



Michael Cooper poses with a local senior at the Diamond Spring Lodge in Redwater. **Photo by: Shauna Krankowsky**



Michael Cooper addresses attendees at the Diamond Spring Lodge in Redwater, discussing issues and resources related to seniors. **Photo by: Shauna Krankowsky**

GLOW on!

By Brandie Majeau

The Town of Smoky Lake Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) and Family Resource Centre are thrilled to announce the launch of an exciting new program, the GLOW program, specifically tailored for girls aged 9 to 12 years old. This unique initiative is designed with a clear goal-to inspire strength, enhance self-worth, and promote lasting friendships among participants, skills and life choices that they can take with them beyond the structure of the sessions. It's not just a program, it's a journey towards confidence and self-assurance.

This empowering program is offered at no cost, but due to limited availability, registration is essential. Smoky Lake FCSS encourages interested participants to register by the deadline of April 30 to secure a spot. The GLOW program will take place every Wednesday from May 7 to June 18, running from 3:30 PM to 5:30 PM in a safe and welcoming environment.

Each session will include an uplifting girls circle focused on sharing experiences and building friendships, a healthy snack break to nourish the body, and high-energy fitness activities designed to promote physical well-being and self-confidence. For more information or to register for the GLOW program, please contact us at communitycoordinator@smokylake.ca or call (780)656-6631. They look forward to uplifting and encouraging the next generation of strong, confident girls!

MP Michael Cooper visits Diamond Spring Lodge to share Conservative platform with seniors

By Shelley Winger

Residents of Diamond Spring Lodge in Redwater had the opportunity to hear directly from Michael Cooper, Member of Parliament for St.

Albert-Sturgeon River, during a recent visit to the lodge. Cooper spoke with seniors about the Conservative Party's platform, highlighting several proposals aimed at easing the financial burden on older Canadians

and restoring affordability for all.

One of the key promises discussed was a cut to the lowest income tax bracket, reducing it from 15 to 12.75 per cent. According to Cooper, this would result

in savings of approximately \$900 per year for someone earning \$57,000.

The Conservatives are also proposing changes to the Tax-Free Savings

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An eggs-citing morning!

By Brandie Majeau

The Thorhild Community Association proudly hosted its 5th annual Egg Hunt on April 12, drawing a crowd of over 100 enthusiastic attendees to the Rodeo Grounds and the Newthorad Lodge. The Community Association and a group of volunteers had hidden more than 2,500 colorful eggs throughout the areas, alongside additional surprises such as special treats and a selection of sun hats for participants.

This year's Egg Hunt offered additional thanks to generous sponsorship from local supporters Heather Moellering of Remax Real Estate, as well as community members Cindy Gurney and Travis Parker. Their contributions helped create the perfect spring morning filled with anticipation and excitement.

As the sun rose over the grounds, families began to gather in the morning light.

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Photos courtesy of Thorhild Community Association



The Easter Bunny and Duck had an awesome time helping the little ones hunt for eggs!



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Board and Committee Meetings: SturgeonCounty.ca/Boards
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Subdivision and Development Appeal Board	May 6	2:00 PM
Youth Advisory Meeting	May 7	6:00 PM
CSAB Meeting	May 12	6:00 PM
Regular Council/Committee of the Whole	May 13	9:00 AM
Health and Safety Breakfast - Late Open	May 14	10:30 AM
Capital Committee Meeting	May 14	1:00 PM
Transportation Advisory Committee	May 15	6:00PM
<i>Victoria Day</i>	<i>May 19</i>	<i>Closed</i>
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Bucholz Shirley Patricia (nee Kerr)

Shirley passed away peacefully on April 11 2025 at the age of 87 while in long term care at the Redwater Health Center. She will be sorrowfully missed by those she leaves behind.

Survived by her three children, Larry (Barb), Rodney (Dawn), Loraine, Five grandchildren, Ashley (Brad), Lindsey, Kimberly, Brittanny, and Brandon, as well as her four cherished great grandchildren Wyatt, Hunter,Colt and Brooke.

Her siblings, Glen (Charmaine) Berglund, and Kerr family, Ann, Donald, Tom, Ian and Malcom.

Predeceased by husband Edward, son Faron, parents, sisters, Florence, Catherine (Kit), Patty, and brother Bill.



We would like to acknowledge and thank Dr. Mouton and the tremendous nurses and health care aides for providing such amazing care and support.

A memorial service will be held on Saturday May 10, 2025 at 1:00 PM at the Redwater Legion Hall (4708 - 50th, Ave).

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A background image showing three young people wearing large headphones and smiling, appearing to be in a gaming or streaming session. The lighting is dim with blue and purple hues, and there are some light effects in the background.



Photos courtesy of Thorhild Community Association



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Everyone was poised and ready, waiting for the signal. On the word go, children, parents and grandparents raced from one spot to another, the squeals of excitement a sign that the assortment of colourful eggs were spotted. Laughter and calls between the young Easter hunters echoed between bleachers and buildings. The thrill of

discovery was palpable, especially when young hunters stumbled upon the extra special golden eggs, each of which secured an Easter bucket brimming with delightful surprises.

Adding to the festive spirit, the Easter Bunny, as always, made a grand appearance, accompanied by his whimsical sidekick, Duck, delighting young and old and eliciting

giggles and requests for bunny hugs, which are always better around Easter. With pockets stuffed full of candy and baskets overflowing with treats, families enjoyed a perfect conclusion to the morning with a delicious hot dog lunch, offering an opportunity to sit together and share their experiences and linger just a little bit longer.

