

TEACHER & STUDENT HOCKEY GAME

By Bobbie-Lee Bullock

Thorsby Junior/Senior High School had their annual teacher/student hockey game on Friday January 31 at the Arctic Spas Recreation Complex. It was great to see how many parents helped the teachers out to beat their students in a 13-6 win.



RESPONSE TO FIRST MINISTERS' MEETING

Alberta News, February 5, 2025

Premier Danielle Smith issued the following statement following today's first ministers' meeting:

"I met with the Prime Minister and my fellow premiers this morning to discuss how we can work together to take decisive action on the war on fentanyl, and border security.

"Alberta is looking forward to the imminent appointment of a 'fentanyl czar' to coordinate our nation's response to the fentanyl crisis, as well as funding and resources from the federal government to assist our province's law enforcement initiatives to tackle this issue.

"As a province, in addition to the border security measures already taken, I have instructed my government to take immediate steps to significantly increase police and prosecutorial resources to go after the fentanyl labs, kingpins and dealers that are responsible for killing 49,000 Canadians since 2016.

"We will also continue to move forward with our recovery treatment centres and will be moving forward, this year, with promised compassionate intervention legislation and the construction of secured mandatory treatment facilities in Edmonton and Calgary.

"In addition, Alberta will continue its diplomatic efforts with U.S. lawmakers and officials. To this end, I will join my fellow premiers in Washington D.C. next week and will attend the National Governors Association convention the week thereafter.

"Finally, in addition to our nation's shared effort to address fentanyl, it is imperative that a federal election is called immediately after the Liberals have chosen their party leader so that we have a Prime Minister with a strong mandate to negotiate a new Canada-U.S. trade agreement. This cannot be properly negotiated by our country from a position of strength without a Prime Minister with a strong and clear mandate from Canadians.

"To this end, we call on all Liberal leadership candidates and federal party leaders to agree to an election to commence in March at the very latest."



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OTHER STUFF FOR KIDS

WARBURG PLAYSCHOOL - Year Round Registration for 3 & 4 year olds. Tuesday & Thursday at Warburg School. Contact danielletessier05@gmail.com or 780-863-8620

THORSBY SOCCER CLUB outdoor registration for U5 to U17 ages open until March 16. Visit our facebook page or contact thorsbysoccer@gmail.com for more info.



NOTICE TO CREDITORS AND CLAIMANTS

Estate of Arnold Richart Scheetz; also known as Arnold Scheetz; Arnold Richard Scheetz who died on 2024-06-30

If you have a claim against this estate, you must file your claim

by: 2025-03-20

with: EMERY JAMIESON LLP Attention: Amy Abbott at: 2400, 10235-101 Street Edmonton, AB T5J 3G1

If you do not file by the above date, the estate property can lawfully be distributed without regard to any claim you may have.

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Sudoku Answers from January 31 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.



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

<u>February 7</u> - Games Night at the Warburg Legion from 5-10pm. Serving soup and buns. Everyone Welcome

<u>February 8 - 10th Annual Predator Hunt</u>. 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 TFGAMembers.

<u>February 8</u> - 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 <u>leduc-county.com/recreation</u>

<u>February 9</u> - Pancake Breakfast at Warburg Legion from 8:30-11:30am. Call 780-848-2923 for more info.

February 10 - Baby Sign Language at Warburg Library from 10:30 - 11am. Learning the basics of signing. Free drop in.

 $\underline{\textbf{February 11}}$ - $\underline{\textbf{Meat Bingo}}$ at Mulhurst Legion. Meat prizes for regular games. Games start at 6:30pm

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

<u>February 13</u> - Valentine's Day Craft at the Warburg after school program in the basement of the Village office from 3:15 - 4:45pm

February 14 - Legion of Hearts at the Warburg Legion from 5-10pm. Dancing, games and bar service. Get together with friends. Everyone Welcome

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

<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 16</u> - Reckless Ranch Rendering - at Warburg Pioneer Ag Society from 1-3pm. Turn fat into tallow. Purchase tickets in advance at <u>www.recklessranch.ca</u>

<u>February 17</u> - Family Day Free Skate at the Warburg Arena from 1-3pm. Free hot dogs, hot chocolate and door prize

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

<u>February 17</u> - 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.

