

THORSBY TARGET

THORSBY CAO APPOINTMENT REVOKED

After coming out of a long in-camera session back into the public meeting, the majority of the Thorsby Council voted and proposed revoking the appointment of CAO Tamara Sloboda effective December 13, 2021. More details to follow as information is made public in the coming weeks.

ANOTHER BIG CRASH INTO A WARBURG BUSINESS

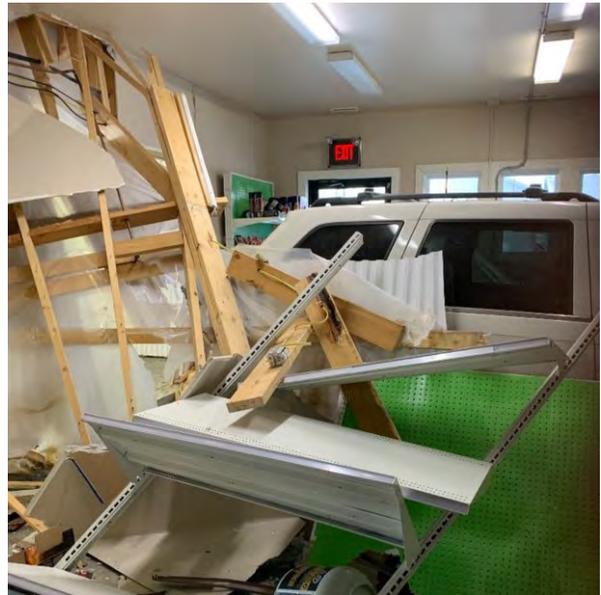
A significant amount of damage has been done to now 2 local Warburg Businesses. On Dec 6, an SUV was entering the wash bay but didn't stop and drove right through the wall into the store/laundromat/office area at the Warburg Car/Truck Wash & Bottle Depot. This follows the incident of the loader being driven through Direct Line Insurance/ ATB on November 28.

Fortunately, Shannon Flad, an employee who was working at the time of the crash was not in the affected area but had stepped out when someone had been knocking on the back door. "Thanks to the gentleman that was banging on the back door this morning. I left the front area to come let you in. Some things really do happen for a reason. Forever grateful for that annoying knock" says Shannon on a Facebook post.

It is unclear what happened and why the vehicle was going so fast entering the wash bay but was deemed an accident by co-

owner of the Car/Truck Wash Cory Babcook. The driver was not hurt. The Thorsby/Breton RCMP have not announced any charges.

Currently the 2 car bays will be closed temporarily but patrons can still use the Truck Bay which is open from 8am - 8pm. The Propane and Purolator will continue to be available from 9am - 5pm and the Bottle Depot will continue to be open from 9am - 4:30pm.



*Warburg Car/Truck Wash & Bottle Depot
on Dec 6*

**The Town of Thorsby regular
meeting of Council has been
MOVED from Tuesday,
December 14 to Monday
December 13 at 7pm**

Classifieds

FOR SALE

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

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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

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WANTED

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*Sudoku Answers
from Dec 3 Issue*

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grow old because
we stop playing.**

-George Bernard Shaw-



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COMMUNITY EVENTS & info

UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS & PROGRAMS

TURKEY BINGO on Tues Dec. 14th at 7pm Come out and win one of 24 Christmas Turkey's at the Mulhurst Legion!!

THORSBY SENIORS THRIFT STORE
Open Saturday December 11 from 10-3

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION MULHURST BRANCH NO. 246 CHRISTMAS BANQUET AND DANCE, DEC. 11TH, Mulhurst Community Hall (cocktails at 5pm Dining at 6pm), \$30 EACH, YOUTH 6-12 YEARS: \$15 - IS IT SAFE? Yes! Proof of vaccination and masks mandatory. Reduced seating capacity in venue. CONTACT: 780-935-6281 for tickets.

LIMITED SPACE - **OUR LADY OF VICTORY CHRISTMAS EVE MASS**, Friday, December 24, 6PM. Preregistration REQUIRED to meet COVID restrictions. Call Guy Giroux at 780.940.2751 to register.

ST. MATTHEW LUTHERAN CHURCH CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE 7:00pm, Fri Dec. 24th. Please register in advance by calling Janice at 780-224-8527. God Bless

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH, Thorsby - Christmas Eve Divine Liturgy, Friday, Dec. 24 at 4:00 p.m. EVERYONE WELCOME! COVID restrictions apply. For further information contact Dan @ 780-789-3698.

