

CONNECT 39

Thorsby, Warburg & Area NEWS

previously the Thorsby Target & Warburg Bugle

WEST 39 BUCKS CHAMPIONS

Pictures and information from Facebook



Above: U11-3 won the championship banner in Thorsby this past weekend against Hanna. Congratulations U11-3 for your win.



Above: The West 39 U13-1 team didn't quit and came back from a 4-1 deficit late in the 3rd period to tie the game. They won the series in an overtime win. What a game to watch with amazing energy coming from the stands. Congratulations on winning championships. **U13-1 will be playing on Friday March 8 in Warburg at**

7:30 in a round robin game for a chance at provincials.

U18 play Friday night March 8 in Thorsby at 7:30pm against Ponoka for a chance at winning the championship banner. Come out and support the U18 West 39 Bucks.

U13-2 play Saturday March 9 in Thorsby at 4:15pm against Wetaskiwin for a chance at winning the championship banner. Come out and support your U13-2 West 39 Bucks.

TES BRINGING BACK THE 50's

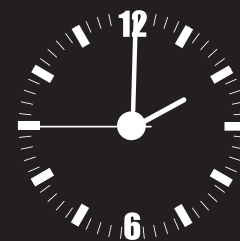
Submitted by Thorsby Elementary School



Kindergarten students (*Monday/Wednesday Class*) from Thorsby Elementary School dressed like in the 1950's for the 50th day of kindergarten.

SPRING AHEAD

SET YOUR
CLOCKS AHEAD
AN HOUR ON
SUNDAY
MARCH 10 AT
2:00AM



Classifieds

EMPLOYMENT

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Sudoku Answers from March 1 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.



**General Service
Worker - Casual**
Cloverleaf Manor – Warburg AB

Leduc Regional Housing Foundation is looking for an enthusiastic individual who enjoys working in a team environment. This casual position will be required to work a **variety of shifts**. Shifts will include **afternoons** and **nights**. Applicants should be prepared and able to work all shifts. Duties may include kitchen-related responsibilities such as cleaning, cooking and food preparation or housekeeping responsibilities and other duties as assigned. A high standard of service is expected.

Qualifications: Previous cooking experience, strong work ethic, WHMIS and Standard First Aid Certificate would be an asset; A sincere interest in working with and meeting the needs of our residents.

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

Please send your resume quoting job posting number 2024 – CL - 06 to:

Attention: Human Resources
Leduc Regional Housing Foundation
5118 – 50 Avenue, Leduc, Alberta T9E 6V4
Fax: 780.986.4881 or
E-mail: hr@leducregionalhousing.ca

Posting to remain open until a suitable candidate is found.

FOR ALL THOSE WHO ARE INTERESTED



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UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS (Breton, Thorsby, Warburg & Surrounding Areas)

March 9 - Felting Techniques using Alpaca and Llama wool demonstration with Robert Schmidt at the Warburg Library from 1-3pm.

March 10 - Free Afternoon of Cards or Board Games at the Morrowdale Community Centre from 2-5pm. Have some fun with your neighbours. For more info, call Bev at 780-789-2571.

March 10 - No Hitchhiker Band at the Winfield Community Center from 1 to 4pm. Admission by Donation. Sponsored by the Winfield Lions

March 10 - Pancake Breakfast at the Warburg Legion from 8:30am - 11:30am. \$10 per plate, kids under 5 free.

March 11 - Movie Time for grades 7 - 10 at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Recreation Complex at 1:30pm. Popcorn, hotdog bar and projection movie, \$5, bring a pillow!

March 11 - Thorsby & District Cultural & Historical Society AGM at 7pm at the Thorsby Community Centre. All welcome!

March 13 - Library After School Adventures from 3:30 - 4:30 for those in Elementary at the Thorsby Municipal Library.

March 15 - Pub Night at the Warburg Legion from 5-10pm for St. Patricks Day.

March 16 - Winfield Legion Spaghetti Supper. Legion doors open at 5:30pm, supper from 6-7:30pm. \$10 per plate, Kids 6 and under are free. Get your raffle tickets.

March 18 - Strawberry Hall Annual AGM at 7pm

March 19 - Seniors' Paint afternoon with Tanja Lindahl at the Thorsby Library from 1 - 2:30pm. Call the library to register as space is limited.

March 20 - Teen Time at the Thorsby Municipal Library from 3:30 - 4:30pm for Junior and Senior High Students.

March 20 - Warburg Seed Cleaning 60th Anniversary Customer Appreciation BBQ from 11am - 2pm at the Warburg Pioneer Rec Centre. CFCW Live on location.

