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Thorsby, Warburg & Area NEWS

previously the Thorsby Target & Warburg Bugle

CONGRATULATIONS BUCKS

Submitted by Kayla Sarvas

Congratulations to the U11-1 team for winning Gold in their Tier 1 home tournament in Warburg this past weekend with the final score being 3-0.

This little team of 11 doesn't have any quit in them. They go out on the ice every game and give it their all. Big thanks to the players who helped fill in for our missing player from the U11-2 team this is just as much your Gold Medal. **GO BUCKS!**



RCMP FEDERAL POLICING

RCMP Alberta, January 28, 2025

RCMP Federal Policing Northwest Region confirms Black Hawk helicopter flights have started in Alberta

On Tuesday, January 28th, 2025, an RCMP Black Hawk helicopter began patrolling the Alberta border with the United States.

The helicopter patrols will transverse the Prairie border to search for, and target, all illegal activity along the border region; this includes searching for individuals who illegally enter Canada between official ports of entries and for the human smugglers who facilitate their travel. It will also be used to detect and stop illegal smuggling and trafficking of contraband such as illicit drugs into, and out of, Canada.

The helicopters will have police officers on-board who can quickly respond to any location near the border where illegal activity may be taking place. In addition, the Black Hawk can help direct Integrated Border Enforcement Team officers, who patrol the Alberta border in vehicles, to any suspicious activity.

Residents along the Alberta border with the United States may hear and see the helicopter on a regular basis. These are part of normal police operations and there is no cause for any public safety concern.

"The range and speed of the Black Hawk allows it to be deployed very quickly to any location along the Alberta border; providing the RCMP with an enhanced rapid-response capability within the province" said RCMP Assistant Commissioner Lisa Moreland, Regional Commander, Federal Policing, Northwest Region. "The Black Hawk is without a doubt an additional and very important air asset that has been brought-in to help keep our border with the United States secure."



Classifieds

FOR SALE

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2008 DODGE 2500 SLT Diesel, grey, long box, matching topper, never seen winter, 75,000 original km, mint condition, 6.7 Automatic, 4wd, decent tires, \$40,000. Serious offers only. Contact Ron at 780-360-4369

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Sudoku Answers
from January 24 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.



PART-TIME PUBLIC WORKS CLERK



The Town of Thorsby is seeking a highly organized and detail-oriented individual to join our team as a Public Works Clerk!

In this role, you'll support the Public Works department by managing records, coordinating service requests, and assisting with daily operations that keep our town running smoothly. Your work will help ensure efficient service delivery and support vital community infrastructure.

If you're a team player with strong administrative skills, we'd love to hear from you!

Apply by February 7th, 2025– Please see the Town of Thorsby [News] section or scan the QR code for more information.



Town of Thorsby
4917 Hankin Street, Box 297
Thorsby, AB T0C 2P0
TEL: 780.789.3935 www.thorsby.ca



PART-TIME FINANCE CLERK



The Town of Thorsby is looking for a detail-oriented and organized individual to join our team as a Finance Clerk!

In this role, you'll play a key part in maintaining the town's financial operations, processing transactions, and ensuring accuracy in financial records. Your work will help keep our community running smoothly while supporting essential services.

If you have a passion for numbers and a keen eye for detail, we'd love to hear from you!

Apply by February 7th, 2025 – Please see the Town of Thorsby website [News] section or scan the QR code for more information.



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COMMUNITY EVENTS & info

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

February 2 - Dance to No Hitchiker Band at Winfield Community Centre from 1-4pm. Admission by donation. Lunch contribution appreciated. Everyone Welcome.

February 3, 10, 24 - Baby Sign Language at the Warburg Library. Drop in, no registration. Free to Everyone who wants to learn basic sign language. Learn with Staff.

February 4 - Family Bingo returns to the Mulhurst Legion. We are back from our winter break and looking forward to greeting back all players. Games will start at 6:30 pm.

