

# MOSQUITO BYTE

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Volunteer Fire Association

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## CHIEF'S REPORT

by Chief Jack Rosevear



Calls for Service: September 20-October 23

Fires- 0

Vehicle Accident- 1 (false call-abandoned vehicle)

Medical Aid- 4

Gas Hazard- 1

Public Assist- 5

The Mosquito Fire, named after it's start on Mosquito Ridge Road in Placer County, at the Oxbow Reservoir, started Tuesday afternoon, September 6<sup>th</sup>. On Saturday October 22<sup>nd</sup> the fire was declared 100% contained at 76,788 acres. While the damage to structures and the environment was significant, it could have been much worse, especially for our community. On Saturday October 8<sup>th</sup>, there was a firefighter and community appreciation dinner and music event hosted in Georgetown. Our Department, Georgetown, and Garden Valley each received a \$2,000. We appreciate the partnerships with our sister departments and their communities.

We are in the process of obtaining authorization to purchase \$95,000 of new vehicle extrication and other equipment through residual funds from our closed FEMA AFG training grant. Three battery powered Hurst tools, charger, spare batteries, air bags for lifting vehicles and heavy objects, vehicle stabilization equipment, pre-assembled harness and rope sets to quickly get to trapped patients off the road. This represents a significant upgrade in our current capability to rescue people trapped in a vehicle accident. We are also adding a thermal imaging camera, the remainder of our needed supply line hose, and two gas detectors.

Firefighter-Engineer Ryan Hopkins returned to duty last Thursday, after being injured at the Gravel Road structure fire on October 11, 2021. We appreciate having him back. Devin Hern and Coleman Johns are doing well in their Firefighter 1 academy in Sacramento, attending class Friday evenings and all-day Saturday. They will graduate in December. We are proud of these community based, multi-generational firefighters who have a great career ahead.

Last weekend, Firefighters Kyle Elledge, Heidi Glockner and Quintin Anderson participated in structure fire training hosted at South Placer County Fire District Station 19 by the California State Firefighters Association (CSFA). There was live interior fire and vertical ventilation training using a burn trailer provided by the Kelseyville Fire District (Lake County). The free training provided by CSFA is focused on volunteer firefighters, funded through CSFA's FEMA SAFER Volunteer Recruitment and Retention grant.

We are looking forward to the holiday season and some great community events coming up. Below is a list of important dates. Community members are always welcome to attend Tuesday night training and meet our firefighters and Support Group members. Our training will shift to winter storm preparedness and structure fire response.

We continue to provide addressing signs for residents and installing in the Community. Firefighters put together signs and mount it at the best location at a resident's property. The cost of the sign is \$35. Contact Captain Lugo at [mlugo@mfpd.us](mailto:mlugo@mfpd.us) for ordering.

Our Fire District staff is fully committed to our Community. We stand ready to assist our residents with any needs they may have, to prepare, support and provide the most up to date information. Please call us at 530-626-9017 or stop by the station.

This concludes my report. I will continue to update our projects and report progress. We appreciate the great support we receive from the Community and its commitment to being prepared. Fire season is not over yet and

is still dangerous. If you have any questions or suggestions, please call me at the fire station (626-9017) or email at jrosevear@mfpd.us.

### **Upcoming Events:**

Thursday November 3 - MVFA Monthly Board meeting- 3pm- Station 75

Tuesday November 1, 8, 15, 22, 29- MFPD Firefighter Training- 6pm- Station 75- Public Welcome

Saturday November 19 - Firehouse Fundraiser BBQ – 4 to 7 pm.

**The next MFPD board meeting will be on November 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm at the Firehouse**

### **MVFA Update**

MVFA Board of Directors

### **Campground News**

We were back to having a full campground during the month of October. Everyone was trying to get in their last camping trip before it turns cold. We are continually grateful to all the people coming to enjoy our little slice of heaven. We will be closing down November 15<sup>th</sup> for a couple months for our annual maintenance. We have seen in past years that we do not get many campers in December and January so this is a good time for us to work on the property. We have several projects that we would like to accomplish during this time to make it an even better experience for our visitors. As always, we look forward to having community members participate in the work. We will be putting our post out when we are ready to start.

