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Thorsby, Warburg & Area NEWS

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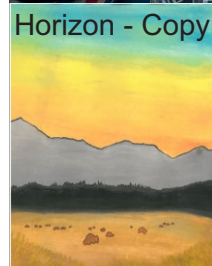
## COLORS OF YOUTH ART CONTEST WINNERS

*Submitted by Grade 6 Teacher, Tristyn Lefebvre*

MLA Andrew Boitchenko had a Colors of Drayton Valley-Devon Youth Art Contest and two students in my class were the winners: **Tessa Lehman and Mia Vass.**

Andrew Boitchenko visited our classroom to deliver their prizes and chat about democracy as we cover it in the grade 6 Social Studies curriculum.

Tessa and Mia will also get a personalized visit and day with Andrew Boitchenko at the legislature.



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# Classifieds

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[familymediationcentreofcanada.ca](http://familymediationcentreofcanada.ca)

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You can drop off your ads at CE MEDIA - 4928 Hankin Street in Thorsby, at the Warburg Village Office, call 780-434-7446 or email [media@community39.com](mailto:media@community39.com)

## GARAGE SALES

**ESTATE GARAGE SALE** - May 17-20, table saw, grinders, chop saw, water bowls, heat tapes, 2 bottom plows, exercise bike, propane heater, doors, windows, and more. 50450 RR1 or call 780-789-2151

## EMPLOYMENT

**LOOKING FOR HELP** to video and set up for dog agility runs for training purposes. \$12.50/hr. plus travel - located near Thorsby. No experience required. Contact Nancy at [njmcken19@gmail.com](mailto:njmcken19@gmail.com)

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**Happy 50<sup>th</sup> Birthday**



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*Sudoku Answers  
from May 3 Issue*

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

# SENIORS SERVICES



*Could they be a benefit to you?*

Seniors Services provides preventative social programs that assist seniors and adults with disabilities in maintaining their independence and enhancing their quality of life.

## Housekeeping subsidy

Provides access to affordable housekeeping services through a partnership with local service providers.

To be eligible for the housekeeping subsidy, you must:

- ▶ Be a senior (65+) or an adult with a disability or inability to complete household task.
- ▶ Meet annual income thresholds.
- ▶ Be a resident of Leduc County (including New Sarepta), Calmar, Thorsby or Warburg.

Housekeeping fees are determined based on family income level and eligibility to other subsidies. Seniors who are eligible for subsidy from the Government of Alberta will be assisted with applications.



## Seniors Services also offers one-to-one support to assist you with:

- ▶ Information and referrals to other local resources.
- ▶ Assistance with forms and applications.
- ▶ Advocacy and coordination of services.
- ▶ Goal setting and future planning.

For more information or to access any of these programs, please contact Leduc County FCSS seniors services coordinator at **780-955-4554**.



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# Mother's Day Tea Party

*Celebrate moms for the amazing job they do ~ invite girlfriends, sisters, aunts, grandmas & MOMS to an old-fashioned SPRING TEA*

**May 11**

**SATURDAY**

**1 pm – 4 pm**

**Thorsby Community Centre**

**Monetary Donation Would Be Appreciated**

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

**May 10 - Strawberry Tea Fundraiser** at the Calmar & District Senior Citizens Club from 9am - 3pm. \$8 per piece, Contact Terry at 587-3636 or [tbalaban@telus.net](mailto:tbalaban@telus.net)

**May 11 - Mother's Day Tea Party** at the Thorsby Community Centre from 1-4pm. Monetary donations appreciated. Sponsored by the Thorsby Cultural & Historical Society.

**May 11 - Community Yard Sale** in the Breton Community Hall from 10am - 2pm. Tables are \$5. To book a table call the Breton Village office at 780-696-3636 or email [admin@breton.ca](mailto:admin@breton.ca)

**May 11 - Ride for Mom** - Starts at Blackjacks Roadhouse in Leduc. Go to [www.rideformom.ca](http://www.rideformom.ca) for information or registration. Raising money for Leduc Victim Services. Bikers will stop in Breton at the Community Yard Sale around 12pm

**May 12 - Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast** at Centrelodge from 8:30am - noon. Bring your mom and enjoy!

**May 12 - FREE Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast** at Lindale Hall from 9-11:30am.

**May 12 - Mother's Day Pancake Breakfast** from 8-11 am at the Mulhurst Bay Community Hall. Adults \$10, Children 7 to 12 years \$5. 6 and under FREE. Everyone Welcome- (cash only)

**May 13 - Town Tidy-Up Walk** from 3:30 - 4:30pm. Starting at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Recreation Complex. Clean up Thorsby then a snack provided back at the Complex.

**May 17-19 - Slow Pitch Tournament and Beer Gardens** at the Arctic Spas Rec Centre. Hosted by the Thorsby & District Chamber of Commerce

**May 18 - Thorsby May Long Family Fun event** – 12pm-4pm Free family event with entertainment & activities, Parade and more at the Arctic Spas Rec Complex. Contact Kelley Probe at 780-780-4041 for more info.

**May 18 - Corn Hole Tournament, Beer Gardens, Meatball Supper, 50/50** at the Thorsby Community Hall hosted by the Thorsby Historical Society. To register or for tickets call/text 780-217-9394 or [thorsbyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com](mailto:thorsbyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com)

**May 19 - Pancake Breakfast** by the Thorsby Lions Club at the Lion's Campground 9am - 12pm.

**May 23 Jun 6, 20 July 4, 11 & 25 - Golden Spur Gymkhana 2024** in Breton. Gates Open 5pm, starts at 6:30pm. For more info email [goldenspurgymkhana@gmail.com](mailto:goldenspurgymkhana@gmail.com)

**May 25 - Kids Night Out 2024** by Miss Joanne's School of Dance at the EPAC in Drayton Valley at 2pm. Tickets \$25 each at Heads Up Hair in Breton or Miss Joanne's.