PROGRAMS & REGULAR EVENTS

PICKLE BALL AT THE RECREATION COMPLEX
Every Tuesday and Thursday morning from 9:30am - 11:30am & every Tuesday and Thursday evening from 7pm - 8:30pm

BOWLING AT THE RECREATION COMPLEX
Every Tuesday at 1pm

PUBLIC SKATE AT THE RECREATION COMPLEX
Every Tuesday and Thursday from 9am - 3pm

PUBLIC SHINNY AT THE RECREATION COMPLEX
Every Sunday from 5pm - 6pm

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

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

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THORSBY BINGO

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

Royal Canadian Legion Mulhurst #246 hosting Turkey Bingo Dec. 14th @ 7pm **LAST BINGO OF THE YEAR**. Weekly Bingo's resume in Feb. 2022. Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

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

Two Special markets - Sat Dec 11 and 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! (with restrictions) Please see signs at the store for everyone's safety. Wednesdays from 10am - 4pm. Donations will only be accepted during store hours, please ensure your donations are clean. 5112 - 53 Street, Warburg

COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES

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

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

Community Events Sign is Free to Non-Profit Organizations on a first come, first served basis for a period of one week or less. To have you event placed on the sign call 780.789.4041

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

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

JOB POSTING

Part-Time Peer Support Worker - Warburg Cloverleaf Manor

Description of Duties and Responsibilities

Reporting directly to the Program Manager, the Peer Support Worker provides front line resident engagement through structured activities scheduled by the Cloverleaf Intensive Supports Program Case Manager or the Activity Coordinator for the Manor.

Hours of Work: 20 hrs per week,
Monday – Friday.
Occasional evenings and weekends.

Wage: Starting at \$20/hr

COVID-19 Immunization: Proof of full immunization against COVID-19. Full immunization status is achieved when 14 days have passed after the second dose of a two-dose vaccine, or the first dose of a single-dose vaccine.

To apply for this position, please send your cover letter and resume to Lisa Macdonald at lmacdonald@gspady.ab.ca, by December 13, 2021. All interviews will be conducted in Warburg, Alberta.



George Spady Society thanks all applicants for their interest, only candidates selected for an interview will be contacted.

Equal Opportunity Employer: George Spady Society is committed to equity, diversity and inclusion and recognizes that a diverse team benefits and enriches our work and is essential to our operational excellence. We welcome applications from all qualified individuals and encourage women, members of racialized communities, Indigenous persons, persons with disabilities, and persons of any sexual orientation or gender identity to confidentially self-identify at time of application should you wish to. All qualified candidates are encouraged to apply.

JOB POSTING

Full-Time Support Worker - Warburg Cloverleaf Manor

Description of Duties and Responsibilities

The role of the Support Worker is ensuring the safety of the clients and supporting their needs as communicated by GSS Case Manager.

Hours of Work

- 12 hour shifts
- Rotation is 4 days on, 4 days off
- Days only

Salary: From \$41,000.00 per year

COVID-19 Immunization: Proof of full immunization against COVID-19. Full immunization status is achieved when 14 days have passed after the second dose of a two-dose vaccine, or the first dose of a single-dose vaccine.

This is an 18-month contract starting January 4, 2022 to insure that staff completes all training. All interviews will be conducted in Warburg, Alberta. To apply for this position, please send your cover letter and resume to Lisa Macdonald at lmacdonald@gspady.ab.ca, by December 7, 2021.



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WORSHIP

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

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

Philippian Church - 4721-48A Ave., Thorsby
Sunday Service 10:30am, Wed & Friday Service at 7pm,
Saturday Prayer Service at 7pm. Call for prayer Rev. Pollard
587-921-7790 or Elaine 587-926-4705. Have a blessed day!

St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church, Thorsby
Christmas Eve Divine Liturgy, Friday, Dec. 24 at 4:00 p.m.
EVERYONE WELCOME! COVID restrictions apply. For
further information contact Dan @ 780-789-3698.

