

# THORSBY TARGET

## RURAL NURSE PRACTITIONER HELPS FILL GAP IN LOCAL PRIMARY CARE ACCESS

Lorena Franchuk / RhPAP

After working for two decades as a registered nurse based mainly in rural Alberta, Michelle Williams believed she could do even more for her patients.

*"I had been an [registered nurse] for nearly 20 years and worked mainly in rural health care and hospital settings. I had done a specialty in palliative care and directed my practice more toward end of life care which I loved, but always thought, 'I feel like I want to do more.'" she explained.*

Williams returned to school to become a family nurse practitioner (NP) while she worked simultaneously as a palliative care nurse consultant with Alberta Health Services. After graduating with a master's degree in Nursing and completing her NP clinical components, she realized her true calling was helping rural Albertans.

With her new NP designation, Williams was able to put her medical experience and training towards that of a primary care provider.

*"With a nursing background, [nurse practitioners are] trained to look at the whole person and provide true patient-centered care," she said.*

*"We do routine health screening such as PAP tests, physical exams, and manage chronic conditions. We can order labs and X-rays and interpret the results. We prescribe medications including narcotics and do procedures such as skin biopsies, IUD [intrauterine device] insertions, and suturing. We are able to make referrals to specialist physicians as well as perform driver's medicals,*

*WCB assessments, and complete disability forms." she said.*

An opportunity for an NP position opened up with the Leduc Devon Beaumont Primary Care Network (PCN) in December 2019 through a grant under the province's Nurse Practitioners Support Program.

Williams would be able to provide primary care to residents in the western region of Leduc County based clinics in Thorsby and Warburg. Prior to her arrival, patients would travel to Calmar, Devon, Leduc or Drayton Valley to see a physician—which wasn't always feasible due to distance and other reasons.

Even if patients could travel, many physicians weren't accepting new patients.

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*Nurse practitioner, Michelle Williams, examines patient, Ryan Plouffe, in the Warburg NP-Led Clinic. Williams has divided her time between the Thorsby and Warburg NP-Led Clinics for the past three years.*

*— Photo supplied by Michelle Williams*

# Classifieds

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## Financial Empowerment Program

Leduc County Family and Community Support Service's (FCSS) **Financial Empowerment Program** allows you to explore how you can pay your bills, manage your debt, afford basic necessities and get ahead.

The program is **free and confidential**. Trained staff are here to listen and learn about what is important to you, offer you options and provide information based on your needs and interests. You take the lead and set the pace. Your knowledge and living experience is unique to you.

One-to-one\* sessions are available to help you:

- ▶ Get ready for income tax filing and file your taxes for free\*\* OR teach you how to file your own taxes.
- ▶ Learn about the subsidies, grants, benefits and supports that may be available to you.
- ▶ Identify the financial challenges that are holding you back.
- ▶ Create action plans to meet your goals.
- ▶ Access the right support and services with helpful referrals to community agencies that provide specialized financial information and support.
- ▶ Increase your basic money management skills so that you can reduce debt, grow savings, build assets and make informed financial decisions.

In addition to one-to-one support, we also offer information sessions and workshops on a variety of financial literacy topics. Check out our recorded sessions and upcoming events at [leduc-county.com/community-family](http://leduc-county.com/community-family).

Leduc County is one of a select group of Canadian municipalities to partner with Prosper Canada on the Prosperity Gateways-Cities for Financial Empowerment project to improve the financial well-being of residents living on low income. Financial help includes education, coaching/counselling, free tax clinics and help accessing income benefits.

If you're interested in the Financial Empowerment Program, contact Leduc County FCSS at 780-979-2385 or [fcssinfo@leduc-county.com](mailto:fcssinfo@leduc-county.com).

\*One-to-one sessions are available to residents of Leduc County, Calmar, Thorsby and Warburg.

\*\*The volunteer income tax program is available to low income residents with simple income tax situations. It does not complete returns for people who are deceased, bankrupt, or have business, farming or rental income.



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5	8	9	6	2	7	3	1	4
6	1	7	4	3	5	8	9	2
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*Sudoku Answers  
from Nov 18 Issue*

*The object of the puzzle is to fill the remaining squares, using all the numbers 1-9 exactly once in each row, column, and the nine 3 x 3 subgrids.*



Looking for Contract snow removal for December to April monthly rate by bid.

Looking for bids on yearly cleaning and yard maintenance contract paid monthly.

Please direct all bids and questions in person at the Thorsby Post Office

# AGM 2022

Thorsby Ag Society

AGM & Bylaw Update

Wednesday, November 30, 2022

7:00pm at the Haymaker Centre

Dianne 780.906.4520

## Light the Night: Winter Luminary

Saturday, Dec. 17 | 2 to 6 p.m. | Rundle's Mission | free

Join Leduc County for a fun outdoor event at Rundle's Mission.

Kick off the Christmas season with Leduc County Parks and Recreation! First, try your hand at ice carving and then take part in the main event - creating your own luminary! While you make your luminary there will be live music to enjoy. Once it's dark out, we will head outside for a walk around the community trail with our beautiful luminaries. Hot chocolate will be available to purchase.

This is a free event - registration is not required!

For more information, contact Parks and Recreation at 780-955-6410.



# WE ARE HIRING!

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Email resume to:  
lonewolfmechanic@hotmail.com

## LONE WOLF MECHANICAL



4813 - 50 Ave Thorsby

## 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Christmas in Mulhurst Bay

Like and follow us on facebook

Saturday, November 26, 2022

Market  
10:00 am-4:00 pm

House Tours  
11:00 am-6:00 pm  
\$20 per person

Wagon Rides  
Saturday Only!  
1:00 pm-3:00 pm  
\$5.00 per person

Santa will be on site with his sleigh!  
1:00 pm-3:00 pm Sat only  
BRING YOUR CAMERA

Sunday, November 27, 2022

Market  
10:00 am-4:00 pm

House Tours  
11:00 am-5:00 pm  
\$20 per person

Located at the Mulhurst Bay Community Centre



Food Bank Donations gratefully appreciated

Payment for house tour accepted via e-transfer [mulhurstbaycommunity@gmail.com](mailto:mulhurstbaycommunity@gmail.com)



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# COMMUNITY EVENTS & info

## UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS & PROGRAMS

Royal Canadian Legion #246 Mulhurst Invite you to the next **COMMUNITY SOCIAL** on Friday Nov. 25th @ 7pm

**CHAMBER GALA** on November 26 at the Thorsby Community Hall. **SOLD OUT!**

**CHRISTMAS IN MULHURST BAY** - Nov 26 & 27 at the Mulhurst Bay Community Centre. Market, House Tours. Saturday only - Wagon Rides and Santa too!

**"FEELING STRESSED?"** FREE Wholistic Stress Management Workshop continues Wed Nov 30, 7pm, at Warburg Community Hall, 5335-50A Avenue. Full workshop info available online at [www.HealthSeminars.ca](http://www.HealthSeminars.ca). Email or call for info: [registration@healthseminars.ca](mailto:registration@healthseminars.ca) or 825-525-1368.