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

February 5 - Community Crockpot Class at the Breton Community Center from 7pm - 8:30pm. \$5/person you are cooking for/session. Pre-registration required email manager@brighterfutures.ca

February 6 - Slime Winter Workshop PD Day Camp at Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex 10am - 2pm, ages 7+, Registration Required

February 8 - 10th Annual Predator Hunt. Registration 6-7am at the Warburg Legion. Check out 5:30pm. Chili Dinner. \$200 per 2 man team plus youth under 16. Participants must be TFGA Members.

February 8 - Winter Try It Festival at Wizard Lake day-use area from 11am - 3pm. Free Admission to try a variety of winter sports. More information at educ-county.com/recreation

February 9 - Pancake Breakfast at Warburg Legion. Call 780-848-2923 for more info.

February 12 - Valentine's Day Origami at Thorsby Arctic Spas Complex from 3-4:30pm. Hosted by Miss Rachel in the lobby. Free Drop in.

February 14, 15, & 17 - Escape Room at the Thorsby Library. Watch our facebook page for more information.

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

February 17 - Family Day Pancake Breakfast at the Thorsby Community Centre from 9am - noon. \$8/plate, 5 & under free.

February 17 - Family Day Events at the Breton Community Center. 9am-1:30pm. Pancake breakfast, balloon artist, face painter, craft area, community bingo, family photos, and more.

February 18 - Together We Play, 5-7pm at Thorsby Arctic

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Spas Rec Complex. Come together to celebrate the joy of family with this free Family Day event. Registration required.

February 22 - Pigeon Lake Poker Rally at Ma Me O Beach starting at 10am. Pre Event Friday 21. Fun for the whole family. Contact westof5thpokerrun@gmail.com for more info.

February 22 - 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.

February 22 - Raise the Roof Comedy Night at Wilton Park Hall featuring Krissy Stark & Weird Grampa. Cocktails @ 5:30pm, Dinner @ 6:30pm and Show @ 8pm. \$60/ticket text 780-777-8642 for tickets.

February 23 - 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.

February 26 - Pick Shirt Day, Stop by the Thorsby library or send a picture of your pick shirt.

February 26 - Community Crockpot Class at the Breton Community Center from 7pm - 8:30pm. \$5/person you are cooking for/session. Pre-registration required email manager@brighterfutures.ca

February 27, 28, March 1 - Fiddler on the Roof performed at Eleanor Pickup Centre in Drayton Valley at 6:30pm and Matinee at 1:30pm. Tickets on sale \$30 each

February 28 - Paint Night with MaryAnn at the Warburg Legion. Call 780-848-2923 for more info.

March 2 - Dance to No Hitchiker Band at Winfield Community Centre from 1-4pm. Admission by donation. Lunch contribution appreciated. Everyone Welcome.

March 15 - Ice Golf Tournament at Mulhurst Bay from 10:30am - 4pm with dinner and dance to follow. Go to www.icegolf.ca for more information. Registration Required.

March 19 - Community Crockpot Class at the Breton Community Center from 7pm - 8:30pm. \$5/person you are cooking for/session. Pre-registration required email manager@brighterfutures.ca

*Local Community Articles &
Information are FREE!*

*Email media@community39.com
for more information!*



10th Annual



TFGA PREDATOR HUNT

10th Annual Predator
Hunt on Saturday,

February 8, 2025

Registration 6:00 - 7:00am
at Warburg Legion Hall
Check-out Time is 5:30pm
(No late check-ins, no exceptions.)



PRIZES 1st place winners,
2nd place team, 3rd place team.
Heaviest coyote competition.

Cost is \$200 for a 2 person team plus a
youth under the age of 16. Chili supper
day of Hunt. Includes two tickets to the
TFGA 57th Annual Banquet in April 5/2025
at Warburg Hall.

Participants must be a TFGA member.
Memberships are attainable with
registration (\$45 per person or
\$60/family.)



All prizes awarded at the Annual Banquet.
Teams must be present to claim prizes.

*All participants are responsible for getting
their own permission to hunt on **PRIVATE**
LAND.*



**Do not delay in registering, space
is limited!!!**

For more information please contact:
Brent Lee (780) 898-5013 or
Bruce (780) 621-2200



WINTER TRY IT FESTIVAL



Feb. 8, 2025

- ▶ Wizard Lake day-use area
- ▶ 11 a.m. to 3 p.m.
- ▶ **FREE** Admission

Join us at the Wizard Lake day-use area and try a
variety of winter sports and activities, including:
ice skating, snowshoeing, cross-country skiing, curling,
broom ball, ice fishing, maple taffy on snow, sleigh
rides, face painting, bonfire, door prizes and live music!

