

# The Voice of *St. Margaret's*

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## Mission Statement

The Mission of St. Margaret's Episcopal Church is  
To worship, to serve, and to form the spiritual growth  
Of individuals according to the teachings of Jesus Christ



## RECTOR'S DESK

### *CHOOSE LIFE SO THAT YOU MAY LIVE* **Deuteronomy 30:15-16**

Long ago, God challenged His people Israel to make the ultimate life choice. We read His words in Deuteronomy 30:15-16: "See, I have set before you today life and good, death and evil, in that, I command you today to love the LORD your God, to walk in His ways, and to keep His commandments, His statutes, and His judgments, that you may live and multiply; and the LORD your God will bless you in the land which you go to possess." He concludes the thought in verse 19: "I call heaven and earth as witnesses today against you, that I have set before you life and death, blessing and cursing; therefore choose life, that both you and your descendants may live."

It's impossible to count the number of decisions we make each day—estimates range from 600 to 35,000. We constantly sort and analyze matters as simple as selecting a pair of socks for the day or as simple as deciding whether to take the COVID-19 vaccine. We choose what kind of car to purchase, what college to attend, what neighborhood to live in, or whether to buy the blue suit or the gray one. We determine whom to marry, what kind of entertainment to enjoy, and what to have for lunch.

We make most of our selections while we're on autopilot—as a matter of habit or superficial awareness. We base our serious and careful decisions on

## Service Schedule

Sundays  
8:am  
Holy Eucharist Rite I  
(No Music)

9:15 am  
Adult Formation Bible  
Study

10:30am  
Holy Eucharist Rite II  
(With Music)

11:00am  
Sunday School

Current Sunday Service  
9:30am Only  
Face Mask Required

## Rector's Desk CONT:

knowledge and wisdom through experience, education, or personal advice. But there is an underlying determination that is much more fundamental—one that establishes a firm foundation that leads to sensible choices in everything we do. And, as necessary as it is, it isn't based on knowledge or wisdom that we can acquire on our own.

The critical life choice we can make is to *choose life*. In other words, to decide on core beliefs that will shape our character and define our purpose—the standards and values that determine how we live from day to day, what we believe, where we will be at the end of our life and, most importantly, what will happen after that. No one sets out to make a wrong decision. But sometimes our choices don't turn out the way we hoped. How many times have we all said, "If I had only known then what I know now"?

When you consider it objectively, you must admit that many people don't seem very good at life. They consistently opt for patterns of behavior that are harmful and painful to themselves and others. The reluctance of so many people in this nation, especially in Montgomery County, to take the vaccine is puzzling.

Proverbs 14:12 reveals a profound principle we should consider: "There is a way that seems right to a person, but its end is the way of death." That's a startling thought. At first, we might reject such a notion, not willing to accept that our best, most careful, and reasonable choices will still lead to death. But if this scripture is true, then there's something significant we need to learn about making choices. Is there a better way? If there's a way that leads to death, is there also a way that leads to life? And if there is a way that leads to life, how can we pursue it?

The prophet Jeremiah put it this way: "O LORD, I know the way of human beings is not in their control; that humans as they walk cannot direct their steps. O LORD, correct me, but with justice; Not in Your anger, lest You bring me to nothing" (Jeremiah 10:23-24). He also concludes that we do not have it within ourselves to determine the best way to live. And he takes that thought one step further—it is God who can give us the correction and direction that we need.

Another of the proverbs puts these two thoughts together, encouraging us to set aside human reasoning and apply God's instruction: "In all your ways acknowledge him, and he will make straight your paths. Do not be wise in your own eyes; fear the LORD, and turn away from evil. It will be a healing for your flesh and a refreshment for your body" (Proverbs 3:6-8 NRSV). These scriptures make it clear that the most basic and most meaningful life choice we can make is to resolve to look to God for His instruction and correction. When we make that choice, we can establish a solid foundation to build our lives.

The bottom line is, when we follow God's way instead of choosing our own, we will be in a position to make meaningful choices that impact our whole lives. The first verse in the following psalm continues the thought: "Praise the LORD! Blessed is the man who fears the LORD, who delights greatly in His commandments" (Psalm 112:1). Understanding can also come through the practical experience of applying information and knowledge. But just as wisdom comes through properly fearing God, understanding is the result of obedience to God.