The Thorhild Community Association

extends heartfelt thanks to all who joined in the celebration, helping maintain and continue a sense of community and togetherness.

A special shoutout goes to the many dedicated volunteers whose hard work and enthusiasm always make this day a resounding success, and ensures that such traditions and fun can continue to thrive in the future.

Hunter Gurney and Bryson Mackin hunt for eggs together at the Thorhild Rodeo Grounds.

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Redwater School News



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Georg Kurt Frick

July 26th, 1945 – April 13th, 2025

Georg Kurt Frick, 79, of Thorhild, Alberta, passed away at home on April 13, 2025, suddenly and unexpectedly.

Georg was born on July 26th, 1945, in Hamburg, Germany, and emigrated to Canada with his family when he was 12 years old.

He is survived by his wife, Patricia; children: Julie, Hardy, Kristina, and Shannan; grandchildren, great-grandchildren and younger siblings.

He was preceded in



death by his parents, his wife of almost 40 years, Bonita, and his daughter, Katrina.

A service will be held Saturday, April 26th, 2025. Further details can be found on Westlock Funeral Home website.

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Account (TFSA) program. Under the plan, Canadians would be allowed to contribute an additional \$5,000 annually to their TFSA, so long as the funds are invested in Canadian companies. In a further effort to encourage domestic investment, the party is promising to allow Canadians to defer capital gains taxes if those earnings are reinvested within Canada.

For seniors, several specific changes were outlined. The Conservative platform would allow seniors to earn up to \$34,000 per

year tax-free—an increase of \$10,000 from the current threshold. The plan also includes extending the period during which RRSPs can continue to grow by two more years. Importantly, the age of eligibility for Guaranteed Income Supplement (GIS), Old Age Security (OAS), and Canada Pension Plan (CPP) would remain at 65.

“Our seniors should not have to work. But they should not be punished when they choose to,” said Conservative leader Pierre Poilievre. “We should reward rather than punish work. Those that choose to grow their savings for

longer should have the chance. And we will not raise the retirement age. Seniors will keep getting their OAS, GIS and CPP at age 65.”

Cooper also criticized the federal Liberal government, stating, “After a lost Liberal decade, Canadian seniors can’t afford a fourth Liberal term making Canadians poorer and Canada weaker. They need a new Conservative government that will lower taxes and put Canada first – for a change.”

The Conservative Party, now branding itself as the “common sense Conservatives,” is pledging to “axe taxes, stop crime,

unleash the economy, and stand up to Trump from a position of strength.” The party promises to protect seniors’ savings, restore the Canadian promise, and ensure a secure retirement “in a safe and affordable home, under a proud flag.”

The event at Diamond Spring Lodge gave local seniors a chance to hear and ask questions about how these proposed changes could affect them. Cooper’s visit was part of a broader effort to connect directly with voters and discuss the Conservative Party’s direction leading into the next federal election.



Seniors enjoy a game of floor curling at the Redwater & District Pioneer Club, held Tuesdays and Thursdays—except the first Tuesday of the month.

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It's that time of year again

By Brandie Majeau

This is an important reminder regarding tax submissions for the upcoming tax season. The deadline for submitting your taxes to the Canada Revenue Agency (CRA) is April 30, 2025, for the 2024 tax year. For those who have already completed and submitted their tax returns for the 2024 tax year, congratulations on your proactive approach. Timely filing

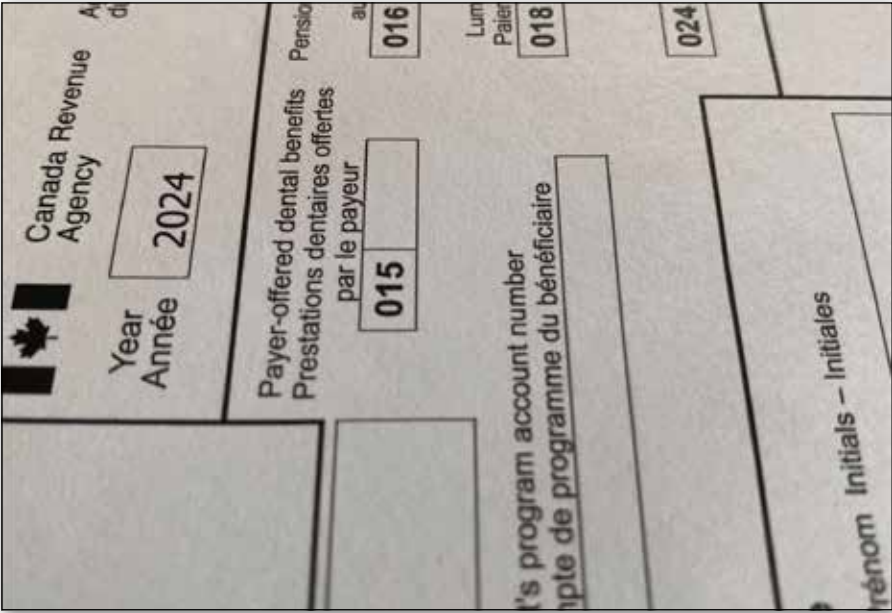
can help you avoid penalties and ensure you receive any eligible refunds without delays. If you haven't yet filed your taxes, it is crucial to take action as soon as possible to avoid last-minute stress and potential penalties. Filing your taxes not only keeps you compliant with Canadian law, but it also allows you to take advantage of benefits and credits that may be available to you. To assist those in

need of help, the Town of Smoky Lake has highlighted that Smoky Lake Family and Community Support Services (FCSS) in partnership with the CRA Community Volunteer Income Tax Program is available. This program offers free assistance with completing tax returns for eligible individuals, families, and seniors. The service will be available from March 1 to April 29, 2025. To qualify for this

no-cost assistance, individuals must have a single income of below \$35,000. For households with dual income, the combined income must be below \$45,000. It is important to note that all tax situations handled through

this service must be simple and straightforward, and clients must provide (and have in hand) all necessary tax documents, such as T4 slips and other relevant paperwork, to ensure quick and accurate completion.

