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GENESEE PUMPKIN FESTIVAL

Don't miss the 32nd Annual Pumpkin Festival at the Genesee Hall on Saturday, September 30. There will be hay rides, a trade show, bouncy house, harvest games, petting zoo, glitter tattoos and more. Don't forget to bring your pumpkins, sunflowers or vegetables to be judged. There is also a pumpkin baking contest and chili cook off. The concession and pancake breakfast is a fundraiser for the Warburg Legion. There will even be live music from 12pm - 2pm. Here is this year's schedule of events.

Pancake Breakfast - 9am - 10:30am
Concession - 10:30am - 2:30pm
Children's Activities begin at 10am
All entries to be entered - 11am - 12:30pm
Judging - 1pm
Awards - 2pm
End of Day - 3pm

The vendors will be there all day! Head to Genesee and have some fun this Saturday and good luck to all the entries!

CELEBRATE NATIONAL SENIORS DAY

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Every year on October 1, Canadians pay tribute to seniors — the men and women who have helped make our country what it is today and who continue to enrich our lives.

Why celebrate seniors?

Seniors have made — and continue to make — a profound contribution to Canada: at home, in the community and as part of the workforce. They represent a large and growing proportion of our population.

We can all think of a senior who has made a difference in our lives. They are our mentors, teachers, grandparents and loved ones. They are volunteers and role models. They have contributed generously, building our families, communities, workplaces and country.

Thank you Seniors!!







Some of the Winners at the 2019 Genesee Pumpkin Festival. Pictures from Facebook.

Classifieds

GARAGE SALES

WESTPINE LODGE GARAGE CLEAN OUT in Winfield on Saturday, Sept. 30th. 9-4 pm. Household, Craft Supplies, Lawn Furniture, Christmas and so much more.(garage in back). Come out & clean the Garage.

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Sudoku Answers from September 22 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.



Community Member Finance Committee

Board of Directors

Leduc Regional Housing Foundation is seeking an enthusiastic individual with a background in Finance & Accounting to be the Community Member on our Finance Committee. This individual shall have a caring and compassionate nature and a keen interest in the community and the housing needs of the Leduc Region.

Applicants must reside within one of the following communities - Leduc County, Leduc, Beaumont, Devon, Calmar, Thorsby or Warburg.















Appointment: Two (2) year term. Submit your written application to:

> Ms. Margot Hagarty, Executive Director Leduc Regional Housing Foundation 5118 – 50 Avenue, Leduc, Alberta T9E 6V4 Fax: 780.986.4881 or

> E-Mail: mhagarty@leducregionalhousing.ca www.leducregionalhousing.ca

By 12:00 noon, Friday, October 13th, 2023

Supporting the future of agriculture

Scholarship opportunities

Agricultural Service Board Bursary

The Leduc County Agricultural Service Board encourages future careers in agriculture through five bursary awards of **\$1000** each to support students in an **agricultural-related post secondary program.**

The Agricultural Service Board bursaries are available to Leduc County residents or to children of County residents. Application forms are available online at **www.leduc-county.com/scholarships** or you can pick one up from the Agricultural Services office. To pick up a form, please call 780-955-4593.



LEDUC Applications must be received before Nov. 15, 2023.

For more information, please call 780-955-4593



WAREHOUSE WORKER PERMANENT PART-TIME (3 days)

Ruhr Valley Lumber is seeking a parttime warehouse worker (3 days a week) <u>MUST</u> be able to work every other Saturday.

Warehouse duties and responsibilities include:

- Sort, organize and store inventory in the proper location
- Receive and process warehouse stock
- Perform inventory controls and report any discrepancies
- Operate and maintain warehouse vehicles and equipment
- Operate forklift to move materials
- Picking and packing orders
- Keep a clean and safe working environment
- Deliver orders to job sites when required
- · And other daily duties

Essential Qualifications:

- Experience as a warehouse worker
- · Familiarity with building materials
- Good organizational and time management skills
- Ability to lift heavy objects
- Current forklift license (training is available)
- Valid class 5 driver's license
- Be capable of making deliveries and following directions to job sites (Thorsby/Pigeon Lake area)

*Only chosen applicants will be contacted

Resumes can be emailed to matt@ruhrvalley.ca or dropped off in person at Ruhr Valley Lumber, 4901-49 Ave, Thorsby.



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UPCOMINGSPECIALEVENTS

(Breton, Thorsby, Warburg & Surrounding Areas)

<u>September 29</u> - Cemetery Service at Morrowdale Community Hall at 6pm. Potluck Supper.

<u>September 30</u> - Genesee Pumpkin Festival. For more information contact Joanne 780-940-7229

<u>September 30</u> - Poke' Mon Trading Club at the Warburg Library from 1-3pm. Bring your own cards, don't bring money.

October 1 - St. John The Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church, Thorsby- Divine Liturgy at 9am. Dan at 780-789-3698.

October 3 - Quarter Auction (fun interactive vendor show) at Wilton Park Community Centre. 6pm. Concession available. Facebook at Caribou Exchange! tanya@caribouexchange.ca

<u>October 5</u> - **Tea Bannock and Sharing** at the Thorsby Municipal Library from 3:30 – 5:00.

October 5 - Turkey & Ham Bingo at the Thorsby Seniors Centre. Doors open at 6pm.

October 7 - Oktoberfest at Thorsby Community Centre. Cocktails at 5:30pm, supper and dance to follow. Call Marlene at 780-217-9394 or 780-789-3734. Thorsby Historical Society

October 11 - Library After School Adventures (Elementary) at the Thorsby Municipal Library.

October 12, 19, 26 - Let's Talk Naloxene and Opioids. Free information and training session by Wetaskiwin County. 6:30 - 8:30pm. Oct 12 Wetaskiwin Ag Society Hall, Oct 19 Buck Lake Seniors Hall, Oct 26 Lakedell Ag Society Hall.

