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BEWARE OF SCAMS

Be careful who you trust when people call you or show up at your door. These scams are happening more and more to people we know and love. Here are a few scams that continue to prey on our most vulnerable, reported by RCMP Alberta.

FRAUDULENT PHONE CALLS & REQUESTS

Red Deer, AB - Over the last few months, Red Deer RCMP have received numerous reports from local residents reporting fraudulent phone calls and requests. Reports to police say Red Deer residents are being contacted by scammers, who claim to be from a wide range of businesses and government agencies.

Some of the most common are:

- Police
- CBSA
- STARS Air Ambulance
- Financial institutions and banks
- Employers
- · Other Government organizations
- Fire extinguisher companies

There are many variations of the scam being used. Scammers often tell the victim that they owe money or need to pay for a service, a legal issue, or investment opportunity. The scammer tells the victim that in order to settle the bill the victim needs to purchase a certain amount of gift cards. Once the victim purchases the cards, they are instructed to tell the scammer the numbers listed on the back of the card. Another variation involves the scammer telling victims that they need to go to their nearest bitcoin ATMs and send them bitcoin.

Typically the scammer will tell the victim not to discuss the situation with anyone else, they may even ask to communicate using an encrypted message application such: WhatsApp, Telegram, or Signal.

Fraudulent calls can also come from a phone number that appears legitimate, they do this by using computer or phone applications to change their name and number; this is called 'caller ID spoofing'. 'Caller ID spoofing' is also used in 'grandparent scams' where the fraudster

portrays themselves as a friend or family member requesting money so that they can get out of a dire situation.

Red Deer RCMP would like to remind the community that legitimate companies and government agencies will never ask you to settle a debt or pay a bill through the purchase of gift cards or bitcoin.

THE GRANDPARENT'S SCAM

Beaumont, AB. – Beaumont RCMP warns the public about the grandparent's scam that has been circulating in the area.

Grandparent scams are common scams that target seniors and usually involve a phone call from someone who pretends to be a grandchild or a lawyer calling on their behalf. If you get a call like this, be prepared: the scammer may already know your grandchild's name and what your grandchild calls you (for example, a nickname like Nona or Grampy).

Acting as your grandchild, the scammer claims to be in trouble and asks for your help. The scammer may try to convince you that your grandchild was in a car accident or has been arrested and needs bail money. You may be asked to wire money, buy gift cards, have a courier pick up cash or send bitcoin right away. They may use tactics such as urgency, secrecy, and pressure to convince the grandparent to send money.

They pull at your heartstrings so they can trick you into sending money before you realize it is a scam. To make



How to report a scammer and story continued inside.....

Classifieds

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Sudoku Answers from November 10 Issue

The object of the puzzle is to fill the remaining squares, using all the numbers 1–9 exactly once in each row, column, and the nine 3 × 3 subgrids.



NOW HIRING

Wilf Brandt Trucking Ltd. is looking for a Mechanic or Mechanically Inclined Individual to work in our Sunnybrook Shop.

Experience with Heavy Duty Trucks, Trailers and Tires is required. Benefits are available.

Accommodations are not provided.

Please email resume to resumeswbt@gmail.com or contact Dispatch at 780-542-0797



Village of Breton

THE VILLAGE OF BRETON IS LOOKING FOR SNOW HAULERS FOR THE 2023/2024 SEASON!



If you are a contractor with trucks and operators and would like to be in the rotation to haul snow following Village clean-up activities, pick up an application at the Village of Breton office or call 780-696-3636 to have one emailed to you.



NOW HIRING

Wilf Brandt Trucking Ltd. is seeking CLASS 1 & CLASS 3 TANK TRUCK DRIVERS, for Year-Round Production Fluid Hauling in the Warburg, Thorsby, Leduc, and Drayton Valley areas.

Current Oilfield Safety Tickets are a definite asset and willingness to work shift cycle a must.

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UPCOMINGSPECIALEVENTS

 $(Breton, Thorsby, Warburg \& Surrounding\ Areas)$

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

<u>November 18</u> - 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 19 - Grey Cup Party at the Carnwood Hall from 3-9 pm. Free Admission and snacks. Beer, coolers & pop \$5. Everyone welcome! (48513 RR52)

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

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

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

November 23 - Create a Gnome or Grinch Tree at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex from 7-8:15pm. \$60 includes all supplies. Call/Text 780-887-8385 to register

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

<u>November 25</u> - Mulhurst Christmas Market from 10-4pm at the Mulhurst Community Hall.

<u>November 25</u> - Yeoford Homeschoolers Christmas Fundraiser at the Yeoford Hall from 2-4 pm

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

<u>November 26</u> - Gospel Jam Sunday Service at the New Life Christian Fellowship Church in Thorsby at 10:30am. Followed by a potluck.

November 26 - Telfordville Community Centre Christmas Party from 2-7pm. Potluck supper at 5pm. Entertainment and more. Contact Ray 780-940-8499 or telfordvillecc@gmail.com

November 28 - Fireman Food Drive for Thorsby Christmas

Elves at 7pm in the Town of Thorsby.

