

previously the Thorsby Target & Warburg Bugle

WINTER AFTERNOON AT RUNDLE'S MISSION

Submitted by Audrey Brosseau

A group of outdoor enthusiasts enjoyed the mild weather last Sunday as they visited, drank hot chocolate, and roasted hot dogs over a fire at Rundle's Mission. About 25 people joined in this annual Winter Afternoon event.

Mike Black gave a demonstration on how to wax your skis and answered lots of questions about cross country skiing. The ski trails were slightly icy due to the warm weather, but some adventurous skiers tackled the trails while others just enjoyed a walk, the beauty of the natural setting and socializing.

Thanks to Mike for doing the clinic as well as for his work on setting tracks on the ski trails. Thanks also to the Rundle's Mission members who helped with the event. The public is welcome to use the ski trails at any time for skiing, walking, or to snowshoe. A great way to enjoy winter!









Classifieds

FOR RENT

2 ROOMS FOR RENT ON ACREAGE - shared kitchen, bathroom & 2 living rooms, 3 minutes SW of Thorsby, \$650 each/mth, utilities incl, available March 1. No pets, No smoking in house. Call 403-348-1040 for details.

FOR SALE

OVERHEAD FURNACE for sale. Mr. Heater, 40,000 BTU, Catalytic, Natural Gas, Good for 850 sq ft, Never used, \$550. Call/text 780-898-1613

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Contact Alex 780-905-9200 or 780-789-3843



DID YOU KNOW?

Our Calendar and Connections for Breton, Warburg, Thorsby & Surrounding areas are on our website under "Community".

This includes community group contacts, facilities for rent, churches and other local information.

Go to www.community39.com

You will also find more information on how to advertise, submit an article and for previous editions of our papers.

Don't like going online?

A complete listing will be printed in the Booster once a month.



Classified Ads are \$7.50 for 2 weeks (up to 30 words) GST included

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Sudoku Answers from Feb 10 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.



Part Time Day Housekeeper

Cloverleaf Manor - Warburg AB

Leduc Regional Housing Foundation is seeking an enthusiastic and motivated individual for a Part Time Day Housekeeper position (30 hours/week on a rotating schedule), for our Seniors Lodge in Warburg, AB. Reporting to the Assistant Lodge Manager, the Day Housekeeper will be responsible for delivering the housekeeping and laundry services for the lodge and to ensure the well-being of the residents with minimum supervision. As a member of the Leduc Regional Housing Foundation team, the Day Housekeeper ensures that a high standard of services is provided to the residents.

QUALIFICATIONS

- 1. Housekeeping experience in institution/hospitality industries.
- 2. Formal education in the area of housekeeping would be beneficial.
- 3. Strong English communication skills, both written and verbal is required. 4. Strong customer service skill including the ability to interact with everyone in a respectful manner.
- 5. Ability to work independently, as well as a team.
- 6. Ability to perform work duties with a minimum of supervision.
- 7. Ability to work a flexible schedule (evenings and weekends)
- 8. Standard First Aid Certificate and W.H.M.I.S. training.
- 9. Satisfactory Criminal Records Check including Vulnerable Sector Check.
- 10. Experience working with and meeting the needs of seniors.

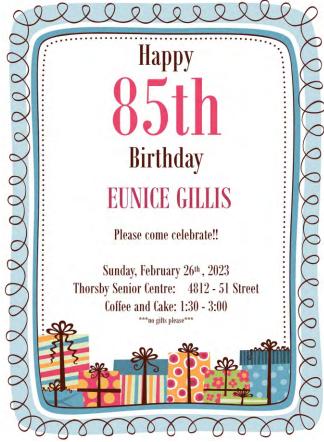
All employees will be required to have a preemployment fit to work assessment, and a clear criminal record with vulnerable sector check.

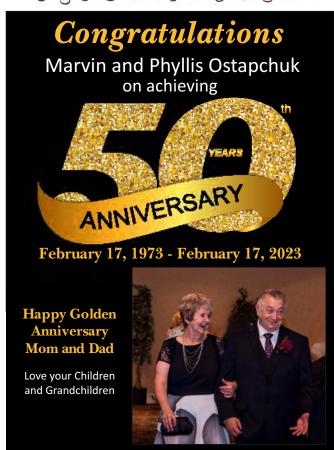
Please send your resume quoting job posting number 2023 – CL– 01 to:

Human Resources 5118 – 50 Avenue, Leduc, Alberta T9E 6V4 Fax: 780.986.4881 or

E-mail: hr@leducregionalhousing.ca

Deadline for Application: On or before12:00pm on February 10, 2023.







