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THORSBY/WARBURG NURSE PRACTITIONER READY TO START SEEING PATIENTS

Submitted by Leduc Beaumont Devon Primary Care Network

Announced last month, the underserviced towns of Thorsby and Warburg, and their surrounding communities, are going to be receiving primary care support from a dedicated

Nurse Practitioner NP). Michelle Williams, NP, has been hired by the Leduc Beaumont Devon Primary Care Network (LBD PCN) through a grant provided by the Government of Alberta via the Nurse Practitioner Support Program.

Space for the Thorsby and Warburg Nurse Practi-

tioner-Led Clinics has been secured and while minor renovations to the spaces are being completed, Michelle will begin "meet and greets" with potential patients at the LBD PCN office in Leduc starting March 16th.

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PUBLIC INPUT HELPS SHAPE EMS SERVICE DELIVERY IMPROVEMENTS

Submitted by Leduc Fire Services

Quality customer care and patient safety are the top priorities for City of Leduc Fire Services, as demonstrated in achieving accreditation status in August 2018. However, the road to improvement doesn't end there.

Accreditation is an ongoing process set with a high level of professional standards for health care personnel, governed by Accreditation Canada.

To help improve the emergencv medical services they provide, Leduc Fire offers an online survey for any customers and/ or their family and friends to provide their opinions on the service their received. This also includes any members of the public who may have observed an emergency medical event and would like to share their input. In this survey, participants are asked a variety of questions, from overall satisfaction to the orderliness and tidiness of the ambulance. Survey results will

be used to help enhance emergency medical service delivery and patient care, and is part of the ongoing accreditation process.

Visit Leduc.ca/emssurvey to participate in the survey online. Hard copies are available at Fire House 1 (2-4119 50th St) and at the Leduc Civic Centre (1 Alexandra Park). For more information about the accreditation process visit www.leduc. ca/fire/accreditation or call Leduc Fire Services at 780-980-8475.









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Thorsby/Warburg Nurse Practitioner Ready To Start Seeing Patients

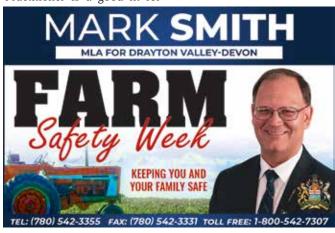
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If you live in Thorsby or Warburg or their surrounding communities and do NOT have a family physician, you can request a meet and greet with the Nurse Practitioner by calling 780-986-6624.

After your meet and greet, if you then think that the Nurse Practitioner is a good fit for you, you would then agree that Michelle will be your primary care provider and you will be counted on her patient panel. This means that you will see the Nurse Practitioner for your health care needs whenever possible. As a patient of an LBD PCN health care professional, you are then able to access any of the programs and services offered at the PCN.

Michelle will provide health services to individuals, families, and communities including health promotion, disease and injury prevention, and treatment of acute and chronic illness. NPs provide healthcare that is grounded in nursing care and includes the physical, emotional, social, and psychological aspects of your health. NPs can:

- Diagnose and treat illness and injury
- Perform physical examinations and screening interventions
- Order and interpret diagnostic tests, such as lab tests and x-rays
- Provide counselling and education
- Refer you to other healthcare professionals and specialists
- Prescribe medications
- Manage chronic diseases such as diabetes, COPD and asthma
- Provide palliative care





BUDGET 2020: STAYING ON TRACK TO BALANCE

Submitted by MLA Mark Smith | Drayton Valley – Devon Constituency

Our government's fiscal plan is working. This week, our government announced that the yearly deficit will be \$1.2 billion less than projected in Budget 2019. This will save taxpayers \$35 million in debt servicing costs and put this province on track to balance the budget by 2022-23. Balancing the budget means that hard-earned taxpayer dollars will be invested in services for Albertans, instead of going to global banks and investors.