**May 25 - Sight Unseen Art Exhibit Showcase** at the Zyp Art

Gallery in Calmar at 3pm. Exhibit runs from May 3 - July 31.

**May 25 & 26 - Thorsby Haymaker Rodeo.** Saturday Slack 9am, Performance 5pm, Sunday Performance 2pm. Tickets at door. Call 789-3829 for more info or to sponsor.

**May 26 - West 39 Minor Hockey AGM** 6:00pm at Arctic Spas Recreational Complex

**May 26 - Tom's Walk for Mental Health 2024** at Devon Voyageur Park from 1-5pm. For more information, please contact [toms.walk4mh@gmail.com](mailto:toms.walk4mh@gmail.com)

**May 27 - Lindale Hall AGM** at 7pm.

**May 28 - Thorsby Tiny Tots Playschool AGM** at 6:30pm. Pre-Registration is now open. Contact Laura at 780-504-3838 or [thorsbytinytotsplayschool@gmail.com](mailto:thorsbytinytotsplayschool@gmail.com)

**June 4 - Warburg Seniors Luncheon** - More details to follow

**June 5 - FREE Older Adult Learning Day** at the Breton Community Centre for a day of learning, laughter, socializing & lunch! Register with your local FCSS - Breton 780-696-3636, Warburg - 780-848-2828, County Wetaskiwin 780-352-3321.

**June 7 - Mulhurst Bay Walk for Cancer** at 5pm. Meet at Mulhurst Community Hall.

**June 7 - 31st Annual Charity Golf Classic @ Leduc Golf & Country Club.** Details available at [lchfoundation.ca](http://lchfoundation.ca) or contact foundation at 780-980-4536 or [lchfoundation@ahs.ca](http://lchfoundation@ahs.ca)

**FREE**

**Community Events  
& Information  
is FREE 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 [www.community39.com](http://www.community39.com)

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

# THORSBY MAY LONG WEEKEND PARADE & ACTIVITIES

*Celebrating 75 Years*

There's Something For Everyone!

## 1 The May Long Parade!

The Parade begins at 12:00pm!  
\*Access to the East Side of Town  
will be blocked at 11:50am until the  
parade is over.

## 3 Thorsby community Hall - Sat only

Join the cornhole Tournament for prizes  
and ultimate bragging rights starting  
Sat @ 1:00pm

End your day on a high note with a Meatball  
& Mashed Potato Supper  
starting @ 5:30pm - 7:30pm

Beer Gardens

Join us in celebrating the 75th  
Anniversary since the  
incorporation of Thorsby!



This event will be taking place at the Arctic Spas  
Recreation complex at 1:30pm on Saturday.  
There will be speeches along with free cake,  
coffee, and juice boxes for the kids!

## 2 Arctic Spas Recreation complex

Enjoy the annual Slo-Pitch Tournament  
Fri @ 6pm - 9pm

Sat @ 9am - 9pm (Break for the Parade 11:45pm - 1pm)  
Sun @ 9am - 7:30pm

Enjoy the Beer Gardens! Also serving pop and water!  
- Sat & Sun (Same Hours As Slo-Pitch Tournament)

Have a Family Fun Afternoon - Sat @ 12:30pm - 3:30pm

Show your support for the 2025 Grad class at the  
Fundraising Barbecue - Sat & Sun

## 4 Thorsby Lions campground

Kick off the day with a full stomach  
of delicious pancakes at the Thorsby  
Lions club Pancake Breakfast  
Sat @ 9:00am - 11:00am

For more information, contact:

jcarleton@thorsby.ca / 780-789-3935 ext.27

## 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 - 4:30 at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Recreation Complex. FREE

**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.

**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

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

**Seniors Bowling** - Tuesdays at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex at 1pm (\$5)

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

**Coffee-Time** - 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.

**Cards** at the Warburg Seniors Centre at 1pm every Wednesday

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

**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)

**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 to register prior to leaving.

**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

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

**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

**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](mailto:kpollard2007@outlook.com)

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

**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 Seniors Thrift Store** - Open Saturdays from 10am-3pm for June, July & August. Call 780-996-5131.

### SUNDAYS

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

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

## COMMUNITY INFORMATION

**Warburg Legion Branch 205 will be closed** for renovations from April 26 - May 10. There will be no functions until further notice! Thank you for your patience! Call Max 780-263-0350

If you'd like to get a link to the paper in your inbox you can subscribe online or email [media@community39.com](mailto:media@community39.com)



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## Thorsby Seniors Crib Results!

### May 6th scores:

1st - Phyllis Yawney - 962

2nd - Amie Brosseau - 957

3rd - Marie Gutenberg - 925

High Hand of 24 was held by Elda Olds!

**CONGRATULATIONS ALL WINNERS!**

Next crib event will take place on May 13th, Lucky Monday, at 1:30 pm Thorsby Seniors Center Admission: \$6 See you there!

**MAY LONG WEEKEND**

# **CORNHOLE**

Tournament



**SATURDAY MAY 18**

**STARTING TIME 1:00 PM**

**THORSBY COMMUNITY CENTRE**



**2 PLAYER TEAMS  
COST \$40/TEAM  
(Includes 2 Beverage  
Tickets & Bragging  
Rights)**

**Cash Prizes will be  
awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup>  
place winners.**

## **MEATBALL & MASHED POTATO SUPPER**

**May 18/2024 5:30 – 7:30 pm**

**ADVANCED SUPPER TICKETS \$18.00**

**Children 8 & Under \$8.00**

**No tickets will be sold at door**

To register for tournament or purchase Supper  
Tickets call or text: 780 217-9394 or email  
[thorsbyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com](mailto:thorsbyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com)  
E-transfer are accepted & preferred (security  
answer is market)

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## Connect with us!

