:

On January 3, 4, 5, 6, 10, and 11 of 2019, Mr. Guyon (County Reeve) stated on his per diem claim sheet that he spent those days in "preparation for Bighorn proposal—maps, documents, and information"—for which he did NOT claim per diem. Looks great at this point.

However, on January 16, a claim for "over 8 hours" was made. It was an ASB meeting, which was ½ day and "prep for public consultation (Bighorn)" was claimed. Why was "Bighorn prep" used to claim "over 8 hours" when Bighorn prep was N/A for 6 days earlier? A claim of "over 8 hours" for a reeve means an additional \$140.

On January 18, 2019, a meeting with Mayor (who?) re geothermal pilot. The last time the County was involved in something probably best done by the province was the Cynthia sewage disposal system. It cost the county \$2 million plus to build and currently costs \$45000 a year to operate. This system serves about 40 residences. There is no evidence that this disposal system is any better or effective than a lagoon system. Best we stay away from things better done by others? Call your councillor for details.

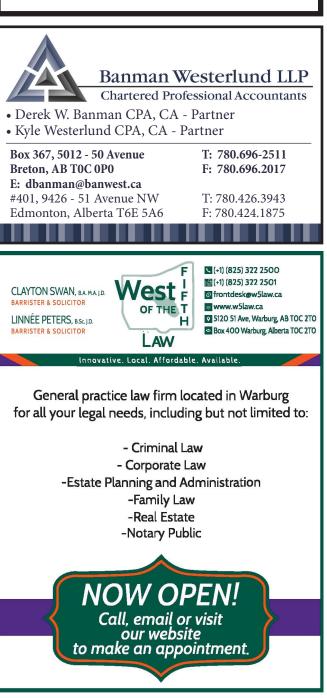
On January 30, 2019, Mr. Guyon had an interview with The Whitecourt Star. Topic undisclosed. A half-day was charged for this phone call. Are not things like phone calls covered by the \$1800 we pay the Reeve for ratepayer concerns? If not, why not? No claim was made in January (?) for CTV live interview and prep for the same.

It would be informative to know how well the solar project/panels at Breton Fire Hall are meeting expectations as the cost to install was considerable (\$87000). For example, how long will it take to obtain payback? If ever.

Stay tuned.

L. Oberle

All "Letters To The Editor" must be printed with the name of it's author. Letters To The Editor are the opinions of those who wrote them, not necessarily those of Community 39 Enterprises.











Brazeau County News



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UPCOMING NEWS & EVENTS

- April 20 | Council Meeting | 9:00 a.m.
- April 21 | Agricultural Service Board meeting | 9:00 a.m.
- May 4 | Council Meeting | 9:00 a.m.
- May 18 | Council Meeting | 9:00 a.m.

INTERESTED IN BECOMING AN ELECTED OFFICIAL?

If you are considering becoming a candidate in the 2021 Municipal Election but have questions about how to get started, Brazeau County's Returning Officer can help.

Returning Officer Donna Palmer is available to answer questions about the election process and requirements for candidates. She can be contacted at election@brazeau.ab.ca or by phone at 780-621-6959.

Nomination packages are also available at the Brazeau County Administration Office for pickup during regular business hours, or can be e-mailed on request.

NOTICE Roadside Vegetation Control Program

Brazeau County Agricultural Services Division will be carrying out roadside spraying of prohibited noxious, noxious weeds and woody vegetation (brush) throughout the County from May to October. For public safety, a buffer zone will be maintained between these roadside spray areas and county residences/yard sites.

As per our Vegetation Management policy, spraying on roadsides is done under the authority of Alberta's Weed Control Act. Brazeau County is required to control the weeds in the roadside just like any other landowner is on privately owned land. As well, in the public interest of safety, brush control is performed to increase the sightlines on roadways and intersections. As a result, costs of maintaining these open roadways are reduced where brush and trees are managed properly as it makes snow removal easier and allows roads to dry out quicker after precipitation falls.

