

THE BRETON BOOSTER



KIMBERLY PLAQUIN 20 YEARS OF SERVING BRETON

On Dec 8, before the Village of Breton Town Council meeting, previous Breton mayor Darren Aldous presented Kimberly Plaquin with a 20 years of service award from Alberta Municipalities (previously Alberta Urban Municipalities). Darren thanked Kimberly for caring about Breton and her commitment to the town for the past 21 years. It was also said this is a real accomplishment, very few people represent their communities for so many terms.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR SKATING RINK

Breton Elks are in desperate need of assistance in maintaining the skate rink ice. Anyone who would like to or is able to assist please contact Darren Scott at (780)696-3800 during the day or Jerry at (780)514-6635.

BRETON RCMP INVESTIGATE FATAL COLLISION ON TWP 470

Wetaskiwin County, Alta. – On Dec. 12, 2021 at approximately 4:10 a.m., Breton RCMP responded to a single vehicle collision on Township Road 470 near Highway 22 in Wetaskiwin County.

Preliminary investigation revealed that a truck was travelling eastbound on Township Road 470 when the vehicle left the roadway and rolled. The driver of the truck, a 27-year-old female from Wetaskiwin County was pronounced deceased on scene by Emergency Medical Services.

The RCMP Collision Analyst attended the scene. Breton RCMP with the assistance of the RCMP Collision Analyst continue to investigate the cause of the collision. No further updates are anticipated and the name of the deceased will not be released.



**The last Breton
Booster of 2021 will
be published on
December 22**

Classifieds

FOR SALE

2000 JEEP TJ SAHARA 4L, inline 6, 5 speed, manual, 4WD, 397,000 km, everything works, running condition, some rust. Asking \$5,0000 obo. Phone 780-848-2884

VEHICLE - Reese hitch 6,000 lb for a Chev \$100 obo; 5th wheel hitch no rails 16,000 lb \$100 obo; Set of 4 LT265/70R17 6 bolt mags like new rubber \$600 obo; P235/70R16 Ford mags 80% rubber \$400 obo. Text or leave message 780-234-5656

CHRISTMAS inflatables like new still in original boxes- Snoopy, Snowman, Santa and Sleigh etc. asking \$20 for small ones and \$40 for large ones, Christmas village houses some are Lemax some have lights some are for tea lights asking \$5-\$20. Text or leave message 780-234-5656

HOUSEHOLD/YARD 2 milk house heaters like new \$60 ea obo ;220v heater \$50; Rival electric roaster \$30; 2 3-D Printers like new \$150 ea obo; new rolls of filament \$25-35 ea; laser printer \$150 obo. Text or leave message 780-234-5656

CAT HOUSE FOR SALE, solid wood, self contained, 4' x 4' wire cage area with pay area on top, 2 cubicles, areas for bed, litter box and food/water dishes. Asking \$240. Call Eric 780-887-5057

2 BEDROOM MOBILE TRAILER HOME for Sale \$19,950 Contact James for more info at 780.246.2492

SERVICES

JOURNEYMAN PLUMBER/GASFITTER & CERTIFIED SEWER INSTALLER
Providing repairs, replacement and new installation. Hot water tanks, furnaces, boilers, gas lines, sewer tanks/fields/pumps. Call Ryan at 780.514.9246

CABINETS, COUNTERTOPS, BLINDS AND DESIGN
I am an Interior Designer in the business for over 25 years. An Independent Design Consultant at Superior Cabinets & Classic Window Fashions offering free estimates. Contact Keri at 780.289.2551 or designbywaters@live.ca @designbywaters

EMPLOYMENT

We are looking for Part-Time help with our newspaper. Must have knowledge of Corel Draw or similar program, Page layout, design and/or sales experience an asset. Start date Jan 3. Contact Shawna at 780.499.9006 or email resume to media@community39.com

I,ELIZABETH KUGYELKA,SIDNEY,B.C. want to wish my extended family and friends a Merry Christmas and a Healthy,Prosperous and a Happy New Year.

WANTED

WANTED - ARCADE TYPE MACHINES. Pinball, video upright, sit down & cocktail games. Other related items. Parts, pieces, whole, manuals, dead or alive all considered. Text/Call Steve 780-918-8495

OLD FARM TRACTORS OR CATERPILLARS
Will buy Complete or Incomplete. 1.403.396.8629

WANTED CONCRETE RUBBLE AND/OR FIELD ROCKS Contact Alex 780-905-9200 or 780-789-3843

LOOKING FOR PASTURE for cow/calf pairs
Also looking for hayland. Contact Levi at 780-312-9891

LEAD BATTERIES & SCRAP VEHICLES
Will buy your old lead batteries for re-cycling. Also FREE removal of scrap vehicles. We pay cash for both! 1.403.396.8629

WANTED - SINGLE FAMILY HOUSE TO RENT
Good, Responsible and Reliable Tenants seek long term rental. Must be well maintained. 3 People, 2 cats, \$1600 w/utilities Call Eric at 780.887.7057

LOOKING FOR FARM, PASTURE OR HAY LAND TO RENT Thorsby, Warburg or Pigeon Lake area. Please call or text 780-868-3374

THE BRETON JGLM LIFETEAM IS SEEKING WARM CLOTHING, BOOTS, AND BLANKETS, ETC for distribution to homeless people through our outreach program. Any adult sized winter clothing is much appreciated. Call or text Tyler at 780-621-7120

Classified Ads are \$5 for 2 weeks
(up to 30 words) GST included

You can drop off your ads at the
BRETON PUBLIC LIBRARY
780.499.9006 or media@community39.com

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*Sudoku Answers
from Dec 8 Issue*

**We don't stop
playing because
we grow old; we
grow old because
we stop playing.**

-George Bernard Shaw-



Wilf Brandt Trucking Ltd. is seeking Class 1 & Class 3 Tank Truck Drivers, for Year-Round Production Fluid Hauling in the Warburg, Thorsby, Leduc, Rimbey and Drayton Valley areas.