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UPCOMINGSPECIALEVENTS

(Breton, Thorsby, Warburg & Surrounding Areas)

WARBURG - Legion **Social Supper** doors open at 5pm dinner 6pm

BLUFFTON - Liberty Hall Dinner Theatre presents Par for the Corpse. February 17,18,24,25 evening performance, doors open at 5:30pm. Order your tickets at www.eventbrite.ca

THORSBY - Escape Room starting February 17. Be observant & solve clues to find the key to find your uncle. Call the library to book your spot 780-789-3808

THORSBY - Seniors Centre is hosting a **Music Jam** for the public on February 18th, Saturday at 1:30 pm. Looking for musicians, singers and of course listeners! Admission is only \$5. Everyone is welcome! More Info Eileen 780-789-2284

THORSBY - St. John The Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church, **Divine Liturgy** on Sunday, February 19th @10:30am. For further information please contact Dan @ 780-789-3698

WARBURG ARENA - Family Skate Day on February 20 bring the family for skating, hot dogs & hot chocolate. 1-3pm no sticks or pucks, Shinny 3:45pm

BRETON - Family Day Celebrations on Monday **February 20**. Pancake Breakfast hosted by the Breton Agriculture Society at the Community Centre. Additional activities are being planned at the Community Centre & around the Village.

WINFIELD - Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper hosted by the Winfield Legion on February 21 from 5-7pm. \$8.00 person. age 10 and under free. Hope to see you all there!

THORSBY - Teen Paint Night on Thursday **February 23** from 3:30-5pm at the Arctic Spas Complex. Ages 12-17. Pre-register by Feb 15 at www.thorsby.ca/recreation or call 780-789-4041

CARNWOOD HALL - Family Game Night on February 24 @ 7pm, snacks included, Doantions are accepted to attend

WARBURG - 8th Annual Predator Hunt on Saturday **February 25** hosted by Thorsby & District Fish & Game Assoc. For more info or to register call Brent Lee 780-898-5013 or Bruce 780-621-2200

WARBURG - Sturling Spiel February 25, \$60 per 2 person team, 3 games guarantee. To enter email warburgcurlingclub@gmail.com or Call Brittany @ 780-621-2087 or Rob 780-789-3723

BRETON - Kids Clothing Exchange on Tuesday **February 28th** at the Breton Community Centre from 10:30-2:30. For more information or to register please contact Breton FCSS at 780-696-3636 or fcss@breton.ca

STRAWBERRY HALL - Annual Meeting of Strawberry District & Society (Strawberry Hall) March 7 @ 7pm at the Hall.

WARBURG - Babysitter Course March 13 from 9am-4p. Lunch & refreshments provided. \$30.00 registration Fee, forms available at Warburg Village Office or Warburg School. Submit to Shawna @ FCSS Warburg Village Office 780-848-2828

WARBURG - Open Bonspiel March 18-19 \$300 per 4 person team (any combination), 3 games guarantee plus saturday night meal included. To enter call or Call Brittany @ 780-621-2087 or Rob 780-789-3723

email: warburgcurlingclub@gmail.com

DEVON - Free Family Paint Night March 27 6-7:30pm. Free busing from Warburg to Devon with pick ups in Thorsby and Calmar. Please register with FCSS @ 780-848-2828 before March 20.

Will you be the first Miss Rodeo Drayton Valley at the Pro Rodeo May 5-7? Contact mrdvcommittee@gmail.com or call Jayden at 780-514-8503 for more info or to apply. Applications close March 31.

COMMUNITIES CALENDAR for **Breton**, **Warburg**, **Thorsby** & **surrounding areas** published once a month in our paper, online at www.community39.com and on FB. Updated as needed. Email media@community39.com to add your event.

Community Events & Information is FREE to advertise



Thorsby Seniors Crib Results!

February 13th Crib Scores:

1st - Cathy Dahl - 963 2nd - Lea Hennes - 945 3rd - Elaine Matear - 934 High Hand of 28 was held by Eleanor Dobko!

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL WINNERS!

Wow! What a good high hand!

Next crib event will be held on: Monday, February 20th at 1:30 pm Thorsby Seniors Center Admission: \$6 Everybody Welcome!

JOB POSTING

Full Time Support Worker II - Warburg Cloverleaf Manor

George Spady Society

The George Spady Society is recognized as a leader in the development and delivery of effective services for the care, treatment, and support of individuals with substance-related disorders and dual diagnoses. People who come to us find dignity, hope and healing as they set a new path towards health and well-being. George Spady Society provides a continuum of support services supporting people with complex life circumstances associated with substance-related and concurrent disorders and homelessness, empowering them to improve their lives through client-centered, evidence-based best practices.

Description of Duties and Responsibilities

The Support Worker II will work day shifts. Their role will involve ensuring the basic rules are followed and the building is a safe, secure environment. The Support Workers will follow the policies and procedures of the GSS and will assist the Manor staff with any emergency issues as required.

Support Workers will provide support, advocacy and information and after hours support to the residents. They will sensitively and appropriately support residents to meet their personal care needs to a high standard.

The Support Worker II will have an understanding of mental health issues, trauma informed care, Harm Reduction practices and the willingness and ability to work within this framework.

