## THE BRETON BOOSTER

#### **OPERATION COLD START**

With the cold winter temperatures, the Alberta RCMP and our partners in law enforcement are reminding everyone to ensure their vehicle is never unattended or unlocked with keys nearby or in the ignition. Approximately 25% of stolen vehicles in Alberta are stolen while idling and these thefts are far more prevalent in the cold winter months. Vehicles can be stolen in seconds by thieves lying in wait. Often times, thieves will look for people who start their vehicles and then leave them unattended as they return in their houses or into a store.

To help keep your property safe, Alberta police services are taking action through Operation Cold Start from January 31 to February 6. Individual police agencies and RCMP detachments have implemented this initiative to prevent thefts of idling automobiles in past years, but in 2022 we will be coordinating this operation across the province for the first time!

The goal of Operation Cold Start is to educate Albertans and work with the public to reduce auto theft, ultimately by making it tougher on would be thieves. The initiative will see police officers across the province patrolling for unattended idling vehicles to determine if they are locked and/or have the keys in the ignition. Officers will work to educate owners on the various ways they may keep their property safe. But, we can't do it alone and it is critical that the public help in preventing these crimes of opportunity.

"Alberta has the highest per capita auto theft rate in the country, and approximately 25% of those vehicles are stolen while idling with the keys left in the vehicle," said RCMP Superintendent Mike McCauley of the Community Safety and Wellbeing Branch. "This drives up insurance rates for Albertans and these files take a great deal of time to investigate. This project will prevent some of these crimes during the project, and ideally thanks to the educational component of the project, will change Albertan's habits. It is a small investment tackling one of the root causes of this crime."

We would like to offer Albertans some tips to help keep their vehicles safe:

- If possible, look into command start options as a means to warm your vehicle.
- Steering wheel locking devices are effective options that can help mitigate theft.
- When starting your car, or allowing the engine to warm up prior to driving, ensure that you are in the vehicle.
- Never leave valuable items like purses, wallets, keys or change in an unoccupied vehicle.
- Always place keys to vehicles in a safe place, out of plain sight and in a secure location.
- Lock vehicle doors all the time, even if you are parked in your driveway or garage at home.
- Never leave your vehicle unattended if it is running or the keys are in it.



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#### WINTER BREAK ACTIVITIES



Breton and Area FCSS will be hosting activities for children ages 5 - 12 during the week of February 7 - 10 while they are on winter break.

Watch for details on our Facebook page and the Breton Booster.



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Sudoku Answers from Jan 12 Issue

Life is more fun if you play games.

- Roald Dahl-

## **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 <a href="macdonald@gspady.ab.ca">lmacdonald@gspady.ab.ca</a>. 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. All interviews will be conducted in Warburg,
Alberta. To apply for this position, please send your cover letter and resume to
Lisa Macdonald at Imacdonald@gspady.ab.ca



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#### **BRETON MUNICIPAL LIBRARY**

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

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION #246 MULHURST BINGO:

Weekly bingo's will start again on Tues. Feb. 1, 2022 at 7pm.

**THORSBY AFTERNOON CRIB** at the Seniors Centre runs every Monday at 1:30pm Everyone welcome! Bring your Vaccination Card and a mask.

#### MARKETS/THRIFTSHOPS(NONPROFIT)

#### TREASURES THRIFT SHOP IN WARBURG

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

#### **Country Market Every Third Saturday**

11-4pm at Sunnybrook Hall.Homemade Crafts, Baking, Farm Eggs and so much more. New and returning vendors. Email <a href="mailto:foreverboredmarket@gmail.com">foreverboredmarket@gmail.com</a> with questions or to become a vendor.

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

**Leduc Public Market** Every Thursday from 10-2:30pm in the Leduc City Center Mall

#### **COMMUNITYSUPPORTSERVICES**

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

**Breton RCMP** Call 780-696-3520 or contact Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS), online at <a href="www.P3Tips.com">www.P3Tips.com</a> **For** emergencies call 911

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! <a href="https://www.bwofc.com">www.bwofc.com</a> 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 <a href="www.faithcovenantchurch.ca">www.faithcovenantchurch.ca</a> for the live stream link. Call 780.696.3669 or Email <a href="mailto:office.faithcovenantchurch@gmail.com">office.faithcovenantchurch@gmail.com</a>

Warburg Alliance Church - 4628-55 Avenue, Warburg Open for 11am worship service. For more information please phone780.848.7577, 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

Life is like a hot bath.
It feels good while you're in it, but the longer you stay in, the more wrinkled you get.

