

# THORSBY TARGET



7pm, One Shot Photography & Warburg School will also be hosting a Family Christmas Photos fundraiser. Costs would be \$60 per family for 5 digital images within 48 hours. All proceeds will be donated to the family to help Davin in the recovery process of his injuries. Please call 780-691-7283 or message One Shot Photography on Facebook to book a time.

*"Helping one person might not change the world but it could change the world for one person"*

Anyone who knows Davin Linder (Mayr), knows he has a huge heart. He always has a big smile on his face, a positive attitude and the willingness to help anyone.

Davin, a 20 year old former Warburg School student, was involved in a critical ATV accident on October 7, 2022 that left him with several life changing injuries including paralysis. Warburg School has generously set up "Donations for Davin". These donations will help Davin with the upcoming financial costs needed to help him return home with more ease for himself and his family.

If you would like to donate, Black Gold families can log onto their parent portal or for families with no parent portal, they can use the following link [www.studentquickpay.com/bgrs/MyAccount/Main.aspx](http://www.studentquickpay.com/bgrs/MyAccount/Main.aspx). Please check out Warburg School's Facebook or contact them if you have any questions.

Also, on Wednesday, December 21, 2022 from 4-

## CHRISTMAS LIGHTS COMPETITION

**Town of Thorsby** - Judging will be on the evening of December 17. Don't forget to turn on your lights. Cash prizes will be awarded. Organized by Communities in Bloom.

**Leduc County** - A map will be shared so residents can tour the County, view the light displays and vote for their favorites. Last chance to submit your application was December 16. Contact Andrea at 780-770-9264 or [andrea@leduc-county.com](mailto:andrea@leduc-county.com) for more information.

Thank you to everyone who submitted their votes or suggestions on a new name for the Thorsby/Warburg combined newspaper starting in January 2023!

**Stay tuned next week for our decision.**

# Classifieds

## EMPLOYMENT

**JANITORIAL WORKERS WANTED** at Genesee- full & part-time needed. Mon-Thurs 10:30am - 7pm, Fridays 8:30am - 5pm. Call 780-982-7701

## FOR RENT

**1 BEDROOM CABIN IN MULHURST BAY** for rent, available January 1. 3 blocks from the water, full bathroom, fridge and stove, fireplace, nice treed yard, firepit, incl. heat, water, sewer, power, garbage p/u. \$900/month. Call Steve 780-918-8495

## WANTED

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## SERVICES

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



Sunnybrook Hall Is Actively Seeking Board  
Members & Volunteers

Dedication Is Minimal ,Only 1 Meeting Monthly  
Current Positions Will Help With The Transition.

President

Secretary

Vice President

Volunteers

Sunnybrook Community Hall AGM  
Wednesday, January 11th at 7pm



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Sudoku Answers  
from Dec 9 Issue

*The object of the puzzle is to fill the remaining squares, using all the numbers 1-9 exactly once in each row, column, and the nine 3 x 3 subgrids.*



## **Journeyman Plumber - 'A' Class Gas Fitter** **Full Time – Leduc AB**

Leduc Regional Housing Foundation is seeking an enthusiastic and motivated individual for a permanent, full-time Journeyman Plumber 'A' Class Gas Fitter position working 75 hours bi-weekly. Reporting to the Asset Manager, the Journeyman Plumber will be responsible for the installation, maintenance, repairs and emergencies associated with plumbing and heating requirements. This position is part of the maintenance team, that work together to maintain numerous buildings in the Leduc Region. The individual will be required to read blueprints and specifications to maintain plumbing systems. He or she will work using safe work practices on a wide range of HVAC related equipment such as hydronic boilers, make up air and air handling systems, air conditioning and troubleshooting for minor repairs to HVAC systems. The successful candidate will ensure that a high quality of service is provided to all internal and external customers.

### **Qualifications**

- Journeyman Plumber Certificate (Red Seal) with 5 or more years in facility maintenance as a plumber and gas fitter
- Gas Fitter Class A Ticket required
- Minimum 2 years' experience in plant, building or routine maintenance operations · 5th Class Power Engineering certificate an asset
- Current Backflow certification an asset.
- Experience with commercial kitchen equipment, desired.
- Computer literate and experience with enterprise dispatch systems.
- Strong background in trouble shooting controls, HVAC and boilers, with 5 years experience required.
- Possess a valid class 5 driver's license and satisfactory Driver's Abstract · W.H.M.I.S. Certificate
- Standard First Aid Certificate.
- A sincere desire to work within the non-market housing industry to assist Leduc Regional Housing Foundation to achieve its Vision.

All employees will be required to have a Pre-Employment Fit to Work Assessment, a clear criminal record with vulnerable sector check.

Please send your resume quoting job posting number  
2022 – CS - 06 to:

Human Resources  
Leduc Regional Housing Foundation  
5118 – 50 Avenue, Leduc, Alberta T9E 6V4  
Fax: 780.986.4881 or  
E-Mail: [hr@leducregionalhousing.ca](mailto:hr@leducregionalhousing.ca)

# **WE ARE HIRING!**

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## **LONE WOLF MECHANICAL**



**4813 - 50 Ave Thorsby**



On Nov 30, the Thorsby Seniors had their  
Christmas dinner which was a great  
success.

A donation box was set up for the Thorsby  
Christmas Elves and they were able to  
donate \$184.00.

