

FAMOUS THORSBY DUCK PASSES PEACEFULLY IN HER SLEEP

by Shawna Ofstie

If you have ever been to Thorsby's local Pet Store, Pet Necessities, run by partners Carol Schofield and Frank Raffa, you would have met Thorsby's favorite duck Cashew.

Cashew was made famous in November of 2017, when she and her Rottweiler companion, Bruce, were introduced on Global News because of their unusual friendship. Then in September of 2018 CBC did a story on Cashew after Bruce passed on. Cashew and Bruce are together again.

She was a special friend to the store. Volunteers who were mostly teens, would play with Cashew and bath her while letting her hunt fish in the tub.

"Its with a heavy heart that we need to announce the passing of our beloved Cashew. She brought life and abundance of enjoyment to many people who knew her. She will be greatly missed Cashew's passing comes as a shock to us and everyone who knew her and of her over the last 7 years. Cashew has been a big part of the store, and enlightened many people who visited with her, provided enjoyment to many kids who visited, and got to play with her, especially over the last 2 years. She will be missed dearly, thank you for your concerns, and many thanks to all of those who have shared their condolences" says Carol & Frank

Raffa & Schofield purchased Pet Necessities/CR Cell Repair in December of 2019 and Cashew remained in the only home she had ever known. She made friends both human, and animal. She related more as a dog than a duck, and expressed herself in her own special way.





The average lifespan of a call duck is around 4 to 8 years old. Cashew was 7.

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Thorsby Ag Society AGM & Bylaw Update

Wednesday, December 1, 2021 7:00pm at the Haymaker Centre Dianne 780.985.2037

2022 LEDUC COUNTY BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Leduc County invites county residents to apply for the following positions by 4:30 p.m. on Nov. 26, 2021. Mileage and an honorarium may be provided to committee/board members.

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Acts in an advisory capacity to Council and to the director of community services. The committee is responsible for overseeing the development and operation of the program, and ensuring the FCSS Act and regulations are adhered to.

The committee is comprised of the following:

- one council representative from each participating municipality of Calmar, Thorsby and Warburg
- two representatives from Leduc County Council
- two members at large county residents, with one representing rural east and one representing rural west
- Position available: one; representing rural east
- **Term:** two years ending Dec. 31, 2023
- Meeting frequency: five times per year (February, April, June, September and November) commencing at 5 p.m.

LEDUC COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD

Manages, regulates and controls municipal library services. The committee is comprised of six members of the New Sarepta library region and two Leduc County Council members.

- Positions available: two
- Term: three years ending Dec. 31, 2024
- **Meeting frequency:** four times per year on Mondays commencing at 6:30 p.m.

This is a voluntary position; no per diem or mileage is provided.

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Acts in an advisory capacity to Council. The committee is comprised of six members of the community and two Leduc County Council members.

- Positions available: six; one each from Beaumont, Calmar, Leduc, New Sarepta, Thorsby and Warburg
- Term: two years ending Dec. 31, 2023
- **Meeting frequency:** four times per year on Wednesdays commencing at 6:30 p.m.

EDMONTON INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT (EIA) NOISE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Noise Advisory Committee is managed by the Edmonton Regional Airports Authority for the purpose of reviewing complaints related to aircraft noise. The committee is comprised of members from adjacent and nearby municipalities, Transport Canada, NAV Canada, airline representative(s) and Edmonton Airports.

- Position available: one
- Term: two years ending Dec. 31, 2023
- Meeting frequency: as needed

INTERMUNICIPAL SUBDIVISION AND DEVELOPMENT APPEAL BOARD

This is a quasi-judicial board comprised of council members and residents from Leduc County and the Village of Warburg. The board acts independently and makes decisions on subdivision, development permit and stop order appeals.

The ISDAB makes its decision using fact-based evidence, then applies legal rules as per legislation and planning documents such as the Municipal Development Plan and the Leduc County Land Use Bylaw. When the ISDAB makes its decision, it's final and cannot be overturned unless the ISDAB makes a law or jurisdictional error. All board members must successfully complete a training program set or approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs.

