BOOSTER

BRETON MUSEUM CELEBRATES BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Submitted by Allan Goddard

Join the Breton Museum on February 25, 2024 as we celebrate Black History Month. This year's guest performer is Thomas "The Voice" Alexander, an Edmonton based singer, which I had the pleasure of meeting this past summer. Thomas was one of the individuals on the tour set up by Calgary writer and historian Cheryl Foggo, when the group toured the Breton Museum and area, learning about the community of Keystone and the rich black history of this community. It was at this time that I learned of Thomas' connection to the families who settled Keystone in 1911. Thomas' grandfather Clifton was one of the individuals who came to Keystone. Clifton, along with his brothers homesteaded land northwest of present-day Breton.



Thomas "The Voice" Alexander, grandson of Clifton Alexander

Thomas has had a long and varied career in the music business. Starting out in the late 1960's, Thomas has played with numerous bands over the years, including "The Key", "Gaetz Avenue Dance Band" and "Force Major". In more recent times. Thomas continues to perform his music in Edmonton and area. Thomas sang at the

memorial of the late Lieutenant Governor Lois Hole at the request of the Hole family. For the Alberta Centennial he sang "Alberta Strong and Free" at the centennial celebrations. Thomas was also one of the performers to sing on the DVD "Wild Rose Country", which was about the diverse culture in Alberta, where he sang "Blue Alberta Blue".



Clifton Alexander

Join the Breton Museum

as we partner with the Breton Faith Covenant Church and Breton Food Bank to celebrate Black History Month. The performance will take place at the Faith Covenant Church on February 25, 2024 at 1:30. Admission to the performance is by donation. As in past years, we are also doing a food drive for the Breton Food Bank. Mark your calendar for February 25, I am sure you won't be disappointed.

HIGHWAY 39 FULLY OPEN

from the Village of Breton Facebook page - spill update #14 Feb 5, 2024

Thanks to the amazing clean up crews Highway 39 is now fully open!!! Such an incredible job!!! Thank you to Torq and all their contractors for their 24/7 response to the spill. Now on to cleaning up 20! There aren't any projected opening times for 20 just yet but we will update as we hear.

The car wash station demand is slowing down considerably. There are appointments available for 2 days this week (Tuesday and Wednesday) then depending on demand it will be evaluated whether to offer another day this weekend. Please text 587-842-1271 for an appointment as soon as possible.

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*Please note: Ads will be picked up every Tuesday afternoon so if your ad is time sensitive, please call 780-499-9006 or email media@community39.com by 10am Monday morning for the Wednesday Breton Booster.

The Breton Booster can be viewed online & in color at www.community39.com



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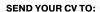
Sudoku Answers from Jan 31 Issue

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UPCOMINGSPECIALEVENTS

(Breton, Thorsby, Warburg & Surrounding Areas)

<u>February 7</u> - Breton Flower Club Introduction Meeting at 7pm at the Breton Community Centre. Contact Jodie Townsend at 780-514-8335 for more info.

<u>February 8</u> - Paint Party with Mary Ann Cygan in the Warburg Village Office basement from 7-9pm. \$25/person, Register with FCSS Shauna at 780-848-2828 or <u>fcss@warburg.ca</u>

<u>February 8</u> - Lunar New Year Tea at the Thorsby Library with tea, snacks and activities.

<u>February 8</u> - Free Public Information Session on your Pension at 8:30pm, Eleanor Pickup Centre for the Arts, 5144 51 St, Drayton Valley. Hosted by Public Interest Alberta.

<u>February 10, 16, 17, 23, 24</u> - Dinner Theatre "Francine's Will" at Liberty Hall near Bluffton. Doors open at 5:30. Tickets are available for \$50 at www.showpass.com/francines-will/

<u>February 10</u> - Winter Try It Festival at the Wizard lake day use area from 11am - 3pm. Winter sports and activities, sleigh rides, hot dogs, music.... FREE. Hosted by Leduc County and Wetaskiwin County

<u>February 10</u> - 9th Annual Predator Hunt hosted by the Thorsby & District Fish & Game Association. For more info contact Brent Lee 780-898-5013 or Bruce 780-621-2200.