- author unknown -

#### VILLAGE OF BRETON INVITES YOU



#### Recreation Roundtable Discussion

THURSDAY JANUARY 27, 2022 7:00 PM BRETON COMMUNITY CENTRE

All Community members welcome.

Help us plan the future of recreation in our community

COVID-19 PROTOCOL WILL BE IN EFFECT WITH SOCIAL DISTANCING



#### **COMMUNITY GROUP REGULAR MEETINGS**

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

**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 <a href="https://www.bretonmuseum.ca">www.bretonmuseum.ca</a>

**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

**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

#### The Royal Canadian Legion #246 Mulhurst

Next General Meeting will be in February. New Members welcome. Marion 780-935-6281

"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens can change the world; indeed, it's the only thing that ever has"

- Margaret Mead -

#### **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 alt 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

#### Centrelodge 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.

#### 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 <a href="mailto:thorsbyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com">thorsbyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com</a>

#### **ThorsbySeniors Centre**

For rentals call Cathy Kuzio at 780.719.7124

#### **Warburg Cultural Centre**

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

Warburg Legion for rental. Contact Deb or Max at 780-848-2923

Warburg Seniors Centre for rental. Contact Allan or Nancy at 780-848-7756

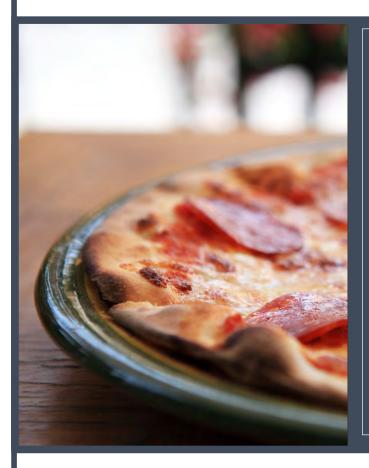
#### Winfield Legion

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780.696.3636

#### FCSS NEWS from Deanne Young

Happy 65th Anniversary to the Village of Breton – To celebrate the 65th Anniversary of the Village we will be having a trivia contest each month. In partnership with the Breton Historical Society, we will have a list of questions each month in the Booster and on our social media page, on the third week of the month. Return your answers by the 30th of each month to be eligible for prizes throughout the year. Entries will be eligible for the prizes for participating. Let's have fun learning about our community this year.

## 2022 Village of Breton Trivia Contest 65th Anniversary

#### January 17, 2022 Questions:

- What year did Breton incorporate as a Village?
- What was the official date of Incorporation?
- In 1961 the Alberta Treasury Branch opened in Breton. Where was the bank first located in Breton?
- The first Village Council was Comprised of 3 individuals. Name the individuals?
- What was the capacity in (gallons/liters) of the old water tower near the entrance to Breton?
- In what year was the present RCMP Barrack's built?
- Who was the last District Nurse to serve Breton?
- What Grain Elevator Company served the Breton community from 1931-1996?
- Who is the current Mayor of Breton?
- When the Village of Breton was Incorporated who was the first Town Foreman and Municipal Policeman?

**Family Day Planning** – Family Day is quickly approaching. We invite anyone that would

like to participate in the planning of the day to a meeting on Tuesday January 25, 2022 at 7:00 pm at the Breton Community Centre. Let's make this another great community event.

Snowman Kit –Let get out and enjoy some of the snow we have received this winter. Snowman Kits are available from our office. Use it and any other items to build a snowman. Email pictures of your creation to be entered in our prize draw. Entries will be shared on our social media account. Random draws for the prizes will happen in March.

School Winter Break Activities – It seems like the kids have had several breaks from learning this school year but the official winter break / teacher's convention is in February. During the week of February 7 – 10 Breton FCSS will be hosting activities for youth ages 5–12. We are still working out all the details, so please check the Breton Booster and our Facebook page for further information. Activities will only be in the afternoon and we will be asking for pre-registration to ensure we have appropriate materials and are able to safely social distance.