- **Term:** three years ending Dec. 31, 2024
- **Meeting frequency:** as needed upon receipt of an appeal; generally held on Thursday or Friday commencing at 9 a.m.

If you are a Leduc County resident and have an interest in serving on any of these committees/boards, submit your resume via email or mail by Nov. 26, 2021 at 4:30 p.m. to:

JOYCE GAVAN
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PROGRAMS & REGULAR EVENTS

PICKLE BALL AT THE RECREATION COMPLEX

Every Tuesday and Thursday morning from 9:30am - 11:30am & every Tuesday and Thursday evening from 7pm - 8:30pm

BOWLING AT THE RECREATION COMPLEX

Every Tuesday at 1pm

PUBLIC SKATE AT THE RECREATION COMPLEX

Every Tuesday and Thursday from 9am - 3pm

PUBLIC SHINNY AT THE RECREATION COMPLEX

Every Sunday from 5pm - 6pm

THORSBY MUNICIPAL LIBRARY

is open for in-person or curbside service from 10am - 6pm Tuesdays and from 12pm - 6pm on Wednesdays, Thursdays & Fridays from 10am - 4pm. Please call 780.789.3808 for more information. Follow Thorsby Library on Facebook. Visit us at https://thorsbymunicipallibrary.ab.ca/copy-of-form

THORSBY CRIB NIGHTS at the Seniors Centre runs every Friday night at 6:30pm. Everyone welcome! Bring your Vaccination Card and a mask

THORSBY BINGO

Located at the Thorsby Seniors Centre every Thursday evening starting at 7pm. Bring your Vaccination Card and a mask

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) at the Thorsby Seniors Centre - Mondays, weigh in at 9am to 9:15am, meetings at 9:15am to 9:45am. For more information call Jane 780.789.3789 or Elaine 780.221.3939

WEEKLY BINGO'S AT MULHURST LEGION #246

Weekly Bingo's every Tues. @ 7pm MEAT BINGO NOV. 16th LOONIE POT worth \$85. Bring your mask and proof of vaccination please

MARKETS/THRIFTSHOPS(NONPROFIT)

Country Market November 20 11-4pm at Sunnybrook Hall Homemade Crafts, Baking, Farm Eggs and so much more. New and returning vendors.

Email <u>foreverboredmarket@gmail.com</u> with questions or to become a vendor

Christmas Pop up Market hosted by CL Soap at the Old Home Hardware Building on Hankin Street in Thorsby on Nov 20 from 10am - 3pm. Email clsoapco@hotmail.com for more info or to become a vendor.

Hoadley Christmas Market on November 20 from 10am - 3pm at Hoadley Hall. Table spaces available \$10/table. Concession, fresh sandwiches, squares, beverages. Come to shop. Come to Sell. Call 403.843.4137 or 403.843.6056. Admission - food items for local food bank gratefully accepted. Mask required.

Mulhurst Bay Christmas Market

Sat Nov 27 11-5 @ Community Hall. Lots of great gift ideas.

Lakedell Christmas Market -

Dec 4 11-4 Lakedell Ag Society Highway 13 west of the village of Pigeon Lake.

The Leduc Arts Foundry will be holding a Christmas Market on December 4th from 11am-5pm at the LRC. Plenty of local artists and vendors will be there, as well musical group "Chicks with Picks" This event is perfect for little ones wanting to purchase gifts for their family members. All are welcome!