October 14 - Thorsby Wellness Fair "Home Run to Health" at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex from 9:30am - 3pm. FREE Event. Must Register in person at the Complex or online at www.thorsby.ca/recreation No Drop-ins.

October 14 - Winfield Public Market Harvest, 10am-2pm. Call or text Carla 780-621-1285 or follow us on FB.

October 17 - Warburg School Awards Ceremony & Wall of Fame Induction Ceremony at 12:30pm. 780-848-2822 or ws@blackgold.ca

<u>October 20</u> - Crime Prevention Town Hall meeting at the Strawberry Hall at 7 pm. RCMP will be in attendance. Everyone welcome!

October 21 - Harvest Festival at Strawberry Hall from 2-5pm. FREE Family Event. For dinner tickets (\$15) call 780-789-2446 or 780-789-2180.

October 25 - Teen Time (Jr. High/High School) at the Thorsby

Municipal Library

October 25 to October 28 - Annual Book Sale at the Thorsby Municipal Library

October 25 - TikTok Ghost Painting Night at the Breton Municipal Library at 6pm. Limit 20 registrants. Contact the library for more info. 780-696-3740 or bretonlibrary@yrl.ca

October 27 - Warburg Playschool's Family Halloween Dance from 7pm - 12am at the Warburg Community Hall.

October 27 - Breton Community / Volunteer Appreciation Night – Join us for an evening to celebrate all the Volunteers in our Community. Tickets are \$10 and will be available on September 18th. Contact 780-696-3636 or fcss@breton.ca

October 31- Halloween Hoopla and Haunted House at the Breton Community Centre from 5-8pm.

November 1-10- Wishes Come True Fall Auction hosted by the Leduc Community Hospital Foundation. For more information or to donate contact Colleen Zimmerman at lchfoundation@ahs.ca or 780-980-4536

November 16 - Charity Hockey Classic game against the 840 CFCW Critters at the Leduc Recreation Centre. Hosted by the Leduc Community Hospital Foundation. For information, to play or sponsor a player contact lchfoundation@ahs.ca

November 18 - Warburg Curling Club is Celebrating their 70th Anniversary. Hosting a Sturling Spiel, Banquet and Commemorative Program. Mark Your Calendars!

November 18 - Winfield Public Market, Christmas, 10am-2pm. Call or text Carla 780-621-1285 or follow us on FB.

<u>November 25</u> - Warburg Christmas Bazaar - Call 780-848-2828 or fcss@warburg.ca

November 25 - Yeoford Homeschoolers Christmas Fundraiser at the Yeoford Hall from 2-4 pm

November 25 - Thorsby & District Chamber of Commerce Christmas Gala. Stay tuned!

<u>December 1</u> - Thorsby's Christmas in the Village. Customer Appreciation hosted by the Chamber of Commerce.

<u>December 2</u> - Winfield Public Market, Christmas, 10am-2pm. Call or text Carla 780-621-1285 or follow us on FB.

<u>December 31</u> - 70th Anniversary Celebration of the Village of Warburg. Supper & Dance. Stay tuned!

<u>January 20</u> - Malanka at Thorsby Community Centre. More details to come.

Community Events & Information is <u>FREE</u> to advertise



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PROGRAMS & REGULAR EVENTS

(Thorsby, Warburg & Surrounding Areas)

MONDAYS

NEW DATE: Moms & Tots Drop In Program_on Mondays (starting Sept 25) from 10-11am at the FRN Site in Thorsby (Modular next to the Arctic Spas Rec Complex) Fun games, activities & making new friends

Afternoon Crib at the Thorsby Seniors Centre every Monday at 1:30pm

<u>Bus To Aqua size</u> (Drayton Valley) Pick up and drop off in Warburg & Breton. Registration must be completed the Thursday prior to the Monday trip. Please contact Shauna (Warburg FCSS) at 780-848-2828.

Thorsby TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) at the Seniors Centre on Mondays, weigh in (9-9:15am), meetings (9:15-9:45am) Call Jane 780-789-3789 or Cheryl 780-848-7673

TUESDAYS

<u>Pickle Ball</u> at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex from 9:30am - 11:30am (\$5)

<u>Volleyball</u> drop in at Warburg School on Tuesdays from 6-8pm <u>Quilting</u> at the Warburg Seniors Centre on Tuesdays at 9:30am (\$2)

<u>Seniors Music Jam Session</u> on 4th Tuesday of the month at the Calmar Seniors Centre 1pm. 4916 - 50 Ave

<u>Family Bingo's</u> every Tuesday at 6:30pm at the Mulhurst Royal Canadian Legion #246

<u>Calmar Seniors Music Jam</u> - at the Calmar Seniors Centre on the 4th Tuesday of the month from 1-4pm.

WEDNESDAYS

<u>Busy Brushes</u> - Every Wednesday from 10-2 pm at the Warburg Cultural Center. \$5/class.Linda at 587-590-0378.

<u>Soup & Sandwiches</u> at the Thorsby Seniors Centre starting at 11:30am on the 2nd Wednesday of the month.

<u>Songs For Toddlers</u> on Wednesdays at 1pm at the Warburg library.

<u>Cards</u> at the Warburg Seniors Centre at 1pm every Wednesday

<u>Soup & Sandwiches</u> at the Warburg Seniors Centre every 3rd Wednesday at 12pm (\$10)

<u>Warburg Treasure's Thrift Shop</u> is Open Wednesdays from 10am - 4pm at the Warburg Community United Church.

<u>Tai Chi</u> at the Warburg Seniors Center, running every Wednesday from 10-11 (\$2). This program is open everyone!