For more information or to schedule an appointment for assistance, please contact 780-656-3674. Don't hesitate to reach out – support is available to help navigate the tax filing process successfully!



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NOTICE OF DECISION OF MUNICIPAL PLANNING COMMISSION

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Permit Number: DPR2025-006
Legal Description: Lot 12, Block 3, Plan 782 2312
Civic Address: 5421 Eastview Crescent
Land Use: Residential Manufactured Dwelling Density District (R-MF)
Variance: distance from the principal dwelling from 6ft down to 4ft
Discretionary Use: N/A

Additional Conditions: That the applicant follow the fire separation distance as provided by Superior Safety Codes.

Additional Information: For additional information regarding these permits, please contact the Development Officer at (780) 942-3519.

Appeal: The following information is provided as required by Section 685(1.1) of the Municipal Government Act. Any appeal of this decision shall be filed with the Secretary of the Intermunicipal Subdivision and Development Appeal Board (ISDAB), 4924 47th Street-Box 397, Redwater, Alberta T0A 2W0 (780-942-3519 ext. 250), within twenty-one (21) days after the date of notice.

Appeal Fee - \$ 300.00

Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act
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Radway Ag Society sets sights on growing their markets

Photos courtesy of Tammy Kuefler



By Brandie Majeau

The Radway Agricultural Society hosted its annual Easter Market on April 12, offering complimentary entry


to all attendees. This event always demonstrates the amazing talent and wide range of products made locally. During a time where individuals are striving

to support Canadian made goods, markets such as the Radway Ag Society Easter Market provide the perfect opportunity right out one's front door to purchase

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Thorhild County conducts re-inspections of properties in different areas of the county each year to ensure the property assessment data is accurate.


The areas this year include townships: 62-18, 63-18, 61-20, 59-21, 58-23, 60-23.

Assessors will be on-site walking the properties involved and taking exterior photos. They will not require access into your home or buildings.

The assessors usually check in with you first to make you aware they are entering your property.

These inspections are essential to ensure fair, accurate and reliable property assessment information; and are authorized by the Municipal Government Act (MGA) (Section 294).

Assessors will be in marked vehicles with the **Municipal Assessment Services Group Inc.** logo on doors and wearing photo ID under the same name.




Municipal Assessment Services Group Inc.

All inspections will be conducted during normal business hours Monday through Friday from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

If property owners have any questions, they are encouraged to call the MASG Assessors office phone: 1-780-939-3310. Website: www.masg.ca

WILDFIRE EMERGENCY PREPAREDNESS PRESENTATION FOR SENIORS



Join Fire Chief Denis Poulin and Captain Michelle Redekop for a presentation on wildfire emergency preparedness at the following locations:

Monday, May 5th at 10:00 a.m. - Thorhild Golden Age Drop In Centre, 210 - 7th Avenue
Tuesday, May 6th at 10:00 a.m. - Newbrook Silver Horizons Drop In Centre, 5029 - 50th Street
Tuesday, May 6th at 2:30 p.m. - Radway & District New Horizons Club, 5108 - 49th Avenue

Although geared for Seniors, everyone is welcome!
Any questions contact Diana at 780-398-3741 ext. 2810 or diana.berry@thorhildcounty.com

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Photos courtesy of Tammy Kuefler

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to grab a bite from the concession or enjoy a homemade Ukrainian plate lunch, featuring traditional favourites such as perogies that are always prepared in house by volunteer hands.

The market came alive with visitors, exploring a hall filled with vendor tables that displayed an impressive array of local products, ranging from honey to hand-crafted items, as well as homemade paska. The Radway Lions Club was even in attendance doing free vision screening for youth 12 and under. Despite facing competition from several other Easter events that weekend, Radway's market provided a distinctive and inviting experience that resonated with families and individuals in the community.

The event's success reflected the ongoing support from everyone who attends, the commitment of local vendors, and the hard

work of the Agricultural Society and its volunteers. Together, they create such an environment that can only be described as both welcoming and celebratory, they bring together the spirit that is always surrounding events held in Radway.

Looking to the future, the Radway Agricultural Society is incredibly grateful for its vendors and their ongoing support and presence and aims to build on this amazing vendor list by

establishing a market that becomes one of the most prominent and well-attended within the area. Following the conclusion of the Easter Market, the society is excited to focus on the upcoming Pioneer Days celebration and the Pioneer Days Market, scheduled for July 26. This event is expected to further opportunities for local artisans and vendors, while continuing to promote community engagement and enjoyment for everyone.





