

LOCAL CELEBRITY RETIRES FROM CISN

written by Shawna Ofstie, pictures and quotes taken from Chris Scheetz Facebook

Chris Scheetz, everyone's favourite morning show host on CISN Country 103.9 FM announced that he will be leaving the station on his 35th Anniversary. *"May 10th* 1989 I started with CISN COUNTRY 103.9 at the age of 18. It's been the only radio station I have ever worked at. May 10th 2024 on my 35th anniversary I've decided to close this chapter of my life". says Chris in his Facebook post on March 27.

Along with Chris's cohosts Jack and Matt, he entertains us with his stories and quick wit and we love it when he talks about his family and his roots right here in Thorsby. His involvement in raising money for so many worthy organizations is commendable. A humble man who has made а huge

That's my real head and 2 of my favorite people on the planet





One of the best days with my favorite person (next to Garth)



This was top 10 best days of a young announcers life

difference in many lives. Chris expressed how thankful he was for each one of the amazing listeners in an emotional recorded video message shared on Facebook "It's never been about me or anyone else on this side of the speakers, it's always been about you, you are CISN Country. You've always been there for me. You helped me when I was in a tractor during the drought and followed me to the border for the farmers, donated tens of millions for Edmonton's less fortunate at Hope Mission and the beautiful children at the Stollery. You helped change so many lives including the lives of my family" Chris also wanted his listeners to know "I'd much rather leave a little early than stay way too long....And very

importantly I also want to stress I am not retiring. We are not there financially unless you listen to Matt, and I'm not there in spirit. I'm only 53 and have many more exciting things planned and other things I don't even know about yet"

"No words can describe how thankful I am that I've had a chance to live out this dream. As sad as this day is, I am also looking forward to the next chapter of my life with new challenges and dreams from a work perspective and most importantly our first grandchild. Our kids Baillie and Renato are expecting in early August".

Thank you for all you have done and I know you are not finished yet so good luck with your future endeavours, you will be missed.

Warburg school gives big

top: Wayne Martel right), principal of Varburg school, preients Chris Scheetz of ZISN FM with a cheque for \$3,500 for the release if superintendent John Bole. All money raised will go toward the Say Hay fund, helping to support drought strick-

Below right Joe Scragg, Canadian Tire store manager (left) presents Jan Deters, Leduc and District Food Bank manager with a \$1300 cheque. The store donated a portion of the proceeds from an auction to help stock shelves at the food bank.



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Sudoku Answers from March 22 Issue

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



VILLAGE OF WARBURG

SUMMER PUBLIC WORKS EMPLOYMENT

The Village of Warburg is looking for a motivated post-secondary school student who is looking to gain valuable work experience over the summer. Commencing May 1st to August 30th, 2024, the following opportunity is available. *Please note we may consider a secondary/high school student for the months of July and August.*

The incumbent will be responsible for general labor duties including but not limited to the upkeep of the Village's parks, park facilities and public spaces; inspecting playgrounds, vegetation control, and will require the operation of light equipment. The incumbent should be able to operate small equipment such as: weed whippers, mowing tractors and other hand-held equipment used in public works operations. Please note that a valid Driver's License is essential.

This is an exceptional learning opportunity for an individual who is capable of working autonomously and who possesses a keen willingness to learn. If you are a responsible, reliable and motivated individual who is eager to help our community and gain valuable experience along the way – Apply Now!

DEADLINE for Applications: 4:00 p.m. on April 19th, 2024

Applications will be accepted in person at the Village of Warburg Municipal Office, emailed or mail to:

Village of Warburg Attn: Chris Pankewitz, Municipal Administrator Box 29, Warburg AB TOC 2T0 Email: <u>office@warburg.ca</u> Phone: 780-848-2841



Employment Opportunities

Casual basis Guard positions with the Commissionaires at the RCMP Detachment in Thorsby/Breton.

Guards/Matrons are responsible for the monitoring and well-being of prisoners while in the care of the Police.

Applicants must pass an RCMP clearance, be capable of working independently, do shift work, must be available for shifts on a casual basis and able to legally work in Canada

First Aid and CPR is an asset.

Please email resume to: rcmphr@commissionaires.ab.ca







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

<u>March 29 to April 1</u> - Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex lobby Closed for Mechanical Maintenance

<u>March 29</u> - Way of the Cross walk/ride in the Arctic Spas Recreation Complex Parking Lot at 1pm

March 29 - Divine Liturgy on Good Friday at St. John The Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church in Thorsby at 11:30 a.m. For further information, contact Dan at 780-789-3698

<u>March 30</u> - Divine Liturgy on Saturday at St. John The Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church in Thorsby at 12pm. For further information, contact Dan at 780-789-3698

<u>March 31</u> - Easter Sunday Services - Our Lady of Victory at 9am, St Matthews Lutheran at 10:30am and New Life Christian Fellowship at 10:30am.