Position Requirements

- The successful candidates will ideally have a degree or diploma in a Human Services field with a minimum of 1 year of direct experience in working in a residential setting. A combination of education and experience will be considered.
- An open, accepting and non-judgmental attitude with an ability to build rapport with clients and staff
- Experience working with people with complex life circumstances associated with substance-related disorders mental health issues, mobility issues and homelessness
- Basic understanding of harm reduction principles based on dignity, hope and healing as individuals move forward towards improved health and well-being

Hours of work: 12 hour shifts. Days. **Starting** at \$44,700.00 per year

To apply for this position, please submit your cover letter and resume by February 20, 2023 to Lisa Macdonald at <a href="mailto:linearing:lineari



We would like to thank all applicants; however, only those 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.



PROGRAMS & REGULAR EVENTS (Breton, Thorsby, Warburg & Surrounding Areas)

BRETON Baby & Me for mom's with baby's under 18 mths - Thursday mornings from 10-11:30am at the Breton Community Centre. Contact fcss@breton.ca or 780-696-3636

BRETON Book Club - meets at the Library the **second Wednesday** of the month at 7:30pm from September until June. All readers are welcome to join the conversation!

BRETON Children's Gym Time - FREE Drop in for 0-6 years old on Tuesdays from 10am -11:30am at the Breton Faith Covenant Church. Hosted by Brighter Futures - 780-514-5070

BRETON Golden Age Club - Crib on Saturdays @ 12:30pm/Floor Curling on Tuesdays @1pm. Drop in fee \$3. / Cards on Mondays @1pm. Drop in fee \$3. Contact Pat at 780-898-1651

BRETON Kids Klub - After School Program **Wednesdays** from 3:15-4:45pm for ages 6-12. No fees. Limited spaces. Preregistration required. Forms at the Library or FCSS office.

BRETON Low Impact Exercise Class - Wednesday mornings from 10 - 11am at the Breton Community Centre. \$2 per class. Contact <u>fcss@breton.ca</u> or 780-696-3636

BRETON - MOPS (Mothers of Preschoolers & Moms) is at Faith Covenant Church the **third Thursday** of the month at 7pm, ending in May.

BUCK CREEK Community Association Jam Dance & Cards Night the first Friday of every month.

CALMAR - Seniors Annual Meeting Feb 22, lunch at 12pm and meeting starts @ 1pm. 4916 - 50 Ave

CALMAR - Seniors Music Jam Session 4th Tuesday of the month @ 1pm with light refreshments. 4916 - 50 Ave

MULHURST - Family bingo's every **Tuesday** @ 6:30pm at the Royal Canadian Legion #246.

MULHURST - Royal Canadian Legion Mulhurst #246 hosts **Community Socials** on the **Last Friday** of the month: Feb. 24 and March 31. 7:00 pm

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

THORSBY Arctic Spas Rec Complex - Shinny on Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday from 3:30-5:00pm / Family Skate on Mondays from 5-6pm

THORSBY - LEGO Club Monday's after school 3:30-4:30pm. Come join us for an hour of Lego building! Free drop-in program ages 7+, 6 & under accompanied by parents

THORSBY Parent & Tot Drop In Program on **Thursdays** from 10-11am at the FRN Site (Modular next to the Arctic Spas Rec Complex) Fun games, activities & making new friends

THORSBY 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 Centre - Bingo every Thursday evening starting at 7pm / Afternoon Crib every Monday at 1:30pm. / Soup & Sandwiches starting at 11:30am on the 2nd Wednesday of each month / Everyone welcome!

WARBURG Arena - Shinny on Mondays from 3:45-5:15pm / Family Skate on Wednesdays from 3:45-5:15pm / Mom & Tot's on Fridays from10am - 2pm

WARBURG - Busy Brushes meet on **Wednesdays** at 10 am at the Warburg Cultural Centre. Call Linda at 587-590-0378.

WARBURG Curling Club Senior Men's Drop-in - Thursdays at 10am. \$5 drop-in fee. Call Les at 780-848-2661

WARBURG Floor Curling at the Pioneer Ag Society Community Hall on Thursdays at 1pm. Everyone Welcome.

WARBURG Pickleball Thursdays from 6-8pm \$2 each. Warburg School Gym. Equipment provided, no experience needed. Register at the Village office or call 780-848-2828

WARBURG - Pie & Coffee from 1pm - 4pm at the Warburg Museum on the **first Saturday** of every month

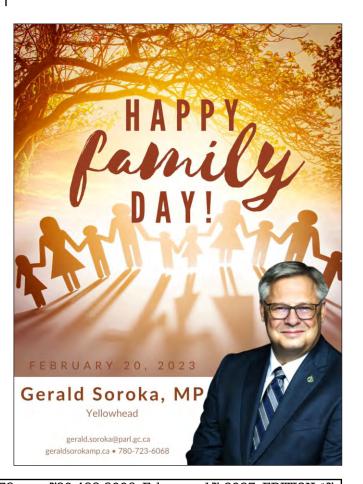
WARBURG Seniors Centre - Cards at 1pm every Wednesday / Soup & Sandwiches every 3rd Wednesday at 12pm for \$10 / Tai Chi at 10am every Wednesday for \$2 / Quilting on Tuesday & Thursdays at 9:30am for \$2

WARBURG - Sew Heavenly Quilters meet **Thursdays** at 10am at Warburg Cultural Centre. Call Peggy 780-789-2545

WARBURG Social Evening - at the Warburg Legion **3rd Friday** of every month. Doors open at 5pm, Dinner 6-7pm. Come join us for an evening of fun!

