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# Saturday August 23

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Sudoku Answers from August 15 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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<u>August 23</u> - Buckin' at the Brook - Bull Riding, live music, food trucks and more at Sunnybrook. Gates open at 4pm. Tickets available <a href="https://www.showpass.com/buckin-at-the-brook-2/">www.showpass.com/buckin-at-the-brook-2/</a>

<u>August 23</u> - Annual Car/Truck Show in Thorsby presented by Wilde Mechanical (4813 - 50 Avenue). Mega Trucks, Car Crushing, Tug-a-war and more. 10am - 5pm.

<u>August 23</u> - Pancake Breakfast at the Thorsby Seniors Centre hosted by the Thorsby Lions Club from 9am - noon.

<u>August 24</u> - Pancake Breakfast at Sandholm Hall (corner 616X and Hwy 778) from 8am to 11am. EVERYONE WELCOME! For information call 780-389-2381

<u>August 26</u> - Warburg School Community Awareness, Meet the teacher from 4:30 - 6:30pm. Market from 4-8pm. Contact Warburg FCSS if you would like to be a vendor.

<u>August 28</u> - Seniors Day out at the Leduc Rec Centre. Bus leaves Warburg Manor at 11:30am. Ages 60+. Register at the Warburg Village office by August 26.

<u>September 3</u> - Sizzling Summer BBQ at the Warburg Cloverleaf Manor. Live Music by Dwayne Oko. \$10 each. RSVPto 780-848-7177 by August 27

<u>September 6</u> - Rural Community Association Workshop at the Nisku Inn. Free full day session to support rural community impact associations. Register with <u>andrea@leduc-county.com</u>

<u>September 6-7</u> - Fundraiser Jackpot for Trinity Chubocha at the Thorsby Haymaker. For more information or to donate contact <u>loreleimcleod911@hotmail.com</u>

<u>September 7</u> - Dance to No Hitchiker Band at Winfield Community Centre from 1-4pm. Admission by donation. Lunch contribution appreciated. Everyone Welcome.

<u>September 16</u> – Breton Community Information Night and Chili Cook Off, Learn about activities, groups & services in Breton & area, with tasting & judging the best Chili around. Contact Breton FCSS for more info.

<u>September 21</u> - Thorsby Indoor Soccer Registration Closes. U5-U17 players from Thorsby, Warburg, Calmar, Breton, Pigeon Lake & surrounding areas invited to join. www.thorsbysoccerclub.ca or FB for more info.

<u>September 25</u> - Warburg Chili Cookoff & Market at the Pioneer Rec Centre from 5:30-8pm. Contact the Warburg Village office to register 780-848-2841 or office@warburg.ca.

<u>September 25</u> - Creating Hope at the Thorsby Municipal Library from 1-3pm in honor of Truth & Reconciliation month. Bannock, Tea & sharing. *Registration required 780-789-3808*.

<u>September 27</u> – Roper Romp – Ladies Night, hosted by the Breton Agricultural Society, Trivia, Comedians, Music, and additional entertainment. Tickets available at Breton ATB, 780-696-4890 or contact <u>bretonagsociety@qmail.com</u> 50% SOLD

October 4 - Genesee Pumpkin Festival hosted by the Genesee Ag Society. Pancake breakfast, children's games, live music, hay rides, market and more. 780-940-7229 for info.

October 4 - Harvest Fest at Strawberry Hall, Leduc County run, children games in afternoon, Family friendly Smokie & perogy supper & dance, Cash bar -door prizes

October 4 - Autumn Supper at Centre Lodge from 5-8pm. Advance tickets only. Contact Caroline at 780-789-3089 or text Kat at 780-914-6239.