## **Thorsby Fish & Game Association Scoring Day**

**Saturday, December 17th, 2022  
from 8am - 1pm  
@ Warburg Legion.**



*Members and non-members welcome.  
Memberships will also be for sale for the  
upcoming 2023 year.*

**Annual General Meeting to be held @ 3pm.**





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## COMMUNITY EVENTS & info

### UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS & PROGRAMS

**RUNDLE'S MISSION LIGHT THE NIGHT** hosted by Leduc County. Saturday, Dec 17 from 2-6pm. FREE. Ice carving, create and walk with luminaries on the community trail, live music. Call 780-955-6410 for more information.

**ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION #246 MULHURST: CHRISTMAS BANQUET AND DANCE** Sat. Dec. 17th Cocktails 5PM, SUPPER 6pm with DJ Dance to follow. Tickets \$35.00 and going fast!! Call 780-935-6281

December's **NEW LIFE CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP GOSPEL MUSIC JAM IS CANCELLED** but will resume on January 8th, Sunday, 1:30 pm Free Admission Any musician or singer is welcome to join! For more info: Florence - 780-789-4171

**GLEN PARK HALL MUSIC JAM IS CANCELLED** for December but will resume on Saturday afternoon at 1:30 pm on January 21st. Admission : \$5 Singers, musicians & dancers are all welcome! For info : Ollie: 780-789-2180

### COMMUNITY SERVICES

**THORSBY RECREATION COMPLEX HOURS** - Weekdays 9am - 8pm & Weekends 11am - 5pm. Call 780-789-4041

**THORSBY BYLAW ENFORCEMENT** - contact Barry Rasch at [bylaw@thorsby.ca](mailto:bylaw@thorsby.ca) or 780-233-4151

**COMMUNITY EVENTS SIGN** is Free to Non-Profit Organizations on a first come, first served basis. To have your event placed on the sign call 780-789-4041

**THORSBY RCMP** call 780-789-3950 or contact Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS), online at [www.P3Tips.com](http://www.P3Tips.com) For emergencies call 911

**THORSBY TOWN OFFICE** - 780-789-3935 or email [info@thorsby.ca](mailto:info@thorsby.ca)

**THORSBY MUNICIPAL LIBRARY** New Hours Tuesday 10am-6pm / Wednesday 12pm-6pm / Thursday 12pm-7pm / Friday 10am-5pm / Saturday 10am-1pm - 780-789-3808.

### PROGRAMS & REGULAR EVENTS

**THORSBY BINGO** Located at the Thorsby Seniors Centre every Thursday evening starting at 7pm. Last Bingo Dec 15th closed for holidays until Jan 5.

**ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION #246 MULHURST: FAMILY BINGO** every Tue. at 6:30 pm will resume on Feb. 7th/2023

**PICKLE BALL** on Tuesday & Thursday morning 9:30am to 11:30am and Thursday nights from 7-9pm at the Arctic Spas Recreation Complex. \$5 drop in fee

**THORSBY SENIORS SOUP & SANDWICHES** at the Thorsby Seniors Centre on the 2nd Wed of each mth starting at 11:30am

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**THORSBY AFTERNOON CRIB** at the Seniors Centre runs every Monday at 1:30pm Everyone welcome!

**SEW HEAVENLY QUILTERS** meet at 10:00 am Thursdays at Warburg Cultural Centre. Call Peggy Lunde 780-789-2545

**BUSY BRUSHES** meet on Wednesdays at 10 am on Wed at the Warburg Cultural Centre. Call Linda Mayr 587-590-0378.

**WARBURG CURLING CLUB SENIOR MEN'S DROP-IN** - Thursday at 10am. \$5 drop-in fee. Call Les at 780-848-2661

**SANDHOLM SQUARE DANCE CLUB** -Youth, couples & singles Thursdays, 7 to 9:30pm at Sandholm Hall (10 miles S of Thorsby). For info call 780-238-5844 or 780-389-2381.

**WARBURG MUSEUM** - Pie & Coffee on the first Saturday of every month next one January 7 from 1pm - 4pm.

### COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES

**Does drinking affect your personal life in any way? AA CAN HELP!** 5203 - 54 Avenue at Thorsby New Life Christian Church (every) Monday 8:00pm 780-270-7903

**THORSBY FAMILY & COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES (FCSS)** Call 780-789-4004 or email [fcss@thorsby.ca](mailto:fcss@thorsby.ca)

**FOOT CARE NURSE** will be in Thorsby on the 1st Wednesday of every month. Please call Irene at 780-789-3176

**LEDUC & DISTRICT VICTIM SERVICES** - assisting victims of Crime & Trauma in partnership with the RCMP. Call 780-980-7232 or [www.leducvictimservices.ca](http://www.leducvictimservices.ca)

**LEDUC COUNTY FAMILY RESOURCE NETWORK IN THORSBY** - Located at 4908 48 St. in the modular building across from the Arctic Spas Recreation Complex. Open Tuesdays 2 to 4 p.m. and 5 to 8 p.m. Closed for supper 4 to 5 p.m. Open Thursdays 9 a.m. to 4 p.m. Closed for lunch noon to 1 p.m. Call 780-979-2385 or email [frn@leduc-county.com](mailto:frn@leduc-county.com)