THORSBY SENIORS THRIFT STORE

Open Thursdays and Fridays 10am - 3pm. We are now accepting donations that are **CLEAN & RE-SELLABLE**

TREASURES THRIFT SHOP IN WARBURG

IS OPEN! (with restrictions) Please see signs at the store for everyone's safety. Wednesdays from 10am - 4pm. Donations will only be accepted during store hours, please ensure your donations are clean. 5112 - 53 Street, Warburg

Leduc Public Market

10am - 2:30pm every Thursday at Leduc City Centre Mall (by Rexall Drug Store)

COMMUNITYSUPPORTSERVICES

Thorsby Family & Community Support Services (FCSS) Sandi Raymond at 780.789.4004 or email fcss@thorsby.ca

Thorsby Bylaw Enforcement - for concerns or inquiries contact Barry Rasch at bylaw@thorsby.ca or 780.233.4151

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 you event placed on the sign call 780.789.4041

Foot Care Nurse will be in Thorsby on the 1st Wednesday of every month. Please call Irene at 780.789.3176

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For more information

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Hedin, Dan (Walfred) August 6, 1931 ~ October 31, 2021

Dan W. Hedin of Leduc, AB passed away on October 31, 2021 at the age of 90 years.

Dan has gone to rest in God's loving care. He will be dearly missed by family and friends.

Dan was born in Midale, SK on August 6, 1931. He leaves to celebrate his memory, his loving wife Myrtle; 2 daughters Cheryl (Marv) and Carla (Ron); 3 sons Steve (Lynn), Bill (Charlene) and Don; 13 grandchildren and 12 great-grandchildren.

Dan had many jobs and work experiences throughout his life. He was a farmer, oilfield operator, heavy duty equipment operator, business owner, golf course builder and greenskeeper. He retired in August 2008.

Many thanks to the compassionate doctors and staff at Grey Nuns Hospital.

Due to restrictions in place, a Celebration of Life will be held at a later date.

In lieu of flowers, donations can be made to St. Peter's Lutheran Church for The Rock and The Hub.



Condolences: www.serenity.ca

Serenity Funeral Service, Leduc (780) 980-3688



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 - 54 Avenue at Thorsby New Life Christian Church (every) Monday 8:00pm 780.270.7903

WORSHIP

New Life Christian Fellowship - 5203-54 Avenue, Thorsby Worship Services Sunday at 10:30am, Ladies Fellowship and Prayer on Fridays at 9:30am. Call 780.789.3020

Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church - 4813-51 Street, Thorsby. Mass is every Sunday at 9am and weekdays, Wednesday at 10:30am by Fr. Arun Rodrigues. COVID rules apply. 780.987.2858 or visit www.olvthorsby.wordpress.com

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! 780.921.7790

St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church - Thorsby Divine Liturgy on Sunday November 7 at 12:00pm. ALL COVID restrictions apply. For further information contact Dan @780.789.3698

St. Matthew's Lutheran Church - 5115-48 Avenue Thorsby In-Church Worship every Sunday at 10:30am. Following COVID Protocols. Our weekly worship with Pastor Ron can still be found on You Tube

COMMUNITY GROUP REGULAR MEETINGS

Thorsby Agricultural Society - AGM & Bylaw update Wednesday, Dec 1, 2021 at 7pm. Regular meetings on the first Wednesday of every month at 7pm. Haymakers Arena. www.thorsbyhaymakers.com or call 780.789.3829

Thorsby Seniors - Meetings held monthly in the Seniors's Centre (4812 - 51 Street) and are on the last Wednesday of every month at 7pm. 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 @7pm at the 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 the 4th Monday of the month at the Lions' Den in the Community Hall basement at 7pm. For information or membership, call 780.903.1695

The Royal Canadian Legion Pioneer Branch #144 Thorsby is wanting more members. Meetings are every third Wednesday of the month, except July & August at the Thorsby Seniors Centre 4812 - 51 Street at 9:30am. For Membership contact Doreen Mackenzie at 780.789.3812

The Royal Canadian Legion #246 Mulhurst

Next General Meeting will be January 10th, 2022 @ 7pm New Members welcome. Marion 780-935-6281

FACILITY RENTALS

Ashland Dam Park

For reservations call Kelly at 780.898.9636

Breton Community Centre

Please contact the Breton Village Office at 780.696.3636

Breton Golden Age Club building is available for rent.