Current Oilfield Safety Tickets are a definite asset and willingness to work shift cycle a must.

Successful candidates can expect year-round work, benefit package and excellent wages.

Pre-Employment Screening is a pre-requisite to hire.

Please email resume along with a current drivers abstract to resumeswbt@gmail.com



Village of Breton

DECEMBER 2021 NOTICE

Property Taxes

All outstanding property taxes are due December 31st. A penalty of 15% will be levied January 1st, 2022 on taxes and related costs that remain unpaid

Utility Payments

Due December 31st . Penalties will be applied January 4th, 2022

Payments can be made online thru your bank, mailed to the Village Office at Box 480 Breton, AB T0C 0P0, credit card at www.breton.ab OPTION PAY, or at the Breton ATB

Payments postmarked or made online dated December 31st will be honored without penalties.

2022 Business Licenses

A motion was passed at the July 2021 Council Meeting for the Village of Breton to implement a business license fee of \$25.00 for new businesses and \$10.00 for renewal beginning January 1, 2022. All businesses registered in 2021 will be considered renewals for 2022.

Waste Transfer Site

The Breton Waste Transfer Site will be closed Saturday, December 25th and January 1st, 2022.

Village Office Christmas Hours

Closed December 24th – January 3rd
Regular hours resume January 4th, 2022

BRETON AND AREA FCSS

Tree of Remembrance

Celebrate the memory of your loved one on our Tree of Remembrance. The Tree will be placed in the Breton Library on December 1. Ornaments are available for you to place on the tree with a loved ones name. An ad with all the names will be placed in the Breton Booster prior to Christmas.



For more information please contact
Breton and Area FCSS at
780-696-3636 or fcss@breton.ca

This is a partnership with the
Breton Municipal Library.



www.mikeshomesltd.com

COMMUNITY EVENTS & info

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS & PROGRAMS

TREASURES THRIFT SHOP IN WARBURG 1/2 price sale on Christmas items December 15 & 22. The shop will be CLOSED on December 29. We will see you in January 2022. Merry Christmas.

CHRISTMAS SHOPPING SPREE win \$1000 to spend locally through Breton Chamber of Commerce. For more information call Darren Scott at 780.696.3800

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PROGRAMS & REGULAR EVENTS

WEEKLY BINGO'S AT MULHURST LEGION #246

Weekly Bingo's every Tues. @ 7pm. Bring your mask and proof of vaccination please

BRETON MUNICIPAL LIBRARY

Is open Monday - Thursday 10am - 5pm, Friday 10am - 8pm, Saturday 9am - 2pm and Closed on Sundays

MARKETS/THRIFT SHOPS (NONPROFIT)

Country Market Every Third Saturday

11-4pm at Sunnybrook Hall. Homemade Crafts, Baking, Farm Eggs and so much more. New and returning vendors. Next market Dec 18 Email foreverboredmarket@gmail.com with questions or to become a vendor.

Leduc Public Market

Special market Sat Dec 18 from 10-3 in the Leduc City Center Mall

THORSBY SENIORS THRIFT STORE

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

TREASURES THRIFT SHOP IN WARBURG IS OPEN!

Wednesdays from 10am - 4pm. Donations will only be accepted during store hours, please ensure your donations are clean. 5112 - 53 Street, Warburg

The office of the papers will be closed Dec 23 at noon & will re-open on January 3, 2022

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michaelj@mikeshomesltd.com

COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES

Breton & Area Family & Community Support Services (FCSS) Please contact Deanne at 780.696.3636 or email fcss@breton.ca

Breton Food Bank

Call 780.696.3669 by Thursday noon to request a hamper. Please leave a message and a volunteer will contact you.

Meals on Wheels

Are you interested in receiving a hot nutritious meal? Please contact Deanne at 780.696.3636

Bylaw Enforcement Officer & Animal Control Officer

Doris McAllister 780.719.6447

Does drinking affect your personal life in any way? Have friends or family expressed concerns towards your drinking habits? Have you ever tried to quit drinking but could not manage to do so? **AA can help!** 5203 - 54 Avenue at Thorsby New Life Christian Church (every) Monday 8:00pm 780.270.7903

WORSHIP

Breton Word of Faith Church - Southwest corner of town on Hwy 616. Each Sunday, 10:30am, you are welcome to join us! www.bwofc.com or call 780.898.4648

Community Bible Church - Alder Flats

Pastor Samuel Hayford 780.388.3926. Sunday Service & Sunday School at 11am 780.388.0018