Submitted by Town of Thorsby FCSS

Hey There, It's Mikayla, your Thorsby FCSS Coordinator!

Did you know I am a great source for resources, information, subsidies, and financial support. You can find me in my office located at the Town Office, I am here Monday and Wednesday from 8:30am – 4:30pm so pop by and say hi!

Please call and book an appointment for any in person help. 780-789-4004 | [mleibel@thorsby.ca](mailto:mleibel@thorsby.ca).

**FCSS Monthly Seniors Newsletter:** The first Friday of every month FCSS posts out a Seniors Newsletter! Grab your copy at the Town Office or the Seniors Centre!

**Thorsby Parent & Tot Drop-In Program:** Parent & Tot group is on a small break until the Fall 2024. Watch in late summer for the new start-up date!

**Warburg Parent & Tot Drop:** Casual drop in running every Thursday in the Village Office Basement 9 am-11 am please enter through the back entrance (PCN entrance) if you feel like bringing treats you are more than welcome too. Contact Warburg FCSS - Shauna Schwindt 780-848-2828

**Drive Happiness:** We are looking for volunteer drivers in the Leduc County Area. This is a non-profit organization which provides low cost, volunteer based assisted transportation to older Albertans. This is a very flexible and rewarding volunteer position where you can create your own schedule, meet amazing people in your community and you even receive a fuel reimbursement. If you or someone you know living in the Leduc County area is interested in a unique volunteer opportunity, please contact Drive Happiness. 780-424-5438 | [www.drivehappiness.ca](http://www.drivehappiness.ca) Any further information please contact Mikayla Leibel 780-789-4004 | [mleibel@thorsby.ca](mailto:mleibel@thorsby.ca)

**CVIPT Volunteer Income Tax Program:** This Income Tax program is for Seniors, Students, Low Income Individuals, and families ONLY. Approximate Income Levels: Single Person Under \$35,000, Couple Under \$45,000, Family Under \$52,500. Contact Marcia at 780.619.9824 or Mikayla 780.789.4004

**Seniors Appreciation Lunch:** Age is simply a number of years the world has been able to enjoy you! Let's get together and celebrate YOU!

**Date:** Thursday June 6th

**Time:** Doors open at 11:00am Lunch 11:30

**Location:** Arctic Spas Rec Complex Lobby  
Please contact Mikayla with FCSS to Register and get a ticket! 780.789.4004 | [mleibel@thorsby.ca](mailto:mleibel@thorsby.ca)

**Empowering Older Adults:** Dive into healthy relationships and online safety through this two-part session. Stephanie Gulaga from SAIF will guide

participants through the crucial process of setting boundaries with family members, especially adult children and provide valuable tips to deal with challenging situations. We will explore the digital realm and what may be lurking in the shadows from the complexities of online dating to the potential pitfalls of scams and beyond.

**Date:** Friday June, 14th

**Time:** 10:30 – 2:00pm.

**Location:** Warburg Cultural Centre

Please contact Carla at 780.955.4554 or [carla@leduc-county.com](mailto:carla@leduc-county.com)

**Unconditional Love:** Parenting and caregiving are challenging for everyone no matter the situation. Sometimes we feel unequipped to deal with the changes and experiences we will have. This session will help you feel more confident in how to love and support a youth who may be LGBTQ and to open the avenues of communication between the both of you. Facilitated by Terry Stroud, Canadian Certified Counsellor with Level Up Wellness Group, who looks to help teens, parents and adults with whatever life throws at them.

**Date:** Tuesday June, 18

**Time:** 6:00pm – 7:30pm

**Location:** Zoom

Please contact Kristin at 780.955.6421 or [Kristin@leduc-county.com](mailto:Kristin@leduc-county.com)

### **Current FCSS Services Available:**

- Subsidized Counselling Program for individuals, Couples, Families and Youth
- Home Support – light housekeeping services
- Assistance with forms
- Seniors Assistance Programs
- Volunteer income tax program.
- Meals on Wheels
- Drive Happiness, Assisted Transportation for Seniors

**New information available in regard to the Canadian Dental Care plan is up and available**  
[www.canada.ca/dental](http://www.canada.ca/dental)

*Make sure you follow Thorsby FCSS on Facebook, so you stay up to date! We hope to see you join us in our upcoming programs.*

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# BREAKING NEWS!!

## TOWN OF THORSBY ENDPOINT AND WATER METER UPGRADES

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

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

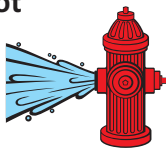


*Thank you!*

## THORSBY HYDRANT FLUSHING

Hydrant Flushing will take place in the town for two weeks starting on 29th of April ending on the 10th of May.

**Your water may look yellow or brown because of flushing – it is not contaminated. Please if you get these colours in your water, run your taps for a few minutes until it clears up.**



**Town of Thorsby**  
4917 Hankin Street, Box 297 Thorsby,  
AB T0C 2P0  
TEL: 780.789.3935 [www.thorsby.ca](http://www.thorsby.ca)



## JOIN THE CELEBRATION IN THORSBY!

Be a part of the excitement this May Long Weekend by participating in the Town of Thorsby Parade! It's a fantastic opportunity to showcase your creativity, community spirit, and connect with fellow residents in a fun-filled event!