Call Jane 780.696.6599 / 403.542.7921 or alternate Jean at 780.696.2439

Camp Bar V Nok - for bookings call Walter 780.717.2432 or Jason 780.990.4043 or email bookings@barvnok.com

Centrelodge Community Centre

For bookings call Caroline at 780.789.3089

Funnell Community Hall

For hall rental or more contact Ashley @ 780.514.6546

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 Bay Community Hall

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Mulhurst Legion #246

Give Marie a call: 780-361-7350

Rundle's Mission Retreat Centre

For retreat or hall bookings call 780.389.2422 or email rent@rundlesmission.org. You can also visit our website at www.rundlesmission.org

Sandholm Community Hall

For bookings call Doris 780.389.2381

Strawberry Community Hall

Call Ollie at 780.789.2180

Sunnybrook Community Hall

For rentals contact Mikayla at 306.307.2599 or email sunnybrookcommunityhall@gmail.com

Telfordville Hall

For bookings call Tracy at 780.718.9549 after 5pm

Thorsby Community Center

Call Marlene at 780.789.3734 or text 780.217.9394 or email thorsbyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com Visit our Facebook page at www.facebook.com/ThorsbyHistoricalSociety

ThorsbySeniors Centre

For rentals call Cathy Kuzio at 780.719.7124

Warburg Cultural Centre

For rentals of facility, wine glasses and/or tablecloths phone Linday McLaughlin at 780.848.2916. Meetings held quarterly

Winfield Legion

Available to rent. Rental inquiries to Gordon 780.542.1243 or Ron 403.862.0769

Community Events & Information is FREE to advertise

Leduc County Polar Express

Saturday, Nov. 27 | \$5 per person | Glen Park Hall

We are hosting two showings of The Polar Express on Nov. 27 at Glen Park Hall. Join* us at 4 p.m. or 6:30 p.m. for the movie and a visit to our Santa shop! Register online at www.leduc-county.com/recreation.

*Leduc County is following all provincial health measures; this event is subject to change or be cancelled with limited notice due to COVID-19.





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Thank You Voters

I want to take this moment to thank you all for your support and encouragement during the Leduc County Municipal Division 6 campaign. I have met so many wonderful people and it was a privilege to discuss the many issues facing us.

thank you for your votes.

Until Next Time!

Sam Kobeluck



Government of Alberta

Helping Alberta businesses go digital

The Digital Economy Program will provide small businesses with free support as they grow and manage their businesses through technology.

The Government of Alberta is investing \$10 million over two years toward the program, which will help Alberta small businesses increase their digital presence to reach more customers and compete in an increasingly online world.

Business Link and Digital Main Street™ are delivering the Digital Economy Program on behalf of the government. The program consists of two initiatives to support eligible small businesses across Alberta.

"We want to provide Alberta's small business community with easy-to-use tools and resources to grow. This program will not only support Alberta's small businesses but will also provide employment opportunities for post-secondary students and recent graduates looking to apply their technology skills and gain valuable experience." Doug Schweitzer, Minister of Jobs, Economy and Innovation

"Rural Albertans have often had to choose between living in their hometown and pursuing new opportunities. As the world moves digital and small businesses have the ability to expand online, Albertans will be able to live and work anywhere. With programs like Digital Main Street, genius creations from small-town Alberta can be sold around the world." Nate Horner, Associate Minister of Rural Economic Development

ShopHERE powered by Google program

The ShopHERE powered by Google program allows eligible small businesses to create and operate an online store. Businesses can access help through Digital Main Street to establish an online store and receive training and support to manage it.

Eligible businesses can now apply to the program. To be eligible, businesses must be registered in Alberta and have fewer than 50 employees. More information on the program, including full eligibility details and how to apply, can be found on the Digital Main Street Alberta website.



On November 5th, Friday evening at 6:30pm our 1st official crib night was held after a long absence because of Covid. Certainly was most enjoyable to get together again.