For more information, visit:

www.leduc-county.com/recreation or email us at
RecPrograms@leduc-county.com



Wizard Lake Watershed
& Lake Stewardship Association



Miss Joannes School PRESENTS

A FIDDLER ON THE ROOF

is set in a small Jewish village of Anatevka, a story of Tevye, Golde and their 5
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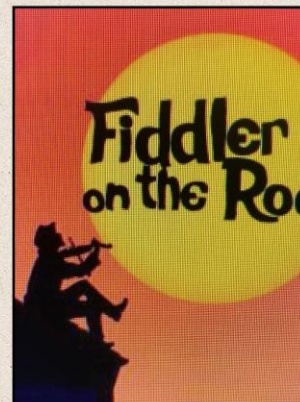
Production will be
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**Thursday February
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**Friday February 28th
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PROGRAMS & REGULAR EVENTS (Thorsby, Warburg & Surrounding Areas)

****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 pre-register. Contact Warburg FCSS 780-848-2828

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

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

Lego Club 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.

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

TUESDAYS

Family Bingo - Tuesday nights at the Mulhurst Legion Hall. Games start at 6:30 pm

Hero Kids - Every 2nd Tuesday at Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex.

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

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

Pickup Basketball (16+) on Tuesday Evening at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex. (\$5)

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

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

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

Volleyball (18+) drop in at Warburg High School Gym on Tuesdays from 7 - 9pm (\$2). Contact fcss@warburg.ca

WEDNESDAYS

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

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

Cards at the Warburg Seniors Centre at 1pm every Wednesday (\$2)

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

Junior Curling - Wednesdays at the Warburg Curling Club. Contact Hugh 780-898-8651

Pickleball - 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.

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

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

Tai Chi at the Warburg Community Hall, Wednesdays 10am to 11am, \$2. 780-848-2841 or office@warburg.ca

Teen Time at the Thorsby Library the 4th Wednesday of the month from 3:30 - 4:30pm

Thorsby Library After School Program (Kindergarten to age 6) 2nd Wednesday of the month from 3:30 - 4:30pm

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

THURSDAYS

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

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

Pickleball at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex from 9:30am - 11:30am

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

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

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

Sew Heavenly Quilters meet at 10am on Thursdays at the Warburg Cultural Centre.

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

FRIDAYS

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

Community Socials 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.

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

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

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

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. 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

Thorsby Music Jam - on the 3rd Saturday of the month at the Thorsby Community Hall from 1-4pm. Everyone Welcome. Call 780-789-2180 for more details.

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

SUNDAYS

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

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

Thank You from Jean Kruger's Family

Perhaps you took the time to visit our MOM

Perhaps you sent a lovely card

Or sat quietly in a chair

Perhaps you sent a floral piece

If so, we saw it there

Perhaps you spoke the kindest words

As any relative or friend could say

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from the bottom of our grieving hearts



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Thorsby Library
updates & reminders:

Please visit us during our weekday hours of Tuesday 10am - 6am,
Wednesday & Thursday 12pm - 6pm, Friday 10am - 5pm

What's New @ Thorsby Municipal Library By Susan Parkinson

WELCOME TO FEBRUARY!

FAMILY DAY MONDAY, FEBRUARY 17th

Are you ready for some mystery and adventure – our annual escape room will be up and running February 14th, 15th and 17th. Watch our Facebook and webpage for more information.

Pink Shirt Day

Wednesday, February 26th, 2025

Pink Shirt Day began in 2007 when a student in Nova Scotia was bullied for wearing a pink shirt in school. It has since been recognized annually worldwide as a day to stand up against bullying. Drop by the library to show us your Pink Shirt or send us a picture. Let's all get involved!

Here's what you can do to help stop bullying:



1. Wear a pink shirt on February 26th to show your support on Pink Shirt Day.
2. If you see someone being bullied, stand up for them.
3. Don't participate in bullying behavior.