<u>April 5</u> - **Pub Night at Rundle's Mission** 7pm to 10:30pm, no charge, Cards, snacks, and fun! Drinks available to purchase.

<u>April 6</u> - Gord Bamford Canadian Dirt Tour 2024 at Warburg Community Center. Go to <u>www.showpass.com/gord-bamford-</u> <u>canadian-dirt-tour-warburg-ab/</u> 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! Tickets \$30, at Breton & Warburg FCSS or <u>fcss@breton.ca</u>

<u>April 13</u> - 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 <u>fcss@thorsby.ca</u> or 780-789-4004 to purchase.

April 18 - Mulhurst Bay Quilt Club, Ladies Day Luncheon at Mulhurst Bay Community Hall. Tickets must be purchased in advance-\$45, Darlene 780-389-3747 or cell 780-914-0923

April 19 - **Go Girl Conference** at Arctic Spas Recreation Complex. For all girls aged 7+ years - \$60. Watch Facebook for registration and information.

April 19 - Warburg Volunteer Appreciation. at the Warburg Community Hall. Tickets at the Village office \$20 for Volunteers or \$30 for non volunteers. Call 780-848-2828 for info.

April 19- Pub Night at Rundle's Mission 7pm to 10:30pm, no charge, Cards, snacks, and fun! Drinks available to purchase.

April 19 - Pub Night at the Warburg Legion 5pm - 10pm.

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<u>April 21</u> - Pancake Breakfast at the Warburg Legion at 8:30am.\$10 per plate, 5 and under free.

<u>May 4</u> - Cookie Run - Run, Walk, Roll for Costello in Thorsby. Chance to win Taylor Swift Tickets in Toronto on Nov 14 with \$1000 West Jet Gift Card and 2 nights accommodation. www.raceroster.com/events/2024/86181/cookie-run

<u>May 6</u> - Thorsby 4H Beef Show & Sale at the Haymakers Arena. Starts at 5:30pm.

<u>May 18 - Thorsby May Long Family Fun event – 12pm-4pm</u> Free family event with entertainment & activities. More information to follow.

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

Pick up your FREE "Community Connections" booklet

at the Breton Village Office, Brazeau County Office, CE Media Thorsby, Leduc County Office, Thorsby Town Office, Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex and the Warburg Village Office

Or go online to <u>www.community39.com</u>

You will find information on our local communities including maps, contacts, rental facilities, community groups and supports and more....

Thorsby Seniors Crib Results!

March 25th crib scores:

1st - Eugene Senio - 950 2nd - Nestor Dopko - 933

3rd - Tied by Marvin Wagar & Lloyd Snider - 924 High Hand of 20 was also tied by Marvin Wagar & Nestor Dopko

CONGRATULATIONS GENTLEMEN ON YOUR WINNING SCORES!

Next crib event will take place on April 1st (April Fools Day), Monday, at 1:30 pm Thorsby Seniors Center, Admission: \$6 *Good day to get fooled!*



THE WAY OF THE CROSS

Friday March 29 | 1:00 pm | Arctic Spa's Recreation Complex parking lot

Join the community as we gather to commemorate Good Friday with meditation and a walk/ride through our town

An outreach by the ecumenical faith community



Join any of our March 31st Easter Sunday services:

Our Lady of Victory @ 9:00 am St. Matthews Lutheran @ 10:30 am New life Christian Fellowship @ 10:30 am



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

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

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

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

Parent & Tot Drop In (Thorsby) on Mondays from 10-11am at the FRN Site in Thorsby. Games, activities & more.

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) - Mondays at 9am, Thorsby Seniors Centre. Jane 780-789-3789 or Cheryl 780-848-7673

TUESDAYS

<u>Family Bingo</u> - Tuesdays @ 6:30 at the Mulhurst Legion #246. <u>Music Jam Session</u> 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

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

<u>Seniors Bowling</u> - Tuesdays at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex at 1pm (5)

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

<u>Coffee-Time</u> - every Tuesday morning 9:30-11:30 am in the lodge at Rundle's Mission. Bring a friend!

WEDNESDAYS

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

 $\underline{\textbf{Cards}}$ at the Warburg Seniors Centre at 1pm every Wednesday

<u>Pickleball</u> - Every Wednesday from 7-9pm at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Recreation Complex

 $\underline{\textbf{Songs For Toddlers}}$ 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)

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

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

THURSDAYS

Bingo at the Thorsby Seniors Centre every Thursday at 7pm

Bus to Leduc from Cloverleaf: (\$8) weekly on Thursday at 9:00am. Call Kim at 780-848-7717 for more info.

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

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

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

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

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

FRIDAYS

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

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

<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.

 $\underline{Music Jam}$ - at the Warburg Seniors Centre on the 1st Friday of the month from 1-4pm by donation. Call 780-389-4104

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

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

<u>Thorsby Music Jam</u> - at Thorsby Community Centre on the 3rd Saturday of the month from 1-4pm. Call 780-789-2180.