Through Budget 2020, this government is expanding the ambitious Capital Plan. This year's budget adds an additional \$772 million in infrastructure projects over three years. This investment will help create 3,000 new, well-paying jobs by 2022. By expanding the Capital Plan, our government is investing in roads, schools, hospi-

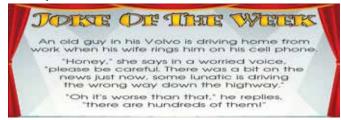
tals, public transportation, and more. These key investments will help create jobs, grow the economy, and support the high-quality services that Albertans deserve. Despite what the opposition claims, Budget 2020 contained no cuts to spending on health or education. In fact, spending in these areas have been maintained at record highs. In order for our core public services to be sustainable, the budget outlines new models to ensure funds directly support Albertans instead of getting caught in red

Budget 2020 outlined A Blueprint for Jobs, our plan for job creation, which employs a variety of strategies to make Alberta an attractive place to do business. By reducing red tape and taxes, investing in key infrastructure, and focusing on skills development for our young workforce, Budget 2020 is helping get Alberta back to work.

With session officially underway this week, we brought our first bill to the floor, Bill 1: Standing Up for the Rule of Law. Premier Kenney introduced Bill 1, the Critical Infrastructure Defence Act, ensuring that no radical group should be able to hold our economy hostage. If passed, this bill would impose fines and potential jail time on any individual or organization who damages or interferes with critical infrastructure. By protecting our railways, highways, bridges, oil and gas production and refinery sites, this government is sending a strong message that lawlessness is not tolerated in Alberta.

Finally, this week marked an

important victory for hardworking Albertan taxpayers as Federal courts have officially ruled the Federal Carbon Tax Unconstitutional! On February 24, the Alberta Court of Appeal announced a landmark 4-1 decision declaring the federal carbon tax unconstitutional. In their decision, the Court of Appeal called the effort to impose this punishing tax on families in Alberta a "constitutional Trojan Horse". I am proud of the hard work this government has put in place since taking office to protect the interests of Albertans. By fighting the federal carbon tax, this government is helping get a better deal for Alberta.









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MP SOROKA QUESTIONS THE GOVERNMENT'S APPROACH ON ILLEGAL BLOCKADES

Submitted by Gerald Soroka, MP for Yellowhead

oka, MP for Yellowhead rose in the House of Commons to ask the government when the agricultural, forestry, and

coal producers in his riding would once again be able to get their products to market.

MP Soroka stated, "the Prime

Minister's weakness is costing Canada's economy once again. People in Alberta and across the country have lost all faith in the government's willingness to end the illegal blockades."

In Response, Mr. Joël Lightbound (Parliamentary Secretary to the Minister of Public Safety and Emergency Preparedness, had this to say, "Mr. Speaker, we recognize the hardships that these blockades have placed upon many Canadians across the country and on the economy. However, there is no simple solution to such a complex problem..."

The video can be found on my YouTube (https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=5T-08pfC4m78), and Facebook (https://www.facebook.com/GeraldSorokamp/videos/2656839004385989/)



Parliament for Yellowhead,



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FARM SAFETY WEEK

Preventing Crushes

MARCH .5TH - 21st 2020 • From rolling machinery to falling front-end loaders there are countless crush hazards on a farm. While farm operaters and workers can't prevent every hazard on a farm, they should prevent every hazard they can by taking simple preventative measures while working.

• Faillure to block-up equipment safely can result in a fatal crushing injury. A jack may slip, a hose or overhead support may break, or the equipment may roll. Always take the precaution of placing support blocks under the equipment prior to working with raised machinery for any reason.



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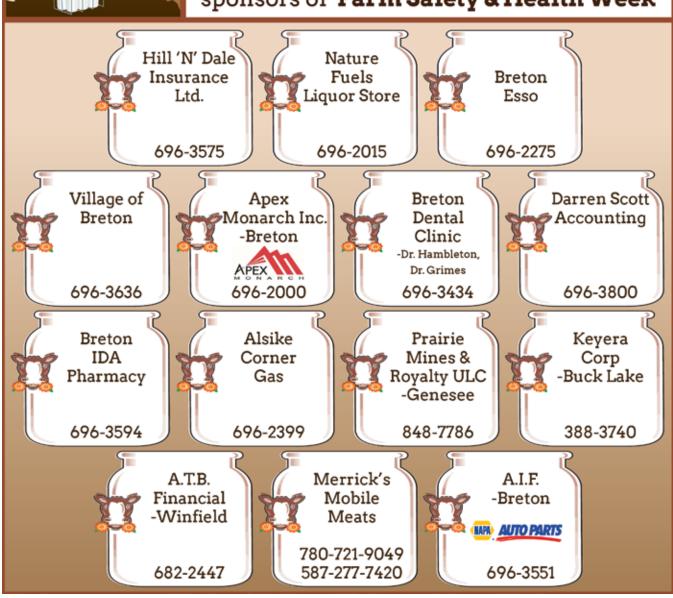
FARM SAFETY WEEK

Be SAFE – Plan Ahead Assess Risk

Risk concerns the expected value of results of a situation or event. The value of those results may be positive or negative. In the farming industry, the measure of risk can be rated as high, medium or low. Once the risk has

been assessed, through your regular safety checks, employers can determine whether to take immediate action of a hazard or identify those that can be monitored and fixed at a later time. Regular assessment can help with budgeting time and resources for immediate or future repairs.

