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SCHOOL COLLABORATION

by Shawna Ofstie

Starting February 11, students from Breton High School will be temporarily attending Warburg School during the construction of the new K-12 School in Breton.

In "A Patchwork of Memories" history book published in 1979 I found this story about the first centralized high school and thought I would share it this week. While what is happening in Breton/Warburg is not centralizing, I still thought it was an interesting story about our schools.

THORSBY SCHOOL - by Mr. Ed Raitz

The year 1947 marked the beginning of a new era in school administration for the Strawberry School Division No. 49 when the first centralized high school was

established in Thorsby. The high school offered the full academic program requirements for matriculation to students from the School Division attendance area which at that time extended from Genesee to Winfield. Paul Brooks provided the first school bus transportation for students from the Warburg-Sunnybrook districts. The high school educational facilities comprised 2 rooms with temporary quarters for a second classroom in the Ükrainian Hall. Robert (Bob) Hood, principal of the school (1947-49), and Edward Raitz formed the senior high school staff during the 1947-48 school year. Rosa Walters joined the staff as a third member in September, 1948, when the three-room senior high school opened. This new facility included the first auditorium-gymnasium built in the Strawberry School Division.

Two more classrooms were added in wings in 1949, with space in the basement area for a laboratory and business education classes. In that year Ed Raitz. became principal and remained until 1959.

In 1957, the high school moved to a new

facility located on a 10 acre site west of the old highway. This school included a large home economics room, a large science laboratory, library, shop and gymnasium-auditorium with a stage. The new building became a junior-senior high school and the 3 buildings on the old site formed the elementary school.

Centralization caused the closure of many of the small schools in the surrounding districts creating a large school enrollment in Thorsby. By 1959, compared to a staff of 5 teachers for grades 1 to 12 in 1946, there was a full compliment of 19 teachers. +

Following the recommendation of the Co-terminous Boundaries Commission the Leduc School Division was formed. The new school division closely followed the lines of the Leduc Municipal District. Head offices for the division was changed to Leduc from Thorsby in February, 1956, the transfer being authorized in October the previous year.



Thorsby High School — 1942-43.

Back Row L. to R. Peter Stashko, Earl Zeiner, Michael Tomaszewski, Stanley Tomaszewski, Jack Griffin, Mike Schram, John Kunkel; Ivor Hoyem, Joe Radowits, Pete Meditsky, Bill Kuzio, Steve Klimosko. 2nd Row L. to R. Mary Arthur, Helen Lindberg, Leona Meditsky, Olive Shilson, Bob Samardzic. Front Row L. to R. Eileen Van Alstyne, Zetta Krukowski, Elsie Becker, Estelle Madiuk.

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Goats 101

Date: Jan. 22, 2025 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Sheep 101

Date: Feb. 5, 2025 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Alpacas 101

Date: Feb. 19, 2025 7 to 8:30 p.m.

Register up until the day before each event.

Visit www.leduc-county.com/goats101 or www.farmingforward.ca/events





Thorsby Seniors Crib Results!

January 6 Crib scores:

1st Place: Maurice Masyk 962 2nd Place: Rod Blair 932 3rd Place: Cathy Dahl 931 High Hand of 24: Marie Gutenberg

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL WINNERS!

Next crib event:

Monday, January 13 at 1:00 pm Thorsby Seniors Center / *Please note Admission change to \$7.00

"little papers...BIG RESULTS"

2	5	6	4	1	8	3	9	7
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7	1	4	8	5	3	9	6	2
3	2	5	တ	7	6	8	1	4
6	8	9	1	4	2	7	3	5

Sudoku Answers from January 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 × 3 subgrids.