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

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

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

<u>December 2</u> - Warburg Firefighters Food Bank Drive at 10am. Donate non-perishable items for Warburg Elves.

<u>December 2</u> - 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.

<u>December 4</u> - Kids Christmas Market from 1:30 - 4pm in the Village of Warburg basement. Register with Shauna at FCSS 780-848-2828 or fcss@warburg.ca

<u>December 4 - Thorsby Christmas Elves</u> deadline for Referrals. Thorsby FCSS 780-789-4004 or <u>fcss@thorsby.ca</u>

<u>December 5</u> - Cozy Christmas Concert by the Lakeshore Singers community choir joined by the Falun Children's Choir at 7pm, Lakedell Ag Society large hall. Admission by donation.

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

<u>December 8</u> - Warburg Christmas Elves deadline for Referrals. Warburg FCSS 780-848-2828 or <u>fcss@warburg.ca</u>

<u>December 10</u> - Christmas with the Family at the New Life Christian Fellowship Church in Thorsby at 6pm. Music, Friends Forever Puppets, desserts, coffee & tea.

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

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

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

Our FREE Community Connections booklet is available for pick up or go online to www.community39.com



Christmas Elves and Santa's Helpers

Do you or does someone you know need a helping hand from the elves this Christmas season? Christmas Elves and Santa's Helpers provide food and toys to people in need with the help of community donations.

Make a confidential referral to your local coordinator:

Calmar and area

Contact at **780-985-3604 ext. 233** or fcss@calmar.ca

Intakes: Nov. 13 to Dec. 8 Delivery or pickup: Dec 16

New Sarepta and area

Contact Lucille at **780-941-2382** Intakes: Nov. 12 to Dec. 15

Delivery: Dec. 22

Thorsby and area

Contact Mikayla at **780-789-4004** or

fcss@thorsby.ca

Intakes: Nov. 13 to Dec. 4 Pick up or delivery: Dec. 18

Warburg and area

Contact Shauna at **780-848-2828** or

fcss@warburg.ca

Intakes: Nov. 13 to Dec. 8 Pick up or delivery: Dec. 21

Beaumont/Nisku and area

Contact FCSS at **780-929-1006** or

fcss@beaumont.ab.ca

Intakes: Nov. 12 to Dec. 14 Delivery or pickup: Dec. 18

Leduc Santa's Helpers (toys only)

Contact: **825-995-1008** or visit **www.leducsantashelpers.ca/**

hamper-application/

Intakes: Nov. 1 to Dec. 12

Delivery: Dec 19

Pick ups: Dec 16 to 18

Contact the Leduc and District Food Bank for food hamper information:

780-986-5333

Devon (gift cards only)

Contact: **825-967-0025** or visit

www.devonchristmaselves.com/referrals

Intakes: Nov. 13 to Dec. 6 at noon Delivery of gift cards: Dec. 8









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

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

MONDAYS

<u>Bus To Drayton Valley (Aquasize or Walmart)</u> - 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

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

<u>Moms & Tots Drop In</u> Program_on Mondays from 10-11am at the FRN Site in Thorsby. Games, activities & more.

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

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

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

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

<u>Pickle Ball</u> 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)

<u>Shinny</u> - 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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

THURSDAYS

<u>Bingo</u> 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.

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

Floor Curling at the Warburg Hall. Every Thrusday at 1pm (\$2) Leduc Public Market at City Centre Mall. Thursdays from 10-2

 $\underline{\text{Men's Morning Curling}}$ - Thursday at the Warburg Curling Club on Thursdays at 10am. Contact Les at 780-848-2661

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

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

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

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

<u>Sandholm Square Dance Club</u> - on Thursdays 7 - 9:30pm at the Sandholm Hall. Contact 780-238-5844 or 780-389-2381.

<u>Shinny</u> - 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.

 $\frac{\text{Warburg Girl Guides}}{\text{Thursdays from}\, 5:30 \text{pm} - 7 \text{pm}. Contact} \, 780-999-3913.$

FRIDAYS

<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 <u>kpollard2007@outlook.com</u>

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. Call 780-389-4104

<u>Parent & Tot Skating</u> every Friday at the Warburg Arena from 10am -12pm. No Sticks allowed.

<u>Shinny</u> - 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

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

<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

<u>Thorsby Music Jam</u> - 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

<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>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

Thorsby Grad Class Battery Drive

Saturday, November 25 10am-2pm

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Provincial Family

Did you know? Nov. 20, 2023 marks the 30 year anniversary of National Childrens day in Canada! It's a day to honour our commitment to upholding the rights of children and two historic events: the 1959 signing of the United Nations Declaration of the Rights of the Child and the adoption of the United Nations convention on the rights of children in 1989. Globally this day is known as World Childrens day.

Children and Youth make up a quarter of our population and 100 percent of our future. They are the next generation of business leaders, teachers, doctors, activists and politicians. They're not just future leaders. they are leaders right now in their schools and communities.