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Farm Safety Week

Entanglements

° The average farm is full of machinery and device that can grab, cut, smash and entangle fingers, hands, toes, and feet causing injury to the extremities and even death. The sad truth is that most of these injuries can be avoided.

"Some of the key entanglement prevention measures to implement when working with or near machinery are:

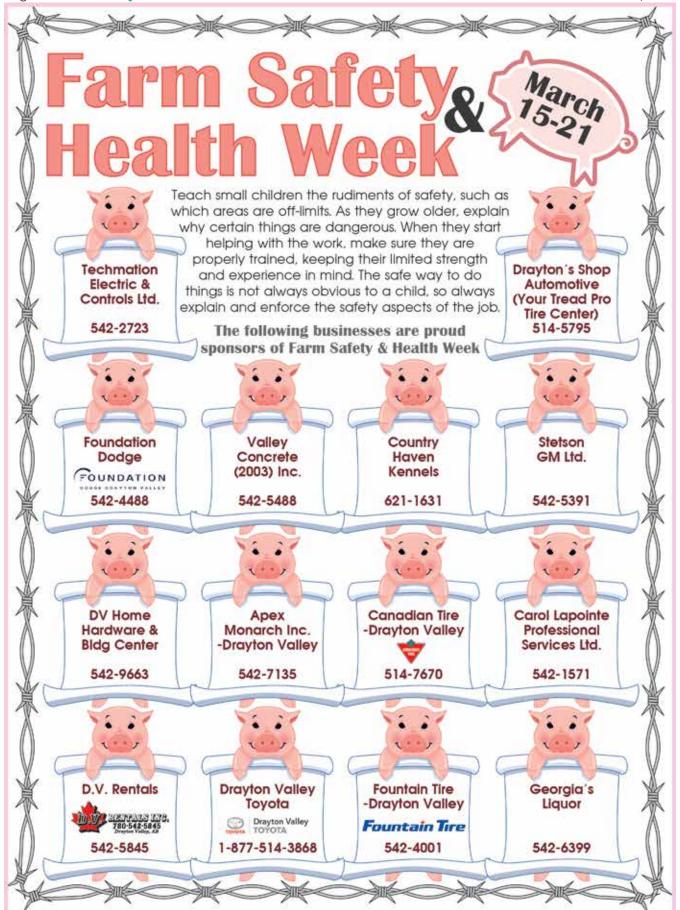
- -Before operating any machine or equipment, ensure that all guards are in place and in good condition.
- -Wear tight fitting clothing, such as overalls. Avoid wearing any items that could become entangled, such as long coats or scarves.
- -Never step over a PTO shaft or conveyer belt while it is still running.

^oEnsure that anyone working with augers, PTOs, and other extremely hazardous machinery receives appropriate safety instruction and adequate supervision.

"Keep young children out of the farm or ranch work site, especially areas where there is moving machinery.



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THE IMPORTANCE OF ROUTINE VEHICLE MAINTENANCE

Owning a car is a big responsibility. Drivers who plan to keep their vehicles for the long haul must emphasize maintenance if they want to keep adding miles to their odometers. In fact, the automotive information site CarAdvice says that routine maintenance may be the most important thing drivers can do for their vehicles.

A vehicle needs consistent care if it is to run efficiently. Maintenance also reduces the risk of roadside breakdowns and costly repairs. Here's a look at some of the benefits of staying on top of maintenance.

Saves money: Even though maintenance costs money, sticking to a consistent maintenance schedule can save big bucks in the long run. For example, the cost of rotating and aligning tires is considerably less than repairing a car after a

major blowout and paying for a tow and tire replacement.

Improves performance and efficiency: Routine maintenance includes oil changes, filter changes and fluid top-offs. Such tasks keep engines running smoothly. Ignoring this routine maintenance can put engines in jeopardy of breaking down and adversely affect vehicle performance, diminishing fuel economy and leading to a sluggish ride.