NEW

GORGEOUS TREED 70 ACRES WITH HOME

This cozy 1 bdrm walk out bungalow in Thorhild County offers a peaceful retreat with a beautifully landscaped yard and wide trails that wind through the mature trees, creating the perfect setting for outdoor enthusiasts. The main house features a finished basement, which could be used as second bedroom, with door to the attached woodshed and provides ample living space for family or guests. The 26'x26' double detached garage has in floor heating and offers plenty of room for vehicles and storage, while multiple outbuildings on the property provide additional space for hobbies, animals, workshops, or extra storage. There is also a charming guest house, which only requires water to complete it and make it a perfect space for visitors. Bring your animals or just use the land for recreation and hunting with moose and deer right on your land. Gardens, fruit trees and dugout complete the property. **\$549,900. Call Heather to view.**



3 BEDROOM HOME IN PIBROCH

Great starter or retirement home or rent it out. Has been rented in the past few years for \$950 per month plus utilities. Upgrades over the past years include metal roof, windows, and furnace. In the past 3 years the hot water tank has been replaced, bathroom renovated and new vinyl plank flooring was installed. Main floor features a large back entrance with laundry, good sized kitchen with plenty of wood cabinets, 4 pce bathroom, furnace room and huge living room. Upper floor has 3 bedrooms. Sits on a large 150x50' corner lot with plenty of room to add a garden or garage. Backs onto a park with basketball court, ball diamond, fire pit area and kids playground. Pibroch has city water and community sewer and an active community hall. It's only minutes away from Westlock with all the amenities you will need including a hospital and indoor swimming pool. **\$79,900. Call Heather to view.**



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2.78 acres of treed land on pavement 30 minutes north of Edmonton, in a beautiful setting close to Lily Lake. The property has two outbuildings – a 87x24 ft pole shed and a 30x12.5 ft storage shed. Close to power and gas, with the trees offering privacy from the road, this land is great for a new home or private storage. Easy access to Bon Accord and Gibbons for shopping and schools. **\$110,000. Call Glenn for more info.**



SOLD

GORGEOUS 5 BEDROOM 2 1/2 BATH HOME IN THORHILD

This spacious 1296 square foot home offers an open concept kitchen, living, and dining area and is ideal for family living and entertaining. Built in 1987, the home has received numerous upgrades over the years. The kitchen was redone in 2015 and features a large quartz island countertop and stainless steel appliances. Windows were updated in 2015, shingles replaced in 2021, and two new furnaces were installed in 2025. A no-maintenance deck with a pergola overlooks the large, fenced backyard, which also includes a 12x12 sunhouse – perfect for relaxing or hosting gatherings. The fully finished basement offers a spacious family room with a cozy woodstove and a wet bar. Additional highlights include central air conditioning, b/i vacuum and a single detached garage with covered carport. This well-maintained property combines modern upgrades with small-town comfort. **\$295,000. Call Janine to view.**



NEWBROOK FARM

Enjoy privacy on this 160 acres at the end of a dead end road just a few minutes south of Newbrook. This cute 896 sq ft 2 bedroom 1 bathroom home was built in 1983 with 2"x6" walls and has been well kept. Upgrades over the years include flooring, kitchen cabinets, windows, ss appliances (stove and dishwasher new this year) shingles and bathroom renovations. Open living/kitchen concept, bay window and garden doors to a large covered deck add to this great home. There is a 32'x24' detached garage with addition on the back for more storage. Beautiful setting amongst large mature trees. The pasture land is all fenced and has dugouts for water and has been rented out for cattle pasture the last few years Perfect property for someone wanting a little privacy with lots of land for hunting or farming. Just about an hour to Edmonton. **\$459,900. Call Heather to view.**



AFFORDABLE LIVING IN REDWATER

This charming 2+2 bedroom, 708 sq ft home offers a blend of comfort and modern upgrades. The upgraded kitchen features a countertop induction stove, built-in oven, dishwasher, and stainless steel appliances. Skylights brighten the upstairs bedrooms, with the master boasting a walk-in closet. The finished basement includes two additional bedrooms – one with a walk-in closet – a bathroom, laundry area, and a stand-up freezer. Upgrades over the years, include new shingles (2023), a high-efficiency furnace, hot water tank, and newer windows that fill both levels with natural light. Outdoor amenities feature a greenhouse and a garden ready for spring planting. **\$175,000. Call Janine to view.**



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You won't find a better location than this charming bungalow in Redwater, perfectly situated backing onto Poplar Park and just a few blocks from the elementary school. The main floor offers a functional and inviting layout, featuring a movable eat-up kitchen island, a patio door leading to the front deck, and a spacious living room. This level also includes three bedrooms, with the primary suite boasting a private 2-piece ensuite, plus a 4-piece main bathroom. Conveniently located before heading downstairs is the entrance to the attached heated double garage. The fully developed basement adds even more living space with a fourth bedroom, a large rec area, a cozy family room, and a 3-piece bath combined with the laundry room. Recent updates include a new boiler and hot water tank (2024) for added peace of mind. The fully fenced, pie-shaped backyard is a private retreat with a deck, a garden shed, and a gate providing direct access to the park.

