

CONNECT 39

Thorsby, Warburg & Area NEWS

previously the Thorsby Target & Warburg Bugle

LOCAL REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICES

BRETON Remembrance Day Wreath Laying Service at the Breton Cenotaph at 10:45am.

MULHURST Remembrance Day Service at the Mulhurst Bay Community Hall at 10:45am. Hosted by the Mulhurst Legion Branch No. 246. Lunch available after the service.

THORSBY Remembrance Day Service at Thorsby Jr/Sr High School at 10am. Sponsored by RCL Pioneer Branch 144.

WARBURG Remembrance Day Service at the Warburg Community Centre. Hosted by the Warburg Legion Br. 205. Doors open at 10am. Luncheon at 12:15pm.

On November 11, pause in a silent moment of remembrance for the men and women who have served, and continue to serve our country during times of war, conflict and peace

WHY DO WE WEAR POPPIES ON REMEMBRANCE DAY?

In 1921, the Great War Veterans' Association, the largest of several Canadian veterans groups, adopted the poppy as a symbol of remembrance. The Canadian Legion, formed in 1925, continued this connection. The poppy was worn on the left lapel and close to the heart to recognize the sacrifice of soldiers in times of war.



PRAYER FROM A FOXHOLE

submitted by Phyllis Madiuk

This poem was found by Pvt. James Day of New York City, on the body of an unknown Yank killed in action in Italy in World War II

*Look God, I have never spoken to You,
But now I want to say, How do You do.
You see, God, they told me you didn't exist,
And like a fool, I believed all this.*

*Last night from a shell hole I saw Your sky,
I figured right then they had told me a lie.
Had I taken the time to see things You made
I'd have known they weren't calling a spade a spade.*



*I wonder, God, if You'd shake my
hand -
Somehow, I feel that You will
understand:
Funny I had to come to this hellish
place,
Before I had time to see Your
face.*

*Well, I guess there isn't much
more to say,
But I'm sure glad, God I met You
today.
I guess the "Zero Hour" will soon
be here,
But I'm not afraid since I know
You're near.*

*The signal: Well, God I'll have to
go;*

*I like You lots, this I want You to know.
Look now, this will be a horrible fight -
Who knows, I may come to Your home tonight,*

*Though I wasn't friendly to You before,
I wonder, God, if You'd wait at Your door.
Look, I'm crying. Me! Shedding tears!
I wish I had known You these many years.
Well, I have to go now, God, Goodbye;
Strange, since I met You, I'm not afraid to die.*

Classifieds

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Sudoku Answers
from November 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 x 3 subgrids.



WE ARE HIRING!

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UPCOMINGSPECIAL EVENTS

(Breton, Thorsby, Warburg & Surrounding Areas)

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November 16 - Making Bath Bombs Workshop at the Thorsby Municipal Library from 5-6:30pm. Must pre-register.

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

November 16 - Family Violence Information Session at the Leduc Public Library from 2-4pm. Register by email KLeducDet-KDetLeduc@rcmp-grc.ca.ca

November 18 - Warburg Curling Club is Celebrating their 70th Anniversary. A Stirling Spiel, Banquet and Commemorative Program. Call Gladys 780-915-1211

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

November 18 - CL Country Market in Thorsby.

November 18 - Community Gym Night at Warburg School. 5:30 - 8:30pm. Contact davidemolyneaux@live.com

November 21 - Warburg Seniors Trip to Cow Pattie Dinner Theatre in Lacombe. Open to all seniors, sign up and payment details at the Warburg Village Office.

November 21 - Morrowdale Community Centre invites everyone to its AGM at 7:30PM. For more information, call Bev at 780-789-2571

November 22 - Teen Time (Junior/Senior High School) at the Thorsby Library from 3:30 - 4:30pm.

November 24 - Warburg Light Up the Night at the Warburg Community Park from 6-8pm. Hot dogs, Hot Chocolate, Christmas Music, Sleigh Rides, Bonfire, Santa

November 25 - Warburg Christmas Bazaar - at the Warburg Hall from 10-2pm. Concession. Meet Santa at 1pm

November 25 - Mulhurst Christmas Market from 10-4pm at

the Mulhurst Community Hall.

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

November 25 - "The McDades" performing at Eleanor Pickup Arts Centre in Drayton Valley at 7:30pm. www.theepac.com

November 25 - Thorsby & District Chamber of Commerce Christmas Gala. Featuring live band Travis Dolter. Email thorsbyabchamber@gmail.com for tickets.

December 1 - Thorsby's Christmas in the Village. Customer Appreciation by the Chamber of Commerce. FREE Wagon Rides, Bonfire, hotdogs, Santa, the Grinch and more

December 1 - Community Christmas Tree Lighting, starts at 5 pm. Tree lights up at 6 pm. Hotdogs, Coffee & Hot Choc supplied by the Winfield Legion.

