

# CONNECT39

Thorsby, Warburg & Area NEWS

previously the Thorsby Target & Warburg Bugle

## GRAVEL CYCLING EVENT COMING TO THORSBY AND WESTERN LEDUC COUNTY!

by Alex Stieda, OLY (event co-director)

Get ready for **Festivus of Gravel on Saturday, August 17**, a day of gravel cycling starting and finishing in Thorsby at the Arctic Spas Rec Centre. The theme is "The Battle of Thor". There are 4 distances for the riders who take part in this event:

- 295 km and 190 km distances start together at 07:00
- 105 km riders start at 08:00
- 55 km riders start at 10:00

Riders will be finishing between 12 Noon and 5:00PM...with some even finishing in the evening.

At the finish line, we are planning a festival of cycling where all are welcome with bike shops and their partners showing their wares as well as local vendors. There will be food for purchase, as well as a beer garden for any and all - riders and spectators alike. We hope everyone in Thorsby can come out and enjoy the festivities!

What exactly is a gravel cycling event? Gravel cycling is all about installing a sense of adventure as participants self-navigate a prescribed course over gravel roads. Each rider is provided with a GPS file for their specific course that they follow.

Full details can be found on the event website at: [www.stiedacycling.com/festivusofgravel](http://www.stiedacycling.com/festivusofgravel)

Event updates on Instagram at: @festivusofgravel

## IMPERSONATING THORSBY'S PEACE OFFICER

A message from the Town of Thorsby which was posted on Facebook Thorsby Alberta page from CPO Dejan and CAO Donna.

*Someone is using CPO Dejan Cvijetić's information which is illegal.*

*I wanted to bring to your immediate attention a scam that has recently come to light within the Town of Thorsby. It has been reported that an individual is impersonating me, calling residents, and falsely claiming that they need to pay money directly to me for remedial orders.*

***Please be advised that at no time would I, or any peace officer or member of law enforcement, request or accept payments directly from residents. All fines, fees, or payments related to remedial orders or any enforcement actions are processed through official channels and should never be paid directly to an officer.***

*I would appreciate it if you could spread the word to residents and reinforce that any such requests for money are fraudulent. Residents should be advised to contact the local enforcement office or the RCMP immediately if they receive any suspicious calls.*

*Let's ensure our community remains informed and protected from this scam. Thank you for your cooperation and vigilance in addressing this issue."*



Cloverleaf Manor in Warburg hosted a fun-filled Western-themed evening featuring live entertainment, BBQ dinner, and activities for the kids on Thursday, August 8th.

More pictures and information inside...

# Classifieds

## GARAGE SALES

**MULTI FAMILY YARD SALE** - antiques, collectibles, tools, antique tools, misc. hardware, books, toys, misc. electrical, leg hold traps & lots more. 1/4 mile North of Alsike Co-op Gas on RR41A. Friday, Aug 16 from 12 -6, Saturday August 17 & Sunday August 18 from 10-5.

**YARD SALE** on August 17 from 10am - 5pm, 48172 Hwy 770 south of Warburg. Ladies & kids items, gently used tools and miscellaneous. cash only, no early-birds.

## COMMUNITY EVENTS

**COME & HEAR ABOUT JESUS** in the Warburg Community Hall (5339 - 50AAve). Sundays from 4-5pm, beginning Aug. 25 - Sept. 29. All Welcome, **No Charge**, No obligation. A. Insko / T. Galbraith. 780-604-5015

## WANTED

**LOOKING FOR PASTURE** for cow/calf pairs. Also looking for hay land and grain land. Contact Levi at 780-312-9891

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**GOLF CLUBS FOR SALE** - Set of **WILSON IRONS & GOLF BAG \$ 75**, Set of **TITLEIST IRONS & GOLF BAG** with Stand \$ 100. Call 780-389-4240

**J-G GREENHOUSE HAS VEGGIES** ready to be picked. Beets, cabbage, carrots, potatoes, onions & garlic are ready. Phone 780-915-1211.