<u>February 18</u> - Together We Play, 5-7pm at Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex. Come together to celebrate the joy of family with this free Family Day event. Registration required.

<u>February 20</u> - Local Food and Ag Innovation at Telforville Community Centre at 7pm. Join us for coffee and listen to Sharon Faye about local food producers, production & how to get started. More info contact Ray 780-940-8499

<u>February 21</u> - A Chillin Night at the Warburg Legion 5pm to Close. Dance, games, meat draws, raffle specials, bar service and hot roast beef sandwich. Everyone welcome.

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

<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.

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.

<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.

<u>February</u> 24 - Baby Sign Language at Warburg Library from 10:30 - 11am. Learning the basics of signing. Free drop in.

<u>February 26</u> - Pink Shirt Day, Stop by the Thorsby library or send a picture of your pink shirt.

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

<u>February 27, 28, March 1</u> - 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

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

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

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

<u>March 15</u> - Tree of Life Suncatcher at Warburg Pioneer Rec Centre from 11am-3pm. Visit the Warburg town office, fcss@warburg.ca to register Deadline to register is March 5. Adult \$70, Kids age 10+ \$40, Kids under 7 \$20

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

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 daughters. The story follows the Traditions of their community and how overtime they change and become "as shaky as a fiddler on the roof"

Production will be performed at The Eleanor Pickup Centre, 5144 51 St. Drayton Valley:

Thursday February 27th @ 6:30pm

Friday February 28th @ 6:30pm

Saturday March 1st Matinee 2pm and 6:30pm

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Thorsby Seniors Crib Results!

February 3 Crib scores:

1st Place: Orest Fitzowich - 937 2nd Place: TIE Elaine Blair and Brenda Lickoch- 932

High Hand of 18: Rod Blair and Joan Hunt

CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL WINNERS!

Next crib event:

Monday, February 10 at 1:00 pm Thorsby Seniors Center / *Please note Admission change to \$7.00

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Learning what Leduc County can do to help you get started in the local food industry

Established local producers are welcome to come share their story



Join us for a coffee!

February 20, 2025 at 7 PM at Telfordville Hall

Presenter:

Sharon Faye
Leduc County Local Food Coordinator

Sponsored by
Telfordville Community Centre
and Leduc County

For more information contact Ray 780-940-8499



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

 $\underline{\textbf{Lego Club}} \ \text{at the Thorsby Recreation Centre from 3-4:30pm}.$

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

<u>Hero Kids</u> - Every 2nd Tuesday at Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec

<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

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

<u>Volleyball</u> (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.

<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.

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

<u>Shinny</u> 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>Teen Time</u> at the Thorsby Library the 4th Wednesday of the month from 3:30 - 4:30 pm

<u>Thorsby Library After School Program</u> (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

<u>Pickleball</u> 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

<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

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.

<u>Thorsby Seniors Thrift Store</u> - Open Thursday, Friday and 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.



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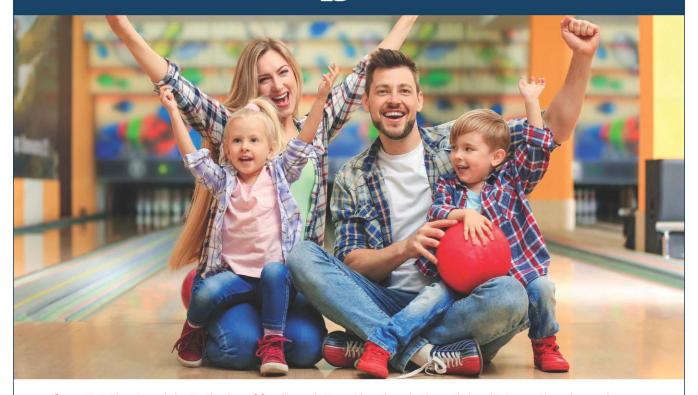
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- Date: Tuesday, Feb. 18, 2025
- **Time**: 5 to 7 p.m.
- **Location**: 4908 48 Street, Thorsby, AB. (FRN drop-in centre)
- Registration: Reach out to Samantha at sdumont@thorsby.ca or visit www.leduc-county.com/together-we-play
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NOTICE 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 Bylaw 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.