<u>February 11</u> - Matinee Dinner Theatre "Francine's Will" at Liberty Hall near Bluffton. Doors open at noon. Tickets are available for \$50 at www.showpass.com/francines-will/

<u>February 11</u> - Winter Afternoon at Rundle's Mission, 1-4 pm. Ski wax clinic 1:30. Fire with free hot dogs and hot choc, Ski, snowshoe, sled, walk trails (bring own equipment).

<u>February 11</u> - Aaron Pritchett Liquored Up Tour at Eleanor Pickup Arts Centre, 5144 - 51 St, Drayton Valley at 7:30pm. Tickets available 1-888-655-9090 or <u>www.ticketpro.ca</u>

<u>February 11 - Sunnybrook Hall AGM</u> at 2pm. Coffee and dessert provided.

<u>February 12</u> - All things Ag: Producer to Producer Talk...Solar is it for you?, 7:30 - 9:30pm at the Breton Community Centre. Presented by Breton Ag Society

<u>February 13</u> - Winfield Legion Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper, from 5-7pm, \$8 per person. 10years old and under free. See you there.

February 13 - Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper at St. Matthews Lutheran Church in Thorsby from 5-7pm. All

welcome. No charge but a free-will offering will be taken.

<u>February 16</u> - Camo & Bling Fundraiser presented by the Breton Ag Society. Get your tickets at the Breton ATB or by calling Mark @ 780-542-0637 or Bonnie @ 780-514-5501.

<u>February 17</u> - "Raise the Roof" Comedy Night at Wilton Park Hall. Dinner & Show. \$50 per ticket. Tickets available through www.tickettailor.com or call 587-581-0404.

<u>February 17</u> - Community Gym Night at Warburg School. 5:30 - 8:30pm. FREE. Contact <u>davidemolyneaux@live.com</u>

<u>February 19</u> - Family Day Pancake Breakfast at the Thorsby Community Centre from 9am - noon. Hosted by the Thorsby & District Cultural & Historical Society.

<u>February 17-19</u> - Escape Room at the Thorsby Library. Confirmed details and dates to come.

<u>February 19</u> - Family Day event in Breton including a pancake breakfast hosted by the Breton Elks and wagon rides around the village. More details to come.

February 19 - Family Day with the Lakedell Ag Society from 4-7pm, Indoor & Outdoor Fun, Sleigh/Wagon Rides, Wiener Roast, Fireworks at 7pm, Free, 461043 Range Road 12

February 24 - Zirka Zabava at Devon Community Hall. Zirka performance, Ukrainian dinner by Saskitoba and dance. Tickets available on Eventbrite.

<u>February 25</u> - Black History Month Performance at the Faith Covenant Church in Warburg @ 1:30pm. Admission is by donation. Also, collecting donations for the food bank

March 16 - Off to the Races Fundraiser at the Mackenzie Centre in Drayton Valley for the CSTS Society. Contact Krista 780-898-2903, Mandy 780-621-6262 or csts1992@gmail.com

April 6 - Gord Bamford Canadian Dirt Tour 2024 at Warburg Center. Go to www.showpass.com/gord-bamford-canadian-dirt-tour-warburg-ab/ to purchase tickets.

<u>April 13</u> - Breton/Warburg Women's Wellness Day - a day full of speakers, breakout sessions, fabulous food and a vendor market to shop! More information available soon!

If you'd like to get a link to the paper in your inbox you can subscribe online or email media@community39.com

Community Events & Information is FREE to advertise



9th Annual Predator Hunt on Saturday, February 10, 2024

Registration 6:00 - 7:00am at Warburg Legion Hall Check-out Time is 5:30pm (no later)

Cost is \$200 for a 2 person team plus a youth under the age of 16 which includes a chili supper and two tickets to the TFGA Annual Banquet held in April of 2024.

