BRETON BOSTER

COMMUNITY NIGHT IN BRETON

What a great night in Breton on September 24 where the community of Breton came together once again. Local groups, organizations and businesses were there to promote the local community and what this great little village has to offer.

This year the addition of the chili cook off was a huge hit. With over 15 entries, it was a stiff competition. The winners were people's choice. Winner of Best Overall was the Village of Breton Staff. Winner of the Hottest Chili was Breton Ag Society. Winner of the Most Unique was Farmhouse Grind. Great job to all that entered and participated.

Thanks to the Breton Ag Society, Breton FCSS and the Village of Breton for this great event. Can't wait until next year!









Best Overall Chili - Village of Breton Staff



Hottest Chili - Breton Ag Society



Most Unique Chili - Farmhouse Grind

Classifieds

FOR SALE

10' OAK CHURCH PEW -\$100, **COUNTER TOP TABLE 8 CHAIRS** - \$700, **OAK LAWYERS BOOKCASE** -\$600. Pictures upon request. Call Joan 780-898-1761

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LOOKING FOR GARAGE TO RENT- 28 x 28 or larger, must have heat and cement. Contact 403-304-4031

DONATIONS NEEDED! Uniforms from Breton & District WWII vintage for Remembrance Day display. Contact Bob at 587-341-7518. Thank you for helping with the recognition of our local Veterans!

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COMMUNITY EVENTS

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Sudoku Answers September 25 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 Breton



Organizational Meeting

Tuesday, October 8th, 2024

Regular Council Meeting

Wednesday, October 9th, 2024

At 7:00 pm in the Council Chambers of the Carolyn Strand Civic Centre.

Thorsby Ag Society (Haymaker)

Looking for a Part-time Maintenance Person

Must be over 18 years of age.

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Thank you!

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UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS

(Breton, Thorsby, Warburg & Surrounding Areas)

October 3 - Carnwood Hall Special AGM at 7pm to select a new slate of officers to run the hall. Any new booking or events contact Kayla Sarvas 780-289-0891

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

October 5 - Harvest Supper at Rundle's Mission. Doors open at 4pm, Supper from 5-7pm. Live Entertainment. For tickets or more info please call 780-389-2422

October 5 - Winfield Harvest Hootenanny at 1pm at the Winfield Hall. Market, hay rides, games, music, farmer Olympics, chili cook off and more. 780-621-1125 or winfieldagsociety@gmail.com for more info.

<u>October 6</u> - Dance to No Hitchiker Band at the Winfield Community Centre from 1-4pm. Admission by donation. Lunch contribution appreciated. Everyone welcome.

October 6 - Gospel Jam from 2-4pm at the New Life Christian Fellowship Church. Everyone Welcome. First Sunday of each month there after.

October 6 - Divine Liturgy on Sunday at St. John The Baptist Ukrainian Catholic Church in Thorsby at 10:30 a.m. For further information, contact Dan at 780-789-3698

October 8 - Special Landowner's Guide Presentation by the Pembina Institute (Calgary) hosted by the Warburg Pembina Surface Rights Group at the Warburg Hall. 6:30pm Register. 7pm Presentation. Call Carl 780-848-2508 for info.

October 7-11 - 12th Annual Chimney Sweep Program. For rates or to schedule an appointment for your inspection, repair, cleaning email fireadmin@draytonvalley.ca or 780-514-2216

October 10 - Thanksgiving Meat Bingo at the Thorsby Seniors Centre. Doors open at 6pm

October 17 - Thorsby Junior Senior High School Awards Night at the Thorsby High School at 6:30pm

October 18 -19 - Glen Park Community Association Country Market and Bake Sale. Oct 18 from 3-7pm & Oct 19 from 10-4pm. Tables available- \$20 each. Mike 780-919-1250

October 19 - Name that Tune Games Night at the Breton Youth Centre from 3-6pm. Grades 6-12.

October 19 - Genesee Pumpkin Festival at the Genesee Community Hall from 9-3pm. Contact Joanne 780-940-7229

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

October 19 - Community Flea Market 10-5pm, \$10/table at Sunnybrook Community Hall, BBQ Concession. Email sunnybrookcommunityhall@gmail.com to register.

October 21 - Thorsby Junior/Senior High School PTAAGM at 5:15pm. Positions need to be filled.

October 22 - Afternoon Paint Class at the Thorsby Seniors Centre from 1-3pm. Call Janice at 780-239-4595 for tickets.

October 23 - FRN Halloween Crafts from 3:30 - 5pm at the Breton Youth Centre. Grades 6-12.

