

# THORSBY TARGET

This being our first edition of the Target we thought it fitting to pay tribute to Laurie Gellert, the reason the paper is now under new management. A kind soul who was taken away too soon. I couldn't have said it better so I am just going to start with some quotes from Laurie's memorial card.

*"Laurie was a devoted and loving wife to Randy. Their dogs Diesel, Bear and Meadow were their furry family and they loved them intensely. The "kids" were a huge part of Laurie and Randy's lives and made their family complete.*

*She was fiercely proud of the papers she and Randy produced as owners of Community 39 Enterprises. She reached out to the communities and they responded by loving her papers and loving her. She charmed her clients with her easy-going attitude and her quick wit, then amazed them with her design talents.*

*She loved making miniature dollhouse furnishings, golfing, Ozzy Osbourne's music and gathering many precious friends as she lived her life to the fullest. Laurie was a hippie wanna-be, loving the music, styles and attitudes of the peace/love generation.*

*Family and friends meant everything to Laurie. She lit up any room she entered, and dark days and our lives with her "larger than life" exuberant personality and zest for life. You couldn't stay down when Laurie was around. Always a kind word, a helping hand and compassion as she went through days, always smiling, giving and caring: that was our Laurie"*

We are so grateful to have known Laurie and Randy and to be given the opportunity to continue with these 3 "Little papers..Big Results". I remember

when Laurie was the recreation coordinator for the Thorsby Recreation Complex more than 15 years ago. She put on so many amazing events bringing the community together. My favorite was Halloween. She, with the help of her colleagues and friends, would put on the most amazing Halloween haunted houses. It was the highlight of the year. Laurie touched many lives in our community and wherever she went over her 54 years.

We are honored to continue her legacy. After her sudden passing, Laurie left a hole in so many hearts. I also want to say thank you to Randy Gellert for trusting us and being so wonderful during this difficult time.

In honor of Laurie, we have now dedicated the "smile" page to her. It will now be "Laurie's Laughs". The peace symbol and dog print in the heading are similar to 2 of her tattoos. I hope you enjoy it and it puts a smile on your face just like she did to so many.

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## Provincial Referendum Vote - Equalization

By Amissa Jablonski

**Referendum Question** - Should section 36(2) of the *Constitution Act, 1982* - Parliament and the government of Canada's commitment to the principle of making equalization payments - be removed from the constitution?

### **What is Equalization?**

Equalization is a program, first introduced in 1957 and later enshrined in legislation by the *Constitution Act, 1982*, that aims to ensure all Canadians receive relatively the same level of services for approximately the same level of taxation, regardless of where in the country they live. The legislation recognizes that various areas of the country have different resources and economic potential and seeks to accommodate those differences by the redistribution of tax dollars, based on need.

### **How does it work?**

When Canadians pay their taxes each year, a portion of those monies go into a federal equalization pool. This pool is then divided up amongst all provinces (territories are not part of the program) based upon need. The goal is to raise the fiscal capacity of provinces that lie below the national average so they are able to offer a more equitable level of public services. These funds are also provided to the provinces in an unrestricted manner so can be used however premiers and their governments see fit.

The federal government uses a complex formula to determine how much each province gets in what are sometimes called 'transfer payments.' It takes into account a number of factors including personal income taxes, business income taxes, consumption taxes, property taxes and natural resource revenues and are calculated on a per capita basis. Natural resource revenues are only partially considered, however, so as not to unduly punish provinces with large amounts of income from this source (before 2004, this was not the case).

The equalization formula is amended by the federal government in consultation with the premiers. The current formula was negotiated in 2007 by then Prime Minister Stephen Harper and

his cabinet (which included Premier Jason Kenney), and the premiers and their cabinets, with a small change coming in 2009 to limit the total amount a province could receive. In 2018, Prime Minister Justin Trudeau and his cabinet proposed the extension of the current formula, to which the premiers largely agreed, save for Alberta and Saskatchewan who felt not enough consultation had taken place.