Identifies safety issues: Routine inspections and work performed by reputable service stations help drivers stay abreast of recalls or issues that can affect the safety of the vehicle

Maintains a maintenance record: When the time comes to sell the vehicle, having a log of routine maintenance indicates to potential buyers that the vehicle was well cared for.

Keeps compliance: Vehicles covered under manufacturer's warranties typically need to be maintained in adherence to factory-recommended maintenance schedules. This ensures that the vehicle is in compliance and will be covered in the event of a warranty

claim.

Routine vehicle maintenance is important for a variety of reasons. Drivers can work with a trusted and reliable mechanic to develop a schedule that keeps their cars and trucks on the road.



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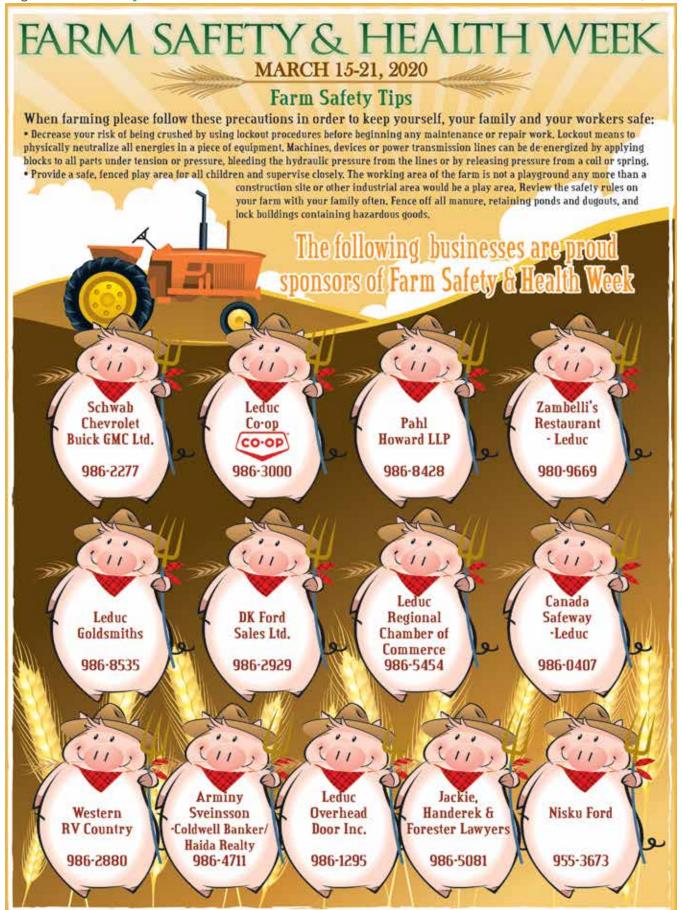
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If you are a LICENSED, NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION, you are welcome to submit your announcement FREE of charge, space permitting. You are required to submit your non-profit number. Call (780) 962-9228. Please note that all submitted event listings must be limited to 200 characters or less (including spaces). DEADLINE: 12 noon Friday prior to publication (Thursdays on long weekends).

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VALLEY: DRAYTON Evergreen Farmers' Wednesdays at Market, . Mackenzie Center the the Omniplex from 10:30am-1:30pm. WWW. dvevergreenfarmersmarket. ca

BINGO

MULHURST: Every Tuesday night, 7:00рм at the Mulhurst Legion

CALMAR: Every Wednesday night, 7:00рм at the Calmar Legion.

JAMBOREE

DRAYTON VALLEY: Last Sunday of month. Upstairs @ the "55 Rec. Center" Doors at 12рм, Starts at 1рм. 780-542-3768

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly)

DEVON: Wed. at 9:30AM at Riverside Baptist Church, 2 Saskatchewan Dr., Devon. Contact Brenda at 987-9113

EDMONTON: Thurs 8:30-10AM at Annex of Grace United Church (6215-104 Ave). \$7/month

LEDUC: Tuesday Nights at Lutheran Church, Peace 4606 - 48 St. Leduc. Weighins: 5:45-6:30рм, Meeting 7:00-7:30рм. Call Marie at 780-986-6477.