## Classified Ads are \$7.50 for 2 weeks

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

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Sudoku Answers  
from August 9 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.





## NOW HIRING

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4901 - 52 Street, Thorsby  
[thorsbyfr@gmail.com](mailto:thorsbyfr@gmail.com)

## The Warburg Village Market has been the latest target on social media and here is a message from their store manager.

*"Hi, my name is Garry from Warburg Village market. We welcome everyone to our store and if there are any problems. Please feel free to speak to me or text me at 825-522-3713 anytime. We are so glad to serve Warburg and we are very sorry if you face any problems because of us. We will try our best to serve Warburg in every way. - Garry, Store Manager."*



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## COMMUNITY EVENTS & info

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

**August 17-19 – Festivus of Gravel** – “Battle of Thor” – Gravel cycling starting and finishing at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Recreation Complex. Festival with bike shops, food and beer gardens. [www.stiedacycling.com/festivusofgravel](http://www.stiedacycling.com/festivusofgravel)

**August 17 & 18 - Calmar Days & Highway 39 Garage Sale** - Pancake Breakfast, Mega Market, Parade, and more...

**August 18 - Family Dance** from 1 till 4. features No Hitchhiker Band. Winfield Community Center. Admission by Donation. Contribution toward Lunch Appreciated. Sponsored by Salt and Pepper Restaurant.

**August 18 - Pancake Breakfast** at Sandholm Hall (corner 616X & Hwy 778) from 8am -11am. For info call 780-389-2381

**August 19 - Ventriloquist Taylor and her Crew of Puppets** at 11am, the main act **Scientist Abby Normal**, at Noon in the Warburg Centre park Gazebo. Free event, all ages welcome.

**August 19-23 - ESC (Elementary) Basketball Summer Camp** at the Thorsby Rec Centre. Space is limited. \$95. Pre-register at [eschasketball4@gmail.com](mailto:eschasketball4@gmail.com) or 780-990-5222

**August 22 - Kraay Farms Corn Maze Trip** - 9am - 4pm. Transportation provided. \$20. Ages 8+. Register at the Warburg Village Office 780-848-2841 or [office@warburg.ca](mailto:office@warburg.ca)

**August 23 - Outdoor Summer Concert** at the Warburg Community Park from 7-10pm. Featuring Gregory Baldwin

**August 24 - Thorsby's Car & Truck Show n Shine** hosted by Lone Wolf Mechanical. 10am - 5pm. Featuring Mega Trucks, Car Crushing and Tug a War.

**August 24 - PBR Buckin at the Brook Bull Riding** at Sunnybrook Hotel / Hwy 39. To sponsor event or for more information email [sunnybrookwhf@gmail.com](mailto:sunnybrookwhf@gmail.com)

**August 25 - Stollery Lemonade Stand Day.** Ethen Sweet will be selling lemonade at Sandholm Store for the Stollery Children's Hospital Foundation. Charitable receipts available.

**August 27 - Meet the Teacher and Playtime with Breton Playschool** from 9:30am - 12pm. Located in the Basement of the Breton Village office.

**August 29 - September 1 - 47th Annual Lakedell Country Fair.** Rain or Shine. Events throughout the weekend! Parade, Trade Show, Horse Show and much more. [www.lakedell.org](http://www.lakedell.org).

**September 6, 7, 8 - Wild Rose Fair coming to Thorsby.** Friday from 3-11pm, Saturday from noon - 11pm, Sunday from noon - 5pm. All day wristbands only \$40. 4814 - 50 Ave. Hosted by the Thorsby & District Chamber of Commerce.

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**September 7 - Spirit of Thorsby / Thor Statue Reveal** from 4-8pm, downtown Thorsby. Ceremony at 6pm. Community market, beer gardens, dunk tank & more. Hosted by the Thorsby & District Chamber of Commerce.