Equalization creates the concept of 'have' and 'have not' provinces. A 'have' province is a province whose taxpayers contribute more to the program than the province receives from the federal government or is a net contributor. A 'have not' province has its taxpayers contribute less to equalization than is paid by the feds to the provincial government, making it a net receiver. *Under no circumstances does a 'have' province cut a cheque and send it to a 'have not' province - all transfer payments come from the federal government and every province receives some money.*

### **Who has the power to make change suggested in the referendum questions?**

While the principle of equalization is enshrined in the constitution, the specifics of how the program works is flexible, allowing it to evolve with the nation. The referendum question, however, does not ask about changing the formula, rather, it asks about amending the constitution. To do this, an amendment must have the agreement of the House of Commons, the Senate, and a minimum number of provincial legislatures, which means at least seven provinces representing at least 50% of Canada's population, referred to as the 7+50 rule.

### **Why are we having this referendum?**

Premier Jason Kenney, as indicated above, feels that the current system is unfair to Alberta as a 'have' province. He is seeking the negotiating leverage that a 'yes' result might confer. However, given the challenging constitutional amending formula, it is unclear whether it would make any difference on actually removing section 32(2) from the constitution.

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Predeceased by his wife Linda, parents Jim & Wahnita, brothers Jimmy, Paul (Evelyn) and nephew Tyler.

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Royal Canadian Legion #246 Mulhurst:

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**The Thorsby Library** is now 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 to learn the latest news. Visit us to renew your library card at <https://thorsbymunicipallibrary.ab.ca/copy-of-form>

**Thorsby Crib nights** at the Seniors Centre runs every Friday night at 6:30pm. Everyone welcome!

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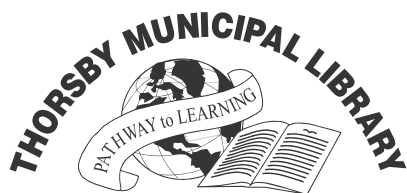
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### Seeking Board Members

Thorsby Library Board is currently recruiting. If you have passion for literacy, lifelong learning, and fostering a dynamic yet nurturing library community, please consider applying to volunteer as a trustee for the Thorsby Library Board! Board members are requested to commit to one meeting a month and be able to volunteer approx. 5 hrs per month of their time. Candidates are invited to submit a letter of interest by October 12, 2021. Please attach your resume and indicate if you have any special interests such as bookkeeping or advocacy. If appointed by Town Council, your three-year term would commence in November 2021. Meetings are scheduled for the third Wednesday of the month. Please email your application to the library manager at [yatmgsacuta@yrl.ab.ca](mailto:yatmgsacuta@yrl.ab.ca). For questions, call the library at 780-789-3808.



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**Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church** - 4813-51 Street, Thorsby. Mass is offered every Sunday at 9am and normally every Wednesday at 11am by Fr. Arun Rodrigues. Registration for masses is not currently required; however as a result of the latest health restriction notice, masks are now mandatory until further notice.

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**Thorsby Seniors** - Supper meetings will now be held monthly in the Seniors's Centre (4812 - 51 Street) and are on the last Wednesday of every month at 6pm. 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 780.903.1965

**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.

**The Royal Canadian Legion #246 Mulhurst** will host the next General Meeting on Monday Oct. 4th @ 7pm. New Members Welcome. Call: Marion @ 780-935-6281

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## Thorsby Library Board Seeks New Members

By Amissa Jablonski

The Thorsby Library Board is seeking new members to help it guide the Thorsby Municipal Library, located in the Arctic Spas Recreation Complex.

The Thorsby Library Board is responsible for establishing and maintaining library services, as outlined in Alberta's Libraries Act. Specifically, they are empowered to have 'full management and control of the municipal library and shall, in accordance with the regulations, organize, promote and maintain comprehensive and efficient library services in the municipality and may cooperate with other boards and libraries in the provision of those services.' (Section 7). This means they work with the community to make sure the programs and services provided at the Thorsby Municipal Library meet the needs of the residents of both the Town and the surrounding areas of Leduc County.