WARBURG - Songs For Toddlers at the Warburg Library on **Wednesdays** at 1pm at the library.

"little papers...BIG RESULTS"







The Warburg Legion Branch No. 205

lets go out tonight!

Friday, February 17, 2023

The Evening Itself!

Happy hour 5PM & Bar service

Let the games begin-

Cards games, challenges

Supper (6:00 to 7PM) \$5.00
Pulled Pork Bun w/salads
Happy Valentines Treat
Cofee, tea & snacks

All within a budget! Have Fun!

Legion Social Evening - Legion Members and invited guests



Upcoming Bonspiels

Sturling Spiel

Saturday, February 25, 2023 \$60/ 2-Person Team 3 Game Guarantee

Open Bonspiel

March 18 - 19, 2023

\$300/ 4 Person Team (any combination)
3 Game Guarantee & Saturday night meal included

To Enter: Email warburgcurling@gmail.com or call Brittany @ 780-621-2087, or Rob @ 780-789-3723





FAMILY PAINT NIGHT MARCH 27TH

6-7:30PM SNACK+REFRESHMENTS PROVIDED

FREE BUSING FROM WARBURG TO DEVON
COME JOIN US FOR A FREE PAINT NIGHT
PICK UP FROM VILLAGE OF WARBURG OFFICE AT 4:50PMPLEASE REGISTER WITH FCSS AT 780-848-2828
BEFORE MARCH 20TH

Bus schedule:

4:50 pm- Depart from Warburg (Village Office)
5:10- Depart from Thorsby(Artic Spa FRN Module)
5:35- Depart from Calmar(Town office)



Connect with us!

Submitted by Village of Warburg FCSS

Have questions? Need support? Contact Warburg FCSS - Shauna Schwindt 780-848-2828 In office Tues, Wed & Thursday 9-4:30 p.m

Alberta Affordability Payments Application: Opens January 18th. Apply online through the <u>account.alberta.ca</u>. If you are on Seniors Assistance Benefits, AISH, PDD, and for Foster or Kinship Caregivers- this is automatically released and there is no need to apply. It is not automatic for families with children under the age of 18. All Albertans 65 or older with household incomes below \$180,000, will be eligible for the Affordability Payments. Monthly payments will commence starting January 31st.

Parent & Tot program: Enjoy drop in stay & play Thursday's 10 am-11 am at the Thorsby FRN site (modular next to the Rec Centre) fun games, activities and making new friends! Jan 26th will also be a combination of Parent & Tot stay & play as well as the FRN Introduction to Infant Massage – Come learn the benefits of infant massage, including manipulations that ease common childhood discomforts such as teething and indigestion. Transportation can be provided from Warburg to Thorsby for free-Please register ahead of time for the bus with Shauna Warburg FCSS 780-848-2828.

Family Day Fun! Monday February 20th join us for skating, hotdogs, and hot chocolate at the Warburg Arena. Family skate from 1-3 pm, followed by Shinny at 3:45. Helmets must be worn for anyone under the age of 18. Raffle prize entry for those who attend! Hope to see you there!

Pickleball: Will run every Thursday from 6-8 pm at the Warburg School, West Entrance, please call Shauna to register 780-848-2828. Registration is just for the first time to keep fan out call list up to date (\$2.00 drop-in fee)

Toboggans/snowshoes/hockey sticks Available at the Warburg Library! All you need is your library card to rent out toboggans, snowshoes, or hockey sticks! Warburg Library hours are Tues/Wed/Thurs 10 am-6 pm. Saturday 12:00-4 pm. (closed all long weekends)

Seniors Tai Chi- Held at the Seniors Centre every Wednesday from 10am-11am. \$2.00 drop-in fee.

Floor Curling – Every Thursday at the Warburg Hall at 1pm.

Busy Brushes-Every Wednesday from 10-2 pm at the Warburg Cultural Center. \$5.00/class

Warburg Arena: (Monday) Shinny-3:45-5:15 (Wednesday) Family Skate 3:45-5:15 (Friday) Parent & Tot skating 10-12pm. Ice rentals contact Rob @587-879-5223

Warburg Seniors Centre: (Wednesday) Cards at 1pm, (Tues & Thurs) Quilting at 9:30 am (\$2.00) Seniors Soup and Sandwich Every third Wednesday of the month.