March 21 - Living Well, Sprouting Program with Robert Schmidt at the Warburg Library

March 22 - Spring Fiesta Name that Tune & Karaoke at the Winfield Hall. Doors open at 6:30pm. \$10 Cover Charge. Hosted by Winfield Ag Society. Call 780-514-6671 for info.

March 24 - Paint Night at Telfordville Community Centre. 2-4pm. Contact Telfordvilleecc@gmail.com

March 27 - Board Game Café for teens (10 and up). Drop in

to the Thorsby Municipal library between 1 & 4pm with your friends to play some games, enjoy snacks and hot chocolate.

March 28 - Easter Meat Bingo at the Thorsby Seniors Centre at 6:30pm.

April 6 - Gord Bamford Canadian Dirt Tour 2024 at Warburg Community Center. Go to www.showpass.com/gord-bamford-canadian-dirt-tour-warburg-ab/ to purchase tickets

April 6 - Self Defense Class at the Warburg School, Full day of Training, lunch provided. \$40/person. Pre-register with Shauna at FCSS 780-848-2828 or fcss@warburg.ca

April 13 - Breton/Warburg Women's Wellness Day - a day full of speakers, breakout sessions, food and a vendor market! 1/3 Sold out. Tickets \$30, available at both Breton & Warburg FCSS or contact fcss@breton.ca

April 13 - 58th Annual Trophy Night Banquet for Thorsby & District Fish & Game at the Warburg Hall at 5:30pm. Reserve tickets with Brent 780-898-5013 or Cara 780-621-8709

April 17 - Thorsby Volunteer Appreciation at the Thorsby Community Hall at 5:30pm. \$20/ticket. Contact Mikayla at fcss@thorsby.ca or 780-789-4004 to purchase.

April 19 - Warburg Volunteer Appreciation. More information to come.

July 15 -19 - Bus to Swim 2024 for youth ages 5+ at Drayton Valley Pool. Register at FCSS Breton fcss@breton.ca or FCSS Warburg fcss@warburg.ca

Community Events & Information
is FREE to advertise



Thorsby Seniors Crib Results!

March 4th crib scores:

1st - Elaine Blair - 967

2nd - Eleanor Dopko - 949

3rd - Dora Shier - 942

High Hand of 21 was held by Lloyd Snider

CONGRATULATIONS WINNERS!

Next crib event will take place on

March 11th, Monday, at 1:30 pm

Thorsby Seniors Center, Admission: \$6

THORSBY SOCCER REGISTRATION NOW OPEN!



**THORSBY
SOCCER**

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Soccer is a great sport for kids of all ages and abilities! Registration as low as \$65 with most gear supplied for U5 to U9 ages and financial assistance available.

Visit [Thorsby Minor Soccer](#) on Facebook for a link to our registration form or scan the QR code.



In person registration available **Thursday, March 14th 6:00-8:00 pm** at Thorsby Recreation Complex. Registration forms are also available at the complex for those who cannot complete the online form.

Registration closes **March 31st**. For more information contact thorsbysoccer@gmail.com.

Thorsby Soccer

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- ▶ **Time:** 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Recognizing and supporting beneficial insects in horticulture

- ▶ **Date:** Tuesday, April 9, 2024
- ▶ **Time:** 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Learn more and register online at www.leduc-county.com/horticulture-series



BREAKING NEWS!!

THORSBY TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

- Tuesday, Mar 12th** | C.O.W | 7:00-8:30pm
- Tuesday, Mar 26th** | Regular | 7:00-8:30pm

*This meeting is **open** to the public, and we encourage all Thorsby residents to participate!*

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 now open during Lunch!

Town of Thorsby
4917 Hankin Street, Box 297
Thorsby, AB T0C 2P0
TEL: 780.789.3935 www.thorsby.ca



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

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

MONDAYS

Bus To Drayton Valley (Aguasize or Walmart) - Leaving Warburg & Breton on Monday mornings. Call 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.

Lego Club - Every Monday from 3:15 - 4:15 at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Recreation Complex.

Parent & Tot Drop In (Thorsby) 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) - Mondays at 9am, Thorsby Seniors Centre. Jane 780-789-3789 or Cheryl 780-848-7673

TUESDAYS

Family Bingo - Tuesdays @ 6:30 at the Mulhurst 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.

16+ Rec Volleyball drop in at Warburg School on Tuesdays from 7-9pm (\$2)

WEDNESDAYS

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

Cards at the Warburg Seniors Centre at 1pm every Wednesday

Pickleball - Every Wednesday from 7-9pm at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Recreation Complex

Public Skate - Every Wednesday from 3:30 - 5pm 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

Basketball Free Play - Every Thursday from 4:30 - 6pm at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Recreation Complex.