The Board meets monthly, from September to June, on the third Wednesday of the month. Library Board Trustees are all members of the local community and come from a variety of backgrounds including planning, finance, and education. Their commonality is that they believe in the importance and value of community library services. Terms are three years and turn over in a ladder fashion to help ensure the institutional memory of the Board is maintained. There are 5-10 members sitting at any given time and one to two are sitting Town Councillors, as appointed by Town Council. Public Trustees are appointed by Town Council, upon the recommendation of the Board.

Board Chair Meg Millar indicates that the Board has for sure one, and possibly two, openings for the upcoming year. The Board is seeking new members who have bookkeeping experience and would be interested in being mentored into the Treasurer position. Its members are passionate about the Thorsby community, which extends beyond the Town's borders, and have an interest in making the Library the best it can be. If you are interested in applying, please send a letter of interest and short resume to [yatmgsacuta@yrl.ab.ca](mailto:yatmgsacuta@yrl.ab.ca) by Tuesday, October 12, 2021.

The Library is largely funded by grants that come from the province, Leduc County via the Leduc County Library Board, and Town of Thorsby. There is also additional revenue from fees and fines and investments the Board has made. Additionally, the community has provided its generous support through monetary donations, such as those in memory of long term, dedicated public library supporter, Marjorie Bilar, and in-kind donations to outfit the space.

The Thorsby Municipal Library really is a gem of our community. It offers users a connection to information, be it in print, online, or in person. Aside from the typical library services of book (physical and digital) and DVD lending, the Library offers access to technology such as computers and printers as well as help with using devices such as tablets and eReaders. The highly successful Summer Reading Program is a huge draw for the youth of the community featuring themes such as reptiles, pirates, and space, just to name a few. They are in the business of promoting literacy with all their programs and services and truly build community spirit through the sharing of information, ideas, and skills. Did you know that you can even borrow walking poles to hone your physical literacy as well?

The Thorsby Library Board has maintained its commitment to the great Thorsby community by continuing to meet virtually throughout the pandemic. The public is welcome to attend its meetings by contacting the Library Manager, Gayle, at [yatmgsacuta@yrl.ab.ca](mailto:yatmgsacuta@yrl.ab.ca) for the dial in coordinates. The Library is currently operating at a third capacity with mandatory masking required in line with the guidelines from AHS and Public Library Services Branch of Alberta. Chair Millar indicated that 'Thorsby is so fortunate to have such a dedicated group of people on the Board and staff members who continue to provide personable and professional service during the COVID challenges we all face.'

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## MLA REPORT

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

Society has always had to struggle with the issue of individual freedom versus societal control. Our individual actions always have consequences to the people that we live with and there is always a tension as to when society should step in and control individual choices. The truth is we want both freedom and control, but where to draw the line is often a subjective decision. Should we allow dangerous recreational pursuits like extreme sports to occur? Where do we limit the consumption of alcohol or drugs? What ideas should be allowed to propagate within society? The list could go on because all of these personal decisions will impact the wider society and it is our health care system, police system, education system, etc. that have to pick up the pieces.

The past 16 months or so has forced every Albertan to reconsider some of our answers regarding freedom and control and what kind of a society we want to live in now that we face Covid-19. Quite frankly, the discussion has often become very divisive. We find ourselves today in a situation where we have a pandemic of the unvaccinated and a health care system that is struggling to deal with the very serious consequences of that reality.

On so many other issues we have landed on the side of individual freedom of choice, often with some societal control. Take for instance the issue of extreme sports. Some people like to jump off the sides of mountains wearing nothing but what I can only describe as a squirrel suit – yet it is obvious to everyone that if anything goes wrong the person will either die or be hospitalized. Either way it is loved ones and society that have to pay for the consequences of that free choice. Yet how far do we go? Do we stop people from mountaineering, skiing, riding ATVs? Generally, we have said that we want to be able to make our own choices regarding recreation and so as a society we are prepared to pay the price for what may be seen as some pretty dangerous choices.

Many Albertans have historically believed that in a free society, individual citizens are best placed to decide if they need to be vaccinated with the result being that the Alberta Government has never mandated vaccines. Yet most of us are willing to entertain the idea that there might come a time when mandatory vaccinations, at least for some segments of society, might be necessary. The government recently repealed the law that would have allowed mandatory vaccinations. Yet that has not

stopped businesses and most recently AHS from saying that a Covid 19 vaccine is a condition of employment. This has left some Albertans in a crisis of conscience. They are unwilling to give up their personal liberty and conscience to be vaccinated. They wonder where their freedom of choice has gone, and other Albertans are left wondering how the unvaccinated can justify endangering vulnerable Albertans and threatening the capacity of our health care system.