McMann Family Resource Network – Twice a month on Wednesday morning join in for rhymes, stories, crafts, snacks and a fun and social time for preschool children and their caregivers. The program will run from 11:00 am-12:30 pm, Breton Community Room, in the Civic Centre Free – Call 780-202-3158 for more information. This is the group that offered Park Play over the summer. January dates are - January 5 & 19.

Brighter Futures Gym Time – Tuesday mornings – from 10:00 – 11:30. Hosted by Brighter Future's, held at Faith Covenant Church, 4712 – 53 Ave. Children 0 – 6 can burn off all that extra energy with physical activity. Drop in – Free. For more information 780-514-5070

Just In Case — Is a resource that you put together for those that may need when a loved one is unable to communicate with you or passes on. We have put together this binder for you to fill out, use and share with important people in your life. If you would like one of the binders, please contact us or come into the Breton FCSS Office at 4916 50th Avenue. We can also email you an electronic version for you to fill in and print.

Dr. Jody Carrington – FREE ONLINE COURSE – Self paced – "Kids These Days"-If you own a kid, work with a kid, or love a kid, you will find something inspiring and practical in this course. Dare I say game-changing. (Dr. Jody Carrington's words)

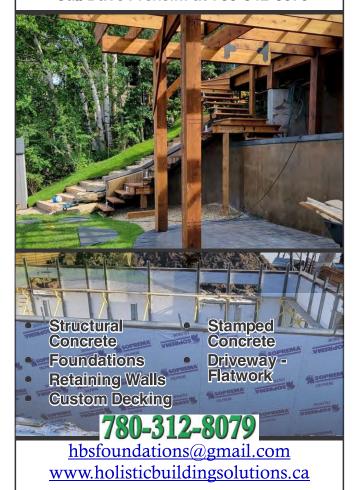
This course was born from the hundreds of stories of kids, their families, and their support systems I was lucky to meet as I worked across Canada and the USA. Regardless of who I met or where I met them, the message was always the same: our kids are okay ONLY if those of us holding them are okay. This course is for the parents and educators: our teachers, bus drivers, administrators, educational assistants, librarians, administrative assistants, and custodians, parents, grandparents, caregivers. And anyone who leads, loves, and supports them. If that's you, we invite you to sign up for this self-paced online course. This FREE course is available to anyone in the Village of Breton or Brazeau County. Please contact Breton FCSS to register at 780-696-3636 or email fcss@breton.ca

Community Wellness Calendar – Our Stay Well in 2022 is now available. Pick up your free copy at the Village of Breton Office, or the Breton Municipal Library. 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.



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# Happy New Year my friends! Well, we are halfway through January and my question for you all is how has the start of 2022 been for you? Are you full of new possibilities or are you discovering yourself fighting to find joy in your days? Sometimes January can feel so blue. The excitement of Christmas is over, family and friends have come and gone, or maybe they did not come and now we are left with just winter. We can feel exhausted and lonely, maybe even disappointed mixed in with feelings of hopelessness on those dark cold days. I am not a winter girl at all, so winter for me, especially January through March is hard. My anxiety surfaces much more easily and of course with that, I tend to have bouts of depression.

The January Blues are a very real medical condition. Therapist Rosemary Sword told Business Insider: "t's a form of depression that many people feel after the holidays and sometimes before." Typically, January blues reveals itself as feelings of sadness, no energy, lack of motivation and yes, anxiety. It can also sometimes show itself through sickness, like a cold or flu that you keep fighting off. Our current on-going situation in the world is not helping any of us, as we continue to navigate through the frustrations of the unknowns.

## Soul Care

So, how do we continue to find joy in our days? *First*, if you are struggling with January Blues, please call someone. Find a therapist, Pastor or a friend that listens well, and share your heart with them.

I also incorporate these practices into my days to help me through the January Blues.

*First*, I continue to spend time with Jesus, reading the Bible, journalling, and praying. Spending heart to heart time as He restores my soul, fills me up and provides for me what I am needing. Second, I seek additional rest in a healthy way. What I mean by this is genuine rest, which can include sleeping but also engaging in activities that also restore your soul and bring you peace. What fills you up and makes you smile? A new book? Currently, I am reading Deep Kindness by Houston Kraft, it is filling me up in all kinds of positive ways! Trying a new hobby? Taking a drive into the mountains? Where I live, I am a few hours from some majestic scenery which fills me up and gives me a new perspective! A new online course? There are endless opportunities to restore your heart and soul. Third, exercise. Ok I try. But honestly, when you can get outside walk, play, or stay inside and dust off that treadmill. They say 30 minutes a day of activity helps us to be more positive and energetic and it is so good for our minds and health! Lastly, I also try to stay connected. When you feel down, it is so easy to isolate yourself. And honest to goodness, we do not need more isolation. We were created for community and connection.