Community United Church - 5112-53 Street, Warburg

Join us for Sunday morning worship on the 2nd and 4th Sunday of each month at 10:30am. For more information please call the church office 780.848.2227

Faith Covenant Church - 4712 - 53 Avenue Breton

In person or by live stream to worship every Sunday morning at 11am. Check out our website www.faithcovenantchurch.ca for the live stream link. Call 780.696.3669 or Email office.faithcovenantchurch@gmail.com

Warburg Alliance Church - 4628-55 Avenue, Warburg

Open for 11am worship service. For more information please phone 780.848.7577, check out our Facebook page or email us warburgalliance@gmail.com

Warburg Seventh Day Adventist Church - 5003-48 Street,

Warburg. Saturday Sabbath School at 10am. Main Service 11:30am, Pastor Jason Williams. 780.848.2271

SECRET SANTA FOR SENIORS

Do you know a Senior in our community that could use some
Christmas Cheer?

We are inviting Seniors to register to have a Secret Santa or
Community members to register a senior that
could use some holiday Joy.

Register by phone , email or at the Village of Breton Office

Community members can then come into our office and select
a Senior to Shop for. Shopping must be completed by
December 18.

Deliveries will be made by Volunteers on December 21 & 22.

For more information, please contact
Breton FCSS at 780-696-3636 or fcss@breton.ca

*Merry
Christmas*

Thank you for your support!

OSCAR'S Loader
Service Ltd.

780-848-2472
CORRAL CLEANING



Gerald William Townsend

May 11, 1936 – December 5, 2021

With love and sadness, we announce the peaceful passing of Gerald Townsend, with family by his side at the Drayton Valley Long Term Care facility, at the age of 85. Gerald was born in Entwistle, raised in Rocky Rapids and moved with his parents, Thomas and Annie, to Edmonton where he finished his schooling as a heavy-duty mechanic and met Delores. Gerald and Delores were married in 1958. His career took them to Manitoba first, then Fort St. John and McLeod Lake BC. They moved back to Alberta in 1975 and lived on their farm north of Alsike until they retired and moved into Drayton Valley. Since the passing of Delores in January, the burden of his Parkinson's and dementia became more than he could bear. Gerald leaves behind his children, Judy (Danny) Sindia, Doug (Coreen), Murray (Emma), Bryan, and John (Noahlea). He is also survived by 11 grandchildren, 27 great-grandchildren and 2 great-great-grandchildren. He was predeceased by his wife of 62 years, Delores, his grandson Darrell, his daughter-in-law Karen and all three of his brothers. Gerald's life will be celebrated at a later date. For those who desire, Memorial contributions in Gerald's name may be made directly to the Drayton Valley Hospital, Continuing Care. May he join Delores to Rest in Peace for eternity.

Condolences may be sent to
www.affinityfuneralservice.ca

Arrangements in care of Dwayne Henley at:
Affinity Funeral Service
5001 – 45 Avenue,
Drayton Valley, Alberta T7A 1L1
780.542.3338

COMMUNITY GROUP REGULAR MEETINGS

Breton & District Historical Society - Monthly Board meetings are held the 4th Monday of the Month at 7pm at the Breton Museum. The Board meets Jan-June & September-November. New members welcomed. To confirm meeting dates and times phone 780.898.1155 and for more information go to www.bretonmuseum.ca

Breton Gold Age Club - Regular Monthly Meetings on the first Monday of the month at 11am. Come see what we are up to!

Breton Agricultural Society - meets every second Thursday of the month (except July & August) at 7pm at the Breton Community Center. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Breton Royal Purple - meetings are the third Thursday of the month (except July & August) at 7:30pm

Breton Elks meetings are at 7:30pm every 3rd Thursday of the month at the Breton Community Hall, except for July & August..

Breton Municipal Library - Board Meetings are the 3rd Wednesday of each month except July & August and are open to the public. Meetings are at 7pm at the Library.

The Breton Book Club has online Facebook meetings. Second Wednesday of each month all day. All readers are welcome to join the conversation! Look for us at "Breton Book Club"

Buck Creek Community Association meetings are held at the Buck Creek Hall the first Wednesday of every month at 8pm. Jam Dance & Cards Night the first Friday of every month

Funnell Community Hall - NO MEETINGS until further notice

The Royal Canadian Legion #246 Mulhurst
Next General Meeting will be Jan 10th, 2022 @ 7pm New Members welcome. Marion 780-935-6281

Village of Breton Council Meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of each month at 7pm in the Council Chambers of the Carolyn Strand Civic Centre.

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

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

FACILITY RENTALS

Ashland Dam Park

For reservations call Kelly at 780.898.9636

Breton Community Centre

Please contact the Breton Village Office at 780.696.3636

Breton Golden Age Club building is available for rent.