Town of Thorsby

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THORSBY SOCCER CLUB

Registration Now Open closes March 16th

Age categories, tentative schedules, and fees are as follows:

U5 (2020/2021) - Wednesdays at 6:00 pm (**\$70**)

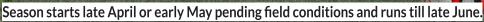
U7 (2018/2019) - Mondays at 6:00 pm (**\$70**), optional games in June TBD

U9 (2016/2017) - Thursday practices 6:30 pm, Tuesday games (**\$80**)

U11 (2014/2015) - Monday practices 6:30 pm, Wednesday games (**\$110**)

U13 (2012/2013) - Wednesday practices 7:00 pm, Thursday games (**\$120**)

U15-U17 (2011-2008) - Tuesday practices 7:00 pm, Monday games (**\$130**)



Final schedules and team assignment will be released prior to the season.

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Beginning March 1, apply for your free rural burn permit online



including:

Leduc County issues free fire permits to rural residents conducting open burns between March 1 and Oct. 31. Beginning March 1, 2025, rural residents will be able to apply for open burn fire permits using a new online system, located at **lcfs.burnpermits.com**.

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The online system will allow users to select the type of burn permit they are applying for,

- fires smaller than 100 square feet (automatic approval)
- fires larger than 100 square feet (site visit required)

Prior to applying for a burn permit online, residents will have to create a user account. Instructions on how to create your account, including a how-to guide, are available at **leduc-county.com/burn-permits**.





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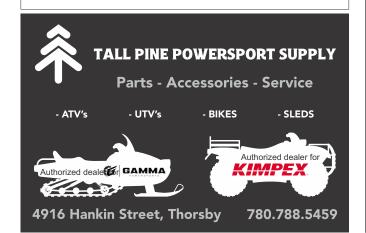
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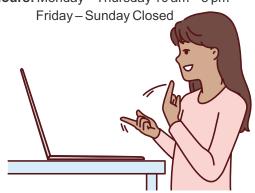
UPDATE Submitted by Gail O'Neil

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 www.warburglibrary.ca Friday - Sunday CLOSED

Baby sign language, February 10 and 24, 10:30-11 am, in the Library, drop in and free, learning the basics of signing, (there will be information to take home to keep practicing) Staff will add on Mondays when we have to cancel due to cold temperatures.

2025 Hours: Monday - Thursday 10 am - 5 pm





Feb 14/25

Warburg Legion **Legion of Hearts**

5pm - 10pm

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February 5, 2025

Dear Parents and Guardians.

We are reaching out to provide more detailed information regarding possible job action by the **Canadian Union of Public Employees (CUPE) Local 3484**.

On **January 30th**, CUPE Local 3484 applied to the Alberta Labour Relations Board for a supervised strike vote, scheduled for **February 9th and 10th**. If the vote passes, the union is legally required to give the Black Gold School Division (BGSD) **72 hours' notice** before withdrawing labour services.

Should there be a strike, we do not know whether the union will engage in a full strike, a rotating strike, or another type of job action. However, we remain in regular contact with CUPE Local 3484, and its representatives will inform us on the specifics of their job action if and when a strike notice is issued.

We respect the right of our support staff to engage in job action, and BGSD remains committed to achieving a fair and fiscally responsible agreement. We also recognize that a labour disruption may impact students, and we are actively working towards a resolution that minimizes disruptions to learning.

Student Impact

In the event of a strike, schools will remain open. Rest assured that BGSD is actively developing contingency plans to ensure that our schools remain safe, welcoming, and conducive to learning. While some adjustments to programming may be necessary, particularly for students requiring additional support, schools will communicate directly with affected families.

- Transportation services will not be affected by a potential strike. Our bussing providers are not part of the labour action. However, there may be minor delays in pick-up and drop-off times.
- Before- and after-school care programs will also continue normally. These programs are independently
 operated.
- Schools will make every effort to continue meal and snack programs. However, availability may vary depending on staffing levels. You will be notified if your child is impacted.
- BGSD will strive to maintain as many activities and events as possible. However, some extracurricular
 activities, school events, and field trips may be postponed or canceled due to limited staffing. Schools will
 provide direct updates to families regarding any changes.