**CHRISTMAS IN THE VILLAGE** Thorsby Chamber of Commerce Customer Appreciation, Friday Dec 2, 6-9pm

**ADVENT ART HOUR** on Monday Dec. 5 at 5:00pm in St. Matthew's Lutheran Church basement. All ages are welcome to create simple art in celebration of the Advent season. Call Brittany 780-803-4716 to sign up.

**DARK SIDE OF TOWN PRESENTS CHRISTMAS** Come join us for some holiday cheer. Dec. 11 from 12-5pm 4507-49th Ave. \$5 Santa Photos proceeds going to Thorsby Elem. hot lunch prog. \$1 Hot Coco proceeds goes towards next Scream Fest.

**CHRISTMAS DINNER & DANCE** at the Mulhurst Legion on Sat. Dec. 17th, \$35.00 a ticket Call: 780-935-6281

## PROGRAMS & REGULAR EVENTS

**CRAFTS & GAMES** - After school Program for ages 6+ on Wednesdays from 3:30pm - 5pm. Until Nov 30 at the Complex.

**BASKETBALL** - After school Program for ages 8+ on Tuesdays from 3:30pm - 5pm. Until Nov 29 at the Complex.

**THORSBY BINGO** Located at the Thorsby Seniors Centre every Thursday evening starting at 7pm.

**ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION #246 MULHURST:** Hosting weekly family Bingo's every Tue. @ 6:30 (new winter hours)

**PICKLE BALL** on Tuesday & Thursday morning 9:30am to 11:30am and Thursday nights from 7-9pm at the Arctic Spas Recreation Complex. \$5 drop in fee

**THORSBY SENIORS SOUP & SANDWICHES** at the Thorsby Seniors Centre on the 2nd Wed of each mth starting at 11:30am

**THORSBY AFTERNOON CRIB** at the Seniors Centre runs every Monday at 1:30pm Everyone welcome!

**SEW HEAVENLY QUILTERS** meet at 10:00 am Thursdays at Warburg Cultural Centre. Call Peggy Lunde 780-789-2545

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**BUSY BRUSHES** meet on Wednesdays at 10 am on Wed at the Warburg Cultural Centre. Call Linda Mayr 587-590-0378.

**WARBURG CURLING CLUB SENIOR MEN'S DROP-IN** - Thursday at 10am. \$5 drop-in fee. Call Les at 780-848-2661

**SANDHOLM SQUARE DANCE CLUB** -Youth, couples & singles Thursdays, 7 to 9:30pm at Sandholm Hall (10 miles S of Thorsby). For info call 780-238-5844 or 780-389-2381.

**WARBURG MUSEUM** - Pie & Coffee on the first Saturday of every month next one December 3 from 1pm - 4pm.

## COMMUNITY SERVICES

**THORSBY RECREATION COMPLEX HOURS** - Weekdays 9am - 8pm & Weekends 11am - 5pm. Call 780-789-4041

**THORSBY BYLAW ENFORCEMENT** - contact Barry Rasch at [bylaw@thorsby.ca](mailto:bylaw@thorsby.ca) or 780-233-4151

**COMMUNITY EVENTS SIGN** is Free to Non-Profit Organizations on a first come, first served basis. To have your event placed on the sign call 780-789-4041

**THORSBY RCMP** call 780-789-3950 or contact Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS), online at [www.P3Tips.com](http://www.P3Tips.com) For emergencies call 911

**THORSBY TOWN OFFICE** - 780-789-3935 or email [info@thorsby.ca](mailto:info@thorsby.ca)

**THORSBY MUNICIPAL LIBRARY** New Hours Tuesday 10am-6pm / Wednesday 12pm-6pm / Thursday 12pm-7pm / Friday 10am-5pm / Saturday 10am-1pm - 780-789-3808.

## COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES

**Does drinking affect your personal life in any way? AA CAN HELP!** 5203 - 54 Avenue at Thorsby New Life Christian Church (every) Monday 8:00pm 780-270-7903

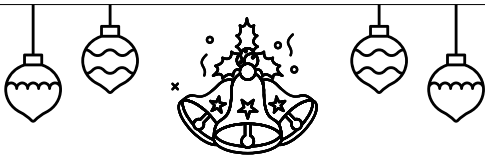
**THORSBY FAMILY & COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES (FCSS)** Call 780-789-4004 or email [fcss@thorsby.ca](mailto:fcss@thorsby.ca)

**Foot Care Nurse** will be in Thorsby on the 1st Wednesday of every month. Please call Irene at 780-789-3176

**LEDUC & DISTRICT VICTIM SERVICES** - assisting victims of Crime & Trauma in partnership with the RCMP. Call 780-980-7232 or [www.leducvictimservices.ca](http://www.leducvictimservices.ca)

**LEDUC COUNTY FAMILY RESOURCE NETWORK IN THORSBY** - Located at 4908 48 St. in the modular building across from the Arctic Spas Recreation Complex. Open Tuesdays 2 to 4 p.m. and 5 to 8 p.m. Closed for supper 4 to 5 p.m. Open Thursdays 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Closed for lunch noon to 1 p.m. Call 780-979-2385 or email [frn@leduc-county.com](mailto:frn@leduc-county.com)

**Community Events & Information**  
is **FREE** to advertise



## Christmas Elves and Santa's Helpers

Do you or does someone you know need a helping hand from the Elves this Christmas season? Christmas Elves and Santa's Helpers provide food and toys to people in need with the help of community donations.

### Make a confidential referral to your local coordinator:

**Calmar and area**  
Contact Leah at  
780-985-3604 ext. 233  
Deadline for referrals:  
Dec. 1  
Delivery: Dec. 13, 14 and 15

**New Sarepta and area**  
Contact Lucille at  
780-941-2382  
Deadline for referrals:  
Dec. 16  
Delivery: Dec. 23

**Thorsby and area**  
Contact Mikayla at  
780-789-4004 or  
fcss@thorsby.ca  
Deadline for referrals:  
Dec. 5  
Pick up or delivery: Dec. 16

**Warburg and area**  
Contact Shauna at  
780-848-2828 or  
fcss@warburg.ca  
Deadline for referrals:  
Dec. 8  
Pick up or delivery: Dec. 22

**Beaumont/Nisku and area**  
Contact FCSS at  
780-929-1006 or  
fcss@beaumont.ab.ca  
Deadline for referrals:  
Dec. 9  
Delivery: Dec. 14  
www.bnchristmaselves.ca

**Leduc Santa's Helpers (toys only)**  
Contact: 825-995-1008  
Deadline for referrals:  
Dec. 6  
Delivery: Dec. 20; pick ups by appointment only between Dec. 17 and 19  
www.leducsantashelpers.ca

Contact the Leduc and District Food Bank for food hamper information: 780-986-5333

**Devon**  
Contact: 780-600-2525  
Deadline for referrals:  
Dec. 6  
Delivery of gift cards:  
Dec. 9 from 1 to 4 p.m.



**James Frederick Robb**  
October 12, 1949 – November 13, 2022

It is with great sadness that the family of James (Jim) Frederick Robb announce his passing on November 13, 2022.

Jim was a kind, gentle and generous man who always knew how to light up a room with his infectious smile and was deeply loved. He was a pillar of his community and never shied away from volunteering his time. Before his retirement, he spent 50 years building power lines across Alberta and told many stories of all the lines he built.