February Programs

Library After-School Program (Kindergarten to age 6)

2nd Wednesday of the month from 3:30-4:30 PM
February 12th: Octopus Adventure

Teen Time

4th Wednesday of the month from 3:30-4:30 PM
Teens can gather for games, crafts, and more.
Theme to be announced.

Fun with Friends: Story Time

Children ages 0-5 with their caregivers.
Every Friday from 10:30-11:30 AM,

Follow us on Facebook and visit Thorsby Municipal Library webpage to keep up to date.



from all of us at the
Thorsby Municipal Library

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card"

- Marc Brown -



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Submitted by Leduc County FCSS

Sign up to receive our monthly update directly to your email inbox. Send an email to fcssinfo@leduc-county.com and ask to subscribe to our email distribution list.

Upcoming Registered Sessions

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

Managing Menopause

Dealing with hot flashes, night sweats, trouble sleeping or mood swings related to menopause? Discover ways to help manage these symptoms through lifestyle changes, pelvic floor therapy, non-prescription and prescription therapy options including a detailed discussion on hormone therapy. Sessions will be facilitated by Melissa, a registered nurse at the Leduc Beaumont Devon Primary Care Network. She grew up on a farm in Leduc County and has built her career in rural nursing.

Two options: attend in person or online!

Date: Wednesday, Feb. 5, 2025

Time: 6 to 8 p.m.

Location: Warburg Nurse Practitioner-Led Clinic (5212 50 Ave. Warburg)

Date: Thursday, Feb. 20, 2025

Time: 6 to 8 p.m.

Location: Zoom online

Home Alone – Parent & Child

Do you think your child is ready to start staying home alone occasionally for short periods of time? Does your child have some experience being home alone? No matter what your situation, this workshop will enhance your child's skill and confidence to stay home alone while giving you the knowledge about what your child needs in order to be ready.

This workshop focuses on home alone skills and readiness, as well as emergencies, back up plans and scenario practices.

Children must be a minimum of nine years old to attend. A parent or caregiver must be in attendance.

Date: Tuesday, Feb. 11, 2025

Time: 6 to 8 p.m.

Location: Warburg Village Office basement (5212 50 Ave. Warburg)

How To Reduce Overthinking And Worrying

Stuck in the cycle of overthinking and worrying? Join us

and explore how these mental patterns affect our well-being, relationships and productivity. Participants will learn effective strategies and practical tools to help break the cycle of overthinking and cultivate a more positive mindset.

Adults 18 years and older are welcome to join in to learn how to manage worries and embrace a calmer, more focused approach to life.

Date: Tuesday, Mar. 4, 2025

Time: 6:30 to 8 p.m.

Location: Arctic Spas Recreation Complex
4901 48 Ave. Thorsby, AB.

Get Ready To File Your Income Taxes

Tax season is almost here and now is the perfect time to start preparing! Getting ready early can help make sure you file your income tax and benefit return on time. It can also help you avoid delays or interruptions to any refund, benefit or credit payments you're eligible for.

If you are eligible for any of the following tax credits or benefits, you must file your income taxes to continue receiving these payments:

- GST credit
- Canada Carbon Rebate
- Canada Child Benefit
- Canada Workers Benefit
- Guaranteed Income Supplement
- Alberta Seniors Benefit

How to get ready for tax season:

1. Register or update your information using CRA's My Account
2. Start collecting your tax slips
3. Find any deductions, credits and expenses you may be able to claim to help reduce the amount of tax you have to pay

You can file your 2024 tax return starting on February 24, 2025. To avoid late filing penalties and interest, you'll need to file your return and pay any amount you owe by April 30, 2025.

Need help?

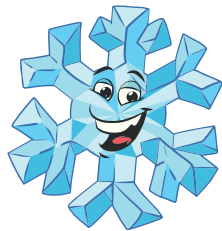
The Community Volunteer Income Tax Program (CVITP) can file income tax returns free of charge for people with low to modest income and a simple tax situation. This can include seniors, students, social assistance recipients and newcomers to Canada. Contact us for more information at 780-979-2385.