5307 62 ST REDWATER

SOLD
\$349,000

This stunning 1,178 sq. ft. fully developed 4-level split offers a spacious layout, a double detached garage, and a fenced yard. Over the years, this home has seen numerous upgrades, including windows, flooring, doors, shingles, kitchen, and bathrooms. The main floor boasts a bright and inviting living room, a designated dining area, and a beautifully renovated kitchen with an island and newer appliances. Upstairs, you'll find three bedrooms, including a primary suite with a private 2-piece ensuite, along with a 4-piece main bathroom. The lower level features an additional bedroom, a 3-piece bathroom, and a generous family room, while the basement offers even more space with a rec room complete with a bar, plus a utility and laundry room. Situated on a quiet dead-end street, this home provides a peaceful setting with minimal traffic—perfect for families or those seeking a serene retreat.

62209 RR 201 THORHILD COUNTY

\$649,900

This Nelson Homes-built RTM bungalow sits on a ICF basement and offers the perfect blend of comfort and functionality. Located on 10 acres, the property features a double attached garage and a 36x48 drive-through shop—ideal for hobbyists, mechanics, or those that just need more storage. The home's layout is thoughtfully designed, starting with a spacious mudroom complete with a sink and stove—perfect for canning, prepping, or cleaning up after outdoor work. The main floor boasts an open-concept kitchen, dining area, and walk-through pantry, creating a seamless flow for everyday living. You'll also find main floor laundry, a 2-piece bath, a 4-piece main bath, and 3 bedrooms including the primary suite with a walk-in closet and private 4-piece ensuite. The basement with in floor heat is nearly complete—just flooring and drop ceiling remain. It includes a 4th bedroom, 4-piece bath, family room, den and wet bar area. Step outside onto the deck off the kitchen and take in your own private paradise.

#46 GOLDEN HEIGHTS , STURGEON COUNTY

\$254,900

Located just 10 minutes north of Gibbons and 30 minutes from Edmonton, this 3-bedroom mobile home sits on a spacious 3-acre lot in the quiet subdivision of Golden Heights. The home features a functional layout with a kitchen and living room at the center. The primary bedroom includes a 4-piece ensuite, while the two additional bedrooms and another 4-piece bath are located at the opposite end—perfect for added privacy. While the home could use some updates and TLC, there's great potential to make it your own. The property also includes a double detached garage that is insulated and heated, though it will need new shingles. With plenty of space for a large garden, outdoor projects, or simply enjoying the peace and quiet, this is a great opportunity to escape the city and enjoy country living at an affordable price.

1114 OLD TIMER'S DR , SKELETON LAKE

\$279,900

Enjoy the best of both worlds with this incredible .46-acre gated lot in the Summer Village of Bondiss at Skeleton Lake—backing onto the 5th tee box of Skeleton Lake Golf Course and offering lake views! Included in the sale is a spacious 2014 Bighorn Silverado 5th wheel (42 ft) featuring quad bunks, 2 bathrooms, an outdoor kitchen and outdoor shower, 4 slide-outs, an Onan 5500 onboard generator, and oversized water tanks. The trailer sits on a 12x36 deck, perfect for relaxing or entertaining outdoors. The lot is fully equipped with a 2000-gallon septic tank, 50A power hook-up for the RV, two additional 30A receptacles, and power to the 12x20 shed. You'll also find a 16x16 wood/storage shed combo, a fenced dog run, and a secure gate at the entrance for added privacy and peace of mind. Located just 30 seconds from the boat launch and public playground, with paved roads right out front. Under 2 hours from Edmonton and less than 3 hours from Fort McMurray—this is your ideal lake retreat!



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May 3 Saturday 10:00 AM
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Plan to attend this very clean sale w/quality goods on offer.

Saturday, May 3rd @ 10 AM, Major Items Sell @ Approx. 1 PM
Viewing: Friday, May 2 from 10-4pm. Garage Sale Viewing Day of Sale.

3pt. Tractor & 3 pt. Equipment (All Shredded, 1 Owner):

- * 2016 4WD. Kubota Model BX2370 3 cyl. Diesel w/ Fact. F.E.L. & 4' Bucket, Fact. Belly Mount, 60" Mower w/ 755 hrs. w/ Rebuilt Motor in 2010 Which had 200,200 km. Replaced, New Front & Rear End, Water Pump, Fuel Pump and Alternator, 2nd Owner, SN 3DKU28C34C14398
- * 1996 Suzuki SideKick w/ New Head Gaskets, 4 Cyl., Standard 2 or 4 WD., Showing 98,000 km. SN 2S3TD03V7T6406198
- Recreation:** * 2014 Arctic Cat 500 EFI 4 WD Quad w/ Tool Box & Winch, 1940 Miles, 1 Owner SN 4UF14ATVXET205488
- * Quad Trailer * R.V. Dolly * 1992 Glastron 16' Open Bow Boat (SN AB5010784) w/ 140 Johnson H.P. Motor, Trolling Motor, Has Colored Fish Finder, 1989 16' Grey Univision Boat Trailer, Trailer SN 2UN5TNX8GB000674
- * Good Selection of Fishing Rods * (2) Manual Crank Down Riggers w/ Weights for Fishing * Weiderpro 4300 Weight Machine, Upper & Lower Body Workout * 1 Owner Matthews Compound Bow & Case * 1 Owner Hornet Extreme Crossbow & Soft Case * 5 String Banjo & Case * Various Racquets: Tennis, Squash, Racquet Ball w/Cases * Dyaco Tread Mill-Free Spirit Club SN 16229001
- * Weiderpro 4300 Weight Machine, Upper & Lower Body Workout * 1 Owner Hornet Extreme Crossbow & Soft Case * 5 String Banjo & Case * Various Racquets: Tennis, Squash, Racquet Ball w/Cases, etc.

