# CETTITECTS Thorsby, Warburg & Area NEWS

previously the Thorsby Target & Warburg Bugle

# LEDUC SQUARE DANCERS HELP KEEP STARS IN THE SKY

submitted by Leduc Square Dance

The Leduc Square Dance Club is hosting its annual STARS Benefit Dance at 6:45 pm on Wednesday, March 29 at Telford House (4907-46 St, Leduc). Admission is by donation. Each year the club raises about \$1500 in support of the Shock Trauma Air Rescue Society (STARS).

The club has hosted the event since 2020. "I had our team look into the history of funds raised," Shannon Paquette, Community Engagement Officer for STARS, recently told the club, "and they have found \$30,392.51 that is linked to Leduc Happy Homesteaders. Thank you so much for your fundraising efforts!"

"There's nothing 'square' about modern square dancing! It's a lot of fun," says club president Ron McIntosh. "Our club is part of the community, and our STARS dance is part of our involvement and contribution."

The public is welcome to attend to support STARS, to watch the dancing, to enjoy the music and even to get out on the floor to give it a try. Unlike old-time square dancewhere the calls always followed the same repeated pattern--modern square dance is flexible and everchanging. "It's a social activity, mental stimulation, movement to music, and great light exercise," notes McIntosh.

The Leduc club invites other area square dance clubs to take part in the benefit dance as well as the public. In addition to donations, all dance admission fees are donated directly to STARS. The club caller, Gary Winter of Sherwood Park, also donates his time for the dance.

The Happy Homesteaders Square Dance Club was formed in 1980 in New Sarepta but was shut down for two years during COVID-19 so has yet to celebrate its 40th Anniversary. In addition to regular weekly dances for members and guests, the club entertains at local residential care centres and has twice hosted a hoedown in support of the Leduc & District Food Bank.

For more information <a href="mailto:info@leducsquaredance.ca">info@leducsquaredance.ca</a>, <a href="mailto:www.stars.ca/ab/">www.stars.ca/ab/</a> or <a href="mailto:www.leducsquaredance.ca">www.leducsquaredance.ca</a>,



Leduc Square Dance entertains at Lifestyles Options Senior Centers, Jan. 2023. Photo courtesy of Dominique Vrolyk, picsbydominique@gmail.com Used with permission



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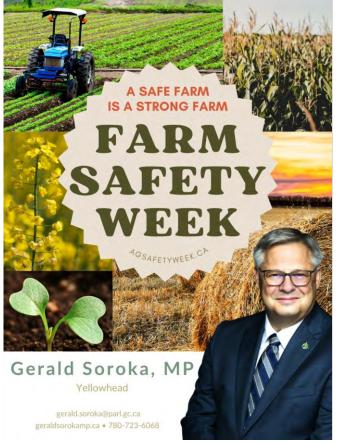
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Sudoku Answers from Mar 3 Issue

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  $3 \times 3$ subgrids.







# BREAKING NEWS!!

# SEEKING EXPRESSION OF INTEREST - QUOTE FOR DEMOLITION

The Town of Thorsby is seeking expression of interest - quotes from qualified local contractors or a group of qualified local contractors to provide labour and equipment needed to properly demolish and remove the structure from the lands at 4909 Hankin Street. Quotes will be sent with the understanding that work cannot commence until April per direction of the CAO and Public Works Manager.

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**Submission closing date:** March 31 st , 2023, at 4:30 p.m.

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# Thorsby Town Council Meetings

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#### **UPCOMINGSPECIALEVENTS**

(Breton, Thorsby, Warburg & Surrounding Areas)

**BRETON Youth Centre - March 10th - Painting and Decorating -** Drop In and see the new space - 3:30 - 8:30 - Downstairs - Breton Civic Centre - 4916 - 50 Avenue

**WARBURG** - Skating Club Presents our annual **Carnival** "Candyland" on **March 12**. Doors open at 12:30, show time at 1pm. Kids free. 18+ is \$5, 50/50, Raffle table, door prizes. Everyone welcome!

**THORSBY -** New Life Christian Fellowship church is hosting a community **Gospel Music Jam** on Sunday, **March 12th**, at 2 pm. Free event with light refreshments served!