General Service Worker - Cook Casual

Cloverleaf Manor – Warburg AB

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

QUALIFICATIONS

- 1. Housekeeping and/or food service experience in institution/hospitality industries.
- 2. Formal education in the area of housekeeping and/or food service would be beneficial.
- 3. W.H.M.I.S. Training
- 4. Strong English communication skills, both written and verbal is required.
- Strong customer service skill including the ability to interact with everyone in a respectful manner
- 6. Ability to perform work duties with a minimum of supervision.
- Ability to work independently, as well as a team.
- 8. Ability to work a flexible schedule (evenings and weekends).
- 9. Satisfactory Criminal Records Check including Vulnerable Sector Check.
- Experience working with and meeting the needs of seniors

*All employees will be required to have a Pre-Employment Fit to Work Assessment, and a clear criminal record with vulnerable sector check.

Please send your resume quoting job posting number 2025-CL-01 to:

Attn: Human Resources

Leduc Regional Housing Foundation 5118 – 50 Avenue, Leduc, Alberta, T9E 6V4 Fax: 780.986.4881 or

E-mail: hr@leducregionalhousing.ca

Posting to remain open until a suitable candidate is found.



Part Time Evening Cook

Cloverleaf Manor - Warburg AB

Leduc Regional Housing Foundation is seeking an enthusiastic and motivated individual for a Part-time Evening Cook position (40 hours/biweekly). Reporting to the Chef, the Evening Cook is responsible for meal preparation and service to the residents. As a member of the Leduc Regional Housing Foundation team, the Evening Cook ensures that a high standard of services is provided to the residents.

QUALIFICATIONS

- 1. Formal training along with a minimum 3 years' experience with cooking and baking in a commercial kitchen setting is required.
- 2. Minimum 3 years' experience in quantity food preparation.
- 3. Knowledge of proper food handling practices Food Handler's Certificate preferred.
- 4. W.H.M.I.S. Training.
- 5. Strong English communication skills, both written and verbal is required.
- 6. Strong customer service skill including the ability to interact with everyone in a respectful manner.
- 7. Ability to work a flexible schedule (evenings and weekends).
- 8. Satisfactory Criminal Records Check including Vulnerable Sector Check.
- 9. Standard First Aid Certificate.
- 10. Experience working with and meeting the needs of seniors.

All employees will be required to have a Pre-Employment Fit to Work Assessment, and a clear criminal record with vulnerable sector check.

Please send your resume quoting job posting number 2025-CL-02 to:

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UPCOMING SPECIAL EVENTS

(Breton, Thorsby, Warburg & Surrounding Areas)

<u>January 11</u> - Molly's Comedy Cabaret at Eleanor Pickup Arts Centre in Drayton Valley at 7:30pm. Tickets available at Ticketpro 1-888-655-9090

<u>January 12</u> - Pancake Breakfast at the Warburg Legion from 8:30am - 11:30am. \$10 per plate. Kids under 5 free.

January 12 - Sunnybrook Hall AGM at 2pm

January 13 - Mulhurst Legion AGM at 1pm

<u>January 14</u> - Diamond Art Class at the Thorsby Seniors Centre at 1pm.

<u>January 17</u> - Drumming Circle at the Thorsby Seniors Centre. Free to members, \$10 for non-members. Pre-register.

<u>January 18</u> - Community Gym Night in the Warburg High School Gym from 5:30pm-8:30pm. Volleyball, floor hockey and other games. Open to everyone. Free. All ages welcome.

<u>January 21</u> - Coffee Get Together at the Thorsby Seniors Centre at 1pm

<u>January 24</u> - Ventriloquist Michael Harrison at Eleanor Pickup Arts Centre in Drayton Valley at 7:30pm. Tickets available at Ticketpro 1-888-655-9090

<u>January 25</u> - Ukrainian Malanka Festival at the Thorsby Hall. Call Marlene at 780-217-9394 or 780-789-3734 for tickets

<u>January 25</u> - **Newfoundland Kitchen Party** at the Warburg Legion at 6pm. \$30 per ticket (pre-sale). For tickets contact Deb at 780-848-2923

<u>January 29</u> - Thorsby Seniors Meeting. Potluck lunch at 12pm and meeting starts at 1pm