SUNDAYS

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

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

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THORSBY TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

Tuesday, April 9th | C.O.W | 7:00-8:30pm

Tuesday, April 23rd | Regular | 7:00-8:30pm

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



Elizabeth Kugyelka

April 21, 1940 – March 21, 2024

The family of Elizabeth Kugyelka, 83, announce with profound sadness her unexpected passing on March 21, 2024 in Victoria, BC.

Elizabeth was born to Hungarian immigrants Jim & Mary Vidok. She grew up on a farm in the Breton area, attended school at Funnell and Breton High Schools, and married John Kugyelka in 1958. They settled on a farm located ½ mile from where each grew up.

Over the next 55 years, Elizabeth worked alongside John and developed their land into a thriving family farm. Additionally, she worked away from the farm at the Breton M & M, and eventually partnered in opening the Village Variety Store in Breton. Elizabeth was a passionate gardener and shared her knowledge, as well as abundant harvest of fruit, vegetables & flowers, and won many awards at local agricultural fairs. She liked to keep busy and was an avid crafter & sewer.

In her later years, her passion was making quilts which have been shared with friends, family and her communities, and she enjoyed meeting people through involvement in several quilter's guilds. Elizabeth valued her participation and the friendships she made through the Breton Royal Purple, Breton Historical Society and life-time association with the United Church.

Elizabeth was the proud mother of 3 children, and together with John, taught them the value of hard work, dedication and integrity. She valued her heritage and exemplified the frugal and strong work ethic of her generation.

In 2015, Elizabeth and John settled in Sidney, BC. She became involved with her new community, while continuing to cherish her memories and maintain close ties with her many long-time friends from the Breton area. Her penmanship was extraordinary and she loved to keep in touch with handwritten letters.

Elizabeth is survived by her children, Sandra (Dan) Rochon, Douglas (Stacey) Kugyelka, and Janet Kugyelka (Kevin Hodgson); grandson David, and step-grandchildren Ian & Farleigh. Predeceased by her much-loved husband John, in 2018.

Interment will take place at the Breton Cemetery at 1:00 pm April 5, 2024 with reception to follow at the Breton Community Center.

In lieu of flowers, the family requests donations be made to the CNIB, www.CNIB.ca or charity of your choice.

We express our sincere gratitude for the exemplary and compassionate care provided by the Emergency Responders in Sidney and the staff at Victoria General Hospital.

We will miss her dearly.

Condolences may be sent to: www.affinityfuneralservice.ca Arrangements in care of Terri Shimenosky at: Affinity Funeral Service 5001 - 45 Avenue, Drayton Valley, Alberta T7A 1L1 780-542-3338





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Volunteer Opportunity

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Drive Happiness is looking for generous and compassionate individuals to volunteer their time driving seniors.

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To become a volunteer, you'll need to provide the following:

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- copy of full class 5 driver's licence and another form of governmental ID
- proof of registration
- proof of insurance

You are literally driving happiness, and that's something to smile about. To volunteer, download an application form at <u>drivehappiness.ca</u> or call 780-424-5438.

Upcoming sessions

Registration is required for all upcoming sessions. Call us at 780-979-2385 or 1-888-301-FCSS to learn more.

E-Prep Emergency Preparedness Workshop

What is E-Prep? The intent of this workshop is to encourage individuals to discuss, explore, discover and develop their own personal emergency preparedness plan. E-Prep is an interactive and educational workshop with a step-by-step approach to create a personalized preparedness kit while focusing on mental health and emotional wellness for both individuals and communities.

Date: Thursday, May 9 **Time:** 6 to 8 p.m. **Location:** Online via Zoom

Navigating Parenting Through Separation and Divorce

Navigating co-parenting through separation and divorce can indeed be challenging, but with the right tools and strategies it is possible to foster healthy communication and prioritize the needs of the children. This session will ensure that we are able to manage the emotions involved in this process while ensuring we develop effective communication and conflict resolution strategies that allow for a co-parenting process that respects all parental parties and prioritizes the needs of the children. Participants in this session will leave with skills and strategies that allow them to manage the challenges of co-parenting with a former partner.

Date: Tuesday, May 7 **Time:** 6:30 to 8:30 p.m.

