

THORSBY TARGET

Exciting Summer Event

From Barry Rasch

The Thorsby Communities In Bloom Society is excited to announce "Tunes For Blooms", a family fun event featuring "The Steven Spencer Band".

This event is an outdoor parking lot concert that will be held August 22nd and will take place behind the Thorsby Hotel Bar and Grill. Doors will open to the parking lot behind the hotel at 4:00 pm, with the band taking the stage at 6:00 and playing until 10:00 pm. There is an affordable \$5 admission per person or \$20 per family of 6. Bring your favorite lawn chair or we have additional chairs on hand for you.

Our theme is a 60s groove, so if you're into it you are welcome to dress up or just come join in the fun of mixed live music. We will have an outdoor bar and food tent serving the area as well as a 50/50 draw. We want to make this a summer fun feeling event and we will be providing a photo booth background to create lasting memories with friends and family. Handheld props will not be provided.

We welcome any sponsorship opportunities in helping to assist with costs. The Thorsby Hotel Bar and Grill has agreed to share a portion of their proceeds from food and liquor sales that will be donated to CIB. This is a fundraising

event where we hope to raise much needed financial support for trail development in our community.

For advance tickets call Thorsby Hotel Bar and Grill 780-604-8099 or Barry Rasch 780-983-2096. Tickets can also be purchased at the door.

Social Distancing Safety Guidelines will be in place along with hand sanitizing stations, and we are limited to a 200 person crowd.

Come out and enjoy a summer evening with us while supporting a great cause in our community.

Thanks for your ongoing support!

Thorsby Target Holiday Notice

Please be advised:
There will be no papers
the week of July 27 - 31st

The office will be closed from
July 23rd - August 3rd

The

CLASIFIEDS

FOR SALE

Approximately 14 acres clean hay crop (non-bloat alfalfa, timothy, brome) for sale to be cut and baled. 3/4 mile south of 616 on RR24.

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Gregery Phillip Plooy

It is with extremely broken hearts and great sadness that we announce the passing of Gregory Phillip Plooy of Thorsby, AB on July 3, 2020 at 30 years of age.

Gregory will be forever missed and his memory cherished by his little boy Colby, and partner of many years Jessica. His mother Nancie (Don), father Tom (Colleen), big bro Tim (April), big sis Nikki (Warren), nephews, Jordan, Kale and Tyce. Nieces Harper and Skyla, and grandparents Steve and Mary.

Also by numerous aunts, uncles, cousins and friends.

Gregory was predeceased by his Opa Adrian and Oma Gertie.

Here's to you little bro...
Keep on mudding wherever you are...



In lieu of flowers memorial donations can be made to Addiction and Substance Abuse Charities through canadahelps.org.



Salt of the Earth Revival Church

presents...

Speaker and Author Janet Little

Friday, July 17th at 7:00 pm

Warburg Cultural Centre

5120 51 Ave Warburg

Janet will be sharing her story of recovery from years of sexual abuse. She has written a book, *My Tears Were for Her*, and she will have them available on Friday night. Her email address is: mytearswereforher@gmail.com.

"Our children are one of the most at risk generations in the area of victims of pedophiles and we want to help in the recovery process to those that have been victims."

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Due to the COVID -19 Outbreak **MULHURST DAZE 2020 planned for Saturday- August 1st -HAS BEEN CANCELLED**- this includes- the Parade-Car Show-Market-and the children events at the Community Grounds- We hope to see you in 2021

PROGRAMS

Thorsby Bingo HAS RESUMED- Bingo is held every Thursday evening at the Senior's Centre. Regular Bingo starts at 7:15 p.m. Early Bird is at 7:00 p.m. Loonie Pots and Progressive Bingos.

