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Don Phillips

2013 is an election year for Division 7. The following officers having served two consecutive terms in their present positions, have termed out and may not run for a third term.

Superintendent; Randy Kerka
Asst. Superintendent: Bob Shreve
Secretary: John Shields

Treasurer Laddie Henninger has only served one term and is eligible to run for a second term.

In keeping with Division 7's Constitution, Superintendent Randy Kerka has appointed the following three member nominating committee: Georgia Dahlberg, Don Rolland & Don Phillips

The Nominating Committee presents the following slate of officers for the coming election:

Superintendent.....Bob Shreve
Assistant Superintendent.....John Shields
Secretary.....Bruce Knapp
Treasurer.....Laddie Henninger

Nominations in writing and signed by two members in good standing will be accepted by the committee if received on or before the October meeting. In addition, Nominations from the floor will be accepted if made and seconded by two members in good standing.

The final slate of candidates along with their bios and the official ballot will appear in a special edition of the *Postal Oil Can* in November.

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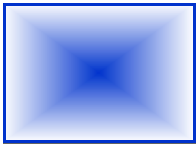
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Space permitting, The Oil Can welcomes news items, articles and letters on Model Railroad and related topics. Deadline for submissions is generally the fifteenth of the month preceding the next meeting.

Cover:

A shay leads the local freight as it winds down to the lowest level on Mike and Jeanette's hillside garden layout. Note that three of its four cars contain eagerly awaited products for the town below.



HEADLIGHTS

Randy Kerka
Superintendent

Yes... it's that time of year again! The Cincinnati Model Train Show (a.k.a. The CMTS) will soon be upon us. Every year I beseech the membership to support Division 7 in this major fund raising effort and... you do not disappoint. Most gratifying is that as some of us old farts start to slow down a bit, you newer folks step up and pitch in! Without going into my standard diatribe begging for volunteers, let me just say that we can use help in ALL areas (Admissions, Division Booth, Company Store, White Elephant tables, etc.) but especially with set up Friday night (pizza!), again Saturday morning and then again with Take-Down on Sunday afternoon. There will be sign-up sheets at the next meeting or you can email Show Chairman Rick Crumrine [crumrine@fuse.net] and he will find a spot for you! Help us make the 2013 CMTS the best ever!!!

As the end of my tenure as your Superintendent begins to become more than just a light at the end of the tunnel, I continue to reflect on how great a group of men and women Division 7 is. This is due solely to those folks that are truly dedicated and have worked hard to ensure that we remain one of the top Divisions in the NMRA. This month I am thinking about two fellows who have my utmost respect for the jobs they have taken on, performed most admirably and without complaint.

First I would like to recognize John Burchnall. John served as Division 7 Superintendent during a period that was a financially sticky one most notably with respect to the Fall Show (now The CMTS). When we lost the show space at Cincinnati Gardens (it would actually not be nearly big enough now) and made the switch to the Northern Kentucky Convention Center everyone thought our prayers had been answered. Unfortunately, with conflicts with home Bengals games, insanely expensive parking and ridiculous rent on the facility itself we began losing money on the Fall Show and things, as I said, appeared dark financially. In response to this, John made the connection with Lakota West High School. We moved the show there... dealt with some logistics issues... and now "the move" can only be deemed as genius! Through his connections, John has been responsible for getting a huge number of Division 7 members' layouts published in the national magazines. In addition, John has been active with Merlyn Jarman as our Special Events Coordinator (Bus Trips) and has now taken on the additional role of Division 7 Webmaster. As the Web Site, www.cincy-div7.org/ takes on a more significant role as a Division communications tool; I know great things are coming there! Thanks, John.

Secondly, I want to recognize your current Assistant Superintendent, Bob Shreve. Having done that job myself, I know the last four years has been a trial for Bob just as it was for me! (Walking barefoot on hot coals comes to mind.) Bob has been single-handedly responsible for finding and securing meeting venues, scheduling local and national clinicians, handling our AV needs, lining up layout visits and helping with the food at the December Feast. Whew! Several times Bob has asked me what I do besides swinging the gavel and cracking jokes at meetings. "Prepare yourself, Grasshopper!" At the moment you are running unopposed for my job. Simply put, I am sure you will be a great "Super". (An unabashed endorsement? Yep. When you are Superintendent, dear reader, you too may editorialize.)