Psalm 111:10 goes on to say that "a good understanding have all those who do His commandments." Those who obey God will have insight and perception—the ability to recognize, process, or grasp a situation, coming to the best conclusion. Psalm 119:105 assures us, "Your word is a lamp to my feet and a light to my path." Life can sometimes seem like a dark and confusing maze, filled with obstacles and hazards. Often we aren't sure which way to turn. God promises to give us wisdom and light our path of life when we respect and honor Him by obeying His instructions.

The point is that this level of knowledge and understanding is the result of a fundamental life choice: obedience to God. The bottom line is, when we follow God's way instead of choosing our own, we will be in a position to make meaningful choices that impact our whole lives. We don't need the depths of Solomon's wisdom to choose a loaf of bread or a wallpaper for a cell phone screen. But life isn't always that simple. We often face challenges in which we need to exercise wisdom and understanding. To do so successfully, we must start with the first and most basic choice—choosing the way that leads to life.

In Psalm 19:7, King David says, "The law of the LORD is perfect, converting the soul; the testimony of the LORD is sure, making wise the

simple.” These scriptures show us that God’s law is complete and inevitable and that He wants us to be blessed. Through His law, God renews and restores our lives and gives wisdom to the inexperienced.

Of the thousands of decisions we constantly make, there is one conscious and determined choice we need to make every day—to choose life, learn to fear, and obey God, through whom we can receive wisdom and understanding.

Deuteronomy 30:15-16 is about high stakes: God’s blessing for the world or the death that comes from rejecting it. We may fail in calling the people of God back to life, but we may leave it in a better place for the next generation. And God will richly bless the world when we live in love with our neighbors and enemies because a world like that would be the greatest blessing from God and is a promise from God of what the world *will one day* be. May we live in such a way that we get to see bits and pieces of that world here and now.

*Rev. Dr. Benjamin Speare-Hardy II*



## Who's Who...

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**11 Peggy Libecap**  
**18 Sandra Scott**

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**9 Evelyn Hairston**  
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**16 Lisa Emory**  
**17 Lisa Grant**  
**17 Catherine Yancey**  
**18 Brenda Wise**  
**19 Larry Combs**  
**25 Cynthia Kilby**



• **FOR YOUR INFORMATION** •

The Brotherhood has resumed their meetings on the Second Sunday of the Month after the 9:30am service until further notice. The Fish Fry will be held on Friday September 3, 2021 and every first Friday of the month 11am-6pm. All men are invited to join the Brotherhood of St. Andrew.

The ECW meetings will be held on the second Sunday of each month after the 9:30 am service. Plans are being made for the upcoming Women's Day Celebration to be held in May 2022. All women are invited to join the ECW.

## **Anniversaries**

### **August**

**6 James & Melanie Francis**  
**20 Thomas & Elizabeth Clark**



*"A wedding anniversary is the celebration of love, trust, partnership, tolerance and tenacity. The order varies for any given year."*

*Quoted by: Paul Sweeney*

In Memory of our Loved Ones



*Lillian Price Jones*

*October 27, 1927 - July 9, 2021*

*Juanita C. Grubbs*

*May 6, 1927 - July 27, 2021*

## **What Has God Gifted You to Do That You Have Yet to Pursue?**

***“It might take a year, it might take a day, but what’s meant to be will always find its way.”***

Often it takes many people a vast amount of time in order to determine what they really want to do in life. Others may not even believe that it is that important and still others never think about the fact that God has provided a real purpose for their life. They may not have any idea of what God created them for. It comes down to acknowledging your destiny.

In 1 Peter 4:10 TEV- using your gifts is focused. This scripture reads, ***“Each of us, as a good manager of God’s different gifts, must use for the good of others the specific gift he has received from God.”***

The first thing you must do to understand your destiny is to recognize the gifts God has given you to use. They include some things you can’t control such as your parents, your nationality, your race, your first language, but you can also include: your spiritual gifts, heart, abilities, personality, and experiences. These are the things that make you unique.