ROYAL CANADIAN LEGION #246 MULHURST. WEEKLY BINGO'S HELD EVERY TUES. AT 7PM..(PER A.H. GUIDELINES OF COURSE!!) NO SOCIAL THIS MONTH. ALL: 780-935-6281

Follow Thorsby Library on Facebook to learn the latest news. Visit us to renew your library card at <https://thorsbymunicipallibrary.ab.ca/copy-of-form>

TOPS (Take Off Pounds Sensibly) at Thorsby Seniors Centre - Mondays, weigh in at 9:00 to 9:15 am, meetings 9:15 - 9:45 am, for more info call Jane 780-789-37891 or Elaine 780-221-3939

POSTPONED - Thorsby Crib Nights - Need new players! Crib Nights at the Arctic Spas Rec Centre are held every Wednesday at 6 pm. Everyone is welcome!

POSTPONED - Friday Night Crib at the Thorsby Senior's Centre - Every Friday night at 7 p.m. All ages welcome!!!

Mulhurst Bay Seniors - Our weekly Floor Curling started on Oct. 16/19 at 1:00 p.m. at the Legion Hall in Mulhurst. For more info please contact me: Eileen MacDonald (Secretary) at 780-389-3333.

CANCELLED - Thorsby Senior's Soup & Sandwich Day at the Senior's Centre is on the second Wednesday of every month. Five dollars will buy you a bowl of soup, a sandwich, a coffee, tea, or juice. Enjoy all this between 11:30-1:30 pm. Birthday Party follows at 1:30 pm. Everyone Welcome!

MARKETS / THRIFT SHOPS (NON PROFIT)

Winfield Public Market: We're back to our Regularly Scheduled Markets!! Social distancing rules will apply. Winfield Hall from 11 am - 2 pm. Call or text Carla 780-621-

1285 for more info. Follow us on Facebook for up to the minute details! **Upcoming Markets: July 12 & 26.**

Thorsby Senior's Thrift Store is OPEN! Thursdays and Fridays from 10 am - 3 pm. Share our Bounty Sale - Clearance 50% off. COVID-19 regulations apply.

Treasures Thrift Shop -IS NOW OPEN! (With restrictions) Please see signs at the store for everyone's safety. Wednesdays from 10 am - 4 pm. Donations will only be accepted during store hours, please ensure your donations are clean. 5112 - 53 Street Warburg.

Leduc Public Market runs every Thursday 10-3 in the City Center Mall (Ken's Furniture) 5201 50 Street. Lots of vendors with a wide variety of items. For tables or info call Jenna 780-868-7616.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT SERVICES

Does drinking affect your personal life in any way? Have friends or family expressed concerns towards your drinking habits? Have you ever tried to quit drinking, but could not manage to do so? AA can help! 5203 -54th Avenue Thorsby New Life Christian Church (every) Monday 8:00pm 780-270-7903

Thorsby Bylaw Enforcement - For concerns or inquires email bylaw@thorsby.ca or call 780.789.3935 Ext. 21

Foot Care Nurse will be in Thorsby on the 1st Wednesday of every month. Please call Irene at 780-789-3176 to make an appointment or for information.

Bus Transportation To Leduc - The 1st and 3rd Thursday of each month. Departs from the Thorsby Rec Center. Approx. 9:30 am, cost of \$7, call to reserve a seat: 780-848-7717.

Community Events Sign is Now Free to Non-Profit Organizations on a first come, first served basis for a period of one week, or less. To have your event placed on the sign call, 780-789-4041.

WORSHIP

Community United Church - all worship services, meetings and gatherings are suspended until further notice. For updates contact the church office at 780-848-2227.

New Life Christian Fellowship - Worship Services Sunday - 10:30 am, Ladies Fellowship and Prayer Friday - 9:30 am. 780-789-3020.



Tunes for Blooms



Outdoor Parking Lot Party

Saturday August 22nd 4 pm - 10 pm

@Thorsby Hotel Bar & Grill Parking Lot

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Max. 200 capacity due to COVID-19 regulations



Community Events Page

WORSHIP

Our Lady of Victory Mass Time is 9:00 am. and anyone wishing to attend Mass must register first with Guy Giroux at 780-940-2751. There will also be Wednesday morning Mass at 11:00 a.m. Again registration is recommended by calling Guy Giroux.