Participants must be a TFGA member. Memberships available before or on the morning of the hunt. All prizes awarded at the banquet.

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PROGRAMS & REGULAR EVENTS

(Breton &Surrounding Areas)

**Please note - all events are subject to change

MONDAYS

BUS TO DRAYTON VALLEY (AQUASIZE OR WALMART) - Leaving Warburg & Breton on Monday mornings. Registration must be completed the Thursday prior to the Monday trip to save your seat. Contact Warburg FCSS at 780-848-2828.

CARDS & FLOOR CURLING at the Breton Golden Age Club at 1pm (\$3)

TUESDAYS

YOGA FOR WELLNESS - Every Tuesday from 10 -11 am at the Breton Community Centre until April 30. Adult Only. Instructed by June Knobel. \$2 drop in fee.

<u>CHILDREN'S GYM TIME</u> - FREE Drop in for 0-6 years old from 10am -11:30am at the Breton Faith Covenant Church. Hosted by Brighter Futures. For more info 780-514-5070.

FLOOR CURLING at the Breton Golden Age Club at 12:30pm

FOOT WELLNESS services the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month in Breton. Services include nail care, pedicures, detox treatments. Contact Christa at 780-514-5640 or online www.yourintrinsicelement.com/copy-of-services to book.

KNIT & KACKLE - meet to knit and crochet items to be give to non profits. No experience necessary. The 2nd Wednesday of the month at the Breton Faith Covenant Church at 1pm. Contact Gaylene at 780-696-3597

BRETON BOOK CLUB meets at the Library the second Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm from September until June. All readers are welcome to join the conversation!

THURSDAYS

NEW INDOOR WALKING GROUP on Thursdays at the Breton Community Centre starting January 18 from 9:30-10:30am. \$2 drop in fee. Please bring inside shoes.

FRIDAYS

LOW-IMPACT EXERCISE CLASS on Fridays from 9:30 - 10:30 am at the Breton Community Centre. Drop In \$2 per class. For more information call 780-696-3636

<u>JAM DANCE & CARDS NIGHT</u> at the Buck Creek Community Hall the first Friday of every month.

SATURDAYS

CRIB at the Breton Golden Age Club on Saturdays at 12:30pm. Contact Larry at 780-975-8755

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You will find information on our local communities including maps, contacts, rental facilities, community groups and supports and more....

COMMUNITYGROUPS&MEETINGS

(Breton&Surrounding Areas)

MONDAYS

<u>Breton & District Historical Society</u> - Monthly meetings the 4th Monday at 7pm at the Breton Museum. Jan-June & Sept-Nov. 780-898-1155 or <u>bretonmuse@yahoo.com</u>

Breton Golden Age Club - Meetings are the first Monday of the month at 11am (except July & August). 780-898-1651 or dwaymon@telus.net

<u>Breton Royal Purple Elks No. 285</u> - Meetings are the third Monday of the month at 7:30pm (except July & August) at the Community Hall. 780-514-4273 or <u>bretonrp285@gmail.com</u>

WEDNESDAYS

Breton Municipal Library Board - Meetings are the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7pm (except July & August). 780-696-3740 or bretonlibrary@yrl.ab.ca

<u>Buck Creek Community Association</u> - Meetings at the hall the first Wednesday of every month at 8pm. 780-542-6604 or <u>buckcreekhall@gmail.com</u>

THURSDAYS

<u>Breton Ag Society</u> - Meets the second Thursday of every month (except July & August) at 7pm at the Community Centre. 780-202-0140 or <u>bretonagsociety@gmail.com</u>

Breton Elks 402 - Meetings are at 7:30pm every 3rd Thursday of the month (except July & August) at the Community Centre. 780-898-3557 or bretonelks402@gmail.com

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FCSS NEWS

from Deanne Young

780.696.3636

Please feel welcome to contact me at fcss@breton.ca
or 780-696-3636. Our office hours are Monday to
Thursday 8:30am - 4pm.