As Blue Monday approaches on January 17<sup>th</sup>, the most depressing day of the year, my prayer for each of you is that this day will not be sad but will be a day filled with opportunities of Joy. Take the time you need to be kind to yourself.

Pastor Natasha Westerhoud Breton Faith Covenant Church

## A BIG THANK YOU FROM THE SANTA'S ANONYMOUS COMMITTEE

#### ALDER FLATS, BUCK LAKE, WINFIELD & SURROUNDING AREAS

The Santa's Anonymous Committee would like to thank everyone who generously donated to the December 2021 campaign, supporting approx.. 30 families in need over the Christmas season.

#### Thanks to the following:

for donating \$1000 or more: Winfield Lions Club, Winfield & District Ag. Society, Deep Cut Social Club (Spartan Delta Corp) and Wetaskiwin County

for donating \$100 or more: DW Septic Solutions, Mr. & Mrs. D. Willows, Mr. & Mrs. T. Dunn, Steve Hodgson Contracting, C & R Resources, Newforce Energy Ltd., Mr. & Mrs. Pat Murray, Alder Flats Ag. Society, Mr. & Mrs. K. Sprague, Winfield Royal Canadian Legion, Buist Motor Products, Jones Trucking & Backhoe Services, Mrs. L. Moore, Buck Lake Santa Claus Parade, Mr. & Mrs. H. Tucker, 1033576 Alberta Ltd., Buck Lake Ag. Society, Buck Lake Seniors, High Country Accounting, Mr. & Mrs. S. Larssen, Mr. & Mrs. J. Rowan, Mr. & Mrs. T. Macaulay, Western Pioneer Seniors, Metis Cultural Youth Camp and Alder Flats Bottle Depot.

We would stress that we appreciate every donation to Santa's Anonymous. Thanks to Alder Flats Bottle Depot for matching the proceeds from their donation bin for October-December and to Dr. J. Hambleton of Breton for donation of toothbrushes. Also thanks so much to Buck Lake Agricultural Society for continuing to donate the use of the hall, we really appreciate their help over the years. If I have missed anyone I apologize.

I would also like to say a big thank you to the volunteers who make this program possible; they give tirelessly getting the hamper boxes ready, collecting and sorting, filling and delivering hampers. Ahuge thank you to Winfield Elementary, Buck Mountain Central and Alder Flats Elementary for organizing collection of donations, the enthusiastic input from the students is amazing. Also to the schools for 'adopting' a number of families

All the best in 2022.

### Dawn Heisler 780-619-2564 (cell) 780-986-2900 (office) www.dawnheisler.remax.ca email: dawnheisler@remax.net



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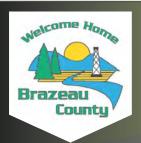


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Delegation to provide an opportunity to provide comments, concerns

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#### **IMPORTANT DATES**

February 3 | Alternative Land Use Services PAC meeting | 1:00 p.m. February 8 | Council Meeting | 9:00 a.m.

**February 15** | Municipal Planning Commission meeting | 9:30 a.m.

<u>February 16</u> | Agricultural Service Board meeting | 9:00 p.m.

February 21 | Brazeau County Administration Building closed (Family Day)

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#### **Preacher's Point**

from Pastor Jeff Gooderham

Charles Moore writes, "Alan and I met 20 years ago. We were both students at Cal Poly. I was a freshman and he was a junior. As a physics major, Alan was both intelligent and articulate. How Alan got on with his studies, however, is still a mystery to me. Alan was virtually blind. He could not see well enough to get from one place to another without help. But when it came to reading, it was a different story. I can still see Alan, his face two inches from the text, arduously pecking away at each of his assignments. Alan not only got straight A's but returned to Cal Poly as a physics professor. Although Jewish in background, Alan was extremely skeptical of anything religious, especially Christian. He was well read and well versed, and he argued his doubt like a scientist. Alan believed that Christianity was unable to pass the theological requirements of science. He therefore pled agnostic. There simply wasn't enough evidence in his mind to warrant belief in God. As a fledgling freshman, I along with several others, tried to show him there was ample evidence in Christianity's truth. There were not only facts of fulfilled prophecy and the reliability of the New Testament documents, but also the testimony of creation. Wasn't that sufficient? Not for Alan...