THURSDAYS

<u>Sandholm Square Dance Club</u> - 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.

<u>Warburg Girl Guides</u> - at the Warburg Community Hall, Thursdays from 5:30pm - 7pm. Contact 780-999-3913.

<u>Pickle Ball</u> at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex from 9:30am - 11:30am (\$5)

<u>Bingo</u> at the Thorsby Seniors Centre every Thursday evening at 7nm

<u>Pickleball</u> Thursdays from 6-8pm (\$2). Warburg School Gym. Starts Oct 5. Equipment provided, no experience needed.

Register at the Village office or call 780-848-2828

Thorsby Seniors Thrift Store - Open Thursdays from 10am-3pm. Call 780-996-5131.

Quilting at the Warburg Seniors Centre on Thursdays at 9:30am (\$2)

<u>Sew Heavenly Quilters</u> meet Thursdays at 10am at Warburg Cultural Centre. Call Peggy 780-789-2545

FRIDAYS

<u>Social Evenings</u> on the third Friday of the month at the Warburg Legion Hall from 5 - 11pm.

<u>Thorsby Seniors Thrift Store</u> - Open Fridays from 10am-3pm. Call 780-996-5131.

<u>Community Socials</u> on the Last Friday of the month at 7pm at the Mulhurst Royal Canadian Legion #246

<u>Connect with Other Young People</u> on Fridays from 7-9pm Thorsby New Life Fellowship Church - . Ages 11-18. Contact Katie at 780-241-0715 or kpollard2007@outlook.com

<u>Music Jam</u> - at the Warburg Seniors Centre on the 1st Friday of the month from 1-4pm by donation. Homemade pie & Coffee. Call 780-389-4104

Fun with Friends Story time at the Thorsby Municipal Library every Friday from 10:30am - 11:15am.

SATURDAYS

Winter Programs at the Warburg Library starting soon. Check out Facebook, call 780-848-2391 or warburglibrary@yrl.ab.ca

Pie & Coffee from 1pm - 4pm at the Warburg Museum on the

<u>Pie & Coffee</u> from 1pm - 4pm at the Warburg Museum on the first Saturday of every month. Or arrange a tour through Susie 780-848-2507 or Joan 780-621-7174

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

Thorsby Music Jam - at Thorsby Community Centre on the 3rd Saturday of the month (except January) from 1-4pm. Coffee & light lunch. Guests \$10, Entertainers \$5. Call 780-789-2180.

SUNDAYS

<u>Gospel Music Jam</u> - at New Life Christian Fellowship on the 1st Sunday of the month (except December) from 2-4pm. FREE includes light refreshments. Call 780-789-4171

<u>Pancake Breakfasts</u> hosted by the Thorsby Lions Club the first Sunday of the month at the Senior's Centre 9am - 12pm. Call Mercedes 587-338-7065

<u>Pancake Breakfasts</u> the second Sunday of each month from 8:30am - 11:30am at the Warburg Legion.

<u>Sunday School</u> at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church the second Sunday of each month at 10:30am for ages 5-12 - under 5 accompanied by an adult. Contact Ebeline at 780-389-4100

Our FREE Community Connections booklet will be available soon for pick up in various locations in Breton, Thorsby & Warburg. You will find contacts and information on rental facilities, community groups, the municipalities, community supports and so much more.

Keep reading our papers for more information and when it will be out!

COMMUNITYGROUPS&MEETINGS

(Thorsby, Warburg & Surrounding Areas)

MONDAYS

Mulhurst Community League Meetings at 7:30pm on the 3rd Monday of each month. Call 780-389-4268

<u>Mulhurst Royal Canadian Legion #246</u> - Meetings are the 2nd Monday of the month at 7pm. 780-935-6281

<u>Thorsby & District Cultural & Historical Society</u> - Regular meetings on the 2nd Monday of each month at 7pm at the Community Hall. <u>thorsbyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com</u>

Thorsby & District Fish & Game - Regular meetings held on the 3rd Monday of each month @ 7pm at the Warburg Village Office Basement. Bruce at 780-848-2242

<u>Thorsby & District Lions Club</u> - Meetings the 1st and 3rd Monday of each month in the Lions Den (Community Hall Basement). Mercedes 587-338-7065

<u>Thorsby Communities in Bloom Society</u> - Meetings are held the first Monday of the month at 7pm. Contact Barry Rasch 780-983-2096 or barrythorsby@gmail.com

TUESDAYS

<u>Burnt Wood '06' Metis Local</u> have monthly meetings the 3rd Tuesday of every month at 7pm in the Wetaskiwin Moose Lodge. Rose at 780-361-6019 for more info.

WEDNESDAYS

<u>Sunnybrook Athletic Association</u> - Meetings the 2nd Wednesday of the month at 7pm at Sunnybook Hall. 587-920-6917 <u>sunnybrookcommunityhall@gmail.com</u>

<u>Thorsby Agricultural Society</u> - Regular meetings on the first Wednesday of every month at 7pm at the Haymakers Arena. Ph: 780-789-3829

<u>Thorsby Municipal Library Board</u> - Meetings on the third Wednesday of the month at 7pm at the Library. Contact Paula at 780-789-3808 or thorsbypublib@yrl.ab.ca

Thorsby Royal Canadian Legion Pioneer Branch #144 - Meetings the 3rd Wednesday of every month at 9:30am, except July&Aug at the Seniors Centre. 780-789-3812

<u>Thorsby Seniors</u> - Meetings last Wed of every month in the Seniors's Centre. 780-239-4595

Warburg Legion Branch #205 - Meetings are at 7pm the 2nd Wednesday of each month (Sept to June) at the Legion Hall. Ph: 780-848-2923 or warburg205general@gmail.com

<u>Warburg Municipal Library Board</u> meetings are the 3rd Wednesday of the month at 2:30pm at the library. The public is welcome as a Guest at these meetings.