**September 12 - Warburg Community Awareness Night** in Warburg School west parking lot 4:30-7pm. Email [office@warburg.ca](mailto:office@warburg.ca) or call 780-848-2841

**September 21 - Gun Show** at the Warburg Community Hall. 10am to 4pm. Tables \$25, Admission \$5. Call Darryl at 780-983-4669 or Charlie at 780-898-4147

**September 24 - Community Information Night, Celebrate Breton & Chili Cook Off** at the Breton Community Hall. Register with Breton FCSS 780-696-3636 or [fcss@breton.ca](mailto:fcss@breton.ca)

**September 28 - Autumn Supper at Centre Lodge** from 6-8pm. Located TWP RD 482E between RR10 & 11 on South Side. Tickets \$20 each, \$15 for under 12 and 3 & under Free.

**October 4 - George Canyon** is at the Eleanor Pickup Arts Centre in Drayton Valley at 7:30pm. Tickets available at [www.ticketpro.ca](http://www.ticketpro.ca), 1-888-655-9090 & Value Drug Mart.

**October 19 - Genesee Pumpkin Festival** hosted by the Genesee Ag Society. Enter your prize pumpkin, sunflower, vegetable or baking. Contact Joanne 780-940-7229

**October 19 - Harvest Fest at Strawberry Hall** - a family friendly fun filled afternoon with games, supper and dance - phone 780-789-2446 for supper and dance tickets

*Community Events &  
Information  
is FREE to advertise*



### Thorsby Seniors Crib Results!

#### August 12th Crib scores:

1st Place: Phyllis Yawney - 956

2nd Place: Lloyd Snider - 931

3rd Place: Elaine Blair - 927

*High Hand of 28 - Marie Gutenberg*

**CONGRATULATIONS ALL WINNERS!**

#### Next crib event:

**Monday, August 19 at 1:30 pm**

**Thorsby Seniors Center / Admission: \$6**



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## **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....***

**NEW UPDATED BOOKLET  
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***If you have any additions or  
changes, please email  
[media@community39.com](mailto:media@community39.com)  
or call 780-434-7446 by  
August 21, 2024.***



## **Need to talk? We can help!**

### **FREE COUNSELLING SESSIONS**

The cost of counselling can be a barrier for many individuals and families. Leduc County FCSS offers access to free counselling sessions to eligible individuals, couples, and/or families who are struggling with common, every day issues.

Counselling services are provided by local counsellors who are either marital or family therapists, psychologists or masters level student interns under professional supervision.

#### **If you want to:**

- ▶ Improve relationships with better communication skills or conflict resolution;
- ▶ Improve mood with anger management and emotional support;
- ▶ Enhance personal growth with creativity, spirituality, self esteem, self awareness, goal setting;
- ▶ Improve parenting skills by focusing on attachment;
- ▶ Reduce stress with life balance; and/or
- ▶ Learn new skills and behaviours

### **APPLY NOW!**

#### **Eligibility**

Residents of Leduc County, Calmar, Thorsby, and Warburg who meet the specific income thresholds may be eligible for subsidy.

Residents must meet two criteria to be eligible for subsidy:

1. Gross family household income less than \$75,000.00 AND
2. No access to employee insurance benefits

#### **Sessions and rates**

Each household approved for free subsidized counselling may choose from the following options:

- ▶ 3 individual sessions per person, or
- ▶ 6 couple sessions, or
- ▶ 9 family sessions, or
- ▶ 7 group sessions per person.

Counselling services are short-term, skill based and preventative. Find out if these services are a fit for you. For more information and to be assessed for eligibility call **780-955-6421** or visit [leduc-county.com/counselling](http://leduc-county.com/counselling).



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

*\*\*Please note - all events are subject to change - some activities are not running during the summer but have not notified us. Please email us at [media@community39.com](mailto:media@community39.com) if we have incorrect information.*

### MONDAYS

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

### 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  
**English Language Conversation Circle** meets every Wednesday at 6pm at the Thorsby Municipal Library for those who wish to practice and improve their English language skills in a friendly informal setting.  
**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 except July & August (\$10)  
**Warburg Treasure's Thrift Shop** is Open Wednesdays from 10am - 4pm at the Warburg Community United Church.  
**Yoga at the Warburg Hall** - Until Aug 21. Every Wednesday Evening at 6pm. Added bonus child minding available if needed! Register at the Warburg Village Office 780-848-2828

### 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.  
**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 Thursday, Friday & Saturday from 10am-3pm for July & August. 780-996-5131.