WARBURG - Babysitter Course March 13 from 9am-4pm. 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

THORSBY Junior Senior High School PTA - Next Meeting on Monday, March 13. Email tishs.council@gshare.blackgold.ca

**THORSBY - Outsmart the Scam!** Fraud and Scam awareness and personal safety for older adults. **March 15** @ 11am-2pm at 4901-48 Ave. Lunch included. Register for the 2 part session. Call Carla 780-955-4554 or email carla@leduc-county.com

BRETON - St. Paddy's Cornhole fun night at Breton Community Centre March 17 hosted by Breton Ag Society. Go to www.bretonagsociety.com

**WARBURG** Legion **Social - St Patrick's** Special on **March 17**. Doors open at 5PM Highlights – The Special sandwich, Wear Green for Prizes, Specials all night long! Lets go Green!

**WINFIELD** Legion Spaghetti Supper on **March 18th** at 5pm Doors open at 4:30 pm. \$10 a plate..

**THORSBY** - Inviting all people who love **Old Time Music** on **Saturday, March 18th**, at 1pm. The Thorsby Seniors Center will be hosting a music jam. We need musicians, singers, listeners & dancers! Admission: \$5

**WARBURG - Open Bonspiel March 18-19** - \$300 per 4 person team (any combo) 3 games guarantee plus Saturday night meal included. To enter email: <a href="mailto:warburgcurlingclub@gmail.com">warburgcurlingclub@gmail.com</a> or call Brittany @ 780-621-2087 or Rob 780-789-3723

**BRETON** Youth Centre - **March 21** - **Touch up Time and Fun** with the Family Resource Centre Staff - 3:30 - 5:00, Downstairs - Breton Civic Centre - 4916 50 Avenue

BRETON FCSS Spring Break Activities Monday March 27 from 10am-2pm. Contact <a href="mailto:fcss@breton.ca">fcss@breton.ca</a> or 780-696-3636. Watch for further details next week or on our Facebook page.

BRETON FCSS Spring Break Activities Wed March 29 — Movie afternoon at the Breton Community Centre — 1pm-3pm. Contact <a href="fcss@breton.ca">fcss@breton.ca</a> or 780-696-3636. Watch for further details next week or on our Facebook page.

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**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.

Miss Rodeo Drayton Valley at the Pro Rodeo May 5-7 Contact <a href="mrdvcommittee@gmail.com">mrdvcommittee@gmail.com</a> or call Jayden at 780-514-8503 for more info. Applications close March 31.

**MORROWDALE** Community Centre invites everyone to its **Card and Games** afternoon on **April 2** from 2-5pm. Come beat the winter blues with some fun and great conversation at Morrowdale! For more info call Bev at 780-789-2571

**THORSBY - Soccer Registration** at Arctic Spas Recreational Complex **April 4** from 6-8pm or online at Thorsby Soccer Facebook Page.

**BRETON Playschool - Dueling Piano Supper & Dance** on **April 29** at Breton Community Hall.

**FALUN Seniors Spring Brunch - Falun Community Hall** Sunday April 30th 10 Am - 1 Pm Cost - By Donation

#### MARKETS/THRIFTSHOPS(NONPROFIT)

Winfield Public Market from 10am-2pm March 18th for St Patricks Day, April 1st for Easter. Call or text Carla 780-621-1285 or follow us on FB.

Thorsby CL Country Market from 10am-3pm, Thorsby Rec Complex. April 22, May 20 (Thorsby May long weekend) June 24 (Warburg Heritage Days) Email <a href="mailto:clsoapco@hotmail.com">clsoapco@hotmail.com</a>

**Mulhurst Bay Farmer's Market** at the Mulhurst Bay Community Hall (3802 50 Ave) **every Saturday** 10-2pm. Contact Carol 587-920-2065 for more info.

Thorsby Seniors Thrift Store
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# Community Events & Information is FREE to advertise



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# **Floor Curling Every Thursday**

1:00 - 4:00pm at Warburg **Pioneer Rec Center** 



#### **Drop In & Join Us**



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#### THORSBY HAYMAKER RODEO

NEW WEEKEND

May 27 & 28, 2023

The Thorsby Haymaker Rodeo Association would like to take this time to invite you and your company to participate as a sponsor in the upcoming Thorsby Haymaker Rodeo that will be held on May 27th & 28th, 2023 (New Weekend).