Drop by our Family Resource locations to receive a copy of the Rights of the Child and have conversations with our team members.



Encourage youth to come out to our Youth Symposium in December and Youth leadership programs held in Thorsby.

For more information on dates and times visit our calendar or email us at frn@leduc-county.com



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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.



THORSBY TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

Tuesday, Nov 28th | Regular | 7 - 8:00pm

Tuesday, Dec 12th | COW | 7 - 8:00pm

Tuesday, Dec 19th | Regular | 7 - 8:00pm

December Meetings Dates have been adjusted to account for Christmas holidays.

Thorsby Town Office Regular 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!

Town of Thorsby

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Vant Eric Hayes

June 22, 1936 - November 8, 2023



Vant Eric Hayes, a man of warmth and great conversation, has sadly left us. He passed away peacefully at the Red Deer Hospital on November 8, 2023. Vant was born in Edmonton on June 22, 1936, and throughout his life, he touched the hearts of many as a dedicated husband, father, farmer, and friend.

His loving spouse, Ethel Frieda Hayes, will forever cherish Vant's memory. Their bond was one built on trust, companionship, and unwavering support. Together they weathered life's storms and celebrated its triumphs.

He also leaves behind two daughters who were the light of his life. Peggy Hayes (Gregory) and Christie Hayes (Christopher) brought immeasurable joy into Vant's world. He also leaves his grandchildren; Saldana (Tim) Skramstad, Shiloh Bauman, Shaka Bauman, Dakota McLellan, Austin Seich Hayes, and Tristan Thorne Hayes; also his great-grandchildren, Alannah Elliott, Kaeda Skramstad, Danver Bauman. They were a constant source of inspiration, reminding him of the importance of family bonds and unconditional love. He is also survived by Lloyd Hayes, many extended Family members along with many loved and treasured nieces and nephews.

Vant's circle of family and friends extended beyond those closest to him within his home. He was predeceased by; His parents, Floyd and Elizabeth (Queenie) Hayes; his grandparents, William and Mollie Hayes; his Siblings, Elizabeth (Harvey Smith), Nellie (Kenneth Whalen), Adrian Hayes, Beatty Hayes, Luvern (Margaret) Hayes, Eugene (Daisy) Hayes, Orville (Marilyn) Hayes, and Cleaveland (Vivian) Hayes were all major pillars in Vant's life. Their love and support carried him through both joyous and challenging times.

The outpouring of condolences, love, compassion and support that has extended from family, friends and all those who knew Vant has been overwhelming. He was a man of such warmth, great conversation, heartfelt laughter, immense history and knowledge, a man of the land, a husband, a father, a farmer and friend.

The family would like to extend their deepest gratitude and many thanks to Drayton Valley and Red Deer Hospital's for the quality of care they provided to Vant in his final days. To the many doctors and nurses that assisted in his care, answered questions, offered support, and kindness. To Nurse Rique at Red Deer Palliative Care, your compassion, support and love was deeply felt.

Funeral Services will be held November 17, 2023 at the Breton Community Centre located at 4715 - 50 Avenue in Breton, Alberta. Viewing 12-1pm with funeral services to follow at 1pm. Interment to follow at Breton Cemetery.

Arrangements in care of Colleen Sekura and Mike McCrae at Drayton Memorial Cremation and Funeral Services. 587-673-1688



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NOVEMBER

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- Register: online at leduc-county.com/grantopportunities

Learn about federal — provincial partnership programs to support grain and livestock producers. We'll be covering eligibility and funding details for: pasture management, cropland conversion, tree establishment and wetlands.

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Warburg Curling Club 70th Anniversary Celebration



Saturday, November 18, 2023

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Supper at 6:00 pm. Program to follow Doors open at 5:00 pm Cash Bar At Warburg Community Hall

Entertainment - MAGICIAN and MUSIC

Tickets - \$25 each

(e-transfers accepted) <u>warburgcurling@gmail.com</u>

Available at Warburg Village Office, Warburg Village Market

and Warburg Curling Club

For more info – call Gladys 789-915-1211

Everyone is welcome!



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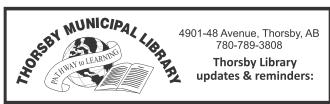
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AND THEIR FAMILIES.

THE SUPPORT WE HAVE RECEIVED FROM THE PUBLIC OVER THE LAST FEW YEARS HAS BEEN GREATLY APPRECIATED.





submitted by Paula Bosse

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Keep an eye on the night sky! Not only are the stars spectacular, but we are now at the peak of the solar cycle for sun spots and solar storms, giving us amazing displays of aurora to watch for. Of course, the library has great books for all ages to help us learn more about our night skies.

Teen time runs again next Wednesday at 3:30 for our patrons aged 12 and up. Come on down to the library after school for an hour of awesome fun activities, chill time, and of course, snacks.

Thank you so much Christine from Forever Bored Soapery for a most enjoyable workshop on the art of making bath bombs. Everyone had a fabulous time!