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

December 2 - Warburg Firefighters Food bank Drive at 10am. Donate non-perishable items for Warburg Elves.

December 2 - Breton Kick Off to Christmas, Christmas Market and Santa's Workshop for the kids. Contact Breton FCSS at fcss@breton.ca or 780-696-3636.

December 6 - Outdoor Holiday Planter Workshop. Hosted by CIB. 6-7:30pm at the Thorsby Seniors Centre. Pre-register by Nov 17 at thorsbycib@gmail.com

December 16 - Community Gym Night at Warburg School. 5:30 - 8:30pm. Contact davidemolyneaux@live.com

December 31 - 70th Anniversary Celebration of the Village of Warburg. 5:30pm - 12:30am Supper & Dance at the Community Centre. Tickets at the Warburg Village Office.



Thorsby Seniors Crib Results!

November 6th crib scores:

1st - Marie Gutenberg - 942

2nd - Marvin Wagar - 941

3rd - Phyllis Yawney - 933

High Hand of 24 was held by Cathy Dahl & Eugene Senio

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL THE WINNERS!

Next crib playing event will be held on November 13th, Monday, 1:30 pm
Thorsby Seniors Center, Admission: \$6
Come on down and enjoy the fun.



NOVEMBER 18 1 - 4 PM
THORSBY COMMUNITY
CENTRE

ADMISSION \$10

JAMMERS \$5

LIGHT LUNCH SUPPLIED

EVERYONE WELCOME



Mike Kostyk

1935-2023

It is with heavy hearts that we announce the passing of Mike Kostyk, on October 26, 2023 at the age of 88.

Mike survived by his daughter Tricia Kostyk and son-in-law, Mark Gardiner. Grandchildren Avery and Colton Gardiner. His sister Phyllis (Fred) Jakowski and numerous nieces, nephews and special friends.

He was predeceased by his parents, Fred Sr. and Catherine Kostyk, brother Fred Kostyk and grandson Kurtis Mackenzie Sime.

Memorial donations in Mike's honour may be made to a charity of choice, organization or church.

Thorsby Grad Class

Battery Drive

Saturday, November 25

10am-2pm

Batteries Accepted:

- Tractor
- Automotive
- Boat
- Deep Cycle
- ATV-Quad
- Motorbike
- RV



Please call/text to arrange for pickup

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

***Please note - all events are subject to change!*

MONDAYS

Bus To Drayton Valley (Aquasize or Walmart) - Leaving Warburg & Breton on Monday mornings. Registration must be completed prior to the Monday trip. Warburg FCSS at 780-848-2828 or Breton FCSS 780-696-3636 to register

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

Curling - Monday & Thursday at the Warburg Curling Club at 7pm. Call Rob Tessier 780-789-3723.

Moms & Tots Drop In Program on Mondays from 10-11am at the FRN Site in Thorsby (Modular next to the Arctic Spas Rec Complex) Games, activities & making new friends

Shinny - Every Monday from 3:45-5:15 at the Warburg Arena.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) at the Thorsby 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

Bingo's every Tuesday at 6:30pm at the Mulhurst Royal Canadian Legion #246

Curling (Sturling Night) - at the Warburg Curling Club on Tuesdays at 6:30pm. Contact Rob at 780-789-3723

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

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

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

Shinny - Every Tuesday from 3:30 - 5 at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Recreation Complex. Helmets mandatory.

Volleyball drop in at Warburg School on Tuesdays from 6-8pm

WEDNESDAYS

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

Cards at the Warburg Seniors Centre at 1pm every Wednesday

Public Skate - Every Wednesday from 3:30 - 5 at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Recreation Complex. Helmets mandatory.

Public Skate - Every Wednesday from 3:45-5:15 at the Warburg Arena. No sticks and helmets mandatory.

Songs For Toddlers on Wednesdays at 1pm at the Warburg library.

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

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

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

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

THURSDAYS

Bingo at the Thorsby Seniors Centre every Thursday evening at 7pm

Bus to Leduc from Cloverleaf: (\$8) Bus leaves from Cloverleaf to Leduc the third Thursday of the month at 9:00am. Call Kim at Cloverleaf to book your spot! 780-848-7717.

Curling - Monday & Thursday at the Warburg Curling Club at 7pm. Call Rob Tessier 780-789-3723.

Floor Curling at the Warburg Hall. Every Thursday at 1pm (\$2)

Leduc Public Market at City Centre Mall. Thursdays from 10-2

Men's Morning Curling - Thursday at the Warburg Curling Club on Thursdays at 10am. Contact Les at 780-848-2661

Parent & Tot Group - Thursday mornings from 9-11am in the Village of Warburg office basement. Everyone welcome.

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

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

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

Pickleball Thursdays from 6-8pm (\$2). Warburg School Gym. Register at the Warburg Village office or call 780-848-2828

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.