October 24 - Breton Community Fall Dinner & Entertainment at the Breton Community Centre.Supper at 6pm, Entertainment Michael Harrison Ventriloquist at 7pm. Tickets available at the Breton Village Office.

October 24 - Thorsby & District Chamber of Commerce AGM at 6:30pm at the Thorsby Rec Centre. Become a member today. Email thorsbyabchamber@gmail.com

October 26 - Breton Golden Spur Gymkhana Club Season Windup Banquet at the Birchwood Golf Course at 5pm. Get tickets at goldenspurgymkhana@gmail.com before Oct 16.

October 26 - Oktoberfest at the Thorsby Community Centre. German Supper and music by Alberta's Polka King, Jordan Rody. Advance tickets available from Marlene 780-217-9394.

October 26 - Oktoberfest at the Peter Lougheed Community Centre in Rimbey at 7pm in support of the Rimbey Hospital. Tickets online at www.rimbeyhospitallegacycommittee.com

October 30 - FRN Indigenous Beading from 3:30 - 5:30pm at the Breton Youth Center. Grades 6-12.

October 31 - Halloween Hoopla & Haunted House at the Breton Community Centre from 5-8pm.

<u>November 1-8</u> - Wishes Come True Fall Auction hosted by the Leduc Community Hospital Foundation. For more info or to donate - Colleen at lchfoundation@ahs.ca or 780-980-4536

November 13 - Preparing for Farm Retirement at the Lakedell Community Hall from 9 - 3:30pm. FREE. Register by Nov 6 at www.county.wetaskiwin.ab.ca or call 780-352-3321.

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



CONTEST DETAILS & HOW TO ENTER:

Open to all residents and businesses of the Village of Breton.

To enter your name and address of your display please call, drop in or email the Village office - admin@breton.ca All entries must be received by October 20, 2024.

Judging will take place by Village Council on October 21, 2024.

List/Map of Scarecrow locations will be published (names of competitors will not be published)

\$500 in Prizes (People's Choice Award, Council Choice, Community Spirit Award)

Winners will be announced at the Fall Community Dinner on October 24, 2024. If you have won a prize, you will be notified by email or phone and your prize money can be picked up in the Village Office.

Cash Prizes:

\$250 for People's Choice \$150 for Council Choice \$100 for Community Spirit Award

TIPS FOR MAKING A GREAT DISPLAY

*Get creative and plan ahead! It'll be more enjoyable to put together if you've got a plan for your display and have the materials on hand

*Don't be afraid to be bold with colours so your entry stands out

*Make it easy for anyone driving by to spot your entry from inside a vehicle

*Partner up or do as a group activity with your kids, friends, neighbours, co-workers, etc.

*Use what you've got! It's fun to see what you've got laving around that you can repurpose in your display.

*Use what you've got! It's fun to see what you've got laying around that you can repurpose in your display
*Most importantly, HAVE FUN!!! This is meant to show your community spirit to be enjoyed by all!

And lastly – Thanks to all who take the time to put a scarecrow together.



PROGRAMS & REGULAR EVENTS

(Breton &Surrounding Areas)

**Please note - all events are subject to change - Please email us at media@community39.com or call 780-434-7446 if we have incorrect information.

MONDAYS

CARDS & FLOOR CURLING at the Breton Golden Age Club at 1pm (\$3)

<u>DRAMA CLUB</u> at the Breton Youth Center. Grades 6-12. Registration closed for Sept - Dec but accepting registration for Jan to June session. Email <u>bretonyouthcenter@gmail.com</u>

TUESDAYS

CHILDREN'S GYM TIME - FREE Drop in for 0-6 years old from 10am -11:30am at the Breton Faith Covenant Church. Hosted by Brighter Futures. For more info 780-514-5070.

FLOOR CURLING at the Breton Golden Age Club at 12:30pm

<u>FOOT WELLNESS</u> services the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month in Breton. Contact Christa at 780-514-5640 or online <u>www.yourintrinsicelement.com/copy-of-services</u>

WEDNESDAYS

BRETON BOOK CLUB meets at the Library the second Wednesday of the month at 1pm from September until June. All readers are welcome to join the conversation!

KNIT & KACKLE - knit and crochet items for non profits. No experience necessary. 2nd Wednesday of the month at the Breton Faith Covenant Church at 1pm. Gaylene 780-696-3597

TAI CHI at the Warburg Community Hall, Wednesdays 10:00 to 11:00, \$2.780-848-2841 or office@warburg.ca

THURSDAYS

OLDER ADULT EXERCISE CLASSES - Thursday mornings at the Breton Community Centre from 9-10am, Drop In \$2.