Warburg Pioneer Ag Society - Meetings 2nd Wednesday of each month. Phone 780-848-2841

THURSDAYS

<u>Thorsby Chamber Of Commerce</u> - monthly meetings on the 3rd Thursday of the month at the Arctic Spas Rec Complex. 780-499-9006 or thorsbyabchamber@gmail.com

To quote the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada, reconciliation

"will take many heads, hands, and hearts, working together, at all levels of society to maintain momentum in the years ahead."

Seniors Assisted Transportation Subsidy

Pilot project Sept. 1 to Dec. 31, 2023

The cost of transportation can be a barrier for many rural seniors. Leduc County FCSS provides a subsidy to eligible older adults (65+) who need transportation for medical appointments. Drive Happiness is a non-profit that provides safe, reliable and affordable assisted transportation to low-resource seniors.

Eligibility

- At least 65 years of age
- ▶ Resident of Leduc County, Town of Calmar, Town of Thorsby, or Village of Warburg
- ► Have sufficient mobility to enter and exit vehicles independently

Number of rides

- Seniors 65 years to 79 years are eligible for five free round trips for medical appointments.
- Seniors 80 years and older are eligible for 10 free round trips for medical, recreational, social or supportive needs.

Memberships

All program participants are required to purchase a Drive Happiness annual membership. Membership fees are determined by Drive Happiness and are based on household income.

How to apply

Contact Drive Happiness at **780-424-5438** or **1-888-336-4503**, or fill out an application at your local FCSS office. Learn more at **www.leduc-county.com/adults-and-seniors.**







Connect with us!

Submitted by Village of Warburg FCSS

Have questions? Need support? Contact Warburg FCSS - Shauna Schwindt 780-848-2828

In office Monday, Wednesday, Friday 9-4:30 p.m.

Please keep your eyes open for events in our Warburg FCSS/Recreation Newsletter! If you need anything, please feel free to stop into the Village of Warburg Office!

Parent & Tot program: Enjoy drop in stay & play Monday 10 am-11 am at the Thorsby FRN site (modular next to the Rec Centre) fun games, activities and making new friends! Oct2nd Infant Massage (9:15-10) Kids Kit Oct 23 (10-11a.m) Dec 18 (10-11 a.m.) Fine motor skills.

16+ Rec Volleyball - Adults and youth 16+ beach volleyball Every Tuesday at the Warburg School (North West, community access doors) starting at 7—9. (\$2.00)

Pickleball - Runs Every Thursday from 7-9 at the Warburg School (North West, community access doors) starting at 7—9. (\$2.00)

Street hockey sticks/Badminton set/spike ball/various games available at the Warburg Library! All you need is your library card to rent out! Warburg Library hours are Tues/Wed/Thurs 10 am-6 pm

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

Quilting at the Cultural Center: (Thurs) Quilting at 10-4

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

Tai Chi - Starts up this month at the Warburg Seniors Center, running every Wednesday from 10-11 (\$2) This program is open everyone!

Bus to Leduc from Cloverleaf: (\$8) Bus leaves from Cloverleaf to Leduc on September 21st at 9am-4. Need to get groceries, have a Dr. Appt, just want to get out and about here is an affordable way to get to Leduc! Please call Kim at Cloverleaf to book your spot! 780-848-7717.

Bus To Aqua size (Drayton Valley) Bus will start on Monday September 18th-. If it becomes high demand, we are hoping it will run every Monday. Bus leaving from Warburg Village office @9:00, stopping in Breton at 9:15 to head to Drayton Valley gentle Aqua size class or if swimming is not your thing, a one-hour trip to Walmart if you need any groceries. 5 punch and 10 punch card pass will be available at the Village of Warburg Office. Registration must be completed the Friday prior to the Monday trip so we can ensure we have enough people and secure Bus Driver. Please contact Shauna at 780-

848-2828 for further information (punch card passes can be used to go to either Drayton Valley or Leduc) The fee to attend the aqua size class is separate from the fee of the bus (please contact Ricochet Aquatic Centre for more information @780-515-7946) 10 card punch pass is \$70.65 roughly/\$7 class for seniors.

Home Safety for Infants & Toddlers: This interactive workshop will explore the common causes of childhood injury, including falls, poisoning, burns, and breathing emergencies.

Parents and caregivers will have the opportunity to ask questions and learn simple strategies for building a safe home for the whole family. 1 Hour-via zoom. Dates: Sept 12 @10:30, October 12@1:30 pm, November 7 @6:30, December 7 @10:30, Please review the Eventbrite page to register and view other available workshops right-injury.preventionEdmonton@ahs.ca

Child Safety Seats for Families (Free online workshop) This interactive workshop will provide information and answer questions about choosing, installing and using child safety seats, booster seats and seat belts for children ages 0-13 years. 1 hour session, via online zoom. Dates: Sept 7@1:30, Sept.20 @6:30 pm, Oct.4 @10:30, Oct 17 @1:30, Nov 2 @10:30, Nov 14 @1:30, Nov 30 @6:30, Dec 12 @10:30

Leduc County Grants! Leduc County grant season is almost upon us. Parks and recreation offer recreation, arts, sports and culture grant funding. Applications will be available online Sept 1,2023. For more information, please visit leduc-county.com/grants or contact Andrea Oneski @780-770-9264 or recgrants@leduc-county.com.

Drive Happiness: is looking for volunteer drivers in Leduc County! Drive Happiness is a non-profit organization which provides low-cost, volunteer-based assisted transportation to older Albertans. Our volunteer position gives you the flexibility to pick rides that work for your schedule, meet amazing people, and even receive a fuel reimbursement!