Shinny - Every Thursday from 3:30 - 4:45 at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Recreation Complex. Helmets mandatory.

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

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

FRIDAYS

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

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

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

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

Shinny - Every Friday from 3:30 - 4:45 at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Recreation Complex. Helmets mandatory.

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

SATURDAYS

Farmer's Market at the Mulhurst Bay Community Hall (3802 50 Ave) every Saturday 11-3pm. Contact Carol 587-920-2065

Pie & Coffee 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

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

SUNDAYS

Gospel Music Jam - 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

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

Sunday School 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

COMMUNITY GROUPS & MEETINGS

(Thorsby, Warburg & Surrounding Areas)

MONDAYS

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

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

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

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

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

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

TUESDAYS

Burnt Wood '06' Metis Local 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

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

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

Thorsby Municipal Library Board - 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

Thorsby Seniors - 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

Warburg Municipal Library Board 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

Warburg Seniors - Meetings on the 3rd Wednesday of the month.

THURSDAYS

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

Our FREE Community Connections booklet is available for pick up at:

Breton Village Office, Brazeau County Office, Leduc County Office, Thorsby Town Office, Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex, CE Media Signs & Promotional, Warburg Village Office

or go online to www.community39.com



UPCOMING OPEN HOUSES

We're reviewing both the **Land Use Bylaw** and the **Municipal Development Plan** (MDP), and we need your input to shape the future of Leduc County through these two foundational documents.

A full review and update of our current Land Use Bylaw, which was adopted in 2008, is being undertaken. To align with the *Edmonton Metropolitan Region Board's Regional Agriculture Master Plan*, we've also drafted revisions to the County's MDP.

We had such a great response to our first two Land Use Bylaw open houses that we've decided to feature both projects at three upcoming events.

If you weren't able to make it to a previous Land Use Bylaw event, or if you want to provide input on the proposed revisions to the MDP, join us at one of the following events to see our vision and give your input on key areas for each of the two projects.

Monday, Nov. 20 from 3 to 7 p.m.

Rolly View Community Hall
(50-49402 Range Rd 234, Rolly View)

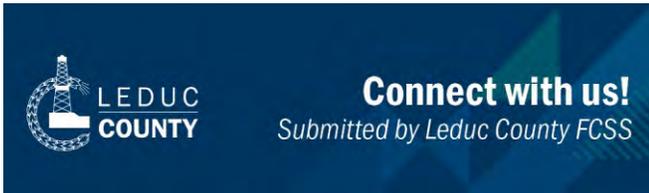
Tuesday, Nov. 21 from 3 to 7 p.m.

New Sarepta Agriplex
(5088 1 Ave S, New Sarepta)

Wednesday, Nov. 22 from 3 to 7 p.m.

Telfordville Community Hall
(170 2032 Highway 622, Leduc County)

Visit yoursayleduccounty.com to learn how you can get involved and to sign up for project updates.



Sign up to receive our monthly update directly to your email inbox. Send an email to fcssinfo@leduc-county.com and ask to subscribe to our email distribution list.

Christmas Elves

Christmas Elves is based on the philosophy that through sharing ourselves, our time and our good fortune with others, the spirit of community will be fostered throughout the region. Christmas Elves provides food and toys to people in need with the help of community donations.

How to apply:

Contact your local FCSS office.
 Warburg area: 780-848-2828
 Thorsby area: 780-789-4004
 Calmar area: 780-985-3604 ext. 233

Upcoming sessions

Contact Kristin at 780-955-6421 or Kristin@leduc-county.com to register for any of these upcoming sessions.

November is Financial Literacy Month

Leduc County is hosting an online series in recognition of Financial Literacy Month. Get the support, tools and resources you need to improve your financial health.

- **Living well on a fixed or retirement income** - Nov. 17 from 1 to 2:30 p.m.
- **Financial wellness for beginners** - Nov. 20 from 6 to 8 p.m.
- **Consumer rights & tips to protect yourself** - Nov. 30 from 2 to 3 p.m.

November is Family Violence Awareness Month
Raising awareness of family violence

Join the Riseup Society and Leduc County to learn about the different types of family violence and the various resources and supports available to those who have been affected. We will also discuss how we can raise awareness and support those close to us who may be experiencing family violence.

Date: Thursday, Nov. 16 **Time:** 6:30 to 8 p.m.
Location: Online

Grief and loss during the holiday season
When grief is a guest

When we have lost someone we love, the holidays can feel like the most painful time of the year. If you are missing a loved one this holiday season, we invite you to join us for an evening of learning and support. Together we will acknowledge your loss, new or old, and explore ways of navigating the holiday season with self-kindness

and understanding.