Alan was unusually happy to discuss religious subjects, which always gave us some hope. But even more intriguing was how he liked to hang out with us. Alan didn't have many friends. He was rather unattractive, much too serious and totally dependent on others for any kind of transportation. But we tried to reach out to him the best we could. We tried to include Alan in everything we did. One evening, something happened. A bunch of friends got together to enjoy the sunset and a roaring bonfire. By the time the evening was over, Alan had made a commitment to follow Jesus and no one even knew. The next day, he came to tell me what happened. I asked him what made him decide. "While everyone was sitting around the fire, I realized that whenever I am around you Christians, I am happy. Even when we disagree with each other, I find myself liking to be with Christians." "But Alan," I said, "I thought you were

never going to become a believer unless there is first enough evidence." "Yes Chuck," he replied, "I still require it. But that's precisely why I now believe. It's how you all love each other that strikes me the most. I never considered that evidence before. A good scientist considers all the facts. I simply haven't found the love you Christians have for each other anywhere else. That's enough evidence for me that Jesus is Lord!

John 13:35; "By this all men will know that you are my disciples, that you have love one for another." May that be so!

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#### The Bible Truth Page

Are you his Disciple?

If we have made Jesus our Lord, our life should be very different than it was before. If we believe in Jesus as Lord, we will:

- 1. Love God with all our heart and love other people.
- 2. Dedicate the rest of our life to following Him as our Lord
- 3. Be His disciple, and allow Him to teach us and lead us into all truth
- 4. Fellowship with Him by reading His word, meditating on His word, talking to Him, listening for a response, and by praising and worshipping Him.
- 5. Study His word, commands, and actions so that we will know what He wants us to do.
- 6. Obey His word, and commandments.
- 7. Do the works that He did and greater
- 8. Make disciples by teaching others to follow Jesus, and helping them along the way
- 9. Trust Him to do what He said He would do; He is not a liar.
- 10. Fear, reverence, honour, and respect Him

In Previous articles I wrote about #1, 2 and 5. It is time now to have a look at #3. If Jesus really is our Lord and we claim to be a Christian, we will be His disciple and allow Him to teach us and lead us into all truth. Jesus said, "And He who does not take his cross and follow after Me is not worthy of Me" (Modern English Version Matt. 10:38). The Greek word that follow is translated from means to follow, to join one as a disciple. Jesus is saying that if we don't follow Him as a disciple, we are not worthy of all that He has provided for us. If we don't follow Him as a disciple, we are not on His side. Here is a similar verse. "He who loves his life will lose it. And he who hates his life in this world will keep it for eternal life. If anyone serves Me, he must follow Me. Where I am, there will My servant be also. If anyone serves Me, the Father will honor him" (John 12:25-26). In this passage Jesus is saying that if we are His servants we will follow Him, He will be with us, and God will honor us. It is also important to notice that in order to follow Him we must give up our own way of life and live for Him instead. You might ask, "How can I follow Him now that He ascended up to Heaven?" Well, that is a good question, however the answer is simple.

We follow Him by studying His teachings and actions that are recorded in the Bible, and by doing what He did, taught, and commanded. The Bible is the written Word of God. It is truth. Look at John 8:31-32: "Then Jesus said to those Jews who believed Him, "If you remain in My word, then you are truly My disciples. You shall know the truth, and the truth shall set you free." Another way we can follow Him now is by allowing Him to lead us by the Holy Spirit whom Jesus promised to send. Jesus said: "But the Counselor, the Holy Spirit, whom the Father will send in My name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you" (John 14:26). "But when the Counselor comes, whom I shall send to you from the Father, the Spirit of truth who proceeds from the Father, He will bear witness of Me" (John 15:26). The Holy Spirit is truth and He will teach us truth, which is found in the written Word of God. He will help us to remember and apply The Word of God in our life.