Free Style Bowling at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Recreation Complex on Thursdays from 4:30 - 6:30pm.

Bingo at the Thorsby Seniors Centre every Thursday at 7pm

Bus to Leduc from Cloverleaf: (\$8) the 3rd Thursday of the month at 9:00am. Call Kim at 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)

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

Parent & Tot Drop In (Warburg) - Thursday mornings from 9-11am in the Village of Warburg office basement.

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

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

Quilting at the Warburg Cultural Center: on Thursdays from 10-4 contact Gail S at 789-995-2681

Sandholm Square Dance Club - on Thursdays 7 - 9:30pm at the Sandholm Hall. Contact 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 & Fridays 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

Coffee in the Valley on the 1st & 3rd Friday of the month from 9-11am at Telfordville Community Centre.

Community Socials are held the last Friday of each month at the Mulhurst Legion #246 at 7pm

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. Call 780-389-4104

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

Pub Nights at Warburg Legion from 5pm - 10pm.

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

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

SATURDAYS

Farmer's Market at the Mulhurst Bay Community Hall 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 from 1-4pm. Call 780-789-2180.

SUNDAYS

Gospel Music Jam - at New Life Christian Fellowship on the 1st Sunday of the month from 2-4pm. Call 780-789-4171

Pancake Breakfasts by the Thorsby Lions Club the first Sunday of the month at the Senior's Centre 9am - 12pm.

Sunday School at St. Matthew's Lutheran Church the 2nd Sunday of mth at 10:30am. Contact Ebeline at 780-389-4100



Ryan Adam Hartley

July 22, 1980 - March 2, 2024



It is with profound sadness that we announce the passing of Ryan Adam Hartley, who tragically lost his life in a snowmobiling accident near Thorsby, AB, at the tender age of 43.

Ryan's journey began in Claresholm, AB, where his love for the countryside, dirt biking, and mechanics blossomed during his time at WCCHS. His passion for welding led him to attain his red seal, marking the beginning of an illustrious career. With an "All Around" skill set, Ryan dedicated numerous years to various companies, fostering enduring relationships across the board. As a self-employed welder and exceptional fabricator, his professional ventures eventually brought him to the Thorsby, AB, area, where he thrived. Later, he settled further north in Chetwynd, BC, a place he held dear to his heart.

Known affectionately as "The Guy" who could fix anything, Ryan's brilliance, immense heart, and exceptional social skills made him a beacon of light wherever he went. A true multi-talent, he worked tirelessly but also knew how to play hard. Above all, Ryan cherished his relationships. He made time for everyone, offering unwavering support and care, embodying the essence of a true friend, son, brother, nephew, uncle, and most importantly, a loving father.

Ryan's greatest joy was his 10-year-old daughter, Aubrey – his "Little Bear." From the moment she entered his life, Aubrey brought boundless love and light, transforming Ryan's world. He took immense pride in fatherhood, imparting invaluable lessons on living life to the fullest, ensuring Aubrey would always be his greatest love.

Ryan leaves behind a vast network of loved ones, including his daughter, Aubrey Hartley (with Renee Hare), his parents, Wayne and Corinna Hartley, his brothers Randy (Cara), Shaun (Kara), Clayton (Ricki Lee), and Kyle (Candace), and his sister, Sheri (Lee Hansen). He will also be deeply missed by his adoring nieces, nephews, aunts, uncles, cousins, dear friends, and those he considered family.

A celebration of Ryan's life will take place on Friday, March 15, 2024, at the Calmar, AB, Legion Hall, commencing at 1 PM.

We invite attendees to share photos, voice memos, or stories of Ryan in printed or digital form for Aubrey's memory book and healing. A GoFundMe page has been established with the title: (For Little Bear, in memory of Ryan Hartley) to help support Aubrey's future.

Ryan will forever be cherished and remembered with infinite love.



Photos and videos can be uploaded using the QR code (left) or link shown below:

www.my.guestpix.com/Guest/Access/40708/tf4ha43i

The GoFundMe page can be accessed via the QR code (right) or by clicking the hyperlink below:

www.gofund.me/662b1f6f



Connect with us!

Submitted by Leduc County FRN



Alberta Provincial Family Resource Networks

WINTER WALKING ACTIVITY

Safe winter TRAVEL starts with you!

Walking together as a family is a great way to stay active in the winter and make connections and bond with your family members. Use the sheet below to play Bingo, I Spy or to create a scavenger hunt when you are out for a walk – the tool is intended as a conversation starter. Ask your children how and why each item helps them to feel safe in their community and discuss in more detail.

For younger children, plan a route with your family for a 30-minute walk and see how many items you can spot during this time. For older children, plan a route and challenge children to find: one row/column, two rows/columns, a diagonal line, an X, four corners or as many squares as they can!