**What:** Thorsby May Long Weekend Parade

**When:** May 18th @ 12:00pm

Calling all organizations, clubs, businesses, families, and individuals! Decorate your floats, dress up in costumes, bring your unique talents, and let's make this parade the highlight of the season! Whether you're a seasoned parade participant or a first-timer, everyone is welcome to join the festivities. Let's come together to celebrate our community and create lasting memories!

For more information or to register your participation, contact [jcarleton@thorsby.ca](mailto:jcarleton@thorsby.ca) or call 780-789-3935 ext. 27.

Don't miss out on the fun! See you at the Thorsby May Long Weekend Parade!



## THORSBY TOWN COUNCIL MEETINGS

**Tuesday, May 14th | C.O.W | 7:00-8:30pm**

**Tuesday, May 28th | Regular | 7:00-8:30pm**

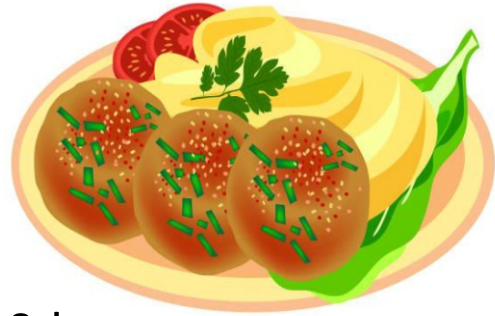
*These meetings are **open** to the public, and we encourage all Thorsby residents to participate!*

# THORSBY COMMUNITY CENTRE

## MAY 18/ 2024

5:30 – 7:30 pm

### Meatballs and mashed potatoes Supper



#### Advanced Tickets Only

Tickets \$18.00 each / Children 8 & under \$8.00

Tickets can be purchased by  
Calling 780 789-3734 or 780 217-9394

e-transfers to [thorsbyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com](mailto:thorsbyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com) security password -market

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YELLOWHEAD

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## We local art contest

From **May 15 to 31**, we will share all the art we received and ask the public to vote for their favourite pieces! This will be done through an online voting platform.

A total of 18 winning pieces will be featured in an art display at our **Leduc County Days** events, which take place on **June 13** and **Aug. 20** and celebrate the Leduc County community.



#### VOTE ONLINE AT:

[leduc-county.com/local-art-voting](http://leduc-county.com/local-art-voting)

For more information, contact  
Andrea Oneski at **780-770-9264** or  
[andrea@leduc-county.com](mailto:andrea@leduc-county.com).



# COOKIE RUN 2024 HUGE SUCCESS

by Shawna Ofstie, Community 39/CE Media



On May 4, over 300 people walked, ran or rolled for Costello Syndrome and Charlotte "Charlie" Sweeney. It also happened to be Charlotte's 4th birthday which made it extra special.

We walked 5 km around Thorsby, stopping every km for a delicious cookie baked and donated by local businesses and Auntie Syona. Approximately 1,700 Cookies were eaten. The support and attendance was humbling and included family & friends from all over the world. Charlotte's nurses from the Stollery and other support workers in her life were also there for the 5km trek.

## A little about Charlotte(Charlie):

Charlotte was diagnosed with Costello Syndrome when she was only a few months old. This genetic disorder affects approximately 1 in 300,000 births. They estimate there are approximately 400-1000 people worldwide diagnosed with this disorder. Costello Syndrome affects all areas of the body



Charlotte "Charlie" with her family

In a previous article from Charlotte's Mom, Candice McClean, she notes "While there are a lot of medical issues that individuals with Costello Syndrome must face, they are known for their sunny personalities and charm. If you've seen Charlie around town, you'll agree with this description"

If you want to learn more about this genetic disorder, you can go to the CSFN website:

[www.costellosyndromeusa.org/](http://www.costellosyndromeusa.org/)

Mom, Candice McClean posted the following on Facebook after the event last Saturday.

"Yesterday will go down as one of the top ten days of my life. Thank you, thank you, thank you! Together we raised \$11,510 for @costellosyndromefamilynetwork. It was amazing to see all our friends, family and community members out to support this cause and of

course, eat cookies! We couldn't have done this without the generous support of our sponsors who made it possible for every registration dollar to go directly to support the Costello Syndrome Family Network's bi-annual conference.

A huge thank you to all our volunteers who made sure the event went off without a hitch and thank you to everyone who participated in person and virtually! Our hearts are full and I hope your tummies are too! A special shout out to Melinda Pharis for her tireless work to put this run together and for her love and dedication to our girl Charlie. Finally, congratulations to Pam Foulliard for being the grand prize winner of the Taylor Swift tickets, flight voucher and accommodations. We hope you have the best time!"

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## BREAKING NEWS!!

### STREET SWEEPING SCHEDULE!

Street sweeping is scheduled for May 10th and 13th across town, please keep an eye out for signs and **keep your vehicles off the road** on these two days. Your help in this matter will contribute to the process going smoothly.

For questions/concerns, you can contact the Public Works Manager at 780-405-2725.

Thank you for your understanding!



### FIRE ADVISORY IN EFFECT

UPDATE, MAY 7TH 2024

Effective immediately, the Town of Thorsby is no longer under a fire ban. The fire ban has been downgraded to a fire advisory.

Under a fire advisory, certain restrictions may be placed on burning and indicate that a fire restriction or ban may be issued depending on conditions.

Citizens can use cooking and heating appliances – such as:

- barbecues
- meat smokers
- firepits and;
- patio heaters.



Citizens are asked to use extreme caution when using burn barrels and fire pits.

The Town of Thorsby will continue to monitor conditions and will update the public on the Town of Thorsby website, and [albertafirebans.ca](http://albertafirebans.ca) when the advisory is lifted or downgraded, or a ban is issued.