Call Jane 780.696.6599 / 403.542.7921 or alternate Jean at 780.696.2439

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

Centre Lodge Community Centre

For bookings call Caroline at 780.789.3089

Funnell Community Hall

For hall rental or more contact Ashley @ 780.514.6546

Genesee Community Hall

Rentals call Joanne Liba at 780.940.7229

Glen Park Hall

For bookings call Mike at 780.919.1250

Morrowdale Community Hall

For bookings call Elaine at 780.789.2104

Mulhurst Bay Community Hall

For bookings call 780.389.2455

Mulhurst Legion #246

Give Marie a call: 780-361-7350

Rundle's Mission Retreat Centre

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

Sandholm Community Hall

For bookings call Doris 780.389.2381

Strawberry Community Hall

Call Ollie at 780.789.2180

Sunnybrook Community Hall

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

Telfordville Hall

For bookings call Tracy at 780.718.9549 after 5pm

Thorsby Community Center

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

Thorsby Seniors Centre

For rentals call Cathy Kuzio at 780.719.7124

Warburg Cultural Centre

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

Winfield Legion

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

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

Breton & District Chamber of Commerce Christmas Shopping Spree

You could win

\$1000

to spend at Local
Chamber of Commerce
Businesses

Shopping Spree Rules 2021

PRIZE: Local shopping spree to be redeemed at participating businesses that are members of the Breton & District Chamber of Commerce.

1. Must be 18yrs of age to enter
2. No purchase required
3. Only 2 entries at a time, please
4. Owners, immediate families and employees of the sponsoring business may not enter in their own box, but are welcome to enter at other businesses.



Enter your name at any of the the following businesses

AIF Breton
ATB Financial
Breton Auto Body
Breton Booster
Breton Dental
Breton Family Dining
Breton Family Foods
Breton IDA
Breton Supermarket

Darren Scott Accounting
Services
Git R Dun Trucking
Hand's With Heart
Wellness Centre
Heads Up Family Hair
Care
Banman Westerlund LLP
Nature's Fuels
S & S Transport

Suds & Bucket Truck &
Car Wash
The Co-operators
Village of Breton
WC Trucking
Dirt Merchant Ltd
Moores Realty
Salt 'N' Pepper

*One name will be drawn from each box and the final winner will be drawn from those names
Entries will be accepted until closing December 19, 2021. Names drawn are to be phoned to Darren Scott at
780-696-3800 and leave message.*

**Main draw will take place on December 20, 2021 at 1:00 p.m.
at Darren Scott Accounting Services.**



FCSS NEWS from Deanne Young

Secret Santa for Seniors

With Christmas just around the corner Breton FCSS will be coordinating a Secret Santa for Seniors. This program is for seniors that live in the Village of Breton or Brazeau County east of the North Saskatchewan River. There are two parts to this program.

1. Seniors that are going to be alone for the holidays can phone in or stop by the Breton FCSS office and complete a profile. Information collected will be your name, address, phone number, Things you like to do, treats you like, items that you would like to have on your Christmas List. Seniors can also be registered by community members or agencies. This information along with just their first name will be placed on a Christmas Tag.

2. Community members can view the Christmas tags at the Village of Breton Office and select a senior to shop for. Once they have completed their shopping, they will return the items to the FCSS office. Additional items will be added to your gift, wrapped and delivered by Volunteers. **Shopping must be completed by December 17th.** If you are unable to come into the office to make a selection, please call or email fcss@breton.ca and we can assist you with the selection

3. If you love to **wrap Christmas gifts, we are looking for VOLUNTEERS on December 20th.**

4. Deliveries will be made on December 21 & 22. **We are looking for VOLUNTEERS to do deliveries**

If possible, we encourage purchases to be made in Breton and Drayton Valley to support our local businesses. These activities will be done according to Covid-19 regulations set out by Alberta Health Services.

Community Wellness Calendar

Our Stay Well in 2022 is now available. Pick up your free copy at the Village of Breton Office. Thank you to all of the groups, and community members who volunteered to be a part of our Community Wellness Calendar. The calendar is a partnership between Breton and Area FCSS and the Rural Mental Health Project.

Christmas Wishes

if you know of a family or individual that is in need of a Christmas food hamper or Christmas gifts, Breton FCSS can refer their name to the Christmas Wishes group. They must reside in the Village of Breton or Divisions 5 & 6 of Brazeau County East of the river. Please call 780-696-3636 with contact information and the number of individuals in the home. You may self refer. This information will then be passed on to the Christmas Wishes committee.

Christmas Tree of Honor and Remembrance

Our Tree of Remembrance is back. Thank you to the Breton Library for partnering with us. Starting December 1st, you are invited to come and place one of the ornaments provided on our tree with a tag to write a loved one's name on There is no cost to have an ornament placed on the tree. For more info, please contact 696-3636 or fcss@breton.ca.

Christmas Budgeting

Here are six last-minute Christmas budgeting tips for you master procrastinators...err... busy people.

1. Make a List - and check it twice

Make a list of all your family and friends who have been good girls and boys. Once you decide who is deserving of a gift from you, determine how much money you can realistically afford to spend. Then, designate a set portion of the total amount for each person on your list. For example, let's say you have \$600 to spend, and you need to buy gifts for ten family members and five friends. You may decide that you'll spend \$40 on each person on the list. On the other hand, you may want to spend \$50 on each of your family members and \$20 on each of your friends. No matter what, stick to your initial budget, and don't spend money you don't have.

2. Avoid Overspending

Many holiday shoppers let their emotions get the best of them, and they end up overspending. Maybe you feel terrible that you don't visit your mother enough, so you decide to spend \$300 on a fancy bracelet for her. Don't fall prey to holiday guilt. Not only will overspending break your budget, but you'll also set unrealistic expectations. In other words, your friends and family will begin to expect lavish gifts from you every Christmas.