Date: Tuesday, Dec. 5 **Time:** 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Location: Online

Blue holiday: a time of reflection and remembrance

Join us for a special blue holiday event, a time to remember the ones we have loved and have lost. The holiday season can be a difficult time for those who are grieving. This event will be a peaceful gathering where you can honor and cherish the memory of your loved ones in a supportive environment. We invite you to join us for a ceremony of healing and hope during this challenging time of year.

Date: Friday, Dec. 8 **Time:** 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Location: Calmar

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BREAKING NEWS!!

UPCOMING 2024 BUDGET MEETINGS

The budget meetings for the 2024 budget are coming! This is the time of year where Council deliberates and sets the budget for the upcoming year.

Let your voices be heard within your Town and join us in the Council Chambers at the Thorsby Town Office starting at 10:00am on November 18th, 2023. If Council needs more time to deliberate, a second date of November 19th will occur dependant on the outcome of November 18th.



TOWN OF THORSBY ENDPOINT UPGRADES

The Town of Thorsby Public Works team will be working on phase one of water meter upgrades – if you see us going door to door in our reflective jackets, we promise that we are not soliciting!

If there is a need to enter the building, we will contact the property owner and make an appointment that works for both parties. Please be courteous and kind to our team while we work hard on the process of bringing Thorsby forward in technology.

Thank you!

THORSBY OFFICE HOURS

Mon: CLOSED FOR REMEMBRANCE 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!

UPCOMING COUNCIL MEETINGS

(all meetings are held at the Town Office in the Council Chambers)
Tuesday, November 14th | COW | 7:00pm - 8:00pm
Tuesday, November 28th | Regular | 7:00pm - 8:00pm
The public is welcomed to all Council Meetings

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Thorsby Legion Branch No. 144

REMEMBRANCE DAY MESSAGE

By Phyllis Madiuk

Remembrance Day is fast approaching and I am here to tell you that the Royal Canadian Legion Pioneer Branch 144 is again inviting everyone to our Remembrance Day service at the Jr./Sr. High School in Thorsby on November 11 at 10am.

Our guest speaker this year is legion District Commander District 4 Comrade Gary Goebel, so please come and help us honour our veterans on this special day. Lunch would be appreciated.

P.S. Gentlemen - Postpone your hunting till the next day.

NOVEMBER 11



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MULHURST LEGION NO. 246

REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 11TH, 2023

STARTING AT 1045 A.M.

MULHURST BAY COMMUNITY HALL

**COME AND CELEBRATE OUR FREEDOMS THANKS TO THE TENS OF THOUSANDS
THAT GAVE US THEIR GREATEST SACRIFICE AND SERVICE**

**THIS YEARS' SERVICE WILL BE HELD AT
THE MULHURST BAY COMMUNITY HALL**

PLEASE BE IN THE HALL AND SEATED BY 10:45 AM

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Warburg Public Library
Update
Submitted by Gail O'Neil

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the Library is also on FB and Instagram

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

Warburg Library will be closed Saturday November 11/2023 to observe Remembrance day. (go to PoppyStories.ca to scan your Poppy! With every scan, you'll be introduced to a fallen soldier with a story to remember.) Any poppy will work and there is a way to go right to see more stories or go left to go back to the previous story. This is such a cool way to learn about the Soldiers and Their individual stories.



Lest we forget! Thank you for Our freedom....to live in peace with each other, freedom to read! Learn!

Saturday November 25.2023 the Library Board and Staff will be at the Christmas Bazaar selling Library Draw tickets. 10 am – 3 pm. The Library will be open and Skylar will be at the Library.

THANK YOU!

 Warburg Parent School Society and Warburg School would like to 

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Honor Parade @ 10:45am

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Poppy Campaign 2023

Remembrance Day Service

November 11, 2023

*Pioneer Agricultural Community
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Warburg, Alberta*

Luncheon @ 12:15pm

The Warburg Legion Br. 205

Alberta-NWT Command



Submitted by Deb Mellafonte, Warburg Legion Branch No. 205

2023 POPPY CAMPAIGN

As a Member of the Royal Canadian Legion, you know the difference that the Legion makes in the lives of Canada's Veterans and their families.

Your membership demonstrates your Commitment to Remembrance and to those who have served Canada. Each year we take time to wear a Poppy, to remember. Many of you also volunteer your time and efforts to ensure that the Poppy Campaign encourages Canadians to not only remember but to donate to the Poppy Fund.

Poppy Funds are collected annually to provide countless services and supports to our Veterans and their families who find themselves in need.

In today's digital age, as more people embrace online and electronic methods of giving, options like **PoppyBoxABNWT** and credit card tap are becoming increasingly available in your communities, alongside the traditional cash donation boxes offering Poppies. No matter the mode of your contribution, rest assured that your donations directly influence the Legion's capacity to positively impact the lives of veterans.

