

Thorsby Hotel Bar & Grill Hosts Armwrestling Tournament

By Amissa Jablonski

The Thorsby Hotel Bar & Grill played host to another successful event on July 17 - the Biker Armwrestling Night! The event, organized jointly by the Thorsby Hotel Bar & Grill, Buggy Armwrestling and Stronghold Riders RC, saw competitors from across Alberta and BC converge on Thorsby for some bicep-bulging action. Proudly sponsored by Steam Whistle Brewing and Lone Wolf Mechanical, whose support was greatly appreciated, the tournament is an annual event that also featured live music and fun for all ages.

Congratulations go out to Ty Sakal of Lethbridge, winner of the right hand King of Steel trophy; Jeff Miller of Vegreville, the left handed King of Steel; and Stacey Ohlman Foster of Airdrie who took both the left and right hand Queen of Steel titles. Organizers Dalibor Rebel Bagarić and Marin Bagarić of Buggy Armwrestling and Stronghold Riders RC were grateful for the hospitality of the community and the welcome they received from Deepak Nair and the team at the Thorsby Hotel Bar & Grill.

Next year's tournament will be held on July 16, 2022 so mark your calendars for some arm twisting fun! Buggy Armwrestling and Stronghold Riders RC plan on collaborating with the Bar & Grill for other events so make sure you like and follow the Thorsby Hotel Bar & Grill at www. facebook.com/ThorsbyHotel and www.instagram.com/thorsbyhotel.

Pictures courtesy of Thorsby Hotel Bar & Grill









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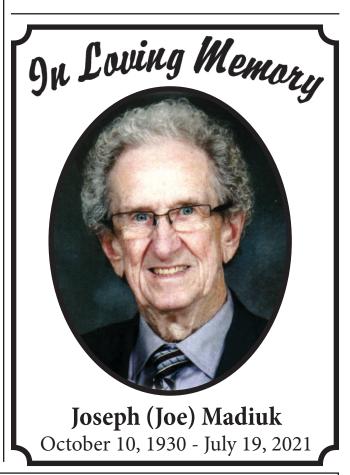
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Job Summary:

The Recreation Manager will support the Parks and Recreation department. Recreation, Parks and Culture is a sevice-oriented department focused on generating recreation and culture opportunities to enhance Town of Thorsby residents' quality of life and build community. The Recreation Manager serves the mission of the Recreation Centre at Arctic Spas by providing strategic vision, planning and continued development of the recreation operations. As the Manager, Recreation, Parks and Culture, you will be responsible for leading, managing and directing the Department as well as overseeing the alignment of programs and activities which provide residents with accessible recreational facilities, programming, parks, green spaces and cultural opportunities. You will be responsible for providing, promoting and sustaining a broad range of sport, leisure and learning opportunities to nurture arts, culture and recreation. The Recreation Parks and Culture department consists of part time employees.

- Providing the strategic vision, planning and continued development of the Parks and Recreation centre department
- Provide senior leadership of the Recreation Park and Culture department for the purpose of supporting the Town's vision and aligning programs with the Corporate Strategic and Business Plans and the Recreation Strategy
- Anticipating community and member needs and acting on areas of impact by developing strategic programs and service plans that includes existing members, new members and community groups
- Completing administrative tasks to support the functions of the department

Responsibilities:

The responsibilities for this position are, but not limited to:

- Building the parks and Recreation department including:
 - o hiring, mentoring, and training recreation staff and volunteers,
 - o overseeing and maintaining the department budgets, marketing, and revenue avenues
 - o developing a strong recreation program plan for personal training, group fitness and fitness leadership courses, programs and events planning, booking and other
- Committing to exceptional quality of programs and services by providing excellent customer service and responding to the needs of all Parks and Recreation Town of Thorsby users
- Administrative duties including management, repairs and maintenance for the parks and Recreation
- Creating, developing, and implementing strategic events and services program around recreation centre; leadership courses and participant development for the sustainability of recreation services in the community of Thorsby
- Acting as a leader in health and safety, ensuring the highest level of health and safety standards are being met and maintained throughout the facility
- Fostering innovation by adapting programs and services to the ongoing needs and trends of the fitness community
- Leading and developing all fitness in-service trainings, attending all required trainings and recertifications.
- Maintaining and upholding preventative maintenance plan for fitness equipment repairs and maintenance with external vendors
- Acting as a Recreation activities Ambassador and strategic leader in the community by developing partnerships and relationships through community groups, committee work and continued outreach opportunities
- Providing support, guidance and leadership to fundraising campaigns
- Fostering and developing a strong culture and sense of community within the town. Oversee community development and community engagement policies and approaches to generate opportunities for partnerships, maximize facility utilization, develop creative solutions for residents and open recreation park and culture facilities to a wider audience
- Oversee the management of developed public open spaces including trails, parks and facilities, urban and rural indoor multi-use recreation facilities and cultural facilities for the performing / visual arts
- Strategically attain regional partnerships with event organizers to bring events to the Town

- Oversee the efficient and effective use of all resources, financial, information technology, human resources, communications and documentation management
- Provide excellence in personal leadership that establishes and maintains a highly engaged and effective team
- · Foster a culture of leadership, collaboration, teamwork and excellence in customer service
- Provide analysis and recommendations to Council and Executive team to resolve politically sensitive issues
- Proactively identify the need and opportunities for change and build support for major changes to the direction of programs or business practices Skills and Abilities
- Knowledge of the principles and administration of recreation parks and culture services, infrastructure and management
- Strong leadership skills including the ability to collectively create a vision of the future, provide motivational direction to obtain clearly defined goals, influence, persuade, and garner commitment
- Demonstrated ability to develop and execute strategy, and develop and implement new programs, procedures, services, and policies that address emerging needs, expectations, and operational priorities
- Strong political and organizational savvy and business acumen and the ability to respond under pressure to changing political and operational situations
- Excellent interpersonal and relationship management skills including strong management skills to provide direction, training and coaching
- Excellent presentation and communication skills; a visionary leader with the ability to present and address Council, Boards and Committees
- Ability to work under pressure, manage a variety of projects and initiatives simultaneously and meet tight timelines
- Ability to diplomatically and effectively liaise and consult with internal and external stakeholders Physical/Special Demands
- This position requires the ability to lift 20 kg

Qualifications and Experience:

- Bachelor's degree in recreation, business or a related field.
- Minimum 5 years of senior level management experience with proven strategic leadership in a recreation or cultural services field or a related area
- Extensive background and experience in planning, policies and systems along with managing diverse recreation, parks and culture programs and facilities
- Extensive, positive, and successful career track record of progressively more senior positions in a public sector or recreation and culture services organization with proven ability to provide leadership and focus
- In-depth knowledge of financial management, planning and reporting, budgeting, business planning and fiscal frame works within recreation parks and culture services
- · Experience managing small, effective staff teams to collaboratively achieve desired outcomes
- Exemplary skills in the planning and delivery of developmentally appropriate activities programs
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Key Relationships:

- Administration and Council Leadership Team
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PROGRAMS & REGULAR EVENTS

Thorsby Bingo is back! Located at the Thorsby Senior's Centre every Thursday evening starting at 7:00 pm.

Thorsby Seniors Potluck Suppers will begin on August 25th at 6:00 pm.

Thorsby Crib Nights at the Seniors Centre runs every Friday night at 6:30 p.m. Everyone welcome!

The Breton Golden Age Club will be hosting cards (Whist) beginning July 5th at 1:00 pm \$3; Floor Curling begins Tuesday, July 6th at 1 pm \$3. Everyone is welcome to participate in both!

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. 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

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.

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 780-789-3789 or Elaine 780-221-3939

MARKETS / THRIFT SHOPS (NON PROFIT)

Thorsby Senior's Thrift Store - The thrift store is open Thursdays and Fridays 10:00 am - 3:00pm. We are now accepting donations that are CLEAN and RE-SELLABLE.

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.