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## UPDATE

Submitted by Gail O'Neil

Ph: 780-848-2391 / Fax: 780-848-2296

[warburglibrary@yrl.ab.ca](mailto:warburglibrary@yrl.ab.ca)

the Library is also on FB and Instagram

**OPEN Monday - Thursdays 10am - 5pm**  
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The Mother's day Fairy garden take and make was very successful, Staff handed out 30 gardens! Thank you to Everyone who pre registered and picked up their garden, Happy Mother's day Sunday May 12

**Free Scarlet runner bean and Strawberry plants** at the Warburg Library! I have a post on Facebook, that shows how fast these plants are growing, pick up soon or the Library will become a jungle!

**Wednesday May 15** is the Library Board Meeting at 2:30 pm in the Library, Guests are welcome.

The Community Survey will be in this months FCSS paper, please fill a survey out and drop off at the Library or fill out the survey on Facebook, these are anonymous. This survey will help the Library board with the Plan of service for the next five years.

The Library will be closed Monday May 20 for the Victoria Long weekend.



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## Thorsby Arctic Spas Recreation Complex NEWS

Hiddy ho good neighbour. My name is Sam, bonjour. I am stoked to be working at Arctic Spas Rec Complex (TRC). Lol "working"....Rec. is play man! Rec. is the fun Auntie who smells like wine, who always has gum, and who plays the games that usually lead to broken lamps. *\*\*full disclosure: no wine or smokes for the kids or employees during programs\*\**

### Complex Activities.

**Hatch-a-Chick** now cooking at TRC! The shelled offspring are scheduled to crack their calcium rich encasing May 27th-29th. After *Hennifer Aniston & Darth Egger* hatch they will stay at a local Hen Hotel – *Super Ate* – I believe. Throughout the summer we'll watch these feathered foul flap fondly about the facility. Every Monday & Thursday the chicks will visit the Complex. We'll chart their growth and challenge their intellect with chick appropriate challenges. Bring on the breeding and buckets boys....joking joking

I'm throwing a **Town Tidy-Up Walk Monday, May 13th, from 3:30-4:30pm**. We'll make a short loop through Thorsby, then munch on banana bread at the Complex playground. Come join me to corral debris and make our town shine! No need to register, all life forms welcome.

→ Hold your hooves heifers, I almost forgot May long! **Thorsby is turning 75yrs old, and I'd like to put together a little visual time capsule of the past 75yrs.**

Old pics of town, old pics of old people (again joking Nana), vintage clothing or kitchen gadgets. A fun look back, so show me your local oldies. Bring 'em down to my office whenever buds. Let's show these spring pups the good old days.



Keep it cool Canuks,

Sam

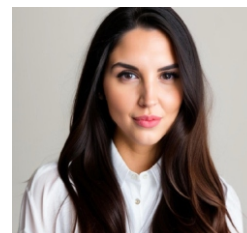
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Participants will learn ways to safeguard themselves against fraudsters in the digital world.

- ▶ **Date:** Friday, June 14, 2024
- ▶ **Time:** 10:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- ▶ **Location:** Warburg Cultural Centre (5120 51 ave. Warburg, AB.)
- ▶ **Space available:** minimum of 25 registrants, maximum of 50
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**THORSBY** - Newer bi-level, 1036 sq ft., 3 bedroom, double detach garage with in floor heat, heated driveway **\$297,900**

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## COMMERCIAL

**MULHURST** - 39.5' x 100' vacant lot located water front on Pigeon Lake at Mulhurst Bay. Zoned Urban Commercial. Adjoining lot for sale as well. **\$179,900**

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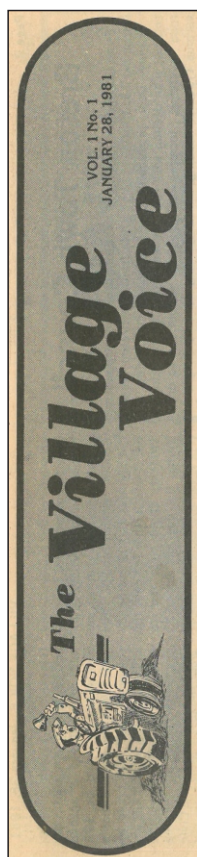


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## BLAST FROM THE PAST

"The Village Voice" News from 1981. Check out the Breton Booster and this paper for new page each week starting March 22.



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## Mulhurst Meanderings

The sympathy of the Community is extended to Sylvia and Elmer Moodie in the loss of his mother, Sarah Moodie, 89 years old. Sarah was of pioneer stock and well known to many of us. She came with her parents and the rest of the family from Michigan in 1905.

Those who knew Sarah appreciated her gracious hospitality and her delightful sense of humour.

A holiday performance I enjoyed was the celebration of Christ's Birthday at St. James on December 21. Chairperson for the Sunday School program as Agnes Heiman. The many-voiced Choir presented the remainder of the "Sunshine and Snowflakes" musical production begun last year. Arlene Irvine and Wendy Ganski lent their talents toward this performance.

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The Pigeon Valley W.I. met at the home of Geordie and Bill Knoll on January 5th.

Twenty-two A.P.P.L. members turned out to the first meeting of 1981. The turkey served on buns for lunch tasted even better that it had at the Pot Luck, if possible. Mrs. Verda Topham, sister of Olive Halladay, was a guest. The 2nd and 4th meetings each winter month will commence with a brief period of calisthenics under the capable direction of our local Fitness Instructress, Lil Halladay.

Bill Thomson attended the funeral of his uncle, William Bain, of Barrhead, early in the New Year. An older brother of the deceased passed away in November, Alex Bain, 89.