If you or someone you know living in Leduc County is interested in this unique volunteer opportunity, give us a call today at 780-424-5438 or visit our website for more information about getting involved www.drivehappiness.ca/

Women's Self Defense class: Nov 4th 9-5 p.m. \$25.00 + LUNCH included. At the Warburg Hall Spend a full day learning techniques to defend yourself. Please register with Shauna @ 780-848-2828 or fcss@warburg.ca

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
- · Meals on Wheels



BREAKING NEWS!!

THE BEST OF BOTH WORLDS

SAVE THE DATE 2023 WELLNESS FAIR

Mark the date, October 14th at the Arctic Spas Recreation Center, Thorsby Wellness Fair.

Entertainment, guest speakers, vendors, demonstrations, fun for the kids as well. Enoch Cree Nation performance group will attend at 1p.m. to celebrate our new friendship between their nation and our municipality in a friendship performance and round dance.

We encourage you to bring you family and participate in this great event.

OFFICE CLOSED SEPTEMBER 30

The Town office is closed on Monday October 2 for the

Federal Stat of Truth and Reconciliation Day



OFFICE HOURS

Mon: 8:30am - 4:30pm 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!

CLOSED ALL STATUTORY HOLIDAYS!

THANK YOU MOWERS!

Thanks to all the great mowers out there this summer.



YOU DESERVE A REST FOR THE GREAT WORK.



Now your attention to Snow Removal – hopefully not too soon though!

UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS

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

Tuesday, October 10th | COW | 7pm - 8:00pm

Tuesday, October 24th | Regular | 7pm - 8:00pm

The public is welcomed to all Council Meetings

Town of Thorsby

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THORSBY COMMUNITY CENTRE

October 7, 2023

Cocktails - 5:30 German Supper - 6:30

Dance to Follow

Music By: Alberta's Own Polka King

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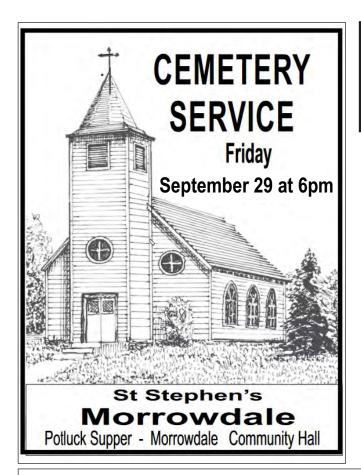




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Warburg Public Library **Mpdate**

Submitted by Gail O'Neil

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Library Hours: Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Thursdays 10 am – 6 pm and Saturdays Noon – 4 pm (exceptions are long weekends, closed).

A Reminder:

Washroom renovations are in progress and it is all going wonderful! Estimated to be done in about a week, the Public washroom is unavailable till further notice.

Warburg Library is closed Saturday September 30 for Orange Shirt Day (Every Child matters!) Honouring Truth and Reconciliation.

Recommended reads for Truth and Reconciliation: Righting Canada's wrongs by Melanie Florence, These are My words, The Residential School diary of Violet Pesheens, Out of the Depths by Isabelle Knockwood (this book is on Tracpac, in ebook only, a book copy is available at Warburg Library). Honouring the Truth, Reconciling for the Future (summary of the Final Report of the Truth and Reconciliation Commission of Canada, in English and French)



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Opens on October 27th, 2023 & Closes on October 30th, 2023 - Winfield, Alberta

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Waterfront on Battle Lake - 64.88 acre, 860-71 e of shoreline. Wooded eg bah 2011 mfg home w/Andcpgk, neared garage



Greystones - 3 bedroom, 2 bath custom built home, 26x56 garage with bonus room, paving stone firepit area... and more



Highland Spruce Estates - 1.28 acre. 7 RV sites, underground power, sewer, water, fenced, insulated shed. wood shed.



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Buck Lake Getaway - 100x100 lot, older 3 bedroom mobile home, 1 bedroom cabin, 24x24 older garage. Artesian well. Power



View. G. at ,) a v o B ck Lake, 2 RV p db O a m, leck, gazebo. Well, septic holding tank, 2 sheds.

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INVESTMENT OPPOURTUNITY 8 quarters (1267 acres),

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Council Highlights

Submitted by CAO, Donna Tona

September 26, 2023 Regular Council Meeting

Council was busy in the community with attending the Sunnybrook 100th Anniversary, the Lone Wolf Show and Shine, Leduc and District Food Bank Community Kitchen Grand Opening, ATCO Gas, and other functions. Administration provides the following breakdown of work accomplished:

- Thorsby and Leduc County Fire meet quarterly to maintain relationships, discuss concerns, issues, and projects. It is a great way to keep in touch and solve issues or discuss new initiatives as required
- ATCO Gas met with Administration and Council
 to discuss relationships. In the spring we will be
 partnering with ATCO on an emergency
 management Exercise focusing on Recovery.
 We will be inviting other agencies in the planning
 after budget. This will be a terrific showcase of
 what our Municipality can accomplish
- As everyone can see the building on Hankin street is now remediated and the lot will be offered for tax sale at the appropriate time. Many thanks to Baumann Hoe and Bobcat for a most amazing demolition, on a very challenging building.
- Don't forget everyone, the Wellness Fair at the Arctic Spas Rec Center on Saturday the 14th of October. For further information call Carol Rempel. It is going to be a stellar relaxing day for everyone and something to do for everyone.
- The pumps have been ordered for the water intake at the North Saskatchewan river for our water supply. One has been down for a very long time (before we arrived) and the other is needing repairs. These are from a grant and when they arrive, we will have to crane or pick out the pumps and shafts and fix everything. The sewage lift station pumps are on order as well, and we have one down now that we must either fix or look at supporting the second one that is running. These pumps are crucial to our water and sanitary supply and there has not been any maintenance program on them for years. We now will have that in place including for the Water Treatment Plant. Maintenance and pumps and infrastructure aren't as pretty as perhaps community beautification, but for the benefit of the success of our Town, Administration is very focused on the beautification of that which keeps us running