Background

BGSD and CUPE Local 3484 ratified their last collective agreement in June 2024, which covers the period from **September 1, 2021, to August 31, 2024**. Negotiations for a new agreement began earlier this school year. After initial discussions, the union identified areas of disagreement between itself and the Division.

BGSD recently tabled a 10% increase in compensation over the next four years (3% in the first year, 3% in the second year, 2% in the third year, and 2% in the fourth year). BGSD made progress and continued to resolve some of the union's outstanding issues, but could not reach an agreement on the monetary items.

BGSD remains fully committed to ongoing negotiations with CUPE Local 3484 and continues to work towards a resolution that is fair to all parties, while also safeguarding the best interests of our students. **To facilitate continued discussions, we have scheduled an additional mediation session for February 25th**.

BGSD's Commitment to Our Support Staff and Students

We want to emphasize our **deep appreciation for the invaluable contributions of our Educational Assistants, Library Technicians, School Office Staff, and all other support personnel.** These dedicated professionals play a critical role in fostering a positive learning environment for our students.

BGSD is committed to ensuring a fair resolution that supports both staff and students and allows us to continue working together to provide the best educational experience possible.

A strike can be disruptive, and we are committed to keeping parents informed. For up-to-date information, please visit **www.blackgold.ca** and check the **News** section.

Thank you for your patience, understanding, and continued support as we navigate this process.

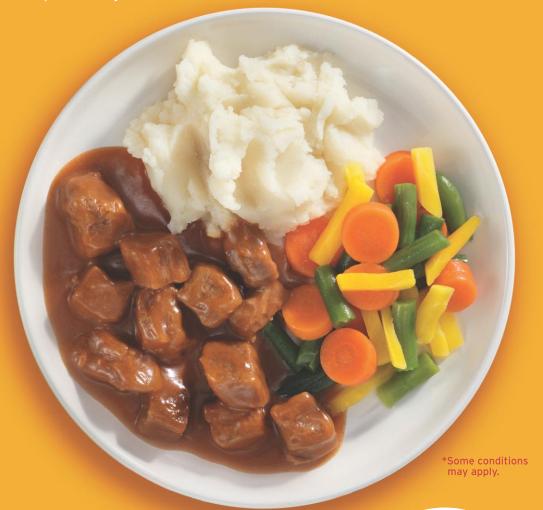
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Cost is \$200 for a 2 person team plus a youth under the age of 16. Chili supper day of Hunt. Includes two tickets to the TFGA 57th Annual Banquet in April 5/2025 at Warburg Hall.

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



RESPONSE TO U.S. TARIFFS DELAY

Alberta News, February 3, 2025

Premier Danielle Smith issued the following statement upon the announcement of a 30-day pause on tariffs on Canadian goods:

"I am greatly heartened to see that U.S. President Donald Trump and the Government of Canada have agreed to a plan to crack down on fentanyl trafficking and other illegal activities at our shared border.

"The appointment of a Canadian fentanyl czar with authority to coordinate a massive joint effort with the United States to target fentanyl traffickers is something Alberta has been calling for since it became clear in our discussions with U.S. elected representatives and administration officials that this would be a critical part of reaching a deal to avoid tariffs.

"Diplomacy has won the day. Let us ensure that continues, as we know there is much more work ahead of us.

"I once again call on our federal government officials and my fellow premiers to de-escalate rhetoric, abandon any non-tariff measures for the time being, and turn our efforts entirely to advocacy and good-faith negotiation. There are so many win-win solutions on trade and security between our two nations. Let us turn this crisis into an opportunity to find them for the benefit of Canadians and Americans.

"To this end, I am preparing to return to Washington, D.C. next week with my fellow premiers to continue our diplomatic efforts and will again return to D.C. later in the month to attend the National Governors' Association conference."