Our energetic committee has been working hard behind the scenes to coordinate the contractor, the cowboys, and the stock to provide you with yet another exciting rodeo! Without the help of our volunteers and sponsor support, our May long-weekend Rodeo would not be what it is today.

We ask that you take the time to peruse the attached Sponsorship Selections sheet. If there is no selection which meets your needs, please contact us.

If you have chosen to become a sponsor, your company name will appear in our Rodeo program, around the inside of the arena and will be announced throughout the Roden weekend

We would like to thank you for taking the time to participate in our rodeo, both in sponsorship and support!

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Thank you once again for Sponsoring your Local Rodeo!



# 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 <a href="mailto:fcss@breton.ca">fcss@breton.ca</a> 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 <a href="mailto:fcs@breton.ca">fcss@breton.ca</a> 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 Music Jam** Session **4th Tuesday** of the month @ 1pm with light refreshments. 4916 - 50 Ave

**FALUN Seniors Centre - Cards** at 1 pm every Tuesday - \$1 / **Floor Curling** at 1 pm **Wednesdays** (except first Wed of the mth) - \$1. Last day for events - April 25 & 26. Start again in fall.

**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 at 7pm.

**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 -** Lions Campground hosting a **Pancake Breakfast first Sunday** of the month at the Senior's Centre 8am - 1pm. Ages 13+ \$8.00/plate, Ages 6-12 \$5.00/plate, Age 5 & under FREE. More info call Mercedes King 587-338-7065

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 from 10am - 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.

**WARBURG Saturday** at the Library is **Craft Fun Day**, with a table full of supplies to create a craft for a special day that month

#### 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 & Connect 39 once a month.





#### Thorsby Seniors Crib Results!

#### March 6th Crib Scores:

1st - Sharon Anderson - 949 2nd - Rod Blair - 945 3rd - Elaine Blair - 939 High Hand of 24 was held by Sharon Anderson & Orest Fitzowich

Congratulations to all winners!

Next crib event will take place on Monday, March 13th, 1:30pm Thorsby Seniors Center - Admission: \$6 Come one & all for some great fun!



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# Connect with us! Submitted by Leduc County FRN LEDUC COUNTY Provincial Family Resource Networks

Did you know Leduc County offers free, in-home family supports? Our Family Resource Network (FRN) provides home visits to parents/caregivers of children and youth aged 0 to 18 and expecting parents throughout the County.

Home visits provide families with the opportunity to receive individualized supports in the privacy and comfort of their own home. You won't have to start the car, bribe the kids to leave the house, or get out of your pyjamas if you don't want to!

We recognize that every family is unique and has their own specific needs. Some of the services we have provided to families in the region include:

- Support and advocacy between community agencies including, but not limited to, schools, FSCD, children's services, legal and mental health services
- Information about child development and development screening for children less than six years old
- Information and/or referral to other community resources including subsidies, financial supports and the food bank
- Provide opportunities to connect to others in your community through programs and events
- · Indigenous supports
- Parenting support and information
- Prenatal support through our Health for Two program
- · Information about family violence
- Support and information around grief and loss
- Encouragement! We know parenting is sometimes challenging and stressful, sometimes rewarding, but it's ultimately the most important job we do.

What are families saying about in-home supports?

"I would not feel as open if I needed to see my home visitor in an office somewhere."

"It helps because I don't always have a vehicle to use during the day and am out of town."

"My home visitor helped me meet other families going through some of the same stuff."

If you would like to learn more about home visitation or any of our other programs, contact us at 780-979-2385 or <a href="mailto:frm@leduc-county.com">frm@leduc-county.com</a> or drop in at one of our two Family Resource Network (FRN) sites.

 Our Thorsby site, located at 4908 48 St. in the modular across from the Arctic Spas Recreation Complex, is open on Tuesdays from 2 to 8 p.m. and Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

 Our Devon site, located at 5 Jasper Court, is open Mondays from 2 to 8 p.m.