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

COMMUNITY GROUP REGULAR MEETINGS

Thorsby Agricultural Society - Regular meetings on the first
Wednesday of every month at 7pm. Haymakers Arena.
www.thorsbyhaymakers.com or call 780.789.3829

Thorsby Seniors - Meetings held monthly in the Seniors's
Centre (4812 - 51 Street) and are on the last Wednesday of
every month at 7pm. Memberships are available for \$10 from
Elaine Warnock at 780.221.3939

Thorsby & District Fish & Game - Regular meetings are held
on the third Monday of each month @7pm at the Warburg
Village Office Basement (entrance through the back). Please
join us. Contact Bruce at 780.848.2242 for more information.

Thorsby & District Lions Club - (non-profit organization serving
Thorsby & District). Meeting the 2nd and the 4th Monday of the
month at the Lions' Den in the Community Hall basement at
7pm. For information or membership, call 780.903.1695

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

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

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

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.
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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
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Ron 403.862.0769

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SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT FOR OUR WARBURG LOCATION

Please note due to recent events and building damage, our Warburg location is temporarily closed. Our agents remain active to help our clients and are available via email or phone. For Insurance please call 780.848.2876 and for ATB please call 780.848.2877

For in person services and consultation please visit Direct-Line Insurance and ATB at 4950-50th Avenue in Calmar, Alberta.

Our Alberta Registries is temporarily closed, and we are working to re-open as soon as possible.

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Gerald Soroka, MP

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**Call for Nominations for Canada's
Volunteer Awards**

OTTAWA: Gerald Soroka, Member of Parliament for Yellowhead, wishes to advise the launch of the 2021 Canada's Volunteer Awards. From December 5, 2021, until March 4, 2022, individuals, non-profits, social enterprises or businesses can be nominated. In addition to national recognition, award recipients can identify a not-for-profit organization to receive a grant. Regional award recipients can identify not-for-profit organizations to receive a \$5,000 grant and the national award recipient can identify a not-for-profit organization to receive a \$10,000 grant.

Nominations are being accepted in the following categories:

- *One national award – Thérèse Casgrain Lifelong Achievement Award for an individual who has volunteered for at least 20 years;
- *Five regional awards – Emerging Leader for young volunteers between the ages of 18 and 30;
- *Five regional awards – Community Leader for individuals or groups of volunteers;
- *Five regional awards – Business Leader for businesses and social enterprises; and*
- *Five regional awards – Social Innovator for not-for-profit organizations and social enterprises.

More information and to submit a nomination, visit:

https://www.canada.ca/en/employment-social-development/programs/volunteer-awards.html?utm_campaign=Canada_Volunteer_Awards-2020&utm_source=PASRB-Videos&utm_medium=VanityURL&utm_term=en&utm_content=canada-ca_volunteer-awards-program

Christmas in the Village 2021 ✂️ Nominate Your Neighbour

~ Extended Edition ~

28th Annual Thorsby District Chamber of Commerce Customer Appreciation Event

~ December 3-18, 2021 ~

- 🎅 Who's Behind the Beard? Photo Hunt
- 🎅 Christmas Market – Dec 11, 10AM-3PM
 - 🎅 Holiday Photo Booth
 - 🎅 BYOTree Decorating Contest
- 🎅 Gingerbread House Contest – entries due Dec 14
- 🎅 Nominate Your Neighbour Decorating Contest
- 🎅 Business Bingo
- 🎅 Christmas Elves Cash/Gift Card Donation Collection
- 🎅 Cash Raffle – supporting Thorsby Lions
- 🎅 Christmas Parade – Dec 17, 7PM
- 🎅 Fireworks – Dec 17, 8PM



Full Details At

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AND

Thorsby Chamber of Commerce Facebook Page

Nominate Your Neighbour Decorating Contest

NOMINATION FORM

- 🎅 What address are you nominating? _____
- 🎅 What is special about this decorating effort? _____

- 🎅 What category(ies) are you nominating this address for?
 - Best Business
 - Best Homemade
 - Best Inflatables
 - Best Lights
 - Best Overall Display
- 🎅 Nominations due: Dec 16, 3PM
- 🎅 Drop off at the SOS Bookkeeping & Taxes drop box
(south side of the building)

Nominations can also be made online at:

tinyurl.com/2021ThorsbyDecorations



Christmas in the Village 2021 ~ Extended Edition ~

Business Bingo

Drop off your card with a minimum of 12 stamps by 3PM on

December 17 to:

- 🎅 Lone Wolf Mechanical
- 🎅 Sam's Balloons & Vinyl Creations/Proactive Lube Manager
- 🎅 Thorsby Family Restaurant
- 🎅 Royal Care Pharmacy
- 🎅 Tail Wagging Guidance & Training Ltd.
- 🎅 Village Supermarket

🎅 Name: _____

🎅 Phone: _____

🎅 Email: _____

The lucky winner with a completed bingo card will be drawn on December 18!