He will be greatly missed by his loving wife Debbie and three children: Darcy, James (Shauna) and April. He was a proud papa to his four grandchildren Dominique (Trent), Amanda (Logan), Reagan (Mitchel) and Ocean and great grandchild Hendrix.

Jim also leaves behind five siblings: Elaine (Dale) Kroetsch of Daysland, AB; Allan Robb (Virginia) of Rosalind, AB; Arllyis Teer (Dale) of 150 Mile House, BC; Lois Watkins (David) of Edmonton, AB; Ron Robb (Hayley) of Victoria, BC; Aunt Elsie and Uncle Dave Giles of Stony Plain, AB; and numerous nieces and nephews.

He is predeceased by both parents Alexander and Mildred Robb, both his in-laws Henry and Hilda Thain, sister-in-law Marilyn Thain and brother-in-law Scotty Thain.

*It was Jim's request not to have a funeral service however the family will be holding a gathering in his honour at a later date.*



COMMUNITY  
EVENTS  
& info continued

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## MARKETS/THRIFT SHOPS (NONPROFIT)

**CHRISTMAS BAZAAR** at the Pioneer Recreation Centre in Warburg on Saturday, Nov 26 from 10am-2pm. Contact Village office for more info 780-848-2828

**MISTLETOE CRAFT AND BAKE SALE**, All items handmade! at the Leduc and District Senior Centre, Telford House December 3rd 10-4, December 4th 11-3, 4907-46 St Leduc (780)986-6160 www.leducseniors.ca telfordhouse@shaw.ca

**CL COUNTRY MARKET** - Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Ctr Fieldhouse from 10am - 3pm. Email [clsoapco@hotmail.com](mailto:clsoapco@hotmail.com)  
Next Market is on December 10.

**THORSBY SENIORS THRIFT STORE** Open Thursdays and Fridays 10am-3pm - **December 2 OPEN LATE from 6-9pm**

**MULHURST BAY FARMERS MARKET** at the Mulhurst Bay Community Hall (3802 50 Ave) every Saturday 10-2pm. Carol 587-920-2065.

## WORSHIP

**Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church** - 4813-51 Street, Thorsby. Mass is every Sunday at 9am and weekdays, Wednesday at 10:30am by Fr. Luan Vu. 780.987.2858 or visit [www.olvthorsby.wordpress.com](http://www.olvthorsby.wordpress.com)

**New Life Christian Fellowship** - 5203-54 Avenue, Thorsby  
Worship Services Sunday at 10:30am. Call 780.789.3020

**St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church** - Thorsby-  
Divine Liturgy on Sunday, December 18th @10:30am. For further information please contact Dan @ 780-789-3698

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

**Calmar Community Baptist Church** - 37A Parkview Crescent, Calmar, AB Sunday morning service 10:30 am

## FACILITY RENTALS

**Camp Bar V Nok** - for bookings call Jason 780-990-4043 or email [bookings@barvnok.com](mailto:bookings@barvnok.com)

**Centre Lodge Community Centre**  
For bookings call Caroline at 780-789-3089

**Glen Park Hall** For bookings call Mike at 780-919-1250

**John Turgeon Hall** Located in the Summer Village of Sundance Beach. For rental contact Shawna at 780-389-4409

**Morrowdale Community Hall**  
For bookings call Samantha at (780) 995-6890.

**Mulhurst Bay Community Hall** call 780-389-2455

**Mulhurst Legion:** Book your Christmas Function 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](mailto:rent@rundlesmission.org).

**Sandholm Community Hall** Call Doris 780-389-2381

**Strawberry Community Hall**  
For booking contact Cindy Miller at 780-789-2446

**Telfordville Hall** Call Tracy at 780-718-9549 after 5pm

**Sunnybrook Community Hall** - For rentals contact Mikayla at 306-307-2599 or email [sunnybrookcommunityhall@gmail.com](mailto:sunnybrookcommunityhall@gmail.com)

**Thorsby Community Center** Call Marlene at 780-789-3734 or text 780-217-9394 or [thorsbyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com](mailto:thorsbyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com)

**Thorsby Seniors Centre**  
For rentals call Dora Shier at 780-662-2066

**Wilton Park Community Centre**  
for booking text Aileen @ 587-930-2519.

## COMMUNITY GROUPS & MEETINGS

**BURNT WOOD "06" METIS LOCAL** monthly meetings on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7 pm in the Wetaskiwin Moose Lodge. Call Rose @ 780-361-6019 for more information.

**MULHURST BAY COMMUNITY LEAGUE** - Meeting the 3rd Monday of each month at 7:30pm. 780-389-4268 for more info.

**ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION PIONEER BRANCH #144 THORSBY** meetings are the third Wednesday of every month, except July & Aug at the Thorsby Seniors Centre at 9:30am. For Membership contact Doreen Mackenzie at 780-789-3812

**ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION #246 MULHURST:**  
Next General Meeting: Jan. 9th, 7pm

**RUNDLE'S MISSION SOCIETY**  
For info email [info@rundlesmission.org](mailto:info@rundlesmission.org) or phone 780-389-2422 [www.rundlesmission.org](http://www.rundlesmission.org) Facebook: Rundle's Mission

**THORSBY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY** - Regular meetings on the first Wednesday of every month at 7pm. AGM & Bylaw Update Nov 30 at 7pm. Haymakers Arena. [www.thorsbyhaymakers.com](http://www.thorsbyhaymakers.com) or call 780-789-3829

**THORSBY & DISTRICT CULTURAL & HISTORICAL SOCIETY** - Regular meetings held on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7pm at the Thorsby Community Hall which is managed by this society. Everyone welcome. For more information email [thorsbyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com](mailto:thorsbyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com)

**THORSBY & DISTRICT FISH & GAME** - Regular meetings held on the 3rd Monday of each month @7pm at the Warburg Village Office Basement (entrance through the back). Contact Bruce at 780-848-2242 for more info.

**THORSBY & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB** - Meeting the 2nd & 4th Monday of the month at the Lions' Den in the Community Hall basement at 7pm. For info or membership, call 780-903-1695

**THORSBY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** monthly meetings on the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Rec Complex. Call 780-499-9006 or email [thorsbyabchamber@gmail.com](mailto:thorsbyabchamber@gmail.com) for more information or to become a member.

**THORSBY COMMUNITIES IN BLOOM SOCIETY** - Contact Barry Rasch 780-983-2096 or [barrythorsby@gmail.com](mailto:barrythorsby@gmail.com)

**THORSBY MUNICIPAL LIBRARY BOARD** meets the third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM. Contact the manager at [yatmgsacuta@yrl.ab.ca](mailto:yatmgsacuta@yrl.ab.ca) for more information.