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

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#### CANADA EMERGENCY BUSINESS ACCOUNT LOAN FORGIVENESS REPAYMENT DEADLINE EXTENDED

OTTAWA: Gerald Soroka Member of Parliament for Yellowhead wishes to advise that the – Canada Emergency Business Account (CEBA) Loan Forgiveness Repayment Deadline has been extended. The repayment deadline for CEBA loans to qualify for partial loan forgiveness is being extended from December 31, 2022, to December 31, 2023, for all eligible borrowers in good standing.

This extension will support short-term economic recovery and offer greater repayment flexibility to small businesses and not-for-profit organizations, many of which are facing continued challenges due to the pandemic. Repayment on or before the new deadline of December 31, 2023, will result in loan forgiveness of up to a third of the value of the loans (meaning up to \$20,000).

Outstanding loans would subsequently convert to two-year term loans with interest of 5 per cent per annum commencing on January 1, 2024, with the loans fully due by December 31, 2025.

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#### **LETTER TO** THE EDITOR

To the Editor:

Last November the Rural Municipalities Association (RMA) sponsored a conference (from November 21 - 26) at which 6 county councillors and an unknown number of others attended (e.g., Staff).

The conference costs for councillors are as follows (according to per diem sheets, which are available on the website): \$12000 for attendance at sessions, parking, and taxis. Add hotels (about @\$150 per night) for a cost of additional \$5000. Add registration fees of about \$700 per person—another \$5000 (for 6 or more people)

Then add additional amounts for an unknown number of staff. This amount could easily become a total of over \$25000.

One has to ask "how does this county benefit" from this expenditure. It is easier to note what we do not get:

Accountability: There is no report requirement so taxpayers can't be sure that councillors attend sessions, nor is there any assessment as to the benefit of the sessions to the county, nor is there an assessment as to whether the conference as a whole was useful.

#### **Further Questions:**

Why do so many councillors go? Send two and have them report back via written report.

Why does the public pay for covid tests? No vax, no pay—vaccinations are free.

Why do we pay the reeve "reeve pay" for conferences when that designation is immaterial to the situation?

Why do some councillors claim funds for meals and others do not? (Mr. Ekstrom claimed over \$150 over two days.)

What is the benefit to the county for "networking"? (Mr. Guvon)

Why does one councillor claim for 6 days when all the others claim for 5 or less.

Why should taxpayers pay councillors a ½ day per diem for travel that takes about 2 hours or less?

Conclusions: No report, no pay; send only one or two councillors; remember transparency and the code of conduct. Taxpayers have a right to know the topics and substance of the sessions.

If this conference is so important and councillors get so much out of it, then perhaps they should spend their own money to go.

And finally, from what reserve account will this cost be taken, as the county has been spending \$5 million more per year than revenue. Should we be spending this kind of money when we are approaching bankruptcy? Think about it.

Lynn Oberle

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## RCMP CHARGE MAN RESPONSIBLE FOR TWO DEATHS IN VEHICLE COLLISION NEAR BRETON

RCMP have laid charges in relation to a tragic motor vehicle collision that left two people deceased on October 27, 2022. Breton and Thorsby RCMP received the report of a multivehicle collision involving two passenger vehicles. The collision occurred west of Breton on Hwy 616 at range road 43.

Breton and Thorsby RCMP, along with the RCMP Criminal Collision Investigative Team (CCIT), Emergency Medical Services, the local fire department and STARS Air Ambulance attended the location. Two vehicle occupants were pronounced deceased at the scene.

RCMP have charged Christopher Scott Way (29) of Ontario with:

- Impaired Driving Causing Death (x2)
- Dangerous Driving Causing Death (x2)

Way is set to appear in court on March 8, 2022, in Breton.



## Laurie's Laughs





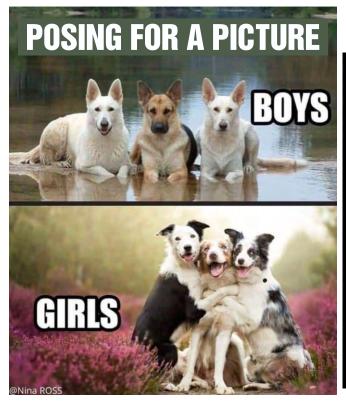
Cop: You were going fast. Me: I was just trying to keep

up with traffic.

Cop: There isn't any.

Me: I know! That's how far

behind I am.





As you get older, you've got to stay positive.
For example, the other day I fell down the stairs.
Instead of getting upset, I just thought, "Wow, that's the fastest I've moved in years.

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