Town of Thorsby Council News

by Shawna Ofstie

The meeting started off with a delegation that had been initially denied due to concern by the Mayor that members of the Public and Council do not need to be berated at every Public Council meeting without discussing it with the people in question first. Councillor Gilbert did not agree and said that for the past 4 years if someone was willing to come to the meeting they were allowed to be on the agenda so moved to add Irene McPherson as a delegation once more.

Irene McPherson was concerned about the commitment of some of the current Council members when she heard that one of the Council members did not attend all five days of the AUMA conference last month. Irene stated a councillor should have 100% commitment and that she lodged a complaint at Municipal Affairs. Councillor Rasch explained that while she wasn't the only one who didn't attend all sessions, she attended the mandatory training and what she could but as a single mother with a full time job, she didn't have enough notice to take the entire week off. Rasch also clarified that not one Councillor has missed a Council meeting since the election so confused on what the issue is. Mayor Hostyn also explained that while they are all committed to the town, he is the only one that is retired and does not have a full time job and the job of an elected official in Thorsby does not pay their bills. It was also mentioned that in the Town of Thorsby policies, to be considered for reprimand a Councillor has to miss 8 consecutive Council meetings.

Gas Tank Remediation

Mayor Hostyn wanted to bring this topic up again and instruct CAO Tamara Sloboda to send a letter to Jason Nixon, the Minister of Environment and ask for help and options to pay for the costly cleanup at Taylor Park. Mayor Hostyn wants to do what's best for the Town, get guidance and ask questions. Hostyn wants to do his due diligence as a mayor, citizen and taxpayer and not just pay the \$140,000 or more bill without asking for help. Councillor Gilbert said administration has worked hard not to get fines and concerned if it is brought to the governments attention it will cost the town more so before they send a letter they need to get

more information on what past Councils knew and have done. Councillor Musson said that it should be a clean slate for the Town with new Council. Musson also mentioned if they could get access to the previous minutes they could do their own thumbing through. When asked, CAO Tamara Sloboda said there were no grants available for this type of work. It was agreed they will bring this topic back up for discussion at a later date.

REP Program at the Recreation Centre

Mayor Hostyn was approached by Minor Hockey President Cory Senio, who could not attend the meeting, about the possibility of implementing the REP Program at the Arctic Spas Rec Centre. He stated the 1/3 rule is working fine but after Christmas their may be more people coming and therefore more opportunities for revenue. Councillor Gilbert had concerns that they may lose staff and stated that if a policy is put in place it should apply to all staff not just in recreation. He also stated that to implement the REP Program may require locking entrances or staffing every doorway which may not be feasible. Councillor Rasch said that it may be possible to have one main entrance and trust they are not letting others in the exit doors. Councillor Musson said the Library could monitor their door as there is not a huge amount of traffic and signs can be put up. It was agreed to ask Rony, the Complex manager, to get some more information, costs and details and prepare a report with the requirements before a decision can be made.

Signing Authority for Council

Mayor Hostyn requested the paperwork for the New Council to have signing authority which hadn't been done yet since the election. Currently only Councillor Gilbert and CAO Sloboda can sign but the paperwork was given to all of Council before the meeting.

Council Meeting Change

Councillor Rasch requested that the meeting scheduled for Tuesday, December 14 be changed to Monday December 13. A recorded vote was requested and it was carried 3-2 with Gilbert & Miller opposed.

39/20 Alliance

On November 24 Mayor Hostyn attended a 39/20 meeting in Calmar as a non voting member. He

stated that Dwayne Mayr, the Mayor of Warburg is the new president. Mayor Hostyn asked the group how much it would cost to rejoin the 39/20 Alliance again and was told it would cost \$3500. He also stated that the 39/20 Alliance has approximately \$79,000 that Thorsby had been contributing to previously. The Alliance which currently includes Calmar, Warburg and Breton also plans to make a 20 minute video on each town which will cost approx \$11,000. Councillor Gilbert said there has never been a motion to leave but the Alliance did not submit financial statements to the previous Council and fiscal accountability should be required. A motion to invite Mayor Mayr to attend a Council meeting or send more information on the 39/20 Alliance was accepted.