LOW IMPACT EXERCISE CLASS at the Buck Lake Seniors Centre from 11am - 12pm. Drop in \$2. Call Erin at 780-352-3321 for more info.

TACO THURSDAYS at the Breton Youth Center. Grades 6-12. from 3-6pm.

FRIDAYS

JAM DANCE & CARDS NIGHT at the Buck Creek Community Hall the first Friday of every month.

FREE FAMILY BOWLING NIGHT at the Alder Flats Western Pioneers Seniors Centre at 7pm on Fridays. October 18 to December 20. Book at 780-388-3793 or 780-542-0057

MUSIC, BIBLE & PIZZA at the Breton Youth Center. Grades 6-12 from 3:30 - 5:30pm (Not November 11 or 25 - No school)

SATURDAYS

<u>CRIB</u> at the Breton Golden Age Club on Saturdays at 12:30pm. Contact Larry at 780-975-8755

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

<u>WELCOME TO BRETON</u> - We want to help newcomers feel welcome by giving you a package of promotional and informational items from local businesses and community organizations. We look forward to meeting you! Call or text: Diane - 780-514-4273

MEMORIAL PLAQUE - Anyone wanting to put their loved ones name on the memorial plaque at the Breton Cemetery can

contact Diane with the Breton Royal Purple Elks at 780-514-4273 for more information.

TABS FOR TOTS - The Breton Elks collect the tabs off beverage cans and other recyclable metals. This is sold for scrap and the funds help local hospitals. To donate your tabs or other recyclable metals please call 780-696-3800

<u>TENT RENTALS</u> - the Breton Elks have 3-20x20 and 1-20x40 tents for rent. Contact Darren Scott at 780-696-3800.

COMMUNITYGROUPS&MEETINGS

(Breton&Surrounding Areas)

MONDAYS

BRETON & DISTRICT HISTORICAL SOCIETY - Monthly meetings the 4th Monday at 7pm at the Breton Museum. Jan-June & Sept-Nov. 780-898-1155 or bretonmuse@yahoo.com

BRETON GOLDEN AGE CLUB - Meetings are the first Monday of the month at 11am (except July & August). 780-898-1651 or dwaymon@telus.net

BRETON ROYAL PURPLE ELKS NO. 285 - the third Monday of the month at 7:30pm at the Community Hall (except July & August) 780-514-4273 or bretonrp285@gmail.com

WEDNESDAYS

BBRETON MUNICIPAL LIBRARY BOARD - Meetings are typically the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 6pm (none July & August) 780-696-3740 or bretonlibrary@yrl.ab.ca

BUCK CREEK COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION - Meetings at the hall the first Wednesday of every month at 8pm. 780-542-6604 or buckcreekhall@gmail.com

THURSDAYS

BRETON AG SOCIETY - Meets the second Thursday of every month (except July & August) at 7pm at the Community Centre. 780-202-0140 or bretonagsociety@gmail.com

BRETON ELKS 402 - at 7:30pm every 3rd Thursday of the month (except July & August) at the Community Centre. 780-898-3557 or bretonelks402@gmail.com

The Breton Booster can be viewed online & in color at www.community39.com

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

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

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- Equipment for handling vicious animals;
- Background in handling/housing animals: and
- Compensation needed to run a completed program

Please mail or drop off your proposal to:

Brazeau County

Attention: Director of Community Services Box 77, Drayton Valley, AB T7A1R1

Deadline to apply is October 31, 2024 at 2 p.m.

IMPORTANT DATES

October 8 | Municipal Planning Commission meeting | 11:00 am

October 14 | Brazeau County Administration Building closed | Thanksgiving Day October 15 | Council meeting | 9:00 am

October 16 | Agricultural Service Board meeting | 9:00 am

October 22 | Organizational meeting | 9:00 am November 11 | Brazeau County Administration Building closed | Remembrance Day





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- · Highest-quality photos
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FCSS NEWS

from Deanne Young

780.696.3636

Please feel welcome to contact me at fcss@breton.ca
or 780-696-3636. Our office hours are Monday to
Thursday 8:30am - 4pm.

By the time you are reading this we will have held our Community Information Night and Chili Cook Off. With close to 30 agencies, businesses, sport groups and services clubs in attendance. 17 very brave (and bold) took on the Chili Cook off Challenge. We will up date the people's choice results next week. Thank you for all that participated and attended.