<u>February 5</u> - Managing Menopause class at the Warburg Nurse Practitioner-Led Clinic from 6-8pm. Register with Warburg FCSS at 780-848-2828 or email <u>fcss@warburg.ca</u>

<u>February 15</u> - Comedy Night with the Pepper & Dylan Show's Rob Pepper hosted by the Warburg playschool. Get your tickets at www.funnyfundraising.ca

<u>February 22</u> - Community Gym Night in the Warburg High School Gym from 5:30pm-8:30pm. Volleyball, floor hockey and other games. Open to everyone. Free. All ages welcome.

<u>February 23</u> - Canadian Country Music Legends at the Thorsby Community Centre hosted by Thorsby Playschool. Advance Tickets \$30 at the Rec Complex, Thorsby Hotel or call Brodi at 780-721-4296 or \$40 at the door.

Community Events & Information is FREE to advertise

Pick up your FREE 2024/2025 "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....

Community supported agriculture (CSA)

Looking for an inside scoop on what community supported agriculture looks like? We've got the series for you!

Join us for a free, two-part webinar series on what a year and a day looks like, as well as producer perspectives on community supported agriculture.

Year and a day of a CSA

- **Date:** Tuesday, Jan. 28, 2025, from 7 to 8:30 p.m.
- Register by Jan. 24, 2025 vearandadayofcsa.eventbrite.ca

Producer perspectives

- **Date:** Tuesday, Feb. 11, 2025, from 7 to 8:30 p.m.
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PROGRAMS & REGULAR EVENTS

(Thorsby, Warburg & 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

Bus To Drayton Valley (Aquasize or Walmart) Must preregister. Contact Warburg FCSS 780-848-2828

Crib at the Thorsby Seniors Centre every Monday at 1:00pm

<u>Community Skate</u> every Monday from 3:45 - 5:15pm at the Warburg Arena

<u>Lego Club</u> at the Thorsby Recreation Centre from 3 - 4:30pm.

Mom Group (Warburg) on Monday mornings from 9:30am - 11am in the Village of Warburg office basement.

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

TUESDAYS

<u>Music Jam Session</u> on 4th Tuesday of the month at the Calmar Seniors Centre 1-4pm. 4916 - 50 Ave

<u>Pickle Ball</u> every Tuesday at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex from 9:30am - 11:30am

Quilting at the Warburg Seniors Centre on Tuesdays from 9:30am-2pm. Contact Nancy 780-848-7756

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

<u>Sturling Night</u> on Tuesdays at 6:30pm at the Warburg Curling Club. Contact Hugh 780-898-8651

<u>Volleyball</u> (16+) drop in at Warburg High School Gym on Tuesdays from 7 - 9pm (\$2). Contact <u>fcss@warburg.ca</u>

WEDNESDAYS

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

<u>Open Gym Nights</u> at the Thorsby Recreation Centre every second Wednesday from 5 - 6:30pm

<u>Cards</u> at the Warburg Seniors Centre at 1pm every Wednesday (\$2)

English Language Conversation Circle every Wednesday at 6pm at the Thorsby Municipal Library.

<u>Junior Curling</u> - Wednesdays at the Warburg Curling Club. Contact Hugh 780-898-8651

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

Shinny at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Recreation Complex on Wednesdays and Fridays from 3:30 - 5pm.

Shinny at the Warburg Arena Wednesdays from 3:45-5:15pm.

<u>Soup & Sandwiches</u> at the Thorsby Seniors Centre starting at 11:30am on the 2nd Wednesday of the mth except December.

<u>Soup & Sandwiches</u> at the Warburg Seniors Centre every 3rd Wednesday at 12pm except July & August(\$10)

<u>Tai Chi</u> at the Warburg Community Hall, Wednesdays 10am to 11am, \$2.780-848-2841 or office@warburg.ca

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

THURSDAYS

Bingo at the Thorsby Seniors Centre every Thursday at 7pm.