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Warburg
Public Library

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UPDATE

Submitted by Gail O'Neil

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warburglibrary@yrl.ab.ca

the Library is also on FB and Instagram

OPEN Monday - Thursdays 10am - 5pm

Friday - Sunday CLOSED

February programs at Warburg Library:

Baby sign language, Mondays Feb 3, 10 and 24,
10:30am to 11am In the Library. Drop in, no registration.
Free to Everyone who wants to learn basic sign
language. Learn with Staff.

Valentines craft with Patricia, Craft and Date to be
announced



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Financial goals

- Plan for retirement.
- Have an emergency fund.
- Have insurance.
- Get out of debt.
- Find extra income.

Let's talk



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NOTICE OF BORROWING BYLAW

SECTION 251 - THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT ACT

TAKE NOTICE that the Council of the Town of Thorsby, in the Province of Alberta, has reviewed Borrowing By-law No. 2025-01 which will, upon final passage and approval, authorize the proper officers of the said Town of Thorsby to borrow from ATB monies from the Town of Thorsby's Line of Credit. The source of income for repayment is under General Revenue and the purpose is for operating expenditures (MGA S. 256) and for short-term capital borrowing (MGA s. 257) at a rate of interest per annum from time to time established by ATB not to exceed 10%.

The line of credit is repayable to the Alberta Treasury Branches is payable upon demand and the Municipality is required to pay accrued interest monthly.

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til close**

Regular Hours of Operation

Sunday	10AM - 9PM	} up to 2AM
Monday	10AM - 11PM	
Tuesday	10AM - 11PM	
Wednesday	10AM - 11PM	
Thursday	10AM - 11PM	
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THORSBY 4-H CLUB UPDATE

By Club Reporter Korah Savage

Our club has had a busy year so far.

We had our beef weigh in on October 12 at Thorsby Stockyards who have again generously donated their facility to our club.

Our horse club has had 2 rides already and is looking forward to some more rides soon.


On November 26, many of our members helped out again for the Fireman's Food Drive.

Throughout the month of December, we volunteered at the Country Christmas Lights at Leduc West Antique Society which is a lot of fun each year!

We had our club Christmas party January 3rd at the Morrowdale Community Hall and had a great time with a potluck meal and games.


January 18th was our club public speaking day at Wilton Park Hall. All the members did a great job and there were a lot of great topics! Congratulations to the members who are moving on to District competition!

All in all we have had a great 1st half of our 4-H year.



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INTERNATIONAL HOLOCAUST REMEMBRANCE DAY

Alberta News, January 27, 2025

**Premier Danielle Smith issued the
following statement to commemorate
International Holocaust Remembrance
Day:**

"This year marks the 80th anniversary of the end of the Second World War and the end of the Holocaust, one of the darkest chapters in human history. Beginning with Adolf Hitler's rise to power in 1933, the Holocaust resulted in the targeted deaths of six million Jews at the hands of the Nazis. It ended with the liberation of the Auschwitz-Birkenau death camp on this day in 1945.

"Recognizing these events as among the most heinous crimes ever committed is essential to ensuring their memory is not lost. We also pay tribute to Holocaust survivors who courageously share their stories, reminding us that understanding the past is the only way to safeguard the future.

"On Oct. 7, 2023, the Jewish community in Israel was targeted in the largest attack against Jews since the Holocaust. In the 15 months since that attack, antisemitism has risen around the world.

"This is a reminder that the post-war vow of 'Never Again' must guide our actions as we reject antisemitism and all forms of discrimination. Educating future generations about the devastating consequences of hatred, intolerance and prejudice remains our shared responsibility.

"In Alberta, there is no place for antisemitism or bigotry of any kind. The enduring message of 'Never Again' must be as resolute today as it was 80 years ago."



Thorsby Seniors Crib Results!

