TH@-RSBY TARGET



by Shawna Ofstie

Thank you loyal readers for your votes and suggestions, there were way more than I ever expected. This was not an easy decision but after much deliberation, we have decided to name the Thorsby/Warburg combined paper "Connect 39".

If you are wondering why, here is a bit of why we chose this. The definition of Connect is "to join together so as to provide access and communication" or "bring together or into contact so that a real or notional link is established". Our goal is to connect our communities and keep you informed about the great people, opportunities, local news stories and events. We care about all of our small communities along Highway 39, and you too Pigeon Lake but adding 616, 771 and 13 would have made it too long, sorry.

We also have to thank Tracy Musson for suggesting "Connect 39". We were texted, emailed or told over 50 different names over the past week or so and are so grateful for everyone's input.

Please don't hesitate to contact me if you have something you would like to read about or include in our papers. I also want to hear about the amazing people and what is going on in our communities. History articles and success stories are some of my favorites!

Merry Christmas and I wish you good health & happiness over the upcoming year! We are closed next week so the next issue and new combine paper is January 6, 2023!

WINTER LUMINARY AT RUNDLE'S MISSION

by Audrey Brosseau

On Sat. Dec. 17th, lots of brave winter enthusiasts enjoyed the Winter Luminary, sponsored by Leduc County and held at Rundle's Mission, celebrating the joy of the season and the beauty of light. Despite the cold weather, many people



joined in ice carving and making sugar taffy on snow



outdoors, then went indoors to e n j o y t h e m u s i c a l entertainment, hot food from the c o n c e s s i o n, m a k i n g gingerbread houses, Christmas crafts, and socializing by the fireplace. Then as night arrived, we enjoyed a winter walk outside along the path lit by

candles, using the luminaries we'd made to light our way. A wonderful way to celebrate winter and Christmas!



Thanks to Leduc County for organizing and hosting this event and to those from Rundle's Mission Board who helped out.



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Sudoku Answers from Dec 16 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 × 3 subgrids.



BREAKING NEWS!!

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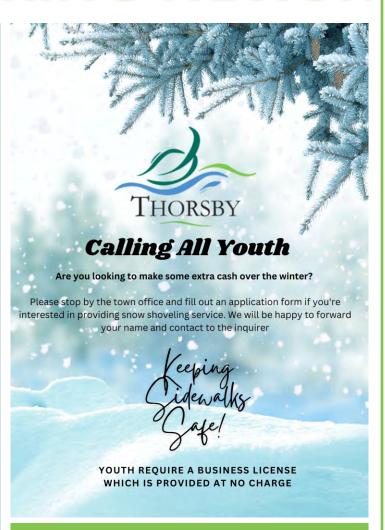
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Email: dtona@thorsby.ca

Thorsby Town Council Meetings

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

Tuesday, January 10 | COW | 7 - 9pm Tuesday, January 24 | Regular | 7 - 9pm



TOWN OF THORSBY HOLIDAY HOURS!

The Thorsby Town Office
Holiday Hours are as
follows:

Dec 22nd | 8:30am - 3pm

Dec 23rd | CLOSED

Dec 26th | CLOSED

Dec 27th | CLOSED

Dec 28th | 8:30am - 4:30pm

Dec 29th | 8:30am - 4:30pm

Dec 30th | 8:30am - 4:30pm

January 2nd | CLOSED

Normal business hours will resume on January 3rd, 2023.

Thank you and have a wonderful holiday season!

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GLEN PARK HALL MUSIC JAM 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

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THORSBY BYLAW ENFORCEMENT - 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. 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 For emergencies call 911

THORSBY TOWN OFFICE - 780-789-3935 or email info@thorsby.ca

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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

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.

COMMUNITYSUPPORTSERVICES

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

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

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

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- 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



KLATT, Robert Daniel

1932 ~ 2022



It is with sadness that we announce the passing of Robert "Bob" Daniel Klatt of Thorsby, AB at the age of 89 years.

Robert will be lovingly remembered by his wife Karen; son Brad (Cheryl); daughter Apollo; four grandsons Bobby, Wyatt, Andrew and Joshua; great granddaughter Drew; two brothers Adolph (Shirley) and Elmer (Sandra); sister-in-law Gloria; as well as numerous nieces, nephews, relatives and friends.

Robert was predeceased by his mother and father Johanna and Ernest Klatt; two brothers William and Alfred; and sister Elsie.

Robert worked in the oilfield hauling petroleum products, owned his own business hauling milk for 10 years, he worked for a machinery company as their truck driver all while farming at the same time. Lastly Robert finished off his working career as a bus driver for 15 years.