Floor Curling at the Warburg Pioneer Centre at 1pm on Thursdays (\$2).

Mens Curling every Thursday at 10am at the Warburg Curling Rink. Contact Hugh 780-898-8651

<u>Pickleball</u> at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex from 9:30am - 11:30am

<u>Pickleball</u> drop in at the Warburg High School Gym from 7-9pm \$2

<u>Public Skating</u> at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Recreation Complex on Thursdays from 3:30 - 4:45pm.

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

<u>Sew Heavenly Quilters</u> meet at 10am on Thursdays at the Warburg Cultural Centre.

<u>Thorsby Seniors Thrift Store</u> - Open Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10am-3pm. 780-996-5131.

FRIDAYS

<u>Coffee in the Valley</u> at Telfordville Community Centre on the first and third Friday of each month from 9 - 11am. No charge.

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

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

<u>Music Jam Sessions</u> at the Warburg Seniors Drop in Centre the 2nd Friday of the month 1-4pm. All are welcome.

<u>Shinny</u> at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Recreation Complex on Wednesdays and Fridays from 3:30 - 5pm.

<u>Thorsby Seniors Thrift Store</u> - Open Thursday, Friday and Saturday from 10am-3pm. 780-996-5131.

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

SATURDAYS

<u>Farmer's Market</u> at the Mulhurst Bay Community Hall every Saturday 11-3pm. Contact Carol 587-920-2065. No Market in January, back February 8, 2025.

Pie & Coffee from 1pm - 4pm at the Warburg Museum on the first & third Saturday of every month. Or arrange a tour through Susie 780-848-2507 or Joan 780-621-7174

 $\frac{\textbf{Thorsby Seniors Thrift Store}}{\text{Saturday from 10am-3pm. 780-996-5131}}. \\$

SUNDAYS

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

<u>Pancake Breakfast</u> by the Thorsby Lions Club the first Sunday of the month at the Senior's Centre 9am - 12pm.

COMMUNITY INFORMATION

<u>Leduc County Family Resource Network (FRN) Building Drop-In Hours:</u> Located in the modular beside the Arctic Spas Recreation Complex. Open Tuesdays from 2pm – 8pm and Thursdays from 9am – 4pm.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

<u>Drive happiness</u> is a non-profit organization that provides assisted transportation services to older adults through the help of volunteer drivers. We have riders in Calmar, Devon, Leduc, Leduc County, Thorsby & Warburg and need drivers. Call 780-424-5438 or 1-888-336-4503 or contact your local FCSS for info.

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In loving memory of **Bob Ostapchuk**

who passed away January 7, 2020

God Looked Around His Garden

God looked around His garden and found an empty space; He then looked down upon this earth and say your tired face. He put His arms around you and lifted you to rest; God's garden must be beautiful, He only takes the best. He that you were suffering He knew you were in pain, He knew you might never get well upon this earth again. He saw the road was getting rough and the hills were hard to climb, so He closed your weary eyelids and whispered "Peace be thine" It broke our hearts to lose you, but you never went alone, for part of us went with you the day God called you home.

Thinking of you every day and missing you.

From loving wife Beverly, brothers George (Elizabeth), Reg, Marvin (Phyllis) and numerous nephews, nieces, relatives and friends



Jean Violet Kruger

October 21, 1932 - January 6, 2025



The family of Jean Kruger is saddened to announce that Jean passed away peacefully on January 6, 2025 with her loving family by her side. Left to cherish the memory of her kind heart and gentle nature are her children Gladys (Reuben), Deb (Alan), Lyle (Meredith), daughter-in-law Janice; her grandchildren Jason (Dawn), Candace (Codie), Brent (Laura), Ryan (Caitlin), Roxanne (Matt), Nick (Dawn), Blair (Colette), Rae-Lee and Shae-Anne and great grandchildren Samantha, Keely, Riley, Hunter, Madison, Erica, Cole, Rennek, Bryer, Gradyn, Brody, Hudson and Aubryn.