Community Events & Information is FREE to advertise



### **Thorsby Seniors Crib Results!**

#### **August 18 Crib scores:**

1st Place: Marvin Wagar - 951 2nd Place: Marion Snider - 944 3rd Place: Elaine Blair - 943

High Hand of 24: Lloyd Snider and Marvin Wagar

#### **CONGRATULATIONS TO ALL WINNERS!**

#### **Next crib event:**

Monday, August 25 at 1:00 pm Thorsby Seniors Center / Admission \$7.00

# CLEANING PERSON REOUIRED

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# Thorsby Stockyards **CUSTOMER APPRECIATION**

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### PROGRAMS & REGULAR EVENTS

(Thorsby,Warburg&Surrounding Areas)

#### **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

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

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

**Drop-In Pickleball** at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex from 9am - Noon in the Fieldhouse (\$3)

Pickup Basketball (16+) on Tuesday at 7pm at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex. (\$5)

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

Seniors Bowling - Tuesdays at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex at Noon - 4pm (\$5)

Seniors Coffee & Craft every third Tuesday at the Thorsby Seniors Centre from 1-3pm. Open to all seniors.

#### **WEDNESDAYS**

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

Bus Trips from the Warburg Cloverleaf Manor - 2nd Wednesday of the mth - Walmart. Last Wednesday of the mth -Doctors/Appointments.(\$8). Call 780-848-7717 for more info.

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

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

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

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).

Drop-In Pickleball at the Thorsby Arctic Spas Rec Complex from 9am - Noon in the Fieldhouse. (\$3)

Sew Heavenly Quilters meet at 10am on Thursdays at the Warburg Cultural Centre. (\$10).

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

#### **FRIDAYS**

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 11am - 12pm. Ages 0-5 with caregivers.

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

#### **SATURDAYS**

Farmer's Market at the Mulhurst Bay Community Hall every Saturday 11-3pm. Contact Carol 587-920-2065.

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

Summer Soccer at Thorsby High school Saturday 10am-12pm. FREE. Drop In. All ages and skill level. June - Oct

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. Will resume the first Sunday of October.

\*PLEASE NOTE: All events are subject to change Please email us at media@community39.com or call 780-434-7446 to add an event or if we have incorrect information.

#### COMMUNITYINFORMATION

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

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# SILENT TRAGEDY UNFOLDING

Article written by Dr. Luis Rojas Marcos, Psychiatrist.

There is a silent tragedy unfolding in our homes today, and it concerns our most precious jewels: our children. Our children are in a devastating emotional state! Over the past 15 years, researchers have gifted us increasingly alarming statistics about an acute and steady increase in childhood mental illness that is now reaching epidemic proportions:

#### The statistics don't lie:

- 1 in 5 children has mental health problems
- A43% increase in ADHD has been noticed
- A 37% increase in teenage depression has been noticed
- A 200% increase in the suicide rate in children aged 10 to 14 has been noticed

#### What is going on and what are we doing wrong?

Children today are being over-stimulated and over-gifted with material objects, but are deprived of the fundamentals of a healthy childhood, such as:

- Emotionally available parents
- · Clearly Defined Boundaries
- Responsibilities
- · Balanced nutrition and adequate sleep
- · Movement in general but especially outdoors
- Creative play, social interaction, unstructured play opportunities and spaces for boredom

On the other hand, these last few years have been filled with children of:

- Digitally Distracted Parents
- Forgiving and permissive parents who let children "rule the world" and be the ones who make the rules
- A sense of entitlement, of deserving everything without earning it or being responsible for getting it
- Poor sleep and unbalanced nutrition
- · A sedentary lifestyle
- Endless stimulation, technological nannies, instant gratification and absence of dull moments

#### What to do?

If we want our children to be happy and healthy individuals, we need to wake up and get back to the basics. It's still possible! Many families see immediate improvement after weeks of implementing the following recommendations:

- Set limits and remember that you are the captain of the ship. Your kids will feel safer knowing you have the control of the helm.
- Offer children a balanced lifestyle full of what children NEED, not just what they WANT. Don't be afraid to say "no" to your kids if what they want isn't what they need.
- Provide nutritious food and limit junk food.
- Spend at least one hour a day outdoors doing activities such as: cycling, hiking, fishing, bird/insect watching
- Enjoy a daily family dinner without smartphones or technology distracting them.