Every dollar you donate has a substantial impact on the well-being of our veterans, and we encourage you to donate if you are able. Additionally, we ask you to reach out to your friends, family, and colleagues, sharing with them the opportunity to join in supporting Canada's veterans.

Your generous contributions are the lifeline that allows us to assist our veterans, and this year, your support is more vital than ever. Countless veterans in Alberta and the Northwest Territories are facing dire hardships, and it is our collective responsibility to bridge the gap. By donating to the Poppy Fund, you can transform your act of remembrance into tangible actions that uphold and care for Canada's veterans.

Thank you!

Alberta-NWT Command and the Local Branches Poppy Fund

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**Thorsby Library
updates & reminders:**

submitted by Paula Bosse

*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, Saturdays 10:00am - 1:00pm.*

They shall grow not old, as we that are left grow old:
Age shall not weary them, nor the years condemn.
At the going down of the sun and in the morning
We will remember them.

On November 11, Thorsby Municipal Library's board and staff join our community in honouring those who did not come home, and the sacrifice they made for their country.

Just a reminder that the library will be closed November 10, for staff development and on November 11 for Remembrance Day. Regular hours resume on Tuesday, November 14.

The Art of Making Bath Bombs program, sponsored and led by Forever Bored Soapery takes place on November 16, 5:00 – 6:30. There are a very few spots left and we will happily accept last minute registrations. Call the library at 780-789-3808 or stop by to register in person.

If you love to create, whether it is quilting and fiber arts or painting, decoupage or other media, and would be willing to share your creations with the community, the library has an awesome display area. We welcome local artists and artisans to contact us, and arrange an opportunity to show your work.

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WARBURG SCHOOL

Wall of Fame

The Warburg School Wall of Fame committee would like thank Leduc County and the Village of Warburg for the cost sharing grants that we have received for the induction ceremony of our former students to the Wall of Fame. Without these grants we would not be able to acknowledge these past students.

What is the Wall of Fame?

The Wall of Fame was started by a former principal, Mr Howard Rasmusson (some of you may remember him) and the Wall of Fame committee is carrying on with his initiative. The Wall has framed displays honoring former students who have done "great things" in their lives and were recognized locally, nationally and or internationally.

How does one get on the Wall of Fame?

If you know of someone you think deserves to be on the Wall, go to the Warburg School website and under the Wall of Fame link, the guidelines are listed for nominating someone to the Wall. Then pick up a nomination form from the school office or copy one off the website. Fill out the form with the nominee (the person you are nominating) giving as much information as possible about that person. Return the form to the office. The committee will review it and make the final decision to accept the nomination. If accepted a framed display with a picture and a short biography of the nominee is to be completed by the family to display on the Wall. At the next Induction and Awards Day Presentation that person will be inducted to the Warburg School Wall of Fame.

For more information phone the school and they will direct you to one of the committee members to answer your questions. OR talk to one of the committee members today. Wilfred Schnick, Bob MacDonald, Garry Bredin, Carolyn Meyer, Mrs. Maltais (our principal), Gail Slusarczyk, Max Sarvas, OR you can also ask me, Gladys Meinczinger, a question or two.

Being inducted to the Wall of Fame is quite an honor and every one of our inductees deserve this special honor. So keep those nominations coming!

List of Inducted Students to the Wall of Fame 2023

- Collette Bredin - hockey
- Gary Bredin - WHA (hockey)
- Farah Elawar - PHD in virology
- Taylor Gidosh - gymnastics
- Corey Lawrence - auctioneer
- Fraser Hallan - oil industry
- Tyler Pankewitz - bull rider
- Brent Ruff - hockey
- Marty Ruff - hockey
- Frank Stenger - mathematical analyst
- Meghan Simpson - helicopter pilot
- Corrine Bredin - hockey
- Nicole Brook - author
- Nancy Farmer - female police officer (Calgary)
- Dave Hakstol - NHL hockey coach
- Greg Lemermeyer - political analyst
- Russell Liba - ski doo racer
- Emma Rapiti - Google
- Lindy Ruff - NHL hockey coach
- Randy Ruff - hockey
- Katherine Stenger-Frey - filmmaker, author
- Corbin Tomaszkeski - chef



WARBURG SCHOOL

Wall of Fame Inductee

submitted by the Warburg Wall of Fame Committee

Nicole (Nickie) Brook

Inducted October 17, 2023

- Graduated from Warburg School in 2004
- Published in local newspapers in 2004
- Started a career with Human Resources (HR) in 2009 with National Oilwell Varco (NOV)
- Advanced to a leadership position with NOV in 2012
- Launched a mom blog in 2013, *Blogging Momma*, recognized as one of the top 100 mom blogs by Feedspot
- Launched HR consulting company in 2013 working with both profit and nonprofit clients
- Published, **Pirate's Playground** and **Dr. Swan's Magic Kingdom**, the first 2 books in the Abigail Andrews series, in 2014 with novel study program for at home or school
- Toured over 100 book stores within Canada
- Visited over 100 elementary schools within Canada
- **Pool of Secrets**, the third book in the series published in 2015
- Donated hundreds of books to schools and children's hospitals
- Book series was adopted for use in curriculum of selected schools in Alberta in 2018
- Returned to NOV in 2018 as an Organizational Development Specialist for Canada
- Fourth book of the series, **Planetarium Panic**, published in 2020 in partnership with Amazon
- 2020/2021 winner for *Blogger of the Year* with the Canadian Prestige Awards
- Given a new client group in the USA for Organizational Development with NOV in