Our circuitry makerspace is up and sparking. Check out the incredible possibilities and the magic of electricity when you next stop by the library.

We are looking for dead small appliances, toasters, coffee makers and the like for our after Christmas makerspace dedicated to exploring how these things work. If you have a suitable clean dead appliance to donate, please drop it off at the library during our hours of opening.

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Warburg Legion Branch No. 205



by Max & Deb Mellafonte

WE WILL ALWAYS REMEMBER THEM

But we are not done yet....

We have our poster and literacy.....and yes video contest to complete. Students have been working on their entries for the last two weeks. All entries were submitted by the 14th for judging from community members on November 17, 2023.

From what has come in so far, our entries are amazing us all!

We don't stop there; you see because a lot of things came up at our Remembrance Day Service. We had guests from many places, as well as a color party with cadets, RCMP, Fire Service, Military and a Jeep that will be in a lot of pictures.

Our program was really a variety of many things to happen in the future... Good music from Sue Fraser and Eva Hubscher, a special reading by Carolyn Walker, a prayer and blessing from Pastor Broadbent and special little grade one students with Mrs. White, Mrs. Babcook, Mrs. Parkyn and Mrs. Swartz presenting "Son of Peace" with a great song on how you love to be a Canadian. Go look for us on Tik Tok - Under Warburg Legion - we had over 1000 people live streaming our service.... gotta love our technology. Thank you all!

One exciting item of the day was people who came and shared their stories on family members, both at the service and at our open house at the Legion. There were some tears and hugs, but so good to hear. We hope you all had a chance to scan and hear some stories through our programing set up by Command... If you need one of those cards, call Deb 780-848-2923.

We ended our day with a lot of great visiting, great meal

and good comradeship.

The Village of Breton was very busy this year helping two Legions through this Poppy Campaign. Thank you for all the support. Winfield and Warburg Legion collect all those poppy funds for our Poppy fund accounts that help so many veterans and families, RCMP and service personnel in our army, navy and air services from support, financial, education, and so much more. Alberta has a great group of service officers who work one on one with them all. Of course, we all help those locally in so many ways as well.

Warburg Legion was very proud to be a part of the Remembrance Day Services at the Breton Public Schools and Warburg school. The Talent of our young people and staff was amazing. Thank you for the invites.

The history in all our surrounding communities and those who have served or family members who have served....you all give us an amazing legacy. Thank you.



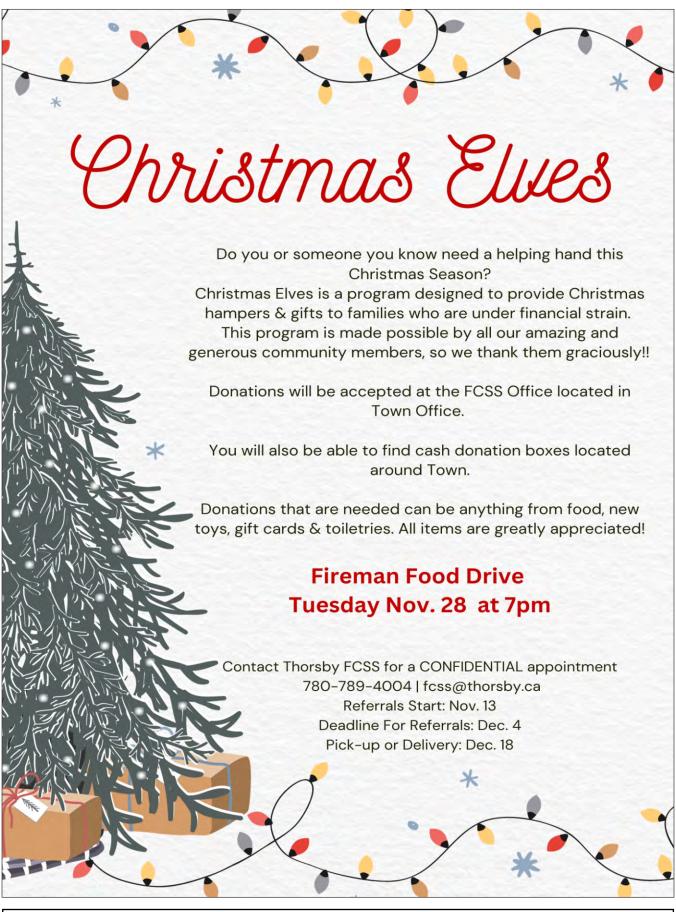
Silver Cross Mother Betty Braiser with son Scott Braiser and Max Mellafonte







WW2 jeep



BEWARE OF SCAMS

Continued from the front page.....

the story seem more credible, the caller might also put another person on the phone to act like a police officer or lawyer.

Fortunately, there are a few simple steps that you can take to avoid falling victim to this scam:

- Resist the urge to act immediately no matter how dramatic the story is.
- Ask the caller a few personal questions that a real grandchild could answer but a scammer could not.
- After you hang up, verify the story by calling the parents or other relatives of the "grandchild".
- Never wire money, sent gifts or bitcoin to someone under uncertain conditions. It is nearly impossible to recover or trace money that has been wired.
- Remember police officers will not request anyone to sent money for anything.
- Bail Money can only be paid at a police station or at the courthouse and that couriers will never be sent to pickup the money.