Once you have completed this activity as a family, send an email to frn@leduc-county.com for a chance to win a family prize.

Leduc County Family Resource Network (FRN) offers permanent drop-in hours at its two facilities in Devon and Thorsby. Join us for Messy March to make slimy creations and crafts and to enjoy some snacks and games. Also, gain access to various resources and referrals. For more information, contact Leduc County FRN at 780-979-2385 or frn@leduc-county.com.

A pedestrian looking both ways before crossing a road	A marked crosswalk (may include signs, painted road lines, lights etc.)	A stop sign	Sidewalks cleared of snow and ice	Block Parent Program signs
A safe place to go for help, if needed	Lights along sidewalks and pathways	A person wearing bright, reflective clothing	Traffic lights with pedestrian signals	A shared or multi-use pathway, away from road traffic
A winter cyclist wearing a helmet	A person walking a dog on a leash		A bridge or crossing over water or ice	A vehicle that has been cleared of snow and ice
A driver stopped for pedestrians at a crosswalk or intersection	A person dressed for winter weather	Two or more people walking or cycling together	A backpack equipped with a light or a reflective strip	A recognizable landmark (to mark where we are)
Vehicles being driven at a safe speed	A police officer or peace officer	An adult holding a child's hand to cross the street	A vehicle parked five metres from a stop sign	A person cycling or walking without distractions



Mary Agnes Racz

July 22, 1935 - February 18, 2024

Mary will be remembered by her faith, her huge heart, her love for her family and friends as well as her gentle humour. She was born in Creekland, Alberta; the third youngest in a large family.

Mary often spoke of the hard work needed to help run their farm followed by lengthy country walks to school. She later met Steve at the Cheese Factory near Warburg and they married and raised four children: Stephen, Lillian, Larry and Shanon.

They moved often throughout the Prairies due to Steve's work, yet they made sure their family's needs were looked after.

Mary was a homemaker as well as a gifted seamstress. She made clothes for her growing family and had a green thumb for outdoor gardening as well as indoor plants. Mary briefly worked at a drugstore providing extra income for her family.

Mary and Steve enjoyed dancing, bowling and also camping trips with family and friends. She would often return home with small bouquets of wildflowers.

For several years, Mary volunteered at several inner-city shelters as a cook.

Mary was also a writer of songs and poetry, often writing about her faith and her love of God. She also enjoyed listening to her collection of primarily Gospel music.

Mary is survived by her daughters Shanon and her granddaughter Stephanie; Lillian and granddaughters Lindsey and Jenn, step granddaughter Shenandoah and step grandson Jesse; and her son Larry.

Mary is also survived by her brother Karl (June Olynyk) Zajes and numerous extended family and friends. She was predeceased by her husband Steve, her son Stephen, her parents Karp and Wasylena Zajes, sisters Maggie Webber, Annie Peterson and Tillie Mielnik and brothers Tony Zajes and Stanley Zajes.

**A graveside service will be held Friday, March 8th at 11 a.m.
at 11820-107 Ave, Edmonton.**

**A Celebration of her Life reception will immediately follow at the
Szechuan Castle Restaurant (15415-111 Ave, Edmonton)**

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THORSBY SENIORS CENTER NEWSLETTER

submitted by Shirley Dool

THORSBY +55 SENIORS CLUB

Located at 4812-51st Street, The Thorsby Seniors Center, is a wonderful building for local seniors to enjoy. For a membership fee of only \$10.00 a year, anyone over the age of 55, is welcome to become a member. The building is also handicap accessible, and is available to rent for functions.

Every Thursday and Friday, from 10:00 AM to 3:00 PM, the Senior Center Thrift Store is open to the public to seek out a treasure or a new outfit for very reasonable prices. They have Men's, Women's, and Children's clothing and footwear as well as many household items, books, tapes and crafting items. There is absolutely something for everyone! They also accept donations.

Thursday nights are Bingo Nights, with doors open by 6:15, with the Early Bird starting at 7:00. A Turkey and Ham Bingo will be held on March 28th, so grab your dabbers and get a chance to win your Easter meat. Bingos are for everyone to play, ages 8 and up.

Every Monday the doors open at 1:00 to anyone in the area for an afternoon of playing Crib. The cost of playing is \$6.00. One dollar goes to the Seniors Center, and \$5:00 goes into the pot to be won. Coffee is available, as well as snacks and pop for purchase.

The local TOPS group meets at the Senior Center on Monday mornings at 9:00 AM for meetings and weigh-ins. This is a very effective and supportive weight loss program, and suitable for all ages.