The sympathy of the community is extended to George and Dorothy Klein in the loss of her mother, Mrs. Sundquist.

We have a new Mail Carrier in the person of Mrs. Effie Kuzio.

The first meeting of the Happy Gatherers in 1981 was held at the home of Mary and Carl Miller on January 8. Our senior member, Pearl Chaytors, was honoured on the occasion of her 90th birthday, with a special cake, baked and decorated by Lydia Perin. Many will join me in wishing Pearl "many happy returns".

Did you realize that Cake Decorating and Macrame are beginning courses and that intermediate courses will be given in the Fall if interest warrants?

Registration for some courses can still be made by phone. Note the following information:

For courses in Blue Jeans — March 25, 26 and 27.

Beginning Sewing — February 10 - March 3rd, Phone Joyce Stewart 389-4305.

For Beginning Cake Decorating — April 1 - 22nd, Knitting and Crocheting — April 2 - May 7, Phone Darlene Kobeluck 389-3747.

For Cross Country Skiing — February 14 - 15 and Personal Income Tax Basics — Undetermined date in February, Phone Marie Leonhardt 389-4284.

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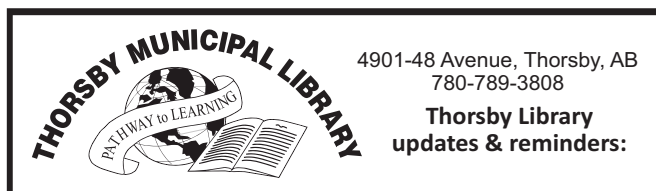
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**We are accessible.** Our library is physically accessible, to allow all patrons easy access to our collection. We also have materials in a variety of formats: physical audiobook and large print, and through our e-resources Accessible Alberta in our Read Alberta e-Books resource.

**We are a gathering place.** With a preschool area designed to encourage active play; a junior/young adult section ideal for board games, or just hanging out; a cozy fireplace with comfy chairs ideal for a cup of tea and a good book or visit with a friend; and a large worktable suitable for meetings, research or homework projects there is so much more than books to make your visit enjoyable.

**We are a place where awesome happens.** Whether it is a tea celebrating a local author's first novel, an after school program designed to spark creativity and curiosity, or a conversation circle to help newcomers to Thorsby build language proficiency and community we are rightfully proud of our wide range of programs for all ages and stages.

**We are a technology hub.** With four public access computers connected to wifi and our printer, free public wifi in the library for your devices, and a wifi hub to borrow and take home, we help keep Thorsby connected.

**We add value to our community.** Whether it is through accessible technology or the range of resources that can be used to start or support a small business, the library helps Thorsby thrive.

**We hold our history.** Our small section of local history

books covers Thorsby, Leduc County and some neighbouring communities. If you want to read the stories of our pioneers and local founding families, we are the place to come.

If you are hanging out at the complex for a party or sports game, or just want to stop by to check us out, stop by the library. It's most definitely not dead!

See you at the library.

### **Upcoming Programs:**

**May 10: Fun with Friends Storytime,  
10:30 - 11:30am**

**May 15: English Conversation and More, 6:00pm**

**May 17: Fun with Friends Storytime,  
10:30 - 11:30am**

**May 22: Teen Time (Jr./Sr. High), 3:30 - 4:30pm**

**May 22: English Conversation and More, 6:00pm**

**May 24: Fun with Friends Storytime,  
10:30 - 11:30am**

**May 29: English Conversation and More, 6:00 pm**

**May 31: Fun with Friends Storytime,  
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## THE GENIUS OF COMIC STEVEN WRIGHT: THE NON-SEQUITUR ASSEMBLAGE OF THE WORLD *(continued from April 26, 2024)*

17. Ambition is a poor excuse for not having enough sense to be lazy.
18. Hard work pays off in the future; laziness pays off now.
19. I intend to live forever... So far, so good.
20. If Barbie is so popular, why do you have to buy her friends?
21. Eagles may soar, but weasels don't get sucked into jet engines.
22. What happens if you get scared to death twice?
23. My mechanic told me, "I couldn't repair your brakes, so I made your horn louder."
24. Why do psychics have to ask you for your name?
25. If at first you don't succeed, destroy all evidence that you tried.
26. A conclusion is the place where you got tired of thinking.
27. Experience is something you don't get until after you need it.
28. The hardness of butter is proportional to the softness of the bread.
29. To steal ideas from one person is plagiarism; to steal from many is research.
30. The problem with the gene pool is that there is no lifeguard.
31. The sooner you fall behind, the more time you'll have to catch up.
32. The colder the x-ray table, the more of your body is required to be on it.
33. Everyone has a photographic memory; some just don't have film
34. If at first you don't succeed, skydiving is not for you.
35. If your car could travel at the speed of light, would your headlights work?

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# TOM'S WALK IN DEVON MAY 26

Submitted by Kim Mason, Vice President - Tom's Walk for Mental Health Society

Come down to Tom's Walk and walk for Mental Health in Devon on Sunday May 26 from 12:00-4:00 pm.

In 2018, Global NEWS covered this event. Here is the story written by Jennifer Ivanov.

## "Teachers in Devon band together to support fellow teacher and mom who lost son to suicide"

A group of teachers in the small community of Devon, Alta., south of Edmonton, have banded together to support a colleague facing an unimaginable loss.

On March 30, Kelly and Stuart Maxwell lost their son Thomas, a talented musician who struggled with schizoaffective disorder.

Thomas took his own life. He was just 23 years old.

According to colleagues, the parents worked tirelessly to help their son and had found a local program which helped the family learn how to communicate more effectively.