IMPERSONATING POLICE OFFICERS

Edson RCMP have recently been made aware of a scam involving a group of people physically impersonating police officers.

In the most recent case, an Edson victim was called by a number listed as RCMP. When they answered the phone, the person on the other end of the line stated they were calling from the RCMP and that the victim was going to be arrested due to some outstanding "money laundering" scheme.

At the same time, two people, dressed as police officers, knocked on the door asking if the victim had gotten a call. The two suspects confirmed that the victim would be arrested unless they pay a fee. The victim was instructed to empty their account and purchase gift cards and give the information to the person on the phone. The suspect on the phone said that the money would be given back if it was proven that they were not part of an ongoing investigation.

Alberta RCMP would like to remind the public to always be aware of scammers:

- At no time will an RCMP officer request a fee, gift cards, or otherwise money in exchange of forgoing an arrest.
- If an arrest warrant is issued, the warrant will be executed as specified on the warrant. If a warrant to search a home or seize an account is granted, the warrant will be executed as specified and you are entitled to read the warrant.
- If ever you are in the presence of someone stating they are a police officer and you have doubts, you are allowed to ask for identification. Furthermore, you may call 911 or your local detachment or

dispatch number to confirm that the officers before you are who they say they are.

To learn more about current scams, visit the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre website: www.antifraudcentre-centreantifraude.ca

If you have been a victim of fraud, attempted fraud or if you, or anyone you know has fallen victim to a scam, please contact your local detachment. If you wish to remain anonymous, you can contact Crime Stoppers at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS), online at www.P3Tips.com or by using the "P3 Tips" app available through the Apple App or Google Play Store. To report crime online, or for access to RCMP news and information, download the Alberta RCMP app through Apple or Google Play.

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Thorsby Seniors Crib Results!

November 13th crib scores:

1st - Orest Fitzowich - 956 2nd - Marvin Wagar - 942 3rd - Nicole Whalley - 941 High Hand of 24 was held by Susan Allan

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SOME SMILES

from the internet

You many have read some of these before but they are funny no matter how many times you read it!

- Being a little older, I am very fortunate to have someone call and check on me every day. He is from India and is very concerned about my car warranty
- I choked on a carrot this morning, and all I could think of was, "I'll bet a doughnut wouldn't have done this to me."
- Nothing spoils a good story more than the arrival of an eye witness. (Mark Twain)
- I finally realize why I look so bad in pictures. It's my face.
- It only takes one slow-walking person in the grocery store to destroy the illusion that I'm a nice person.
- Sorry that I'm late. I got here as soon as I wanted to!
- It turns out that when asked who your favorite child is, you're supposed to pick out one of your own. I know that now.
- It's fine to eat a test grape in the produce section, but you take one bite of rotisserie chicken and it's all, "Sir, you need to leave!"
- One thing no one ever talks about, when it comes to being an older adult, is how much time we devote to keeping a cardboard box because it is, you know, a really good box.
- I can't believe I forgot to go to the gym today. That's seven years in a row, now.
- If you drop something when you were younger, you just picked it up. When you're older and you drop something, you stare at it for just a bit contemplating if you actually need it anymore.
- I like to make lists. I also like to leave them laying on the kitchen counter, and then guess what's on the list when I am at the store.
- A giraffe's coffee would be cold by the time it reached the bottom of its throat. Ever think about that? No, you only think about yourself.
- My kids say they want a cat for Christmas. Normally I serve turkey, but, hey, if it will make them happy.
- Ask your doctor if a drug with 32 pages of side-effects is bad for you.
- I re-labeled all of the jars in my wife's spice rack. I'm not in trouble yet, but the thyme is cumin.
- I just read a book about marriage that says treat your

- wife like you treated her on your first date. So tonight after dinner I'm dropping her off at her parent's house.
- The best way to get back on your feet is to miss two car payments.
- I love bacon. Sometimes I eat it twice a day. It takes my mind off the terrible chest pains I keep getting.
- As I watch this generation try to rewrite history, one thing I am sure of is that it will be misspelled and have no punctuation.
- Driver: "What am I supposed to do with this speeding ticket?" Officer, "Keep it. When you collect four of them, you get a bicycle."
- I asked a supermarket employee where they kept the canned peaches. He said, "I'll see," & walked away. I asked another & he also said, "I'll see," & walked away In the end, I gave up & found them myself, in Aisle C.
- I told my physical therapist that I broke my arm in two (2) places. He told me to stop going to those places.
- I put our scale in the bathroom corner & that's where the little liar will stay until it apologizes.
- When I was a kid, I used to watch the 'Wizard of Oz' & wonder how someone could talk if they didn't have a brain. Then I got Facebook.
- Do you ever get up in the morning, look in the mirror & think, "That can't be accurate!"
- I want to be 14 again & ruin my life differently. I have new ideas.
- Apparently RSVP'ing to a wedding invitation with "Maybe next time" isn't the correct response.
- A guy walks into a lumberyard & asks for some 2x4s.
 The clerk asks, "How long do you need them?" The
 guy answers, "A long time. We're gonna build a
 house."
- I just burned 1,200 calories. I forgot the pizza in the oven.
- Who knew that the hardest thing of being an adult is figuring out what to fix for dinner and doing it every single night for the rest of your life until you die?
- I hate it when people act all intellectual and talk about Mozart, when they've never even seen one of his paintings.
- · Never trust an electrician with no eyebrows.
- So my neighbor knocked on my front door at 3 am.
 3AM!!! Luckily, I was already up playing the bagpipes.
- Instead of cleaning my house, I just watch an episode of "The Hoarders," and think, "Wow! My house looks great."