Born in Morrowdale October 21, 1932, the talented and passionate cook and baker will be missed by a host of lifelong friends and relatives she met through church, gardening, and her involvement in the community. She is predeceased by husband of 72 years Harold, son James, great grandson Logan, her parents Nick and Elsie Martinoff and brothers Harry, Bernard, Eddie, sister Hady and sister-in-law Lenore.

The funeral service will be held on January 17, 2025 at 11:00am at St. Matthews Lutheran Church, 5115 48 Avenue, Thorsby.

Donations in Jean's memory can be made to the Canadian Cancer Society.

Connect with us!

Submitted by Leduc County FRN





Provincial Family Resource Networks

Welcome to 2025 and to winter fun!

We are fortunate to live in an area of the world that allows us to experience the beauty of a fresh snowfall and all it has to offer. This winter, the Family Resource Network (FRN) challenges the community to get out and embrace all that nature has to offer us.

Here are a few activities that we are sure all ages can enjoy!

- Make a snow angel
- · Hit the slopes and go skiing
- Go snowshoeing
- · Watch the snow falling
- Catch snowflakes on a black piece of paper. Can you find two the same?
- · Snow painting
- · Build a snow fort
- Make a birdfeeder of pinecones, peanut butter, and bird-seed – place it near your window for a show
- · Make paper snowflake cutouts
- · Build a snowman
- Go sledding
- · Try ice fishing
- Go skating outdoors
- Drop by an FRN centre in Devon and/or Thorsby for activities, resources and more!

For information on FRN programs, call 780-979-2385, email frn@leduc-county.com or visit www.leduc-county.com/frn

Our Thorsby site is located at 4908 48 St. in the modular across from the Arctic Spas Recreation Complex. It is open Tuesdays from 2 to 8 p.m. and Thursdays from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Our Devon site is located at 5 Jasper Court and is open on Mondays from 2 to 8 p.m.

For more information and to register for upcoming programs scanthe QR code below.





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SENIORS GRANT PROGRAM

For community-based projects

Applications for Leduc County Seniors Grants for 2025 are now open until Jan. 31. The program is designed to provide funding support to organizations and volunteer groups who will create new opportunities for Leduc County seniors to connect, engage and contribute to their communities. Eligible organizations or groups can apply for funding for activities that are led by or driven by seniors' ideas and interests.

The amount per funding request is not capped; however, the requested amount should be consistent with the size of the project, program or event and the capacity of it. Ongoing or recurring activities will be considered as long as there is a new component; however, new ideas and events are highly encouraged!

Visit www.leduc-county.com/grants to learn more about eligibility and the application process.

Please reach out to discuss your idea prior to applying. We will support groups to submit successful applications!

Contact Sara Russell at **780-955-6424** or **sara@leduc-county.com**.





UPDATE Submitted by Gail O'Neil

Ph: 780-848-2391 / Fax: 780-848-2296 warburglibrary@yrl.ab.ca the Library is also on FB and Instagram

OPEN Monday - Thursdays 10am - 5pm Friday - Sunday CLOSED

Happy New Year (2025)

The Library looks forward to another wonderful year!

The Christmas draw was very successful, thanks to the Community and area for their support, so many generous donations and ticket sales far exceeded last year. Congratulations to the winners of the 50/50 and numerous prizes, we hope you are enjoying your prizes.

Library hours 2025: Monday to Thursday 10 am to 5 pm, Friday to Sunday Closed

The Library offers books, printing, public computers, and programs throughout the year. Staff will get more programs running after the annual reports, surveys and year ends are finished up. We have lots planned and look forward to a new year of ideas.



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SANTA FOR SENIORS

Huge thank you to all the support we received this year for our Santa for Seniors program. We were able to put together a bag for each member of the Happy Haven Seniors home. Can't wait to do it again. Wishing everyone all the best for 2025!