Winner results:

1st place - Eunice Gillis = 937 2nd place- Rod Blair = 925 3rd place Elaine Blair. = 916

Elaine Blair with High Hand of a 24! Congratulations!

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PART ONE: FIELD CROPS — VEGETABLES AND FRUIT

Tuesday, Dec. 7 | 7 to 8:30 p.m. | \$20 plus GST online via Zoom

A look at the vegetable and fruit industry, giving an overview of its size and composition as well as trends and shifts over the past 20 years. Rob will review vegetable, potato, and fruit crops for their potential opportunities and pitfalls. By highlighting the key considerations for each of these crop types Rob gives growers insight for planning their production.

PART TWO: PROTECTED CROPS - GREENHOUSE

Tuesday, Dec. 14 | 7 to 8:30 p.m. | \$20 plus GST online via Zoom

A review of the covered edible and ornamental crops industry, including greenhouse and vertical operations. Rob will outline the component parts of the industry, including size and scale. He will highlight considerations for getting into the various industry segments, such as capital and operational costs, competition, market demand, and skill requirements. The session includes a review of the pros, cons, and cautions of vertical operations.

These first two workshops are the start of a series of extension events, which will take interested growers from planning to production. These sessions will benefit new producers getting into farming and established farmers looking for new ventures.

REGISTER

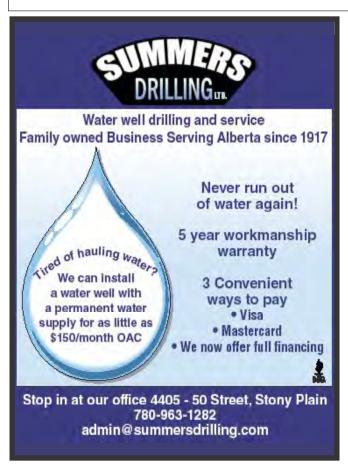
To register, visit

www.leduc-county.com/getting-into-horticulture.

Zoom links will be shared upon registration.

For more information, contact Lorraine Taylor, Horticulturist with Lac Ste. Anne County at **780-203-2968** or **LTaylor@LSAC.ca**.

Hosted in partnership with the counties of Lac Ste. Anne, Leduc, Parkland, Sturgeon, Westlock, Woodlands and Yellowhead.





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that snake charming is illegal in India?





TIPS From TOPS!

From P. Elson

Fresh Starts for Fall

Just because there is a nip in the air doesn't mean you should go into hibernation mode! Embrace the season with these fresh ideas.

- 1 Savor seasonal produce. Autumn is the perfect time to find fun recipes that feature beets, celery root, rutabaga and more.
- 2 With the change in the season comes a change in the family schedule. Schedule in "mini-workouts" of 10 or 15 minutes of physical activity to keep you on track while you adjust.
- 3 Clean out those cupboards! You've heard of spring cleaning- here's your six month reminder to restock pantry items that support your healthy eating habits!
- 4 Get creative at an apple orchard or pumpkin patch. stretching to pick fruit, squatting to grab a gourd, or strolling alongside a hay ride (instead of hopping on), all contribute to better fitness.
- **5** Take advantage of the time change and power down a little earlier with a good book or a luxurious bubble bath. Or, combine the two!
- **6** Go for a bike ride. The air is fresh and cool, and the leaves are changing. Because its not as hot, you might find yourself logging more miles than in the summer months.
- 7 Spice it up! Add a cinnamon stick to some apple cider, cloves to pumpkin bread or

nutmeg to baked squash.

8 Re-imagine a fall chore as a great source of exercise. Aside from the benefits of being in the crisp, fresh air, raking leaves works your muscles and burn calories, too!

9 Get a holiday head start. Before you know it, it'll be New Year's, and you'll be pulling those snazzy clothes out of the closet. Set a goal for the next few months to fit into them better!

10 Conquer a corn maze. Make a game out of it, and see who can get to the end faster- or take a nice stroll in and around the maze.