RCMP COMMUNITY REPORT FOR JANUARY 2025

Cst. J. Conway, Thorsby/Breton RCMP Detachment

Total Calls for Service	266
Suspicious Persons/ Vehicle	18
Collisions	26
Vehicle Theft	6
Fraud	9
Break and Enter	5
Assault	8
Impaired	0
Recovered Vehicles	8
Missing Person	1

JANUARY HIGHLIGHTS:

January 14, 2025 - Leduc County

Thorsby RCMP observed a silver GMC Sierra matching a description of a stolen vehicle out of Leduc, Alta. The Central Alberta District Crime Reduction Unit covertly followed the suspect vehicle until it arrived at a residence in the area. RCMP confirmed the vehicle was stolen, and took two individuals into custody as they exited the GMC. Kenneth CARON (32) and Yvonne RHEAUME (22), both residents of Drayton Valley, Alta. were arrested and charged with the following:

 Possession of Property Obtained by Crime Over \$5,000

REHAUME was released on scene with an undertaking. CARON was held for a bail hearing, released and has a court date scheduled for February 12, 2025.

January 17, 2025 - Breton

Breton RCMP, with the assistance of the Central Alberta District Crime Reduction Unit, located a stolen trailer and ATV abandoned with fresh tracks in the snow leaving the area. Patrols were made and a male was located nearby

with break in tools and the ATV key in his possession. CCTV footage was obtained from the area. Sheldon THOMPSON (39), a resident of Drayton Valley, Alta. was charged with the following:

- Possession of Property Obtained by Crime Over \$5,000
- · Possession of Break in Instruments
- Operation while Prohibited (x4)

THOMPSON was also issued a violation ticket under Section 4(1) of the Tobacco Tax Act for possession of unmarked cigarettes.

THOMPSON was held for a hearing, and subsequently transported to the Edmonton Remand Centre pending his next court date.

January 21, 2025 - Alder Flats

Breton RCMP were conduction proactive patrols in Alder Flats, Alta. While conducting a traffic stop, members located a male operating a motor vehicle while prohibited from driving. Jason ROY (38), a resident of Alder Flats, Alta. was arrested and charged with the following:

· Operate a Conveyance While Prohibited

ROY was held for a bail hearing and released pending a court date on February 12, 2025 in Breton, Alta.

January 23, 2025 – Leduc County

Thorsby/Breton RCMP, with the assistance of the Central Alberta District Crime Reduction Unit, observed a stolen Chevrolet Silverado traveling eastbound on Highway 39, towing a trailer with a snowmobile. RCMP attempted a traffic stop, but the vehicle failed to stop. After a successful tire deflation device was deployed, the driver and passenger fled on foot. Both were located and arrested a short time later. Brandon CHASE (32) of no fixed address was charged with the following:

- Possession of Property Obtained by Crime Under \$5,000 (x3)
- Operate Motor Vehicle while being pursued by a Peace Officer
- Remove or Obliterate a Vehicle Identification Number on a Motor Vehicle (x2)
- Unlawfully Resist a Peace Officer in the Execution of His Duty
- Careless Use of a Firearm
- Possession of Break in Instruments

Tanner METKE (26), a resident of Leduc County, Alta. was charged with the following:

- Possession of Property Obtained by Crime Under \$5,000 (x3)
- Operate Motor Vehicle while being pursued by a Peace Officer
- Remove or Obliterate a Vehicle Identification Number on a Motor Vehicle (x2)
- Unlawfully Resist a Peace Officer in the Execution of His Duty

RCMP Community Report Continued...

- Careless Use of a Firearm
- · Possession of Break in Instruments
- Dangerous Operation of a Motor Vehicle
- · Possession of a Weapon While Prohibited
- Fail to Comply with an Order
- Operation While Prohibited

CHASE and METKE were held for a bail hearing and transported to Edmonton Remand Centre pending a court date February 12, 2025 in Breton, Alta

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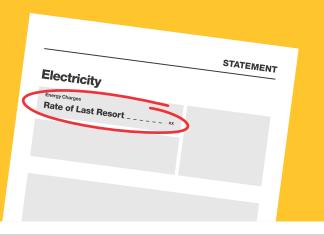
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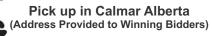
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Members & Invited Guests

ARE WE LOOKING AT THE END OF AN

Submitted by Darlene MacPherson

It is a fact that all of our small community churches are struggling. There was a time when the church was a central part of family and community life. Church pews filled on Sunday mornings with families joining together for worship and fellowship. The children left the service after the opening to attend Sunday school.