The Council then went into closed session.

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TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY

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 9am to 9:15am and the meeting following from 9:15am to 9:45am. There is an annual fee to TOPS International of \$49 and a monthly fee to the Thorsby Chapter #1694 of \$5. The first month chapter fees are free. Phone Jane at 780-789-3789 or Elaine at 780-221-3939 for more info.

Make tonight's dinner an event! Your table can be a thing of beauty, helping you slow down and really appreciate what you're eating this evening.

1 - Start by picking the table you're going to set. Forget the coffee table in front of the TV. Your house has a dining room – or a kitchen – for a reason. Even if you have a really nice coffee table, it's probably not as nice as the one in your dining room or kitchen. You're worth eating at the nice table.

2 - Clear the clutter off the table. Is your table a catchall for bills, newspapers and kid stuff? It might take an extra five minutes, but it's a good start with a clean slate.

3 - Get one really fun, washable tablecloth or a set of standout placemats for your special table. Plastic placemats are convenient because they can be wiped off, but use whatever speaks to you and fits your lifestyle.

4 - Get out your good china, your good silverware and good glasses. They're meant to be used more than just on the holidays and birthdays. And "good" is arbitrary – whether it's a TOPS portion plate or your great aunt's china – do what feels special to you.

5 - Accent everything with real napkins. Whether you use cloth or paper, that's up to you, but fold or place a napkin at every setting. If you're

extra ambitious, there are videos online that can teach you how to artfully fold a napkin. This can be a great activity to do with kiddos or grand-kiddos, too.

6 - Remember those candles you got for your wedding or bought from your neighbours kid for a school fundraiser? Take them out. Unless you have little ones running around, light a candle every now and then. This isn't just for romantic meals, either. Lighting a candle or two or three can just make a meal seem special.

7 - So can flowers. Buy yourself a bouquet of flowers just because (and just because is a good enough reason). If you or a friend is a gardener, you can also grow yourself a bouquet. If you don't have fresh flowers, set out a dried bouquet, maybe sitting in your favorite glass pitcher.

8 - Turn on some good music – whatever your musical tastes may be – and let yourself relax while sitting down to eat or drink. Music can help create the atmosphere you desire.

9 - Place – not plop or glop – food on the plates you're using. Sprinkle fresh or dried herbs on top. Now you're ready to savor your meal. Enjoy!



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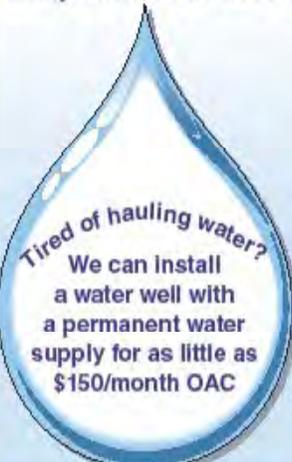
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#Technology for the good

by Gayle Sacuta, Library Manager

This week I learned about the use of the hashtag (#) when I attended a workshop through Leduc County. A hashtag is the pound sign on your keyboard followed by a word or phrase. Hashtags indicate that a piece of content relates to a certain category, allow us to search and find information more easily, and are an important part of a social media strategy for individuals or organizations. On that note I would like to comment on an article I read this week in the New York Times online with the tag #COVIDisAirborne.

Many Alberta big city folk have access to the NYT with their library cards, but in rural Alberta we do not. Like the way people who live on farms and acreages take care of their own water and sewer, rural Albertans have to buy our own subscription in order to read more than the 5 articles offered for free, access games and events, or the latest breaking news, opinions and graphics. Reason being, there is currently not enough demand to sustain the cost. I hope maybe one day, if we raise our voices, people can read the NYT through the library system anywhere we live in Alberta.