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- St. Francis 1 Acre lot on pavement 2011, 2 bedroom mobile, fenced and serviced \$229,000.00

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- Warburg 146.3 Acres total, 110 Acres crop lapending or pasture land too. \$369,000.00
- Wizard Lake 30.15 Acres recreation land great building spots or makes a good weekend retreat \$249,000.00
- Calmar 60 Acres of prime farmland \$449,000.00
- Genesee 145 Acres of excellent pasture land \$369,000.00
- Genesee 136.31 Acres of pasture land or recreation land (creek ravine small lake on property) \$349,000.00
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"NOBODY SELLS MORE REAL ESTATE IN THIS AREA!"

Town of Thorsby News

by Shawna Ofstie

Thorsby Elementary School Intersection

The intersection west of the schools (48 Ave & 52 St) has been an ongoing safety concern especially during school drop off and pick up times. The Thorsby Council approved the request from the Thorsby Elementary school to write a letter of support while they continue to find ways to make this intersection safer. There was some discussion including Councilor Gilbert mentioning the possibility of an alternate place for pick up and drop off for our school children. He also said that this has been an ongoing issue with not good response. This intersection is monitored by Alberta Transportation, not the Town of Thorsby.

Recreation Centre

Currently there is no heat in some areas of the Recreation Centre due to a water leak and broken pump. It will cost approx \$5000 and take 10 days to get the pump. When asked about cost sharing with the County, CAO Sloboda said it has to be in the budget to cost share with Leduc County so there is no guarantees. Mayor Hostyn said the Complex must have heat and the council agreed to pay for the pump with unrestricted reserves. The complex remains open while they wait to get it fixed.

Digital Entrance Sign

The digital entrance sign that is being purchased and was put in motion by the previous council is getting closer. Some electrical and the screw piles will be done soon but the sign itself has been delayed due to Covid related supply issues. There was no mention of supplier or costs.

CARES-Innovation Grant

This grant was approx \$240,000 and there is approx \$100,000 left. This grant is being used to purchase the digital entrance sign and the town website upgrade. A report is due by the end of November.

Town Talk Newsletter/Advertising

This monthly newsletter is sent with the water bills each month by the CAO Tamara Sloboda. There was some concern from council about not everyone getting the information. Councilor Rasch and Councillor Musson then requested that she use the Thorsby Target. After discussion, the council decided to use whatever free advertising is available in the Target to get information out and to save extra costs.

New Bylaw Officer-Barry Rasch

Congratulations, Barry on your new appointment as Thorsby's bylaw officer. According the Town Talks newsletter, Barry has a long history of serving Thorsby and 2 1/2 years experience providing bylaw enforcement. "We have a great community here and I'm looking forward to talking and working with residents and businesses going forward". You can contact Municipal Bylaw Enforcement by telephone at (780) 233-4151 or email bylaw@thorsby.ca

Healthy communities Initiative (AB health) Grant - Taylor Park & Thorsby Trails

The total raised was \$32,658 for Taylor Park/Thorsby Trails between the donations and the \$20,000 Healthy communities initiative grant. There is \$3,122 left. \$2,470 was used for the Thorsby Trails and the rest for Taylor Park. Construction on the park had to stop because of the underground tanks and they are still waiting for analysis report. Councillor Rasch was under the impression the grant was supposed to be split 50/50 between the Trails and Taylor Park. CAO Sloboda advised that the previous Council made changes and the grant was intended only for the 2 projects but did not have to be spent equally. Councillor Musson wondered if the trail committee was aware that they don't have any more funds and requested they be notified. The healthy communities final report is due at the end of next week

Recreation Report

The concession will be opening on November 15 run by Pucks & Poutine with take-out only due to Covid restrictions.

Financial

A quick overview of financials was given by CAO Sloboda in preparation for the 2022 Budget.