Philippian Christian Friendship Church of Canada Address 4721 48a Ave Thorsby. We are here for you. We want to see you Receive New Life. We are a church here to help you and your family, so you will be put in Christ, the Hope of Glory, so please stop by for pray or just to talk. We all need help when we come together. We help each other with each other testimonies. We all come from sin and unrighteousness and now we are born again and changed. We can help each other. So come and we can worship together and pray together. Learn together as the Lord leads. Rev. Warrick & Elaine Pollard Call 780 921 7790

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST UKRAINIAN CATHOLIC CHURCH - GRAVE BLESSINGS. SUNDAY, July 5, 2020. St. John's Cemetery at 10:00 a.m. St. Nicholas Cemetery at 11:30 a.m. Social distancing and on-site registration is required as per Covid-19 regulations. **PLEASE NOTE** there will be no service at the church. Should further information be required please contact Dan @ 780-789-3698

St. Matthew's Lutheran Church weekly service can be found online at You Tube, search for St. Matthew Thorsby where you can watch a message from Pastor Ron, music and prayers. All activities at the church remain suspended until further notice.

Telfordville Pastoral Charge of United Church of Canada - Office: phone 780-848-2227. Join us for worship, programs, community outreach. Sunday worship times: Warburg: 1st, 3rd, 4th Sundays of each month at 10:30 AM Telfordville: 2nd Sunday of each month at 10:30 AM

Warburg Alliance Church is open. 11 a.m. worship service. For more information please phone 780-848-7577, check out our Facebook page or email us warburgalliance@gmail.com.

COMMUNITY GROUP REGULAR MEETINGS

Thorsby Ag. Society Regular Meetings – First Wednesday of every Month, 7:00 pm, Haymaker's Arena. www.thorsbyhaymaker.com or call 780-789-3829.

CANCELLED Thorsby Senior's Supper Meetings These monthly meetings will now be held in the Senior's Centre (4812-51st Street) and are on the last Wednesday of every month at 6:00 p.m. Members are requested to bring a potluck dish. Memberships are available for \$10 from Elaine Warnock at 780.221.3939.

Thorsby & District Fish & Game Regular Meetings are held on the third Monday of each month @ 7:00 pm at Warburg Village Office Basement (entrance through the back).

Please join us. Contact Bruce at 780-848-2242 for more information.

Thorsby & District Lions' Club (non-profit organization serving Thorsby & District), Meeting the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month at the Lions' Den in Community Hall Basement at 7:00 pm. For information or membership, call Frank @ 780-905-8019.

The Royal Canadian Legion, Pioneer Br. 144 Thorsby is wanting more members. Our meetings are on the 3rd Tuesday of the month, except July and August, at the Fire Hall at 9:30 am. If interested, attend our meetings or give Phyllis a call at 780-789-3606.

FACILITY RENTALS

Thorsby Community Centre - For bookings call Marlene at 780-789-3734 or text 780-217-9394 or email thorsbyhistoricalsociety@gmail.com. Visit our website ttcahs.yola-site.com.

Thorsby Senior's Centre rentals. Call Cathy Kuzio 780-719-7124.

Ashland Dam Park - For reservations call Kelly @ (780) 898-9636.

Camp Barvok - For bookings, call Walter 7807172432, or Jason 7809904043, or email bookings@barvok.com

Centrelodge Community Centre - For bookings call Caroline 780-789-3089.

Genesee Community Hall - Rentals call Joanne Liba at 780-940-7229.

Glen Park Hall - For bookings call Mike at 780-919-1250.

Morrowdale Community Hall - For bookings call Elaine at 780-789-2104.

Mulhurst Legion #246 Hall Rentals - Call: Marie 780-361-7350

Sandholm Community Hall - For hall bookings call Doris 780-389-2381.

Strawberry Community Hall - Call Ollie at 780-789-2180.

Sunnybrook Community Hall Rentals: Contact Name: Mikayla, Phone Number: 306-307-2599, Email Address: sunnybrookcommunityhall@gmail.com

Telfordville Hall - For bookings call Tracy at 780-718-9549 after 5:00 pm.