Warburg Museum: Pie & Coffee Every 1st Saturday of the month (February 4th) Stop in and enjoy a treat and some history! Tour inquiries please contact Susie @ 780-848-2507 or Joan @780-621-7174.

Babysitter Course: March 13th Certified Babysitter Course from KIDPROOF. Runs from 9-4:00pm. Lunch and refreshments will be provided. \$30.00 registration fee, forms available at Warburg Village Office or Warburg School. Please submit to Shauna @ FCSS Warburg Village Office 780-848-2828.

Community Volunteer Income Tax Program: Is not completing 2022 income taxes free-of-charge for people with low to modest income and a simple tax situation. This can include seniors, students, social assistance recipients and newcomers to Canada. The volunteer program does not complete returns for people who are deceased, bankrupt, or have a business, farming, or rental income. Assistance to complete past year tax returns is also available.

- Leduc County:780-979-2385
- Thorsby:780-619-9824
- Warburg:780-848-2828

Please keep your eyes open for events in our Warburg FCSS/Recreation Newsletter! If you need anything please feel free to stop in to the Village of Warburg Office, I am here Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday!

Current programming and services available:

- Subsidized Counselling Program for individuals, Couples, Families and Youth
- Home Support light housekeeping services
- Assistance with forms, information etc.
- Seniors Assistance Programs

"Family is not an important thing.

It's everything"

by Michael J. Fox



BREAKING NEWS!!

THE BEST OF BOTH WORLDS

2023 RECYCLING/GARBAGE COLLECTION MAGNETS HAVE ARRIVED!!!

The 2023 Garbage and Recycling magnets have arrived at the Thorsby Town Office and are free of charge with a limit of one per household. Magnets are first come first serve as we have limited quantities.

Due to the weight of magnets and limited quantities, they will not be mailed out, however residents should have received a paper calendar in January with their utility bill.



If you do not want a magnet or did not receive a paper copy but still want a copy of the calendar, you can find it on the Town website or you may email info@thorsby.ca.

THORSBY OFFICE CLOSED!!!

The Thorsby Town Office will be closed on Monday, February 20th, 2023, for Family Day. Operations will resume as per normal the



following Tuesday, February 21st, 2023. Thank you for understanding and have a wonderful Family Day!

Thorsby Town Office Hours are:

Mon: CLOSED FOR FAMILY DAY

Tues: 8:30am-4:30pm Weds: 8:30am-4:30pm Thurs: 8:30am-4:30pm

Fri: 8:30am-4:30pm Sat-Sun: CLOSED

The office is open during Lunch!

Thorsby Town Council Meetings

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

Tuesday, February 28 | Regular | 7 - 9pm

Tuesday, March 14 | COW | 7 -9pm

HAPPY FAMILY DAY!!!

A family can mean many different things, whether it's a friend group, your beloved pets, or anyone else you consider family. To some, Family Day is a holiday spent alone, but know that you are not alone and that some families arrive with time. Take the day to relax, be near the people you care about, or even go out and find fun activities in the area.

From the Mayor,
Council, and
Administration, we
wish everyone a
wonderful Family Day
long weekend!



Town of Thorsby 4917 Hankin Street, Box 297 Thorsby, AB TOC 2P0

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FUNDRAISING NEWS

Warburg Parent School Society Fundraising Newsletter



In this issue:

- About WPSS
- Fun lunches
- Donate your bottles
- Schedule for 2023
- Next meeting 27 Feb

Warburg School Council is a structured group of parents, the school principal, teachers, students and community members whose purpose is to advise the principal and the school board respecting matters relating to the school. It is a means for parents and community members to work together with the school to support and enhance student learning.

Warburg Parent School Society is a fundraising branch of the Warburg School Council and its primary directive is to raise funds to purchase

items that benefit all students of the school. In the past, the Society has purchased a large laminator, the score clock in our high school gymnasium, STEAM (Science Technology Engineering Arts Math) items for individual classrooms and 60 pairs of snowshoes to name only a few. Their fundraising was instrumental in recently purchasing a large number of items to begin our coding and robotics program at the school. Current fundraising efforts will go in part towards the purchase of some much-needed outdoor playground equipment.

Do you have a few hours to spare, every couple of months?

The fun lunches we try to offer regularly to Warburg School are enjoyed by students and staff alike, providing more choices to the kids and a reprieve for us parents from making daily lunches! We are looking for more volunteer drivers to pick up our fun lunches, with a time commitment of about 3 hours maximum in one morning, every few months. Collection is usually from Leduc, Stony Plain or more locally, e.g. Warburg Corner Restaurant. Coming up for St Valentine's Day, we are offering Pizza 73 (driver confirmed), and St Patrick's Day pasta from Boston Pizza. You can be a parent, guardian, grandparent or a kind citizen.