Winfield Public Market is back! Upcoming Market is Aug 7th! 10am-2pm at the Winfield Community Hall. New Vendors Always Welcome! Next Markets: Aug 22nd & Sept 5th Call or text Carla at 780-621-1285 for details

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.



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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.

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 Can-ada 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 Wil-liams 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.

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 Next Potluck is August 25th. 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 thors-byhistoricalsociety@gmail.com. Visit our Facebook Page at www.facebook.com/ThorsbyHistoricalSociety

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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

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

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Telfordville Hall - For bookings call Tracy at 780-718-9549 after 5:00 pm.

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Breton Community Center- please contact the Breton Village office at 780.696.3636 for information.

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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Thorsby Lions Collecting Empties for Joey

By Amissa Jablonski

The Thorsby Lions have launched a new fundraising campaign - Empties for Joey - in support of the Winnifred Stewart Association and are inviting residents in and around town to help out!

When he heard about the fundraiser put on by Edmonton radio station 100.3 The Bear, Thorsby Lions President and Town Councillor, Nathan Raymond, brought the concept to the local Club who agreed this was an idea worth pursuing. Mr. Raymond contacted the radio station to get permission to continue Empties for Joey in Thorsby throughout the summer and they agreed. So a big red truck with Empties for Joey banners can now be found parked next to Proactive Lube Manager at 4830 Hankin Street.

To participate, members of the Thorsby community are encouraged to bring their empty bottles and cans to the truck and they will be put inside at the end of the day. At the end of August, when the fundraiser wraps up, the donations will be returned to the Thorsby Bottle Depot. All proceeds plus a matching donation from the Thorsby Lions will go towards the Winnifred Stewart Association, which provides community and program-based support to those living with disabilities. The Association is close to President Raymond's heart as they have supported his cousin in getting a job and provide help to members of our community.

The fundraiser is also in line with the mission of the Lions Club International, which is, above all, service. Lions understand that the collective work of members with the communities they serve is greater than the sum of the deeds accomplished. They believe that the greatest challenges can be overcome through kindness

and this fundraiser truly embodies that belief.

The Thorsby Lions have contributed a lot to the community. They run the Lions Campground on the north end of town, which is fully booked through the rest of the summer. Proceeds from campers go to support various activities in and around Thorsby. In the past, the organization has provided funds to support the Thorsby and District Community Centre, the ball diamonds at the Arctic Spas Recreation Complex and numerous other initiatives.

The local Lions Club is always looking for new members. Their meetings are currently taking place on an ad hoc basis due to COVID, but they hope to start more regular meetings in the fall. Anyone interested in joining should watch the Target for details about meetings in the coming weeks or contact President Raymond at 780.903.1695. All talents and contributions are welcome!

Be sure to drop your Empties for Joey to the red truck before the end of August to contribute to this worthwhile cause!



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MP REPORT

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



July 23, 2021

Support for Farmers Facing Extreme Weather

OTTAWA: Gerald Soroka Member of Parliament for Yellowhead wishes to advise that the Minister of Agriculture and Agri-Food Canada has announced support and resources for producers in areas affected by extreme weather.

The early designation of the Livestock Tax Deferral provision for prescribed drought regions will allow beef producers who are forced to sell a significant amount of their breeding herd due to drought conditions to offset the resulting revenues with the costs to replace the herd.

Also announced was federal support to all Prairie provinces for immediate bilateral adjustments to the cost-shared Agrilnsurance program to make drought-damaged crops available for feed.

AgriRecovery assessments are underway which could include direct assistance to producers for the added cost of livestock feed, transportation and water infrastructure.

Provinces affected by drought can invoke the late participation provision of AgriStability as well as apply for interim payments.

July 27, 2021

Active Transportation Fund (ATF)

OTTAWA: Gerald Soroka Member of Parliament for Yellowhead wishes to advise the Launching of the Active Transportation Fund, which will invest \$400 million over five years to help build new and expanded networks of pathways, bike

lanes, trails and pedestrian bridges and undertake planning studies.