A popular article from the NYT this week described how 50 scientists created a digital model of Sars-CoV-2 (COVID) inside a respiratory droplet. If you get a chance, have a look online (references below). The model is beautiful in a number of ways, especially because of the knowledge we are gaining about COVID. I live (happily) with science nerds. During a conversation with my informants, I asked them to help me learn the significance of this particular research. In a nutshell, the model diagrams the way mucus and COVID interact in an aerosol droplet. Below is my understanding (any errors are my own):

Many scientists worked together to create a digital model of the COVID virus. One thing they learned is that newer variants of the virus are shaped with a more positive charge than other strains of the virus. One reason this information is important is that it offers an explanation as to why

the new variants spread more easily. For example, take a respiratory droplet consisting of water, mucus from the lungs, and COVID. Mucus is attracted to a positive charge and forms a protective layer around the virus, helping the virus to live longer than if it were simply in a droplet of pure water. New variants shaped with a more positive charge than earlier variants, will stick to the mucus better, forming better protection, and allow the variant virus to live longer than the others. This research helps us understand how COVID behaves and will help lead humanity out of the pandemic. Three cheers for science! #COVIDisAirborne #technologyForTheGood #digitalLiteracy #pathwayToLearning #thorsbyLibrary #NYT

<https://sc21.supercomputing.org/presentation/?id=gbv104&sess= sess249>

<https://www.nytimes.com/interactive/2021/12/01/science/coronavir us-aerosol-simulation.html>

A reminder to come in over the next two weeks to stock up for the holiday pause in in-person library service. Of course, e-books and e-content including movies, music and tutorials, will still be available, and there is wifi at the Recreation Centre. Thorsby Library closes at 4:00 PM on Friday, December 17, and reopens on Tuesday, January 4, 2022 at 10:00 AM.

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MLA REPORT

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

This week's mid-year fiscal update showed that Alberta's economy is continuing to soar.

According to the update, the deficit for 2021-22 is now forecast at \$5.8 billion. This is \$12.4 billion lower than the budget estimate and \$1.9 billion lower than the first quarter fiscal update. Total revenue in 2021-22, meanwhile, is forecast at \$57.9 billion, \$14.2 billion higher than the budget estimate and \$2.9 billion higher than the first quarter fiscal update.

Alberta's updated forecasts show that real gross domestic product is expected to grow by 6.1 per cent this year, which is significantly higher than the 4.8 per cent forecast released at the start of the year.

Job numbers are way up, with Statics Canada's latest report showing that Alberta created 15,000 new jobs in November and has created 105,400 new jobs over the past 12 months. These jobs are in addition to the hundreds of thousands of jobs that were lost and restored since the start of the pandemic. At 64 per cent, Alberta now has the highest employment rate in the nation!

Further, evidence now shows that the Job Creation Tax Cut and continued efforts to make Alberta the most competitive business environment in North America are working. Corporate income tax revenue of \$2.9 billion is forecast for 2021-22, \$1 billion more than what was forecast in February's budget. This revenue is now forecast to increase by an average of 19 per cent over the next two years to reach \$4.1 billion in 2023-24 as growth in investment and profits continue.

In true Alberta fashion, we are leading Canada's economy recovery. This is an astounding turnaround from the challenging times we saw under the NDP's terrible policies, low oil prices and the heights of the pandemic. According to economist Trevor Tombe, "This week's fiscal update represents the largest improvement in

provincial finances ever recorded."

Various factors are supporting this strong economic comeback, including improved commodity prices, but our government's persistent focus on attracting new investment and improving competitiveness for our key sectors is making a major difference at this challenging economic time.

Thanks to our policy efforts, our province is seeing billions of dollars in new investment and capital being deployed across the province right now. This is happening in hydrogen, tech, aerospace, petrochemicals, and many other areas.

Alberta's Recovery Plan is working, and Albertans are going back to work. This is great news for our families and businesses who have endured so much over the past year. According to Minister of Jobs, Economy and Innovation Doug Schweitzer, Alberta is getting its "swagger back" and I couldn't agree more.

Our United Conservative government will remain relentless in delivering jobs and investment for Alberta families and businesses. Truly, our best days are still to come.

Mark Smith, MLA for Drayton Valley – Devon

I can be reached at the main constituency office in Drayton Valley at 1-800-542-7307 toll-free. The office is open Monday to Friday. The Devon constituency office is open every Wednesday and the phones are manned Tuesday to Friday at 780-987-3666 or I can be emailed at draytonvalley.devon@assembly.ab.ca anytime.

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The Bible Truth Page

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 deliver or protect, heal, preserve, save, make whole.” So according to Luke 19:10 Jesus came to seek and to save and 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.

If you have any questions, comments or would like prayer please contact Tyler, Lifeteam Leader with John G. Lake Ministries, by email at tbu.lifeteam@gmail.com.