2021 while still overseeing Canada

- Released second editions of the first three books of the Abigail Andrews Series with new branding and new illustration in 2021
- Continuing with NOV in Organizational Development 2023
- Completing the fifth book of the series with a tentative release date of fall 2023
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T'WAS THE DIET AFTER HALLOWEEN

T's was the diet after Halloween. I said I would start, No salads tonight though, nothing good for my heart. The cobwebs were hung on the front porch with care, In hopes that candy and goodies would soon be there.

The trick-or-treaters were coming, dressed like the undead, while visions of sugary treats danced in their heads. And me in my sweat suit, with a yummy cupcake had just settled down for a much-needed break.

When all of a sudden, there arose such a clatter, I sprang from my chair to see what was the matter. Out to the porch, I flew like a flash, Tore opened the door and spilled my candy stash.

The moon on the porch shone yellow and bright and the shrieks of the children rang in the night. When, what to my wondering eyes should I see, but a miniature hears and eight ugly zombies.

Led by an overgrown goblin with a pillowcase bag, the candy bowl was empty, and boy! They were mad!

More rapid than eagles, their curses came, and they moaned, and they growled and called me some names!

"Hey Fatso! Hey Chubby! Where's all the good treats?" Hey Fatso? Hey Chubby? They can't be talking to me. I'll fill up the bowl; I bought lots at the store. *"Hold on just a minute and I'll go grab some more."*

Now I knew that I bought Milky Ways and Peanut Butter cups but where had I put them? Has someone eaten them up? So, all through the house I searched high and low, but I found nothing more than a lone Tootsie Roll.

And then, in the closet, as I searched high on the shelf, I suddenly realized; I'd eaten it myself! As I stepped off my stool, I received such a fright. In the mirror before me stood a TERRIBLE sight.

She was dressed in snug clothes, from her head to her bum, and her shirt was all covered with chocolate and crumbs. A wrapped from a Snicker, she had stuck to her shoe, and her chin wasn't double, it was double times two.

Her eyes, how they twinkled, her dimples, how many! Had she missed any meals, Oh no! No! Not any! Her chubby fat thighs looked like a Virginia ham and the rolls on her belly rivaled the Michelin Man.

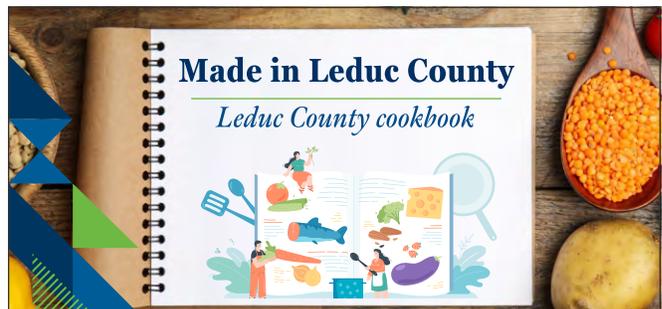
The stump of a Twizzler, she held tight in her teeth, and the chocolate encircled her mouth like a wreath. She had a broad face and a great big fat belly, that school when she moved, like a bowlful of jelly.

She was chubby and fat, an unhealthy old elf, and I frowned when I saw her, for I was seeing myself! With a link of my eye and a shake of my head, I knew right away I had plenty to dread.

I had to do something, so I went straight to work. I laced up my tennies, then turned with a jerk. I put down the candy. I threw it away! *"I won't start tomorrow; I'll do it today!"*

I ran out in the street, so my kids gave a whistle, and away we all flew, like the down of a thistle. And I heard myself pledge, as I jogged out of sight, *"I will lose this weight and I'll start tonight!"*

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Made in Leduc County community cookbook now available

In summer 2023, we collected recipes from our community to create Made in Leduc County. The cookbook is now complete and includes **42 recipes** directly from our residents. Thank you to everyone who submitted a recipe, shared their stories and brought this cookbook to life.

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FARMERS ON BILL C-234**

OTTAWA, ON – Gerald Soroka, Member of Parliament for Yellowhead, issued the following statement:

"It is both disappointing and deeply concerning to see Trudeau-appointed Senators taking deliberate steps to undermine Bill C-234, an Act to amend the Greenhouse Gas Pollution Pricing. This bill is designed to exempt Canadian farmers from the federal carbon tax; a common-sense change that would help farmers. These Senators have gone beyond political posturing to playing games with the livelihoods of our farming community.