Every second Wednesday, the Seniors group puts on a Soup and Sandwich meal, beginning at 11:30 for the low cost of \$8.00. For an extra \$2.00 you can enjoy a piece of Birthday cake in celebration of our senior members who have a birthday that month, and you can sign their birthday cards.

Our senior club meetings are held on the last Wednesday of every month. Members are asked to bring a potluck item, if they wish to come earlier and partake of the meal prior to the meeting. For the winter months the group will meet at noon with the actual meeting beginning at 1:00 PM. For the summer meetings, supper will start at 6:00 PM with the meetings at 7:00 PM.

Members of our Senior group have the opportunity to participate in events and programs discovered by our Social Director at a subsidized rate. One of the events will be a trip to Jubilations on March 26th for members. Another upcoming event in the future will be a Wine and Cheese Tasting evening, for our members. A few other suggestions have been to open up on the days the Thrift Store is open, to members who wish to meet at the Center for an afternoon of visiting, playing board games, doing puzzles, playing cards, or simply watching a

sporting event as a group. We also have a shuffle board so seniors can come in and have a shuffleboard game or competition.

Our Seniors group would love to hear from other Seniors in the area with suggestions to utilize our building, events the group could attend, or things our seniors could do to make our days full of joy and meaning. Life is too short. Let us make the most of what we have, while we can, and when we can.

"In the end, it's not the years in your life that count. It's the life in your years." – Abraham Lincoln

SALEM MEWS

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RURAL WETASKIWIN COUNTY (274043 TWP RD 480) - Private beautiful 160+/- acres 1012 sq/ft fully finished home, 60x40 fully finished shop, and a private Lake! ~~\$1,100,000~~ **\$999,000** **REDUCED**

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FUNDRAISING NEWS !

from Warburg Parent School Society



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

Warburg Parent School Society is the fundraising branch of Warburg School Council and meets immediately after the council. Its primary directive is to raise funds to purchase items that benefit all students of the school. For example, in the past the Society has purchased a large laminator, STEAM (Science Technology Engineering Arts Math) items, an electric pottery kiln, 60 pairs of snowshoes, chromebooks and the flashing light crosswalk. WPSS fundraising was instrumental in buying a large number of items to begin the coding and robotics programme at the school and substantial funds were raised to purchase and install the new Apollo playground structure. The current major goal of the Society is raising necessary funds for the **Demi** project - the creation of an outdoor classroom at Warburg School, a space where all students can learn about growing their food, Nature, their environment and the benefits of being outside in the fresh air. Meetings are held monthly at Warburg School. All are welcome to attend.

What else is happening this year ?

We have just submitted our order for Little Caesar pizza kits - thank you to all who purchased and volunteered.

Our volunteers have facilitated fun-lunches from Two Bs Bistro, Warburg Corner Restaurant, Boston Pizza, McDonalds to name just a few, plus hotdogs days most Wednesdays. And coming up soon, we have Mucho Burrito and more from Warburg's own Two Bs Bistro.

Don't forget to save your **Boston Pizza** receipts so the school can receive a 5% rebate. Please hand in your receipts at the school office!



Instacake cards for Mother's Day and beyond!

This is a new fundraiser to us - send a little cake and greetings card in the post or deliver it by hand. As featured on TV's *Dragons Den*, **Instacakes** deliver sweet wishes plus everything needed to make a delicious celebration cake in minutes. Designed for microwave use but can be baked in a conventional oven too. Give for birthdays, Mothers Day or just because. After Spring Easter break, we will be offering these special greetings card cakes until 15th April, with school delivery around 9th May. Stock up for special days ahead, as their shelf life is 12 months. Find more information at www.instacakecards.com



Growing Smiles Spring flowers & plants

Back by popular demand, and because they provide beautiful plants and flowers, in mid April, we will be advertising our Spring flower sale, with delivery requested to be the week before Mother's Day. Watch our Facebook page for confirmed dates, prices and information on the Spring plants we will be selling this year, including hanging baskets, planters, geraniums, roses and marigolds. We might even run 'Marigolds for Mom' again this year as the kids loved it last year!

Local Greenhouse Giftcards

We have a few details to be confirmed yet, but, like last year, we are hoping to sell giftcards to local Warburg area greenhouses, perfect for gifting on Mother's Day!

Fun fact: Our Demi project is named after Demeter, the Ancient Greek goddess of the harvest and agriculture, the Giver of Food and Grain, continuing our theme after naming Project Apollo.

Rafflebox 50/50 draw

During the last few weeks of school, before summer break, we plan to have another online 50/50 draw, with Rafflebox. The draw will likely take place in the last week of school.