Elections for Division Officers are just around the bend. At the October 13th meeting, nominations for Superintendent, Assistant Superintendent, Secretary and Treasurer will be accepted from the floor. Nominations may also be made by mail or email and should be sent to Don Phillips @ dwp66@cinci.rr.com. Nominations will close at the end of the October 13th meeting. Want to make a difference? Now's your chance!

Did you know that our own Merlyn Jarman is now the current President of the NMRA Mid-Central Region?
Did you know that Division 7 Oil Can Editor Don Phillips is now the NMRA Publications Department Publisher?
Did you know that past NMRA President Mike Brestel, HLM is now NMRA At Large World Wide Director?
Did you know that former Division 7 Superintendent Frank Koch is the NMRA Chief Financial Officer?
Did you know that former Division 7 Superintendent Peter Weiglin is now the Division 7 Membership Chairman?
Did you know that in 3 months I will again have the time to continue working on my West Chester & Southern Railroad?

In closing I will make the following gratuitous pleas:

- Buy Division 7 cars
- Buy raffle tickets
- Sign up to assist at the CMTS
- Run for a Division Office - no experience required (obviously!)

That's it for now. See you all on October 13th.

Randy

SECOND SECTION

Bob Shreve
Asst. Super

The crowd was better looking than usual at the September meeting as several of our members brought their spouses along to learn about Garden Railroading. The meeting was at the Kenton County Library branch in Erlanger. This is definitely one of the nicer meeting venues we use. Dan Stenger from the Greater Cincinnati Garden Railway Club presented an introduction to garden railroading. My mind is still spinning trying to keep track of all the different scales they deal with. Following the meeting, the layouts of Bill and Pam Brown, Mike and Jeanette Wolf, and Dan and Pam Stenger were open for viewing. If you're looking for a way to get your spouse more involved in our hobby, garden railroading could be the answer.

October will be a busy month for Division 7. On October 13th, our monthly meeting will be at the West Chester library. The primary entertainment will be the Bring & Brag contest. Bring your Rolling Stock models and tell us all about them. John Burchnall and Mike Tener of the Eastern Loggers will present a couple of short mini clinics: log cars made from coffee stirrers and repairing geared logging locomotive mechanisms. Following the meeting, Larry Bonhaus will be showing off his N-scale layout. Larry's layout and the surrounding house are a must-see.

The 46th Annual Model Train Show at Lakota West High School will be the weekend after the meeting on October 19th and 20th. Check the sign-up sheets at the meeting for opportunities to help at the show.

November will find us in Hamilton at Partners In Prime (formerly known as the Hamilton Senior Center). John Burchnall has arranged for Lou Sassi to make a return trip to Cincinnati. Lou will give a presentation on modeling several types of roads, based in part on information in his soon to be released new book. Lou's clinic includes one or two example dioramas, plus a short video demonstrating how he makes his popular "ground goop".

In December, we will have our end of year snackfest and picture show. As we have done the past couple of years, we are planning to present pictures in electronic format only. So start culling the best shots from your picture collection.

All for now. See you on October 13th.

Bob

Circulation Department

Chuck Endreola has taken over the duties of manager of the newly formed Circulation Department. If you have not received your copy of the post card or electronic Oil Can or changed your address, please notify him at:

Chuck Endreola.....440 823-7374 or chuckecan@gmail.com

Division 7 Membership now stands at 302

September Contest Results

Models: Steam/Diesel/Trolleys

Box Stock

1st Pl. Perry Simpson L&N "Mikado" 2-8-2 #1526
2nd Pl. Tom Brueggeman UP "Atlantic" 4-4-2 #3
3rd Pl. (tie) Bruce Knapp Cimarron Northern "Mountain" 4-8-2 #3706
(tie) **Bruce Knapp** Santa Fe A & B F-7 #307