Welcome to February. This year we have an extra month to show some kindness. If you would like to make a Valentine's Day card, we have left some at the Breton Library for you to color. It would be great to see these made and distributed to those in our community that could use a lil love! Maybe a elderly neighbor, someone at the Long Term care or someone that is alone.

Here are a few suggestions to do throughout the month.

Kindness Ideas for Adults

There are a lot of simple and inexpensive or free things people can do to make a difference to someone. We hope you are inspired by some of the kindness ideas below.

- · help the elderly with their shopping
- · leave a chocolate for the cashier
- · bake a cake for someone
- pay for someone's meal
- give a compliment
- listen to and play with children
- clean someone's home
- · clean someone's car
- buy coffee for the person behind you
- · visit someone in a nursing home
- · take food or clothing to the homeless
- · collect hotel toiletries for a care basket
- help at the Family Day Breakfast
- · give someone a warm hug
- leave your coin in the cart for the next person when you return it
- leave a note in a lunch box
- become an organ donor
- · write a love note to your partner
- · ask an elderly neighbor if they need help
- · let someone checkout ahead of you
- babysit for someone
- · listen to someone
- · acknowledge people who deserve to be
- when shopping, pick up things that have fallen off shelves or hangers
- hand make cheer up cards and deliver them to a hospital for patients
- give a mom / dad a break for some 'me' time

Changes to Alberta Government Payments - Albertans who rely on the Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped (AISH) and Income Support programs will get their payments four business days before the first of the month. Here are the next few payment dates:

February - Feb-01-2024, March - Feb-26-2024, April -

March-25-2024

"Yoga for Wellness" - Every Tuesday 10 to 11 am January 16 to April 30, 10 to 11 am, Breton Community Center. Gentle flow yoga to help strengthen and relax the body and the mind. Pose sequences, meditation and breath work also promotes flexibility, balance, as well as, mind and body wellness. Adults of all ages are welcome, however class content was developed with age 55 plus in mind. Instructed by June Knobel, Certified Yoga Teacher with, Yoga Association of Alberta. \$2 drop in fee

The Adult Exercise Program - from 9:30-10:30 am on Friday mornings. Equipment is provided. This class will focus on toning, balance, increased mobility, strength gains, and increased flexibility. Participants will be able to either do the exercise standing or sitting, which ever their ability will allow. This program is facilitated by Cassie Kreil a certified instructor. Participants will be asked to pay a small fee of \$2/class. Join today and start to get fit with friends. This is a drop-in group so you are welcome to start attending at any time throughout the year.

<u>Walking Group</u> - Thursday mornings from 9:30 to 10:30 am. At the Breton Community Centre, Drop In \$2, Organized by Kasey and Lorraine.

Save these Important Dates

Monday February 19 – Family Day. We are excited to partner with the Breton ELKS and community organizations to bring you Family Day celebrations.

The day will include:

- *Pancake Breakfast 9 11 Pay what you can
- *Entertainment Magic Show 11:00 11:45
- *Community Bingo 12:00 3:00 \$1 per card. All ages welcome (under 12 must be with an adult)
- *Wagon Rides 1 2pm
- *Fire wood available at RV Park for wiener roast bring your own supplies

*Ice skating - weather permitting

Watch for further details.

Breton /Warburg Women's Wellness Day – Saturday April 13, 2024. We are excited to partner with Warburg FCSS and bring you a day full of speakers, breakout sessions, fabulous food and a vendor market to shop! Tickets are \$30 and will be available February 12 at the Village of Breton and the Village of Warburg Offices.

We are just finalizing our day but it will feature:

Keynote - Christine Holubec Jackson - Finding our Super Power Through Adversity: Lessons From the Classroom of Life.