- Play board games as a family or if the children are too young for board games, let them lead their interests and let them be the ones who rule the game
- Involve your children in some task or household chores according to their age (folding clothes, sorting toys, hanging clothes, unpacking groceries, setting the table, feeding the dog, etc.)
- Implement a consistent sleep routine to ensure your child gets enough sleep. The timetables will be even more important for school-age children.
- Teach responsibility and independence. Don't overprotect them against any frustration or any mistake.
   Making mistakes will help you develop resilience and learn to overcome life's challenges,
- Do not carry your children's backpack, do not take their backpacks, do not take them the homework they forgot, do not peel their bananas or oranges if they can do it by themselves (4-5 years). Instead of giving them the fish, teach them how to fish.
- Teach them to wait and delay gratification.
- Provide opportunities for "boredom", because boredom is the moment when creativity awakens. Doesn't feel responsible for always keeping the kids entertained.
- Do not use technology as a cure for boredom, nor offer it to the first second of inactivity.
- Avoid the use of technology during meals, in cars, restaurants, shopping centres. Use these moments as opportunities to socialize by training the brains to know how to function when they are in the mood: "boredom"
- Help them create a "jar of boredom" with activity ideas for when they are bored.

Be emotionally available to connect with children and teach them self-regulation and social skills:

- Turn off phones at night when kids have to go to bed to avoid digital distraction.
- Become an emotional regulator or coach for your children. Teach them to acknowledge and manage their own frustrations and anger.
- Teach them to greet, to take turns, to share without anything, to say thank you and please, to acknowledge the mistake and apologize (don't force them), be a model of all those values you instill.
- Connect emotionally smile, hug, kiss, tickle, read, dance, jump, play or crawl with them.



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### JAHMIKA PHILIP

For hope of a full recovery of Jahmika Philip, from the July accident. The vehicle driven by her boyfriend went off the highway in southern British Columbia and hit a large boulder, destroying the vehicle and creating extensive injuries to Jahmika. The driver sustained a broken leg, but Jahmika received multiple injuries including (but not limited to):

- Broken ankle
- Broken hip
- Multiple leg fractures
- Broken back
- Broken ribs
- Broken hand
- Broken jaw with facial injuries

After going through a very rough upbringing, Jahmika was just beginning to build her own life. She has stayed employed for six years with the same employer, and is very hard working. She also had purchased a new vehicle with hopes of owning a home.



Donations for her recovery can be made at any ATB into the account named Jeffery in Trust Wilson. There will also be a donation container at her employer's store; Nature's Fuel liquor store, located at 4923 51st, Breton, Alberta.

Thank you from the owner and staff, Nature's Fuel

### FARM SALE FOR ROBERT & ARLONE CLARKE BY BRETON

Online Timed Auction August 21st—24th

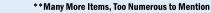
<u>Directions:</u> West of Breton on Hwy#616, 4 km to West Antross Road (RR 43), South 1.5 km, West Side of the Road (Rural Address 547428 Range Road 43)

VIEWING DATE: Aug 23rd from 10:00 am until 4:00 pm

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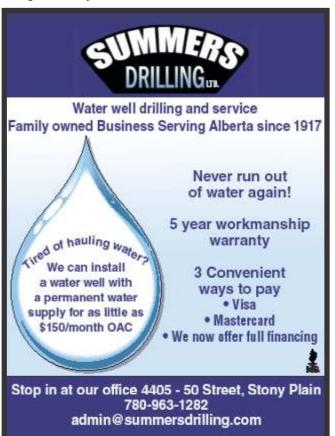
Leduc Beaumont Devon Primary Care Network. August 18, 2025

The Leduc Beaumont Devon Primary Care Network has successfully recruited Nurse Practitioner, Marco Buenafe, to our PCN, filling the position that will be vacated by Michelle Williams in Thorsby and Warburg this fall. (see article from July 24 on the front page of the August 1 Connect 39 newspaper)

Marco completed his Masters in Nursing, Nurse Practitioner from the University of Regina and Saskatchewan Polytechnic in 2023. He has been working as an NP in Primary Care and First Nations Community Outreach with the Interlake Eastern Regional Health Authority in Ashern Manitoba. Marco also brings extensive experience in Acute Care, Long Term Care and Nursing Leadership.

As Marco is relocating for this role, we anticipate his orientation with the PCN will begin between September 15 and 30.