Location: Coast Nisku Inn & Conference Centre (1101 4 Street, Nisku, AB)

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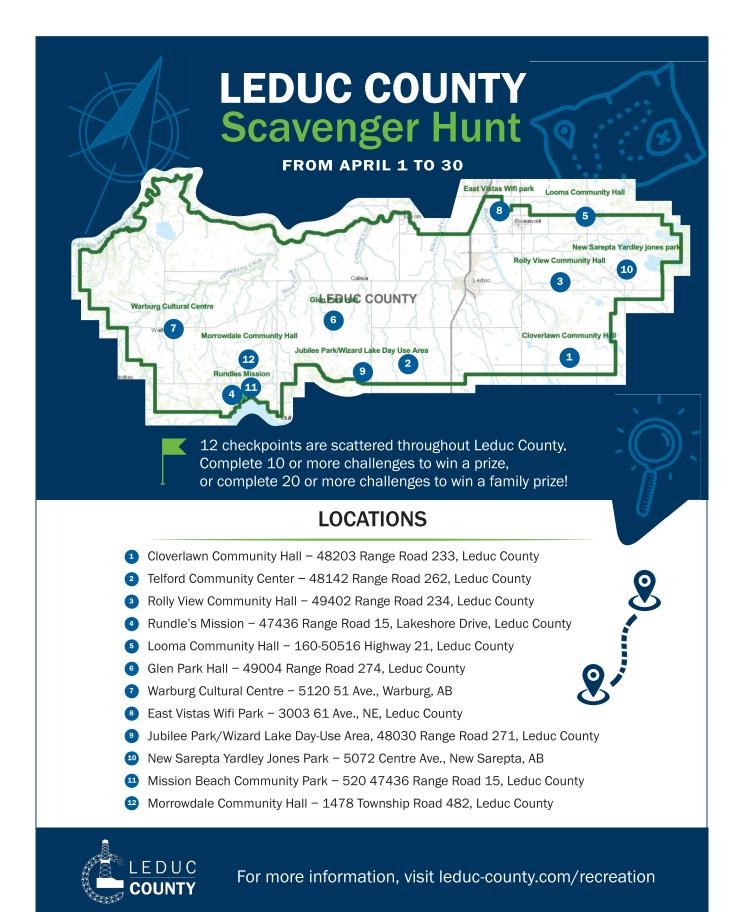
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submitted by Paula Bosse Please visit us during our weekday hours of Tuesday 10:00 AM - 6:00 PM, Wednesday 12:00 Noon - 6:00 PM, Thursday 12:00 Noon - 7:00 PM, Friday 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM, Saturdays 10:00am - 1:00pm.

The Board and Staff of the Thorsby Library want to wish everyone a happy Easter.

The library will be closed through the Easter long weekend: Friday, March 29th through Monday, April 1st. We will reopen Tuesday, April 2nd.

Starting Wednesday, April 3 we invite anyone who wishes to improve their English language skills to join our English Conversation Circle and More, at the library starting at 6:00. If you or someone you know could benefit from this program, contact the library at 780 789 3808 to sign up, or simply come to the library to join.

If you or someone you know is regularly having difficulty accessing the library to borrow or return books for reasons that go beyond simple convenience, please call or email the library. We are working to establish a regular outreach service for individuals who could benefit from our help as the need arises.

Calling all seniors... if you are interested in having input into the library's programming and planning for seniors, we would very much appreciate hearing from you. The plan is to create a seniors' advisory group to help the library improve its services to the seniors of Thorsby and district. We would meet once a month to set goals, review progress, and enjoy tea and snacks. Call or email the library if you are interested in participating.

Exciting things are happing at the library in April!

The very popular Leathercraft Makerspace is returning, so if you want to experiment with leatherwork, and maybe even make yourself a change purse, medicine pouch or bracelet, come down to play, explore and create.

Our regular programs are running:

- Fun with Friends Storytime every Friday morning, 10:30-11:30
- Library After School Adventures Wednesday, April 10, 3:30-4:30
- And Teen Time Wednesday, April 24, 3:30-4:30

On Saturday April 20 from 1:00 – 2:30 we invite everyone to an all ages Spring Tea with Garden Talk and seed sharing. There will be fun garden related activities, tea (of course) both hot and iced, and snacks to enjoy. As a special treat we will be sharing the excitement of a new book just published by local author I. D. Foster, "Not Just a Man's World Anymore". Lots to share and enjoy as we welcome the start of the growing season, even if the growing is happening largely indoors. See you at the library



HOOF, PAW, AND CLAW: EMERGENCY READINESS FOR SMALL SCALE LIVESTOCK OWNERS

Online presentation

- **Date:** Wednesday, April 17
- **Time:** 10:30 to 11:30 a.m.
- Location: online through Zoom
- Registration is required

Unable to attend? After the event, a recorded version of the presentation will be available on our website along with other valuable information and links to help you be prepared.

For more information, contact Leduc County Fire Services at **780-955-2212** or **fireservices@leduc-county.com**.

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NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING To Adopt Bylaw 03-24 Revisions to the Leduc County Municipal Development Plan TUESDAY, APRIL 9 AT 2:15 P.M.

Leduc County Council proposes to adopt Bylaw 03-24 revisions to the Leduc County Municipal Development Plan. The Municipal Development Plan sets out guidelines for orderly growth and development in the County for the next 30 years. The revised Municipal Development Plan incorporates recently approved legislation such as the Regional Agricultural Master Plan, and feedback received from the public during recent consultations. Upon adoption of the revised Municipal Development Plan, **Bylaw 08-19** (the existing Municipal Development Plan) will be repealed.