You can also find more information about Leduc County's Family Resource Network by visiting <a href="https://www.leduc-county.com/frn">www.leduc-county.com/frn</a> or by scanning the QR code







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Thorsby Library updates and reminders: from the Thorsby Library Staff

submitted by Gayle Sacuta

- Our Saturday hours have shifted to 11:00 AM -2:00 PM.
- Fun with Friends early literacy program, for ages 0-5 and their grownups runs Fridays at 10:30 AM.
- Thorsby Library Board meets Wednesday, March 15, at 7:00 PM. Contact the manager for more information at yatmgsacuta@yrl.ab.ca
- Library Adventures with Audrey, for Elementary School aged kids, is our March 15 program from 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM, please register.
- Teen Time, for Jr. and Sr. High School aged kids, will be held on March 22 from 3:30 PM - 4:30 PM, and drop in is fine.
- Anyone interested in joining our Art Show Planning Committee would be welcome.
- Did you know we have a tool at the library that will help fold thick paper or thin cardboard into small, professional-looking boxes? Check it out with your library card!
- Next 'Walk and Book Talk' is Wednesday, April 5, from 10:30 AM - 11:00 AM. Please leave your contact number if you're interested in joining a few people with walking sticks for a huff around Thorsby. Sticks are available to borrow with your free library card. Be sure to phone the day before to make sure the event has not been rescheduled.



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## THORSBY SOCCER



# Registration



Thorsby Arctic Spas Recreational Complex Sunday February 26, 2023 from 2-4pm Saturday March 4, 2023 from 2-4pm Tuesday April 4, 2023 from 6-8pm

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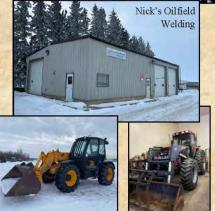
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### LAND USE **PLANNING IN** COUNTY LEDUC COUNTY

Throughout the last month, Leduc County has received questions from several residents about the 15-minute community concept.

A 15-minute community is an urban planning concept of having all daily amenities - schools, grocery stores, banks, pharmacies, jobs, green spaces, etc. - located within a 15-minute walk, bus or bike ride from your home. This concept has existed for decades, and focuses on enhancing the livability of urban centres.

As a rural municipality, Leduc County has not adopted a 15-minute community approach as this is an urban planning practice that is not used in rural settings.

Some of the questions we've received from residents relate to our land use bylaw review project and the Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board's (EMRB) Regional Agriculture Master Plan.

#### Land Use Bylaw Review

As per the Municipal Government Act (MGA), all municipalities in Alberta are required to have a land use bylaw. A land use bylaw is the primary tool used to regulate land use and development, and allows the County to issue development permits.

The County is currently undertaking a full review and update of our current land use bylaw. The goals for this project are to simplify the current bylaw for greater transparency and to reduce the amount of regulation as much as possible.

Leduc County citizens are encouraged to get involved with the project. You can learn more and sign up for project updates at

www.leduc-county.com/shapingyourcounty.

#### Regional Agriculture Master Plan

As a rural municipality, we are supportive of our agricultural community, and the future of agriculture in Leduc County is protected and encouraged within our land use policies.

Leduc County was an active participant in the development of the EMRB's Regional Agriculture Master Plan (RAMP). This plan is the first plan of its kind in Western Canada and is focused on protecting and stewarding tier-one agricultural land. It was approved by the Minister of Municipal Affairs on Dec. 21, 2022.

Additionally, our Municipal Development Plan (MDP) champions agriculture with policies that support the continued viability of agricultural land uses.

If you have any questions about Leduc County's land use bylaw review project or any other land use policies, please contact our Development Services team at 780-979-2113.

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## ALBERTA FIREARMS ACT INTRODUCED

Alberta's government is following through on a commitment to introduce an Alberta Firearms Act.

Once passed, the *Alberta Firearms Act* will strengthen Alberta's ability to regulate, administer, and advocate on behalf of firearms owners.

The act will clarify the role of the Chief Firearms Officer (CFO) within provincial legislation to provide the CFO with a stronger, clearer role and require the CFO to issue an annual report in order to enhance public accountability.