As per Robert's wishes there will be no formal service and cremation has taken place. Robert will be interred in Rundle's Mission Fisherton Cemetery at a later date.

Thank you to the Leduc Community Hospital, Grey Nuns Hospital and Salem Manor for the wonderful care provided to Robert.

In lieu of flowers, donations may be made to Alberta Diabetes Foundation (8602 112 St NW, Edmonton, AB T6G 2E1)



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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

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, January 8th @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

COMMUNITY GROUPS & MEETINGS

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 <u>info@rundlesmission.org</u> or phone 780-389-2422 <u>www.rundlesmission.org</u> Facebook: Rundle's Mission

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 & 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

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 COMMUNITIES IN BLOOM SOCIETY - Contact Barry Rasch 780-983-2096 or barrythorsby@gmail.com

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 for more information or to become a member.

THORSBY MUNICIPAL LIBRARY BOARD meets the third Wednesday of the month at 7:00 PM. Contact the manager at 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

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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.

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 email 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

ThorsbySeniors Centre

For rentals call Dora Shier at 780-662-2066

Wilton Park Community Centre

for booking text Aileen @ 587-930-2519.

Community Events & Information is FREE to advertise

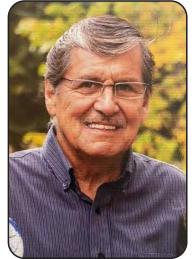


Thorsby Seniors Crib Results!

Crib games were cancelled due to very cold temperatures this week.!

Next crib game event will be held on Monday, January 2, at 1:30 pm at the Thorsby Seniors Center! Admission: \$6

MERRY CHRISTMAS & A HAPPY NEW YEAR! See you in 2023





John Albert Houle

March 18, 1945 – December 9, 2022



John Albert Houle of Warburg, Alberta, passed away on December 9, 2022.

John was born in Meadowlake, SK on March 18, 1945, to parents John and Lucy Houle. They moved to Edson,

Alberta where John was raised. He moved to Edmonton in

1972 where he worked as a hot tar roofer for many years.

In 1974, John met Bonnie and they married on October 16, 1976. They had two children, John Harold and Tammy Jean.

In 2006, John retired from Weyhaeuser and spent his time hiking and camping in the mountains and working outdoors. He loved falling trees and preparing the timber for wood working. He enjoyed carpentry and cutting his own firewood to heat his home. John was always there for others who needed company or a lend helping hand, including family.

John was predeceased by his parents and two of his siblings Laurence Houle and Margaret Gagnon.

He is survived by his wife, Bonnie, and their two children: John (wife Sabrina and daughter Darling) and Tammy (husband Ricardo and children Noah, Rodrigo and Luiza). He is also survived by his mother-in-law, Nancy Gulde, his siblings Leslie Houle, Margie LePage and Marion Tallick and two brother-in-laws, Melvin and David Gulde.

John gave his heart to the Lord and was baptized into the Seventh Day Adventist church in Warburg in 1999.

Those closest to John will remember him most by his warm smile, infectious laugh, and intense love for the Lord. His grandchildren were his pride and joy and he loved to play games and get them laughing.

Services will be held at Warburg Seventh Day Adventist Church on Sunday, January 22nd at 1 PM.



& Happy New Year

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Greetings from
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Emil and Irene Knopp
and all the staff at the
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Seniors Grant Program

Apply for funding for community-based projects

The seniors grant program for community-based projects supports programs and events that are designed by seniors for seniors! This program funds projects that empower seniors to connect, engage and contribute to their communities, thereby improving their health and well-being. For the purpose of this grant a "senior" will refer to any person of, or over the age of 55.

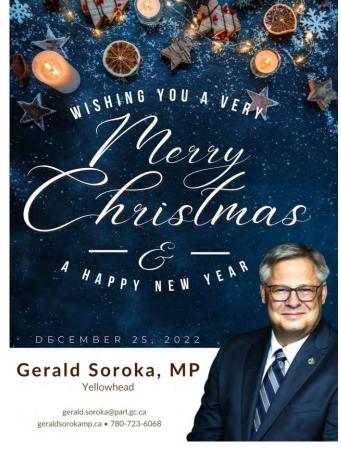
Eligible organizations or groups can apply for grant funding* for projects that are led by, or for seniors and are volunteer-based. Consideration will be given to those groups that are not solely senior led, with the condition that the planning process collects seniors' feedback from the community. Programs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



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

Applications will be available from Jan. 2 to 31, 2023. Learn more at www.leduc-county.com/grants





ALBERTA HEALTH SERVICES PUBLIC SERVICE ANNOUNCEMENT (PSA)

Keep children safe from button batteries this holiday season

Christmas is around the corner and many parents may be shopping for battery operated gifts for their children. Alberta Health Services (AHS) is reminding Albertans about the dangers of button batteries, often found in toys and electronics, and the risk they pose to children if swallowed.