Details of the proposed bylaw can be found on the County's website or on *yoursayleduccounty.com/mdp.* Information can also be requested by contacting **Jordan Evans, Manager – Regional and Long Range Planning, Planning and Development** at **780-979-6176** or **jordan@leduc-county.com.** A public hearing on the proposed plan will be held at the regular Council meeting on **Tuesday, April 9, 2024 at 2:15 p.m.** Written or oral submissions can be made by any person who claims to be affected, or from any other person Council agrees to hear from.

If you want to speak at the public hearing, you must pre-register by **Thursday, March 28, 2024 by 4:30 p.m.** You can pre-register at *www.yoursayleduccounty.com/mdp* or you can contact the legislative coordinator at

780-770-9259 or joyceg@leduc-county.com.

To watch a livestream of the public hearing, visit calendar.leduc-county.com/meetings on April 9 at 2:15 p.m.

Comments relating to this amendment may be submitted online at yoursayleduccounty.com/mdp, by email to jordan@leduc-county.com, by mail to 101-1101 5 Street, Nisku, AB T9E 2X3, or by fax to 780-979-6176. Comments must be received by Thursday, March 28, 2024, by 4:30 p.m.



If you make a written submission, the information you provide may be made public, subject to the provisions of the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act.



THORSBY JR/SR HIGH SCHOOL

from Black Gold School Division Facebook



Shaelee Landry, a student from Thorsby Junior Senior High School, is currently taking Interpersonal Relationships and Communication this semester through Lethbridge College.

When asked for feedback about her experience, this is what Shaelee had to say: "My course has been going really well so far. I have been very interested in the material and have already learned so much in the first three weeks. So far I've really been enjoying taking a college level course and I'm very grateful for the opportunity".

#BGSD's Dual Credit is a program where high school students can earn both high school credits and post secondary credits at the same time, saving them time and money in the future. If you're interested in taking a Dual Credit course, contact your school principal or counselor.



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Editorial

Welcome to our first edi-tion. I know it isn't much, but we had to start somewhere. The idea for the Village Voice came about over the past few years from hearing people talk about our not getting proper or sufficient coverage from other newspapers. One of the main problems in putting together a newspaper for an area like ours is that there usually is not enough 'hard news' to make it worthwhile. As you can see, in this edition there is no hard news, just the comings and goings of our local residents and a few items of general interest. Hopefully, last as we become known we will become involved in more of what is happening around our area. If you are aware of anything that you feel would interest your freinds and neighbours then please let us know and we will do our best

to let everyone know about it. In order for a newspaper to survive it must have enough advertising to pay for itself. When the decision was finally made to start this venture I was afraid the business communities would not agree on the need for a local paper. I was very mistaken, The reception from the business people in all areas has been nothing short of fantastic. Just remember, if it wasn't for the advertisers we wouldn't have a

Village Voice to all residents and businesses in zones 5, 6 and 7 of the County, which includes everything from the township line 3 miles east of Thorsby north to the river, west to the river and south along the Wetaskiwin county line. We are also including the mailing districts of Winfield and R.R. No. 1 Westrose. Should you know of anyone ever not receiving our paper please call us and we will make sure they get one. You can expect to get your paper on the Wednesday and Thursday of every month. If for any reason it is late then check around at some of the local stores. Copies will be left at many retail outlets for your convenience.

It is our sincerest desire to serve as a communication device for all residents of our distribution area and we will try and keep you up to date on any issues of importance. But it is also up to you, the reader, to let us know what is going on in your area so we may go out and get the facts and information. Without your help we will not be aware of the issues and everyone else will remain in the dark. If you let this happen and someone ends up on the short end then don't blame anyone but yourself. WE WILL

From the Reeve

Doug Smith, Reeve,

County of Leduc No. 25

Hi folks. I would like to take this opportunity to wish you all the very best in health, happiness and success in 1981.

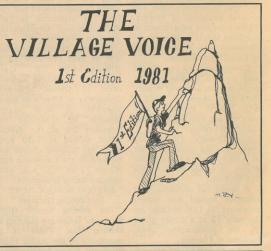
I would also like to wish the editor and staff of the Village Voice every success in their new venture. I an sure they will play a very important part in the improvement of communication in our area.

The role of Counsellor is not all glory and prestige. Though it may seem at times your counsellor has gone on holidays or just vanished, he is constantly working for your best interests as he sees them. We are all busy with Road Programs, graveling, dust control, snow removal, fire suppression, agricultural needs and problems, recreational concerns, education, health care, residential developments, transportation, hazardous waste control, every day wastes and sewage disposal, pollution control and many more items and committees.