### Thorsby Seniors Crib Results!

**Crib scores from December 11th:**

1st - Orest Senio. - 962

2nd - Brenda Lickock - 935

3rd - Eunice Gillis.- 938

High Hand of 24 held by Fruitland Neighbors  
Eunice Gillis & Eileen Snider

**CONGRATULATIONS ALL WINNERS!**

**Come & join us on Monday, Dec. 19th  
at 1:30 pm at the Thorsbys Senior Center  
Admission: \$6**





**Merry Christmas CRAFTS**

JOIN US FOR OUR SPECIAL CHRISTMAS AFTER SCHOOL PROGRAMS!  
 3:30PM - 4:30PM  
 ARCTIC SPAS REC COMPLEX  
 AGES: 7 & UP  
 FEE: \$10 PER DAY

DEC. 7TH DADS SPECIAL GIFT  
 DEC. 14TH MOMS SPECIAL GIFT  
 DEC. 21 HOT CHOCOLATE BALLS \* CHRISTMAS CARDS

PRE-REGISTER AT:  
[WWW.THORSBY.CA/RECREATION](http://WWW.THORSBY.CA/RECREATION)  
 DEADLINE MONDAY'S PRIOR TO PROGRAM

Arctic Spas RECREATION COMPLEX

## Thorsby Communities in Bloom Society

*is proud to organize a*

### **“Light Up Your Community”** Friendly Competition

**The following categories include:**

- Best Business
- Best Residence
- Best Homemade
- Most Creative Overall

***\*Cash Prizes AWARDED\****

**Make sure your lights are on Dec 17, 2022 in the evening when judges will be out and about taking notes.**



## MARKETS/THRIFT SHOPS (NONPROFIT)

**THORSBY SENIORS THRIFT STORE** Open Thursdays and Fridays 10am-3pm

**MULHURST BAY FARMERS MARKET** at the Mulhurst Bay Community Hall (3802 50 Ave) every Saturday 10-2pm. Carol 587-920-2065.

## WORSHIP

**Our Lady of Victory Catholic Church** - 4813-51 Street, Thorsby. Mass is every Sunday at 9am and weekdays, Wednesday at 10:30am by Fr. Luan Vu. 780.987.2858 or visit [www.olvthorsby.wordpress.com](http://www.olvthorsby.wordpress.com)

**New Life Christian Fellowship** - 5203-54 Avenue, Thorsby  
Worship Services Sunday at 10:30am. Call 780.789.3020

**St. John the Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church** - Thorsby-  
Divine Liturgy on Sunday, December 18th @10:30am. For further information please contact Dan @ 780-789-3698

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

**Calmar Community Baptist Church** - 37A Parkview Crescent, Calmar, AB Sunday morning service 10:30 am

## FACILITY RENTALS

**Camp Bar V Nok** - for bookings call Jason 780-990-4043 or email [bookings@barvnok.com](mailto:bookings@barvnok.com)

**Centrelodge Community Centre**  
For bookings call Caroline at 780-789-3089

**Glen Park Hall** For bookings call Mike at 780-919-1250

**John Turgeon Hall** Located in the Summer Village of Sundance Beach. For rental contact Shawna at 780-389-4409

**Morrowdale Community Hall**  
For bookings call Samantha at (780) 995-6890.

**Mulhurst Bay Community Hall** call 780-389-2455

**Mulhurst Legion:** Book your Christmas Function 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](mailto:rent@rundlesmission.org).

**Sandholm Community Hall** Call Doris 780-389-2381

**Strawberry Community Hall**  
For booking contact Cindy Miller at 780-789-2446

**Sunnybrook Community Hall** - For rentals contact Mikayla at 306-307-2599 or email [sunnybrookcommunityhall@gmail.com](mailto:sunnybrookcommunityhall@gmail.com)

**Telfordville Hall** Call Tracy at 780-718-9549 after 5pm

**Thorsby Community Center** Call Marlene at 780-789-3734 or text 780-217-9394 or [thorsbyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com](mailto:thorsbyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com)

**ThorsbySeniors Centre**  
For rentals call Dora Shier at 780-662-2066

**Wilton Park Community Centre**  
for booking text Aileen @ 587-930-2519.

## COMMUNITY GROUPS & MEETINGS

**THORSBY MINOR HOCKEY ASSOCIATION**-Fall AGM 7pm  
Dec 20 in lobby of Arctic Spas Rec Complex.

**BURNT WOOD "06" METIS LOCAL** monthly meetings on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7 pm in the Wetaskiwin Moose Lodge. Call Rose @ 780-361-6019 for more information.

**MULHURST BAY COMMUNITY LEAGUE** - Meeting the 3rd Monday of each month at 7:30pm. 780-389-4268 for more info.

**ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION PIONEER BRANCH #144 THORSBY** meetings are the third Wednesday of every month, except July & Aug at the Thorsby Seniors Centre at 9:30am. For Membership contact Doreen Mackenzie at 780-789-3812

**ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION #246 MULHURST:**  
Next General Meeting: Jan. 9th @ 7pm

## RUNDLE'S MISSION SOCIETY

For info email [info@rundlesmission.org](mailto:info@rundlesmission.org) or phone 780-389-2422 [www.rundlesmission.org](http://www.rundlesmission.org) Facebook: Rundle's Mission

**THORSBY AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY** - Regular meetings on the first Wednesday of every month at 7pm. Haymakers Arena. [www.thorsbyhaymakers.com](http://www.thorsbyhaymakers.com) or call 780-789-3829

**THORSBY & DISTRICT CULTURAL & HISTORICAL SOCIETY** - Regular meetings held on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7pm at the Thorsby Community Hall which is managed by this society. Everyone welcome. For more information email [thorsbyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com](mailto:thorsbyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com)

**THORSBY & DISTRICT FISH & GAME** - Regular meetings held on the 3rd Monday of each month @7pm at the Warburg Village Office Basement (entrance through the back). Contact Bruce at 780-848-2242 for more info.