3. Pay in Cold, Hard Cash

One way to force yourself to stick to your holiday budget is to pay for all your gifts with cash. Simply withdraw the amount that you can afford to spend on your holiday gifts. When that money is gone, Christmas shopping time is over. When you pay with a credit card, it can be easy to lose track of exactly how much money you've spent. An extra \$5 here or \$12 there may not seem like a big deal when you're paying with plastic. However, when you have a set wad of dollars in your pocket designated for

Christmas gifts, you have a visual, concrete reminder of how much money you have left to spend. Therefore, you'll be less tempted to go over budget on each individual gift.

4. Become a Lone-Wolf Shopper

People who shop alone generally spend less money than those who shop with friends and family members. Not only can a shopping partner cause distraction and break your fiscal focus, but they may also pressure you into buying items you really don't need.

5. Don't Buy Presents for Yourself

When you're out shopping for friends and relatives, you're bound to come across some glorious item that you absolutely must have. However, remind yourself that this is the season for giving, not receiving.

6. Get Creative

If you're really strapped for cash this Christmas, consider giving out non-monetary gifts. For example, you may offer to paint your grandmother's kitchen or babysit your best friend's son. Create hand-made or computer print-out certificates that say things like, "Good for One House Cleaning," or "Dog-Sitting Gift Certificate," and enclose them in a card. You could also save bundle by baking cookies, brownies and other Christmas goodies to give to give out to neighbors and co-workers.

Even if you've waited until the last minute to save up for gifts, it is still possible to avoid bankruptcy this Christmas. Whether you're a procrastinator, ridiculously busy or just down-right forgetful, these six last-minute tips will help you stick to Christmas budget and stay out of the red.



Breton Municipal Library
4916 50 Avenue | Breton, Alberta T0C 0P0 | 780-696-3740 | <http://www.bretonlibrary.ab.ca/>



**Celtic Knot Massage is moving
from Thorsby to Warburg
January 01, 2022!**

With business success comes growth
and change and though it can be
frightful it can also be very exciting!

I would like to thank and welcome all
my amazing massage clients, old and
new, and ask that you join me on my
new endeavour by visiting me at my
new location starting in the new year.

A huge heart felt thank you to Linda,
Rose and their staff at SOS Bookkeeping
for trusting me with their rental space
for the past 3.5+ years. I will miss you all
dearly.

4904-50th Ave, Warburg
(newly renovated corner building across
from the previous Domo gas station)

 **Celtic
Knot
Massage**
780.977.4731
Nia Blanchette, RMT

Take Your Place In History

Breton Community Centre Fundraising Project
Brick By Brick - Fundraising Campaign

***Great
Christmas
Gifts***



Take your place in history by purchasing a brick that will be placed on a wall in the Community Centre.

- Order now as bricks will be placed in Spring 2022.

Order forms available at the



4 x 8 Brick = \$100

Includes up to 2 lines of engraving- (Max 18 spaces)

8 x 8 Brick = \$200

Includes up to 4 lines of engraving (Max 18 spaces)

12 x 12 Brick = \$500

Includes up to 6 lines of engraving (Max 21 spaces)

For more information

Village of Breton - 780-696-3636

admin@breton.ca





Ruth Louise Hunder

January 27, 1943 – December 10, 2021

It is with sorrow and sadness that the family of Ruth Hunder announce her passing in Red Deer, Alberta, at the age of 78 years. Left to celebrate her life and cherish her memories are her husband of 56 years, Jim Hunder; her children, Joe (Karen) and Lenora (Randy); her grandchildren, Kara, Hayley, Kaitlyn, Allison and Brayden and her great grandchildren, Colbie, Waylon and Ashton. Ruth is predeceased by her parents, Henry and Emma Nagel as well as her brothers, Henry, Stan and Johnny.

Ruth's love for the outdoors and the time she spent with family camping and fishing, are treasured moments. Ruth had such a passion for her flower beds and gardening and also enjoyed spending time with family and friends floor-curling or playing cards. She loved spending time at the Golden Age Club in Breton, Alberta, with her good friends. Ruth worked with her heart and her hands in her crafts, especially her crocheting, knitting and chocolate chip cookies, but the greatest work of her hands is her family. Ruth will be greatly missed and forever loved.

A celebration of Ruth's life will take place on Monday, December 20, 2021, at 1:00 pm, at the Breton Community Centre, 48 Street, Breton, Alberta.

In keeping with the Alberta Government protocols to host a funeral service larger than 50 attendees, the REP program will be in effect. This requires that those attending must show proof of double vaccination or proof of a negative result from a rapid test administered within 72 hours prior to this service. Interment will take place at a later date in the Spring. The family would like to express their deep appreciation to the wonderful and caring ICU Nursing Staff at Red Deer Hospital.

Condolences may be sent to www.affinityfuneralservice.ca

Arrangements in care of Dwayne Henley at:
Affinity Funeral Service
5001 – 45 Avenue, Drayton Valley, Alberta T7A 1L1
780.542.3338



Soul Care

For one of my class assignments I had to read “*The life you have always wanted, Spiritual Disciplines for ordinary people*” by John Ortberg. He wrote that “*You can become a joyful person. With God's help, it really is possible. The biblical writers*

would not command it if it were not so. But joyfulness is a learned skill. You must take responsibility for your joy. Not your friend, not your parent, not your spouse, not your kids, not your boss — your joy is your responsibility. For some of us, this does not come easily. You may be joy impaired. You will have to fight for it. But it can be done.”