"Once passed, the Alberta Firearms Act will be the most comprehensive provincial firearms framework in the country. By establishing in legislation the role of Alberta Chief Firearms Officer, this legislation will elevate the responsibilities and legal mandate of the office to the fullest extent of the law. Alberta stands unequivocally with hunters, farmers, sport shooters, and Indigenous peoples, all of whom understand the importance of responsible firearm ownership to Alberta's heritage and culture." Tyler Shandro, Minister of Justice and Attorney General

The act will also introduce the ability to make regulations that would allow for the licensing of seizure agents; develop a Firearms Compensation Committee to set out Alberta's expectation that owners receive fair compensation for their firearm; the creation of requirements for forensic and ballistic testing of all confiscated firearms when deemed necessary; and the requirement that municipalities and municipal police services meet regulatory requirements before entering into any firearms-related funding agreements with the federal government.

"An Alberta Firearms Act will provide stronger support to the law-abiding firearms community whose activities are essential to the economic vibrancy and cultural heritage of our province." Teri Bryant, chief firearms officer

"As the owner one of over 650 firearms businesses in Alberta I am happy to see the Alberta government stepping in and standing up for legal firearms owners. I believe an Alberta Firearms Act is a sorely needed piece of legislation to provide clarity on firearm use and ownership for our diverse community of hunters, farmers and sport shooters." J.R. Cox, CEO, The Edge Group

"The Alberta Hunter Education Instructors Association

(AHEIA) is happy to see the Alberta Government taking a positive stand for our hunting community. Hunters make up a treasured part of our provinces culture and it is important that these traditions can continue for generations to come. As an educator and a hunter, I applaud the Alberta Government's work to ensure that responsible, law-abiding firearms owners can continue to use their tools to provide for their loved ones and for all those who benefit from their harvest. Additionally, AHEIA and the Alberta Government working together to provide the best firearms education programs available, contributes to safer streets and safer communities and we are proud to collaborate in this cause!" Robert Gruszecki, president, The Alberta Hunter Education Instructors' Association

#### **Quick facts**

- The Alberta Firearms Act builds upon steps taken in Bill 211, Municipal Government (Firearms) Amendment Act, 2020 which amended the Municipal Government Act to prevent municipalities from passing firearms bylaws unless authorized by the province.
- British Columbia and Québec both have legislation that regulates firearms outside of wildlife and hunting legislation. Saskatchewan recently introduced legislation to regulate firearms.
- There are 341,988 possession/acquisition licence holders in Alberta.
- Albertans own the second highest number of firearms classified as restricted or prohibited by the federal government.
- There are 127 approved shooting ranges and more than 650 firearms related businesses in Alberta.
- On average, an additional 30,000 Albertans complete mandatory firearms safety course training annually, as a first step to obtaining their firearms licence. In 2021, that number jumped to 38,000, indicating a significant upward trend in legal gun ownership in the province.



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# Message from Gerald Soroka, MP



#### APPLICATIONS FOR THE YOUTH EMPLOYMENT AND SKILLS PROGRAM ARE NOW OPEN

OTTAWA: Gerald Soroka, Member of Parliament for Yellowhead wishes to advise that the Youth Employment and Skills Program (YESP) is now open and accepting applications to help support approximately 1200 jobs for youth in the sector.

The YESP Program offers support for 50% of wages to a maximum of \$14,000 to agriculture employers hiring Canadian youth. Employers that hire youth facing employment barriers will be eligible for 80% of the cost of salaries and benefits and may be eligible for an additional \$5,000 to address specific obstacles to employment.

Employers can apply between February 27, 2023, and March 27, 2023, for their project to be considered. Additional information can be found by contacting <a href="mailto:aafc.yesp-pecj.aac@canada.ca">aafc.yesp-pecj.aac@canada.ca</a>, or calling: 1-866-452-5558.



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### **MLA REPORT**

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

# **Budget 2023**

This week, Alberta's government presented Budget 2023: Securing Alberta's Future.

With a forecast surplus of \$2.4 billion, and an economy poised to lead the country in economic growth, Budget 2023 is an opportunity for the government to invest in Alberta's future

Budget 2023 secures Alberta's future by growing the economy, creating good paying jobs, strengthening health care and education, and keeping Alberta communities safe – all while remaining committed to responsible fiscal management.

With its strong focus on investment attraction, job creation, economic growth, Budget 2023 sets the stage for Alberta to remain Canada's economic engine for decades. A \$176 million grant to the already-successful Alberta at Work initiative will help Albertans build their skills and find good jobs. It will also assist employers in their search for workers in existing and emerging sectors. Further investments in aviation and aerospace, agri-food manufacturing and \$24.5 million for the Alberta Technology and Innovation Strategy will enhance emerging and innovative technologies help attract even more venture capital investments to Alberta.