**THORSBY & DISTRICT LIONS CLUB** - Meeting the 2nd & 4th Monday of the month at the Lions' Den in the Community Hall basement at 7pm. For info or membership, call 780-903-1695

**THORSBY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE** monthly meetings on the 3rd Thursday of each month at the Rec Complex. Call 780-499-9006 or email [thorsbyabchamber@gmail.com](mailto:thorsbyabchamber@gmail.com) for more information or to become a member.

**THORSBY COMMUNITIES IN BLOOM SOCIETY** - Contact Barry Rasch 780-983-2096 or [barrythorsby@gmail.com](mailto:barrythorsby@gmail.com)

**THORSBY MUNICIPAL LIBRARY BOARD** meets the third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM. Contact the manager at [yatmgsacuta@yrl.ab.ca](mailto:yatmgsacuta@yrl.ab.ca) for more information.

**THORSBY SENIORS** - Meetings last Wed of every month in the Seniors's Centre. Coffee meetings at 1pm (Winter Hours). Memberships available from Janice Zydek at 780-239-4595

**TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)** - Thorsby Seniors Centre - Mondays, weigh in (9am-9:15am), meetings (9:15am -9:45am) For more info call Jane 780-789-3789 or Elaine 780-221-3939

## Community United Church



*Complete your Advent journey with  
a celebration of the holy birth.*

**December 24, 2022 @ 2:00 PM**

*5112-53 Street, Warburg*

# **WARBURG**

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*Black oil sunflower seeds*

*Flax*

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seed*

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*Retailer for Proven Seed, Inland Plastics, Union  
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**Lois Leslie Branton**

January 23, 1930 – December 7, 2022



With sadness we share the peaceful passing  
of Lois Leslie Branton on Wednesday,  
December 7, 2022 at the age of 92. She is  
survived by her sons, Ted and Larry;  
daughter, Theresa; their spouses and her  
grandchildren.

**Her life will be celebrated at 12:30  
p.m. on Monday, December 19,  
2022 at New Life Church, 5203-54  
Avenue, Thorsby, AB with Rev.  
Glen McBride presiding.**

*Expressions of sympathy can be forwarded  
to the family via the website,  
[www.hainstockedmonton.com](http://www.hainstockedmonton.com)*

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# *Merry Christmas*

## *& Happy New Year*

from Darcy & Sharon Powlik  
and Family



*Thank you to all our  
customers who supported us  
over this past year!*

# BREAKING NEWS!!

## JANITORIAL CONTRACTOR NEEDED

The Town of Thorsby is seeking requests for proposal for Janitorial Services at the Town Office, approximately 2 hr/week every Friday, Saturday, or Sunday. The Contractor shall provide professional, high quality janitorial services to maintain the building in a neat, clean, and orderly condition. Supplies will be provided. Must have a valid business license within the Town of Thorsby or through 39/20.

**PLEASE SUBMIT SEALED PROPOSALS  
MARKED CONFIDENTIAL TO THE  
ATTENTION OF:**

Donna Tona, CAO  
Email: [dtona@thorsby.ca](mailto:dtona@thorsby.ca)

TOWN OF THORSBY  
Box 297 Thorsby, AB T0C 2P0  
Ph: (780) 918-7208

Or drop off at the Municipal Office at 4917  
Hankin Street Submission closing date:  
December 22nd , at 4:30 p.m.

## THORSBY OFFICE CLOSED!

The Thorsby Town Office will be closed on Thursday, December 22nd at 3:00pm for a Christmas Staff Function.

We will also be closed from December 23rd to the 27th for the holiday.

Thank you very much for your understanding!



## ATV SNOW ANGELS

Become an ATV snow angel – a warrior of winter!

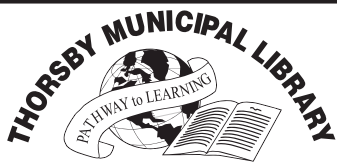
Keep an eye out online on the Thorsby website and Facebook for more details to follow in the near future on a snow angels program.

## Thorsby Town Council Meetings

(all meetings are held at the Town Office in the Council Chambers)

Tuesday, December 20 | Regular |  
7 - 8:30pm

Tuesday, January 10 | COW |  
7 - 8:30pm



## Thorsby Library updates and reminders: from the Thorsby Library Staff

*submitted by Gayle Sacuta*

It has been said that one of the best parts of caring for children is learning that Children's Literature is a thing that even exists. Many parents know this very well, and the evidence is in the thousands of picture books that Thorsby Library lends out every year. Oh, and kids like them too! What fun to curl up with a book before bed or during the day, which entertains both the child and their grown-up.

Recently, Thorsby Municipal Library received a wonderful donation of 15 children's books, less than 2 years old, written by Canadian authors. This generous gift from Dr. Nhung Tran-Davies holds an exciting story of its own!

Local author and doctor, Tran-Davies participated in a three-member jury to assess the applicants for the Governor General's Literary Awards in the category of Young People's Literature – illustrated books. Boxes of new picture books arrived from The Canada Council for the Arts. Her task was to review the books from authors across Canada. A shortlist was created, and a winner chosen by Dr. Tran-Davies and her jury mates, Kate Beaton and Frank Viva. Afterwards, the books were offered to local libraries to share the wonder and talent of children's literature. That is the story of how we received these new books!