Breakout sessions with:

- Hot Mess Organizing Lisa Blough
- Homestead 39 Learn how to make Lavender Deodorant & Fermented Garlic Honey
- Flourished Creekstead Creating a cut flower gardenSarah's Sourdough - Learning about Sourdough making
- Closing Speaker Billi J Miller "Overcoming Diversity: Blooming Where Planted"
- If you would like to be a vendor at the event, please contact fcss@breton.ca



Brazeau County



nergency response to better protect people and property in the event of disasters

The County is developing a list of local resources and equipment to be called upon in the case of an emergency. The County is also looking for individuals with heavy equipment or water hauling experience interested in taking emergency management training.

Two streams of training will be offered:

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These training courses will enable local resources and personnel to effectively and safely contribute to future emergency response efforts in our community

Course dates are expected to start in February, and are being finalized. They will be announced on the Brazeau County website and Facebook page.

e-mail firetraining@brazeau.ab.ca to provide lists of available equipment and personnel interested in the training courses. If you have questions, please call Public Works at 780-542-7777.

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IMPORTANT DATES

February 19 | Brazeau County Administration Building closed

February 20 | Council meeting | 9 a.m.

February 21 | Agricultural Services Board meeting | 1 p.m. March 5 | Council meeting | 9 a.m.

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JAKE VAADERLAND & THE STURGEON RIVER BOYS

Friday, January 26, 2024 EPAC

REVIEW by Russ Hickman

The Sturgeon River Boys were already on the Pembina Stage and were playing the first bars of "My Father's Son". Stephen Williams' bouncy bass line was overlayed with a low guitar riff flavoured with a country twang. Jaxon Lalonde's banjo caught up and filled the gap as the lead guitarist, Joel Rohs, spoke into his old time microphone, "Ladies and Gentleman, Mr. Jake Vaadeland." Jake emerged, smiling and eager, from behind the curtain. In that moment, January 26, 2024, the EPAC audience were transported into another dimension of sound, of sight, another dimension of time. We had just crossed over into the Vaaderland Zone; Nashville's Grand Old Opry of the 1940's.

As Jake Vaaderland, (sounds like Vauldland) was played onto the frontman spot and began to sing, the audience was fully on board for a whirlwind ride on his well oiled, high performance way-back machine. Throughout the 26 song set list the lyrics were often personal and revelatory. Song titles foretold the intimate nature of Vaadeland's lyrics: "Farewell Blues" "Be a Farmer or a Preacher" "Everybody but Me" "Bachelor's Life" "Retro Man" and especially "My Father's Son", "Now everywhere I go, They treat me like a horse untamed, For no other reason that, I carry on my father's name. They say I am a sinner, But I know that I am a winner. But don't give me any rules, Because I'm as stubborn as a mule, And I won't let you under my skin. Still I got news for you. I'm my father's son, And I'm like him, too."

Other Vaadeland songs were humorous and sentimental. Most sprang from hard experience or quiet reflection like "Not Going back to Nashville", his latest single, or "One More Dollar to Go" and "Cow on the Road". Judging from the applause for the latter, it was a song most in the audience certainly could relate to! Some tunes featured virtuoso instrumental duels

between Jake vs Jaxon on banjos, or Jake's banjo vs Joel's lead guitar in "Farewell Blues". "Pike County Breakdown" and "Foggy Mountain Special" were played so fast, yet so tightly you felt it was it might be a race with serious bragging rights for the player that didn't trip up. This was some serious pickin' an grinnin', that earned, hooting and hollering, whistles and wows from the audience! The upright bass player Stephen Williams's behind the scene's flashy percussive strumming, frequent high carry fly-bys, and tornado inducing bass fiddle twirls grabbed attention from the amused front line players. The audience approved his antics with raucous applause.