Button batteries are used to power many items such as games, watches, hearing aids, cameras, calculators, flashing shoes, musical cards, and more. Because of their round shape and small size, children can mistake button batteries for food or candy.

From January to October of this year, emergency departments across Alberta saw 155 injuries in children related to button and similar small batteries.

A swallowed button battery can cause chemical burns and destroy the tissue in the upper digestive tract and may even cause death. The damage can be rapid and is likely to be worse if the battery gets stuck in the esophagus instead of moving into the stomach.

After swallowing a button battery your child might have one or more of these symptoms:

- · wheezing, drooling
- · coughing and gagging when eating
- trouble swallowing
- chest pain
- belly pain
- · nausea, vomiting
- no appetite
- fever

There might not be any symptoms after swallowing a button battery, but injury can still occur. If you think someone has swallowed a button battery:

- DO NOT try to make them vomit.
- Take them to the nearest emergency department immediately.

To keep children safe this holiday season and beyond:

- Where possible, choose products that do not use button batteries.
- Keep all batteries locked up, out of reach and out of sight of children.
- Supervise children when they use products containing button batteries.
- Ensure children do not play with batteries or are able to remove them - only buy and use products where the battery is secured so your child cannot open it (for example, battery covers that are secured by screws).
- Look for loose batteries on floors, tables, and counters and store or dispose of batteries after covering the ends with tape, even if the batteries are dead. Dead batteries can still cause harm if swallowed.

Alberta Health Services is the provincial health authority responsible for planning and delivering health supports and services for more than four million adults and children living in Alberta. Its mission is to provide a patient-focused, quality health system that is accessible and sustainable for all Albertans.

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Dec 24 to 27 - CLOSED

Dec 28 to 30 - OPEN 8am to 4:30pm

Dec 31 to Jan 2 - CLOSED

Jan 3, 2023 - OPEN regular hours



MEETING NOTES December 13, 2022

Council meeting notes are an informal recap of each regular Council meeting. This is not a full recap.

These notes are not an official record of Council meetings; official minutes are posted online at www.leduc-county.com once approved by Council.

Municipal lands for agricultural use lease agreements for 2023 to 2027

In November, Leduc County accepted proposals for a five-year land lease (Jan. 1, 2023 to Dec. 31, 2027) of 26 select parcels of municipal lands for specified agricultural use.

Submissions were received for 25 of the 26 parcels. These submissions were reviewed at the Dec. 6, 2022 Governance and Priorities Committee meeting during an in-camera session.

Administration recommended Council enter into fiveyear agricultural use lease agreements of municipal reserve lands from Jan. 1, 2023 to Dec. 31, 2027 – subject to acceptance of a five-year crop rotation plan by the Manager of Agricultural Services on lands utilized for annual cropping – with the 25 proposed leases.

Council approved the recommendation.

Accounts receivable write-off

Administration uses many avenues in an attempt to collect outstanding balances. Once efforts have been exhausted, a recommendation for write-off is brought forward for Council's consideration.

Administration recommended Council approve the write-off of accounts receivable balances of \$34,685.68 for the years of 2012 to 2021.

Council approved the recommendation.

Property tax write-off

Administration uses many avenues in an attempt to collect outstanding balances. The outstanding tax balances were reviewed by administration to determine if any should be recommended for write-off. The list includes a mix of lessee's, linear and grants in lieu of taxes (GIPOT) and are recommended for write-off based on the following:

The leasee's and linear are not related to land therefore a tax notification cannot be placed on the title.

Notification was received by the Government of Alberta

that the GIPOT rolls will be paid at 50 per cent.

All avenues of collection have been exhausted and deems the accounts uncollectable.

Administration recommended Council approve the write-off of \$78,409.89 in property taxes.

Council approved the recommendation.

Bylaw – Southern Country Residential Area Structure Plan (SCRASP)

In December 2019, Leduc County and AV Exterior Homes Ltd. entered into a Memorandum of Understanding to jointly contract V3 Companies of Canada Ltd. to prepare the Southern Country Residential Area Structure Plan (SCRASP). The SCRASP is intended to provide the framework for the long-term growth and development of the area for future planning while balancing the impact on existing residential development, municipal infrastructure and environmental features.