Please remember the library will be closed for the holidays from December 23, and will reopen on Thursday, January 5.



Make sure your library card is up to date, and stock up on DVDs and books for the holidays. You may borrow as many items as you can hold.

You can learn more about all seven award categories, the short lists and finalists by visiting the Governor General Awards website at: <https://livresgg.ca/#gagnants>

This year's winner for children's illustrated literature was **The Sour Cherry Tree by Naseem Hrab, illustrated by Nahid Kazemi.** Based on the author's memories, this book looks at the loss of a loved one through the eyes of a child.



The four titles on the short list are:

**kā-āciwīkicik / The Move by Doris George and Don K. Philpot, illustrated by Alyssa Koski**

**kā-āciwīkicik / The Move** is a picture book written in Cree and English. The story features colourful illustrations and uses magic and memory to explore how a formerly barren landscape transformed into a rich natural world — becoming a place where an elderly couple can spend their remaining days in an ancestral home.

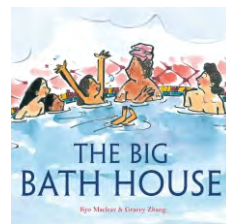


**Mina by Matthew Forsythe**

The picture book **Mina** is a colourful and heartfelt look at the bond between father and daughter. Mina lives with her dad in a tree stump on the edge of the forest. When her father brings home a surprise, an anxious Mina learns more about the power of trust and loyalty.



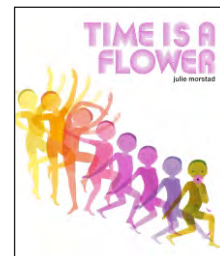
**The Big Bath House by Kyo Maclear, illustrated by Gracey Zhang.**



**The Big Bath House** is a picture book that celebrates family, culture and bodies of all shapes and sizes. A Japanese girl — along with her aunts and grandmother — relax and connect at a traditional bath house.

**Time is a Flower by Julie Morstad**

**Time is a Flower** is a picture book that playfully explores the nature of time. Time as a concept can be tricky to understand, but this book visually looks at the ticking of a clock, numbers and words on a calendar to help children better understand.





# Leduc County Recreation and Parks Master Plan

## *We need your input!*

Leduc County is proud to provide a variety of parks and recreation opportunities to our residents. We offer recreation programs, partner with local halls and societies on community-led events, take care of a number of parks, campgrounds and open spaces and maintain cost-sharing agreements with neighbouring municipalities.

In summer 2022, we reached out to the community to help us understand the current and future needs for parks and recreation services. We have reviewed your feedback and now need your input on our draft goals and objectives in our **Recreation and Parks Master Plan**.

### GET INVOLVED: ONLINE STORYMAP

Your feedback is an important part of our planning process! Visit our Recreation and Parks Master Plan storymap - an online story that highlights the main components of our plan - to share your thoughts and ideas and answer questions. Your feedback will be considered in the final version of the plan.

View the storymap online at [leduc-county.com/recreation-parks-master-plan](https://leduc-county.com/recreation-parks-master-plan).



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## Seniors Grant Program

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Eligible organizations or groups can apply for grant funding\* for projects that are led by, or for seniors and are volunteer-based. Consideration will be given to those groups that are not solely senior led, with the condition that the planning process collects seniors' feedback from the community. *Programs and services must be provided to seniors within Leduc County.*



\*Leduc County suggests a funding request of approximately \$2,000.


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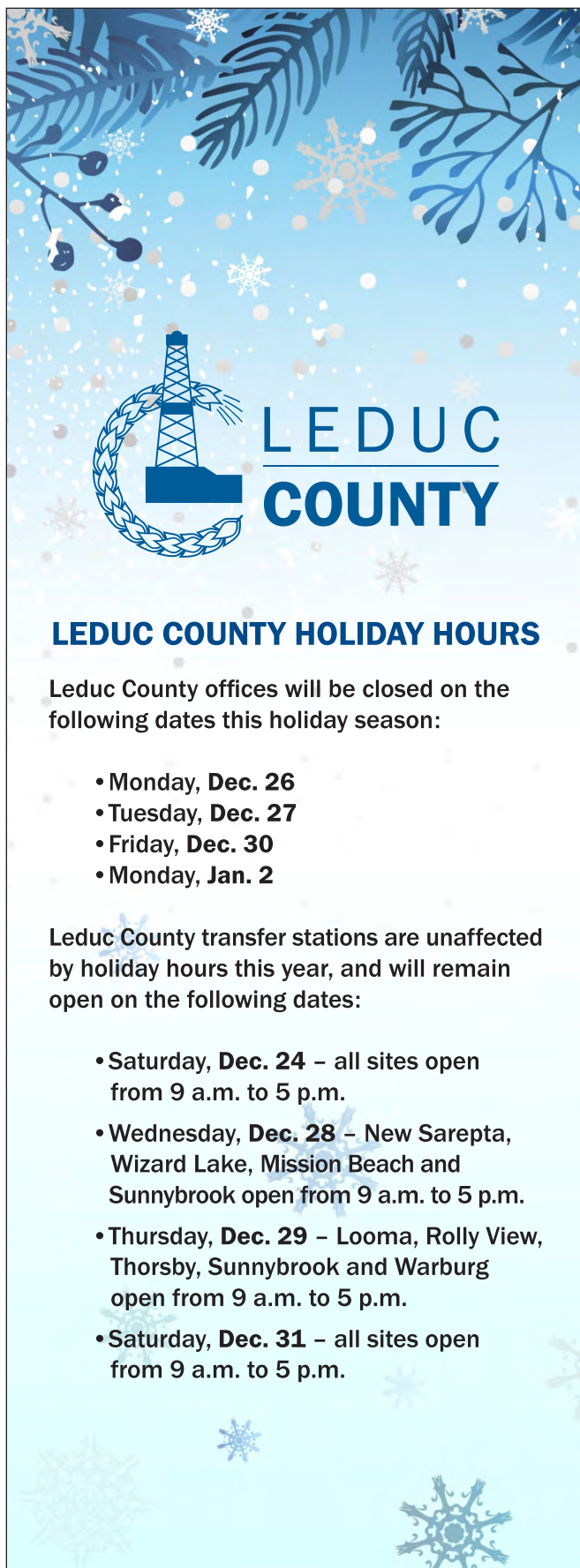
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**As of January 1, 2023 we will be combining the Thorsby Target & Warburg Bugle into 1 paper.**