### **Confused By MVFA Versus MFPD Versus Support Group?**

The Mosquito Volunteer Fire Association (MVFA) is an independent non-firefighting organization which transitioned from the original Mosquito Volunteer Fire Department (MVFD) which served as the community firefighting service from 1972 to 1978. Our current fire department, the Mosquito Fire Protection District (MFPD), was formed by voter initiative in 1978. The Mosquito Volunteer Fire Department (MVFD) was displaced by the implementation of this fire protection district which is under county governance. The Support Group is a volunteer function under the MFPD and therefore not a part of the MVFA. The MVFD assumed the role of non-firefighting support to the Mosquito Fire Protection District, independent of the MFPD. This relationship continued until 1997 when the state declared the Finnon dam seismically unsafe and offered the property to MVFD for \$1. The MVFD purchased the property with the primary intent of maintaining the large body of water for local fire control. In July 2005, MVFD reorganized from a 501(c)(4) fire department support organization to a 501(c)(3) non-profit public benefit organization. In late 2006, the name of MVFD was changed to MVFA (Mosquito Volunteer Fire Association). The MVFA remains an independent organization with a mission to promote fire safety awareness, community support and volunteerism in the Mosquito District, provide funding for fire department needs and maintain the Finnon Lake Recreation Area as a firefighting asset.

So, the Mosquito Volunteer Fire Association is wholly and legally independent of the Mosquito Fire Department and its Support Group operation.

## **Disc Golf Tournament**

On Saturday and Sunday September 24 and 25<sup>th</sup> Cliff Brison conducted the 44<sup>th</sup> Gold Pan – Western States Disc Golf Championships at the Finnon Lake Recreation Area Disc Golf Course. There were over 120 golfers who participated in the two-day event. The weather was accommodating and the golfers had a great time. There were fourteen divisions with first, second and third place winners awarded in each. The results of the tournament may be found at: <https://www.pdga.com/tour/event/61248>. Cliff did an excellent job of coordinating the preparation of the course for the event with the help of local disc golfers and area volunteers, and in managing the event activities. Cliff is planning to coordinate the tournament again next fall, so if you are a disc golfer watch for further information as the time approaches.

## **MVFA Fall Festival**

We had our annual Fall Festival last month at Finnon Lake Recreation Area! We had over 30 vendors who participated and made our event an overwhelming success. The many craft vendors included: jewelry, soap, wreaths, wood working, candles, plants and historical Mosquito information. We also were honored to have local agencies join us such as the American Red Cross, Commission on Aging, Cal Fire, Mosquito Fire Safe Council, the Neighborhood Radio Watch and Cornerstone Land Service. Our local Mosquito Fire Department was there as well with their engines and fire hoses for the kids to enjoy and play with. The firefighters gave away pumpkins and provided games and prizes for the kids. For the first time we had a local band, "After Saturday", playing for the event. The band members are Heidi Ethridge, Rachel Galvan and Tanya Darby. They did an amazing job and we received so many compliments on their performance.

So, as you can see, we had a wide array of vendors and organizations providing a little something for everyone to enjoy. We want to thank Frank from the diner for catering the great tasting pork which was enjoyed by all. It was quite an undertaking as we served over 200 meals, which is one of our highest numbers for an event. We so appreciate everyone who came out to enjoy the day with us.

We would like to give a special thanks to all the volunteers who helped us make the event such a great success and in particular Clay Paul, Tony Christensen and David Dudley for all the work they did cleaning up the day before the festival. We could not have done this without all of the support.

We look forward to next year's event which we plan to make even bigger and better.

## **Voices from the Campground**

We routinely receive very positive feedback from our campers who in many cases want to book their next visit before they leave the campground. Here are some comments from the past month-

### ***Delaney says:***

*What a beautiful campground! Clean bathrooms, potable water, a picnic table under a huge tree with a swing. Lots of talkative ducks and geese. The sunset was icing on the cake. Site A1 was right on the water and a great spot to relax. Thanks so much!*

### ***Morgan says:***

*Absolutely wonderful campsite, right on the lake. Beautiful view, comfortable stay. I will absolutely be back.*

### ***Camille says:***

*Loved the scenery, respectful co-campers, clean facilities, great breakfast cafe!*

### ***Melissa says:***

*We had a great time at Finnon Lake. So beautiful and peaceful. We have a 20-ft travel trailer and did not know the drive in was so treacherous (but doable) - be verry careful! Be sure to read the host*

notes with your reservation confirmation - the driving directions are very important if you're pulling a trailer. Everything was so clean, spacious, and easy. We will definitely be back. PS. Frank's Diner was amazing - a must if you're at Fannon Lake!