**THORSBY SENIORS** - Meetings last Wed of every month in the Seniors's Centre. Coffee meetings at 1pm (Winter Hours). Memberships available from Janice Zydek at 780-239-4595

**TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)** - Thorsby Seniors Centre - Mondays, weigh in (9am-9:15am), meetings (9:15am-9:45am) For more info call Jane 780-789-3789 or Elaine 780-221-3939

**WARBURG GIRL GUIDES** - at the Warburg Community Hall. Register online [www.girlguides.ca](http://www.girlguides.ca). Call Shelley 780-999-3913 or Kayla 780-920-9358

**WARBURG CURLING CLUB LEAGUE PLAY** - Pre-season began [warburgcurling@gmail.com](mailto:warburgcurling@gmail.com) or call Rob at 780-789-3723. FB or [www.warburgcurlingclub.ca](http://www.warburgcurlingclub.ca)

"little papers...BIG RESULTS"

# Christmas Elves

## DONATION INFORMATION

Food Donation & Money Donation Boxes Are Spread Around Town  
At Local Businesses Until Dec. 9th

Village Supermarket  
ATB  
Town Office  
Arctic Spas Rec Complex  
Guardian Royal Care Pharmacy  
Dyck Insurance  
Country Cannabis Store

Blue Falls Manufacturing  
Twisted Lime  
Thorsby Esso  
Post Office  
Ranch Land Meats  
Ruhr Valley Lumber  
Tall Pine Power Sports  
Thorsby Stock Yards

### Donations Most Needed

- Shampoo
- Conditioner
- Deodorant
- Toothpaste
- Toothbrushes
- Peanut Butter
- Canned Ham/ Meat
- Pasta & Pasta Sauce
- Big Cans Of Soup
- Art Sketch Pads
- Drawing Pencils (for Teens)
- Teen/Adult Coloring
- Teen Paint by Number,
- Teen makeup
- nail polish
- Lego for ages 12-14
- Craft Kits (beading, jewelry, diamond art, science kits)

All other items will be greatly appreciated.  
We do not accept "homemade foods"  
or expired foods.

# ANNUAL THORSBY GINGERBREAD VILLAGE CONTEST



DROP OFF AT BILAR'S GARAGE  
NOV. 28- DEC. 1  
JUDGING DEC. 2ND

## CATEGORIES

CHILD  
TEEN 12+  
ADULT

FAMILY  
BUSINESS





# BREAKING NEWS!!

## IT'S THAT TIME OF YEAR AGAIN!

It is your responsibility to maintain any sidewalk adjacent to the land you own or occupy.

**Please remove snow and ice from your sidewalks within 48 hours.**

Please do not run power cords across the sidewalk as they create tripping hazards.

Further details can be found in our Thorsby Traffic Bylaw 2006-05 Sec. 7.11-7.15 and 7.18

*Thank you from Thorsby Bylaw Services*



### STAY SAFE!



The Thorsby Town Office will be closed on Thursday, December 22nd at 3:00pm for a Christmas Staff Function. It will also be closed Friday, December 23rd for the holiday.

Thank you very much for your understanding!

### Town of Thorsby Upcoming Council Meetings

(all meetings are held at the Town Office  
in the Council Chambers)

Saturday, November 26 | Special  
Budget Meeting | 10am - 4pm

Sunday, November 27 | Special Budget  
Meeting | 10am - 4pm

Tuesday, December 6 | COW | 7-8pm



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## FARMS & ACREAGES

**MULHURST BAY - 4 bedroom bi-level on 1.82 Acres** (E4315509) nice yard, on pavement ~~\$449,000~~

**PIGEON LAKE - 32.67 Acres close to Johnsonia Beach**(E4313307) great building spots ~~\$299,000~~

**PIGEON LAKE - 20 Acres on Pavement** (E4316699) close to Johnsonia Beach, great building spots ~~\$199,500~~

**LEDUC COUNTY- 2.97 Acres on pavement** (E4305521) solid 3 bedroom home, double detached garage, amazing mature yard ~~\$399,000~~

**WARBURG - 39.56 Acres** (E4271943) set up for horse & cattle. 2841 sq ft house with finished basement and numerous out buildings. ~~\$729,000~~ **\$699,000** **REDUCED**

**GLEN PARK - 1/2 Acre** (E4267406) on paved lot. 1600 square feet bungalow with older out buildings ~~\$469,000~~ **\$149,000** **REDUCED**

## RAW LAND

**THORSBY - 68.81 Acres** (E4261453) close to North Saskatchewan River - 8000+/- planted trees, good building sites - power - tons of wild game. ~~\$450,000~~

## COMMERCIAL

**THORSBY - 2500 sqft building on Main Street** (E4308509) A/c, newer furnace, good condition ~~\$129,000~~

**THORSBY - 5300 sqft building on Main Street** (E4268265) corner lot, lots of parking, loading dock ~~\$249,000~~ **\$199,000** **REDUCED**



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# RURAL NURSE PRACTITIONER HELPS FILL GAP IN LOCAL PRIMARY CARE ACCESS

*continued*

Lorena Franchuk / RhPAP

*"People had been [limited in options] so they were just ignoring their health," she said of the catchment area of about 10,000 people with a high population of seniors.*

Williams jumped at the opportunity to play a key role in her patients' health and wellness.

Williams, under the PCN, worked with various community stakeholders including the municipalities of Warburg and Thorsby, Leduc County, and Alberta Health Services so the clinics could open.

*"When I was hired and started working in January of 2020, my efforts were focused on developing the clinics from the ground up with all the technical components of establishing a medical clinic including securing clinic space in both communities," she said of the work which also included IT setup and ordering equipment.*

*"It's a true success story in terms of stakeholder collaboration, innovation, and dedication towards the common goal of improving access to primary healthcare" — Michelle Williams.*

Williams admitted it was a steep learning curve for a new NP, especially without clinic management expertise. Fortunately, the stakeholders were able to provide some funding to hire a medical office assistant who had experience working in a clinic.

*"It's a true success story in terms of stakeholder collaboration, innovation, and dedication towards the common goal of improving access to primary healthcare" said Williams.*

*"I hope that we can use this as a model for other rural communities to exemplify that advocacy and team work can truly make things happen."*

Dr. Susan Prendergast, president of the Nurse Practitioner Association of Alberta, and a former midwife and RN who now works as a nurse practitioner, says the NPAA and national counterparts have worked for years to encourage interested RNs already living rural to continue their education and become NPs possibly with rural

specialization.

*"The challenge [for a] rural NP actually is that if you haven't worked in a rural area before, it might be a little bit more work to try to become embedded in the community," said Dr. Prendergast.*

*"So what we've been doing nationally is trying to plan for that sort of preparation for nurse practitioners."*

Dr. Prendergast said in addition to the many who have already been fully trained as NPs, a number of RNs are interested in pursuing further education to expand their scope of practice.

Williams said it's her patient satisfaction that keeps her going strong as a full-time NP on call 24/7.

Past studies on NP care mirror that perception.

*"We've done a lot of evaluation work and the satisfaction rate from patients is very high," said Williams. "Nearly 100 per cent of patients surveyed said that they were very or 100 per cent fully satisfied with the care they've received."*

Both Williams and Dr. Prendergast maintain there is plenty of work and collaboration opportunities for physicians and NPs to provide primary health care for rural Alberta and elsewhere.