The following programs related to herbicide use are available to residents:

- Hawkweed Program (County staff will treat up to 5 acres infested with Hawkweed on private land at no cost)
- Herbicide Rebate Program (the County will reimburse landowners 50% of the cost of herbicide used on the landowner's property)
- No Spray Agreement (the County will not use herbicides in the ditch adjacent to a landowner's property; responsibility for weed control is assumed by the landowner)

For further information about any of the above mentioned programs, please visit https://www.brazeau.ab.ca/ living-here/agriculture/services or contact the Agricultural Services Division at (780) 542-7777.

2021 No Spray Program

Brazeau County property owners who do not wish to have roadside spraying performed adjacent to their property must enter into a No Spray agreement. In the agreement, the landowner consents to maintain the adjacent municipal right of way themselves, for the purpose of weed and brush control without herbicides, in compliance with the Alberta Weed Control Act. For highway right of ways, the landowners must contact Alberta Transportation if they do not want herbicides applied to the area adjacent to their property.

To enter into a No Spray agreement with the County, please fill out an application form by visiting the Brazeau County office or visiting www.brazeau.ab.ca. Agreements must be renewed annually.

Deadline to apply for the program is May 1st, 2021. No late agreements will be accepted.



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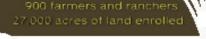
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Volunteer Appreciation Week – April 18 – 24. The Power of One. The Value of Many - the Theme for the 2021 Volunteer Appreciation Week clearly describes the amazing Volunteers of our Community. Many times we see Volunteers in our Community make great things happen as a small group or together as many. We would love to have a huge celebration to honor all of our volunteers and look forward to a time when we can gather together to do this. In the mean time we invite you to stop by the Breton Golf Course on April 20th between 1:30 -3:00 for dessert and coffee. Enjoy a visit with others outside on the deck(while social distancing) or take your treat home to enjoy. Either way, know that the time you give as a volunteer whether it be in a formal group or just as a great citizen of our community, it is very much appreciated. Thank you for all your efforts and good deeds. "Volunteers truly do make a difference to our community and our world."



Community Volunteer Income Tax Program – FREE INCOME TAX PREPERATION - For Low Income Persons, Families, seniors and students. We will begin taking information for tax season on March 1. Although this is something, that most of us would like to avoid thinking about and doing, I am afraid that this is unavoidable. You need to file your income tax each year, even if you have no income to report. By doing this you may receive benefits that you did not know you were eligible for. Also, in the event of the death of your spouse, benefits can easily be transferred to you, if you have filled a return for the last calendar year. If you did not file a tax return in 2020 you may not be receiving benefits from the government that you are eligible for. The focus of the Community Volunteer Tax Program is to assist those individuals who have limited income. This includes seniors, families and students. If your income was in one of the following categories you may gualify for assistance.

1 person	30,000
2 person family	37,000
3 person family	40,500
4 person family	43,500
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We are not able to complete returns with income from the following sources:

Capital Gains or Losses, Farming Income, Rental Income, Self-Employment, Interest exceeding \$1,000, Bankruptcies, Deceased Persons

This service is FREE to those who qualify. If you require this service, please gather your information and bring it to the Village of Breton office Monday to Thursday between 8:30 -4:00. Clients will be notified when your return is completed. The program will run from March 1 - April 30, 2021

We require the following information in order to complete your return:

Personal Information (Social Insurance Number, Birth date, Marital Status, Address)

Dependant's information – spouse/ children's names, birthdates.

All "T" Slips (T4's, T4A, OAS ect.)

All Forms, Schedules, and Labels you have received from Revenue Canada.

Receipts for any expenses such as medical, moving, tuition, sporting activities. Printouts from your pharmacist are available for those with numerous prescriptions. **Counselling Subsidies –** Fully paid subsidies are being extended. Please contact our office for more information. Breton and Area FCSS is pleased to offer Counselling Subsidies.

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;

o 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
- o 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 normally range from \$15 per session to \$50 per session but may be at no cost, contact our office for more information. The maximum number of sessions available is seven for individuals and nine for couples or families. 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.