This week we find ourselves reflecting on Joy during our Advent season. I can not share enough about Joy...maybe it is because we need it so. I, also at times, feel joy-impaired and struggle to find it in my daily routine. There are days that I am depending on someone else or something else to make me joyful. But I know in my heart if I base my joy on circumstances and people, I will find myself joy impaired. This past week for many of us, it has been hard to find joy as we try to navigate sickness, pain, relationship struggle, grief and facing the unknowns of tomorrow. We know that life can change so quickly, and we are constantly reaching for our own kind of definition of joy, which continues to fail us over and over again.

Jesus shares with us a different kind of Joy. The Joy that comes from having a relationship with Jesus includes spending time with Him in prayer and reading His Word. As we do this, we start to be filled with His Peace and Hope which leads us to His Joy. We start to understand the celebration of this baby Jesus who came to save us all. No matter what is happening around us, Joy is possible.

This week I encourage each of us to work towards living a joy filled life instead of a joy impaired life. Let's take responsibility for our joy. Let us start by focusing on Jesus and spending time with him. Start the day with a strong cup of coffee and some dancing and friends, please don't wish the day away. Then, make a list of all the things you are grateful for and that make you smile. Next, take a break from social media and walk away from chaos. Then, try to see everyone through the eyes of Jesus and be kind by doing random acts of kindness when every you can. Choose to be an encourager, say something nice to someone, especially if it is hard. And lastly, invest in people not things and always forgive and move on. A reminder that ‘*we're all just walking each other home*’. Ram Dass SO, let's do it with Joy!

Peace my Friends,
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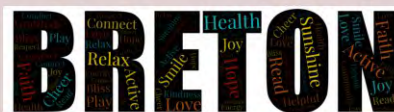
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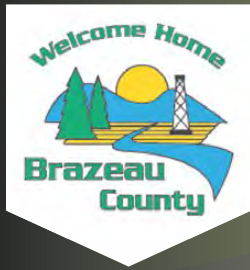


Breton FCSS together with the Rural Mental Health Project have put together a Stay Well Calendar for 2022.

The pictures were taken by local photographer Carlie Borris and you will recognize many faces and places around our community.

Each month speaks to ways you can support your mental wellness in 2022. For your FREE copy stop by the Village of Breton office.

Thank you to all those that participated in the project.



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IMPORTANT DATES

December 15 | Agricultural Service Board meeting | 9:00 a.m.

December 21 | Council Meeting | 9:00 a.m.

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VILLAGE OF BRETON TOWN COUNCIL NEWS

by Shawna Ofstie



Meet your new Council

Left to Right - Councillor Bob Parkyn, Councillor Shyanne Sheaves, Councillor Heather Barrett, Mayor Glory Tornack, Councillor Alan Barker

Regular Meeting of Council, December 8

Breton Community Hall Rental Rates for Community Groups

The rental rates needed to be clarified for non-profit groups. There has been some expectations in the past that community groups get free rent. CAO Terri Wiebe explained that there are still expenses like utilities, maintenance and cleaning required. During COVID-19 it is required to have a professional sanitize between rentals therefore a minimum fee should be required. The fees will be decided on a per group basis.

Committee Reports

Councillor Barrett reported on the Physician Recruitment committee who will be holding a convention in 2022.

Mayor Tornack commented on how many great ideas and success with the Kick off to Christmas in her Breton & District Ag Society report.

Councillor Parkyns report on Breton FCSS included mention some great programs and services offered. There was also mention of a surplus in the budget that needed to be used. Councilor Barker said FCSS was considering purchasing a TV monitor to put in the entrance of the hall which would display curling photos and advertisements. The council made a motion to allow Deanna at FCSS spend the rest of the FCSS Budget on this and a number of

other items for the community.

In Councillor Sheaves report on the Library she mentioned they hired Dustin who works Friday and Saturday. They are also looking to replace the flooring the Library which is much needed. The library should have most of the money needed depending on how much it costs. CAO Terri Wiebe said she can look into possible grants for upgrades to the library. The Council ask the CAO if she would get Gail Amendt to provide 3 quotes for the project.

New Business

The Mayor and Council received a letter from the Breton Elks with some concerns with the new Community Hall including the kitchen design. The CAO was directed to respond with a letter explaining the history of construction and to let them know that unfortunately they cannot change the kitchen but the Community Hall is not yet complete.

There was discussion over who should have keys to the community hall. The CAO said it was an operational decision and all keys should be signed out each time. The Council will have more discussion on this topic.

Advertising was approved for the Brick fundraising campaign for the Community Hall & for the Breton Golf Course Membership special.

Council voted unanimously to waive the Hall rental fee for Breton Christmas Wishes.

An invitation to attend a session on the APPS transition study was offered to the Mayor and Council. This study is put on by the Alberta Government to discuss the potential of establishing an Alberta Police Service to replace the RCMP. This was accepted as information.

The Mulhurst Legion requested a donation for their event. Council approved the request for a round of golf at the Breton Golf Course and 2 nights at the Campground.