### 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 Thursday, Friday & Saturday from 10am-3pm for July & August. 780-996-5131.

**Walk, Connect, Thrive** - Every Friday at 9:30am throughout the summer. Meet at Warburg Village Office.

**Warburg Legion** - Open Fridays from 5-10pm. Pub Night on the 3rd Friday of the month. Call Max 780-263-0350 for info.

### 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 & third Saturday of every month (July). Or arrange a tour through Susie 780-848-2507 or Joan 780-621-7174

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### SUNDAYS

**Come & Hear About Jesus** at the Warburg Community Hall. Sundays from 4-5pm (Aug. 25 - Sept. 29). All Welcome, No Charge, No obligation. A. Insko / T. Galbraith. 780-604-5015

## CAMPS FOR KIDS

**PD Day Hockey Camp** at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Recreation Complex. Check out "Small Town Skills" on Facebook or [www.smalltownskills.ca](http://www.smalltownskills.ca). Registration closes 14 days before each camp or when it's full. First camp is September 20, 2024.

## VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Drive happiness is a non-profit organization that provides assisted transportation services to older adults through the help of volunteer drivers. Due to demand, we are constantly expanding our services and currently have riders in Calmar, Devon, Leduc, Leduc County, Thorsby and Warburg and need drivers. Call 780-424-5438 or 1-888-336-4503 or contact your local FCSS for more information.

**NAILS** **THORSBY**

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# BUCKIN' AT THE BROOK

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**Saturday  
August 24**

**Gates Open @ 5PM**

**Mutton Bustin @ 6PM**

(Must Pre-Register for Mutton Bustin)

**Steer Riding Intermission**

**Pro Bull Riding @ 7PM**

**Cabaret to Follow in Bar (18+)**

**Food Trucks  
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**Beer Gardens**

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**Connect with us!**  
Submitted by Leduc County FCSS

## Seniors Assisted Transportation Subsidy Frequently asked questions

The cost of transportation can be a barrier for many of our rural seniors. Leduc County provides a subsidy to eligible older adults (65+) who need transportation for medical appointments. Leduc County believes rural residents should have the resources to age in place and will support older adults to access those needed services, including transportation to and from appointments. Transportation services are provided by volunteers of Drive Happiness.



Seniors Assisted Transportation Subsidy  
with Drive Happiness

**I'm a senior and I still drive. Is this program for me?**

**Become a volunteer driver.** Many of our volunteer drivers are seniors. If you like driving and have time to give, consider becoming a volunteer for Drive Happiness. Most rides are scheduled on weekdays.

**Become a rider.** Sometimes people should not or cannot drive after certain medical appointments or treatments. Some people feel very confident driving in their own community or on their usual routes; however, if a trip requires you to go to an unfamiliar area or a busy city, you may not feel as comfortable. Becoming a rider with Drive Happiness doesn't mean you never drive; it just means that sometimes you need a ride.

**I'm a senior between the ages of 65 and 79, but I don't have a lot of medical appointments. I'd like to use services for shopping or running errands. Is this program for me?**

Seniors in this age category eligible for this program are allotted five free roundtrip rides for medical appointments. If you need a ride for other reasons, you can still use the program by purchasing ride tickets.

**I'm a senior, and I have a lot of medical appointments. What if I exceed the number of rides allotted?**

Your approval for rides will be based on your age – five free roundtrip rides for ages 65-79 and 10 free roundtrip

rides for ages 80+. You are welcome to purchase ride tickets for more.

**If I need to pay for tickets myself, how much are tickets? How many tickets will I need to purchase for my ride?**

Each ride is assessed by Drive Happiness for distance and time to determine the number of tickets required. You'll always know how much the ride will cost before agreeing to it. Because Volunteer Happiness is a non-profit organization who uses volunteers, affordability is a key consideration!