The role as Reeve of the County has taken up a little more of my time and certainly added more responsibility. However, I still need to meet and talk with you on a person to person basis. If you have any concerns or problems please call me at 696-2421 or 986-2251 or Zenith 22128. If I am not available at the time leave a message and phone number and I will do my best to get back to you.

I hope to carry a column in the Village Voice on a regular basis on the issues at hand. Next month I will go more into the road program, vocational education, fire suppression and how the L.A.B. recommendations could affect us.

print anything of value and general interest so long as we can verify it. We will never attempt to cover anything up. We owe no allegiance to anyone except our readers. Even the advertisers can not sway us in what we print. So help us help you. Let us know what is going on. We will check it out and make sure everyone else learns the truth.



LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Are welcome from readers who have a valid point to make about something in our area.

If you have, or know of someone who has something to say then sent it to us at:

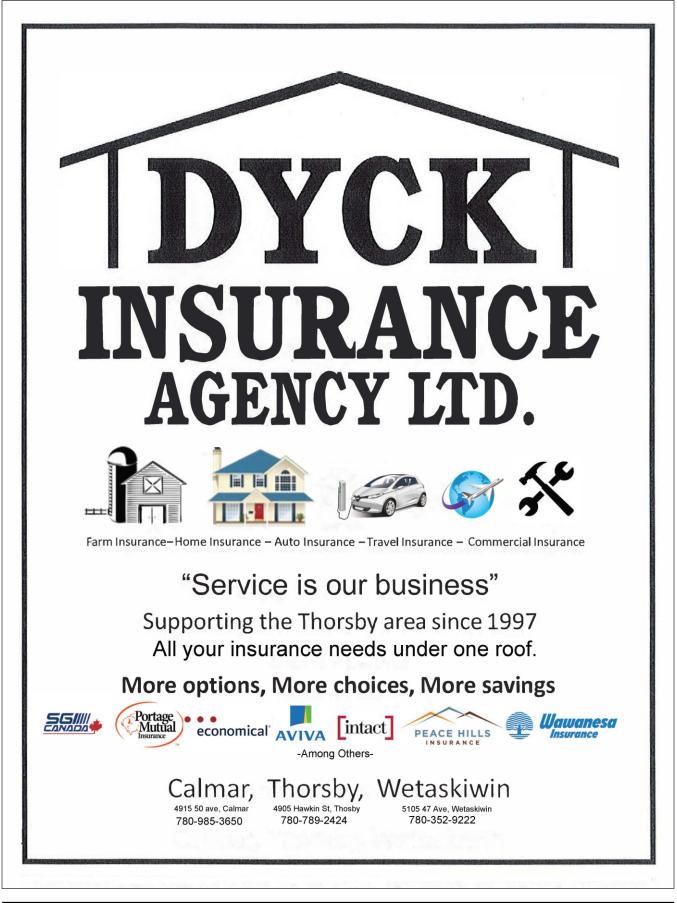
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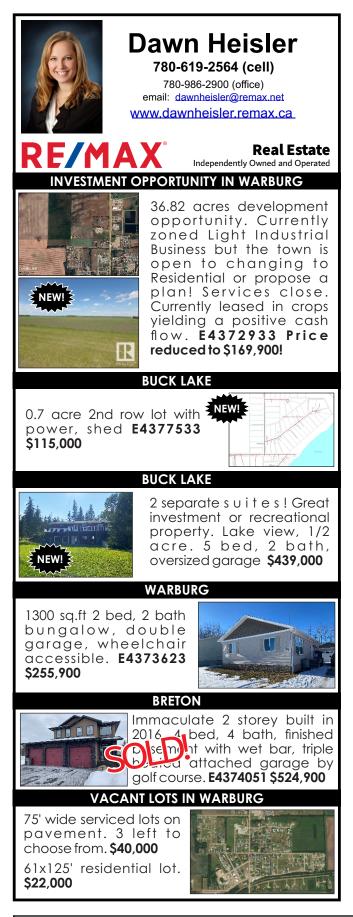
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NOT-FOR-PROFIT 2023 AWARD

submitted by the Leduc Regional Housing Foundation

On March 9th, Leduc Regional Housing Foundation was awarded Not-for-Profit of 2023 by the Leduc, Nisku and Wetaskiwin Regional Chamber of Commerce. It is was an absolute honour to recognized amongst so many valuable organizations in the Leduc Region.



Margot Hagarty, Executive Director, Kathy Barnhart, Board Chair, and Jesse Hill of Tier 3 IT Solutions, presenting sponsor of the award.

Leduc Regional Housing Foundation currently provides affordable housing to over 1300 families and individuals throughout the Leduc Region through the administration and management of five different housing programs. In January of 2022, projections indicated the core housing need in all seven of our municipalities within the Leduc Region will collectively require affordable housing for over 660 more households by 2032. In 2023, Leduc Regional Housing Foundation was able to reduce this requirement by nearly 19%; providing housing for an addition 124 household through the building of Gaetz Landing II and additional funding for rent supplement. But this is so much more work to be done.