Older Adult Exercise Classes

Thursday Mornings @ Breton Community Centre - We are excited to get started with our low impact older adult exercise classes. We have the same fabulous instructor in Cassie but will be holding them on a new day and time. We will be at the Breton Community Centre on Thursday mornings from 9 - 10am. These are drop-in classes and have cost \$2/session. You are encouraged to participate at your own level, this can be sitting or standing.

"Yoga with June"

Every Tuesday 10-11 am October 8 to December 10, 2024 - A Flow Yoga class for stability, strength, balance and relaxation. Pose sequences will be combined with Hatha Yoga core poses and restorative yoga poses. Instructed by June Knobel, Certified Yoga Teacher with Yoga Association of Alberta. \$2 drop in fee. Come join us at the Breton Community Centre for rejuvenation, relaxation and fun!

Community Fall Dinner & Entertainment

Thursday October 24. Join us for an evening to celebrate all of the great people in our community. This evening is open to anyone that would like to gather and enjoy the company of other community members, along with excellent food by Starkist Catering followed by entertainment with Ventriloquist, Michael Harrison. Michael has appeared on AGT-Americas Got Talent.

Tickets are \$15 for adults and \$10 for youth 6 - 12. Under 6 free. They are now available at the Village of Breton / FCSS Office.

Everyone is welcome to attend. We will be recognizing all Volunteers in attendance that evening. Get your tickets soon as they are going quickly!

Please Note - we have had an organization come forward with a very generous offer to pay for tickets for anyone that is having a bit of a difficult time right now. If you or your family could use a night out, with a delicious meal and entertainment, please email timesaretuff24@gmail.com. You will be asked why you would like to attend the evening and how many tickets

you would require. A response will be sent back to you. Once you receive the response you can pick up your FREE tickets at the Village of Breton office.

Food shopping, budgeting and meal prep

We are taking an interest list for those that would like to learn a bit more about buying nutritious food on a budget and turning that into delicious meals for you and your family. These classes/workshops would happen on Wednesday evenings. Youth 10 and older would be welcome to help learn and prepare the meals. Please contact our office by email at fcss@breton.ca or phone 780-696-3636 if you are interested. All ages are welcome.

Calendar Project is Back

Breton and Area FCSS are putting together a Community Calendar with positive messaging around Mental Health and Wellness. We would like this calendar to reflect our community and community members. That is where we need your help. We are looking for pictures from around our community that show health and wellness. It can be anything from enjoying the outdoors, spending time together with family and friends, enjoying our pets or an activity. A positive message will be added to the photo and used in the calendar. The calendars will be printed and distributed for free to members of our community. Please contact us at ress@breton.ca or 780-696-3636 for more information or to be a part of this project. Photos must be high resolution and submitted by October 28 to fcss@breton.ca.

Kick Off to Christmas

Save the date for our Annual Kick Off to Christmas on Saturday **December 7th**. Details are still being finalized but this has included our Santa's Workshop, visits with the jolly ole guy, children's activities and much more!

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

We want your local stories & pictures! Email media@community39.com



Genesee Agricultural Society

PUMPKIN FESTIVAL

Saturday, October 19, 2024 9am – 3pm



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GREAT NEWS FOR THE CARNWOOD HALL

Submitted by Karen Gresham, current secretary of the Carnwood Country society

We are so pleased that the Carnwood Hall is going to have a new life! At a special general meeting on October 3 at 7:00 we will be electing a new slate of officers to run the hall. We hope to be able to look forward to new events and happenings there.

For bookings and new events, please call Kayla Sarvas at 780-289-0891.

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ENHANCING EARLY DETECTION OF CERVICAL CANCER

Alberta News, September 26, 2024

Alberta's government is piloting a project that will allow Albertans to screen themselves for cervical cancer using a take-home kit.

Early detection of cancer is crucial to saving lives, and Alberta's government continues to prioritize opportunities that make early detection more accessible and convenient. When it comes to cervical cancer, the majority of cases are preventable with routine screening and treatment.

As part of the Cervical Cancer Screening Program, Alberta's government, along with partners Alberta Health Services (AHS) and Alberta Precision Labs, has launched a pilot project to look at innovative ways to expand cancer screening opportunities for Albertans. The pilot project will invite eligible Albertans to participate, including Indigenous people and individuals living in rural and remote communities.

"We know cervical cancer is almost entirely preventable with routine immunization and regular screening, which is why this pilot project is so important. This represents a vital next step towards eliminating cervical cancer altogether." Adriana LaGrange, Minister of Health

The cervix self-screening test is a more predictive test than routine pap testing. It detects high-risk strains of human papillomavirus (HPV), identifying individuals at risk for developing abnormal cervical cells, allowing for early treatment to prevent cancer.