Administration provided a presentation on the proposed Southern Country Residential Area Structure Plan (SCRASP).

A public hearing for SCRASP is scheduled to take place on Jan. 24, 2022.

Bulk water, septage and utilities write-off

Administration uses many avenues in an attempt to collect outstanding balances. Once efforts have been exhausted, a recommendation for write-off is brought forward for Council's consideration.

Administration recommended Council approve the write-off of bulk water, septage and utilities balances totaling \$5,392.10 for the years 2013 to 2020.

Council approved the recommendation.



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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



On huge 50x 264 ft. lot. 2 bedroom, newer shingles, vinyl windows. **E4322203 \$130.000**

COMMERCIAL WARBURG

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



WARBURG VACANT LOTS

Residential Lot 12 **\$24,000** Lots 23-25 Your choice **\$45,000**

ACREAGE IN WARBURG



Home on 1 acre in town, single detached garage, storage sheds, private. **E4322584** \$175,000

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





NEW MOBILE

Neverlived in 2 bed, 2 bath in Warburg MHP. Lot rent \$260/month **E4296519** \$135,000





LIGHT UP YOUR COMMUNITY

by Tracy Musson, CIB

Thorsby Communities in Bloom hosted a friendly neighborhood competition! "Light up your Community" was taken on by a pleasant percentage of the towns residences! December 17, three judges from CIB toured the town. Rosemarie Zurek, Kim Brightman and Tracy Musson had a very difficult time declaring the four category winners.

Best Business was awarded to CE Media.

Best Residence was awarded to 5212 54 St.

Most Creative Overall was awarded to 5234 53 St.

Best Homemade was awarded to 4502 48A Ave.

Four hand crafted cards created by Sondra Acres were presented, each with \$100 prize money! The recipients were joyously surprised!

CE Media surprised Communities in Bloom as they donated back their winnings to CIB!

CIB thanks you all for your participation, you most definitely didn't make it easy for the judges! Many honorable mentions! Please tour the town for yourself and see and feel the festive atmosphere! The decorations and lights are most delightful! Merry Christmas to all!



4502 - 48A Avenue - Best Homemade



5234 - 53 Street - Most Creative Overall



CE Media Signs & Promotional at 4928 Hankin Street - Best Business



5212- 54 Street - Best Residence



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TIPS From TOPS!

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY

From Pearl 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.

TAKE TIME FOR 10 THINGS

- 1. Take time to Work-it is the price of success.
- 2. Take time to Think-it is the source of power.
- 3. Take time to Play-it is the secret of youth.
- 4. Take time to Read-It is the foundation of knowledge.
- 5. Take time to Worship –it is the highway of reverence and washes the dust of earth from our eyes.
- 6. Take time to Help and Enjoy Friends-it is the source of happiness.
- 7. Take time to Love-it is the one sacrament of
- 8. Take time to Dream-it hitches the soul to the
- 9. Take time to Laugh-It is the singing that helps with life's loads.
- 10. Take time to Plan-it is the secret of being able to have time to take time for the first nine things.

TREASURES

Thrift Store in Warburg

would like to thank our many friends and neighbours, donors and shoppers, for your support this year.

This year we shared our proceeds with Warburg Christmas Elves, Thorsby Christmas Elves and Breton Christmas Wishes as well as The Leduc and area Food Bank.

WE WILL BE CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS BREAK ON **DECEMBER 28**, reopening Wednesday, January 4, 2023.

Merry Christmas Everyone and Happy New Year!



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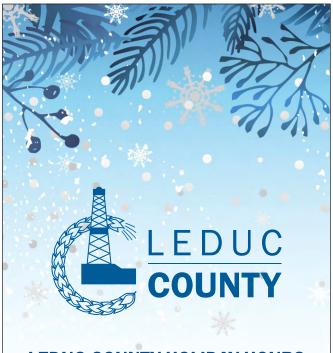
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Leduc County offices will be closed on the following dates this holiday season:

- Monday, Dec. 26
- Tuesday, Dec. 27
- Friday, Dec. 30
- Monday, Jan. 2

Leduc County transfer stations are unaffected by holiday hours this year, and will remain open on the following dates:

- Saturday, **Dec. 24** all sites open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Wednesday, Dec. 28 New Sarepta,
 Wizard Lake, Mission Beach and
 Sunnybrook open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Thursday, Dec. 29 Looma, Rolly View, Thorsby, Sunnybrook and Warburg open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.
- Saturday, Dec. 31 all sites open from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.