**I'd like to volunteer, but fuel is expensive! Do I need extra vehicle insurance?**

You will be volunteering your time as a driver, and you can sign up for as many or as few rides as you'd like to. As a volunteer, you will receive a mileage reimbursement. If you are needing to run your own errand anyway, this could pay for your trip to do so!

As per the Insurance Bureau of Canada, volunteer drivers are not required to have additional insurance coverage beyond the recommended liability coverage of \$1 million.

Ready to take the next step? Fill out a rider or driver application at your local FCSS office.

Have more questions? Contact Drive Happiness at 780-424-5438 or 1-888-336-4503.

## Come Celebrate Wally Frenzel's 80th Birthday!



**OPEN HOUSE**  
**August 18 from 1-4pm**  
at the  
**Warburg Seniors Centre**



## NOTICE OF ROAD CLOSURE FOR SPECIAL EVENT

Car and Truck Show and Shine  
Saturday August 24<sup>th</sup> 10:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

### Attention Residents and Businesses:

The Town of Thorsby under the Municipal Government Act RSA 2000 Revised Statutes M-26 S. 18(1) states:

*"Subject to this or any other ACT, a municipality has the direction, control and management of all roads within the municipality"*

In celebration of the Car and Truck Show and Shine and their support of the Thorsby Community and for the success of their event, we are hereby closing the following streets between 9:00 a.m. and 5:30 p.m. for the purposes of setting up the Lone Wolf Show and Shine event, pedestrian and visitors safety and enjoyment and finally exiting at show's end.

**From 46<sup>th</sup> street to Hankin Street on 50<sup>th</sup> Ave.**

Please use alternate routes to move to and from your residence and business and obey all traffic directions from any volunteers that are on traffic duty.

We encourage you to attend the event and enjoy a great day. If you have any concerns please contact Andrew Kearley – Public Works Manager and/or Donna Tona, CAO.





Andrew Kearley  
Public Works Manager  
August 23, 2024  
780.405.2725



Donna Tona  
CAO  
August 23, 2024  
780.918.7208



 [info@thorsby.ca](mailto:info@thorsby.ca)

 [www.thorsby.ca](http://www.thorsby.ca)

 780-789-3935

 4917 Hankin St. Thorsby AB, T0C 2P0

# Unreserved Online Real Estate Auction

**Opens on September 16th, 2024 & Closes on September 19th, 2024**

**Location: 103 3rd Ave, Winfield, AB**

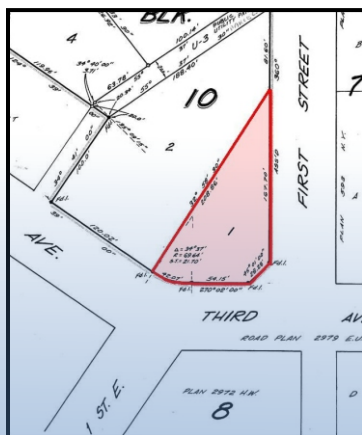
Legal Plan: 7722166, Blk 10, Lot 1  
(Part of the SW 18-46-3 W5M)

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Lots of Trees & Landscaped.

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# UPDATE

Submitted by Gail O'Neil  
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the Library is also on FB and Instagram

## Vegetable Exchange is now at Warburg Library (in Partnership with Homestead 39)

Hey Gardner's, do you have an excess of veggies, carrots, onions, potatoes etc and not enough of the veggies you would like? Bring Your veggies to the Library and exchange for veggies you do not have. **This exchange will run thru August and September** until Veggies / Interest runs out, for squashes and fall veggies.



## Scientist Abby Normal & Ventriloquist Taylor will be at the Warburg Centre Park

August 19 starting at 11 am in the Warburg Centre Park Gazebo, opening act Ventriloquist Taylor and her Crew of Puppets, and the main act Scientist Abby Normal, at Noon. This is a free event, all ages welcome.