*"There's room for everybody. If you could get a physician and a nurse practitioner, it's a wonderful mix." said Dr. Prendergast.*

*"You bring different things to the table."*

**The Rural Health Professions Action Plan (RhPAP) has helped rural Alberta communities attract and retain health professionals since 1991. For more information please visit [www.rhpap.ca](http://www.rhpap.ca)**

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ALL ABOUT COMMUNITY

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Drayton Valley Devon Constituency  
Nomination Candidate - UCP



# Christmas Elves

Do you or someone you know need a helping hand this Christmas Season? Christmas Elves is a program designed to provide Christmas hampers & gifts to families who are under financial strain. This program is made possible by all our amazing and generous community members, so we thank them graciously!!

Donations will be accepted at the FCCS Office located in the Arctic Spas Rec Centre. You will also be able to find cash donation boxes located around Town.

Donations that are needed can be anything from food, new toys, gift cards & toiletries. All items are greatly appreciated!

## **Fireman Food Drive Tuesday Nov. 29 at 7pm**

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Deadline For Referrals: Dec. 5

Pick-up or Delivery: Dec. 16





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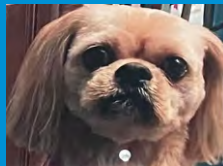
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# COUNCIL NOTES

November 22, 2022

Committee of the Whole

by Carol Rempel

## Budget Time for 2023 Presentations/Delegations

A 2023 budget presentation from the **Thorsby & District Historical Society** was presented by Marlene Kobeluk requesting \$15,000 from the Town. Last year their utility bills and maintenance were \$12,729.

The **Thorsby Municipal Library** requested \$48,000. Gayle Sacuta mentioned that they had provided many activities in the library such as an art show, a guitarist, a summer reading club, Early Literacy, a book sale, online help resources, and many more. The library provides portable Wi-Fi, bowling passes, and quality programming for adults, students, and children.

Kim Brightman from **Communities in Bloom** requested a \$4000 budget for plants and to work towards outdoor enhancement of the community. This does not include watering costs. Adopt a Planter Program will continue as last year it was a huge success, having the businesses and community sponsor 49 planters. In 2023 projects include landscaping around the photo booth, ground prepping for the Community Orchard, planting 3 more fruit trees, and putting out garbage/recycling bins. There was an excess of over 200 volunteer hours.

The **Leduc & District Food Bank** requested \$500, the same as last year providing hampers to 24 families last year including 48 hampers in our area. In 2021 the Food Bank provided various programs such as the United Way tools for school, Snack attack, School bagged lunch, Bread basket, Community Kitchen, and Bagged Day kits. With the support of Corporate, Business, Community, In Kind, Individual support, and many volunteer hours, the Food Bank continues to serve our community in many ways.

The **Thorsby & District Chamber of Commerce** presented their request for \$500 to help offset costs for our Annual Christmas in the Village on December 2. The council voted unanimously to approve their written request.



# Dawn Heisler

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### WARBURG MOBILE



3 bed, 2 bath, upgraded flooring, siding, shingles, storage shed, Lot fee \$260/month **E4315606 \$55,000**

### WARBURG VACANT LOTS

Residential Lot 12 **\$24,000**  
Lots 23-25 Your choice **\$45,000**

### WARBURG MOBILE



1990 mobile with addition, 3 bed, 2 bath. Lot rent \$260/month **E4299908 ~~\$74,900~~ \$67,500**

### COMMERCIAL WARBURG

2700 sq.ft commercial building with full basement **E4316643 \$149,900**



### ACREAGE by THORSBY



6 beautiful acres fenced for livestock, chicken coops, sunset barn, 1979 modular, oversized double garage with workshop, paved driveway. **E4308609 ~~\$360,000~~ \$350,000**

### APARTMENTS

2x 4-plexes in Warburg. Total of 8 units. **\$800,000**



### WARBURG



Solid 2+2 bedroom bungalow, south backyard, front and back alley access. **E4307702 \$175,000**

### DOUBLE LOT IN WARBURG

3 bed, 2 bath bungalow style, large deck, fenced, RV parking **E4311132 \$280,000**



### SECLUDED 4.27 ACRE



5 bed, 3 bath, walkout basement, 32x48' shop, barn **E4318673 \$525,000**

### WARBURG MOBILE

2007 on private lot. 1500 sq.ft. 3 bed, 2 bath, large deck **E4297369 ~~\$125,000~~ \$120,000**



### RETIRE IN LEDUC



Adult living in Ravine Villas, 3 bed, 3 bath, finished basement, double garage **E4319461 \$379,000**

### NEW MOBILE

Never lived in 2 bed, 2 bath in Warburg MHP. Lot rent \$260/month **E4296519 ~~\$135,000~~ \$130,000**



# COMMUNITIES CALENDAR

## December 2022

**Community<sup>39</sup>**  
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Communities Calendar will be in the newspaper once per month and available to view anytime online at [www.community39.com](http://www.community39.com) or on our FB Page