Yard (Very Good & Only Partially Listed): * Hobart 210 Wirefed Welder SN ME262786Y * 20 Ton 2016 Champion Portable Wood Splitter w/ 196 cc Motor, 1 Owner * Black Diamond Dual Stage 220 Floor Air Compressor w/ 60 Gal & 227 L * 7' Red Wind Mill * 12 Volt P. Behind Sprayer w/ Tank & Booms * Oran Marquis 5000 Gas, 120 Volt Gen Set * Stack of 18 Sq. Rubber Tiles * 32' Ext. Ladder * (4) 6' X3' Metal Storage Cabinet w/ Shelves * 36" Rockwell Wood Lathe w/ Various Tools & Attachments SN 194558 * 16" 240 Husqvarna & 20" 455 Rancher Husqvarna Chainsaws * ROK 10" Meat Cutting Band Saw & Grinder * Bradley Smoker w/ Cover * Gerry Cans * Small Windmill * Wooden Log Swing, Log Chair, Rocker, Nice * Various Garden Tools & Accessories * 1/2 Wooden Barrel Planters * Metal Riding Toys- Duck, Chipmunk, Etc. * Bolt Bins w/ Bolts * Various Water Tanks * Floor Magnet on Wheels * Titan XT250 Paint Sprayer w/ Hoses, Pump, Gun & Ends * 4' High Nice 3 Otter Water Fountain, Concrete * 75, 000 B.T.U. Dewalt Diesel Heater * Simoniz 6.5 H.P. Pressure Washer w/ 196 cc, 3200 P.S.I. * Beautiful 48" Checker Plate Cargo Master Truck Tool Box * 8000 Elite Gas Gen. Set w/ B&S Engine * Good Selection of Various Tools, Wrenches, Hammers, Vice Grips, Sockets, Air Tools, Grinders, Disks, Etc. * Alum. Truck Ramps * MotoMaster 13,000 lb. Car Ramps * Diesel & Gas Caddies on Wheels * Kerosine Barrel Heater Coal Oil * Green 17p. 3'X5' Util. Trailer w/ Dump, Ball & Hitch * Poly Water Tanks * Power Sawzall * Large Red Garage Creeper * Mastercraft Power & Hand Metal Cutters * Chicken Plucker **Antiques & Collectables:** * 2'x3' Metal AMSOIL Sign * Various Steel Wagon Wheels * Walking Plow * 2 Stools w/ Cast Tractor Seats * 3 Wooden Steamer Trunks * Medalta 5 Gal Butter Churn w/ Lid * Wooden Butter Churn w/H. Crank * Medalta Cocks; Pickle Jars, Etc. * Metal Tubs * Coal Pail * Wagon & Steel Wheels * V. Nice 200+ Years 14" x 10" Windup Clock, last cleaned & repaired in 2007. Rare Item, etc.

Households (Nice, Quality Goods): * White Full Size Ceramic Kenmore Stove, Self-cleaning, Works * Log Pine Vanity w/ Mirror 50"X22"X72" High, V. Nice * (2) Bear Floor Stands, 2 Bears Hugging, 2 Bear Table Top Statues * Camo Chair * Camo Rocker/Swivel Recliner * Small Beige Swivel Rocker/Recliner * Bar Table w/ 2 Stools * Checker Plate Computer Desk w/ 3 Drawers * Nice Metal Art 46"x32" Train Picture * Powell Metal Storage Cabinet w/ 5 Drawers * (2) 2'X6' Bookcases * Matching Pair of Outdoor Wicker Rockers w/ Cushions * Maximum Inspection Camera w/ 39" Flex line w/ Case, etc.

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Jeannie and Friends bring decades of music to the community



Photos by Shauna Krankowsky

For more than 30 years, Jeannie and Friends have been spreading joy through music at lodges and community events across Radway, Redwater, and Fort Saskatchewan.

Though the members have changed over the years, the heart of the group has remained the same: a passion for singing and a love of bringing people together. Today, the group has up to 12 members when everyone is able to attend, hailing from

Redwater and the surrounding area.

They perform a wide variety of music, from golden oldies and gospel songs to secular favourites and seasonal tunes for special occasions. Whether it's an upbeat singalong or a thoughtful melody, their performances bring smiles and warm memories to all who listen.

Jeannie and Friends are often seen at local events like Redwater's Kris Kringle celebration and regularly visit

seniors' lodges to share their music. And the best part? Everyone is welcome to join in the singing.

"It's all about community, connection, and sharing the joy of music," said Jeannie. "We've made so many memories over the years, and there's always room for more voices."

If you love to sing or just enjoy good music, keep an eye out for their next performance — and don't be shy about joining in.



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PUZZLES

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Level: Intermediate

Fun By The Numbers

Like puzzles? Then you'll love sudoku. This mind-bending puzzle will have you hooked from the moment you square off, so sharpen your pencil and put your sudoku savvy to the test!

Here’s How It Works:

Sudoku puzzles are formatted as a 9x9 grid, broken down into nine 3x3 boxes. To solve a sudoku, the numbers 1 through 9 must fill each row, column and box. Each number can appear only once in each row, column and box. You can figure out the order in which the numbers will appear by using the numeric clues already provided in the boxes. The more numbers you name, the easier it gets to solve the puzzle!