**Tia says:**

Booked T14 for 3 days. When we arrived at our campsite, everything was great and clean. most of the campsites are facing the lake and it's lovely during sunset. We have been to multiple campgrounds that have restrooms before and we would say that this one is the cleanest. And would love to mention that Franks Dinner staff is super nice and polite. We appreciate the host, staff, and also volunteers who help out around the campsites.

**Richard says:**

Great campground - sites are far enough apart that you don't feel cramped at all, and all sites have a view of the lake, and are close enough to feel like you're lakeside. Nice trail around lake as well. Grounds were very clean and the bathrooms were the cleanest I've ever seen - I think one of the employees at the diner is responsible, so please

thank them. And the diner is a must-stop for breakfast. Next time will do lunch as well.

**Virginia says:**

Camping at Fannon Lake was so calming and peaceful. The drive in can be a tough especially after sunset, but it's absolutely worth it. Don't forget to stop by Frank's diner during your stay - great food, great service, and beautiful views. I would definitely come back.

**Tammy says:**

Such a nice place, the spots were very roomy. The bathrooms are very clean. We had breakfast at Franks, it was the best omelet I have ever had. Huge portions too.

**Anna Lisa says:**

This was our second time tent camping at the lake and it is one of our most favorite places to camp. Other campers observe quiet hours, the sites are spacious and clean, the bathrooms are clean. Kayaking and paddle boarding on the lake is fun. Everything about camping at Fannon is wonderful and we are already planning our next reservation.

## **MVFA UPCOMING EVENT SCHEDULE**

**December 10, 2022** Christmas Dinner, Fire Station

**The next MVFA board meeting will be on November 3rd  
at 3:00pm at the Fire House.**

## **CRAFTERS**

by Eileen Reisner

MVFA Firehouse Crafters have been busy working on crafts for the 23rd Annual Holiday Craft Fair. We are meeting at the pavilion outside Frank's on the 4th Friday of the month at 10:00 AM. As weather changes we will be moving to an indoor space. We welcome new crafters to our meeting or if you don't have the time to meet we accept donations. All proceeds go to the Station 75 Fund used solely for the Mosquito Fire Department.

We encourage the community to attend the Craft Fair to support local crafters.

Cold Springs Church  
2600 Cold Springs Road  
Placerville

November 11 and 12, from 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

For information contact Eileen Reisner at 530-295-0541 or email [eileenreisner@yahoo.com](mailto:eileenreisner@yahoo.com)

# SWANSBORO PILOTS ASSOCIATION

by Kim Purcell

## **Fire Department Fundraiser November 19th 4 - 7 PM**

The Swansboro Pilots Association in partnership with the Mosquito Station 75 Fire Fighters and community members will be hosting a fundraiser in order to raise the funds required to replace the equipment needed to hold future fundraisers for the department. The equipment will be used for community breakfasts and other fundraising events to raise money for the station starting after the Holidays. We'll have a free BBQ chicken dinner with sides thanks to the assistance of the amazing Bad Boyz of BBQ as well as refreshments. Please come by anytime between 4 and 7 to have some delicious food, socialize with your neighbors, the firefighters and see what equipment is needed and what you can donate towards. All equipment purchased will become part of the station 75 inventory and a tax donation can be issued if you would like one. If you're unable to attend the event you can also drop by the station to make a donation.

## **BIRDING AT FINNON LAKE**

by Dave Angelo

Here are the results of the bird watch for October. The next bird watch is scheduled for November 12<sup>th</sup>. We will meet at the Day Use Parking area on the North side of Finnon Lake, just past the Boat Launch area. We will start at 9:00 A.M. There is no parking charge to the participants of this free event.