\*Dates are updated as needed

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<b>HANUKKAH : December 18 - 26</b> <b>KWANZAA : December 26- January 1</b>				<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>
					<b>*WINFIELD LEGION</b> Christmas Tree Lighting 5pm <b>*THORSBY CHAMBER</b> Christmas in the Village 6-9pm <b>*THORSBY Seniors</b> Thrift Store 10am-3pm <b>OPEN LATE</b> for CIV 6-9pm	<b>*WARBURG</b> Museum Pie & Coffee 1-4pm <b>*BUCK CREEK</b> Jam Dance & Cards 8pm <b>*LEDUC SENIOR CENTRE</b> Mistletoe Craft & Bake Sale Telford House 10am-4pm <b>*WARBURG - Fireman's</b> Drive 10am-2pm
<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>10</b>
<b>*LEDUC SENIOR CENTRE -</b> Mistletoe Craft & Bake Sale Telford House 11am-3pm	<b>*NO SCHOOL - BGSD</b> <b>*BRETON</b> Golden Age Meeting 11am <b>*THORSBY</b> Christmas Elves Referral Deadline <b>*THORSBY - St. Matthew's</b> Advent Art Hour 5pm	<b>*THORSBY - Town COW</b> Meeting 7pm <b>*BRAZEAU COUNTY</b> Meeting 9am	<b>*BUCK CREEK</b> Comm. Assoc. Meeting 8pm <b>*THORSBY AG Society</b> Meeting 7pm	<b>*BRETON</b> Ag Society Meeting 7pm <b>*WARBURG</b> Christmas Elves Referral Deadline	<b>*DRAYTON VALLEY</b> Christmas Market 4-9pm <b>*BRETON - Live Music</b> Salt & Pepper 6pm	<b>*WINFIELD- Christmas</b> Market 10am - 2pm <b>*THORSBY- CL Country</b> Market 10am - 3pm
<b>11</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>16</b>	<b>17</b>
<b>*BIG TEE - Christmas</b> Market 10am-4pm	<b>*THORSBY &amp; District Lions</b> Club Meeting 7pm <b>*WARBURG</b> Village Council Meeting 7pm <b>*THORSBY-District Cultural &amp;</b> Historical Society meeting 7pm	<b>*LEDUC COUNTY</b> Council 1:30pm	<b>*BRETON</b> Village Council Meeting 7pm <b>*WARBURG</b> Pioneer AG Society Meeting <b>*THORSBY Seniors Soup</b> & Sandwich 11:30am <b>*BRETON</b> Book Club 7:30pm	<b>*BRETON</b> Elks Meeting Community Hall 7:30pm <b>*THORSBY</b> Chamber Meeting 6:30PM	<b>*THORSBY</b> Christmas Elves Pick-up/Delivery	<b>*BRETON ELKS</b> Christmas Dinner 7pm <b>*MULHURST BRANCH #246:</b> Christmas Dinner & Dance <b>*RUNDLE'S MISSION</b> Light the Night 2-6pm <b>*LEDUC - Hainstock &amp; Son's</b> Candlelight Memorial Service Telford House 7pm
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
	<b>*BRETON</b> Royal Purple Meeting 7:30pm <b>*MULHURST BAY</b> Community League Meeting 7:30pm <b>*THORSBY &amp; District Fish</b> & Game Meeting 7pm	<b>*WETASKIWIN</b> Burntwood '06' Metis Local Meeting 7pm <b>*THORSBY - Council</b> Meeting 7pm	<b>Winter Solstice</b>	<b>*BRETON</b> Library Board Meeting 7pm <b>*THORSBY</b> Legion #144 Meeting 9:30am <b>*THORSBY</b> Library Board Meeting 7pm <b>*WARBURG</b> Library Board Meeting 6pm	<b>*WARBURG</b> Christmas Elves Pick-up/Delivery	<b>Christmas Eve</b>
<b>18</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>24</b>
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<b>Christmas Day</b>	<b>Boxing Day</b>					<b>New Year's Eve</b>
	<b>*NO SCHOOL BGSD &amp; WRSD</b> <b>*THORSBY &amp; District Lions</b> Club Meeting 7pm	<b>*NO SCHOOL BGSD &amp; WRSD</b>	<b>*NO SCHOOL BGSD &amp; WRSD</b> <b>*THORSBY Seniors</b> Meeting 1pm	<b>*NO SCHOOL BGSD &amp; WRSD</b>	<b>*NO SCHOOL BGSD &amp; WRSD</b>	
<b>SUNDAYS</b>	<b>MONDAYS</b>	<b>TUESDAYS</b>	<b>WEDNESDAYS</b>	<b>THURSDAYS</b>	<b>FRIDAYS</b>	<b>SATURDAYS</b>
	<b>*BRETON- Cards</b> 1pm <b>*THORSBY- Afternoon Crib @</b> Seniors Centre 1:30pm <b>*THORSBY- TOPS</b> 9am	<b>*BRETON</b> Stay & Play 10-11:30am <b>*BRETON-Floor Curling</b> 1pm <b>*MULHURST</b> Legion Family Bingo 6:30pm <b>*WARBURG - Girl Guides</b> 5:30-7pm <b>*BIG TEE - Afternoon</b> Cards 2-5pm <b>*THORSBY - Pickleball</b> 9:30-11:30am	<b>*WARBURG</b> Library Songs for Toddlers 1pm <b>*WARBURG - Treasures</b> Thrift Shop 10am-4pm <b>*WARBURG- Busy Brushes</b> 10am <b>*BIG TEE - Afternoon</b> Cards 2-5pm <b>*BRETON</b> Low Impact Exercise Class 10-11am	<b>*SANDHOLM</b> Square Dance Club 7pm to 9:30pm <b>*THORSBY Seniors</b> Bingo 7pm <b>*THORSBY Seniors</b> Thrift Store 10am-3pm <b>*WARBURG</b> Curling Club Senior Men's drop in 10am <b>*WARBURG</b> Sew Heavenly Quilters 10am <b>*THORSBY - Pickleball</b> 9:30-11:30am & 7-9pm	<b>*THORSBY Seniors</b> Thrift Store 10am-3pm	<b>*BRETON - Crib</b> 12:30pm <b>*MULHURST BAY</b> Farmers Market 10am-2pm

# Dec. 5th PD Camp

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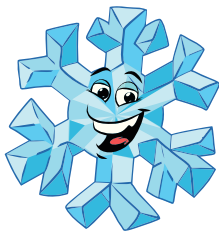


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## Thorsby Seniors Crib Results!

Crib scores from November 21st:

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2nd - Elaine Blair — 920  
3rd - Eugene Senio — 903

High Hand of 20 held by Leah Hennes  
**CONGRATULATIONS EVERYBODY!**

Next crib games are on Monday,  
November 28th, At 1:30 pm  
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**Thorsby Library updates and reminders:**  
from the Thorsby Library Staff

### Library Christmas Hours:

Closed on Friday, December 23, reopening on Thursday, January 5, 2023.

### Libby App

In other library news, the Overdrive App will be discontinued early in 2023, and patrons will need to use Libby instead.

## BOOK BY FORMER THORSBY RESIDENT RICK POPIK

*by Audrey Brosseau*

Rick Popik has written a book called F-I-F-O (Flying In and Flying Out for over 40 years in the Oilpatch). Rick grew up in the Village of Thorsby and moved to a farm a bit south of Thorsby when he was 12. He graduated from Thorsby High School in 1972 and then became involved in working in the oilpatch. In the book, Rick talks about many of his experiences in and around Thorsby, his early years living on Hankin Street, the outdoor rink, Pool Hall, the early Bank of Montreal and some of the antics that he got into with other kids in town. Memories include playing scrub, his early schooling and teachers, school sports, delivering papers, the creek, Thorsby Army Cadets, going to Pigeon Lake, commercial fishing, and learning to drive. The book includes pictures of his early years in Thorsby.

Once Rick graduated from High School, he pursued a career in the Oil and Gas Industry. He spent four decades as a FIFO (Fly in fly out) field employee for various oil and gas companies in Alberta, Australia and Indonesia. In his book he tells of many of his experiences, achievements, and challenges during those working years. Rick is now retired, lives on the Australian coast not far from Brisbane and spends a lot of time golfing.

Anyone who enjoys reading about early years in Thorsby, and a bit of humour, will enjoy reading this book with lots of local history in the first few chapters.

In the acknowledgments for his book, Rick thanks Mr. John Elson who inspired him and helped with the editing of the book. Thorsby Library has two copies of this book available for loan to anyone who wants to read it.

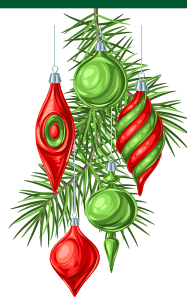
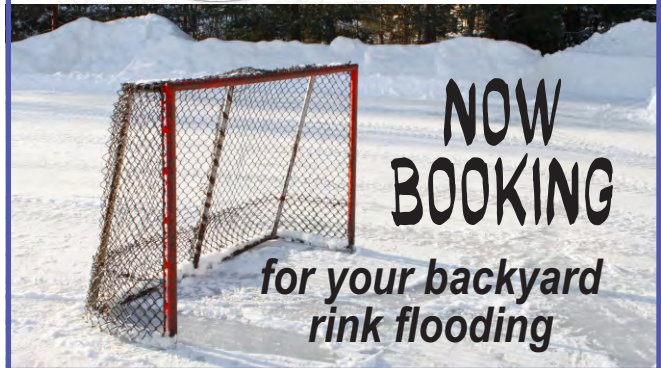
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# Candlelight Memorial Service

You are warmly invited to attend Hainstock & Son's Candlelight Memorial Service at Telford House, 4907 - 46 Street, Leduc on Tuesday December 13, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.