The musicianship of Vaaderland, AKA: Retro Man, a nickname he appropriated from his school bullies, and the Sturgeon River Boys was exemplary. The acoustics and professional sound of the theatre lifted old school rockabilly, bluegrass and classic country music off our dusty, scratchy records and into a crowd pleasing, high energy mix of fun, fantastic and unforgettable live music. Vintage wear and gear, old-time banter, very down-

home jokes and two spoken word advertisements topped-off with musical jingles, made a standing ovation easy to give. Their explosively welcomed encore piece. "Blue Suede Shoes", ended our evening's trip back in time with smiles and a happy buzz all around. I left wanting a return visit to the Vaadeland Zone next season!





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Total Calls for Service	261
Suspicious Persons/ Vehicle	7
Collisions	40
Vehicle Theft	3
Fraud	8
Break and Enter	10
Assault	4
Impaired	2
Recovered Vehicles	7
Missing Person	1

JANUARY HIGHLIGHTS

January 18, 2024 – Warburg, AB

Thorsby/Breton RCMP with the assistance of Central Alberta District Crime Reduction Unit attempted to apprehend a male on outstanding warrants. Police attempted a traffic stop on a vehicle, and the truck failed to stop. The truck was later located at a residence in the area, and confirmed to be stolen. Logan DAVIS (28), a resident of Warburg, Alta, and Pauline HAMPEL, a resident of Warburg, Alta, were arrested on scene.

DAVIS was charged with the following:

- Possession of property obtained by crime over \$5,000
- · Operate a motor vehicle while prohibited

DAVIS was held for a bail hearing and transported to Edmonton Remand Centre.

HAMPEL was charged with the following:

• Possession of property obtained by crime over \$5,000 HAMPEL was released on scene, and scheduled to appear at Breton Provincial Court on February 14, 2024.

January 25, 2024 – Area of Brazeau County, AB

Thorsby/Breton RCMP attended a call for service involving multiple vehicles in the ditch along Highway 39 where a slippery substance was reported to have covered the road. Police intercepted a tanker truck southbound on Highway 20 that was deemed to be responsible, as it was determined the tanker cap was not properly secured causing the entire tank to spill onto the highway. The tanker was carrying VGO oil that is nontoxic, but extremely slippery. Highway 39 was closed, but has since been reopened. As of this writing, Highway 20 is still closed between Highway 39 and Winfield, Alta. Cleanup is ongoing, and crews are working to get the road reopened as soon as possible.



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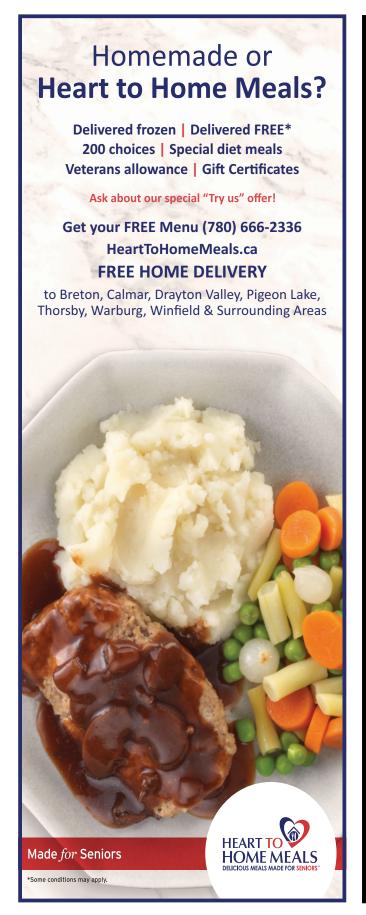


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It's coming to you to think about and jump on it! Looking at all the facts, it's a no brainer, because it is saving you travel and big meal costs. You have time to consider whether it's a good deal or not. This is endless.

Well, The Warburg Legion is bringing you an opportunity in your vicinity or IN YOUR BACKYARD...... a Concert for all ages to attend. Yup, Gord Bamford tour is coming to visit us on April 6, 2024. They will be putting on a show for all ages- Babes to Grandparents and because it's in Warburg, we wanted to let Breton, Warburg, Thorsby or Calmar and the surrounding area all about it.