Alberta's government is also setting new records for spending in health care. This province has the best front-line health-care workers in the world and Budget 2023 provides the right support to ensure Albertans get the care they need when and where they need it. An additional \$965 million in operating expenses this year will help the Ministry of Health continue building a stronger health-care system, and ensure the government can do what's needed to improve wait times for ambulance services, emergency rooms, and surgeries. The budget also includes \$158 million this year to attract, recruit and train more doctors and nurses, with a focus on family physicians for rural areas.

To secure the future for children, Alberta's 2023 budget will make historic investments in education. An increase of nearly \$2 billion overall will help young people succeed and thrive in smaller classes. This increase will support the hiring of up to 3,000 education staff, including teachers, educational assistants, bus drivers and school support staff to give students the focused time and attention they need to succeed in their studies. The budget will also increase staffing support in complex classrooms by up to 10 per cent, which will have a positive effect on the personal and social development of students.

Alberta's government believes safety and security is something all Albertans should experience – in their homes, at school, and in their communities. Budget 2023 keeps communities safe by increasing collaboration between first

responders and community partners, and increasing access for vulnerable populations to recovery-oriented mental health and addiction supports. \$12.5 million – a joint investment between Mental Health and Addiction and Public Safety – will support the expansion of therapeutic living units within provincial correctional facilities to help inmates access recovery-oriented treatment.

First Nations policing will also get a boost of \$65 million over the next three years to address the unique needs of their communities and members. This will secure new policing positions and the creation of an additional First Nations police service in Alberta.

Alberta is also committing \$20 million over three years to combat human trafficking and ensure necessary resources are provided to survivors and victims.

While Alberta's economy has recovered strongly, many Albertans are still struggling to heat their homes and feed their families. That's why through Budget 2023, Alberta's will continue to benefit from programs such as the fuel tax relief, electricity rebates, natural gas rebates and monthly \$100 affordability payments for seniors, families and Albertans on certain benefit programs. This means more money in the pockets of Albertans and a helping hand to those in need. Additional relief measures through the budget will lower interest rates for post-secondary students, saving them about \$18 million each year.

Through Budget 2023, adoptive families will have access to more subsidies and tax breaks to make adoption more feasible. Workers in the social services sector will see their wages increased, and Albertans will now receive a larger tax credit when they donate to their favourite charities.

The ability to make significant investments into Alberta's future didn't come about by accident. Alberta's responsible fiscal management over the last three years made this possible – that's why the government is renewing that commitment. Budget 2023 includes a new fiscal framework that requires all future Alberta governments to balance their annual budgets and use any surpluses to first pay down debt and save for the future. Operating expenses will be tied to population growth and inflation, which will help control spending and prevent high resources revenue from being used to increase spending in an unsustainable way.

As part of this commitment, the Alberta's government is paying down more debt this year and saving for the future. This will save Albertans an estimated \$260 million in this fiscal year and \$551 million in 2023-24.

By transforming health-care to meet people's needs, keeping Alberta communities safe, and growing the economy with more jobs, quality education, and continued diversification, Budget 2023 is securing Alberta's future.

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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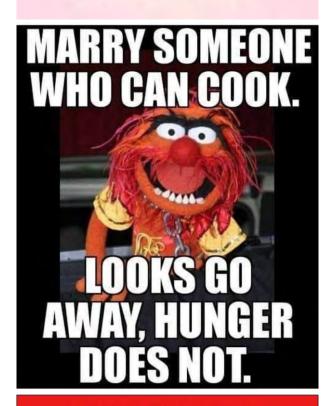
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#### **COMMERCIAL**

**THORSBY**- 2497 Sq.Ft. Free standing commercial building located on Thorsby's main street, a very high traffic area. (E4308509) **\$120,000** 

**NISKU-** Office & warehouse facility located in Nisku Park situated on 2.87 acres. Warehouse has 13,400 Sq.Ft., 3 phase power, 480 V. Services include Edmonton City water, natural gas, power, phone, municipal sewer. (E4279001) \$2,999,000





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