Rundle's Mission - For hall bookings call 780-389-2422 or www.rundlesmission.org



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MESSAGE FROM THE MAYOR

From Mayor Rod Raymond

It has been awhile since my last article for the Target. We on Council, and the staff, have worked hard to get the budget redone and to pass the operational savings onto the rate payers. I would like to remind the ratepayers, that the reduction in property taxes is only for the 2020 year. We can expect, as we normalize operations, and open facilities, that property taxes for 2021 will return to 2019 levels.

We continue working on reducing the water rates, which has potential to increase water sales and can further reduce everyone's water bill.

For the rumor mill people, the Recreation Complex is not shutting permanently, grass is being cut, potholes will be filled, drainage issues will be worked on and I'm not eight feet tall!

We are working on land use bylaws so granny flats (secondary residential buildings) can be permitted with restrictions. In larger centers, the term is infill and improved density. It is not a new concept, due to our lot sizes we should be able to allow it without issues.

I would like to remind residents that if you use public laneways to walk your dog, please pick up your dog poop. We took some flak getting access to lanes, so please respect the people who live on them and keep the grass cut and clean. I would warn everyone that are putting up signs, that non-conforming signs will be removed. There is a sign bylaw.

I would like to thank CIB and the volunteers that came out to work on the network of trails (TNT). This community runs on volunteers, to see the usual group and some new people come out to help was refreshing. The flowers

planted by CIB look great again this year. The Seniors Center is open, but please respect everyone by social distancing and/or wearing a mask.

We have contacted the Taylor Park Committee and CIB, and will plan an event for Taylor park in August. We would like ideas as to what Taylor Park will become and how, we as a community, can use this small green space on Hankin Street.

The Chief Medical Officer for Alberta is finally strongly recommending the use of masks in public. If we are to avoid a larger outbreak of the virus everyone needs to comply. For the few critics, wearing a mask is our approach to protect the residents and staff in our stores, and this means you as well. I struggle to tolerate people who feel entitled, or are disrespectful to others. Protect yourself and others. I am not above reverting to heavy handed language to protect our town and the people in it.



THE TOWN OFFICE WILL BE OPEN

MONDAY – FRIDAY

8:30 – 1:00 P.M.

Effective July 7, 2020

We ask you please respect social distancing when entering the building
1 person at a time in the designated area

There will be a gradual return to regular full days as we finalize and adjust procedures accordingly

Thank you for your co-operation

We want your feedback!

Solid Waste Strategic Plan SURVEY

Leduc County is completing a solid waste strategic plan to identify service levels and waste management priorities. We want to know what services you currently use, such as our transfer stations, how often you use them and how we can improve our overall solid waste services in Leduc County.

The survey is available online at www.leduc-county.com/waste and will take 10 to 15 minutes to complete.

This survey is confidential and all responses will remain anonymous.

The survey is broken down into the following categories:

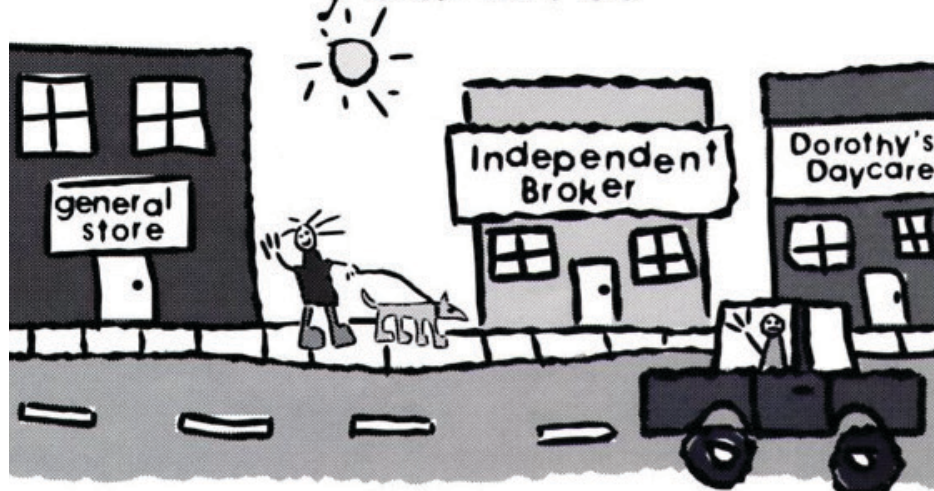
- ▶ demographics
- ▶ waste (regular household garbage)
- ▶ recycling
- ▶ agricultural containers
- ▶ household organics
- ▶ transfer stations
- ▶ curbside pickup
- ▶ private haulers
- ▶ waste management priorities
- ▶ Leduc County solid waste communication

Fill out the survey online at www.leduc-county.com/waste. It will be active until Sept. 15, 2020.