We're thrilled to welcome Marco and his family to our community and team and look forward to the communities of Thorsby, Warburg, and Leduc County being served by him.





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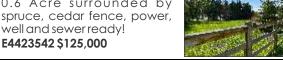
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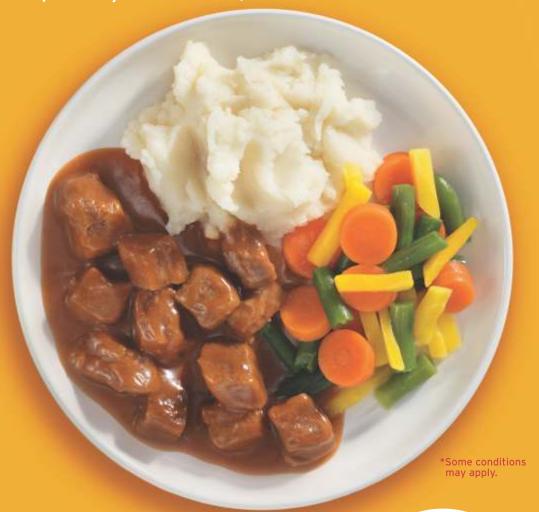
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# IMMIGRATION CRISIS DEMANDS IMMEDIATE ACTION

Alberta News, August 15, 2025

Minister of Jobs, Economy, Trade and Immigration Joseph Schow issued the following statement on Ottawa's loss of control over immigration:

"The federal government has lost control of sustainable immigration in Canada. Despite promises from Prime Minister Mark Carney to restore sustainable levels, Canada is on pace to receive more than one million new temporary and permanent immigrants this year, not including the almost three million temporary residents already in the country.

"Each year, the federal government sets immigration targets while provincial governments are responsible for the majority of supports including health care, housing and education. Unfortunately, the decisions regarding immigration targets are often made without proper consideration of provincial needs or priorities. When it comes to immigration, Albertans simply want transparency, honesty and sustainability, all of which have been lost under this federal government.

"At the same time, it is estimated that there are up to 500,000 illegal immigrants currently spread across Canada, all of whom are benefiting from taxpayer-funded services. As the federal government determines immigration targets for next year, these illegal migrants are not being accounted for. This means that the numbers being reported to Canadians are inaccurate. These illegal migrants must be taken into account, as every province is feeling the pressure of Ottawa's mismanagement of the immigration system.

"Alberta has led the country in population growth rates, increasing by 4.36 per cent last year, ahead of Ontario at 3.21 per cent and B.C. at 3.02 per cent. Most of that growth has come from international migration, along with the highest levels of interprovincial migration in Canada. Employment, housing, health care and other public services are under pressure due to Canada's open border policy, and the strain will only get worse if immigration is not brought under control.

"As Prime Minister Carney admitted in April, 'the system isn't working.' He must keep his promise to cap immigration and fix the system. Nowhere is the strain more obvious than in Alberta, where record population growth is being felt in communities provincewide. It is time to regain control of our borders, protect the services Canadians rely on, and restore trust in our immigration system."

#### **Quick facts**

- Alberta's population growth in 2023-2024 led the country for the second year in a row at a rate of 4.36 per cent.
- Net international migration was the primary contributor to population growth in 2023-24, accounting for 71.2 per cent of the provincial absolute growth.

In 2023-24, Alberta was among the only provinces to see growth through interprovincial migration.

- 43,750 people moved to Alberta from other provinces in 2023-24.
- The only other provinces to see growth through interprovincial migration in 2023-24 were New Brunswick (2,803) and Nova Scotia (2,252).
- All other provinces saw decreases in interprovincial migration.
- Between July 1, 2023 and June 30, 2024, Alberta's population grew by 145,395 people through international migration.
  - This is an increase from the prior year's growth of 119,699 people through international migration.

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# What's New @ Thorsby Municipal Library By Susan Parkinson

August 2025

#### WE WANT TO HEAR FROM YOU!

We're reviewing our **library hours** to better serve YOU — our patrons.

Have a suggestion for hours that would work better for your schedule? Let us know — your input matters!