Schedule for 2023

March: Little Caesar pizza kits Rafflebox 50/50

April: "Sweetness" Cookies

May: Spring Flowers

June: Rafflebox 50/50 draw

We appreciate you and any help you can give, so we can continue to offer this service and more to our little school. Please contact us at the email address below.



Do you have ideas for future fundraisers or are you interested in volunteering? If so, please contact a current Warburg Parent School Society member or email the Society at: warburgparentsociety@gmail.com

Warburg School Parent Council Executive

- · Chairperson: Amy Carstairs
- Vice-Chairperson: Melanie Shymansky
- · Secretary: Jaylynn Postnikoff
- Treasurer: Lynnette Sutherland-Fast
- Fundraising Coordinator: Louise McBeath-Schoepp

Contact School Council at: ws.council@gshare.blackgold.ca

Everyone is welcome to attend our meetings. It's the best way to know what is going on with our school and to be involved.

Watch for meetings scheduled on the school events calendar or "Like" our Warburg School Parent Council page on Facebook.

Next meeting is: 27th Feb 2023 at 6.30pm, in school

For volunteering opportunities or information, please email: warburgparentsociety@gmail.com

Darcy Powlik

780-446-9700

www.darcypowlik.com

Office: 780-986-2900



RESIDENTIAL, FARMS & ACREAGES

CALMAR- 4 Bedroom, 2 Bath fully finished and recently renovated bungalow with large insulated detached garage with parking pad! (E4321527) **\$285,000**

PIGEON LAKE- Mature lot with buildings at Mission Beach! (E4314329) \$139,900

PIGEON LAKE- 4 Bedroom, 2 Bath, Bi-level on 1.82 Acres close to Mulhurst! (E4315509) \$449,000

LEDUC COUNTY- 5 Bedroom, 3 Bath, 1683 Sq.Ft 2013 Bungalow on 9.9 Acres close to Calmar! (E4320298) **\$749,000**

LEDUC COUNTY- 1400 Sq.Ft House on 70 Acres with Riding Arena, Barn, Quonset, Oil Revenue and More! Close to Calmar! (E4303894) **\$949,000**

LEDUC COUNTY- 39.56 Acres with 2841 Sq.Ft, 6 Bed, with 4 Bathrooms recently renovated house! Lots of Buildings, Shelters, and Corrals! Close to Warburg! (E4308413) **\$699,000**

RAW LAND & VACANT LOTS

BRAZEAU COUNTY- 14.93 acres of rolling land which is partially treed. Located on pavement close to Hwy 39. Many great building sites. Room for animals! (E4289275) **\$149,900**

BRAZEAU COUNTY- 2 LOTS, 15.05 acres of treed rolling land. 232 meters x 262.50 meters. Great building sites with treed privacy. Very private and quiet. Services are close. Located at the corner of RR 60 and Twp 484. (E4323597)(E4323598) **\$149,000**

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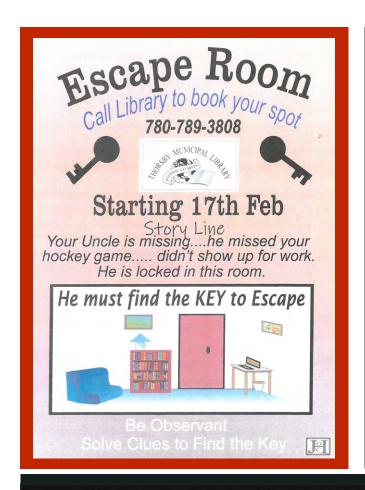
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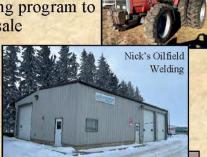
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TIPS From TOPS!

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 Cheryl at 780-848-7673 for more info.

THORSBY CLUB **CELEBRATES 50 YEARS**

TOPS AB 1694 Internationally the TOPS (Take off Pounds Sensibly) organization is celebrating its 75th Anniversary. The Thorsby club celebrated their 50th year on February 6th with 12 members present. The TOPS mission is to promote ways to become healthier through professionally prepared and medically approved programs regarding fitness, nutrition, portion sizes at mealtime, self care, and behaviour modification. The organization is open to all men, women, and teens over 13 and meets once a week. Each meeting starts with a private weigh-in before a roll call where members announce if they lost or gained weight over the previous week.