He has given you gifts for a distinct purpose and it is your responsibility to be a good steward of those gifts not for selfish uses, but for the good of others. These gifts are not for your benefit, but for the benefit of other people. Ask yourself, “What has God given me for good to use for good?”

Perhaps there are gifts with which God has not gifted you, but that you have mistakenly spent time pursuing?

I recently met a young lady who spent a lot of time filling out her SAT’s in high school and had to write down what she would be interested in pursuing in college. She went down a long list and crossed off everything that she did not want to study and left with psychology. Psychology actually became her major.



There are many people who are fortunate to find a career that is self-fulfilling and brings a great deal of joy. Unfortunately, there are others that work because they have to, because they need to earn money in order to live. Biblically, we learn that all who have a relationship with God has been given spiritual gifts. These may be talents and abilities that bring life to many and blessings to others. Even though some may work in boring, mundane jobs so that they can pay their bills, as we work in good works, one's significance can come through other areas of service. If you are not sure how God has gifted you, the best thing to do is to work at serving in various ways. Doing this can enable you to find what brings life to you and blessing to others. Here are a few examples:

*Give financially to someone in need*

*Join a community group and care for those in your group*

*Write someone an encouraging note*

*Pray for someone who is going through a difficult time*

*Help organize an event or service project*

*Invite a family over for a meal.*

*Clean someone's home for them – or rake their leaves*

**You may not be aware of the gifts that God has given you, but you will.**

**Just pray about it!**

*Submitted By: Ms. Brenda Cochran*



## **Remembering St. Margaret's**

You may make a bequest to St. Margaret's Episcopal Church by preparing a new will or by adding a codicil to your present will. To make sure your exact intentions are carried out wills and codicils should be prepared by or with the advice of an attorney.

The most useful bequest is an unrestricted bequest for the general purpose of the Church. This permits the Church to use your gift wherever it is needed at the time.

For more information on making a bequest consult your attorney or estate planner.

### **Membership in St. Margaret's Episcopal Church, Trotwood**

If you are currently a member of another Episcopal Church and would like to transfer your membership to St. Margaret's please contact the Parish Administrator at 937-837-7741 so that a request for a letter of transfer can be prepared for you.

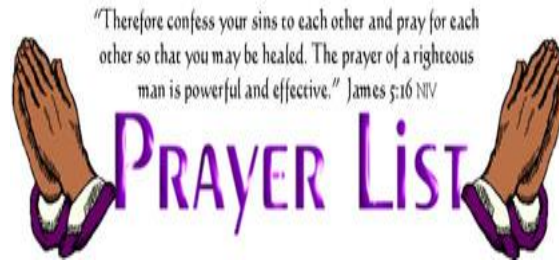
If you are not currently a member of an Episcopal Church and desire to become a member we would welcome your commitment to God and the Church. All baptized Christians are welcome to receive Communion in the Episcopal Church and to participate fully in programs and ministries of the Church.

Individuals who have been baptized within any denomination can officially be prepared for membership by attending formal confirmation classes, which are conducted by the church. The Bishop subsequent to class completion will perform confirmation of prepared candidates. Dates for both classes and confirmation will be announced when they have been determined. If you would like additional information or baptism, please call the Parish Administrator at the church office 937-837-7741.

### **Church Rental**

Are you planning a wedding or reception, a birthday or anniversary celebration or just looking for a place to hold a meeting or musical concert? Contact the church office 937-837-7741.





**Please remember our sick and shut-in with prayers, calls and cards  
(as of February 1, 2021)**

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**Additions or corrections to this list should be called to the church:937-837-7741**

## Say Hello To.....



This month, it is our pleasure to introduce one of our newest members, Pamela Mayo-Mack.

Our newbie received her Bachelor's degree in Elementary Education from Wilberforce University, her Master's degree in education from Antioch University, her Elementary Principals Certificate from Wright State University, and her Superintendent's Certificate from the University of Dayton. WHEW!!! She's pretty much prepared for all kinds of challenges!

Pam retired from 37 years in education following a 26 year stint as an Elementary Principal in Xenia, Ohio. She says, "I really enjoyed my career!" I believe her!