"By supporting an amendment proposed by Senator Pierre Dalphond during the clause-by clause study at the Senate Committee on Agriculture, these Senators aim to gut Bill C-234 of its core purpose. The amendment, if carried through, will remove the carbon tax exemption for the heating or cooling of agricultural buildings. This action is not only in complete disregard of our hardworking farmers but also serves as an example of how far these Senators are willing to go to jeopardize the well-being of all Canadians.

"The intent behind these amendments is clear: to gut the Bill and send it back to the House of Commons in a form that is unlikely to be passed. This is a calculated move by Trudeau appointed Senators and is especially troubling when Senate Government Representatives involve themselves in the voting of Private Members Bills, which is highly unusual.

"MP Ben Lobb's Bill C-234 is a Common-Sense Conservative plan to exempt the Canadians that put food on our table from this Liberal carbon tax. It aims to provide necessary financial relief to Canadian farmers and their families who have long struggled under the weight of high taxes. By seeking to dismantle this Bill, Trudeau-appointed Senators are not standing up for Canadian farmers or the larger public.

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AGENDA:

- TO RECEIVE THE FINANCIAL STATEMENTS OF THE ASSOCIATION FOR THE FISCAL YEAR END
- TO ELECT DIRECTORS OF THE ASSOCIATION
- TO APPOINT AN AUDITOR OF THE ASSOCIATION
- MANAGER'S REPORT
- ANY NEW BUSINESS THAT MAY BE PROPERLY BROUGHT FORWARD

MESSAGE FROM MLA ANDREW BOITCHENKO

Reflections on the First Week of the 2023 Fall Session: A Journey of Gratitude and Responsibility

On Monday, October 30th, the 2023 Fall session opened with Her Honor, The Honorable Salma Lakhani, the Lieutenant Governor of Alberta, giving the traditional Speech from the Throne. It was both my honor and privilege to enter the Chamber as the representative for the unique and diverse constituency of Drayton Valley-Devon. It is a unique honor to note that I stood before the Chamber as the first Canadian MLA born in Ukraine. This milestone fills me with a profound sense of pride and responsibility.

During the Speech from the Throne, The Honorable Lieutenant Governor depicted the course that the UCP Government will take throughout the next six weeks while the house is sitting. There will be new legislation introduced regarding Taxes, Affordability, Indigenous Financial Backing, and Job Creation.

The Government will focus on standing up for Alberta and protecting us from an overreaching Federal Government. The UCP has already passed Motion 8, which is a motion to remove the Consumer Carbon Tax and stop the Federal Government from forcing their involvement in our provincial legislation. Although there were opposition members who voted against the motion and therefore in support of the Federal Tax, the motion passed and will move on to the next stage of legislation. This motion states that the Alberta Government will take all necessary steps required to end the Federal Consumer Carbon Tax.

There have been numerous bills introduced in the first week of the session. I wanted to provide a brief description of the steps being taken by the UCP to make life better for Albertans. Bill 1, the Alberta Taxpayer Protection Amendment Act, which would, if passed, protect Albertans and Alberta businesses against future income tax rate increases. This bill keeps with our government's promise that we will protect Alberta's tax advantage. Bill 2, The Alberta Pension Protection Act would, if passed, guarantee the government won't launch an Alberta Pension Plan unless Albertans vote in favor of it in a referendum. Bill 3, the Opioid Damages and Health Care Costs Recovery Amendment Act. Through Bill 3, Alberta's government is planning to strengthen its case against those who have contributed to the creation of the opioid addiction crisis. The proposed legislation contains technical amendments for the Opioid Damages and Health Care Costs Recovery Amendment Act, 2019. Bill 4, the Tax Statutes Amendment Act, is intended to ensure Alberta's tax laws remain clear and consistent. This bill proposes legislative amendments that would help formalize a key part of Alberta's commitment to affordability, provide clarity around the collection and remittance of Alberta's

tourism levy, and update several technical and administrative aspects of Alberta's tax system. Under Bill 5, the proposed Public Sector Employer Amendment Act, the new model would streamline and harmonize the government's direction for non-union compensation across Alberta's public sector, ensuring unionized and out-of-scope employees receive comparable pay for comparable work. Finally, Alberta's government has introduced Bill 6, the Public Health Amendment Act, to ensure that decisions made during declared states of public health emergencies are made by the people Albertans voted for. If passed, Bill 6 would create clear lines of authority related to public health decisions and affirm that the people elected by Albertans should make the final decisions based on scientific and medical public health factors during public health situations.

What an honor, privilege, and learning experience this last week has been. It has provided me with a renewed energy to continue to learn about, advocate for, and stand up for my Drayton Valley-Devon constituents both in the House and in the riding.