Eligible recipients for the Active Transportation Fund are municipal, local, and regional governments, provincial and territorial governments, public sector bodies, not-for-profit organizations and various Indigenous Governing Bodies.

More information can be found at: https://www.in-frastructure.gc.ca/trans/active-actif-eng.html

RCMP Remind Residents to Join the #9PMRoutine

Leduc, Alta. – RCMP are asking residents to take an active role in crime prevention in their neighbourhood and community by joining the #9PMRoutine. The #9PMRoutine is a campaign used by police agencies across North America to remind citizens to protect themselves and their property.

There are simple steps you can take to help prevent crime in your neighbourhood.

Every night at 9 PM:

- Remove valuables from your vehicle and ensure it's locked, windows are closed, and if possible, your vehicle's parked in a garage.
- Close all garage windows and lock any garage doors, especially those leading into your house.
- Keep your vehicle registration and insurance documents secure. The documents can be used to commit other crimes.
- Check and lock all house doors and shut all windows.
- Turn on an exterior light.
- · Close and lock your fence gate.
- Lock your shed.
- Put away bikes and toys in your yard.
- Park in the garage instead of the street, if possible.

"In most cases, property crime is a crime of opportunity, meaning criminals are looking for unlocked houses, garages and vehicles, but stopping these crimes can be as simple as taking a few minutes every night to ensure you've locked up your house and garage, and removed the valuables from your vehicles," said Constable Cheri-Lee Smith.



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From P. Elson

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Watching your weight doesn't have to sentence

you to a life of water and diet drinks. You can still keep this summer sweet without lots of extra sugar and calories. Quench your thirst with these tasty suggestions.

- Add orange, lemon, or even cucumber slices to sparkling water.
- Cut your usual glass of lemonade in half and add sugar-free iced tea.
- Freeze blueberries or raspberries in ice trays with water and add them to your next summer drink.
- Chill out by mixing seedless watermelon, cranberry juice, and ice cubes in a blender. Serve with a slice of lime.

- Steep a peach tea bag in boiling water, chill, and add an orange slice.
- Add a splash of pineapple juice to sparkling water and garnish with pineapple wedges and fresh mint leaves.
- Make your own iced coffee by adding black coffee to ice and adding a splash of skim milk and a shot of sugar-free vanilla syrup or a packet of artificial sweetener.
- Mix one part cranberry or pomegranate juice with two parts club soda and garnish with fresh raspberries.
- Steep two green tea bags in boiling water. Chill and serve on ice with a tablespoon of honey and a lemon wedge.
- Make a tasty summer "mocktail." Serve low-sodium tomato juice on ice and mix with a teaspoon of Worcestershire sauce and a few dashes of hot sauce (depending on how spicy you want your drink). Add a celery stalk and a couple of green olives if you'd like.



Friday Night Crib Results

The winners of the Friday, July 23rd Crib Night were:

1st Malcolm Busfield - 928 2nd Sharon Anderson - 925 3rd Maurice Masyk - 910 High Hand - Marvin Wagar

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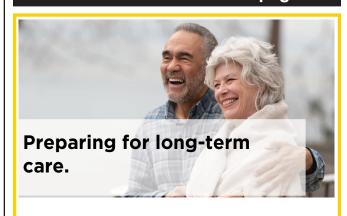
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Estate plans can help you answer questions about the future

The word "estate" conjures images of great wealth, which may be one of the reasons so many people don't develop estate plans – after all, they're not rich, so why make the effort? In reality, though, if you have a family, you can probably benefit from estate planning, irrespective of your asset level. You may well find that a comprehensive estate strategy can help you answer some questions you may find unsettling – or even worrisome.

Here are a few of these questions:

What will happen to my children? With luck, you (and your co-parent, if you have one) will be alive and well at least until your children reach the age of majority (either 18 or 19, depending on where you live). Nonetheless, you don't want to take any chances, so, as part of your estate strategy, you may want to name a guardian to take care of your children if you are not around. You also might want to name a Trustee – sometimes called a "guardian of the estate" – to manage any assets your minor children might inherit.

