

1st THUNDER DAYS A GREAT SUCCESS

The celebrations for Town Status got off with a bang on Saturday June 17, 2017. Local area resident Mike Ruhr bought along his 10 pounder cannon to start events off and that was quickly followed by the release of 150 balloons, one for every year, to celebrate the 150th anniversary of Canada.



Neighbouring municipalities were in attendance along with M.L.A. Mark Smith, to bring congratulatory messages to the community on achieving Town Status. Guests and residents were invited to join Council for light refreshments afterwards.

Mayor Rasch also unveiled art work that was commissioned to capture the spirit of the Thorsby community as we turned the page in our history, moving from Village to Town.



The picture can be viewed at the Municipal Office.



HAPPY 100TH BIRTHDAY
ELSIE EKLUND

THORSBY WEBSITE UPDATED

Have you checked out our website recently?

www.thorsby.ca

It's now more mobile friendly, for those on the move.

There's still more work to do, but we'd love your feedback regarding what features you would like to see for future development.

Email your ideas to:

cburke@thorsby.ca

BYLAW

ENFORCEMENT

Effective June 14, 2017 the Town of Thorsby has Bylaw Enforcement Officer Services back on patrol.

Our new service provider will consist of a four-person team who will provide enforcement services to the community on an agreed upon schedule with administration.

For efficiencies and cost effectiveness, **on call services will not be provided**, but residents are encouraged to call and leave a message and an enforcement officer will return calls at the start of the next scheduled shift, or alternately you may submit any concerns regarding bylaw enforcement matters via email to:

bylaw@thorsby.ca.

**New phone number
for Bylaw Enforcement
is:**

780 554 8272



The 39/20 Alliance has received \$25,000 in funding under the Province of Alberta's Community and Regional Economic Support (CARES) program to undertake a series of initiatives designed to support businesses within the region while preparing for future investment attraction efforts. The 39/20 Alliance board applied for the funding late in 2016 to support its own funding commitment to further continue economic development priorities outlined in its Strength in Numbers regional economic development strategy. "This is the logical next step," said Thorsby Mayor and 39/20 Chair, Barry Rasch, "in our long-term plan to ensure our communities are strong and thriving." With previous funding from the province, the Alliance completed a vast amount of foundational work, including the creation of an economic development strategy to support existing business and attract new investment, the completion of a shared services study that will help reduce operational costs, and the implementation of a regional business license launched in 2015. "Our next step is to visit with our region's businesses," said Mayor of Calmar Wally Yachimetz, "to identify areas they consider opportunities or constraints to growth, and to

provide them with information they need to continue to grow and succeed."

"We will also be gathering economic development data," explained Mayor Ralph van Assen of Warburg, "that will help our existing business owners and potential investors in their decision-making."

"Consultations within the communities will take place with community groups and service organizations as well," added Breton Mayor Alan Barker, "and on the ground economic development support will be provided by consultants so business owners and entrepreneurs have the support they need."



Need a dump card?

Cards are available from:

Municipal office:
Monday to Friday
8:30 – 12:00 noon
1:00 – 4:30 p.m.

Arctic Spas Recreation Complex:
Mon 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Tue-Thu 9:00 a.m. - 7:00 p.m.
Fri 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.
Sat 11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
Sunday closed

Just show a recent utility bill