Leduc Regional Housing Foundation's 2nd Annual Housing is the Key Fundraising Breakfast is April 18, 2024 at the Coast Nisku Inn & Conference Centre. This year's event will feature a silent auction, live auction, and

a 50/50 raffle sponsored by the Rotary Club of Nisku-Leduc. Tickets are available through the Leduc, Nisku and Wetaskiwin Regional Chamber of Commerce (www.yourchamber.ca). Funds raised at this event will go towards the bricks and mortar of new Leduc Regional Housing Foundation initiatives.



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Sunday, March 31, 2024

Easter Service 10:30 Guest Speaker Keith Trump

All are welcome to join us for any session and lunch or come for your choice of session.



Guest Speakers Keith & Lori Trump

A native of Carmel, Indiana, Keith Trump founded Living Truth Church in 2003. He continues to lead this thriving ministry. Prior to founding Living Truth, Keith ministered in churches throughout the United States as well as oversees in both Nicaragua and Haiti. Keith has an overflowing passion for teaching the whole Word of God. The Lord took him through many years of preparation in order to accomplish this endeavor. In addition to graduating from Rhema Bible Training Center, Keith holds BA degrees from Evangel University in both Biblical Studies and Missions. He also has a Master of Divinity degree from Assemblies of God Theological Seminary. While at Evangel, Keith earned multiple honors such as Outstanding Greek Student, the Zondervan Medal of Achievement For Outstanding Greek Studies, the American Bible Society Scholars

Award, the highest distinction of Outstanding Biblical Studies Graduate, and many other scholarships. During his time at seminary, Keith received the prestigious Presidential Scholarship for each of his years of study. In addition to Hebrew and Aramaic studies, he continued to pursue advanced level Greek courses.

In early 2014, the Lord spoke the following to Keith: "Over the course of church history, I have called some to get my Word into the language of the people—they received a commission to translate the Scriptures into a language that the people could understand— Now, I am calling you to get my people into the language of my Word: Greek and Hebrew. You will go around the world with these biblical language seminars. Now, go and do it!" In obedience to this command, Keith began teaching the Getting Greek Seminars on a regular basis. He has taught these truths to church leaders across the US, in Canada, Dominican Republic, England, Ireland, France, Poland, the Netherlands, Switzerland, Luxembourg, Belgium, Germany, Italy, Russia, Lebanon, Bulgaria, Israel, and, of course, Greece.

Throughout his ministry, Keith's greatest partner remains his wife of over 30 years, Lori. Together, they have four children ranging in ages from 13 to 30 and three grandchildren. Keith's closest mentors include Dr. Bob Lemon, Rev. Tony Cooke, and Pastor Rick Renner.

We will be having free refreshments and lunch. Please come out and join us as we learn to live in the Power of God.

We are located on the Southwest side of Breton 4507-52 St.



RED DEER RCMP WARN PUBLIC OF TEXTING SCAM

March 22. 2024 RCMP News Release

Red Deer RCMP are warning about a new text message scam involving speeding violation tickets.

Red Deer RCMP, along with other police agencies, have received reports of a new scam that is circulating throughout Canada. The scam involves the victim receiving a text message stating that their vehicle has been detected exceeding the speed limit and has a link to a website to pay a ticket. Do not click on the link and do not make any payments to the website.

Red Deer RCMP would like to remind the public that no government or police organization issues tickets via text messaging. If you receive any suspicious text messages do not reply and do not click any links. If you are unsure if a message or phone call is fraudulent, RCMP encourage you to contact the person/business/organization to

If you suspect you have been a victim of fraud, please contact Red Deer RCMP at 403-406-2200 and the Canadian Anti-Fraud Centre either by telephone 1-888-495-8501 or online at www.antifraudcentrecentreantifraude.ca. Victims of identity fraud should also report the incident to Canada's credit bureaus, Equifax and Transunion. 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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LEDUC WEST VOLUNTEER EXPO EVENT

Submitted by Leduc West Antique Society

The Leduc West Antique Society will be hosting a volunteer expo event on **Saturday, April 13th from 10am until 2pm at the Alberta Heritage Exposition Park site located just west of Leduc**. The 80-acre park is a fantastic hidden-gem within Alberta and hosts events year-round.

Society President, Kevin Eklund outlined a number of areas where volunteers can be involved. *"It doesn't matter if you are age 8 or 80 or anywhere in between, we are an entirely volunteer run organization and have opportunities in just about any area you can dream of."*

The park features numerous museums and collections of artifacts, historic buildings, and family-oriented activities and plays host to the Leduc Country Lights event each December. "During the summer we host a number of events open to the public and allow people to get up close with history", Eklund continued. "You can certainly learn a new skill or lend your abilities to a fantastic cause. Whether you're into mechanics and are interested in vintage cars and trucks, or if you are into photography or crafts and want to create something there is a place for you here."