Crossword Clues

CLUES ACROSS

- 1. English TV station
- 4. It fuels cars
- 7. Where ships dock (abbr.)
- 10. Indigenous people of Thailand
- 11. Midway between northeast and east
- 12. Small Milky Way constellation
- 13. Fritz __, Austrian chemist
- 15. A Brit’s grandmother
- 16. Colombian city
- 19. Visualize
- 21. Charged
- 23. People’s assets
- 24. Informative books
- 25. Jeer
- 26. You can do it with your horn
- 27. Agents of your downfall

- 30. Central Uganda city
- 34. Supervises flying
- 35. Type of tree
- 36. Alfalfa
- 41. Dishwasher soap brand
- 45. Hall where military eats
- 46. Ancient Greek City
- 47. Speaks incessantly
- 50. Discuss again
- 54. Extreme greed
- 55. Adopt or support
- 56. Fantasy writer Russell
- 57. Seize
- 59. Early Mesoamerican civilization
- 60. Noted pet detective Ventura
- 61. Automobile
- 62. Georgia rockers
- 63. Color opposite green
- 64. Amount of time

CLUES DOWN

- 1. Sheep sound
- 2. Some can be emotional
- 3. Inflammation of colon lining
- 4. Origins
- 5. Comedienne Gasteyer
- 6. Perceived by the senses
- 7. A place to play ball
- 8. Occur before
- 9. Animal body parts
- 13. Thanksgiving dessert
- 14. Root mean square (abbr.)
- 17. 1960s teen idol Bobby
- 18. Promotional materials
- 20. One point east of northeast
- 22. Piers Anthony protagonist
- 27. Popular sports league
- 28. Cologne
- 29. Partner to cheese
- 31. Constrictor snake
- 32. Not good
- 33. Supplement with difficulty
- 37. Hug with fondness
- 38. Enforced again
- 39. Small amount of time (abbr.)
- 40. Substance
- 41. Anterior parts of the brain
- 42. Brews
- 43. Where ships load cargo
- 44. Holiday season singer
- 47. “__ humbug!”
- 48. Monetary unit of Macao
- 49. Popular children’s book elephant
- 51. Glutinous
- 52. Function
- 53. Old world, new
- 58. Swiss river

HOROSCOPE

ARIES

(March 21 – April 20)



Spending time with new friends and those you’ve know for years can be a satisfying way to pass the week, Aries. Try to plan some activities that you can enjoy together.

TAURUS

(April 21 – May 21)



Taurus, this week you may choose to tackle some necessary, albeit time-consuming, chores. They may take a few hours, but then you’ll have time to unwind.

GEMINI

(May 22 – June 21)



Gemini, certain information that you have been looking for may finally come to the surface. Once you have your answers, you might be able to move on to other tasks.

CANCER

(June 22 – July 22)



Cancer, emotional matters that emerged over the previous few days might soon be settled with all parties feeling satisfied with the results.

LEO

(July 23 – August 23)



Leo, confusion with loved ones can be easily cleared up with a little, honest communication between you and the other people involved. Embrace this chance to be open and honest.

VIRGO

(August 24 – September 22)



Virgo, you may be especially motivated this week and feel a need to get as much done as possible. Try not to race through tasks without focusing on doing things right.

LIBRA

(September 23 – October 23)



Libra, you are operating at peak efficiency and ready to handle many of the less exciting tasks on your to-do list. Tackle the grunt work and the fun will follow.

SCORPIO

(October 24 – November 22)



You have the stamina and energy to get a lot of chores taken care of this week, Scorpio. But you may be short on time. Enlist other people to help if an opportunity presents.

SAGITTARIUS

(Nov. 23 – Dec. 21)



Don’t be surprised if you spend a lot of your time on the phone this week, Sagittarius. There are many things on your to-do list and tackling them one by one is essential.

CAPRICORN

(Dec. 22 – Jan. 20)



Financial paperwork and money matters fill the docket for you the next few days, Capricorn. Paying bills and building your nest egg are your top priorities.

AQUARIUS

(January 21 – February 18)



This week you could be feeling industrious and on the lookout for a new project, Aquarius. You will be an asset to anyone who needs extra assistance.

PISCES

(February 19 – March 20)



Particularly vivid dreams could have you wondering what your mind is trying to tell you, Pisces. You might come up with some interesting interpretations.

SPRING HAS SPRUNG WORD SEARCH

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Find the words hidden vertically, horizontally, diagonally, and backwards.

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PUBLIC HEARING – Bylaw 1676/25

Amendment to Land Use Bylaw 1385/17

Sturgeon County Council requests public input on proposed Bylaw 1676/25.

The property owner would like to operate a carbon sequestration facility within a part of NE-29-57-25-W4M. To better address the development, the Land Use Bylaw is proposed to be amended in two ways:

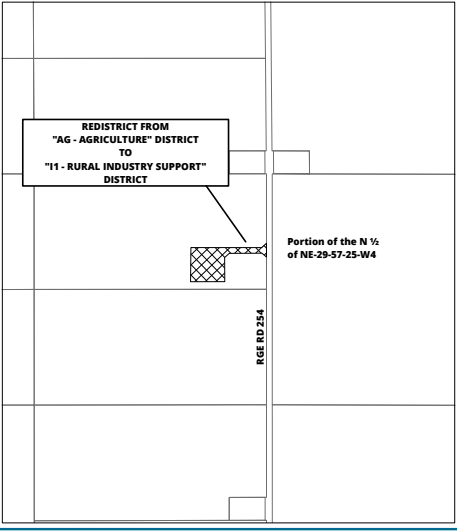
Change the definition of gas processing plant to a more generic description related to the process while also adding a reference to carbon sequestration, thereby reflecting the approval the facility has received from the Alberta Energy Regulator (AER).