2 Canada Goose  
2 Mallard  
4 Wild Turkey  
2 Pied-billed Grebe  
16 Band-tailed Pigeon  
1 Calliope Hummingbird --  
Documented by two other  
people

100 American Coot  
1 Great Blue Heron  
1 Great Egret  
28 Acorn Woodpecker  
2 Northern Flicker  
5 California Scrub-Jay  
1 Common Raven  
10 Western Bluebird

1 American  
Robin  
2 Fox Sparrow  
2 Song Sparrow  
4 Spotted Towhee

Number of Taxa: 18

## **FRANKS DINER**

by Frank Ethridge

What a great month October was with the Harvest Festival, Dyer After Dark and Halloween 🎃. I hope everyone was able to enjoy at least one event here.

Thanksgiving is on the way and if you need any help with planning your feasts, please let us know at Frank's Diner. We will be closed on Thanksgiving Day.

Winter hours are coming in November.  
We will be closing at 7 pm Wednesday through Sunday.



### **Wednesday Family Night**

Specials are \$14.00 from 5 pm to 8 pm

2<sup>nd</sup> Beef Stew  
9<sup>th</sup> Chicken Pot Pie  
16<sup>th</sup> Burritos  
23<sup>rd</sup> Eggplant Parmigiana  
30<sup>th</sup> Salisbury Steak

### **Frank's Winter Diner Hours:**

Wednesday -Thursday 11 am – 7  
pm  
Friday 12 pm - 7 pm  
Saturday-Sunday 8 am - 7pm  
Monday-Tuesday – Closed

(Breakfast served on the weekends  
only)

## Recipe of the Month

by Frank Ethridge

Let's Brine a turkey for your special Thanksgiving feast.

### **Ingredients:**

3 c. apple juice or apple cider  
2 gallons cold water  
4 tbsp. fresh rosemary leaves

5 cloves garlic, minced  
1 1/2 c. kosher salt  
2 c. brown sugar

3 tbsp. peppercorns  
5 whole bay leaves  
Peel of three large oranges

### **Directions:**

- 1** Combine all the ingredients in a large pot and bring to a boil, stirring until the salt and sugar dissolve. Turn off heat, cover and allow the brine to cool completely.
- 2** Place the uncooked turkey in a large brining bag or pot, pour in the brine solution to cover the turkey, and refrigerate for 16 to 24 hours.
- 3** Before roasting, remove the turkey from the brine (discard the brine) and submerge the turkey in a pot or sink filled with fresh, cold water for 15 minutes. This removes excess salt from the outside.
- 4** Remove the turkey from the water, pat dry, and cook according to your normal roasting method.

## Amazon Smile

If you have been ordering through Amazon, we would encourage you to use Amazon Smile. In doing so you can choose a charity and they will donate a small portion to your chosen charity. If you don't have a specific charity, you have already chosen, we would appreciate your considering Mosquito Volunteer Fire Association.

## MVFA SWAG

by Paula Paynter

MVFA offers your choice of Mosquito T-Shirts and Sweatshirts in a variety of sizes and colors, Tote Bags and Local Phone books are also for sale at Frank's Diner during normal business hours or at MVFA sponsored events. Custom orders can be taken and delivered on the next re-order schedule. For custom orders, contact Paula Paynter at: 530-621-3286



T-Shirts S-XL	\$20.00	Hooded Pullovers S-XL	\$35.00
T-Shirts – XXL	\$22.00	Hooded with Zipper S-XL	\$40.00
Crewneck Sweatshirts S-XL	\$30.00	Hooded with Zipper XXL	\$42.00
Crewneck Sweatshirts XXL	\$32.00		

MVFA Grocery Tote Bags are: 1 for \$4.00 or 3 for \$10.00 or 4 for \$12.00

## MVFA CRV RECYCLE PROGRAM



Please drop off bags of Plastic Bottles and Aluminum Cans (Sorry no Glass) from 8 a.m. - 5 p.m. at the Fire Station. Please consider this option when you organize your recycled materials.

NOTE: Lids/Caps on plastic water bottles **MUST BE REMOVED** before they can be redeemed. Lids/caps can be included for redemption. If you have a chance and can remove the lids, it will sure help the recycling volunteers.