If you do not have access to a computer, please call our office at **780-770-9040** and we will make arrangements to provide you with a paper copy of the survey.



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FARMS & ACREAGES

- **Thorsby - Beautiful building spots** backing onto Strawberry Creek Ravine. Zoned Agricultural 7.36 acres \$132,900.00 & 142,900.00
- **St. Francis - On Pavement** - Secondary Highway 622 - 12 Acres+. 1400 sq.ft. bungalow, older shop, all services, some corrals. \$279,000.00
- **Thorsby - 12 Acres on Pavement** - Gorgeous yard, lots of good outbuildings with shop, solid, well maintained home. Excellent for horses. \$379,000.00
- **Sunnybrook - 7.22 Private Acres** - All services - 3 bedroom 1379 sq.ft. home with double detached garage. \$224,900.00
- **Thorsby - 14.7 Acres** - with large, absolutely gorgeous home. 4 bedrooms, full developed basement, triple detached garage. \$629,900.00
- **Sunnybrook - 22 acres** with a 2017, 1550 sq. ft. amazing bungalow built by Mikes Homes. Fully finished basement. Immaculate home. 40x60' shop, heated, power, insulated. \$799,000.00
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- **Thorsby - 27.11 acres** - Set up for horses or hobby farm. 1488 sq.ft. modular home in excellent condition. Barn and many other buildings, lots of pasture. \$399,000.00 **SOLD**
- **Sunnybrook - 3 bedroom modular** on 4.94 treed acres, excellent shape, close to pavement. \$169,900.00
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MLA REPORT

from The Office of MLA Mark Smith,
Member of the Legislative Assembly
for Drayton Valley - Devon

I hope that everyone in our community is doing well and staying safe. As our economy reopens, our government is putting the interest of Albertans first and proposing new legislation that restores balance and confidence in businesses across the province. New rules to reduce red tape and barriers, combined with the creation of an estimated 50,000 new jobs, will create immediate investments in projects across Alberta.

I am pleased to share that our government is introducing new measures that support economic recovery, restore workplace balance and get Albertans back to work. Bill 32, or the Restoring Balance in Alberta's Workplaces Act, proposes changes by reducing red tape for job creators to keep Albertans employed, and supports worker choice. If passed, this bill could save job creators up to \$100 million each year by making daily operations more streamlined. Other measures in the bill would prevent union leaders from using union dues to fund political causes unless the member has opted in. As we begin the long road to economic recovery in our province, it is essential to reduce the costs of doing business and keep our province working.

I am happy to share that after years of delays, Albertans are getting back to work putting the Keystone XL pipeline in the ground. Our province's \$1.5-billion investment in this project will create approximately 2,000 Alberta-based construction jobs over the next two years, spurring thousands of additional jobs and increased economic activity in trades, retail, and hospitality services along the construction route. Once completed, this pipeline will contribute \$30-billion in tax and royalty revenues for Alberta, ensuring that public services like education and healthcare continue to have strong funding. Our government has been committed since day one to supporting our oil and gas industry and the hardworking men and women supporting this sector.

As our province begins to recover from many recent shocks, our government has also introduced legislation to create jobs and drive high-impact investment to our province. If passed, the Alberta Investment Attraction Act will create the Invest Alberta Corporation. This is an arms-length agency that will help promote Alberta as a prime investment location for businesses across Canada and around the world. The Invest Alberta Corporation would promote confidence in investors and promote opportunities in our province internationally. With initiatives like the Job Creation Tax Cut and the Alberta Investment Attraction Act, our provincial government is sending the message that Alberta is the best place to do business.