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# CLOVERLEAF BBQ

*Submitted by Leduc Regional Housing Foundation*

Cloverleaf Manor in Warburg hosted a fun-filled Western-themed evening featuring live entertainment, BBQ dinner, and activities for the kids on Thursday, August 8th. The perfect weather and "down home" hospitality attracted over 165 guests including residents, families, friends, and community members. It was a relaxed and social evening and the first BBQ Cloverleaf has hosted since 2019.

Cloverleaf Manor is a seniors lodge and part of the supportive living program managed by Leduc Regional Housing Foundation (LRHF). The lodge program allows seniors to maintain their independence while accessing services including three meals per day plus snacks, weekly housekeeping, a safe and secure environment with 24 hour staffing, and a variety of activities and programs to choose from. Services such as Home Care can be accessed within Cloverleaf Manor.

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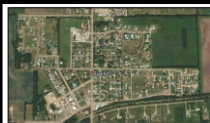


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The TD Summer Reading Club has wound up for another year, and what a fabulous time we have had!

We are so grateful for the Leduc County Recreation Grant which allowed us to have tons of fun this summer as we explored the theme "To the Stars".

From crazy science experiments through setting off all manner of rockets outside the Arctic Spas Recreation Complex our Wednesday mornings were busy from start to finish.

And on **August 20th**, there will be a special summer **Teen Time starting at 3:00**, so come on down to the library for fun and games with Audrey.

And so very soon, fall and back to school. Our library has a ton of awesome resources to help parents, children, and teens navigate this busy time.

For adults, we have books on emotional resilience and parenting by authors including Barbara Coloroso and Gordon Neufeld.

For our youngest readers, there are tons of books all about going to school to help prepare them for this amazing milestone.

In our Junior section we have books to help with navigating the social and emotional landscape, as well as a wealth of resources in all subject areas to support learning.

Our online resources, accessible to patrons through our website, offer tutoring services such as Beanstack and Solara for students who need a little extra help with school subjects, and research tools including the Alberta Research Portal and World Book Online.

And now, for adult learners, our e-resources include the Cisco Academy and Linked-In Learning which offer legitimate, free online courses for learning new skills or upgrading existing ones.

Back to school means back to learning, and of course,

See you at the library!

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*by Jenna & Chris Verhun, Small Town Skills*

Small Town Skills is a new PD program for minor hockey players starting this fall at the Arctic Spas Recreation Complex! There are eight sessions scheduled for the 2024-'25 season on PD days off school throughout the hockey season.

The main goal of these skill development camps is to allow young players more opportunities to get out on the ice with their friends. This year's sessions will be led by the professional coaches from BB Hockey Development. BB Hockey camps include on ice training and dry land training. The techniques used in these camps will improve your players hockey knowledge, on ice abilities, and overall performance. Lunch is even included for every registrant from the Power Play Cafe concession.

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**WARBURG** - 5.39 Acres on HWY 39, well treed mature yard, all service, 1200 sq ft. house, double detach garage, older outbuildings ~~\$379,000~~ **\$369,000**

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**CALMAR** - 45.26m x 37.42m well kept lot on Main Street Calmar. High traffic volume from Hwy 39. Taxes to be determined but will be \$2800 +/- . Great opportunity. Zoned C1 Commercial District. **\$285,000**

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# ALBERTA'S DROUGHT RESPONSE PLAN

Alberta News, August 14, 2024

Alberta's updated drought response plan will help Albertans better understand and respond to drought conditions in their communities.

In May, Alberta released the 2024 Drought Response Plan with the entire province placed in Stage 4, the second-highest stage. Since then, some areas have seen significant rains, while others are still experiencing droughts and water shortages. With conditions varying, a more targeted approach is needed.

Alberta's government has released a new, updated Drought Response Plan that classifies drought stages by river basin, while continuing to help make sure that Albertans, communities, farmers, ranchers and businesses get the support they need, whatever the weather. The province continues monitoring drought conditions closely across Alberta.