ALBERTA RCMP MAJOR CRIMES UNIT INVESTIGATE HOMICIDE IN BRETON

Wetaskiwin County, Alta. – On Nov. 25, 2022, Breton RCMP responded to a report of a sudden death at a rural location in Wetaskiwin County. As the investigation developed, officers from the Central Alberta District GIS Unit and the Alberta RCMP Major Crimes Unit were deployed and took carriage of the investigation. The deceased was identified as 44-year-old Wetaskiwin County resident Janet Magnuson.

As a result of an investigation into the incident, on Dec. 16, 2022, 44-year-old Wetaskiwin County resident Corey Anderson was arrested and charged with first-degree murder.

Anderson has been taken before a justice of the peace and remanded in custody with his next court appearance set for Dec. 20,2022, at Drayton Valley Provincial Court.

As this matter is now before the courts no further details are available.







From all of the staff at









'Tis the Season to Drive Home Safely

Unreserved Online Auction for Doug's Auto Repair

Sale Starts on January 6th, 2023 & Starts Ending on January 10th, 2023 Location: 4814-46th Ave, Wetaskiwin, Alberta

Building

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Truck Parts

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Laurie's Laughs





I don't have an advent calendar so I'm just opening cupboard doors and eating whatever's in there.





The LAST kid out of bed on Christmas morning gets to open the 1st present.

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Answers will be published in the next issue!

Merry Christmas Community Enterprises

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There will be no newspapers
next week. The Breton Booster will
resume January 4, 2023 with the new
deadline 10am Monday morning before
publication. Connect 39 will begin
January 6, 2023 with a deadline of 10am
Wednesday morning before publication!

Home of The Breton Booster, Thorsby Target & Warburg Bugle "little papers...BIG RESULTS"



AND HAPPY NEW YEAR

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



Our Office is closed from

<u>December 26th to</u>

<u>December 30th</u> for the

holidays!

Normal hours resume January 2, 2023.



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



5528 46 Ave - 4 bed 2 bath updated home, Kitchen, windows, siding, shingles & more. Insulated, heated double garage.

LOTS IN BRETON

DEER CROSSING ESTATES

2 lots still available. No time requirement to build, GST included in price. Village will put in driveway. \$45,000/lot



12 Fraser Drive - large lot backs onto golf course - 159 ft golf course frontage. No time restrictions to build. GST included.



 $10 \pm$ acres, 3 bedroom home, 3 season sunroom, 32x40 metal clad shop. Subject to final subdivision approval.



1 bedroom 1 bath cabin built 1988, 0.8 acre lot. Wood stove, full kitchen, 4 pce bath, Drilled well, 2000 gal septic tank & power



10 acres. 3 bed 2 level split home with attached garage. Along paved hwy just north of Tomahawk. Approx half treed.





GREYSTONES Lakeview 1.13 acre, services - power, well, nat gas riser. 40 ft Jayco RV with 3 slides. Shed.



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

LAND

AMAZING 316 ACRES at TOMAHAWK

316 rolling acres +/-, several creeks & Tomahawk Creek runs thru south end of property. Awesome recreational property of amp service, nat gas, well & septic tank. Perimeter fenced, electric fence cross fencing. Beautiful building sites overlooking valleys & creeks. Buildings in yard are of nominal value Tomahawk \$765,000

INVESTMENT OPPOUTUNITY

8 quarters (1267 acres), spacious home, 32x40 heated shop, Quonset, 2 waterers. 2nd serviced yard site is on the quarter to south. Substantial annual revenues received from surface leases & land rent. On Hwy 22. short distance to Drayton Valley \$6,500,000

312 ACRES PRIME FARM LAND

Located only 2 miles east of Wetaskiwin.

Land is primarily #1 & #2 soil & has \$8,800 in annual surface lease rev.

Yard site with 1970s home, a 30x48 shop, a 60x100 pole shed , 2x5000+/-bu grain bins, 3 hopper bottom feed bins & a number of older bldgs including a dairy barn, poultry barns & cattle shelters.

Wetaskiwin \$2,300,000

WINFIELD LIQUOR LOFT



Opportunity knocks in the community of Winfield, Alberta. Be your own boss of this Liquor Store. The Winfield Liquor Loft has been serving the community and surrounding areas for 10+ years. Built in 2011, this solid built 1152 sq ft building has a metal clad exterior & covered front sidewalk running along the front of the store. Inside is the attractive front & cold room retail spaces, storage space, off loading double doors and outside metal security gate. Inventory not included in list price. The buyer will have to obtain their own liquor license from AGLC as the current liquor license cannot be transferred.

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