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MLA REPORT

from The Office of MLA Mark Smith, Member of the Legislative Assembly for Drayton Valley - Devon

The Hydrogen Road Map

Can hydrogen really lead Alberta's energy industry into a low-carbon future? To be clear, we do not see hydrogen replacing Alberta's oil and gas industry. The Government sees it as a new opportunity that builds upon our collective expertise in the oil and gas sector. All credible forecasts point to resilient demand for oil and gas, and Alberta is well positioned to be a critical global supplier for decades to come.

However, Clean hydrogen offers us a new opportunity that can be integrated into Alberta's existing energy system, while tapping into the emerging global hydrogen market. It is a market that is still in its early stages - but one where we can compete globally and attract billions of dollars of new investment. These new investments are only possible because of our existing infrastructure, expertise, and skilled workforce in the oil and gas industry. We expect the oil and gas and hydrogen industries to operate and grow in tandem, as we all work towards a lower emission future. Hydrogen can become part of Alberta's larger energy industry, integrated into industries across the province.

Will hydrogen produced by natural gas actually be "clean"? Some organizations refer to hydrogen by colour, such as blue or green hydrogen, based on how the hydrogen is produced. However, there is a global movement to move away from hydrogen colour descriptions and look at the overall carbon intensity from producing hydrogen - regardless of how it is produced. This is the approach that both Alberta and Canada strongly support, as we both apply a technology-neutral approach in our hydrogen strategies. Alberta's Hydrogen Roadmap is open to all techniques of hydrogen production, and looked at international programs like CertifHv. which establishes standards for carbon emissions related to hydrogen production. Our roadmap shows that Alberta-based clean hydrogen can meet these carbon intensity thresholds. Alberta will engage with others as global standards for carbon intensity of clean hydrogen are built and used around the world.

Hydrogen's benefits aren't just in the energy sector, as it also provides Alberta's larger economy with an important option to decarbonize. This includes transportation, residential and commercial heating, and industrial processes like those used by the oilsands — all of which have faced challenges lowering emissions in the past.

Clean hydrogen presents an opportunity to decarbonize Alberta's existing markets, but it is only one of many decarbonisation solutions that companies can consider as they make plans for the future. A key part of the Hydrogen Roadmap is working to reduce the risk for early investors and to build greater demand for hydrogen right here in Alberta. Part of that will include looking at how we can find relatively straightforward ways to use hydrogen in existing applications. example, this includes blending hydrogen into existing natural gas systems, which is not currently allowed. We are going to be discussing the topic of blending hydrogen into natural gas for heating with our industry partners, municipalities, and consumer groups in the next few months. Part of these conversations include how the cost of adding hydrogen into the system will be handled by industry and consumers.

The purpose of the Hydrogen Roadmap is to lay out the future direction of Alberta's hydrogen sector, and identify potential policy actions the government can use to support and enable the growth of Alberta's clean hydrogen. coming weeks we will begin engaging with key partners on one policy opportunity - blending hydrogen into existing natural gas networks - and we will pursue other policy changes as technology, industry, and the market develop over the coming years. The Government of Alberta is also providing support for the hydrogen sector through the Technology Innovation and Emissions Reduction (TIER) program, which is funding a number of pilot programs to support emerging technology and innovative uses of hydrogen that could be rolled out across Alberta's economy.

Alberta's energy and natural gas sector continues to face challenges, especially in reaching new markets for our energy products.

Hydrogen represents a premium, growing market for our natural gas in particular, but the market is not going to wait for Alberta.

Global governments are doubling down on hydrogen. Over 30 countries have committed more than CAD \$87 billion in public financing to kick-start their hydrogen economies. These governments recognize that the hydrogen value chain requires support before it will be selfsufficient, and that without they will miss out on a golden economic opportunity that spans decades into the future. This is our opportunity to build on Alberta's strengths, and demonstrate to the world that Albertan's innovation and ingenuity means our energy sector is here to say, and will continue to be a cornerstone of affordable and responsible global energy security.

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. The office is open Monday to Friday. The Devon constituency office is open every Wednesday and the phones are manned Tuesday to Friday at 780-987-3666 or I can be emailed at draytonvalley.devon@assembly.ab.ca anytime.