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2025 LEDUC COUNTY BOARD APPOINTMENTS

Leduc County invites County residents to apply for the following board and committee positions by **4:30 p.m. on Jan. 17.** Mileage and an honorarium may be provided to committee/board members.

AGRICULTURAL SERVICE BOARD

Acts in an advisory capacity to Council on matters in accordance with duties, powers and functions outlined in the *Agricultural Service Board Act* and in support of the *Weed Control Act*, *Soil Conservation Act*, *Agricultural Pests Act*, *Livestock Diseases Act* and *Water Act*. Applicants should be familiar with agricultural issues and concerns to provide advice on agricultural policies.

- **Positions available:** two members at large
- Term: two years ending Dec. 31, 2026
- Meeting frequency: Seven times per year on the second Monday of January, March, April, June, September, November and December at 10 a.m. or at the call of the Chair

FAMILY AND COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Acts in an advisory capacity to Council. The committee is comprised of one community member from the rural east region, one community member from the rural west region, two Leduc County Council representatives, and Council representatives from Calmar, Thorsby and Warburg.

- Positions available: one member at large from the rural west region
- Frm: two years ending Dec. 31, 2026
- Meeting frequency: four times per year on Wednesdays commencing at 5 p.m.

LEDUC COUNTY LIBRARY BOARD

Acts in an advisory capacity to Council. The committee is comprised of six members of the community and two Leduc County Council members.

- Positions available: two members at large
- **Term:** three years ending Dec. 31, 2027
- Meeting frequency: meets up to four times per year in the evenings in New Sarepta

PARKS AND RECREATION ADVISORY COMMITTEE

Acts in an advisory capacity to Council.

The committee is comprised of six members of the community and two Leduc County Council members.

- Positions available: three members at large, with one representative each for the Warburg, Leduc and New Sarepta areas
- Frm: two years ending Dec. 31, 2026
- Meeting frequency: four times per year on Wednesdays commencing at 6:30 p.m.

EDMONTON INTERNATIONAL AIRPORT NOISE ADVISORY COMMITTEE

The Noise Advisory Committee is managed by the Edmonton Regional Airports Authority for the purpose of reviewing complaints related to aircraft noise. The committee is comprised of members from adjacent and nearby municipalities, Transport Canada, NAV Canada, airline representative(s) and Edmonton Airports.

- Positions available: one member at large
- Term: two years ending Dec. 31, 2026
- Meeting frequency: as needed

If you have an interest in serving, please call 780-770-9259 or submit your resume to the undersigned by **Jan. 17**, **at 4:30 p.m.** to:

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TIPS From TOPS!

From Pearl Elson

Our meetings are designed to encourage weight loss, maintenance, to educate and to provide support. New members are welcome to attend a meeting with no obligation. Meetings are held at the Thorsby Senior's Centre on Monday mornings with weigh in from 9am to 9:15am and the meeting following from 9:15am to 9:45am. There is an annual fee to TOPS International of \$49 and a monthly fee to the Thorsby Chapter #1694 of \$5. The first month chapter fees are free. Phone Jane at 780-789-3789 or Cheryl at 780-848-7673 for more info.

THE TOPS TEN

No matter our physical age, it is always important to grow older with grace and a sense of personal style. As we continue to find things that are important to us, perhaps this list can guide us.