- and safe underground. And that is most beautiful!!
- The new water meter endpoints have arrived, and we are beginning the programming of them.
 What this means is that we can stop driving around with our computer and equipment to read your meters. Once installed we will have a town hall meeting to do some training and information for everyone.
- The recreations center was extremely successful this summer with 408 participants in the facility programs and 170 participants on the field trips. Many thanks to all that attended and stay tuned for more cool stuff coming
- We have a new arena operator; Carson Marguardt and we welcome him to our team.
- In the regular meeting on September 26, Mr. Richard Cotter provided his analysis of his firms research into our water licenses and the forthcoming grant that we are working on to send into the government. Dentons has confirmed we have the water licenses that we believed we had, which can distribute a great deal of water. The next grant focuses on all the soft costs to get us ready for a bulk fill station that will service agriculture, industry, residents, and RV travellers. We will update you when the grant has been sent in and is in the approval stages.
- Thanks to all this summer for all the mowing and upkeep of your grass. It is most appreciated.
- Our new Peace Officer will head to training on October 10th and will graduate as a fully fledged Community Peace Officer Level 1 and ready to serve our community. We thank our partnership with Calmar on this sharing of resources. Our municipalities are truly fortunate that we can solve problems and support each other with minimal red tape.
- Finance: Operating Accounts: \$1,440,907.05
 Savings Accounts: \$1,379,739.03 This is as of August 31, 2023



Thorsby Seniors Crib Results!

September 25th crib scores:

1st - Tied between Nestor Dopko - 937 & Maurice Masyk 3rd - Elaine Blair - 929 High Hand of 24 was held by Elda Olds

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL OF THE WINNERS!

NEXT CRIB EVENT WILL BE HELD ON OCTOBER 2, MONDAY, 1:30 PM THORSBY SENIORS CENTER. ADMISSION: \$6

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THORSBY - 1063 Sq.Ft 1 1/2 Storey with tons of recent renovations, Large fenced yard. **\$199,900.00**

THORSBY - 2.97 acres of park like setting on pavement, 1079 Squice Dyalow with partly finished basement, Double detached garage \$399,000 \$379,000

THORSBY - 1592 SEPTICED split, 4 bedrooms, Large 50'x150 corner lot, 20'x32' Detached shop, Garden spot, Reparking \$299,000 \$289,000

THORSBY - 5 acres on pavement piece to Thorsby. Great place to build \$195,000 \$179,900

WARBURG - 150015 t Bungalow on large corner lot, 5 bedrooms, finished basement, detached o/s double gara 50179,900.00

COMMERCIAL

THORSBY - 2500 Sg. Ft Solid building on Main Street with all services \$99,900

THORSBY- Freestanding commercial building. This 5376 sq. ft. building is located on a large corner lot. 200 amp electrical service. Municipal water and sewer. Natural gas, boiler system. Lot size is 18.29 x 33.53. There are commercial development incentives offered by the Town of Thorsby. **\$189,000**

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OCTOBER 1 IS DAY OF OLDER PERSONS IN ALBERTA

Leduc County acknowledges older Albertans and their contributions to our communities. It is important to raise awareness about seniors' issues and address misconceptions about aging.

Join Leduc County and VIV Mental Health on Tuesday, October 24 for the Rural Seniors Wellness Initiative: video screening, snacks and connection.

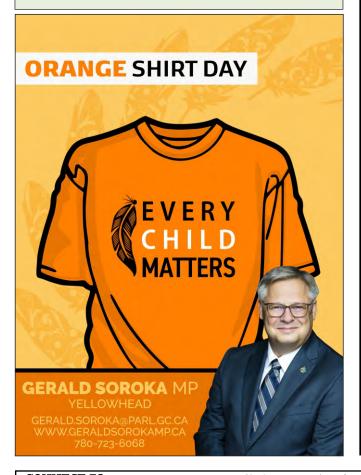
What does it mean to age purposefully? What does retirement mean to you? Learn about future opportunities in how YOU can become involved and ultimately make a lasting impact on the existing stigmas and perceptions surrounding aging.

Date: Tuesday, Oct. 24Time: noon to 3 p.m.

▶ **Location:** Telford Hall (48142 Range

Road 262, Leduc County)

➤ Register: contact Carla at 780-955-4554 or carla@leduc-county.com or register online at www.leduc-county.com/rural-seniors-wellness





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WELLNESS FAIR

October 14, 2023

9:30 am - 3:00 pm

FREE EVENT - Lunch Included

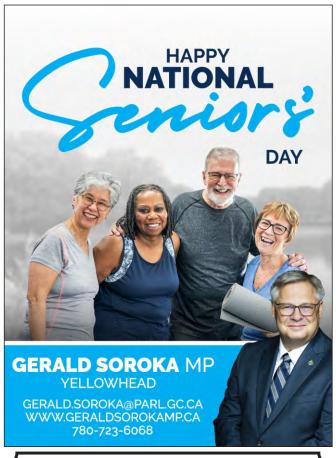
Must pre register in person at the Arctic Spa Recreation Complex or online at www.thorsby.ca/recreation