The area which is covered by an existing lease is being proposed to be redistricted from AG – Agriculture to I1 – Rural Industry Support. It was determined that the I1 – Rural Industry Support in this instance would reflect the proposed use and help address any potential co-locating development that may not be subject to the same AER oversight.

The proposed development is subject to regulation by the AER, from whom it has received approval. As the development has been approved by the AER, the County is obligated to issue a development permit and make any necessary amendments to the Land Use Bylaw to facilitate the development.

View the proposed bylaw at sturgeoncounty.ca/hearing-1676

SCHEDULE "A"



REDISTRICT FROM
"AG - AGRICULTURE" DISTRICT
TO
"I1 - RURAL INDUSTRY SUPPORT"
DISTRICT

Portion of the N 1/4
of NE-29-57-25-W4

RGE RD 254

Public Hearing details

The Public Hearing will be held in person and via videoconference on:
Tuesday, April 29, 2025 at 1:00 p.m. (or as soon as practical thereafter)
Sturgeon County Council Chambers (9613 100 St. in Morinville)
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Questions? Contact us!

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Important information about Public Hearings

Requirements for speakers

All speakers have five minutes to speak and are encouraged to provide a written copy of their submission before the Public Hearing.

Speaking in person

To speak at the Public Hearing in person, contact Legislative Services at **780-939-8277** or **780-939-1377** to pre-register.

Speak via video conference (phone or video call-in)

To speak at the Public Hearing via videoconference, you **must** register by April 28 at 1:00 p.m. by contacting Legislative Services at **780-939-8277** or **780-939-1377**. This ensures you receive instructions to access the videoconference.

Written submissions


Email your written submission to Legislative Services at legislativeservices@sturgeoncounty.ca. Written submissions are accepted up to the close of the Public Hearing.

If making a written submission, you must include your name, state your interest in the matter (such as a County resident directly impacted by the proposed bylaw), and indicate if you are in favour of or opposed to the proposed bylaw.

Watching the Public Hearing

You can view the Public Hearing in person or online at sturgeoncounty.ca/CouncilMeetings. To view the livestream, click on the meeting date on the calendar, then click on the video link.

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The Town of Redwater puts on an Easter Egg Hunt for children of all ages



Shauna Krankowsky photos

The Town of Redwater hosted a fun-filled Easter Egg Hunt on Friday, April 12, at 1:00 p.m., drawing children of all ages to the Redwater High School field for a day of excitement and community cheer.

Hundreds of colourful eggs were scattered across the field, each one hiding a surprise prize inside. The biggest excitement came from the search for the golden egg, which came with a special grand prize for the lucky child who found it.

Families gathered under sunny skies as kids raced across the field in search of hidden treasures. The atmosphere was festive, with free hot dogs and juice available for everyone in attendance.

Adding to the fun was a special appearance from the Easter Bunny, who posed for photos and brought smiles to many young faces.

The Town of Redwater's Easter event was a resounding success, bringing the community together to celebrate the season and create lasting memories for local families.

Budding Authors take center stage at Redwater Library

By Shelley Winger

The 19th annual Budding Authors event, hosted by the Friends of the Redwater Public Library, brought a packed house to the library on April 14. Each year, the children's

area is transformed into a presentation space, with every available chair brought out to make room for families eager to hear the young authors share their creative work. Children from Ochre Park School

participated in this year's event, creating a variety of writing pieces—from acrostic poems about spring to imaginative stories and research reports. Some crafted "Who Am

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Photo: Redwater Library



Young writers proudly show their certificates of participation at the 19th annual Budding Authors event held at the Redwater Public Library on April 14.

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I?” poems using information they had researched themselves.

Participation is completely voluntary. Stephanie Young, Chairperson of the Friends group, visits the school each year to speak at an assembly and hand out information to encourage kids to sign up. Notices also go out through posters and the library website to ensure all children in the community have the opportunity to participate.

“It is strictly by choice. The president of the group attends an assembly at Ochre Park School and gives a short presentation to inform the children of the upcoming event,” said Young. “An information letter is given to the school as well as the teacher in each participating grade. The children decide if they wish to attend or not.”

Budding Authors began in 2005 and has continued annually—except during COVID-related closures. The idea was sparked by the belief that while kids often write in school, they rarely get the chance to

present their work in front of an audience. The event was created to give them that opportunity and build their confidence.

“Budding Authors began in 2005, and has been held each year since except when the library was closed due to COVID,” Young explained. “The group knew children had a chance to write in school but didn’t necessarily have the opportunity to share their writing with an audience present.

It was decided to hold the Budding Authors Event to give the children a platform to accomplish this.”

The Friends group plays a hands-on role—organizing the event, contacting parents, setting up the space, providing childcare for younger siblings, and even emceeding the evening. Every young writer received a certificate, a treat bag, and a writing booklet to inspire future stories.

It was clear from the proud smiles and applause that Budding Authors remains a beloved Redwater tradition—one that celebrates creativity, courage, and community.



Photo: Redwater Library

Young authors share their creative work with an audience of family members during the 19th annual Budding Authors event at the Redwater Library.

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