THORSBY: meeting every Monday morning 9:00AM at Thorsby Fire Hall. Call 780-

SOCIAL EVENTS

50+ YOUNG AT HEART **LUNCHEON** for Parkland County Seniors. 12PM Stony Plain United Church Basement, \$7 per plate. 3rd Wed of Each Month, Sept -June. For reservations call Audrey 780-963-1782.

BALLROOM. LATIN. COUNTRY DANCE SOCIAL: 1st Saturday of every month. Doors open 8PM at Central

Lions Recreation Center, 11113 113 St., Edmonton AB. Cost \$15 paid at the doors. Hosted by Everyone's Ballroom Dance Assoc, More info: www.ebda. ca 780-893-6828

CALMAR SENIORS BUS: to West Edmonton Mall - 1st Wed. 9:30 AM; Seniors' Birthday Party - every 3rd Wed. 1:30pm; Meetings - every 2nd Wed of every month. 1:30pm. (780) 985-3117.

MUSIC JAM & DEVON **DANCE:** 4th Wed. of each month @ 6PM, June - Sept. @ Chalet Lions Campground. Oct. - May (excl. Dec.) @ Pioneers 73 Club (29 St. Lawrence Ave.). Guests \$7, Musicians \$2. More info call 780-987-2093.

RECREATION: DEVON Volleyball, Mondays 8-10рм, \$2, John Maland High School. Badminton, Fridays 7-9PM, Robina Baker School, \$2. Hockey (Arena), Tues & Thurs, noon (children under 15 must be accompanied by an adult). INDOOR PLAYGROUND: Mondays, 10ам-12рм, Alder Flats Community Centre. Info

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MUSICAL JAM SESSIONS: 4th Tues, 1:00рм at Calmar Seniors Centre. Bring your own instruments and have fun

JAMBOREE: Last

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Sunday of each month. Upstairs @ the "55 Rec. Center" Doors open at 12PM, Starts at 1PM. 780-542-3768 MUSICAL PROGRAM: every 4th Saturday at the Cloverleaf Manor, 2:30pm. Everyone welcome.

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MEETINGS

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COUNCIL **BRFTON** MEETINGS: 2nd Tuesday of each month at 7PM at the Council Chambers, Carolyn Strand Civic Centre. 780-696-3636

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DEVON TOASTMASTERS, Thurs. 7PM at St. Georges Anglican Church (2 St. Clair, Devon). Learn and practice the skills required to effectively speak in public - we help conquer your fear. More info: Marc 780-729-4932 DRAYTON **VALLEY** BRANCH OF **ALBERTA** GENEALOGICAL SOCIETY: meets 7рм at Drayton Valley Municipal Library every 3rd Wed of the month. For more information call (780) 542-

LEDUC MS SOCIETY COMMUNITY **SUPPORT GROUP** Are you diagnosed with MS and have questions? This group is for you! Meetings TBD. Contact the Edmonton Chapter, 780-471-3034

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SOCIETY DRAYTON MS COMMUNITY VALLEY **GROUP** meets every 1st Tuesday of the month, Sept-June from 6-8PM at Norquest College, dates TBA. Info, Terra Leslie at 1-403-346-0290.

Winfield Legion Branch 236: Meetings every 2nd Tues. Contact Secretary Treasurer Shelly Oulton 696-3600 or Alfred Farmer 696-2006

YOUR COMMUNITY

Dental Health: Visit the dental hygienist with your toddler. Children 15-24 mos of age are encouraged to have this Free Toddler Mouth Check. For info, contact the Thorsby Health Centre at 789-4800.

Come join GIRL GUIDES OF CANADA, 1st Pipestone Sparks/Brownies/Guides Rainbow Unit. For more info call Jenny 387-3544 (anytime) or Teresa 901-3817 (evenings) Meals on Wheels: Call Deanne Young, Director FCSS 696-3636

Thorsby Well Child Clinic, Immunization every 1st & 3rd Thurs. of the month. Contact Thorsby Public Health Center for appointment. 789-4800.

Warburg Well Baby **Immunization Clinic,** by appointment only, 2nd Wed of month, Cloverleaf Manor. Thorsby Health Unit 789-4800





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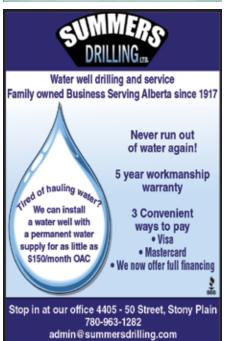
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