Everyone is welcome to attend our meetings. It's the best way to know what is going on with our school and to be involved. Watch for meetings scheduled on the school events calendar or "Like" our Warburg School Parent Council page on Facebook at <https://www.facebook.com/warburg.parent.school.society>
The next meeting is: **18th March 2024 at 6pm, in school.**

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

Finally, a huge **'Thank you!'** to all our amazing volunteers. Without you, there would be no hotdog days or fun lunches at Warburg School !



Thorsby Municipal Library

Annual Report 2023



The library had **1,508** open hours in 2023!



274 people have a card at our library



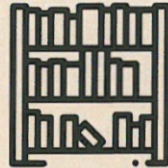
6,550 people walked through our doors last year



In addition to **29,744** website visits



The library added **827** new items last year



Bringing the total collection to **11,256**



There were **0** downloads of e-Content



Contributing to a total of **15,912** checkouts!



We lent our items to libraries outside of our system **3,432** times



Our service is delivered by **4** dedicated staff



And **12** amazing volunteers



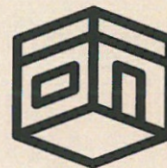
The library has **4** public computers



And brought in **2,778** items upon patron request



We answered **2,150** reference questions



And our meeting spaces were booked **12** times



mobile devices available for loan



We offered **68** in-person programs



6 virtual programs



And digital literacy programs



1,166 people attended in total!



And our Wi-Fi had **3,842** connections!

Walking with Grief

Grief Support Group



Have you experienced the loss of a loved one? Join us for a free in-person grief support group where you will learn about the nature of the grief process, emotion and healing. You will learn to build a community with individuals experiencing similar challenges, gain practical strategies for navigating grief and emerge with a clearer direction for moving forward.

In partnership with *Karunia Counselling*, this five week session will be facilitated by a Registered Psychologist and a Registered Social Worker.

- ▶ **Dates:** Tuesdays, April 2, 9, 16, 23, 30, 2024
- ▶ **Time:** 10 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.
- ▶ **Location:** Calmar Program Centre, 4815 49 Street, Calmar, AB
- ▶ **Spaces available:** minimum of eight registrants, maximum of 10
- ▶ **Register:** contact Kristin at **780-955-6421** or **kristin@leduc-county.com** or register online at **www.leduc-county.com/walking-with-grief**



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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.

March is already here, coming in a little like a lion, so what better time to check something out from the library?

We are so excited to have a number of new game kits available for borrowing.

From Sorry to Ticket to Ride; from our awesome card game kit to a complete Nintendo DS kit – games and gaming system included, we have fun for the whole family here at the library.

If you have gently used board games that need a good home, we would absolutely welcome new additions to our growing kit collection.

March is a month where we are encouraged to think about human rights in a variety of contexts.

International Women's Day comes first on March 8, and the library is the perfect place to find books that reflect on where we are as a society, how far we have come, and how much there is still to accomplish.

Just arrived... the Keva Planks Makerspace. This kit gives us what we need to build everything from skyscrapers, geometric forms to kinetic sculptures! There are no fiddly bits or apps to install - just open the lid and start creating!

We are so excited to be hosting a Seniors' Paint Afternoon on Tuesday March 19 with tea and snacks, led by Tanja Lindahl. Call the library to register as spaces are limited, and it is certain to be a wonderful afternoon filled with creative fun.

During Spring break we will be trying something new. Wednesday, March 27 we will be hosting a Board Game Café for teens (10 and up). Drop in to the library between 1:00 and 4:00 with your friends to play some games and enjoy snacks and hot chocolate.

And of course our regular programs are still running: Fun With Friends Storytime, Fridays at 10:30 for the preschool crowd;

Library After School Adventures, Wednesday March 13, 3:30 – 4:30 for those in Elementary;

Teen Time, Wednesday March 20, 3:30 – 4:30 for Junior and Senior High students.



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MODERNIZING ALBERTA'S POWER GRID

March 06, 2024 Alberta News

Alberta's government is modernizing the province's electricity system through legislation that will ensure Alberta's grid is affordable, reliable and sustainable.

The Alberta government has proclaimed the Electricity Statutes (Modernizing Alberta's Electricity Grid) Amendment Act, effective March 5. The act and its accompanying regulatory amendments will help Alberta's electricity system adapt to new technologies and the changing ways that consumers interact with the grid. By modernizing our electricity grid, with the input of Albertans and industry stakeholders, Alberta's government is continuing to work towards a carbon-neutral electricity grid by 2050.

Through this legislation, Alberta's government is supporting affordability, encouraging investment and building grid capacity in several ways. This includes allowing Alberta businesses to build more energy storage and more on-site power generation with the option to sell excess power to the grid. Energy storage is a key tool for grid stability and reliability by storing under-utilized power for later use and responding immediately to unexpected shortages like during the January 13 cold snap which resulted in a provincewide grid alert.