**Thank you to everyone who submitted their votes or suggestions on a new name!**

**A little more information about the amalgamation of our 2 papers**

The Thorsby/Warburg paper will be every week and more copies will be printed (approx 700 more copies each month). This paper will go to Warburg each week instead of every 2 weeks and the paper as a whole will have a larger readership. It will be delivered to Thorsby, Leduc, Calmar, Sunnybrook, Pigeon Lake, Warburg and Alsike.

As an advertiser, if you currently advertise in both papers every week your total monthly spend will be the same. This will only affect those who only advertise in one paper, there will be an increase. New prices will be posted in the December 23 edition of the Target & Bugle.

The deadline will also change from noon to 10am on Wednesday for Friday publication.

The Breton Booster will not be affected, only the deadline will change from noon to 10am on Monday for Wednesday publication. In case of a long weekend holiday Monday, the deadline will be 3pm the Friday before the long weekend.

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# MAKING LIFE MORE AFFORDABLE FOR ALBERTANS

**New legislation has been introduced that would deliver critical broad-based inflation relief to Albertans, with additional targeted cost-of-living supports for families, seniors and vulnerable Albertans.**

Alberta's economy has recovered strongly, but many Albertans are struggling to heat their homes and feed their families, and the government wants to help. The legislative changes included in the Inflation Relief Statutes Amendment Act, 2022 would enable the government to deliver timely, effective cost-of-living supports and inflation relief to Albertans.

If passed, the legislation and supporting regulations will enable the expansion of utility rebates, electricity price protection over the winter, personal income tax indexation retroactive to the 2022 tax year, full suspension of the provincial fuel tax, and delivery of upcoming targeted relief payments to families, seniors and vulnerable Albertans. These measures make up the Alberta government's Affordability Action Plan.

Alberta's Affordability Action Plan is the largest of its kind in Canada, providing \$2.8 billion in broad-based and targeted relief to Albertans and their families, farms and small businesses.

If passed, Bill 2, the *Inflation Relief Statutes Amendment Act*, 2022, will enable key affordability support measures through legislation:

- Upcoming targeted relief payments for seniors and families with dependent children under 18 years of age with household incomes below \$180,000 per year.
- Upcoming targeted relief payments to vulnerable Albertans collecting Assured Income for the Severely Handicapped (AISH), Persons with Developmental Disabilities (PDD) and Income Support.
- Indexing the Alberta Child and Family Benefit to inflation starting Jan. 1, 2023.
- Protecting consumers on the regulated electricity rate from price spikes in January, February and March 2023.
- Indexing personal income taxes to inflation, retroactive to the 2022 tax year.
- Suspending the full 13-cent-per-litre tax on gasoline and diesel from January to June 2023, with the fuel tax relief program providing ongoing relief subject to oil prices thereafter.

In addition to the legislation, upcoming regulation amendments will include:

- \$200 in additional electricity rebates from January to April 2023, bringing total electricity relief from July 2022 to April 2023 to \$500.
- Indexing AISH, Income Support and the Alberta Seniors Benefit to inflation.
- Enhancing the current natural gas rebate to provide permanent natural gas price protection.

Albertans can learn more about current and future affordability relief programs and supports at [www.alberta.ca](http://www.alberta.ca)

## Quick facts

### **Targeted relief payments for families and seniors:**

- Starting January 2023, eligible families with household incomes below \$180,000 per year will receive six monthly payments of \$100, for a total of \$600 per dependent child under 18 years of age.
- Starting January 2023, seniors with household incomes below \$180,000 per year will receive six monthly payments of \$100, for a total of \$600.
- More details on how and when to apply will be announced soon.

### **Targeted relief payments to Albertans collecting AISH, PDD and Income Support:**

- More details on when clients will receive their payments will be announced soon.

### **Indexing personal income taxes:**

- Alberta's basic personal amount will increase to \$19,814 from \$19,369 for 2022, an increase of 2.3 per cent.
- Other credit amounts and tax bracket thresholds will also rise by the same percentage.
- Given the higher rates of inflation in late 2021 and 2022, these credit amounts and tax bracket thresholds will increase by six per cent for 2023, bringing the basic personal amount to \$21,003.
- An additional 80,000 to 95,000 Albertans will pay no provincial personal income tax by 2023, on top of the approximately 1.3 million tax filers who already pay no provincial personal income tax.
- Many Albertans will receive a higher refund or owe less tax when they file their 2022 taxes. They will also benefit in 2023 through lower tax withholdings on their paycheques.