Mayor Tornack requested the Village cover the cost of the AG conference registration fee. Council agreed it was a worthwhile conference and her request was accepted.

The preliminary budget and November Revenue and Expenses were presented.

Council then went into Closed session



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Greetings from Breton Elks Lodge #402



Well, Hello everyone. Hope all is well with everybody and we have exciting news. It is only 12 days until Christmas, 8 days until the daylight hours start increasing and the skating rink is now open for business. A big thank you to Dennis and Jerry for a great job of making ice.

In other news the kickoff to the festive season was a huge success. Input was from FCSS, Breton Ag Society, Fire Department, the Elks, Royal Purple Elks, Faith Covenant Church, Food Bank, Drayton Valley Community Parenting Coalition, Brighter Future and McMann Family Resource Network.

Hot Chocolate and Hot Dogs were a hit. Due to weather conditions the local skate rink was off limits.

Due to the lack of worthy discussion subjects at hand and the extra festive considerations Elks members will not meet until January 2022.

In the meantime, we want to wish everyone much health, happiness and good wealth for the coming festive season. Stay safe get a shot and hug your loved ones.

Will chat soon Cheers
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

After listening to several Brazeau Council proposals/motions to spend millions on hard surfacing, the following comments appear appropo.

Over the last 4 or 5 years, the County has overspent their revenue by about \$25 million. This \$25 million comes from unrestricted reserves, which are now down to about \$5 million. This **overspending is unsustainable!** Currently, total revenues are unknown.

What is our council doing about it? Proposing several million to be spend on hard surfacing of roads?

There are several issues here. It should be noted that hard surfacing is a luxury, not needed by anyone. Should not those that receive the luxury pay for it? That is, does it meet the "public good" category?

At one meeting, a councillor suggested that users of county ball diamonds should contribute funds (from fund raising) to do so. Interesting that this same councillor never suggested that those who received the benefit of hard surfacing should pay for it. Why would the rest of taxpayers want to pay for the benefit of a very few?

The only fair way to appropriate paving funds is to use a traffic count. Unless a road is used 1000 times a day (or more), **NO** hard surfacing should be considered.

Alternatively, the Council could impose a "local improvement tax" for those that get pavement. This tax would be assessed for a certain length of time (e.g., 20 years) after which it would be removed.

It was proposed by Council that resurfacing money should come from debentures, which puts repayment into the future (no savings here).

Is this not another step to fiscal insolvency? We were once one of the better-off counties in the province.

Lynn Oberle
Breton
December 6, 2021

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Preacher's Point

from Pastor Jeff Gooderham

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One Sunday, while delivering his message he repeated the sentence: "Jesus Christ is precious." His helper whispered to him: "But you have already said that twice." Newton turned to his helper and said loudly, "Yes, I've said it twice, and I'm going to say it again." The stones in the ancient sanctuary fairly shook as the grand old preacher said again: "Jesus Christ is precious!"

It isn't about a church, it isn't about a creed, it isn't about a people or a movement; It is all about Jesus Christ! He's my King! I wonder do you know Him?

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The Warburg Legion

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Winners this year are:

Breton Elementary School

Primary Color Poster - 1st – Astrid Rasmussen, 2nd – Annelisse Rasmussen

Junior Color Poster – 1st - Madelyn Emmonds, 2nd – Allee Walker, 3rd – Raylee Bryanton

Junior Black & White Poster – 1st - Brooklyn Duffy, 2nd – Dylan Gravell, 3rd – Easton Bogart

Warburg School

Primary Black & White Poster – 1st – Elliott Cropley, 2nd – Zoe Channon, 3rd – Theodore Doucette

Junior Black & White Poster – 1st – Jaxon MacPherson, 2nd – Rylan Mack, 3rd – Ella Anderson

The Warburg Hutterite Colony School

Primary Color Poster – 1st – Kimberly Wipf, 2nd – Jackson Wipf, 3rd – Jediah Wipf

Junior Color Poster – 1st – Megan Wipf, 2nd – Kristin Wipf, 3rd – Amy Wipf

Intermediate Color Poster – 1st – Brianna Wipf, 2nd – Johnavon Wipf, 3rd – Joel Wipf

Junior Black & White Poster – 1st - Caitlynn Wipf, 2nd – Adam Wipf

Intermediate Black & White – 1st – Brittany Wipf, 2nd – Johnannes Wipf, 3rd – Maria Wipf

These were the winners at Branch level.

The first place winners went onto district level which is with the District 4 of the Royal Canadian Legion. Good Luck to all! Thanks for the great response, the Legion members enjoyed your enthusiasm, talent and great artwork.

Remembrance Day Service

We had 32 people brave the day and weather to attend our service. Lots of visits with the wreaths on display after and thank you for all who attended and lay wreaths, march in our parade and musical accompany by Sue Fraser, RCMP officers for parade and laying of the wreaths and the many dignitaries.

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The Poppy Committee



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The Bible Truth Page

What is God's Will Concerning Healing?

The answer is simple, God's will is that all would be in good health all the time, and I can prove this from His own Word. I will start with Exodus 15:26. In the last part of the verse, God identified Himself as **“the Lord that healeth thee”**. When God brought his people out of Egypt, **“there was not one feeble person among their tribes”** Psalm 105:37. There were about 600 000 men besides women and children that left Egypt (Exodus 12:37), and nobody was sick or weak. There are several healings recorded in the Old Testament, but I would like to look at the New Testament now.