January 27 Crib scores:

1st Place: Orest Fitzowich - 960

2nd Place: Rod Blair - 953

3rd Place: Marvin Wagar - 945

*High Hand of 20: Aime Brosseau, Elaine Blair and
Phyllis Yawney*

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Next crib event:

Monday, February 3 at 1:00 pm

Thorsby Seniors Center /

*Please note Admission change to \$7.00

HOUSING BOOM: ALBERTA SHATTERS RECORDS IN 2024

Alberta News, January 16, 2025

**Alberta is building homes faster than ever,
with the province setting historic records for
housing construction.**

Alberta is getting shovels in the ground faster and building the homes Albertans need. Year-end data from the Canada Mortgage and Housing Corporation (CMHC) reinforces that Alberta continues to show strong success in increasing the supply of homes, which helps stabilize housing costs and improves the housing outlook for Albertans across the province.

As the population continues to grow, Alberta's government recognizes the need for more housing options. That's why the province has been clearing the way for more homes to be built faster to help Albertans find housing that meets their needs and budgets – and it's working. Last year was a record-breaking one for homebuilding in the province. Alberta led the country in housing starts per capita in 2024, with the province seeing a historic jump in the number of new homes under construction.

This homebuilding boom positively affects not only homebuyers, but renters as well. According to the latest National Rent Report from [Rentals.ca](https://rentals.ca) and Urbanation, Alberta was the province that experienced the largest year-over-year decline in asking rents in 2024. Calgary saw the biggest drop in rental prices in the entire country, with Calgary's apartment rents decreasing by 7.2 per cent. Outside of the larger cities, Alberta communities made up six out of the top ten most affordable small- and mid-size rental markets in Canada, including Lloydminster and Fort McMurray.

Alberta's government continues to support builders and encourage new residential housing construction by cutting red tape, incentivizing housing construction and supporting innovative strategies that speed up the home building process. Over the past year, some of the province's work on this has included launching the Stop Housing Delays online portal, making provincial land available for housing, exempting designated affordable housing from property taxes, supporting home ownership through alternative financing options and taking action to ensure Alberta receives its fair share of federal funding for housing and that the funding meets provincial priorities.

Looking ahead, Alberta's government will continue to empower its housing partners to make sure the province continues to go from permits issued to shovels in the

ground and finally to new homes ready for Albertans.

Quick Facts

- In 2024, Alberta saw 46,632 new homes under construction, breaking historic records.
 - Alberta led the country in housing starts per capita for 2024.
 - The first half of 2024 saw 9,903 apartment unit starts – the highest in any half-year in Alberta's history, breaking the record set in 1977.
- Housing starts for 2024 compared with 2023:
 - Provincewide: 46,632 compared with 35,223 (up 32 per cent)
 - Edmonton: 18,384 compared with 13,184 (up 39 per cent)
 - Calgary: 24,396 compared with 19,579 (up 24 per cent)
 - Lethbridge: 715 compared with 243 (up 194 per cent)
 - Red Deer: 354 compared with 189 (up 84 per cent)
- According to a recent report by Rentals.ca, Alberta experienced the largest year-over-year decline in asking rents in 2024.
 - Calgary saw the biggest drop in rental prices in the entire country, with Calgary's apartment rents decreasing by 7.2 per cent.
 - Alberta communities made up six out of Canada's top ten most affordable small- and mid-size rental markets.
- Over the past year, Alberta's government has taken action to make housing more attainable for all Albertans, including:
 - Launching the Stop Housing Delays online portal to help speed up the home building process.
 - Making provincial land available for housing through the Real Property Governance Initiative.
 - Exempting designated affordable housing from property taxes.
 - Supporting home ownership through alternative financing options.
 - Reviewing housing programs to make sure they are meeting the needs of Albertans.
 - Working with partners in polytechnic institutions and industry to use innovative technologies in the housing sector.
 - Encouraging recruitment and hiring of more skilled trades workers to meet the demand of the industry.
 - Ensuring that Alberta is receiving its fair share of federal funding for housing, and that funding is meeting Alberta's provincial priorities.

- Together with its partners, including municipal and federal governments and nonprofit and private organizations, Alberta is supporting \$9 billion in investments into affordable housing to support 25,000 additional households by 2031.
 - Since 2019, Alberta's government has invested almost \$850 million to build more than 5,100 affordable housing units and close to 900 shelter spaces. This includes projects we have committed to, that are in progress and that are complete.
- In 2024, the province's investments in affordable housing included:
 - Funding increases for housing providers to fight inflation, and a \$21 million increase to meet the evolving needs of housing operators.
 - \$216 million toward the Affordable Housing Partnership Program to support the build of new affordable housing units.
 - \$7.3 million increase to the rent assistance program to ensure Albertans are supported now.
 - \$6.1 million in funding to support 831 households through the Housing Benefit for Survivors of Gender-Based Violence program, in partnership with the federal government, which helps Albertans escaping abusive situations pay their housing expenses, such as rent, utilities and mortgage payments.