A group of teachers and friends of the Maxwell's have organized a walk to help raise money for the "The Sashbear Foundation," an organization which runs the program that helped the Maxwell family.

Tom's Walk for Mental Health and Suicide Prevention gets underway at 1:30 p.m. at Devon's Field of Dreams baseball park.

Participants are walking approximately 5 kilometres to the banks of the North Saskatchewan River, near the bridge where Thomas took his last breath."

Now, 6 years later - "Tom's Walk is more than just a walk; it's a heartfelt journey that began in 2018, a mere six weeks after we lost Tom to his battle with mental illness. Every May since then, this annual memorial event has brought us together. By 2024, it blossomed into the Tom's Walk for Mental Health Society, a non-profit close to our hearts. This walk isn't just about mental health challenges; it's a safe space to share our


stories and support each other. It's where all of us with a similar experience can honour our loved ones' memories and hear their names spoken. Our goal is simple: to share resources, ignite hope, and raise funds for The SILA Skills Group, which conducts workshops and training to build resilience and create connections. We invite you to walk with us, share your story, and be part of this supportive community". - Stu & Kelly Maxwell (Tom's parents).

For more information check out [tomswalk.ca](http://tomswalk.ca) or contact Kelly Maxwell (Tom's mom and founder of Tom's Walk for Mental Health) at 780-908-0097.

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**Date: May 26, 2024**  
**Registration:** 12-1 pm at Devon Alliance Church, 201 Miquelon Ave - across the highway from Tim Hortons  
**Kickoff & Walk:** 1- 4 pm  
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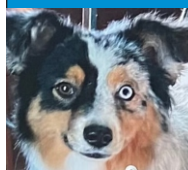
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# FUNNIES FROM THE INTERNET

## Shopping with your wife

*From Facebook*

After I retired, my wife insisted that I accompany her on her trips to the local grocery store. Unfortunately, like most men; I found shopping boring and preferred to get in and get out. Equally unfortunate, my wife is like most women - she loves to browse. Yesterday my dear wife received the following letter, from the local store manager:

Dear Mrs. Harris:

Over the past six months, your husband has caused quite a commotion, in our store. We cannot tolerate this behavior and have been forced to, ban both of you from the store. Our complaints against your husband, Mr. Harris, are listed below and are documented by our video surveillance cameras:

1. June 15: He took 24 boxes of condoms and randomly put them in other people's carts when they weren't looking.
2. July 2: Set all the alarm clocks in Housewares to go off at 5-minute intervals.
3. July 7: He made a trail of tomato juice on the floor leading to the women's restroom.
4. July 19: Walked up to an employee and told her in an official voice, 'Code 3 in Housewares. Get on it right away'. This caused the employee to leave her assigned station and receive a reprimand from her Supervisor that in turn resulted with a union grievance, causing management to lose time and costing the company money. We don't have a Code 3.
5. August 4: Went to the Service Desk and tried to put a bag of M&Ms on layaway.
6. August 14: Moved a, 'CAUTION - WET FLOOR' sign to a carpeted area.
7. August 15: Set up a tent in the camping department and told the children shoppers he'd invite them in if they would bring pillows and blankets from the bedding department to which twenty children obliged.
8. August 23: When a clerk asked if they could help him he began crying and screamed, 'Why can't you people just leave me alone?' EMTs were called.
9. September 4: Looked right into the security camera and used it as a mirror while he picked his nose.
10. September 10: While handling guns in the hunting department, he asked the clerk where the antidepressants were.
11. October 3: Darted around the store suspiciously while, loudly humming the, 'Mission Impossible' theme.
12. October 6: In the auto department, he practiced his, 'Madonna Look' using different sizes of funnels.
13. October 18: Hid in a clothing rack and when people browsed through, yelled 'PICK ME! PICK ME!'
14. October 22: When an announcement came over the loud speaker, he assumed a fetal position and screamed; 'OH NO! IT'S THOSE VOICES AGAIN!'
15. Took a box of condoms to the checkout clerk and asked where is the fitting room?

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16. October 23: Went into a fitting room, shut the door, waited awhile; then yelled very loudly, 'Hey! There's no toilet paper in here.' One of the clerks passed out.



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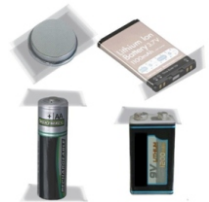
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# UNVEILING THE UNSEEN: ZYP ART GALLERY PRESENTS "SIGHT UNSEEN"

*Submitted by Patti Gourdreau, Curator*

Calmar, Alberta – Zyp Art Gallery is thrilled to announce the eagerly awaited unveiling of "Sight Unseen," an innovative art exhibit poised to captivate and inspire audiences. This extraordinary showcase of creativity will take place on May 25, 2024, at 3:00 PM, inviting art enthusiasts to embark on a journey of discovery and exploration.



*sneak peak at some of the artwork  
(pictures submitted by Zyp Gallery)*

## About the Exhibit:

"Sight Unseen" challenges conventional perceptions by inviting viewers to engage with art beyond the realm of sight. Featuring works by both

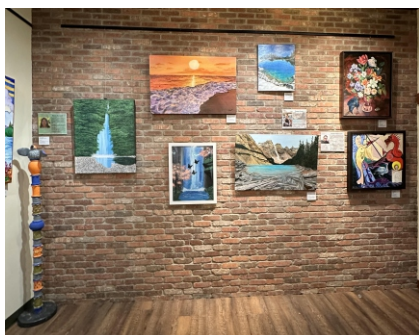
local and national artists, this groundbreaking exhibition explores the intersection of art and sensory experience. From tactile sculptures to immersive installations, each piece is meticulously crafted to stimulate the senses and provoke thought.