Thorsby is a small town (present population 1,119) and has been able to keep TOPS going for 5 decades. having started out with 4 members, and meeting in the different homes until they were able to secure a location. Foundina members were Mary Patrick, Mrs. George, Irma Schmidt and Agnes Kilik. At that time there was a monthly fee of 25

cents. The idea of having such an organization in Thorsby came from Irma Schmidt and Agnes Kilik. They had been going to one in Calmar and thought "Why not have one in Thorsby?". Mrs. George was the first chair succeeded by Sandy Broadbent. At various times the club has met in the Lutheran Church, Thorsby High School, Thorsby Fire Hall, Action Centre and at present in the Seniors' Centre. Over the years we have had as many as 40 members and a good number of these have achieved their goals. At present 3 of our club have achieved their KOPS (keep off pounds sensibly) status and regularly attend our meetings. These gals are an inspiration for all of us. We would like to dedicate our 50th Anniversary to Barb Bensen who was our dedicated weight recorder for 41 years. Sadly, Barb passed away Dec 21/2022. The meetings themselves are designed to encourage weight loss, maintenance, support, and education. New members are welcome to attend with no obligation. Meetings are held at the Thorsby Seniors' Centre on Monday mornings with weigh-in from 9am to 9:15am and the meeting following from 9:15 to 9:45.

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► **Location:** Telford Community Hall, 48142 Range Road 262, Leduc County

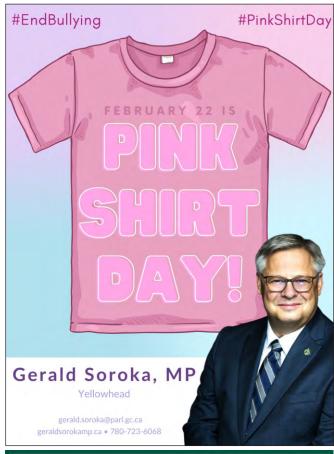
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Message from Gerald Soroka, MP



OTTAWA: Gerald Soroka, Member of Parliament for Yellowhead, gave the following statement in the House.

"Mr. Speaker every day, I hear from countless people in my riding voicing their frustrations as they try to survive under this Liberal-made affordability crisis.

After eight years under this Liberal government everything in Canada is broken.

After eight years, Canadians are out of money and can't afford to eat, heat, or house themselves.

And just when you think it couldn't get any worse or more expensive, the carbon tax is, again, increasing on April 1st.

It's no surprise Canadians are turning to their food banks as this is their only means to feed their families.

After eight years, this government has plagued the country with travel woes, passport & immigration backlogs, an affordability crisis, offers MAID as a solution instead of assistance. It eased bail access for criminals, and eliminated mandatory minimum sentencing for offenders.

After eight years, it is time for this Liberal government to come to an end.

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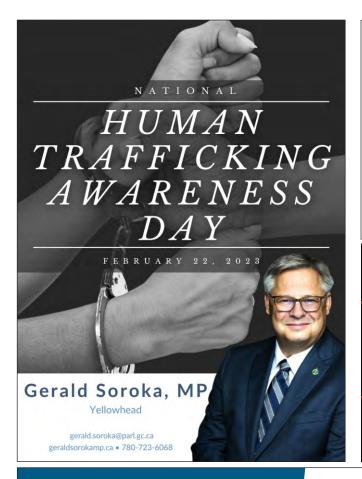
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MLA REPORT

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

As we move into 2023, Alberta's economy continues to show strength and resilience.

Our province created 42,000 full-time jobs in December, and 88,800 new jobs in 2022 (almost 25 per cent of all new jobs created in the country). Further, the jobs outlook is strong for 2023, with forecasters predicting more economic growth and diversification on the horizon.

International credit rating agencies are taking note of Alberta's excellent fiscal management. This past week, Moody's Investors Services upgraded Alberta's credit rating to AA2. This decision speaks volumes about our United Conservative government's management and decision-making as we focus on healthcare, education, the economy, and more.

Investors are also looking at Alberta, once again, as a top destination for their capital. 2021 and 2022 saw major investments from companies like Telus, Mphasis, Amazon, Walmart, Air Products, Dow, PIP International, de Havilland, Phyto Organix Foods, and more. Investment isn't slowing down in 2023, however, with Imperial Oil recently announcing that it is building a \$720 million renewable diesel facility – the largest facility of its kind in Canada – in Alberta's Industrial Heartland. This project will create more than 600 high-paying jobs for Albertans during the construction phase, and more once it is finished.

Opportunities are abounding for workers in manufacturing, technology, food processing, and other burgeoning industries. Even film is booming in Alberta, with several major projects on-the-go, including HBO's the Last of Us, one of the largest film or television projects in Canadian history. Episode one of the Last of Us has drawn over 18 million viewers already and the show, which cost more than \$10 million per episode to film, has officially been renewed for a second season. The show filmed in locations across Alberta – including Canmore, High River, Fort Macleod, Edmonton, Calgary, and Waterton Lakes National Park – and has been a boon for many local economies.

Our United Conservative government's economic record stands in stark contrast to the NDP's. We're creating hundreds of thousands of new jobs whereas they lost nearly 200,000 jobs over their time in government. We're cutting taxes and balancing the budget whereas they increased taxes on all Albertans and ran massive deficits. And we're attracting investment and overseeing credit rating increases whereas they pushed people and businesses away and oversaw consecutive credit ratings downgrades.