### **Indexing the Alberta Child and Family Benefit to inflation:**

- This will increase the per-child amounts and phase out thresholds by six per cent effective January 2023. Recipients will receive the increased benefits beginning with the February payment.
- The increase to the maximum annual benefit, based on whether a family has one to four or more children, follows:
  - one child - \$120
  - two children - \$198
  - three children - \$260
  - four or more children - \$307



### **Re-indexing AISH, Income Support and the Alberta Seniors Benefit:**

- On Jan. 1, 2023, benefit rates will increase by six per cent to match the rate of inflation for 2022.
- AISH and Income Support clients will see this increase on their Dec. 22 payment for January.
- Alberta Seniors Benefit clients will see the increase on their Jan. 25 payment.
- Alberta Child and Family Benefit clients will see the increase on their February quarterly payment.

### **Temporary regulated rate option (RRO) electricity price stability:**

- Consumers who purchase power through the regulated rate option (RRO) will benefit from temporary price relief through a 13.5 cent per kilowatt hour ceiling in January, February and March 2023.
- Electricity costs above the temporary ceiling will be deferred and spread over lower-rate months, with temporary zero-interest loans provided to RRO providers if needed to assist with this deferral.
- In 2023, the government will evaluate the RRO to ensure electricity is stable and affordable for Alberta families, farms and small businesses.

### **Expanded electricity rebates:**

- About 1.9 million homes, farms and businesses will receive \$75 credits on their January and February bills, followed by \$25 credits in March and April.
- Eligibility criteria remains unchanged.

### **Natural gas price protection:**

- Regulation amendments will be tabled in early 2023 enhancing the natural gas rebate program beyond its current March 30, 2023, end date to provide permanent natural gas price protection.

### **Fuel relief:**

- Alberta's government will pause the collection of the full 13-cent provincial fuel tax on gasoline and diesel between Jan. 1 and June 30, 2023, regardless of oil prices.
- After June 2023, Albertans will continue to benefit from fuel tax relief whenever the average oil prices during each quarter's determination period are above \$80 per barrel, according to the current staged approach.

Additional information is available at [www.alberta.ca/affordability](http://www.alberta.ca/affordability)



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# A Dilemma

by Tracy Bolton



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The worst time of the year  
It's time to do "that" shopping  
A dilemma that I fear  
I'm going to have to find  
The best thing ever made  
It can't be second best  
It has to be first grade  
It will never be a vacuum  
I've made that mistake before  
It went flying passed me  
As I was running for the door  
It won't be no clothing  
The size is always wrong  
I recall one Christmas morning  
I was hanging by a thong  
Better not get perfume  
I'll hear "what you think I stink"  
Then I'll get in trouble  
Cause I speak before I think  
So now I'm running out of options  
As the day sneaks up real fast  
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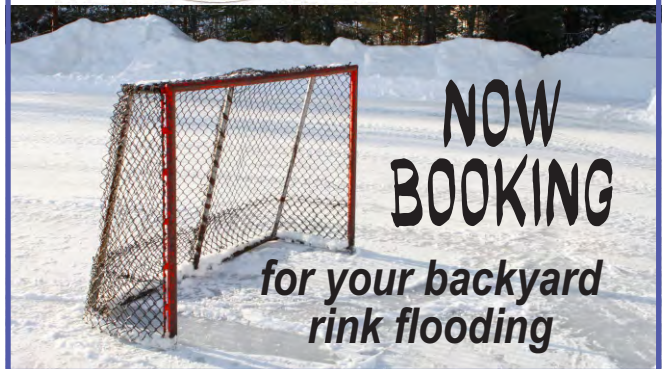
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### One-to-one\* sessions are available to help you:

- ▶ Get ready for income tax filing and file your taxes for free\*\* OR teach you how to file your own taxes.
- ▶ Learn about the subsidies, grants, benefits and supports that may be available to you.
- ▶ Identify the financial challenges that are holding you back.
- ▶ Create action plans to meet your goals.
- ▶ Access the right support and services with helpful referrals to community agencies that provide specialized financial information and support.
- ▶ Increase your basic money management skills so that you can reduce debt, grow savings, build assets and make informed financial decisions.

In addition to one-to-one support, we also offer information sessions and workshops on a variety of financial literacy topics. Check out our recorded sessions and upcoming events at [leduc-county.com/community-family](http://leduc-county.com/community-family).

Leduc County is one of a select group of Canadian municipalities to partner with Prosper Canada on the Prosperity Gateways-Cities for Financial Empowerment project to improve the financial well-being of residents living on low income. Financial help includes education, coaching/counselling, free tax clinics and help accessing income benefits.

If you're interested in the Financial Empowerment Program, contact Leduc County FCSS at **780-979-2385** or [fcssinfo@leduc-county.com](mailto:fcssinfo@leduc-county.com).

\*One-to-one sessions are available to residents of Leduc County, Calmar, Thorsby and Warburg.

\*\*The volunteer income tax program is available to low income residents with simple income tax situations. It does not complete returns for people who are deceased, bankrupt, or have business, farming or rental income.