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MANDATORY HOLOCAUST EDUCATION FOR ALBERTA STUDENTS

Alberta News November 10, 2023

As Alberta's government continues its work to develop a new social studies curriculum, Holocaust education will be a mandatory component.

During the Second World War, Adolf Hitler and his Nazi government and military systematically targeted, arrested, abused and eliminated people they described as subhuman. At the top of their list were Jewish people. Between Jan. 30, 1933, and May 8, 1945, the Nazis killed about six million Jews in Europe. Every January, the world recognizes International Holocaust Remembrance Day, and the Jewish community additionally recognizes Holocaust Remembrance Day, or Yom HaShoah, each spring, reiterating the phrase "Never Again."

Alberta's government is ensuring students learn about the Holocaust and its important historical and contemporary significance throughout their education. Alberta Education will work with partners in the education and Jewish communities to explore where and when this content should be covered.

"I firmly believe we must do everything possible to combat rising antisemitism and educate young Albertans about the horrors of the Holocaust. Ensuring all students learn from one of history's darkest chapters will help us confront hate and prevent similar atrocities from occurring." Demetrios Nicolaides, Minister of Education

"Creating an anti-racist society starts at the school-age level and Holocaust education is an important tool in helping our students learn about the underlying ramifications of prejudice, racism and stereotyping. What is happening in our society today is an important warning around the need to teach the universal lessons of the Holocaust, and the consequences of bigotry and hate. We applaud the province for helping to ensure that our youth will not only learn from but keep the memory of the Holocaust alive." Adam Silver, CEO, Calgary Jewish Federation

"This announcement comes at a time when antisemitism has spiked across Canada and around the world. It is crucial that the next generations learn about how hate surfaces. Whether it's distortion of Holocaust history or misinformation about Hamas's terrorist attacks, both are rooted in antisemitism, and this announcement demonstrates that the Alberta government is dedicated to fight hate in all its forms." Stacey Leavitt-Wright, CEO,

Jewish Federation of Edmonton

"The Holocaust is currently a mandatory topic in the senior high social studies curriculum and teachers would fully expect it to be incorporated in any forthcoming revision — we welcome consultations on how best to do this. The Holocaust is an event of singular importance in modern history that, sadly, embodies lessons that continue to resonate today. Coming to an understanding of the origins and horror of the Holocaust helps Alberta students to better understand the need to respect, affirm and defend the lives, dignity and rights of all persons and so prepares them to become active citizens participating in Canada's democratic society." Jason Schilling, president, Alberta Teachers' Association

Alberta Education is in the process of engaging with education partners, curriculum specialists and teachers on the development of new K-12 social studies curriculum. As part of this process, Alberta Education will engage with the Calgary Jewish Federation, Jewish Federation of Edmonton and other Jewish organizations. Feedback from these engagement activities will be used to solidify when and where students learn about the Holocaust in draft social studies curriculum before it is released for further engagement.

Quick facts

- In current K-12 social studies curriculum, students learn about injustices faced by those who historically were, and continue to be, marginalized, or who have experienced discrimination.
- In the current Grade 11 curriculum, students analyze ultranationalism as a cause of genocide, including study of the Holocaust.
- Renewed engagement on the social studies curriculum began in September with education specialists including teachers and those involved in curriculum writing.
- In early 2024, Alberta Education will begin public engagement with Albertans, where they will have the opportunity to provide feedback on key learnings within the K-12 social studies curriculum and view the draft K-6 social studies curriculum to provide additional feedback.

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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.

Alberta is refocusing our health care system on patient-centred care

Alberta's government is taking significant action to make health care better for Albertans and frontline workers who work tirelessly every day to serve their patients.

We are at a critical time when it comes to health care in Alberta.

We have heard clearly from Albertans that the current system centred on Alberta Health Services (AHS) is not working. The AHS organization is shouldering a burden it was not intended to carry and, through no fault of our incredible front-line workers, Albertans are facing long wait times and delays to the care they desperately need.

Alberta's government has announced a significant refocusing of AHS and our health care system. The improvements we are making will provide more effective care and will improve frontline service delivery for Albertans.