This coming week, we must acknowledge and honor our Veterans. On November 8th, I encourage my constituents to take a moment and remember our Indigenous Veterans and the sacrifices they made for our extraordinary country on National Indigenous Veterans' Day. My family, my staff, and I will be attending numerous Remembrance Day Ceremonies within the riding on November 11th to commemorate all the sacrifices made by our Veterans and their families.

In closing, I want to express my deepest gratitude to each and every one of you, my constituents, for the trust you've placed in me. Serving you in this capacity has been an immense privilege and responsibility, and I consider it an honor to represent your voices and concerns. As I continue to work on your behalf, please know that I do so with a sense of duty and humility, always mindful of the faith you've shown in me. May our shared journey be one of progress, unity, and prosperity. Together, we can accomplish great things. I am humbled by your trust, and I am blessed to have you as my constituents.



*Blessings from your MLA
Andrew Boitchenko,
MLA for Drayton Valley – Devon*

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 number is 780-987-3666 or I can be emailed at draytonvalley.devon@assembly.ab.ca anytime.

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The Leduc County Regional Subdivision and Development Appeal Board (LCRSDAB) is an independent, quasi-judicial board that adjudicates hearings on appeals from affected parties relative to decisions made by the subdivision authority and the development authority - similar to a court hearing. The LCRSDAB makes their decision on fact-based evidence, then applies legal rules as per legislation and planning documents such as the Municipal Development Plan and the Land-Use Bylaw.

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- **Term:** three years ending Dec. 31, 2027
- **Meeting frequency:** as needed

If you are a resident within Leduc County, Town of Calmar, Town of Devon, Town of Thorsby or Village of Warburg and have an interest in serving on the Leduc County Regional Subdivision and Development appeal Board please submit your resume to the undersigned by **Nov. 24, 2023** at **4:30 p.m.** to:

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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

TO THE EDITOR:

The Village of Warburg is having a Public Hearing with regards to FENCING of residential properties and more specifically corner properties.

In the past, somehow, the Village Counsellors found it unacceptable to have fencing to the front of residential properties. Corner/Double Fronting Properties are seriously prejudiced by the current and proposed bylaw which is going to be considered on 13 November 2023. People owning corner properties have much less privacy and less use of their property as their buildings are usually set back on the property. To my mind, anyone owning corner properties should have their taxes halved because of this as well as they are required to maintain two sidewalks.

While residential properties have very restrictive clauses, Commercial Properties can have two metre high fencing, are even required to have screening and can apply for barbed wire on top. With the lax penalties to criminal behaviour in our society, I feel that residents should have the right to have a fence surrounding their properties for security purposes, allowing their pets to roam their property frontages.

On 2 November 2023 I inquired of the Administrator as to when the Bylaw was amended, as she had previously told me. She said that she did not know. I have dealt with City and Provincial Bylaws in the past. When a bylaw is amended there's usually a notation on when it was amended. References to such bylaw could be made as to the date, otherwise anyone in the front office writing new editions of the Bylaw could amend the bylaw to suit their personal agenda. The Administer told me "Those who have fences contrary to the bylaw are 'GRANDFATHERED IN'. She did not know which ones that applied to.

I canvassed a good deal of Eastern Warburg. Almost everyone I interviewed wondered "Why fencing was not permitted to the front of properties" in general. The only concern they had was the height.

To quell some of the acrimony in the Village, the bylaw should not defer decisions to the Administrator/Development Officer to decide on fencing as the ruling from one property to another may not be consistent. For villagers affected by the bylaw make your voices heard by attending the 13

November Public Hearing. Section 41.2.2 should be deleted as the statement as written is nonsense or incomplete. There is no reason to amend Section 37. The only restriction there is to have no obstruction 6 meters from any street corner above 1 metre high.

Doug VATH
Edmonton, AB

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- ▶ **Date:** Friday, Dec. 8, 2023
- ▶ **Time:** 6:30 to 8 p.m.
- ▶ **Location:** Calmar
- ▶ **Register:** online at leduc-county.com/blue-holiday/ or contact Kristin at **780-955-6421** or kristin@leduc-county.com.

When Grief is a Guest

When we have lost someone we love, the holidays can feel like the most painful time of the year. If you are missing a loved one this holiday season, we invite you to join us for an evening of learning and support.

The session will be facilitated by Registered Psychologist Amy Walton from Karunia Counselling in partnership with Leduc County Family and Community Support Services.

- ▶ **Date:** Tuesday, Dec. 5, 2023
- ▶ **Time:** 6:30 to 8 p.m.
- ▶ **Location:** Zoom
- ▶ **Register:** online at leduc-county.com/when-grief-is-a-guest/ or contact Kristin at **780-955-6421** or kristin@leduc-county.com.