We can know God's will by looking at what Jesus did, because He said in John 6:38 **“For I came down from heaven, not to do mine own will, but the will of Him that sent me.”** And Jesus said in Hebrews 10:7 **“Then said I, Lo, I come (in the volume of the book it is written of me,) to do thy will, O God.”** So what did Jesus do while He was on earth? Acts 10:38 sums it up, **“How God anointed Jesus of Nazareth with the Holy Ghost and with power: who went about doing good and healing all that were oppressed of the devil; for God was with Him.”** Notice that it says He HEALED ALL THAT WERE OPPRESSED OF THE DEVIL. That means that sickness is oppression of the devil, and Jesus did good and healed the people because God was with Him. Also notice that if Jesus did good in healing the people who were oppressed by the devil, then sickness must be evil. Matthew 4:24 **“And His fame went throughout all Syria: and they brought unto Him all sick people that were taken with divers diseases and torments, and those which were possessed with devils, and those which were lunatic, and those that had the palsy; and He healed them.”** Matthew 12:15 **“But when Jesus knew it, He withdrew himself from thence: and great multitudes followed Him, and He healed them all.”** Notice that Jesus healed them all, not just the people that had faith or the people in His “good books”. He healed every one of them. In Luke 19:10, Jesus said, **“For the Son of man is come to seek and to save that which was lost.”** The word “save” in this verse is translated from the Greek word *sozo* which is defined in the Strong's Concordance as “to save, that is, to deliver or protect, heal, preserve, save, make whole.” So according to Luke 19:10, Jesus came to seek and to save and to HEAL the lost. The Greek word *sozo* is also used in John 3:15-17: **“That whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have eternal life. For God so loved the world, that He gave his only begotten Son, that whosoever believeth in Him should not perish, but have everlasting life. For God sent not His Son into the world to condemn the world; but that the world through Him might be saved.”** Did you see that?!! “That the world through him might be saved.” Saved is *sozo*, saved and healed!!! That is exactly what Jesus did. He saved and healed people and he did it because it is the Father's will.

As Jesus said, He came to do the Father's will and that is exactly what He was doing when He went about doing good and healing all who were oppressed of the devil. Here is another place where Jesus said why He came. John 10:10: **“The thief cometh not, but for to steal, and to kill, and to destroy: I am come that they might have life, and that they might have it more abundantly.”** Sickness and disease is not abundant life; health and healing is abundant life!! I would also like to add that **“Jesus Christ, the same yesterday and to day and for ever,”** (Hebrews 13:8). Jesus healed then and He is still healing people today, because it is God's will for people to be healed and free from oppression.

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BRETON



\$199,000

2 bed 2 bath 2002 Triple M home with addition (2013). 14x40 deck, fenced lot, fire pit, garden area, 10x20 tarp garage

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

ALDER FLATS



\$215,000

3 bedroom 1 bath home with partially finished basement. Many updates since 2009. Across street from school & playground.

SUNNYBROOK



\$279,000

12.9 acres 4 bedrm home, living room w/wood burning stove, patio doors & skylight. Private, treed setting, Storage sheds, workshop.

CARNWOOD



\$119,000

15 ACRES, gently rolling meadow, treed ravine along west boundary. Carnwood \$119,000

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72 Acres-4 bed 2 bath home, 30'x80' heated barn with attached 20'x56' shop. An ideal property for your hobby farm.

ALDER FLATS



\$60,000

1.33 acres located in north side of Alder Flats. Grove of mature trees. 3 sides fenced. Power at lot line. Municipal sewer available

BRETON HOTEL



- Tavern
- Liquor store
- 12 guest rooms
- 2 bedrm suite
- Attach garage for storage.
- Storage shed

Many upgrades & renos in past 20 years include:
 • exterior,
 • hotel rooms,
 • remodeling of kitchen with new wiring and new plumbing.

BUCK LAKE BUSINESS PARK

Only 5 lots available

1 - 1.12 acre urban commercial lots located off paved RR63 just north of business area on Lakeshore Drive in Buck Lake. \$45,000 to \$49,000



BUCK LAKE



\$119,000

4.45 acres for your new home or cabin, power, well, natural gas. Existing home & bldgs are of little to no value. 2.5 km to lake.

BUCK LAKE



\$390,000

Sunset Bay: 4 bed, 3 bath home, walkout ICF basement, deck, view of lake. Share in community lakefront & dock slip - annual fee.

BUCK LAKE



\$324,900

True Lakefront! Own to Water's Edge! 3 bedroom 2 bath home with large deck overlooking yard and the lake. 3 sheds included



RECREATIONAL LAND

Located
 3.2 km south of Hwy 13
 south of Buck Lake

143.55 ACRES, Creek, beaver dams, primarily treed. Annual surface lease revenue \$3,775. Quarter to south also available. Buck Lake \$265,000

SOLD

157 ACRES, Creek, beaver dam, primarily mixed forest, spruce trees. Small meadow. Annual surface lease revenue \$3,000. The corners parcel subdivided out have been marked. Quarter to south also available. Buck Lake \$349,000

SOLD

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