"The Electricity Statutes (Modernizing Alberta's Electricity Grid) Amendment Act introduces critical provisions for unlimited self-supply and export, providing large industrial operations the flexibility and choice essential for optimizing electricity costs and maintaining competitiveness within the province. This legislative change is foundational for ensuring a more resilient, efficient and sustainable electricity market in Alberta." Megan Gill, executive director, Alberta Direct Connect Consumer Association (ADC)

The newly proclaimed regulations will also provide greater opportunities for commercial businesses to generate their own power with the option to benefit from selling their excess energy to the grid. Not only does this benefit Albertans by reducing demand on the system and therefore reducing the cost of electricity, but it is yet another reason why Alberta continues to be a destination of choice for investment.

"We are pleased that Bill 22 has been proclaimed and energy storage can now play a much larger role in delivering value to Alberta electricity consumers. Our members will deploy these innovative technologies to reduce power costs, support low-cost renewable integration, optimize wires investments and keep lights

on across the province." Vittoria Bellissimo, president and CEO, CanREA

By proclaiming the Electricity Statutes (Modernizing Alberta's Electricity Grid) Amendment Act, Alberta's government is following through on its commitment to wind-down the Balancing Pool and stand up for Alberta taxpayers. Further, the proclamation will allow the Minister of Affordability and Utilities to continue proactive transmission and distribution planning. Energy storage complements this proactive planning by providing non-wire solutions, reducing the need to build new infrastructure. This will maximize the use of Alberta's existing grid infrastructure while minimizing the need for costly upgrades, saving Alberta ratepayers their hard-earned dollars.

"Given that ATCO Electric's large and remote service territory spans more than two-thirds of the province but serves only 10 per cent of Alberta's population, it's crucial to continue our grid modernization efforts with new systems and technologies that can drive long-term affordability and reliability. That's why we are looking forward to working with the Government of Alberta – ensuring the implementation of Bill 22 and other energy initiatives continue to bring meaningful benefits to residential and industrial customers alike." Melanie Bayley, president, ATCO Electric

"As Alberta's largest electric distribution service provider, FortisAlberta supports Albertans in the ongoing energy transition every day. We are pleased to have been engaged in the government-led consultations that informed the province's new energy policies, and look forward to ensuring our customers continue to receive affordable and reliable service using innovative approaches to optimizing the grid." Janine Sullivan, president and CEO, FortisAlberta

Quick facts

Alberta currently has 190 MW of energy storage connected to the grid, with 398 MW more with approvals and 140 MW under construction. Energy storage currently connected to the grid often supplies contingency reserve services to support grid stability.

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Children in change is designed for children in grades three to five who have experienced parental separation or divorce. The session will provide an opportunity for children to interact with peers who have had similar challenges, share their thoughts and feelings in a safe environment and learn strategies for coping with change.

- ▶ **Dates:** Saturday, April 6, 2024.
- ▶ **Time:** 9:30 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.
- ▶ **Location:** Thorsby Family Resource Network Site, 4908 48 Street, Thorsby AB in the modular building across from the Arctic Spas Recreation Complex.
- ▶ **Spaces available:** minimum of eight registrants, maximum of 10.
- ▶ **Register:** contact Kristin at **780-955-6421** or kristin@leduc-county.com or register online at www.leduc-county.com/children-in-change.



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PROVIDING HOPE FOR STRUGGLING YOUTH

March 4, 2024 Alberta News

Alberta's government is committed to preventing youth suicide and improving the mental health and well-being of young people.

Youth suicides are unimaginable losses with long-lasting impacts on their loved ones and communities. To ensure those struggling have confidence that help is always available when they need it, Alberta's government is increasing funding for the Youth Suicide Prevention Grant Program by \$1 million. This brings total investment to more than \$4 million over the next two years.

"Youth deserve to feel heard, supported, valued and loved, especially when they are suffering. Alberta's government is proud to support the amazing work youth organizations across the province do to provide early intervention and youth suicide prevention supports, and to help ensure youth have a bright future." Searle Turton, Minister of Children and Family Services

A province-wide initiative, this program focuses on helping youth populations at increased risk and enhancing crucial community and suicide prevention supports. Grant funding will be distributed equitably to selected community organizations across the province that work to expand the capacity of existing suicide-prevention initiatives, or pilot new, innovative initiatives that address identified suicide-prevention gaps and unique community needs.

"Anyone facing mental health challenges or thinking about suicide deserves to know help is available and recovery is possible. The continuation of this funding will ensure access to these prevention services across the province." Dan Williams, Minister of Mental Health and Addictions

Since the grant launched in 2022, approximately 927 youth have been directly supported through the grant program, and more than 1,100 individuals have been provided with information and connected to mental health resources to support youth in their community.