The site includes a functioning Blacksmith shop (run by the Northern Alberta Blacksmith Guild), and has multiple museums on site displaying vintage trucks, farm equipment, models, and even has a train station and jigger train that operates during public events. A live outdoor performance stage on the site is the venue for concerts and other events throughout the summer season. Other opportunities include social media and marketing, IT support, collection cataloging, light maintenance, concession operations, woodworking, and tour guide positions.

The Alberta Heritage Exposition Park is located 4km



west of Leduc just north of Highway 39 on Cohne Dale Road (RR260).



Volunteers operating vintage threshing equipment at the Alberta Heritage Exposition Park



Volunteers working hard for tractor pull event at the Alberta Heritage Exposition Park



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Rising Taxes, Falling Services: Time for Change in Canada

Press Release March 11, 2024

As tax season arrives, Canadians are bracing for more than just the usual paperwork. Thanks to the Liberal government, this April 1st marks significant tax increases: a 2% excise tax on alcohol (increasing to an annual 4.7% in 2026) and a 23% increase in the carbon tax. These hikes are not just numbers on a page; they are real burdens on every Canadian household.

I wish to extend my deepest thanks to the many individuals across Yellowhead who responded to my previous OP-ED by sharing their heating bills. Your contributions have highlighted the outrageous cost of the carbon tax, underscoring the real-life impact of government policies on the cost of living.

These tax increases are part of an escalator tax mechanism, a strategy deployed by the Liberals that ensures annual tax hikes without parliamentary debate or vote. This automatic increase mechanism strips away any semblance of accountability or transparency in how we are taxed, essentially bypassing democratic processes.

The irony of these tax hikes is not lost on me; as Canadians pay more, the quality of government services does not improve—in fact, in many cases, it worsens. Since Trudeau was elected, the government bureaucracy has increased by over 100,000 employees, with spending on public services up by more than \$151 billion in that same period. Yet, Canadians are left asking: where is the value for our hard-earned taxpayer dollars?

Furthermore, ample evidence points to wasteful spending and mismanagement of taxpayer dollars, from the failed safe supply drug experiment that has tragically failed to address addiction, to scandals and corruption like ArriveCAN, which has seen taxpayer money funneled into the pockets of corrupt individuals within the government. These examples are not just fiscal missteps; they are betrayals of the public trust.

As we navigate this tax season, it's crucial to reflect on the broader implications of the NDP Liberal government's financial policies. It's evident that Canadians deserve better. We deserve a government that respects taxpayer dollars, invests wisely in public services, and ensures accountability for every dollar spent.

The Conservative vision is clear: a Canada where taxes are fair, government is accountable, and public services are efficient. I pledge to continue to fight for these ideals, ensuring that the voices of Yellowhead residents are heard loud and clear, and working towards a future where your hard-earned money is respected and wellutilized.

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AN OBITUARY FOR FATHER TIME...ABSOLUTELY DEAD BRILLIANT

Today we mourn the passing of a beloved old friend. Common Sense, who has been with us for many years. No one knows for sure how old he was, since his birth records were long ago lost in bureaucratic red tape. He will be remembered as having cultivated such valuable lessons as:

- Knowing when to come in out of the rain.
- Why the early bird gets the warm.
- · Life isn't always fair.
- · And maybe it was my fault.

Common Senses lived by simple, sound financial policies (don't spend more than you can earn) and reliable strategies (adults, not children, are in charge).

His health began to deteriorate rapidly when wellintentioned but overbearing regulations were set in place. Reports of a 6-year-old boy charged with sexual harassment for kissing a classmate.

Teens suspended from school for using mouthwash after lunch; and a teacher fired for reprimanding an unruly student, only worsened his condition.

Common Sense lost ground when parents attacked teachers for doing the job that they themselves had failed to do in disciplining their unruly children.

It declined even further when schools were required to get parental consent to administer sun lotion or an aspirin to a student; but could not inform parents when a student became pregnant and wanted to have an abortion.

Common Sense lost to will live as the churches became businesses; and criminals receive better treatment than their victims.

Common Sense took a beating when you couldn't defend yourself from a burglar in your own home and the burglar could sue you for assault.

Common Sense finally gave to the will to live after a woman failed to realize that a steaming cup of coffee was hot. She spilled a little in her lap and was promptly

awarded a huge settlement.

Common Sense was preceded in death by his parents, Truth and Trust...By his wife, Discretion...By his daughter, Responsibility...And by his son, Reason.

He is survived by his 5 stepchildren....I know my Rights.

I want it Now....Someone Else is to Blame...I'm a Victim... Pay me for Doing Nothing

Not many attended his funeral because, so few realized he was gone.

If you still remember him, pass this on. If not join the majority and do nothing

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