Now here is the best part: there are a lot of ways you can get your ticket! Buying online - some like it and some don't...that's ok

Go to www.gordbamford.com you will come to a poster, scroll down to the gold box press on it to "get tickets now". This takes you to a list of shows, simply click on the right of Warburg, April 6, 2024. Your options are buy tickets now, buy a VIP table or a Meet and Greet with Gord Bamford. Pick your choice and follow all directions after.

Or You can call Tina @ 1-403-588-6286 and purchase your ticket with her over the phone.

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<u>www.showpass.com/gord-bamford-canadian-dirt-tour-warburg-ab/</u> Your Password is Gord2024

Well, do we have you thinking....Here is more information.

The show will be at the Pioneer Agricultural Center – Community center in Warburg. It starts at 7:30pm, there is a concession, 50/50 draw, silent auction and many more surprises for the evening for all ages. It will be a night of FUN!

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UCP GOVERNMENT'S BIG WIN IN CUTTING RED TAPE

For the past several years, our United Conservative government has been steadfastly committed to cutting red tape – recognizing the negative impact it has on Alberta families and businesses.

Under the NDP, Alberta was one of the worst jurisdictions in Canada for red tape, getting a failing grade on the Canadian Federation of Business' (CFIB) Red Tape Report Card. In 2019, we promised to do better and cut red tape by one-third. Today, we are celebrating that achievement, as well as getting a grade of 'A' on the CFIB's Red Tape Report Card for the fourth year in a row.

The significance of the work we've done on the red tape reduction file cannot be overstated, as it not only reflects our government's responsiveness to the needs of businesses but also translates to tangible benefits for Alberta families. By simplifying procedures, eliminating redundancies, and embracing modernization, we've managed to save Albertans a staggering \$2.75 billion since 2019. With over 200,000 pieces of red tape slashed, we're not only cutting through the thicket of red tape, but we're also laying the foundation for a stronger and more prosperous Alberta.

Through this work, Alberta is also addressing affordability concerns that are top-of-mind for Albertans right now. Every piece of red tape that is eliminated represents more money in Albertans' pockets and more time in Albertans' lives. As Minister of Service Alberta and Red Tape Reduction Dale Nally stated, "Our attitude about red tape is simple: when we find it, we cut it. We're proud that we've hit our one-third milestone, but we're not done yet."

The significance of Alberta's leadership in red tape reduction is not lost on the CFIB, whose director of interprovincial affairs, Keyli Loeppky, stated, "The Alberta government consistently demonstrates that with strong political leadership, progress can be made to reduce red tape for small businesses and Albertans. While the government has made significant progress, we further challenge them to make red tape reduction part of the solution in other areas like health care and housing."

Reducing red tape has played a pivotal role in fueling Alberta's economic prosperity. Over the past five years, our government has been steadfast in our commitment to lightening the regulatory load for Albertans. This has resulted in tangible benefits such as job creation, skill enhancement, and innovation and investment. This

proactive approach has set Alberta apart from other provinces, with a dedicated focus on collaborating with job creators to identify and eliminate unnecessary bureaucratic hurdles.

The journey towards a leaner, more efficient government is an ongoing endeavor. We encourage any Albertan who has an idea for red tape reduction to submit to us at Alberta.ca/cut-red-tape. Our province has proven that by working together, we can build an Alberta that is better for everyone.

As a reminder the Colors of Drayton Valley-Devon Youth Art Contest is still open. For more information on this contest please check my social media or contact my office directly.

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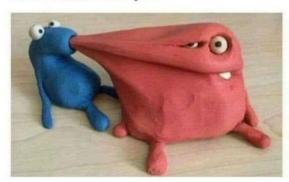


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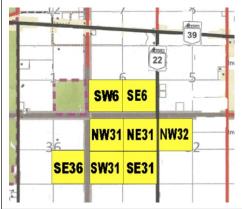
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