Our way of life evolved over the years and many young families stopped attending church for many reasons. Two working parents and numerous activities for their children made church attendance more and more difficult.

The history of the Telfordville Pastoral Charge dates back to 1904 beginning as part of the Leduc West Mission Field with the first church built in Telfordville being dedicated on March 12, 1912. In 1925, the amalgamation of the Presbyterian, Methodist and Congregational churches was the birth of the United Church of Canada. In 1949 Telfordville Pastoral Charge served seven communities in the district. Over the years, these seven churches closed and blended until we have only one church remaining, Community United Church in Warburg where we hold two services each month and operate Treasures Thrift Store.

We have a handful of dedicated people who have kept the church and the thrift store a valuable resource for our community. We now find ourselves in the unfortunate condition where we no longer have enough people to form a church board. We need at least two more people with some time and energy to join our board and help us keep our community of faith alive to serve the community. The Annual General Meeting and election of officers will be held on February 23, 2025 after our 10:30 am service.

If you are interested in volunteering, please contact the church office at 780-848-2227 or email communityunitedchurch2016@gmail.com to let us know how you can help.



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FARMLAND FOR SALE BY TENDER

Tenders for the purchase of land in Leduc County as described below are invited. The Land will be sold subject to all existing reservations and exceptions stated on Certificates of Title.

LINC: 0022 790 018

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SECTION 3
QUARTER SOUTH EAST
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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
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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.

Tenders will not be opened in public. The deposits of all unsuccessful tenderers will be returned to them by regular mail.

The successful tenderer will be obligated to complete the purchase on or before **MARCH 28, 2025.** The 5% deposit shall constitute a deposit towards the purchase price. Taxes will be adjusted on closing date. There will be no other adjustments. If the successful tenderer fails to complete the transaction by the closing date, the deposit will be forfeited.

All Surface Lease payments, if any, received by the Vendor before closing will not be adjusted and all future payments will be assigned to the new Purchaser. The Surface Lease rental has been \$2348 annually.

Vendor makes no warranties or representations about the property's size, condition or environmental state.

The purchase and sale shall proceed utilizing title insurance including "GAP" coverage. The cost of title insurance shall be borne by the Purchaser.

Tenders are irrevocable and shall remain open until dealt with by the offices of Farnham West Stolee Kambeitz LLP.

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

This Tender may also be viewed on the Farnham West Stolee Kambeitz LLP website: www.fwsllp.ca



TIPSFrom TOPS!

TAKE OFF POUNDS SENSIBLY

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 8:45am to 9:15am and the meeting following from 9:15am to 9:45am. There is an annual fee to TOPS International 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.

Smiles

- If you think swimming with dolphins is expensive? You should try swimming with sharks... cost me an arm and a leg!
- 2. It's better to grow old with a sense of humor then to grow old with no sense of humor.
- 3. My favourite part of fall is when the mosquitoes go back to hell.
- 4. A good mood is like a balloon. One little prick is all it takes to ruin it!
- 5. I went to the paint store to get thinner...it didn't work.
- 6. Whoever came out with the phrase "The freaks come out at night" has clearly never been to Walmart during the day.
- 7. When I offer to wash your back in the shower, all you have to say is yes or no. Not all this "who are you and how did you get in here?" nonsense.
- 8. Whoever said "Out of sight out of mind"..never had a spider disappear in the bedroom.
- 9. Once you understand why the pizza is made round, packed in a square box and eaten as a triangle. Then you will understand women.
- 10. If you can't say something nice. Say it to your husband, He's not listening anyway.
- 11. Walmart had to remove 50,000 cartons from their store. The labels had to be changed from open here to open at home.
- 12. I don't always wake up grumpy. Sometimes I let her sleep in.
- 13. Husband and wife had a fight, wife called her mom and said, He fought with me again, I am coming to live with you. Mom said, no darling, he must pay for his mistake, I am coming to live with you.
- 14. Felt uncomfortable driving into the cemetery, The GPS blurted out you have reached your final destination.