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

9:30 am	Registration and Coffee/Water/Juice				
10:15 am	Introductions/Thankyou				
10:30 am	Breakout sessions – 1. Exercise Machines Demonstration in Gym – Melinda Pharis 2. Jin Shin Jyutsu – Robin McKay, upstairs in the Dance Studio 3. Finding Your Happiness – Kim Silverthorn				
11:30 am	Lunch - Prepared by Coffee, Pucks, and Poutine				
1:00 am	Enoch Cree Nation Friendship Performance				
1:30 pm	Keynote Speaker – Tiffany Dowhan				
2:30 pm	Exercise Break – Meditation Mindful Breath Practice – Heidi Hough				
2:40 pm	Create Your Own Wellness Toolkit – Kristin Gitzel				
2:55 pm	Comedian – Gizelle Messer				
3:00 pm	Chair Yoga – Heidi Hough				
3:10 pm	Feedback Forms and Door Prizes				

CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES

- Must Pre-register
- ages 4-11 from 1-3 pm in the Craft room
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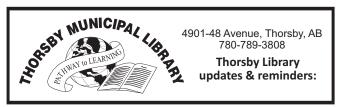
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The longest river is the Nile.



submitted by Paula Bosse

Thorsby Library is closed on Saturdays now until fall. Please visit us during our weekday hours of Tuesday 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM, Wednesday 12:00 Noon - 6:00 PM, Thursday 12:00 Noon - 7:00 PM, Friday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM.

Now we are officially into fall, and wonderful things are happening at the library!

We are so excited to be joining with the Raising Hope Society for an afternoon of tea, bannock and sharing on October 5 from 3:30-5:00 in the spirit of Truth and Reconciliation. All ages are welcome to come, enjoy some traditional hospitality, and share in learning and conversation.

Fun with Friends Storytime is back in full swing. Stop by the library on Friday morning at 10:30 to join in.

Everyone is welcome, and the program is designed for our youngest patrons from baby through kindergarten age. There is lots of music, play and story sharing, and it is a wonderful time for parents to visit as well.

We have said goodbye to the mechanical puzzles makerspace. Coming next week, Leather Craft! We will have all the tools, instructions, and some scraps of leather available for practice and experimentation; however, if you want to try a more ambitious project, you will need to Bring your Own Materials. This Makerspace is most suitable for ages 8 through everyone.

We have also enjoyed a September art exhibition brought to us by the Art Gallery of Alberta's TREX program, featuring three amazing artists from the Peace River Country.

We will be hosting another exhibition in the spring and are really excited to have another opportunity to enjoy awesome art in our library.

We have fabulous cookbooks and craft books to help with last minute ideas for Thanksgiving. Be sure to stop by and check them out!

See you at the library!

Thorsby Library October Events:

Thursday, October 5, 3:30 – 5:00, Tea Bannock and Sharing

Every Friday 10:30 – 11:15, Fun with Friends Storytime

Wednesday, October 11, Library After School Adventures (elementary)

Wednesday, October 25, Teen Time (Jr. High/High School)

Wednesday October 25 through Saturday October 28, Annual Book Sale

Leduc County Recreation and Parks Master Plan

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

Throughout 2022, we provided the opportunity for residents to get involved in our updated Recreation and Parks Master Plan which has now been approved by Council. The plan will be the guiding document for the County, its partners and residents for the next 10 to 15 years.

The approved plan is now available and can be viewed here www.yoursayleduccounty.com/ recreation-and-parks-master-plan.



For more information, please EDUC contact Dean Ohnysty at 780-955-4535 or dean@leduc-county.com.



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YOUR PENSION, YOUR CHOICE

September 21, 2023 - Alberta News Release

Albertans will be able to review an independent report on the potential creation of an Alberta Pension Plan ahead of province wide engagement.

The report, created by the independent consultant LifeWorks, suggests an Alberta Pension Plan (APP) could save Albertans billions each year, with lower contribution rates, higher benefits and stronger benefit security for families and retirees.

Alberta's young population, high employment rates and higher pensionable earnings have meant the province has contributed billions more into the Canada Pension Plan (CPP) than what was required to fund benefits paid to Alberta seniors.

"This report shows a made-in-Alberta pension plan could put more money in the pockets of hard-working families and business owners and improve retirement security for seniors. We want to hear from you because it's your pension, your choice. I'm so excited to hear what Albertans think about a provincial pension plan that could benefit Albertans now as well as our future generations." Danielle Smith, Premier

"According to the report, an APP could save Albertans \$5 billion in the first year alone. We have a responsibility to present these findings to Albertans and gather their feedback. Albertans will make the final decision on where we go from here. It's your pension, your retirement and your future." Nate Horner, President of Treasury Board and Minister of Finance

The government is asking Albertans to review the report findings, ask questions and provide feedback on what the next steps should be.

Over the fall and into spring 2024, an engagement panel will gather feedback from Albertans on their thoughts, suggestions and concerns about a provincial pension plan. The panel will submit a report to government based on the provincewide engagement. A referendum indicating support from a majority of Albertans would be required to pursue an APP.

Key findings

- \$334 billion in assets A more stable pension plan
 The report estimates that Alberta should be entitled to
 a \$334-billion asset transfer from the CPP in 2027.
 This is how much Albertans have contributed to the
 CPP minus how much they have received in benefits
 since the start of the CPP in 1966, plus investment
 earnings on that amount. With this large pool of
 money, an Alberta Pension Plan would have a
 significant financial backstop to cover benefit
 payments into the future.
- Larger pension benefits for Alberta seniors An estimated \$5 billion in savings in the first year alone

- could be used to boost the annual pension benefits for seniors. That could include a significant increase to each senior's monthly pension payment, or even a \$5,000 to \$10,000 bonus payment at retirement.
- \$1,425 per year Bigger paycheques The Lifeworks report estimates the difference between the rate Alberta workers would pay in Canada Pension Plan premiums and Alberta Pension Plan premiums would save Alberta workers up to \$1,425 every year (\$2,850 for those self-employed) while maintaining the same level of benefits for seniors. That extra takehome pay for Alberta workers could be used to meet the needs and priorities of their families.
- \$1,425 per year Business savings An Alberta Pension Plan could reduce the premiums businesses pay by up to \$1,425 per worker, per year. Businesses could invest that money to buy equipment or hire more employees.
- 10 provinces, three territories Portability across Canada - Alberta's government would work with partners at the CPP to develop agreements that would allow individuals to move throughout Canada without disrupting or decreasing benefits.
- More Alberta, less Ottawa For decades, Alberta's young working population, higher employment rates and higher pensionable earnings have resulted in Alberta workers and businesses contributing about \$60 billion more into the CPP since inception than has been paid out to Albertans during the same period.