Will there be a fight over my assets? Without a solid estate strategy in place, your assets could be subject to the time-consuming, expensive – and very public – probate process. During probate, your relatives and creditors can gain access to your records, and possibly even challenge your will. But with proper planning, you can maintain your privacy. As one possible element of an estate plan, a living trust gener-

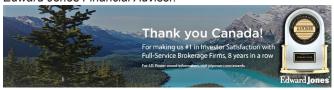
ally allows your property to avoid probate and pass quickly to the beneficiaries you've named.

Who will oversee my finances and my living situation if I become incapacitated? You can build various forms of protection into your estate planning, such as an enduring power of attorney, which allows you to designate someone to manage your financial affairs if you become physically or mentally incapacitated. You could also create a power of attorney for personal care, which allows someone to handle health care decisions on your behalf if you become unable to do so yourself.

Will I shortchange my family if I leave significant assets to charities? Unless you have unlimited resources, you'll have to make some choices about charitable gifts and money for your family. But as part of your estate strategy, you do have some appealing options. For example, you could establish a trust, which provides financial support to your chosen charities for a period of time, with the remaining assets eventually going to your family members. A charitable remainder trust, by contrast, can provide a stream of income for your family members for the term of the trust, before the remaining assets are transferred to one or more charitable organizations.

As you can see, careful estate planning can help you answer many of the questions that may be worrying you. Be aware, though, that certain aspects of estate planning, especially those related to living trusts and charitable trusts, can be complex, so you should consult your estate-planning lawyer or qualified tax professional about your situation. Once you've got your strategy in place, you should be able to face the future with greater clarity and confidence.

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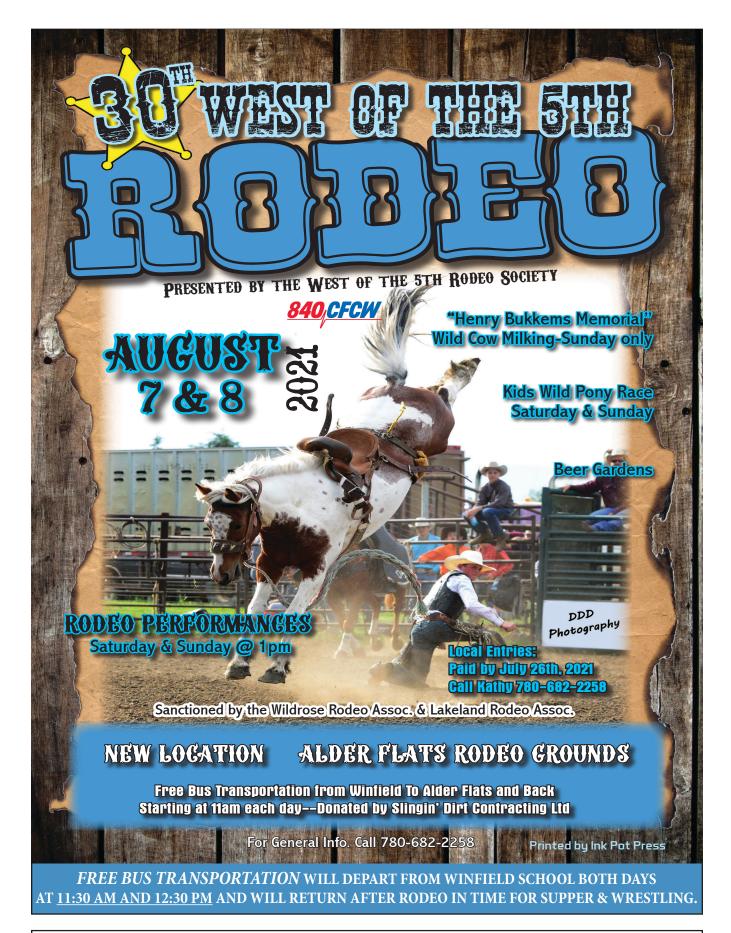
A family of geese taking a walk near Teddy Bear's in Alsike on Saturday.

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