*"Drought conditions over the last two years have posed real challenges to communities, farmers and ranchers in some parts of the province. We're working to help improve Alberta's drought response, now and long into the future, by providing clearer information on local conditions to better manage water use."* Rebecca Schulz, Minister of Environment and Protected Areas

Alberta's Drought Response Plan is a multi-stage roadmap, covering everything from conservation plans and water-sharing agreements to declaring an emergency and prioritizing water for human health and safety. The plan helps government, irrigators, communities, businesses and others respond quickly and effectively to a wide range of drought conditions.

The updated plan better reflects the conditions in each region. It assigns each region a ranking from Stage 0 (no drought conditions) to Stage 4 (significant drought conditions in multiple water management areas). The Oldman and Milk River basins remain at Stage 4 due to very dry conditions. However, the other basins have been downgraded to Stage 0, 1, 2 or 3 to reflect their current moisture levels. No basins are at Stage 5 (urgent and critical escalation of drought conditions leading to a water emergency declared under the *Water Act*).

Albertans can now see drought stages and check conditions in their area using the new online map.

Alberta's government will continue working to support local water users in any and all areas experiencing water issues. Regardless of classification, smaller areas within each basin can still experience water shortages or challenges separate from drought, and officials will provide support wherever needed.

Moving forward, drought classifications will be updated

as needed based on the weather conditions, water supply and demand. Regardless of drought stage, all Albertans are encouraged to consider ways to use water wisely. Conserving water is always a good habit and it helps your community, as well as communities downstream.

## Quick facts

- The updated Drought Response Plan defines the same five stages of drought as the original plan but adds a Stage 0 for areas not experiencing drought conditions.
- Alberta's criteria for assessing the severity drought conditions and corresponding management actions has not changed. The only change is that each basin now receives its own specific conditions ranking.
  - The Oldman and Milk River basins remain at Stage 4, the drought response stage that previously applied to the entire province.
  - The Red Deer and Bow River basins and the southern tributaries of the South Saskatchewan are at Stage 3.
  - Areas in the northern half of the province are at Stage 1 or Stage 2, with the exception of the Beaver River basin, which is at Stage 0, meaning there are currently no drought conditions.
- In the future, government may also provide specific condition rankings to other sub-basins if it is needed to help Albertans to understand that drought conditions and response actions significantly differ from the rest of the basin.
- Other revisions to the Drought Response Plan include updates to better align with spring legislative amendments related to responding to an emergency declaration under Section 107 of the *Water Act*.
- Alberta's Drought Response Plan is intended to be a living document that is reviewed and routinely updated to better support the effective drought management in the province.
- As of Aug. 14, there are 36 water shortage advisories in place for select water management areas across Alberta.

*\*\*Please note - according to the Alberta Drought Map, Leduc County area is in Stage 2 - Active Management.*

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Orton's truck was in need of a serious overhaul and people in town would wonder how he ever made it there each week. As soon as he started the truck it would begin to cough and tremble to show that it still had some life left in it. At the sound of the clunking and rattling of the truck, Sandy would bolt from wherever he was on the farm and race to the truck, tail wagging in anticipation of the adventure to town.

This was obviously the highlight of Sandy's life. I suppose that barking at magpies and pigeons you can never get, chasing coyotes that you can never catch, and laying in the sun listening to chickens cluck can be rather boring. But, now was his time to break loose of the confines of the farm and to explore.

Orton gave Sandy the same instructions as he always did, "Now Sandy, you stay behind the truck and don't wander off." However, like kids (and some adults) the words went in one ear and out the other. Orton's truck never did gain any speed as he drove down the dirt road, making it easy for Sandy to keep up. Nevertheless, this inquisitive dog had culverts and holes to investigate on the way.

One particular Thursday as Orton went to the local hardware store, he was met by an angry woman who pointed her finger at him and accused him of being mean and thoughtless. "How could you be so cruel?" she said. "You let that poor dog run behind you all the way to town. Look how tired he is from following you."

Orton's reply was simple, but yet it held a great deal of truth that we can apply to our own lives. He said, "My dog is not tired from following me, he is tired from disobeying me." Sandy was tired out from following every distraction that caught his eye. He had not listened to the voice and instruction of his master, and therefore had no reason to blame anyone but himself.