This refocusing will centre around four priority areas: primary care, acute care, continuing care, and mental health and addiction to ensure Albertans get the health care system that actually works for them.

Additionally, we will focus on improving EMS wait times and the delivery of Indigenous health care services across the province.

Health care services will be accessed as they usually are during the system's transition period.

We know frontline health care workers provide exceptional care to patients and families and our priority is to protect frontline jobs during this transition and ensure all voices are heard.

To our health care workers, the work ahead will take time. We will partner with you to learn and find ways to best remove the many obstacles you face while working to serve Albertans and their families.

To all Albertans, we also want to hear from you: the patients, family members, caregivers and seniors who interact with our system day in and day out.

That's why we invite all Albertans to become involved in shaping a stronger provincial health care system. This starts now and will take many forms over the coming weeks and months.

For too long we have had to experience a health care system that is not operating as we all expect it should. It's time for that to change. Please join us on this journey!

Hon. Danielle Smith Premier of Alberta

Hon. Adriana LaGrange Minister of Health Hon. Dan Williams
Minister of Mental Health
and Addiction

Hon. Jason Nixon Minister of Seniors, Community and Social Services

For more information, and to share your feedback, visit:

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Saturday December 2nd, 2023 at 6 pm

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2024 LEDUC COUNTY REGIONAL SUBDIVISION AND DEVELOPMENT APPEAL BOARD (QUASI- JUDICIAL BOARD)

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.

When the SDAB makes its decision, it's final and cannot be overturned unless the SDAB makes a law or jurisdictional error.

All board members must successfully complete a training program set or approved by the Minister of Alberta Municipal Affairs.

- Positions available: four (public members residing within Leduc County, Town of Calmar, Town of Devon, Town of Thorsby or Village of Warburg)
- 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:

JOYCE GAVAN, Legislative Coordinator 780-770-9259 joyceg@leduc-county.com 101, 1101 5 St. Nisku, AB T9E 2X3



WE WILL REMEMBER THEM from Warburg Legion

The Poppy Campaign is an awareness in so many ways during the month of November bringing attention to the importance of our Veterans in the Past and those currently serving. Remembrance Day is just that special day on November 11, 2023. This is when the Legion brings awareness to many aspects of this campaign. Sponsorship, membership, leadership into a digital world where we can hear stories of so many who fought, passed on, or were able to return home.

Community sponsorship and display of Poppy trays in the many businesses, family remembrance, participation in activities or public places means so much to this campaign. Warburg Legion Branch No.205 would like to acknowledge those who helped our Legion this year. Thank you.

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STORIES OF LIFE

Written by PK

Remembrance Day is a reminder to remember each day, the sacrifices made by our veterans.

HEAD DOWN!

"WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE IN THE ARMY? Do you have something that you want to say boy?" The sergeant planted his big army boots in front of me as I laid on the hard dirt ground with my squadron. For a brief moment I considered telling him that I thought this whole thing was a waste of time and that he had no business strutting around between all of us and yelling at everyone on the ground as if we were cattle.

"Well boy?" he shouted even louder. That was all it took. I looked up a couple of feet and looked him in the eyes as he was crouching down, and with all of the courage that I could muster up I said, "sorry sir." I may have had strong feelings about the sarge, but I wasn't an idiot. My description of him was a bus on legs.

I especially remember the field training that we all had to endure. My brother Neil and I had determined to look sarge up after the war and give him a lesson or two of his own medicine.

Sarge would have us all run through this maze of dead wood, tires, and barbed wire into an open field. Once we were in the field we were to lie on our bellies and slowly move forward. "Keep your heads down!" He ordered as he walked among us in the field. When he shouted, "keep your heads down," he meant it. More than once he would take his heavy boot and bring it down on the back of someone's helmet, or even the butt of his rifle.

Sarge was all business and he was not there to make friends, and it seemed to be working. He said, "I'll tell you when to look up and fire back."

Then it happened! We knew that the possibility was always there, but today was the day when we were going to be engaged in the war on the front lines. Neil and I agreed that we would try to look out for each other the best that we could. The shots and explosions that we were now hearing were real and a smoky haze filled the afternoon sky. As we cleared a small creek bed and laid on our bellies in a rocky field, I realized that this was what the training was really for. The firing over our heads seemed like it would never stop. Some of the men were still hiding in the creek bed, but here I was laying in an open field. I felt a couple rounds graze the back of my helmet.

The firing died down to just a few random shots and I turned my head slowly to see how Neil was doing. As I looked over, Neil had just raised his head to get a better look at the situation. That moment in time will forever haunt me. He took a round in the face and died instantly. As I wept over his body, all that I could hear in my mind was the sarge's voice yelling, "keep your heads down!"

When the war was over I did what Neil and I had planned to do and I looked up the sergeant at his home, only I was there to thank him. The warning that he had given all of us was not for himself, it was for us. It was not because he hated us, but because he cared. Most of the soldiers in my troupe despised him, however I had come to appreciate him. It took a tragedy to wake me up to the urgency of the message. He smiled at me and shook my hand as I left.