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The Bible Truth Page

Did Jesus ask you to say a prayer?

Many people think that all they must do in order to be saved, is say one prayer. Unfortunately, that is not at all true. Jesus never said, "Just say this one prayer and you are good to go". He never said anything remotely close to that. What Jesus did say, over, and over again is "follow me".

When Jesus said "follow me" what did he mean exactly? The Greek word that 'follow' is translated from in this statement means: to join one as a disciple, side with his party, accompany him (Thayer's dictionary). When Jesus asked his disciples to follow Him, they dropped what they were doing on the spot, left their family and job and followed Him, and helped Him with his mission. They learned from Him what His will was and how to execute it. After Jesus was gone, they continued His mission on earth as he commanded them. The life of the disciple was forever changed from living for themselves, to living for Jesus and following Him. Jesus made this concept very clear in Matthew 19:16-30 KJV:

And, behold, one came and said unto him, Good Master, what good thing shall I do, that I may have eternal life? [17] And he said unto him, Why callest thou me good? there is none good but one, that is, God: but if thou wilt enter into life, keep the commandments. [18] He saith unto him, Which? Jesus said, Thou shalt do no murder, Thou shalt not commit adultery, Thou shalt not steal, Thou shalt not bear false witness, [19] Honour thy father and thy mother: and, Thou shalt love thy neighbour as thyself. [20] The young man saith unto him, All these things have I kept from my youth up: what lack I yet? [21] Jesus said unto him, If thou wilt be perfect, go and sell that thou hast, and give to the poor, and thou shalt have treasure in heaven: and come and follow me. [22] But when the young man heard that saying, he went away sorrowful: for he had great possessions. [23] Then said Jesus unto his disciples, Verily I say unto you, That a rich man shall hardly enter into the kingdom of heaven. [24] And again I say unto you, It is easier for a camel to go through the eye of a needle, than for a rich man to enter into the kingdom of God. [25] When his disciples heard it, they were exceedingly amazed, saying, Who then can be saved? [26] But Jesus beheld them, and said unto them, With men this is impossible; but with God all things are possible. [27] Then answered Peter and said unto him, Behold, we have forsaken all, and followed thee; what shall we have therefore? [28] And Jesus said unto them, Verily I say unto you, That ye which have followed me, in the regeneration when the Son of man shall sit in the throne of his glory, ye also shall sit upon twelve thrones, judging the twelve tribes of Israel. [29] And every one that hath forsaken houses, or brethren, or sisters, or father, or mother, or wife, or children, or lands, for my name's sake, shall receive an hundredfold, and shall inherit everlasting life. [30] But many that are first shall be last; and the last shall be first.

John 10:25-30 KJV Jesus answered them, I told you, and ye believed not: the works that I do in my Father's name, they bear witness of me. [26] But ye believe not, because ye are not of my sheep, as I said unto you. [27] My sheep hear my voice, and I know them, and they follow me: [28] And I give unto them eternal life; and they shall never perish, neither shall any man pluck them out of my hand. [29] My Father, which gave them me, is greater than all; and no man is able to pluck them out of my Father's hand. [30] I and my Father are one.

It is essential to pray, and to repent of our sin, and ask for salvation, but that is just the beginning of a new life dedicated to the Lord Jesus Christ. Praying one prayer is no guarantee of salvation and everlasting life. We must follow him by obeying His commandments and doing what he told us to do.

If you have any questions or comments or would like to connect with us, please email Tyler at tbu.lifeteam@gmail.com

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- Staying active while aging and the four key pillars of activity.
- Tips to make meals easier.
- The importance of social connection.

Staying Strong and Healthy as We Age will be held via Zoom on Nov. 12, 29. Dec. 1 and 13 from 9 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Registration is required as dates and times are subject to change. For more information and to register to attend, please call the Alberta Healthy Living Program at 1-877-314-6997. You will receive your Zoom link when you register.

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