The Candlelight Memorial service offers an opportunity to honor lost loved ones in a special way, through reflective readings, music, and the lighting of candles as a sign of remembrance.

Please RSVP by December 9 by calling Hainstock & Son Funeral Chapel at 780-986-2151.

Warmest Regards,

*Crystal Challand* — Funeral Director

*Sheena Buzo* — Manager, Funeral Director

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# JOIN OUR BOARDS!

## 2023 LEDUC COUNTY BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Leduc County invites County residents to apply for the following positions by 4:30 p.m. on Nov. 25, 2022. Mileage and an honorarium may be provided to committee/board members.

### AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD

Acts in an advisory capacity to Council on matters in accordance with duties, powers and functions outlined in the *Agricultural Service Board Act* and in support of the *Weed Control Act*, *Soil Conservation Act*, *Agricultural Pests Act*, *Livestock Diseases Act* and *Water Act*.

- **Positions available:** two members from the community at large/expiring Dec. 31, 2024
- **Meeting frequency:** second Monday of the months of January, March, April, June, September, November and December commencing at 10 a.m. or at the call of the Chair.

### FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Acts in an advisory capacity to Council and the Director of Community Services. Is responsible for overseeing the development and operation of the program, and to ensure 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 west
- **Term:** two years ending Dec. 31, 2024
- **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:** four\*
- **Term:** three years ending Dec. 31, 2025

- **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:** two — one from Leduc and one from Warburg
- **Term:** two years ending Dec. 31, 2024
- **Meeting frequency:** four times per year on Wednesdays commencing at 6:30 p.m.

### PUBLIC WORKS COMMITTEE

Deal with matters that concern policy and programs regarding activities and services within Road Operations, Engineering and Utilities (water, wastewater and solid waste/recycling) services and the establishment of service levels as key performance indicators.

- **Positions available:** two members at large from the community expiring Dec. 31, 2024
- **Meeting frequency:** second Monday of each month commencing at 1:30 p.m. or at the call of the Chair.

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. 25, 2022 at 4:30 p.m. to:

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# Winter Machinery Consignment Auction

ONLINE TIMED AUCTION - Various Locations - 5 Rings Selling

Main Location: 4320 - 50th Ave - Rimbey, Alberta

Also Accepting Items at our East Central Location - Hwy #16 & Rge Rd 185

Sale Starts on December 9, 2022 & Begins Ending on December 13th, 2022

Including a Dispersal for the Estate of Elmer Van Eaton of Leedale, AB,  
A Farm Dispersal for Wes Thompson of Rocky Mountain House, AB  
Plus a Complete Unreserved Acreage & Household Dispersal for Jan Lucas of Rimbey, AB

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## Tractors

NH 8240 FWA Tractor  
JD 7810 FWA Tractor  
JD 2950 FWA Tractor  
JD 4440 2wd Tractor  
JD 4430 2wd Tractor  
JD 4320 2wd Tractor  
JD 4020 2wd Tractor  
JD 1830 2wd Tractor  
JD 50 Row Crop Tractor  
Kubota M7950 DT FWA Tractor  
Kubota 1800 FWA Tractor  
Case 830 2wd Tractor  
IHC 560 2wd Tractor  
Ford 6000 Commander Tractor  
MM 35 2wd Tractor

## Construction Equipment

2022 JCB TM420 Telehandler  
JD 755 Track Loader  
Doosan LSC6 Light Tower  
Assort. of New TMG 86" Dozer  
Blades, 84" & 72" Smooth,  
Grapple, Root & Skeleton  
Buckets, Hyd. Breakers, Log  
Grapples, Spreader, Post  
Pounder, Rototiller, Trencher,  
Snow Pushers for Skid Steers  
12'x54' Wellsite Trailer

## Hay & Straw

50 - Lowland Hay Bales  
50 - Timothy/Brome/Alfalf  
1st Cut Hay  
40 - Wheat Straw Bales

## Cattle Handling

Supreme 1200 Feed Wagon  
Kuhn Knight Vertical Max VT168  
Twin Auger Feed Wagon  
Haybuster Big Bale Buster  
NH 390 Tub Grinder  
Highline 6800 Bale Pro Processor  
Highline CFR650 Bale Processor  
Jiffy JSB900 Bale Shredder  
NH 354 Mixer Mill  
Bearcat #24R Roller Mill  
TMG Livestock Sheds  
20' Calf Shelter  
6 - Liquid Molasses Tubs  
Crowding Tub  
Large Assortment of Single &  
Double Round Bale Feeders,  
Feed Troughs, 24' Stand Up  
Panels (Some with Gates), 24'  
Wind Board Panels Plus More



Miscellaneous Will  
Not Be Accepted at  
this Sale

## Tillage, Haying & Harvest

### Equipment

Kello Bilt Series 155 8'  
Breaking Disc  
Cockshutt 12' Disc  
JD 100 14' DT Cult  
8' 3 pth Cultivator  
Farmking 50' Tine Harrows  
12' Chain Harrow  
JD 566 Rd Baler  
NH 1411 Discbine  
NH 315 Sq Baler  
NH 1030 Sq Bale Wagon  
NH 166 Swath Inverter  
Westfield 8"x51' Swing Auger  
New CG-DC 30' T/A Dry Cube/  
Silage Wagon  
Brandt 7"x36' Grain Auger  
Arrow Link Grain Roller

### Other Equipment

Rogator 854 100' Sprayer  
Miller Nitro 4215 80' Sprayer  
Case IH 575 T/A Manure Spreader  
JD 840 Classic FEL  
Erskine 2418 7' Snowblower  
JD 6.5' 3 pth Snow Blower  
Maletti 60" 3 pth Rototiller  
New TMG 30" Saw Mills, Log  
Splitters, Stump Grinders &  
Wood Chippers  
Linden Trail Type Post Pounder  
JD 709 7' 3 pth Mower  
Isuzu 20 KW Diesel Engine

## Trucks & Trailers

2008 Freightliner Clumbia 120  
T/A Hi-Way Truck  
1996 IHC Eagle 9400 Hi-Way  
Truck  
1994 Mack 300 S/A Picker Truck  
1991 Ford L800 T/A Gravel Truck  
2006 Ford F550 XL Super Duty  
2wd Truck  
1972 Ford 1 Ton Truck  
2018 Hot Shot 16' T/A BP Stock  
Trailer  
1994 Bergen 12' T/A BP Stock  
Trailer  
2006 Featherlite 28' Enclosed  
T/A GN Trailer  
1997 Gerrys 52' Tri-Axle Scissor  
Neck Trailer  
1981 Ames 16 Wheel Low Bed  
Trailer  
2001 Norbert 24' T/A Dually GN  
Flat Deck Trailer  
1997 Walinga 10 Comp. 41'  
Tridem Feed Trailer  
1985 Concession Trailer

PLUS A LARE SELECTION OF  
PASSENGER VEHICLES,  
RECREATIONAL, LAWN &  
GARDEN, LUMBER &  
BUILDINGS

All Items Must be Consigned by  
December 6th, 2022 at 5:00 p.m.  
to be Included in this Sale.