Preachers, teachers, and evangelists repeat the words of Christ with much the same results. Most people do not take the words seriously. In Matthew 24:44 Jesus says, "You also must be ready because the Son of Man will come at an hour that you do not expect Him." Sometimes it feels like you are in the heat of the battle. Know this, He has said that He will NEVER leave you or FORSAKE you.



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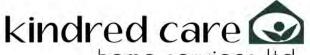
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Enough is Enough: It's Time to Address Canada's Cost of Living Crisis

Canadians are feeling the pinch. Every day, it gets tougher to afford the basics. And what's the government doing? Not enough. Since 2021, we've seen a sharp 14.5% drop in new homes being built (according to Statistics Canada). And thanks to soaring prices, nearly 80% of us are cutting back on holiday spending this year (says polling group IPSOS). But while we tighten our belts, the NDP-Liberal government is busy wasting billions of taxpayer dollars. To name just a few examples, among many, include the Green Slush Fund scandal, the tens of millions of dollars wasted on shady ArriveCan contracts, and the \$228,839 taxpayer price tag for the Prime Minister's vacation in Montana.

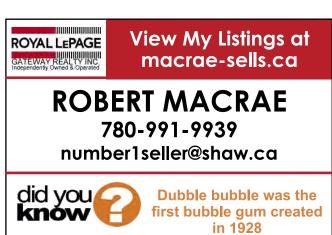
Let's talk about housing. Not enough homes mean higher prices. It's simple math. The NDP-Liberal government has only piled on the inflationary spending, raising interest rates, and making mortgages unaffordable. Families are struggling to find affordable places to live, and many young Canadians have accepted that they will never own a home. This isn't just disappointing; it's a failure of leadership under this Prime Minister.

As for inflation, everything costs more – groceries, fuel, home heating, you name it. The NDP-Liberal government's runaway spending is like adding fuel to a fire. It's burning up our paycheques, and what are they offering in return? More scandals and wasted money on projects that don't help us but sure seem to help their friends.

It's clear: the NDP-Liberal coalition isn't working for Canadians. They're too caught up in their own mess to see the real issues – they are completely out of touch. We have families that can't afford their groceries, seniors who are pinching pennies, and young people who can't even imagine buying a home.

In short, Canadians deserve better. We deserve a common sense government that understands our struggles and acts on them, not one that's constantly grappling with controversy and careless spending. It's time for a change. It's time for a government that listens, understands, and acts. What is needed is a Conservative government that puts Canadians first.





Laurie's Laughs



Hopefully it will be fully charged by tomorrow



I told the waitress
my steak was
bad.
She picked it up,
slapped it, put it
down and said: "if
it gives you more
trouble let me
know!"

The moment you lost your grandson at Home Depot ... do you reclaim him or pretend not to know him?



HOW INTROVERTS FEEL AT SOCIAL EVENTS



When I was a kid, when we played 'spin the bottle', if they didn't want to kiss you, they'd have to give you a quarter. By the time I was twelve, I owned my own home.

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Triplex unit in central Rimbeyclose to amenities. 2 bed, 2 bath. Fenced back yard. Covered patio. Attached heated single car garage.



132 Willow Drive - 2015 SRI mfg 3 bed 2 by the one on is well lot in Breton with to a for a garage. West facing deck, concrete drive.



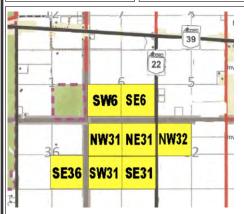
0.5 acre, recently completely 2 bed, 2 bath cabin with loft. Short walk to Buck Lake & boat launch. Water well & septic new 2022.



10 acres the k b d new totally rens and b drom, 2 bath home way provided privacy.



23 treed acres, older 3 bedrm, 1 bath mobile home. Updates in 2013. Site for future home cleared. Brand new driveway.



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



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



3 bedroom, 3 bathroom bi-levell home with attached garage. Numerous upgrades over past 3

LAND

Great Opportunity! Half Section Pasture of the following person with enough cattle. Law year watering livestock. 2 grain bins, 40x50 Quonset. Drilled well, north of Drayton Valley \$ 785,000



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



79.5 acres with approximately 50 acres of hay and balance in pasture. Power & Well. Receive \$2855 annual surface lease revenue



0.85 acre, Oakes Bay, knotty pine cabin, 1 bed, 1 bath, loft,2tiered front deck, sauna, firepit, 24x26 garage. 30 amp breaker for RV



BRETON - \$576,000

140-acre farm, hay/ pasture land, an older bedroom house. single-car garage. 26x48 open front machine shed, 30x30 workshop, hip-roof barn with loft, small cattle shelter with metal corrals. Perimeter fenced on three sides with additional fencing around a treed section in the southwest corner. surface lease revenue of \$3,800



158 acres, creek, mature forest, cabin, peace & tranquility! East Poplar Creek flows thru this land. on no exit road. UPDATE: addition has been sided & covered veranda added along that portion.

LAND

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