Your pension, your choice

The government also plans to introduce legislation in the fall 2023 session that, if passed, would require a referendum before the province could withdraw assets from the CPP to establish an APP. It would also guarantee the same or lower contributions, and the same or better benefits for seniors. It would ensure the assets transferred can only be used to provide a pension. Having legislation in place will safeguard Albertans' pensions and benefits for generations to come.

Bringing forward the possibility of an Alberta Pension Plan through the release of the independent Lifeworks report will ensure Albertans are well-informed to make a decision about their future.

Quick facts

- The government contracted LifeWorks to conduct a review and issue a report on a potential Alberta Pension Plan following a 2020 recommendation by the Fair Deal Panel.
- The original report was completed using the Dec. 31, 2018, CPP actuarial valuation. LifeWorks has updated the report to include the most up-to-date public figures, which were released at the end of 2022.
- The report, summaries and answers to frequently asked questions are available online.
- As details are finalized, the engagement panel will post information on virtual town halls and other engagement activities across the province.



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CRAZY ALBERTA FACTS ABOUT NATURAL DISASTERS

From www.mustdocanada.com by Matthew G. Bailey

- 1. First off, Alberta has had more natural disasters than any other province in Canada.
- 2. In 1914, for example, Alberta was home to the worst mining disaster in Canada, which killed 189 people in the Crowsnest Pass back in June 1914.
- 3. Also in the Crowsnest Pass, Frank was home to Canada's deadliest landslide, which occurred on April 29th, 1903, when the top of Turtle Mountain slide down and buried the town beneath it. Oddly enough, the Native Americans in the area warned of the "moving mountain" and always refused to camp below it. Today, it's a historical site with a wonderful interpretive centre and jaw-dropping views.
- 4. A fun and equally sad fact that also came out of the Frank Slide was a mule named Charlie. This mule was buried under the rockslide and actually survived for an entire month by eating the bark off of the timber supports and drinking from pools of water. That's the fun part. The sad part is that after he was rescued, the mule died due to being overfed oats and brandy from the rescuers.
- 5. The largest fire in North American history was the 1950 Chinchaga fire in Alberta, which covered 1.4 million hectares (3.5 million acres). The smoke from the fire covered the Eastern seaboard of the USA and was seen as far away as France.
- 6. In 2019, there was a 4.6 magnitude earthquake in Red Deer and these were associated with the process that created the Rocky Mountains.
- 7. In 2016, a massive fire struck Fort.McMurray, which led not only to the largest wildfire evacuation in Alberta's history but also the costliest disaster in Canadian history. More than 88,000 people were forced from their homes, assisted by firefighters, the Canadian Forces, and the RCMP. The fire destroyed 2,400 homes and buildings. The fire spread across approximately 590,000 hectares (1,500,000 acres).



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From Pearl Elson

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TIME DOES NOT STOP

We grew up in the 40s-50s-60.

We studied in the 50s-60s-70s.

We dated in the 50s-60s-70s.

We got married and discovered the world in the 60s-70s-80s.

We ventured into the 70s-80s.

We stabilized in the 90s.

We got wiser in the 2000s.

And went firmly through the 2010s.

Turns out we've lived through NINE different decades.

TWO different centuries.

TWO different millennia.

We have gone from the telephone with an operator for long distance calls to video calls to anywhere in the world.

We have gone from slides to You Tube, from vinyl records to online music, from handwritten letters to email and WhatsApp.

From live matches on the radio, to black and white TV, and then to HDTV.

We went to Blockbuster and now we watch Netflix.

We got to know the first computers, punch cards, diskettes and now we have gigabytes and megabytes in hand on our cell phones or iPads.

We dodged infantile paralysis, meningitis, H1N1 flu and now the Covid Virus.

We rode skates, tricycles, invented cars, bicycles, mopeds, gasoline, or diesel cars and now we ride exploding hybrids or 100% electric.

Yes, we've been through a lot but what a great life we've had!

They could describe us as "exennials", people who were born in that world of the fifties, who had an

analog childhood and a digital adulthood.

We're kind of Yah-seen-it-all.

Our generation has literally lived through and witnessed more than any other in every dimension of life.

It is our generation that has literally adapted to

'CHANGE'.

A big round of applause to all the member of a very special generation, which are UNIQUE.

TIME DOES NOT STOP!

Life is a task that we do ourselves every day.

When you look...it's already six in the afternoon.

When you look...it's already Friday when one looks...

The month is over when one looks...50, 60,70 and 80 years have passed!

When you look...we no longer know where our friends are.

When you look...we lost the love of our life and now it's too late to go back.

Do not stop doing something you like due to lack of time. Do not stop having someone by your side,

Because your children will soon not be yours, and you will have to do something with that remaining

time, where the only thing that we are going to miss will be the space that can only be enjoyed with the

usual friends. This time that, unfortunately, never returns.

The day is today!

WE ARE NO LONGER AT AN AGE TO POSTPONE ANYTHING.

If you see something that needs to be done 'DO IT NOW' Tomorrow may never come!



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TO SPELL "ORANGE"
AND YOU ASKED ME
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IT'S WEIRD BEING THE SAME AGE AS OLD PEOPLE.





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Answers will be published in the next issue!



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