As a Conservative I believe that government needs to respect individual rights and freedoms and I tend to land on the side of individual choice rather than societal control. At the same time, I understand the need for society to sometimes intervene in my personal decisions. On this issue, I hope companies and organizations consider individual circumstances before deciding whether to mandate vaccinations for each and every employee, as some people have valid reasons for not wanting vaccines, including health, religion and conscience rights. Liberty is important and, on this issue, starts with the ability to decide what drugs you will allow to be put into your body. But that does not abrogate the individual from the responsibility that they have to the society. You need to make an informed decision. You need to consider not only the consequences of your decisions on yourself but also on the rest of society. For those who truly cannot in full conscience take a Covid 19 vaccine then we in the wider society must be prepared to accommodate and find work arounds that respect their rights and protect the society.

I would also challenge those Albertans who have not yet been vaccinated. Unless you have a conscience issue or a medical reason for not getting vaccinated, please go get vaccinated and do so quickly. Should this 4<sup>th</sup> wave or any future waves threaten our hospital system with the inability to treat Albertans and be overwhelmed by Covid 19 I will understand why those of conscience are not vaccinated but I will have a much harder time understanding why those who have no such issues, the procrastinators, are prepared to endanger their own lives, our health care system and those who are dependent upon it.

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](mailto:draytonvalley.devon@assembly.ab.ca) anytime.

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being kind”***



## LANDGRAF, Clark Frederick

Born January 20, 1935 and passed away September 28, 2021 peacefully in his sleep. Clark was predeceased by his first love and wife Irmay Landgraf, July 2001. He is survived by his second love and wife of 19 years Hazel Landgraf and their children, and many grandchildren, great grandchildren of their blended family.

Clark's first career was as an educator. In retirement he became a massage therapist. A couple of Clark's hobbies and passions was raising a variety of birds and gardening. Clark was known for his faith and love of people. He will be missed.



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## TIPS From TOPS!

From P. 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 9:00 a.m. - 9:15 a.m. and the meeting following from 9:15 to 9:45 a.m. There is an annual fee to TOPS International of \$48 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.

**Tomato season is here! Whether you love planting tomatoes or just have a ton of them at the moment, here are ten ideas for using one of summer's favorite fruits.**

1. Toss with feta cheese, watermelon and diced cucumbers for a side
2. Use one in place of a hamburger bun as a low-carb alternative
3. Enjoy them with a pinch of kosher salt. Simple and delicious.
4. Top with parmesan cheese and roast
5. Add to frozen pizza
6. Slow roast in the oven or food dehydrator
7. Add to a pasta dish.
8. Pair the with your favorite herbs.
9. Enjoy with rotisserie chicken, greens and your favorite salad dressing.
10. Whip up pico de gallo







September 25, 2021

### **MP Soroka Expresses His Grief Over the Tragic Loss of Mchale Busch and Noah McConnell**

As the Member of Parliament for Yellowhead, I am completely heartbroken over the heinous crimes that took place in our community of Hinton. I would like to extend my sincere condolences to the family and friends of Mchale Busch and Noah McConnell.

Knowing that a convicted sex offender had the freedom to commit two counts of second-degree murder and take two innocent lives is a complete failure of our justice system. This tragedy has highlighted the need for stricter laws surrounding the parole of sex offenders.

Cody Lee McConnell (spouse/father), started a petition on Change.org that will call on the government to:

*Amend the Criminal Code of Canada sentencing provisions for repeat sexual offenders by requiring mandatory minimum sentences for offenders with multiple sexual assault convictions who are designated to be at high risk to reoffend and lifelong parole.*

*Further, require registered offenders to update their personal information, including address and contact information every month or face jail time.*

I strongly support this petition and encourage everyone to take the time to sign it. These are reasonable amendments to the Criminal Code, and I promise to take these much-needed changes to Parliament.