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Thorsby Seniors Crib Results!

1st Monday Crib Results

Winner results:

- 1st place - George Yawney - 957
- 2nd place - Eileen Snider - 933
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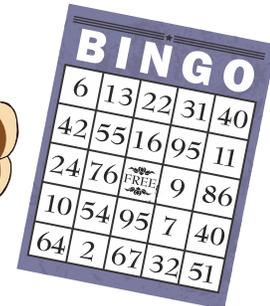
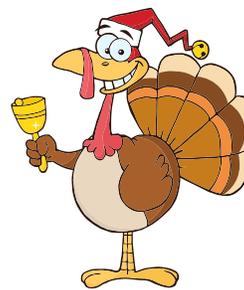
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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Mandates not covid are sucking the Canadian out of us

I am absolutely concerned about the current policy of mandated vaccinations that are undermining our freedoms and our ability to curb the Covid-19 pandemic.

Many friends and members of my family have been under coercion to get the jab. In the case of my grandchildren, their activities have been taken from them if they do not submit to experimental gene therapy inoculations. Data shows that children are 99.998% bullet proof to this virus and are rarely transmitters. For example, Sweden's 2 million unvaxxed and unlocked students have reported 0 casualties. On the other side, children have multiple times greater chance of being harmed by the inoculation. What about long term?

If anyone thinks that these experimental gene therapies are absolutely safe you need to follow the VAERS (vaccine adverse event reporting system) data collection site. Since its inception, the site reports more death and injury than all other vaccines combined, by many times over.

If your fear is that the non-inoculated are the threat, then you best look at the facts from the CDC, assessing the fully inoculated. They can contract and shed the virus at any time while the non-vaccinated can only infect when fighting a contracted virus. There is at best a 1% chance of asymptomatic spread by the unvaxxed, reported by the world's top virologists. It's been discovered that the first four omicron variant carriers from Botswana were fully covid inoculated. It is vaccine break through that causes mutations.

Masking up, hunkering down the healthy and putting full faith into experimental gene

therapies has in the first time in medical history dismissed the first 2 cornerstones of good health practice. Individual immunity enhancement and early intervention using the known successful therapeutics is the first line of defense reducing contraction and severity.

Policies from the Alberta Government and Alberta Health Services are policies of segregation based on misguided assumptions and misleading information. By following the science instead of science fiction, we now know only the covid recovered are non-spreaders. Therefore, other than the covid recovered, everyone else needs to be tested. Covid passports are a document of deception and hypocrisy inciting segregation.

Fear and an undeterred belief that this current plan is a worthy tradeoff for the better good, have led governments to abuse their power to undermine citizens' constitutional right to medical freedom. Freedoms taken away manifest into an unjust society.

Robert Krueger

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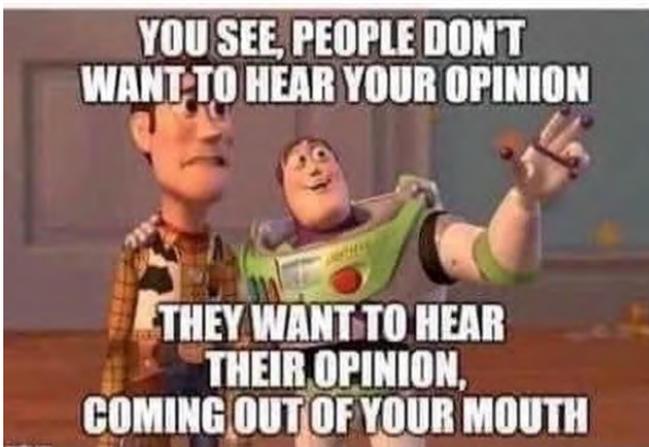
Laurie's Laughs



THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN A BIG SISTER AND A BIG BROTHER...



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- **St. Francis - 1 Acre lot on pavement** (E4263583) 2011, 2 bedroom mobile, fenced and serviced **\$229,000**

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- **Wizard Lake - 30.15 Acres** (E4261137) recreation land - great building spots or makes a good weekend retreat ~~\$249,000~~ **REDUCED \$239,000**

- **Genesee - 145 Acres** (E4256128) of excellent pasture land **\$369,000**

- **Genesee - 136.31 Acres** (E4239253) of pasture land or recreation land (creek - ravine - small lake on property) **\$349,000**

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

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