- **Embrace change.** It is inevitable, so make change work for you to shape your future.
- 2. Love yourself. Take good care of yourself. Take time for physical activity such as walking, exercise, yoga, etc. Invest time and effort into making our future bright and healthy.
- **Inside counts.** Get healthy on the inside to help look healthy outside. Getting proper sleep and eating right are crucial.
- 4. Nutritious choices. Eat plenty of fruit and vegetables. Make sure you include foods rich in omega 3s in your eating plan with tasty options like salmon, walnuts, flaxseed and more.
- 5. **Negatives are no-no's.** Eliminate negativity from your thoughts. Focus on the positive. Work to reduce the effects of stress in your life.
- 6. The skin you're in. Good skin care is important. Don't forget to exfoliate and moisturize. Good skin care habits pay off in the long run. (Hey guys and gals too)
- 7. Cultivate curiosity. Aging well involves your mind as well as your body. Keep it active and it will serve you for a lifetime.
- **Dress well.** Consider your body type as you age. Make certain that clothes fit correctly. Check out a tailor or seamstress to alter favorite pieces in your wardrobe.
- 9. Crowning glory. The proper hairstyle can take years off your looks and keep you looking bright and well-groomed.
- 10. Forward we go. Discover what is the next phase of adventure of your life and pursue it.

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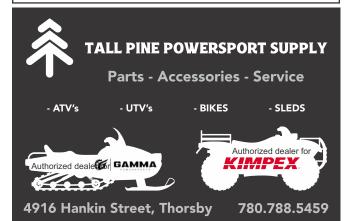
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HOW TO MAKE (AND KEEP) A NEW YEAR'S RESOLUTION

www.nesto.ca/lifestyle/achievable-new-years-resolutions-goals/

Making and keeping a New Year's resolution is a great way to start off the year on the right foot. Let's look at some of the important things to consider when picking your new year's goals.

1. Pick the Right Resolution

Picking the right resolution can be tricky, but there's a great way to help you find the perfect one. Make sure to pick SMART goals and SMART stands for Specific, Measurable, Achievable, Relevant, and Time-bound.

Here are some tips for setting a SMART new year's resolution:

- Make sure that the resolution is specific and measurable. Ask yourself questions like "what do I want to achieve?", "how will I know when I have achieved it?", and "what resources do I need?".
- Ensure that the goal is achievable and realistic. Ask yourself if you have the necessary resources and skills to complete it.
- Make sure that the goal is relevant to your overall objectives and fits in with your long-term plans. And finally set a timeline for it to keep yourself on track.

2. Create Your Personal New Year's Plan

Creating a personal new year's plan will help you stay focused and motivated throughout the year, so make sure to take some time to plan out your goals and activities over the coming weeks and months. Use a calendar or a diary to list out weekly/monthly tasks and checkpoints in the future. Set reminders in your calendar to keep yourself accountable for these goals. Make sure to pick tasks that are specific to you, your habits, your lifestyle and within your abilities.

3. Find a Community That Focuses On Your Goals

You may be tempted to go all in alone but you'll find that if you find a community that shares similar new year's challenges, you'll be more like to stick to it and keep your resolution for longer.

Luckily, there are plenty of online communities and groups on social media dedicated to helping people, just like you, reach their goals. First, do a quick Google search using words like "your goal" + community or support group. This should bring up a variety of online communities that you can join to get support and help achieve your goals. Additionally, you may also want to consider reaching out to local groups in your area that focus on helping people reach their goals.

4. Turn Your Resolution Into a Habit

It takes between 21 to 28 days to create a new habit, so by the end of January, you'll have a new habit that'll make your new year's resolution easier to stick to.

Start by breaking your resolution down into smaller, more manageable goals. For example, if your resolution is to save money, you can break it down into smaller goals like cutting back on takeaways, cancelling unused subscriptions, keeping track of daily expenses, using a budgeting app, and setting aside a small amount of money each week to go into your saving account.

5. Even If You Fail Once, Keep Going

Don't be too hard on yourself. Especially if it's a new goal that you've never set before. It's okay to fail! Failure is a part of life and can be a great learning experience. Don't give up when things don't go the way you hoped. Instead, take a step back and figure out what you can do differently to keep your resolution. No matter what happens, stay focused and keep going. It's the only way to reach success! And remember all resolutions are good new year's resolutions.

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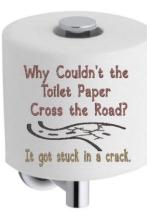
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- Everything hurts
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