It is easy to get sidetracked and to lose sight of your direction once your eyes have wandered from the Master.

Jesus said "I have come that you might have life, and more abundantly." He never intended us to tire ourselves out by running to see every new thing that comes along, or for us to be consumed by 'things'. It is so easy for us to get lost in the big cities if we do not have a map. So it is with life. That is why God has given us a map to direct us, the Bible.

Do you ever feel like you are running around, getting nowhere, and becoming more tired each day or month? Why not take a deep breath. Do not panic, and just pick up the road map to life. Commit yourself to follow the Master whose name is Jesus Christ, and you will soon find out that there really is no other way to be truly happy. Start today. You will never regret it!

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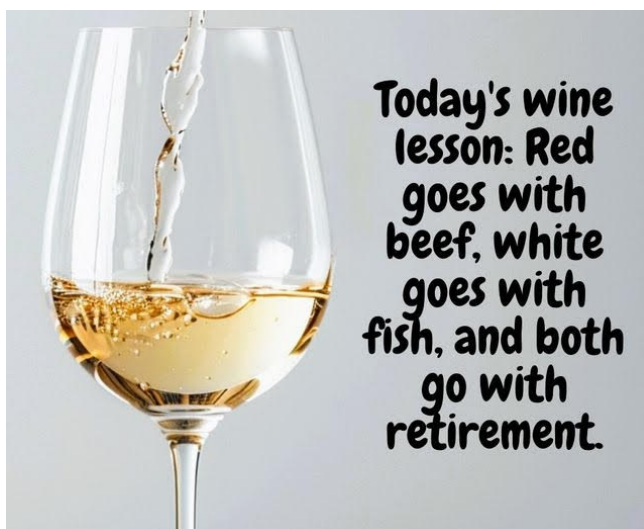
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14 acres, towering spruce, attractive home, covered screened deck, attached breezeway, double garage, shop, tarp shed, shed.

## BRETON



**\$599,900**

5.68 acs. 6bedrm, 2.5 baths, finished basement. Upgrades. dble garage w/infloor heat, hip roof barn w/ nat gas & 220 wiring

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**159 ARCE FARM** - 3 bed 2 bath home. Hot tub, porch w/wood stove.. Workshop, . Pasture, spring fed pond

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**\$795,000**

**145 acres** Forest, trout pond, 1920 sq ft home. 4 bed, 3 bath. Titan Wall construction, heated workshop. Private setting.

## VACANT LOT

Large lot backs onto golf course with 159 ft of golf course frontage. Natural trees for privacy. Newer neighborhood, no time restrictions to build, modular homes are acceptable (restrictive covenant applies). GST included  
**BRETON \$49,900**

## BRETON



**\$324,900**

3 bedroom, 4 bath home. Infloor heat in basement & garage, 50' covered veranda, back deck, Double garage, chain link fence

## BUCK CREEK



**\$395,000**

Hobby Farm. 10 acres, 3 bed, 2.5 baths, gardens, apple trees, pasture, chicken coop. home has been updated.

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

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Beautiful home, natural woodwork, 3 bed 1 bath, hot tub, firepit, double detached garage, share in community dock for your boat.

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

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**\$185,000**

.6 acre lakeview lot comes with a fully furnished 4 season mobile home, 4 storage sheds, two gazebos, firepit, pool and more.

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Over 90m of Modeste Creek frontage. 59.82 acre parcel has approx. 9 acres open with the balance being a mix of spruce,

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161 acres, Modeste Creek, sense of privacy, serene atmosphere, 2 ponds & a meadow, haven for birds, wildlife, a nature oasis. 4 bedrm, 3 1/2 bath home, ICF walkout basement. Easy care landscaping, fire pit/picnic spot by large pond, trails thru trees, a heated insulated shop, w/att 3-bay garage (3-pce bath), storage sheds, older garage, log cabin. Antique machinery, lawn benches & tables included. Most household furniture can be included with the property, making it a truly remarkable and turnkey opportunity for the next owner. Located west of Breton

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