Pam's interest in St. Margaret's came from three people; Jan West, Judy Battle and Debby Stokes-Wayne. She says she first began to feel the warmth of the congregation while attending with Jan, and later with Judy and Debby. Being greeted with such welcome caring, and listening to Father Ben's always inspiring sermons, Pam says she began to feel as though she had found the congregation right for her.

Pam tells us that Jan, Judy and Debby were the forces that started her movement towards St. Margaret's, but that the congregation was very instrumental in her decision to commit. In her words, "They made me

feel wanted, needed and loved. That's when I knew I had found my church home. Thank you all!"

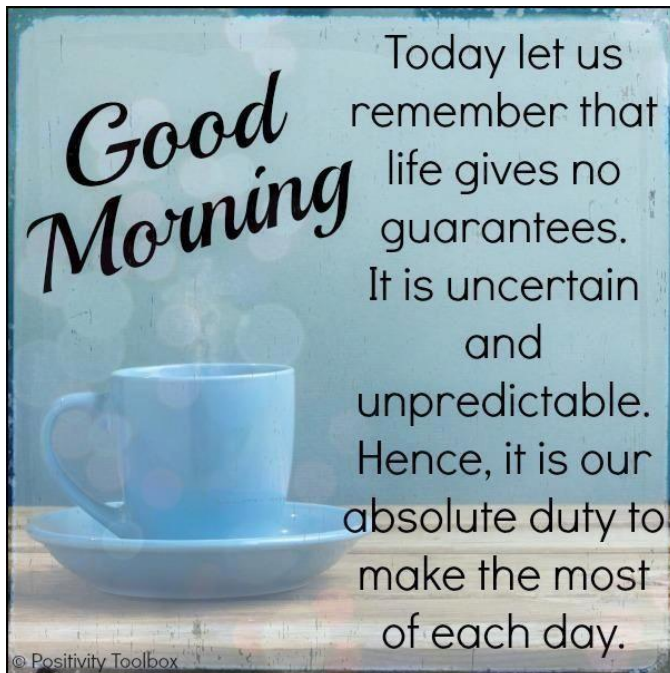
When asked what she liked best about St. Margaret's, she replied, "the people and Father Ben's sermons, that always fit my daily life." Also coffee hour, where she gets a chance to meet and greet, Bible study that is always entertaining and educational, and the music, that "warms the soul!"

Pam is an Alpha Kappa Alpha Golden Soror, (50+ years,) and a 40 year member of the Springfield Chapter of The Links.

So the next time you see the fabulously dressed (in pink and green of course!), hat wearing . AKA smiling face, swaying to the music, just before going into coffee hour,

**SAY HELLO TO....  
PAMELA MAYO-MACK**

*Submitted By: Ms. Judy Wilson*



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## *Pittsburgh elects Ketlen A. Solak as its ninth bishop*

Posted Jun 28, 2021



The Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh elected the Rev. Ketlen A. Solak as its ninth bishop during a special election convention on June 26. Photo: Diocese of Pittsburgh

[Diocese of Pittsburgh] The Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh has elected the Rev. Ketlen A. Solak as its next bishop. Solak, born and raised in Port-au-Prince, Haiti, currently serves as rector of Brandywine Collaborative Ministries in Wilmington, Delaware. She will be consecrated and installed as the ninth bishop of Pittsburgh on Nov. 13, succeeding Bishop Dorsey McConnell, who is retiring.



“I am ready to become a Pittsburgher for Jesus!” Solak said in an address to the diocese moments after being elected. “I am deeply moved. God has done this. With God’s help you have discerned and elected a new bishop, and I am humbled by the honor of the one being chosen. The future of your diocese, which is soon to become our diocese, is bright.”

The bishop-elect was chosen by clergy and lay leaders representing each parish of the diocese during a special convention held on June 26 solely for the purpose of electing a bishop from a slate of five nominees. She was elected on the third round of balloting with 56% of the clergy votes and 54% of lay votes. A majority of both clergy and lay votes in the same round was needed for election.

“We are so grateful for the historic election of Ketlen Solak as the ninth bishop of Pittsburgh. She is a dynamic and collaborative leader who will support us in our ministries of sharing the Good News of Jesus Christ, welcoming all of God’s people, and working for justice and peace in our world,” said the Rev. Noah Evans, president of the diocesan standing committee, the senior governing body that oversaw the election process.