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EXCEPTING THEREOUT:
0.803 HECTARES (1.98 ACRES) MORE OR LESS, AS SHOWN ON
ROAD PLAN 8522295
EXCEPTING THEREOUT ALL MINES AND MINERALS
AND THE RIGHT TO WORK THE SAME

The land is located approximately 4 miles from Warburg and 6 miles from Breton. The property has power and consists of approximately 50 acres of cultivated land; approximately 30 acres of open pasture and 78 acres of bush.

Tenders are to be submitted in sealed envelopes marked "GORDASH Tender", to Scott Farnham at Farnham West Stolee Kambeitz LLP, Barristers and Solicitors, 5016 - 52nd Street, Camrose, Alberta, T4V 1V7, **on or before 12:00 noon, FEBRUARY 28, 2025**, and shall be accompanied with GST number and a certified cheque or bank draft payable to Farnham West Stolee Kambeitz LLP in trust for 5% of the tender price.

No conditional tenders will be accepted and the highest, or any tender, will not necessarily be accepted.

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For further information or to view the property, please contact Scott Farnham at 780-679-0444.

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Alberta News, January 16, 2025

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Nominees must be Canadian citizens currently residing in Alberta and, if selected, must be able to attend the investiture ceremony. People cannot nominate themselves, their spouse or a member of their immediate family.

Information about the Order, including nomination guidelines, nomination forms and biographies of previous inductees is available on the Alberta Order of Excellence website www.alberta.ca/the-alberta-order-of-excellence



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LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

To the Editor

Are the residents asking too much?

How many times has the Town's grader removed snow and ice this winter? By the looks of the downtown roads, especially Hankin street, it looks like the grader has graded the roads very seldomly.

As I park in front of the drug store or post office, the sidewalks are shoveled, however, the curb area beside the sidewalks are ankle high or more with snow and ice. Stepping could be dangerous as there are mounds of snow and ice as one gets out of their vehicle.

Are the residents asking too much for the downtown streets to be graded regularly?

Other communities have public works grade the roads and curbs regularly, before businesses open or after they close. They use a sandwich board at the end of the street announcing the day and times that the grader will be in use. The businesses were told that the Town does not pay for overtime for public works. How do other communities budget for snow removal?

I believe in regular scheduling of snow removal as safety should be a priority for all residents including the Town of Thorsby Council and Administration.

Sincerely,
Carol Rempel
Town of Thorsby Resident

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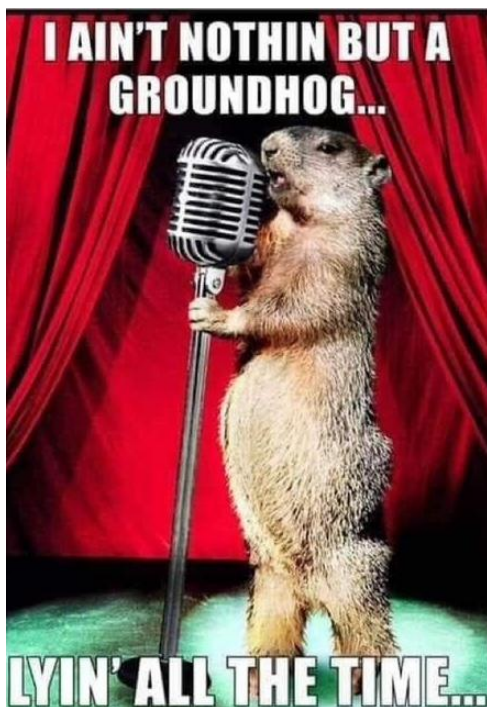
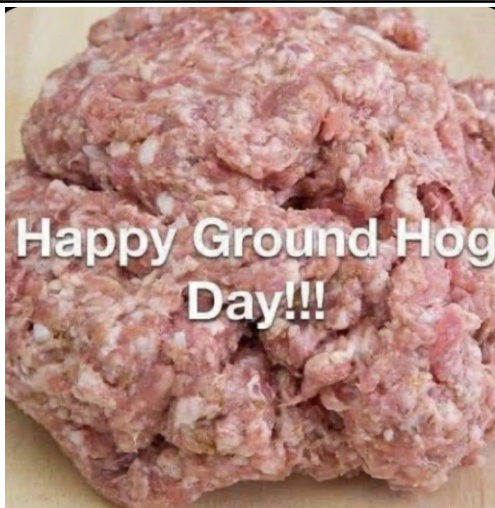