Breton and Area FCSS will be doing the intake of the applications. Counselling services are provided by Karunia Counselling by Registered Psychologists, Registered Provisional Psychologists, Canadian Certified Counsellors and Masters or PhD level student interns under the supervision of a qualified psychologist. All applications will be kept in strict confidence. This program is being made available through funding from the Government of Canada's Emergency Support Fund, the Drayton Valley Community Foundation and Breton and Area FCSS.

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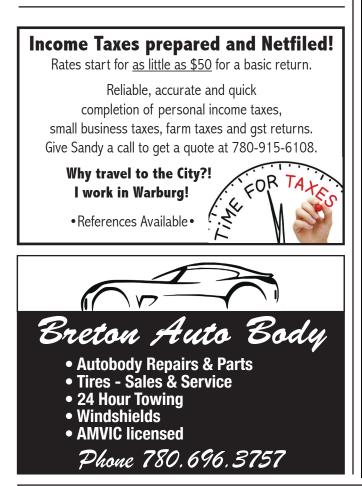
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Covenant Corner

from Pastor Jeff Gooderham

Vance Havner told a story about an elderly lady who was greatly disturbed by her many troubles--both real and imaginary. Finally, someone in her family tactfully told her, "Grandma, we've done all we can for you. You'll just have to trust God for the rest." A look of absolute despair spread over her face as she replied, "Oh dear, has it come to that?" Havner commented, "It always comes to that, so we might as well begin with that!"

"Trust in the Lord with all your heart, lean not on your own understanding; in all your ways acknowledge Him, and he shall direct your paths." Proverbs 3:5&6



a Family Wellness Moment





EXCUSE ME

Say this gently and firmly. This lets your child know that they have crossed the line. It also does not invite more back talk.



YOU SOUND UPSET AND ANGRY

Responding with empathy helps kids feel less threatened and has the power to stop power struggles in their tracks.



REWIND, LET'S TRY AGAIN

A simple, gentle way to let your child know that they are behaving badly. Using the word, "Let's" shows them that you are on the same team. The underlying message is, "we can work through this and stay calm together..."



TAKE A DEEP BREATH..

Taking a deep breath physiologically helps you calm down. If you do this often, it can become a signal to kids that you are upset and a hint that they should start toeing the line. Sometimes you might not even need to say anything else.



CAN YOU SAY THAT RESPECTFULLY?

This should be said when you are calm. The underlying message is one of faith, "I know you can improve your behavior and be respectful..."

I THINK WE ALL NEED A BREAK NOW

When both you and your child are in the "red zone", mad and totally overwhelmed, this is probably your best response

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Volunteer Appreciation From Breton FCSS

For the Month of April we are going to focus on Volunteers and the value they bring to our community. April 18 – 24 is National Volunteer Appreciation Week.

Why volunteer? - With busy lives, it can be hard to find time to volunteer. However, the benefits of volunteering can be enormous. Volunteering offers vital help to people in need, worthwhile causes, and the community, but the benefits can be even greater for you, the volunteer. The right match can help you to find friends, connect with the community, learn new skills, and even advance your career.

Giving to others can also help protect your mental and physical health. It can reduce stress, combat depression, keep you mentally stimulated, and provide a sense of purpose. While it's true that the more you volunteer, the more benefits you'll experience, volunteering doesn't have to involve a longterm commitment or take a huge amount of time out of your busy day. Giving in even simple ways can help those in need and improve your health and happiness.

Benefits of volunteering: 4 ways to feel healthier and happier.

Volunteering connects you to others.

Volunteering is good for your mind and body.

Volunteering can advance your career.

Volunteering brings fun and fulfillment to your life.

Benefit 1: Volunteering connects you to others

One of the more well-known benefits of volunteering is the impact on the community. Volunteering allows you to connect to your community and make it a better place. Even helping out with the smallest tasks can make a real difference to the lives of people, animals, and organizations in need. And volunteering is a two-way street: It can benefit you and your family as much as the cause you choose to help. Dedicating your time as a volunteer helps you make new friends, expand your network, and boost your social skills.

Make new friends and contacts

One of the best ways to make new friends and strengthen existing relationships is to commit to a shared activity together. Volunteering is a great way to meet new people, especially if you are new to an area. It strengthens your ties to the commun-

ity and broadens your support network, exposing you to people with common interests, neighborhood resources, and fun and fulfilling activities.