- 15. My wife and I got stuck in an elevator and when we got home, we told the story to our kids. They just looked at us and said, "Soooo..did ya get out? My wife and I just looked at each other and made a pact to go ahead and start drinking their college fund.
- 16. To the lady who has all the screaming kids at Walmart who's wondering how the box of condoms got into her cart...You're welcome.
- That feeling when you don't want to pee because you're comfy, but you can't sleep because you need to pee.
- 18. My wife and I decided to never go to bed angry at each other. We've been awake since Thursday.
- 19. As a kid I used to watch the Wizard of Oz and wondered how someone could talk when they didn't have a brain, then I got Facebook.
- My neighbour just yelled at her kids so loud even I brushed my teeth and went to bed.
- 21. Everyone talks about leaving a better planet for your children, why doesn't anyone try to leave better children for our planet.
- 22. I just ordered a life alert bracelet so if I ever get a life I'll be notified immediately.

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BLACK HISTORY MONTH

Alberta News, February 1, 2025

Minister Muhammad Yaseen issued the following statement in recognition of Black History Month:

"February is Black History Month – a time to reflect on and celebrate the remarkable contributions of Black Albertans to the history and success of our province.

"From the grit and determination of Alberta's early Afroheritage pioneers to the entrepreneurial spirit and leadership of today's trailblazers, Black Albertans have played a vital role in building and strengthening our communities. Their stories are a testament to the power of hard work, perseverance and commitment to excellence.

"As we celebrate Black History Month, we honour the achievements of those who have shaped Alberta's story and look ahead with confidence to the contributions yet to come.

"Let us continue to build a province where everyone has the opportunity to succeed and where we uphold the freedoms and principles that make Alberta strong."



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For further information or to view the property, please contact Shane Hoffman at 503-509-2439.

This Tender may also be viewed on the Farnham West Stolee Kambeitz LLP website: www.fwsllp.ca

DON'T DEFAULT TO THE RATE OF LAST RESORT

Alberta News, February 4, 2025

Alberta's government is encouraging Albertans to explore their electricity options and take charge of their power bill.

Albertans need to be able to make smart financial choices, including choosing an affordable electricity plan that best meets their needs. While most ratepayers choose to sign competitive contracts with one of more than 50 electricity providers in the province's uniquely competitive market, those who don't are automatically enrolled on the Rate of Last Resort – the default electricity rate – and likely to pay more for their power.

As part of ongoing efforts to help Albertans save more on their electricity bill, Alberta's government is launching an advertising campaign to encourage Albertans to explore their electricity options and ensure they know they don't have to settle for the Rate of Last Resort.

"Albertans shouldn't pay more on their power bill than they have to. Our government is taking action to ensure they have the tools they need to make informed decisions about their electricity so more of their hard-earned dollars can be used where they're needed most for them and their families." Nathan Neudorf, Minister of Affordability and Utilities

Last year, tens of thousands of households made the switch from the Rate of Last Resort to a competitive contract. The campaign aims to ensure new Albertans and first-time ratepayers still on the Rate of Last Resort know they have choices when it comes to their power bill, and a better electricity option that could save them hundreds of dollars may be available to them.

"Alberta's competitive electricity market gives consumers choice, and for most Albertans, competitive retail rates are a better choice than the Rate of Last Resort. I encourage everyone to learn about their electricity options and contact the Utilities Consumer Advocate if you need help understanding your utilities." Chantelle de Jonge, parliamentary secretary, Affordability and Utilities

The campaign builds on existing consumer awareness initiatives and efforts to lower utility bills and protect ratepayers from volatile price spikes. New regulations came into effect Jan. 1 that require providers to clearly indicate on customers' utility bills if they are on the Rate of Last Resort and inform them of their competitive retail

market options. Every 90 days, the Utilities Consumer Advocate will contact all ratepayers on the Rate of Last Resort, confirm whether they would like to remain on the default rate and encourage them to explore their options.