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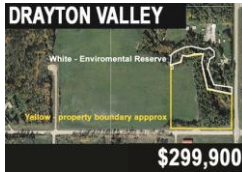
Loss of Use on Farm
Machinery
Loss of Income
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Power Interruption
Increased Fire
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DRAYTON VALLEY
9 acres - building spot for your dream home. Located just minutes west of Drayton Valley. Creek in enviro res north boundary.

\$299,900



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

\$399,900



BRETON
For your business! Office building on main street, attractive street frontage, wheel chair access. Front reception area, office areas

\$225,000



BRETON
Private 30 acres, trees, small pond, open area. Ideal for retreat or your dream home. Approx 10 min to Breton, 30 min to Drayton

\$159,900



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

\$339,900



BRETON
NEW
15 acres, no time requirement to build. Fenced on two sides. Ample space to have some animals.

\$115,000



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



MULHURST BAY
5.07 acre parcel, partially treed, triple bay, insulated garage, Pond. Your own private campground or build your dream home

\$239,000



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



LOTS IN BRETON
at
DEER CROSSING ESTATES
2 lots still available. No time requirement to build, GST included in price. \$35,000/lot

NEW



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Awaiting your development - 10 acre parcel zoned Rural Industrial minutes east of Drayton Valley with great access to Hwy39/22.

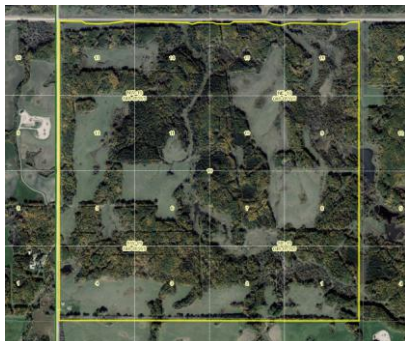
\$895,000



BRETON
NEW
3 bedroom, 2 bath home. Updates: Vinyl windows, flooring, both bathrooms, shingles. Decks added recent years. Garage

\$218,000

SELLING BY OPEN TENDER Long Term Grazing Lease Assignment Along Range Road 60 in Brazeau County



**Long Term Grazing Lease Assignment
Selling by Open Tender.
Located in Brazeau County, AB.**

- 640 acres.
- Carrying capacity 178 AUMS.
- 10 year term.
- Current expiry July 31, 2032.

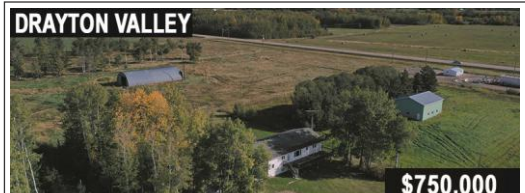
Tender closes this Friday - January 31, 2025.

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RV LOTS on Pigeon Lake

Own your own RV lot with direct access to Pigeon Lake in a gated, private community. 1.63 acre lots. Condominium Property with natural gas, electricity and sewer at the lot line. Common property includes road and lake front area with 240' of lake frontage. Low condo fees of \$50/mo. Great Opportunity to Be at the Lake at a Great Value! GST applies to purchase price

4 Lots offered at \$130,500 to \$157,500 + GST per lot



DRAYTON VALLEY
11 ARCES - Spacious bi-level family home w/ partially finished basement (2 bedrms up/2 bedrms down). Heated shop, quonset (power & concrete floor), 2 automatic waterers. Annual surface lease revenue.

\$750,000

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