Increase your social and relationship skills While some people are naturally outgoing, others are shy and have a hard time meeting new people. Volunteering gives you the opportunity to practice and develop your social skills, since you are meeting regularly with a group of people with common interests. Once you have momentum, it's easier to branch out and make more friends and contacts.

Volunteering as a family

Children watch everything you do. By giving back to the community, you'll show them firsthand how volunteering makes a difference and how good it feels to help other people and animals and enact change. It's also a valuable way for you to get to know organizations in the community and find resources and activities for your children and family.

Benefit 2: Volunteering is good for your mind and body

Volunteering provides many benefits to both mental and physical health.

Volunteering helps counteract the effects of stress, anger, and anxiety. The social contact aspect of helping and working with others can have a profound effect on your overall psychological well-being. Nothing relieves stress better than a meaningful connection to another person. Working with pets and other animals has also been shown to improve mood and reduce stress and anxiety.

Volunteering combats depression. Volunteering keeps you in regular contact with others and helps you develop a solid support system, which in turn protects you against depression.

Volunteering makes you happy. By measuring hormones and brain activity, researchers have discovered that being helpful to others delivers immense pleasure. Human beings are hard-wired to give to others. The more we give, the happier we feel.

Volunteering increases self-confidence. You are doing good for others and the community, which provides a natural sense of accomplishment. Your role as a volunteer can also give you a sense of pride and identity. And the better you feel about yourself, the more likely you are to have a positive view of your life and future goals. Volunteering provides a sense of purpose. Older adults, especially those who have retired or lost a spouse, can find new meaning and direction in their lives by helping others. Whatever your age or life situation, volunteering can help take your mind off your own worries, keep you mentally stimulated, and add more zest to your life.

Volunteering helps you stay physically healthy. Studies have found that those who volunteer have a lower mortality rate than those who do not. Older volunteers tend to walk more, find it easier to cope with everyday tasks, are less likely to develop high blood pressure, and have better thinking skills. Volunteering can also lessen symptoms of chronic pain and reduce the risk of heart disease.

I have limited mobility—can I still volunteer? People with disabilities or chronic health conditions can still benefit greatly from volunteering. In fact, research has shown that adults with disabilities or health conditions ranging from hearing and vision loss to heart disease, diabetes or digestive disorders all show improvement after volunteering.

Whether due to a disability, a lack of transportation, or time constraints, many people choose to volunteer their time via phone or computer. In today's digital age, many organizations need help with writing, graphic design, email, and other web-based tasks. Some organizations may require you to attend an initial training session or periodical meetings while others can be conducted completely remotely. In any volunteer situation, make sure that you are getting enough social contact, and that the organization is available to support you should you have questions.

Benefit 3: Volunteering can advance your career

If you're considering a new career, volunteering can help you get experience in your area of interest and meet people in the field. Even if you're not planning on changing careers, volunteering gives you the opportunity to practice important skills used in the workplace, such as teamwork, communication, problem solving, project planning, task management, and organization. You might feel more comfortable stretching your wings at work once you've honed these skills in a volunteer position first.

Teaching you valuable job skills

Just because volunteer work is unpaid does not mean the skills you learn are basic. Many volun-

teering opportunities provide extensive training. For example, you could become an experienced crisis counselor while volunteering for a women's shelter or a knowledgeable art historian while donating your time as a museum docent.

Volunteering can also help you build upon skills you already have and use them to benefit the greater community. For instance, if you hold a successful sales position, you can raise awareness for your favorite cause as a volunteer advocate, while further developing and improving your public speaking, communication, and marketing skills.

Gaining career experience

Volunteering offers you the chance to try out a new career without making a long-term commitment. It is also a great way to gain experience in a new field. In some fields, you can volunteer directly at an organization that does the kind of work you're interested in. For example, if you're interested in nursing, you could volunteer at a hospital or a nursing home.

Your volunteer work might also expose you to professional organizations or internships that could benefit your career.

When it comes to volunteering, passion and positivity are the only requirements.