The other nominees were the Very Rev. Kim L. Coleman, rector of Trinity Episcopal Church, Arlington, Virginia; the Rev. Scott A. Gunn, executive director of Forward Movement, based in Cincinnati, Ohio; the Rev. Jeffrey D. Murph, rector of St. Thomas Church, Oakmont, Pennsylvania; and the Rev. Diana L. Wilcox, rector of Christ Church in Bloomfield and Glen Ridge, New Jersey.

The Episcopal Diocese of Pittsburgh spans seven counties in southwestern Pennsylvania. Its 34 actively participating congregations serve approximately 9,072 parishioners.

# Convention news

## 147th Annual Convention

*"Proclaiming the Dream"*

**Saturday,  
November 13,  
2021 on Zoom**

[Convention website](#)

## 147th Annual Convention: November 13, 2021

### First milestone approaching

August 15 (90 days prior to convention) is the date that the Committee on Constitution and Canons requests that any proposed constitutional or canonical changes be submitted for review. No proposed changes will be considered after the September 14 deadline (60 days prior). Send changes to diocesan chancellor Joe Dehner at [jdehner@fbtlaw.com](mailto:jdehner@fbtlaw.com).

### Other important dates and deadlines

- **Sept. 14:** Deadline for [Constitutional/Canonical Changes](#)
- **Sept. 29:** Requested date for [nominations](#) for diocesan office; Deadline for [resolutions](#) to be considered by convention
- **Oct. 29:** Deadline for [nominations](#) for diocesan office
- **Nov. 3:** [Pre-convention meeting](#) via Zoom, 6:30 p.m.
- **Nov. 13:** 147th Convention via Zoom, time TBD

Find all information, including how to propose a constitutional/canonical change or resolution, diocesan offices needing nominations and nomination forms at our convention website, [dsoconvention.org](http://dsoconvention.org), or find the link on the [diocesan website](#).



The Brotherhood of St. Andrew gathered in Louisville, KY and church wide with a virtual experience for its 30th Triennial Convention. Leaders of the event included (L to R) incoming Brotherhood of St. Andrew President Conrad Jones, The Right Reverend Carl Walter Wright, National Chaplain for the Brotherhood and Bishop Suffragan for the Armed Forces and Federal Ministries of The Episcopal Church; The Right Reverend Terry White, Bishop of the Diocese of Kentucky; and Jeff Butcher, outgoing Brotherhood President (and now President Emeritus) Jeff Butcher.

With good news about growth and renewed program initiatives, the Brotherhood of St. Andrew gathered for its 30<sup>th</sup> Triennial Convention in Louisville, Kentucky and with over 100 virtual participant sites churchwide.

Emerging from the pandemic, the Brotherhood reaffirmed its commitments to a churchwide mission focus on Restorative Justice, Racial Reconciliation, Discipleship and Mentoring, Social Justice, Veterans Ministry, Youth and Scouting, and Recovery. A substantial portion of the meeting included workshop experiences designed to help participants further engage in these mission focus initiatives in their own parish and community.

Outgoing Brotherhood of St. Andrew President Jeff Butcher, who was honored as President Emeritus at the Triennial, said, "The Brotherhood of St. Andrew has worked very intentionally during the pandemic to hold its Chapters together across the church through a strategic use of technology that focused on prayer and community building, as well as continued progress on our programs of mission. This has jump started new growth and involvement in our men's ministries and for that we are encouraged and grateful. We are strongly positioned for the future."

Conrad Jones, a certified group facilitator from Province IV in North Carolina with a strong track record of grassroots organizational development in men's ministries, was elected President for a three-year term.

Jones said, "God is truly in our midst and will be watching over us as we continue to spread our Brotherhood message of LOVE for others, all others. It is not our role to try to fix people, change people, or judge people... it's our job to LOVE them. The rest is in God's hands. Our voices of encouragement, mentoring, inclusion, and discipleship will increasingly be heard across the church. The singular message we will continue to send is to come walk with us and draw closer to Christ. Be thankful for the many blessings we all have, be mindful of those who are out there waiting for us to touch their lives by bringing them closer to Christ, and be enthusiastic and passionate about prayer, study, and service, our three foundations of Brotherhood ministry."