#### **WE NEED YOU!**

We're looking for 2 more volunteers to help with our Friday Fun with Friends program – a relaxed, participant-led gathering for ages 0-5 with caregivers, focusing on stories and connection. Meets Fridays, 11am – 12pm. With 4 volunteers, you'll only do one shift a month – because many hands make light work! If interested, contact the library today.

#### PROGRAMS WE ARE WORKING ON

We're planning some fun and meaningful programs for the community. Here's what we're working on:

#### Monthly Writer's Club

A cozy space to share writing, ideas, and inspiration.

#### **Creative Connection Drop-In**

Bring your crafts or DIY projects and connect with others while you create.

#### **Knitting & Crocheting Club**

A relaxing space to stitch, learn, and share – whether you're new or experienced.

#### Libations at the Library

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# PRACTICAL JOKES

by Ken Bishop (a.k.a: PK)

#### SOMETIMES YOU JUST HAVE TO LAUGH

If you know me or any of my family, you know that we have a real sense of humour and that we enjoy laughing and making others laugh.

An interesting thing happened at a church camp in northern Alberta some years ago. My brother Keith and I were both pastors of a rural church and we had the pleasure of being able to participate in various events in our district. One of these events was a Bible Camp.

One year when we attended, Keith was the camp speaker and a pastor and friend of ours, Pat, was the song leader. One afternoon as I was walking by the meeting hall, I saw Pat going into the small wooden outhouse in the trees.

This would probably not affect everyone the same way. However, the mischievous side of my brain activated. I saw this as an opportunity to have a little fun. I waited for a couple minutes before I threw some gravel on the roof and quietly hid behind the building. "Hey, you kids get away from here" was the shout that was heard from within the little headquarters. I waited a minute longer and repeated the bombardment with pieces of wood, for a better response. "Hey! You kids stop that!" The door opened and Pat stuck his head out to see who the perpetrators were, but there was nobody there. Sensing it was time to hightail it out of there, I ran around the building and started to casually walk toward the outhouse as Pat was coming out

I told Pat that I had heard some yelling and he proceeded to tell me that he thought that some kids were throwing things at the outhouse during his visit. "But", he said, "I heard earlier that there was a storm brewing, so I'm thinking that it is a wind storm moving in." I could have just laughed and left it there, but nope. I did laugh, but then I said, "Now I get it. I just saw my brother running from over there and he was laughing his head off." Pat's eyes grew big and he vowed that he was going to tell him that he knew who did this. I told Pat, seriously, my brother is so good, if you accuse him he is going to act like he has no idea what you are talking about. Well, this is exactly what happened of course.

During the evening meeting, after the song service, Pat was to call on the guest speaker to come. He invited Keith to the platform, but not in the usual way. He grinned and then proceed to call him Pastor Black-heart and tell him, "and you know why". He had no idea why and laughed it off. The only one who really knew what was going on now was me. After the service I explained what had happened to my brother, who laughed and rolled his eyes. I went to confess to Pat what had really happened but he would not believe the truth now. He believed what I said before and felt that I was just trying to cover up for my brother. Looking back over the years, I do not think that Pat ever thought it was really me. Memories that make you smile years later are rare, but so worth it. I challenge you to make someone laugh today.

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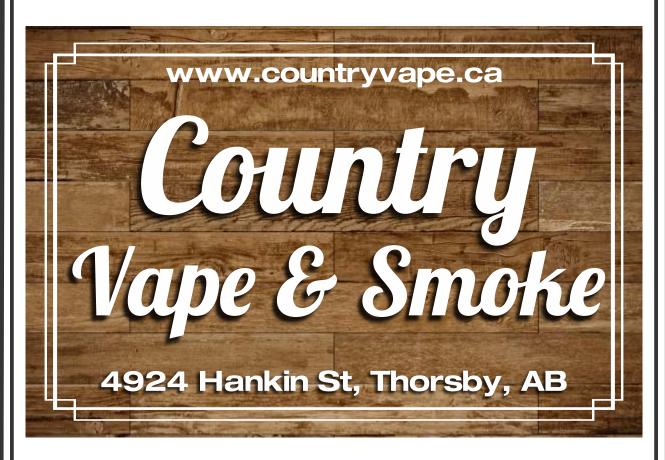






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