## MLA REPORT

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

With another week of the legislative session behind us, I wanted to update you on some of our major accomplishments from the Legislature over the last few weeks.

We began by introducing the *Property Rights Statutes Amendment Act*, which proposes to abolish adverse possession, otherwise known as “squatter’s rights,” in Alberta. This past summer, the MLA Select Special Committee on Real Property Rights, which was chaired by Highwood MLA R.J. Sigurdson, travelled the province, and consulted extensively with Albertans on property rights issues. The decision to abolish adverse possession stems from a recommendation in the Committee’s final report.

We then introduced legislation to help finalize our government’s new deal with Alberta doctors. The *Alberta Health Care Insurance Amendment Act* removes a section of the *Health Care Insurance Act* that allows the government to terminate compensation-related agreements. Alberta doctors say this legislation gives them confidence they need to focus on growing their businesses and delivering the world-class care Albertans deserve. It also allows our government to focus on doctor recruitment and retention in communities across the province.

As you may have heard we passed the *Alberta Sovereignty within a United Canada Act*. This legislation will affirm our jurisdictional and constitutional rights as a province and strengthen the bonds of Confederation by upholding our nation’s history most foundational documents – the Constitution and the Charter.

Probably the highlight of the session so far, however, was the introduction of the *Inflation Relief Statutes Amendment Act*, which, if passed, will make life more affordable for all Albertans. Our government knows that affordability is the primary challenge facing Albertans today, and that Albertans are counting on us to take decisive action to address the affordability crisis. The *Inflation Relief Statutes Amendment Act* provides important legislative changes necessary to deliver timely, effective support to help Albertans heat their homes, put food on their tables, and fuel their vehicles.

Our multi-billion-dollar inflation-relief package for Albertans is significant and includes expanding the electricity rebate to a total of up to \$500; reindexing

benefits like AISH, PDD, and Income Support, as well as the Alberta Seniors Benefit and the Alberta Child and Family Benefit; and providing targeted payments for kids under 18, seniors 65 and over, and vulnerable Albertans with household incomes of \$180,000 or below.

Our United Conservative government can provide this timely and significant relief because our budget is balanced and our fiscal house is back in order, after the previous government almost drove our balance sheet off a cliff.

The *Inflation Relief Statutes Amendment Act* will ensure that all Albertans either directly or indirectly benefit from the strength of our economy. Our government is committed to tackling this affordability crisis, fixing our healthcare system, maintaining Alberta’s economic momentum, and making life better for all our citizens.

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

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2. Oh no.

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elf*

**AND HAPPY NEW YEAR**

*Have a safe & happy  
Holiday season from our family to yours!*



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# RE/MAX®

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### BRETON

Very unique church converted to a 4800 sq.ft. home on private double lot with garage! Quality rebuilt from the ground up from 2002-2013. Kitchen was made for entertaining with room for the biggest table you have seen. Hickory cabinets with many drawers, dual fuel double oven, French doors, utility room with two sinks could be your butler's pantry! Part of this home was built for a musician with sound rooms and a 34x24' flex room. Could be a home based business or rec room! 2x6 walls, interior walls insulated throughout. Enormous main bedroom, with huge closet/dressing room. En suite oasis includes large air jetted tub, separate shower, double vanity in floor heat while you brush your teeth. Two more large bedrooms with double windows and closets. Office with transom windows to let light in, sitting gallery, 4 piece bathroom and laundry room complete the upper level. Oversized, heated, double garage, fenced yard with extensive gardens, covered deck...**MUST SEE!** Shingles 2021, HWT, furnace 2017 ~~E4279498 \$424,000~~ **\$399,900**

### THORSBY BUNGALOW



**NEW!**

On huge 50x 264 ft. lot. 2 bedroom, newer shingles, vinyl windows. **E4322203 \$130,000**

### WARBURG VACANT LOTS

Residential Lot 12 **\$24,000**

Lots 23-25 Your choice **\$45,000**

### WARBURG MOBILE



1990 mobile with addition, 3 bed, 2 bath. Lot rent \$260/month ~~E4279908 \$74,900~~ **\$67,500**

### COMMERCIAL WARBURG

2700 sq.ft commercial building with full basement **E4316643 \$149,900**



### ACREAGE by THORSBY



6 beautiful acres fenced for livestock, chicken coops, sunset barn, 1979 modular, oversized double garage with workshop, paved driveway. ~~E4308609 \$360,000~~ **\$350,000**

### APARTMENTS

2 x 4-plexes in Warburg. Total of 8 units. **E4321594 \$800,000**



### WARBURG



Solid 2+2 bedroom bungalow, south backyard, front and back alley access. **E4307702 \$175,000**

### DOUBLE LOT IN WARBURG

3 bed, 2 bath bungalow style, large deck, fenced, RV parking **E4311132 \$280,000**



### SECLUDED 4.27 ACRE



5 bed, 3 bath, walkout basement, 32x48' shop, barn **E4318673 \$525,000**

### WARBURG MOBILE

2007 on private lot. 1500 sq.ft. 3 bed, 2 bath, large deck ~~E4297369 \$125,000~~ **\$120,000**



### RETIRE IN LEDUC



Adult living in Ravine Villas, 3 bed, 3 bath, finished basement, double garage **E4319461 \$379,000**

### NEW MOBILE

Never lived in 2 bed, 2 bath in Warburg MHP. Lot rent \$260/month ~~E4296519 \$135,000~~ **\$130,000**