I will be consulting with the Parliamentary Law Clerk and our Conservative Shadow Ministers for Justice and Public Safety and with their support I plan on introducing a Private Member's Bill entitled 'Noah's Law'. I will work towards all party support so that the law is changed once and for all.

Until then, I hope the family and friends of Mchale, and Noah can take solace as our community rallies around them offering our comfort and support in this agonizing times.

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## **Leduc County**

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I have made a short list as to what I see as being needed.

- Increase transparency between council and their constituents
- Freeze on taxes. We need to look at our budget and make sure that taxes do not increase.
- Protect county land from future annexation. The Leduc County is slowly decreasing in size from the North and West – Brazeau County, City of Edmonton.
- Have a 3 & 10 year infrastructure plan so that we know where we want to set budgets. Increase the budget allotment to Public Works and the Agriculture Department. Upgrade of TWP Rge. Rd. 274 Rundle's Mission.
- Paving of Rge. Rd. 485 from Warburg Transfer Station into Warburg and Rge. Rd. 32 to Hwy. 39.
- Maintain the Nurse Practitioner in Warburg and Thorsby.
- Supply real pavement on Railway Avenue to Rge. Rd. 490 in the Hamlet of Sunnybrook.
- Open up the Sunnybrook Creek Park.
- Make sure that the Sunnybrook Hall is fiscally stable and clean up old baseball diamond and derby grounds.
- Work with local municipalities to make sure all concerns are met as to cost share agreements.



As I toured the area of Division 6 many more concerns were raised. These are some of them:

- Drainage problems dealing with right sizing of culverts.
  - Ditch clean up and cutting of the tall grass.
  - Pavement of roads that have only a general coating of oil-based material. These include roads on the north side of Pigeon Lake, which would include Mission Beach, Kerr Cape, Sundance Estates Mitchell Beach and Gill-wood Beach. The road into Moonlight Bay needs to be upgraded (47402 Rd13)
  - Water drainage problems in the Hamlet of Sunnybrook.
  - Paving of road in the Sarvas Estates.
  - Looking at subdivision planning and costs.
  - Unpaid oil and gas taxes need to be addressed.
  - We need to make sure that when we have abandoned oil sites that they are reclaimed so that problems with clubroot and weeds are not brought in from truck haulers and contaminated soil.
  - Putting pressure on the Alberta Government to repair trouble spots on Hwy 616 West of Hwy 780.
- 
- We from Division 6 need to have a strong voice and opinion on matters at the County level. Peoples' concerns are of utmost importance.
  - Transparency and accountability is the key in good government.
  - YOU can make a difference for the future.
  - On Oct. 18 /2021 vote for **Sam Kobeluck** Division 6 Candidate.
    - Graduate of Thorsby High
    - Bachelor of Education Degree U of A 1970
    - Crisis response training
    - 37 years as a school teacher
    - 10 years Black Gold School Trustee
    - Equipment operator for Leduc County 2018 &2019
  - Strong people skills
  - High demand for accuracy and discipline
  - Dedicated team player
  - Approachable

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# The Breton Brothers Adventures in Alberta Chapter 3

From Allan Goddard

I left off the second installment about the Breton's after their return from serving in WW1. Basil Breton moved to Vancouver Island to manage a hotel. Douglas, Laurence and Billie Breton joined forces in operating the Telfordville store, post office and cream station. Billie and Laurence ran the store, with Laurence being the chief cream tester. Billie would continue to operate the store for the next 20 years. Douglas looked after the post office, bookkeeping and hauling freight from Leduc. Also, Douglas was becoming involved in local politics, lobbying for the extension of the railroad through the area. In 1922, the Alberta Government announced the Lacombe & North Western Railway would be extended from Rimbey to Hoadley. Lobbying continued through the UFA Local 1053, with Douglas acting as spokesperson: meetings were held, petitions circulated and delegations to Provincial ministers arranged, but with little success from 1922-1924. A break came in February 1925 when it was announced the railway would be extended 22 miles north from Hoadley, establishing a new rail terminal, and a yet to be named hamlet. It would be December 1926 before the line was put into service. The new hamlet was named "Breton" in appreciation of the work carried out by Douglas Breton. In June 1926, Douglas Breton was elected as MLA for the Leduc constituency. While the extension of the railway to Breton was gratifying to Douglas, there was still work to be done to link the railway to Leduc. Douglas could now press for the extension of the railway from within the government. Once the location of the new terminal and hamlet was determined, businesses started to establish. One of the first was the Laurence Breton family, who moved from Telfordville in April 1926 to open a grocery store. For the next ten years Laurence would operate the Red and White grocery store. The Depression