As we work on reopening and recovering from this pandemic, it is critical that we continue to take steps that protect ourselves and others from spreading COVID-19. For the latest information and resources on COVID-19, I encourage you to visit alberta.ca/covid19.

Working Together to Haul Silage Safely

From Leduc County - July 15, 2020

Recent wet weather is making it difficult for agricultural producers to take silage off fields, and hauling this silage can create unsafe road conditions.

We recognize this is a difficult time for producers, and we want to work together so they can haul silage safely. Our joint efforts will help ensure the safety of producers, other motorists and road infrastructure. Darrell Stone, manager of operations

Anyone hauling silage is asked to call the county in advance of hauling at the following number(s): 780-979-6185 on weekdays from 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. 780-955-7226 on weekends, and on weekdays after hours

The county will work with haulers to post signs notifying motorists of a haul in progress, and will ensure road conditions are monitored and maintained in the area of the haul.



Town of Thorsby Upcoming Council Meetings

JULY 2020

Tuesday 21 | Regular Council Meeting

AUGUST 2020

Tuesday 11 | Committee of the Whole Meeting

Tuesday 18 | Regular Council Meeting

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Straight Out of Thorsby

From the County of Leduc, from Alberta and Canada, from Singapore to the U.K., from Australia to Holland, from the USA to Panama, Thorsby graduates are making a difference. This is the 68th installment in a series of profiles which indicate what a small school and community can produce.

The people who conduct the interviews are Audrey Brosseau and John Elson. If you have suggestions please contact John at 780-789-3822 or Audrey at 780-886-0658.

RITA BAUMANN THS Grad 2012

After immigrating to Canada from Switzerland, my parents moved to the Thorsby area shortly after I was born and have lived there ever since. I was lucky enough to grow up on a farm with everything from cows to chickens to llamas. As a result, I have always had a love of animals, as many farm kids do – it's hard not to feel a connection like that when you grow up surrounded by their quiet, enduring companionship.

Perhaps unsurprisingly, I decided I wanted to be a veterinarian by the time I was 12 years old. As one of the most competitive and academically challenging post-secondary programs, I knew I would need excellent grades to pursue veterinary medicine. From elementary all the way to high school, I've been fortunate to learn from countless wonderful teachers in Thorsby, too many to list, all who had some part in shaping the student and person I am today. Each and every one of my school teachers pushed me to explore my interests, learn more, and do better, no matter if it was science, english, math, or shop class. I owe much of my success today to their hard work and dedication. The school librarians Mrs. Zurek and Mrs. Normandeau deserve a special mention for the kindness and patience they extended to me; as an avid reader, I had an inconvenient habit of

checking out too many books at the same time.

I graduated from Thorsby High School in 2012, and studied at the University of Alberta's Augustana campus in Camrose for 3 years. With relatively small class sizes and an excellent outdoor education program, Augustana was the perfect place for me to continue my studies and still maintain my small-town Thorsby roots. I completed 3 years of a Bachelor of Science degree, with a canoeing class or two thrown in for fun, before being accepted to the Western College of Veterinary Medicine in 2015. Saskatoon would be my home for the next 4 years, the furthest and longest I'd ever been away from my family. The program was challenging and relentless; this fact had been mentioned to me countless times beforehand whenever I explained I wanted to be a veterinarian. It was a fact I stubbornly chose to ignore.

After what felt like an eternity, but was in reality only 4 years, I graduated from vet school in 2019. I have since moved back to the Thorsby area, and am working at my dream job at Leduc Farm Animal Hospital where I see all types of livestock, from bees to bison and everything in between. Every day is a new adventure working with our amazing staff, wonderful clients, and interesting patients. I am so excited to be home and giving back to our community by doing what I love: helping animals and their people.

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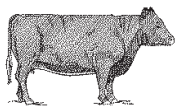
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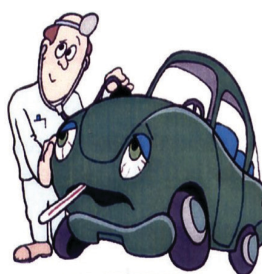
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Well, another day has passed, and I didn't use algebra.



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