Visitors to "Sight Unseen" will have the opportunity to interact with art in new and unexpected ways, transcending traditional boundaries of observation. Through texture, sound, scent, and touch, the artists invite audiences to explore the rich tapestry of human experience and forge meaningful connections with the artwork.

The exhibit runs from May 3rd, 2024 through July 31, 2024.

## Opening Reception:

Join us for the opening reception of "Sight Unseen" on May 25, 2024, at 3:00 PM. This special event promises an immersive experience like no other, as attendees are encouraged to engage with the art through all available



senses. Meet the artists, indulge in sensory delights, and celebrate the power of creativity to transcend limitations.

## Gallery

**Information:**  
Zyp Art Gallery  
4715-50th Ave

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**Gallery Hours:** Monday-Saturday, 10:00AM - 7:00PM

**Website:** [www.zypartgallery.com](http://www.zypartgallery.com)

## Admission:

Admission to the "Sight Unseen" exhibit and opening reception is free and open to the public. Donations to support the arts are gratefully accepted.

## About Zyp Art Gallery:


Zyp Art Gallery is a leading contemporary art space dedicated to showcasing innovative and thought-provoking works by emerging and established artists. Located in the heart of Calmar, Alberta, Zyp Art Gallery is committed to fostering artistic excellence and enriching cultural experiences within the community.

## Join Us:

Experience the unseen and embark on a sensory journey of discovery at Zyp Art Gallery's "Sight Unseen" exhibit. Whether you're a seasoned art enthusiast or simply curious to explore new dimensions of creativity, we invite you to join us for this extraordinary event.

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# DROUGHT AND FLOOD PROTECTION PROGRAM NOW OPEN

Alberta News, May 6, 2024

Alberta's new Drought and Flood Protection Program is now accepting applications for projects to help protect homes, businesses and lives.

Many parts of Alberta have experienced flooding in recent years, while others have seen water shortages and may face severe drought this year. Many communities need assistance in developing the expensive local infrastructure needed to protect residents from extreme weather events.

To help, Alberta's government is launching the new \$125-million Drought and Flood Protection Program. Municipalities and Indigenous communities across the province can now apply for funding to improve their drought and flood resilience and adapt to severe weather.

*"We are helping communities build the infrastructure they need to help protect people's homes and keep businesses going during droughts or floods. These emergencies can devastate public infrastructure and private property, damage the environment, disrupt our economy and put lives at risk. That's why I encourage any and all communities to apply."* Rebecca Schulz, Minister of Environment and Protected Areas

The Drought and Flood Protection Program builds on the work of the Alberta Community Resilience Program. This year, \$25 million is being made available for projects to benefit communities across the province that are facing drought and flood. Another \$100 million will be available for funding over the next four years, with applications accepted each year.

The Drought and Flood Protection Program will help communities design and construct projects that protect critical infrastructure from drought and flooding and help ensure public safety is protected. This could include important drought-related projects to improve water storage, upgrading open-ditch irrigation canals to reduce water loss through evaporation, or relocating water intakes to help communities access water during dry periods. It could also include flood-related projects, such as berms, flood walls and other infrastructure.


Applications for shovel-ready projects are strongly encouraged, but all projects that meet the eligibility criteria will be considered for funding. All municipalities, Improvement Districts, Special Areas, Metis Settlements and First Nations are eligible to apply by June 6, 2024.

## Quick facts

- Budget 2024 allocated \$25 million per year from 2024-25 through 2028-29 for the Drought and Flood Protection Program.
- Projects eligible for funding include, but are not

limited to:


- Drought and flood-proofing or relocation of critical infrastructure and infrastructure required to access those services.
- Structural measures such as berms, flood walls, bank protection and stabilization works, retention ponds and diversion structures intended to protect critical infrastructure and ensure public safety.
- Purchase of property for the purpose of relocation or for access to and/or construction of a project.
- Bio-retention infrastructure designed to increase flood attenuation and reduce the impacts of drought.
- Under the program:
  - There is no minimum funding requirement for applications.
  - A funding cap of \$10 million per project is in place to ensure the program is able to support multiple projects each year.
  - All approved projects will be cost-shared, with the Government of Alberta covering up to 70 per cent of total eligible costs and the grant recipient(s) covering the remaining 30 per cent.
- More application and program information is available online.
- Disaster Recovery Programs in Alberta have paid out more than \$1.7 billion to cover uninsured losses associated with flooding since 2010. There has also been more than \$5 billion in insured losses.



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

**BRETON****\$127,500**

60x130 lot, 2 bed, 1 bath older mobile home, well maintained, covered deck, new deck, vinyl windows, interior recent painted,

**BRETON****\$234,900**

4 bed, 1 bath home on .27 acre lot backing onto ravine in Breton. Recent upgrades: vinyl windows, 35 yr shingles, laminate flooring

**BRETON****\$675,000**

**159.02 ARCE FARM** - Pasture land, spring fed pond, cross fenced. 3 bed 2 bath home. with kitchen island, living room, Covered deck with hot tub new in 2022. a cozy enclosed porch with a wood stove and storage room. 50x50 heated workshop with a concrete floor, 2 livestock shelters, 2 Ritchie stock waterers.

**WINFIELD****\$949,000**

158 acres, creek, mature forest, cabin, peace & tranquility! East Poplar Creek flows thru this land. on no exit road.

**WARBURG****\$895,000**

**145 acres Recreational** - Forest, trout pond, 1920 sq ft home. 4 bed, 3 bath. Titan Wall construction, 32x32 heated workshop, dog run, pigeon coop, Private setting. Annual surface lease revenue.

**BUCK LAKE****\$345,000**

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

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