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*Thorsby's 29th Annual*  
**CUSTOMER APPRECIATION NIGHT**

 **Christmas In The  
Village**



**December 2, 2022  
6-9pm**

Bonfire, DJ, FREE Hot Chocolate & Hotdogs -

*Taylor Park*

Horse Drawn Wagon Rides 6:30-8:30pm

Santa Claus & his Elves ATB 6-8:30pm



Grinch & Business Expo

*South Entrance Guardian Drugs Building*

Gingerbread House Contest Winners *Bilars Garage*

50/50 *Supporting Thorsby Minor Hockey*

Late Night Shopping

*Support our community, buy local!*

Lutheran Church Carolers

Fireworks 9pm *Arctic Spas Recreation Complex*

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## TIPS From TOPS!

From Pearl Elson

*Our meetings are designed to encourage weight loss, maintenance, to educate and to provide support. New members are welcome to attend a meeting with no obligation. Meetings are held at the Thorsby Senior's Centre on Monday mornings with weigh in from 9am to 9:15am and the meeting following from 9:15am to 9:45am. There is an annual fee to TOPS International of \$49 and a monthly fee to the Thorsby Chapter #1694 of \$5. The first month chapter fees are free. Phone Jane at 780-789-3789 or Elaine at 780-221-3939 for more info.*

### Carrot Ginger Soup

A Tasty side that can be made and taken to the festivities in one pot

Prep time: 10 min.

Cook time: 2 hours

Servings: 6

- 2T. olive oil
- 6 large carrots peeled and sliced
- 1 c. yellow onion, chopped
- ½ c. celery chopped
- 1t. salt
- 1t. ginger minced
- 2 c. vegetable broth, low sodium
- 2 c. water
- 1T. basil or parsley (optional)

1. Place all ingredients into a slow cooker, except for the basil or parsley

2. Cover and cook on high setting for 1 hour (or for 2 hours on low setting)

3. Let cook for 20 min, then puree the soup using a hand immersion blender. Another option is to pour the soup into a blender and puree until smooth.

4. Add optional garnishes, such as honey (or maple syrup) a drizzle of plain low fat yogurt, and/ or Basil or parsley when serving.

Enjoy and happy holidays.

Per Serving: 66 calories, 5 g total fat, 0 mg cholesterol, 427 mg sodium, 6 g carbohydrates, 2 g fiber, 3 g sugar, 1 g protein

Exchanges 1 fat, 1 ½ vegetable,

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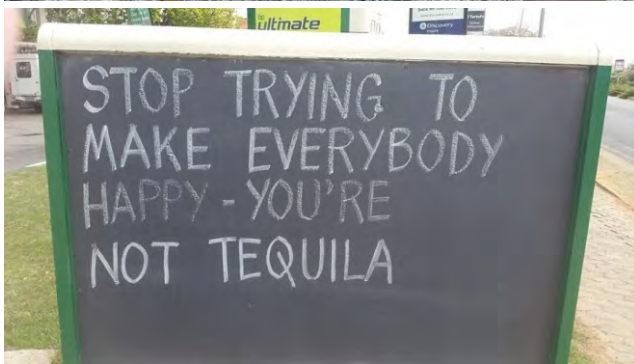


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# Laurie's Laughs



When you hear your neighbors arguing



**The main function of your little toe is making sure all the furniture in the house is in the right place.**

*This Southern Girl Can*

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Answers will be published in the next issue!



# Winter Lights Competition

**'Tis the season for beautiful light displays, and we want to see them!**

To help spread holiday cheer, Leduc County businesses and residents are encouraged to submit an application to have their winter light displays shared on an online map.

In December, the map will be shared so residents can tour the County, view the light displays and vote for their favourites!

Please note, you must be a Leduc County resident or business located within Leduc County to participate in the contest.

► Apply to be listed on the map

If you would like to be listed on the map, you need to fill out an online form.

[www.leduc-county.com/winter-lights-competition](http://www.leduc-county.com/winter-lights-competition)

You have until Dec. 16\* to submit your application.

*The map will be available beginning Dec. 1.*

For more information, contact Andrea at **780-770-9264** or [andrea@leduc-county.com](mailto:andrea@leduc-county.com).

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**BRETON**  
10 ± acres, 3 bedroom home, 3 season sunroom, 32x40 metal clad shop. Subject to final subdivision approval. **\$389,000**

### LOTS IN BRETON at DEER CROSSING ESTATES

2 lots still available. No time requirement to build, GST included in price. Village will put in driveway. \$45,000/lot



**BRETON**  
12 Fraser Drive - large lot backs onto golf course - 159 ft golf course frontage. No time restrictions to build. GST included. **\$49,900**



**BUCK CREEK**  
Half acre at junction of Hwys 22 & 616. older 1500 sq ft home under repair with attached garage. Garden spots, shed, hen house **\$49,000**



**BUCK LAKE**  
1 bedroom 1 bath cabin built 1988, 0.8 acre lot. Wood stove, full kitchen, 4 pce bath, Drilled well, 2000 gal septic tank & power **\$199,000**



**BUCK LAKE**  
2.47 acre, 2 bed, 1 bath log home 30x40 garage, fenced garden, covered fire pit, surrounded by mature trees **\$299,000**



**DRAYTON VALLEY**  
5528 46 Ave - 4 bed 2 bath updated home, Kitchen, windows, siding, shingles & more. Insulated, heated double garage. **\$275,000**



**BUCK LAKE**  
GREYSTONES Lakeview 1.13 acre, services - power, well, nat gas riser. 40 ft Jayco RV with 3 slides. Shed. **\$198,000**



**BUCK LAKE**  
0.54 acre Lakefront, lakeview, 4 bedroom home with walk out basement. 3 car garage, heated, insulated, Single car garage. **\$649,000**



**TOMAHAWK**  
10 acres. 3 bed 2 level split home with attached garage. Along paved hwy just north of Tomahawk. Approx half treed. **\$285,000**



**BUCK LAKE**  
Sunset Bay: 4 bed, 3 bath home, walkout ICF basement, deck, view of lake. Share in community lakefront & dock slip - annual fee. **\$379,900**

## LAND

**AMAZING 316 ACRES at TOMAHAWK**  
316 rolling acres +/-, several creeks & Tomahawk Creek runs thru south end of property. Awesome recreational property or grazing land.. Underground 200 amp service, nat gas, well & septic tank. Perimeter fenced, electric fence cross fencing. Beautiful building sites overlooking valleys & creeks. Buildings in yard are of nominal value Tomahawk \$765,000

**INVESTMENT OPPORTUNITY**  
8 quarters (1267 acres), spacious home, 32x40 heated shop, Quonset, 2 waterers. 2nd serviced yard site is on the quarter to south. Substantial annual revenues received from surface leases & land rent. On Hwy 22. short distance to Drayton Valley \$6,500,000

**312 ACRES PRIME FARM LAND**  
Located only 2 miles east of Wetaskiwin. Land is primarily #1 & #2 soil & has \$8,800 in annual surface lease rev. Yard site with 1970s home, a 30x48 shop, a 60x100 pole shed, 2x5000 +/-bu grain bins, 3 hopper bottom feed bins & a number of older bldgs including a dairy barn, poultry barns & cattle shelters. Wetaskiwin \$2,300,000

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