**MVFA THANK'S YOU!**





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### WANTED

#### **LOCAL ORGANIC FARM**

Seeks manure source, specifically goat, sheep, chicken, llama or alpaca. Please contact Ryan at THREE GOATS FARM. (530) 497-4279 or [farm3goats@gmail.com](mailto:farm3goats@gmail.com) (0000)

**LOCAL ELECTRICIAN** for installation of generator fuse panel with house fuse panel. Please call with est. 530-295-1531

### FOR SALE

#### **2002 Cross Country 35 ft Motor Coach**

Diesel Pusher on a Freightliner chassis. Good tires, All Appliance's Work, One Slide out, Generator Runs good, some light Body damage, Hydraulic Leveling, Low Mileage, Used lightly. \$20,000.00  
530-621-1173

Having a hard time finding the book Goat Doctor of the Sierra's? I still have some left from the Harvest Festival. \$20 each. Proceeds support MFPD. Call Taffy at 530 626-8689.

#### **UNIQUE JEWELRY**

Handmade jewelry using recycled aluminum cans, and more. To view, call Dee at 642-2333. (0722)

### MEETINGS

#### **MOUNTAIN FELLOWSHIP**

Meet new friends, get refreshed and restored. Join us for challenging Bible study, fun events and worship here in Mosquito. We meet Sunday mornings 10 am at 3342 Stope Drive and throughout the week. Check our website [mfom.net](http://mfom.net) or call (530)295-0503. (0621)

### SERVICES

#### **HOUSE PAINTER – AMERICAN EAGLE PAINTING**

Residential/Commercial  
Specializing in repaints contact Steven Martinez, (530)-919-7612 or [americaleaglepainting4@gmail.com](mailto:americaleaglepainting4@gmail.com)  
Lic# 960086

#### **HARP TEACHER**

Have you always wanted to play the harp? There is now a Harp Teacher in Swansboro. Over 20 years' experience teaching children and adults. I have a few harps available for rent. For more Information, please call 530-344-1531 and ask for Paula or e-mail: [harppaula@gmail.com](mailto:harppaula@gmail.com). (1222)

#### **WELDING & FABRICATION**

Steel, Stainless Steel, Aluminum. Certified to military standard. Call (530) 621-3300 (0622)

#### **SIERRA SHIELD FIREARMS & TRAINING**

Mention MOSQUITO BYTE and get 25% off CA CCW Class. Also, receive FREE box of ammo with each firearm purchase. [www.SierraShield.com](http://www.SierraShield.com) or call [530-387-0110](tel:530-387-0110). (0622)

#### **VHS VIDEOS CONVERTED TO DVDs**

Have any family vacations, precious memories or baby pictures on videos? I can copy them to DVDs. Call Dee at (530) 642-2333. (0722)

## **FLORIST ON THE HILL**

Your source for fresh, local, organic and international flowers. All occasions deserve flowers. Call me 530.295.0503 Elaine Galvan for a specially made arrangement or buy individual blooms to brighten your day. Always delivered FREE on the hill! (0622)

## **HANGTOWN RANGE**

1540 Broadway, Placerville Wednesday – Saturday 10 to 6 and Sunday 10 to 5 with 10 Indoor Shooting and 8 Archery Ranges, Firearms and Recurve Bow rentals, Milo Virtual Shooting Range w/ live fire ammunition, Archery and Handgun classes, CCW classes, One on One training, Basic Pistol Classes, Women's Classes. Call 530-497-5443 for more information. (0622)

## **HANDCRAFTED GLASS ITEMS**

Birdbaths, flowerpots, plates, bowls, etc. Also, handmade wooden jewelry boxes. Affordable and unique. Studio open most days; call first. Do your gift shopping here on the hill! Call Pam or Dave Angelo at (530) 621-3688. (0322)

## **Local Area Web Links**

Mosquito Volunteer Fire Association (MVFA)  
Finnon Lake Recreation Area  
Mosquito Fire Protection District (MFPD)  
Swansboro Country Property Owners Association  
Mountain Fellowship in Mosquito (MFOM)  
El Dorado County Fire Safe Council