of the 1930's took a toll on many businesses, and in 1936 Laurence sold the grocery store. Laurence and family would leave Breton moving to Campbell River, BC, where he was employed in a department store. Laurence passed away in 1965 at the age of 80. In 1927 Douglas again tried to get the railway extended without success. It is interesting to note that the UFA Government of Alberta was in serious financial trouble at the time ... sound a little bit familiar. However, in 1928 the government announced they had accepted the offer from the CPR to purchase the Lacombe & North Western, and by 1932 the railway reached Leduc. Douglas would run for re-election in 1930, but lost his seat to Liberal Arthur Mitchell. He returned to Telfordville to farm, and as secretary - treasurer for the MD of Pioneer. In 1934 the decision was made to return to England, where he took up farming again. During WWII Douglas served as a training officer with the Royal Air Force and after the war worked for Army Records, as well as farming. Douglas Breton passed away in 1953 at the age 70. His daughter wrote of his death ... "He died in 1953 with so much of his heart and dreams still in the Canadian west". While Douglas Breton would not return to Canada his name does live on in the name of our Village.

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My name is Darryl Hostyn and I am running for the position of mayor in the upcoming October 18<sup>th</sup> Thorsby Municipal Election.

- ✓ I am a long time resident and taxpayer in Thorsby.
- ✓ I previously served 2 terms as a councillor in Thorsby from 1996 to 2002.
- ✓ I am a graduate of Thorsby High School.
- ✓ My mother (Nee Doreen Hier) graduated from Thorsby High School.
- ✓ My wife and children graduated from Thorsby High School.
- ✓ My Grandfather (John Hier) was the first mayor of Thorsby in 1949!
- ✓ I previously owned the Thorsby Hotel from 1988 to 1998.
- ✓ I previously worked for 19 years as the HSE Manager for Trinidad Drilling.
- ✓ I previously worked 12 years as an accountant at PCL Construction.
- ✓ I attended NAIT for two years majoring in Business Administration.
- ✓ I care about the future of the Town of Thorsby, it's residents and businesses. I believe they have a right to know what is going on in their town and have the right to be heard and to voice their opinions openly.
- ✓ I promise to listen to all concerns from residents and business owners.
- ✓ EVERY VOTE COUNTS! ON OCTOBER 18 PLEASE VOTE "HOSTYN"!!!!!!



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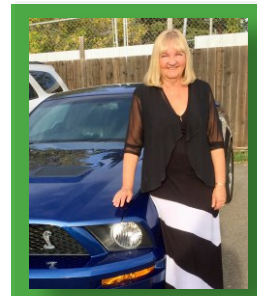
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### BRETON



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Large bungalow, 3 bed, 2  
 bath, 20x26 double garage,  
 RV parking. E4258843  
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### OWNED LOT

2009 modular, 3 bedroom,  
 2 bath, paved driveway  
 E404591 ~~\$180,000~~  
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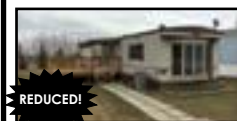
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 2 sheds, apple tree. E4011044  
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3200 sq.ft. 3 bay unit with  
 dble exposure just off main  
 street, fenced, back lane  
 access. E4255633 \$100,000

### ACREAGE

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 solid 2 bedroom, 1 bath,  
 shop, barn, metal garage,  
 new well, close to Sardine Lake  
 E4254590 \$319,000



### BRETON

2 bed plus den bungalow.  
 Finished basement. Double  
 garage. Upgraded shingle  
 siding, windows.  
 E4236973 \$130,000

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