"Moving to a new place can be overwhelming and expensive, especially those moving from outside the province or country. Alberta's government is helping ease stress and financial strain by making sure newcomers are informed about their electricity options." Yuliia Haletska, case manager — Ukrainian, vulnerable population services, Centre for Newcomers

To protect any Albertans who may not be able to sign a competitive contract from sudden, volatile price spikes, the Rate of Last Resort is set at approximately 12 cents/kWh. The rate is set every two years and can only be changed by a maximum of 10 per cent between two-year terms. Through these changes, Alberta's government is making the Rate of Last Resort more stable and predictable for Albertans unable to sign a competitive contract. Albertans who are looking for help with their utility bills or are experiencing a dispute with their provider should contact the Utilities Consumer Advocate (UCA).

Quick facts

- Albertans have three options when purchasing their electricity: the Rate of Last Resort, a competitive contract for a variable rate, or a competitive contract for a fixed rate.
 - Competitive retail contracts continue to provide the best, lowest cost options for Albertans.
- The Rate of Last Resort is approved by the Alberta Utilities Commission (AUC) and is not determined by the government.
- Approximately 26 per cent of residential customers purchase electricity through the Rate of Last Resort.
- Approximately 29 per cent of eligible commercial customers and 40 per cent of farm customers purchase electricity through the Rate of Last Resort.



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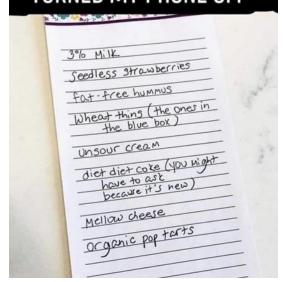
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Mall: crocs

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PRICING

Classified Ads are \$7.50 (includes GST) for 2 weeks (max. 4 lines or approx. 30 words)

1/8 PAGE

1/4 PAGE

3.4167" wide x 2.28" tall \$30 + GST **multi-ads - \$27.00 + GST

3.4167" wide x 4.6" tall \$43.50 + GST **multi-ads - \$40.50 + GST

FULL PAGE

7" wide x 9.25" tall

\$90.00 + GST

1/2 PAGE

7" wide x 4.6" tall or 3.4167" wide x 9.25" tall \$60 + GST

**multi-ads - \$85.50 + GST

**multi-ads - \$57.00 + GST ** Qualify for multi-advertising price by running your ad for

three weeks or more in one or both papers consecutively OR if you are a non-profit group or team.



Phone No. 780-848-2365 warscp@gmail.com www.warburgseed.com "like us" on Facebook

Hours: 8:00 am to 4:30 pm Mon to Fri

Cleaning services for various seed varieties

90 ft. scale

Bagged milling wheat, Bagged Hulless barley available for soups, stews, etc.

Various varieties of bagged & bulk feed - rolled or whole. We only sell what we clean here and don't add supplements, etc. Our rolled mixes include 40-30-30 (40% wheat, 30% barley & 30% peas) & 50/50 barley/oats or make up your own custom mix. Our 40-30-30 mix is used to feed a variety of animals & birds including wild birds

> Need a tote bag... we have small & large tote bags for sale

> > Black oil sunflower seeds

Flax

Various sizes of tarps, straps & accessories in stock or we can order what you need. We can also order greenhouse plastic.

Lawn seed & lawn & garden fertilizer

Nitrogen & PowerRich fertilizer & bagged forage seed

Various varieties of Pedigreed seed available

Retailer for Proven Seed, Inland Plastics, Union Forage (swath grazing) & PowerRich Fertilizer



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.66 acre lot at Oakes Bay Estates. Gas, power, water well, septic tank, screened gazebo, storage shed



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



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



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



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



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

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



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

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 neer crossing estates

2 lots still available. No time requirement to build, GST included in price. \$35,000/lot

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



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

SELLING BY OPEN TENDER

Long Term Grazing Lease Assignment Along Range Road 60 in Brazeau County

SOLD

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



9 acres - building spot for your dream home. Located just minutes west of Drayton Valley. Creek in enviro res north boundary



126 acres west of Drayton Valley. Mix of hay land, trees and creek. Annual surface lease revenue \$6552—amount being verified.



1.1 acre lot comes with a 9000+ sq ft building with 3 office bays each with its own shop bay. Adjacent 1.1 acre lot also for sale.



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.

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Real Estate