Another thing we are doing to defend to Alberta's economy is opposing Justin Trudeau's "just transition" plan, which would disrupt millions of jobs across Canada. Instead, we are encouraging the liberal government to work with us on developing federal legislation that will signal to all Canadians and investors from around the world that our governments have worked cooperatively on designing incentives and initiatives to create jobs, reduce emissions, and accelerate investment opportunities.

You can see Alberta's economic recovery taking shape across our province, with people going back to work in a wide variety of fields, industries, and sectors. In every corner of the province and in all sectors of the economy, optimism is growing for the future — and our United Conservative government is working tirelessly to make sure Albertans are going back to work and participating in this renewed Alberta Advantage.

We aren't just cleaning up the NDP's mess. We are building a province that is stronger and more resilient than ever.

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





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We will be having the parade and other events all day long on May 20. Some suggestions and events done in the past are:

- Slo Pitch Tournament & Beer Gardens
- Corn Hole Tournament (Thorsby Historical Society)
- 50/50
- Outdoor Market (CL Soap)
- Family Games & Events at the Arctic Spas Recreation Complex (Town of Thorsby Recreation)
- · Community Social
- Fair



Please let us know if you have any other suggestions or want to volunteer. Email thorsbyabchamber@g mail.com or come to the meeting!

1 MILLION ALBERTANS TO RECEIVE AFFORDABILITY PAYMENTS

February 09, 2023

More than one million Albertans are enrolled and scheduled to receive their first of six \$100 affordability payments, representing \$96 million in inflation relief.

Alberta's economy has recovered strongly, but Albertans are struggling to heat their homes and feed their families. Alberta's Affordability Action Plan is helping to keep Alberta affordable.

An online application system was designed using inhouse expertise and resources to seamlessly process affordability payments to provide families, seniors and the most vulnerable with the help they need in a timely manner. The affordability payments are just one of a suite of measures announced in November that are now underway to help Albertans get through this affordability crisis.

Of the one million Albertans currently receiving payments, 300,000 were auto-enrolled and more than 700,000 applied through the portal. More than 650,000 who applied through the portal have received their first payment, with the rest to receive their first payment in the coming days.

The \$600 in affordability payments adds to the hundreds of dollars Albertans are receiving and saving under the Affordability Action Plan. This includes an estimated \$900 saved by suspending the provincial fuel tax, expanding electricity rebates, increasing benefit payments in core support programs and pausing private passenger vehicle insurance rate increases through to the end of 2023.

In addition to these supports, Alberta's government has provided additional financial support to food banks and other community groups, increased funding for low-income transit pass programs and indexed personal income tax.

Quick facts

- Within the first 24 hours of the portal opening, more than 140,000 applications were successfully processed for payment, helping more than 190,000 children and 65,000 seniors.
- On Jan. 31, more than 575,000 Albertans received their first payments via direct deposit or cheques, helping more than 400,000 seniors and more than 174,000 children.
- Albertans can learn more about all the broad-based and targeted affordability relief programs online.

Supporting children, seniors and vulnerable Albertans As of Feb. 8, 950,000 Albertans have received, or had a parent or guardian receive on their behalf, their first of up to six monthly \$100 payments.

- This includes 469,000 children, 380,000 seniors and 118,000 vulnerable Albertans on core support programs such as AISH, Income Support and the Persons with Developmental Disabilities (PDD) program.
- So far, Albertans have received \$96 million in affordability payments. It is estimated that over the full six months, a total of about \$500 million will flow through.

Payments have been delivered via direct deposit or cheque for all Albertans who successfully enrolled before Jan. 27. Albertans who enrolled after Jan. 27 will get their payments within 10 days of completing their application.

For help with their applications, Albertans can:

- Call the Verified Account support line at 1-844-643-2789.
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Inflation relief for all Albertans

Other affordability supports providing relief include:

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- Hundreds of dollars for drivers in estimated fuel tax relief
- Six per cent indexation increases to core support programs such as AISH, Income Support, the Seniors Benefit and Alberta Child and Family Benefit.
- · Natural gas and electricity price protection.
- Personal income tax changes that will help keep more money in the pockets of individuals and families.

Many components of Alberta's three-year \$2.8-billion Affordability Action Plan will continue to provide support for Albertans into the future.

 These include natural gas rebates and fuel tax relief, based on price triggers, and the indexation of Alberta's tax system and social supports.

Alberta's government has also negotiated an agreement with the federal government on affordability measures for child care that will save parents between \$450 and \$635 monthly for a full-time child in care.



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



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



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

LAND

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

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



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



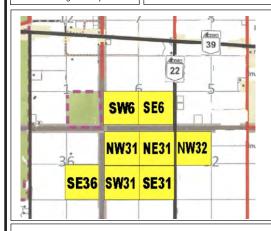
60x130 lot. Natural gas & drilled well on property. Power & sewer at lot line. Zoned Hamlet Residential. Mfg homes permitted.



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



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



LAND

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

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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