The renewal of the program builds on the ongoing work government is doing to implement evidence-based interventions that address mental health and addictions and provide youth with hope of a better future.

"The work we have been able to accomplish at Y Mind Program thanks to our Youth Suicide Prevention Grant underscores the critical importance of investing in youth suicide prevention. This is a transformative seven-week mental wellness initiative tailored to youth aged 13-18 grappling with mild to moderate anxiety. We have

witnessed a profound shift in participants' well-being. The majority of youth emerge from the program with heightened resilience, experiencing a notable decrease in symptoms associated with generalized anxiety and reduced feelings of loneliness." Jackie McGowan, vice president, YMCA of Northern Alberta

Applications will open on March 4 and be issued on two-year terms starting July 1, 2024. The application deadline is April 15, 2024.

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Our energetic committee has been working hard behind the scenes to coordinate the contractor, the cowboys, and the stock to provide you with yet another exciting rodeo! Without the help of our volunteers and sponsor support, our New Weekend May 25th & 26th, 2024 Rodeo would not be what it is today.

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

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

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

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When he started to raise hogs a few years ago, Allan had no idea that it would end up that he was the talk of the town, the province, actually, the entire industry for that matter. What started out as basically a side hustle, turned out to be a major operation.

Whether it was the feed mixture, the care that Allan put into raising these little porkers, or whether it was the location of the treed farmland, something was working. He was now considered to be one of the top hog producers in the country with the choicest stock.

He spent many hours each day keeping things operating smoothly and his routine was kept so precise that you could just about set your watch to his chore schedule.

Every hog farmer has their own unique way of calling their hogs. Some whistle, some bang on the feed cans, and some call out their "code" word. Allan called in his hogs by banging his wooded staff on the wooden troughs he had made.

It was comical to see hundreds of these large and small pigs scurry and race through the fields and out from the wooded areas to get the food first. The sounds of their delighted squeals could be heard all over the neighbouring countryside. By the looks of the larger hogs it was apparent that they never missed their dinner.

All was going well on Allan's farm, that is until he had some unexpected guests. A few large woodpeckers had decided to make this forest their home. As the woodpeckers would peck away at the large old trees from various places in the forest, the pigs would hear the knocking and assume that it was time to eat. They ran from one tree to another hoping to find the food that they were accustomed to eating when the farmer would bang on the trough with his stick.

It wasn't long before the hogs became scrawny and disoriented. When Allan banged to the trough in the days ahead, the response was slow, at best.

How many of God's children become scrawny from running here and there and everywhere, to hear the words they want to hear? Words that will affirm their way of thinking, whether right or wrong. They may run to anything that has the sound of God's truth, but unfortunately, not everything that sounds right, is right.

Someone may be banging about one certain doctrine here, another banging about something else over there. *"I go to this church because the pastor never speaks about anything but love and acceptance."* *"I will go to this church until the pastor says anything that I do not like or agree with, then I will just find another church."*

People who go through their lives like this are confused and unsettled, never able to find fulfillment in their life. Ephesians chapter 4 tells us that the local pastor is to help people to be prepared for His service, leading them into spiritual maturity.

"Then they will no longer be infants, tossed back and forth by the waves, and blown here and there by every wind of teaching (doctrine) and by the cunning and craftiness of men in their deceitful scheming. Instead, speaking the truth in love, we will in all things grow up into Him who is the Head, that is Christ." Ephesians 4:14-15. If God's Word says it, it's true. Do not take man's word over God's. God cannot lie!



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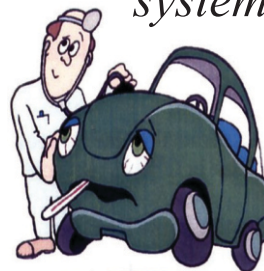
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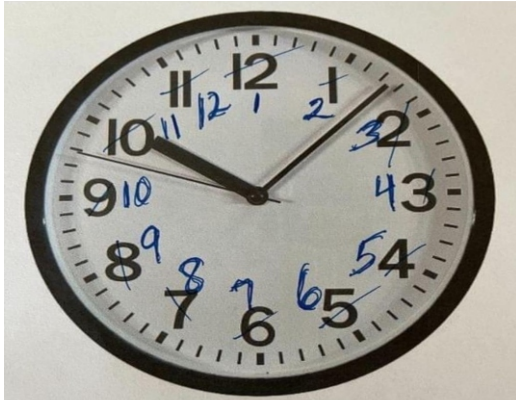
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dust, you will
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It could be
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BUCK LAKE



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