During Triennial, the Brotherhood of St. Andrew also:

- Received an encouraging address from The Most Reverend Michael Curry, Presiding Bishop and Primate of The Episcopal Church, and a Life Member of the Brotherhood of St. Andrew since his days as rector of St. James Episcopal Church in Baltimore.
- Also bringing special greetings was the Rev. Kim Coleman, National President to the Union of Black Episcopalians.
- Elected The Right Reverend Carl Walter Wright, Bishop Suffragan for the Armed Forces and Federal Ministries of The Episcopal Church, as National Chaplain. Bishop Wright was in Louisville throughout the convention.
- Shared in worship experiences at the Brotherhood national offices and at historic Calvary Episcopal Church in Louisville, with worship leadership including Brotherhood Life Member The Right Reverend Eugene Sutton, Diocese of Maryland and Brotherhood Bishop Adviser for Racial Reconciliation, and The Right Reverend Terry White, Bishop of the Diocese of Kentucky.
- Elected churchwide members of the Brotherhood executive teams and honored those who were completing their time of service.
- Named Presidential Award recipients from throughout the church for Brotherhood of St. Andrew leaders who have demonstrated an outstanding commitment to men's ministry in their own community.

For a complete list of those elected and award recipients go to [www.brothersandrew.net](http://www.brothersandrew.net)

## **Proclaiming the Dream: Diocesan Convocation**

We're gathering the diocesan family for our first in-person event in almost 2 years!

### **Fun for all ages**

- Games
- Kid's activities
- Arts & Crafts
- Music
- and more!

Here's just a sample of what we'll be offering:

### **Story Sharing**

Practice story sharing in three fun ways - a speed dating version, a deeper dive in small groups, or Daring to Dream through Creativity, Contemplation and Dialog. Plus - visit the Story Sharing Showcase, an exhibit of video, visual and written stories collected over the past year

### **Liturgical free-cycle tent**

Got "stuff"? Clean out those church closets of excess or unused liturgical items (vestments, linens, paraments, etc.) and make them available for churches who could use them.

Need stuff? Come and "shop"! All items are free to a good home.

### **DSO Bake-Off**

Enter your best pie/cake/cookies to win a prize! Sales of desserts will benefit Episcopal Community Ministries. Entry details coming soon.

### **Revival**

Cap off our time together with Eucharist at 3 p.m. with guest preacher, the Rev. Canon Stephanie Spellers, Canon to the Presiding Bishop for Evangelism, Reconciliation and Stewardship of Creation

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Activities will be mainly outdoors. Masks will be required for any activities inside buildings at Procter.

This event is free (you will be responsible for

***Saturday, September 25  
10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Procter Center***

### **Vendors wanted**

Since an online convention prevents us from having exhibits, convocation will be the time for groups and vendors to peddle their goods! If you are interested in having a vendor space at convocation, contact Ann Sabo at [asabo@diosohio.org](mailto:asabo@diosohio.org).

### **Calling all musicians**

Wanted - musicians/groups of all genres and from all over the diocese to provide musical entertainment throughout the day at the convocation. If you/your group would be interested in performing a 30-45 minute set, please contact Ann Sabo at [asabo@diosohio.org](mailto:asabo@diosohio.org).

### **Are you a face painter? Or a balloon artist?**

If so, we want you to be a part of convocation too! If you would be willing to spend part of your day doing face painting or other kid-centered, festival type events, please contact Ann Sabo at [asabo@diosohio.org](mailto:asabo@diosohio.org).

purchasing food) and registration will be required for planning purposes. More details and registration coming next week!



**The Diocese  
of Southern Ohio**  
Episcopalians in connection



## **St. Margaret's Episcopal Church**

**Sunday Worship Service 9:30 a.m. IN-Person  
Face Mask Required**

**Noonday Prayer 1-602-580-9715 Pass Code: 6434898#**

**Weekly Bible Study Wednesdays via ZOOM  
Meeting ID: 851 4818 7298**

**Passcode: 815308**

**Call Church Office for Information**



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