While learning new skills can be beneficial to many, it's not a requirement for a fulfilling volunteer experience. Bear in mind that the most valuable assets you can bring to any volunteer effort are compassion, an open mind, a willingness to pitch in wherever needed, and a positive attitude.

Benefit 4: Volunteering brings fun and fulfillment to your life

Volunteering is a fun and easy way to explore your interests and passions. Doing volunteer work you find meaningful and interesting can be a relaxing, energizing escape from your day-to-day routine of work, school, or family commitments. Volunteering also provides you with renewed creativity, motivation, and vision that can carry over into your personal and professional life.

Many people volunteer in order to make time for hobbies outside of work as well. For instance, if you have a desk job and long to spend time outdoors, you might consider volunteering to help plant a community garden, walk dogs for an animal shelter, or help at a children's camp.

Nominate A Star Volunteer In Your Community

Nominations are open for the Stars of Alberta Volunteer Awards recognizing those making a lasting impact in their communities. "Volunteers are the driving force behind the recreational, social and cultural programs that make our communities great. During these challenging times, it is more important than ever to recognize volunteers helping Albertans stay connected and feel supported. Please show your support for our extraordinary volunteers and their life-changing work by nominating them for a Stars of Alberta Volunteer Award." Leela Sharon Aheer, Minister of Culture, Multiculturalism and Status of Women

The Stars of Alberta awards highlight and pay tribute to volunteers who give their time, energy and skills to make a difference in the lives of Albertans. Two awards are given in each of the following categories: Youth (up to 24 years of age) - Adult -Senior

In addition, the Breaking Barriers category recognizes exceptional volunteers who are working to create communities that are diverse and inclusive. Three awards are presented in this category to individuals who are addressing racism, advocating for LGBTQ2S+ inclusion and fighting gender discrimination in their communities.

The awards are part of the government's commitment to recognize the contributions of Alberta's volunteers, and is celebrated annually on or around International Volunteer Day on Dec. 5. Since the inception of the Stars of Alberta Volunteer Awards in 2000, 136 volunteers from across the province have been honoured.

Albertans are encouraged to submit nominations online. The deadline for nominations is Sept. 15.

Volunteers are the foundation for many community organizations providing recreational, social and cultural programs. Alberta has more than 26,400 non-profit organizations and, each year, more than 1.6 million Albertans provide more than 262 million volunteer hours to support the non-profit and voluntary sector at a value of \$5.6 billion.







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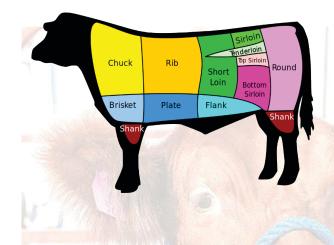


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What is the Value of 4-H beef to you?



The 4-H program guides our members to select quality livestock and maintain consistent nutrition, health and daily care. There is a need to start with a good animal and maximize its potential so then you are left with quality Canadian beef for the consumer. The 4-H Beef project and its many supporters have helped send thousands of our youth away to universities, Colleges and trade schools. They have returned to become our business leaders, teachers, caregivers, farmers, mechanics, welders and the list goes on. One thing for sure, when you purchase a 4-H steer you are not just investing in a child's future, but also in the future of this community.



Average Price in Pounds (lbs)

Round roast	\$8.50/lb		
Sirloin tip roast	\$8.40/lb		
Sirloin Steak	\$12.20/lb		
Round Steak	\$8.30/lb		
T-Bone Steak	\$15.60/lb		
Rib Steak	\$15.00/lb		
Stew Meat	\$7.50/lb		
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	Total	= \$5542.00	
Average Price of 4-H Steer			
\$3.00 x 1400lbs	= \$4200.00	\$5542.00	
Average Cut and Wrap	= \$750.00	<u>- \$4950.00</u>	
Total:	\$4950.00	= \$592.00	

You can Save **\$592.00** by purchasing a 4-H Steer instead of buying it at a grocery store and know that it is home grown.

Please note: These prices, weights and averages may vary due to market fluctuations, weather conditions and possibly even the breed of an animal can largely influence frame size and cut ability.

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