## **MOSQUITO CREEK OUTFITTERS**

3000 Mosquito Road, Placerville, Tuesday – Friday 9 to 6, Saturday 9 to 5, El Dorado County's premier source for the best hunting, fishing, archery and outdoor products. Mosquito Creek Outfitters is always stocked with the best gear to accompany you wherever you may roam. 530-621-4500 (0622)

## **REAL ESTATE SERVICES**

Live the American Dream: the ownership of a home and a little acreage to call your own! Sally Long Johns, your resident Mosquito Road Realtor, will help you buy or sell any property in El Dorado County! You can reach me at [www.mosquitoadneighbors.com](http://www.mosquitoadneighbors.com) or (530)295-4641 or toll free (866)SALLYRE, [snljohns@yahoo.com](mailto:snljohns@yahoo.com). (0000)

## **NOTARY SERVICE**

I'm a mobile Notary Public living here in Mosquito. I am experienced in all areas of notary work including loan packages, real estate transfers, etc. Call Elaine Galvan at (530)295-0503 (0622)

<http://www.gomvfa.org>

<http://www.finnonrecreationarea.com/>

<https://mfpd.us>

<https://scpoa.info>

<http://mfom.net>

[www.edcfiresafe.org](http://www.edcfiresafe.org)



# November 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
		<b>1</b> <b>MFPD</b> Firefighters Training 6pm Station 75	<b>2</b> <b>Frank's</b> <b>Family Night</b> Beef Stew	<b>3</b> <b>MVFA</b> Board Meeting 3pm Station 75	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b> <b>Support</b> <b>Group</b> <b>Training</b> 10 am Station 75
<b>6</b> <b>MFOM</b> Mountain Fellowship Gathering, 11 am	<b>7</b>	<b>8</b> <b>MFPD</b> Firefighters Training 6pm Station 75	<b>9</b> <b>Frank's</b> <b>Family Night</b> Chicken Pot Pie	<b>10</b>	<b>11</b> <b>Crafters @</b> Cold Springs Church 2600 Cold Springs Road Placerville	<b>12</b> <b>Bird</b> <b>Watching</b> Finnon Lake, Day use area 8 am  <b>Crafters @</b> Cold Springs Church 2600 Cold Springs Road Placerville
<b>113</b> <b>MFOM</b> Mountain Fellowship Gathering, 11 am	<b>14</b>	<b>15</b> <b>MFPD</b> Firefighters Training 6pm Station 75	<b>16</b> <b>Frank's</b> <b>Family Night</b> Burritos	<b>17</b> <b>MFPD Board</b> <b>Meeting</b> 7:00pm Fire House	<b>18</b>	<b>19</b> <b>Fire House</b> <b>Fund Raiser</b> BBQ 4pm – 7 pm
<b>20</b> <b>MFOM</b> Mountain Fellowship Gathering, 11 am	<b>21</b>	<b>22</b> <b>MFPD</b> Firefighters Training 6pm Station 75  <b>SCPOA Board</b> <b>Meeting</b> 6pm Dyer Lake Pavilion	<b>23</b> <b>Frank's</b> <b>Family Night</b> Eggplant Parmigiana	<b>24</b>	<b>25</b> <b>Crafters</b> <b>Meeting</b> 10 am Frank's Diner	<b>26</b>
<b>27</b> <b>MFOM</b> Mountain Fellowship Gathering, 11 am	<b>28</b>	<b>29</b> <b>MFPD</b> Firefighters Training 6pm Station 75	<b>30</b> <b>Frank's</b> <b>Family Night</b> Salisbury Steak	<b>31</b>		

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MVFA values and promotes voluntary efforts in our community. MVFA continues to carry on the work begun by its predecessors many years ago. If you have any questions about MVFA, please attend the MVFA Board of Directors meetings on the first Thursday of each month at the Mosquito Fire House, 8801 Rock Creek Road, Placerville at 3:00pm. At the meetings, you have the opportunity to obtain correct and updated information about MVFA and its committees, legal obligations at Finnon Lake and events and volunteer opportunities. Mosquito residents may request a copy of approved MVFA Board meeting minutes by emailing your name and address to [mvfa95667@gmail.com](mailto:mvfa95667@gmail.com), or by sending a self-addressed stamped envelope to: MVFA, 9009 Orval Beckett Ct. Placerville CA 95667.

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