The test kits contain the supplies people need to test themselves safely at home or wherever they are most comfortable. After testing, the kits are sent to a lab and results are provided to patients and health care providers.

The first 300 kits are currently available for eligible participants at the first pilot project site in Edmonton. Expansion to community partners and rural sites will follow.

"Self-sampling allows the person to collect their own sample in a location that feels safe and comfortable. HPV self-sampling looks for the virus that causes cervical cancer. If found early, it can be treated so cervical cancer does not develop." Dr. Laura McDougall, senior medical officer of health, AHS

This pilot project will help develop effective and sustainable HPV self-sampling strategies for underscreened populations and validate the necessary pathways and protocols for expanding cervical self-screening provincewide.

Quick facts

- There are about 170 new diagnoses of cervical cancer and 45 deaths due to cervical cancer each year in Alberta.
- More than 99 per cent of cervical cancer cases are caused by HPV.
- Only an average of 62 per cent of eligible Albertans were screened for cervical cancer between 2021 and 2023.
- A total of 5,000 kits will be collected over the duration of the pilot project.







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RCMP COMMUNITY REPORT FOR SEPTEMBER 2024

Cst. J. Conway, Thorsby/Breton RCMP Detachment

Total Calls for Service	224	
Suspicious Persons/ Vehicle	20	
Collisions	19	
Vehicle Theft	3	
Fraud	1	
Break and Enter	3	
Assault	4	
Impaired	6	
Recovered Vehicles	1	
Missing Person	1	

SEPTEMBER HIGHLIGHTS:

Breton

Breton RCMP responded to a report of a stolen vehicle from a local business. A local resident entered the business briefly, and their vehicle was missing when they came out. Police reviewed surveillance footage and identified the driver who was later apprehended with the assistance of the Drayton Valley RCMP. Tristen PRUDEN (28), a resident of Lac La Biche, Alta, was arrested and charged with the following:

· Theft of a motor vehicle

PRUDEN was held for a bail hearing and released on a promise to pay with conditions.

Brazeau County

Thorsby RCMP responded to a single vehicle rollover. Upon arrival, the driver was being worked on by medical crew on scene. During the recovery of the vehicle, RCMP located a prohibited firearm beside the driver's seat. The driver Dustin BLACK (31), a resident of Clearwater County, Alta, was charged with the following:

- Possession of a prohibited weapon
- Unauthorized possession in a motor vehicle
- Possession of a prohibited firearm with ammunition
- · Possession contrary to an order
- Careless use of a firearm

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CORRECTIONS TO COMMENTS MADE BY PREMIER SMITH

RCMP Relations, Alberta News, September 27, 2024

Edmonton – Yesterday Premier Smith addressed delegates at the Alberta Municipalities Convention being held in Red Deer. During her address, the Premier made some remarks about the Alberta RCMP and its current state that are inaccurate.

Despite continuous communications with our provincial partners, the current strength of Alberta RCMP officers is regularly miscommunicated, as is our current vacancy rate in Provincial Policing (this excludes municipal policing contracts which are contracts in place with municipalities for their policing services).

In the interest of clarity, the Alberta RCMP has a total of 1,772 police officer positions within the provincial policing contract. Our current vacancy rate within provincial policing is 17.3% or 306 positions. Of those positions, 124 are currently unfilled. The other 182 are officers who are not currently at work for a variety of reasons, including illness, maternity-related leave, and other special leave. These are statistics that are shared with our provincial partners every month.

We recognize that vacancy rates, recruiting and retention are substantial concerns for citizens. We're not alone in this challenge. Police services across the province are struggling to hire. The Alberta RCMP has undertaken a massive recruiting campaign and have already received over 1,400 Alberta applicants and are on track to double this by year's end. This includes some of the highest numbers of diverse applicants ever seen. This is an increase of applicants by 77% over the last five years, and the number continues to grow.

We know that recruiting can't be the only solution we focus on. We are continually analyzing our service delivery models to ensure they are as efficient and effective as they can be. In consultation with the communities we serve, we regularly review our policing models and explore new service delivery models that answer to the specific needs of citizens in those communities. We know that staffing challenges will not be solved by recruiting alone.

"The employees of the Alberta RCMP are fiercely proud of the policing services they provide to Albertans," said Deputy Commissioner Rob Hill, Commanding Officer of the Alberta RCMP. "We are here to serve and protect Albertans, and we will continue to do so with dedication and integrity."

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Elderly couple in church. Wife turns to husband and says "I've just done a silent fart, what should I do?" Husband says "put new batteries in your hearing aid!"

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

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