Kitbashed

1st Pl. Don Phillips 1880 Climax (No Number)
2nd Pl. Perry Simpson L&N "Pacific" 4-6-2 #275

No other entries

Scratch Built *No entries*

Junior Division *No entries*

Photography: Steam Locomotives

Print Model

1st Pl. Randy Seiler Penn. RR T-1 #5511 on Bob Bartizek's Layout
2nd Pl. Randy Seiler Virginian 2-8-8-2 #719 on Gerry Albers Layout
3rd Pl. Randy Seiler GN Articulated Locos on Sam Parfitt's Layout

Print Prototype

1st Pl. Tom Brueggeman N&W J-Class #611 at unknown location
2nd Pl. Tom Brueggeman Cass Scenic RR Heisler at Cass

No other entries

Junior Division *No entries*

2013 Overall Standings (as of Sept. 30)

MODELS

Bob Lawson	15	Ron Pearson	03	Bruce Knapp	02
Frank Hermanek MMR	13	Don Phillips	03	Michael York	02
Georgia Dahlberg MMR	09	Butch Sage	03	Rick Stern	02
Chuck Endreola	08	Bob Adams	02	Anton Zillich	02
Perry Simpson	05	Tom Brueggeman	02	Jim Rollwage	01
Ron Gribbler MMR	07	Bob Chapman	02		

Junior Division

Anthony Zillich 06

PHOTOS

Randy Seiler	20	Jim Hodde	04	Tom Bredestegge	02
Georgia Dahlberg MMR	13	Chuck Endreola	03	John Listermann	02
Jerry Baston	10	Jim Kreissinger	03	Bob Adams	01
Jim Rollwage	06	Butch Sage	03	Frank Hermanek MMR	01
Tom Brueggeman	05	Anton Zillich	03		

Junior Division

Anthony Zillich 09

October Competition

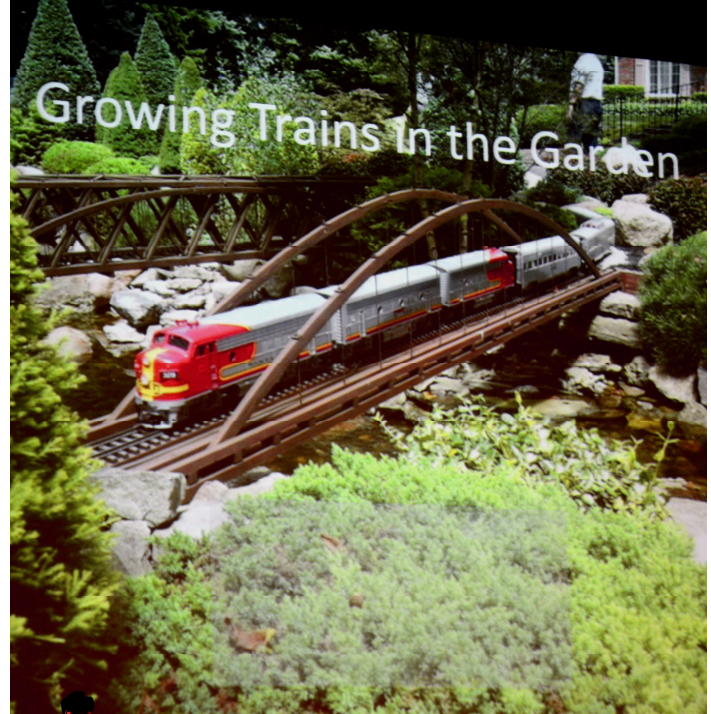
Models: "Bring-N-Brag" (Rolling Stock Models).....If you want, you can have 5 minutes to "Brag" about the model you built. If you have "handouts", please pass them out during your 5 minute segment.

Photos: Personnel Workin' on the Railroad.

September Meeting



Clinician: Dan Stenger



Clinic: Garden Railroads



**1st Place Box Stock
Perry Simpson**



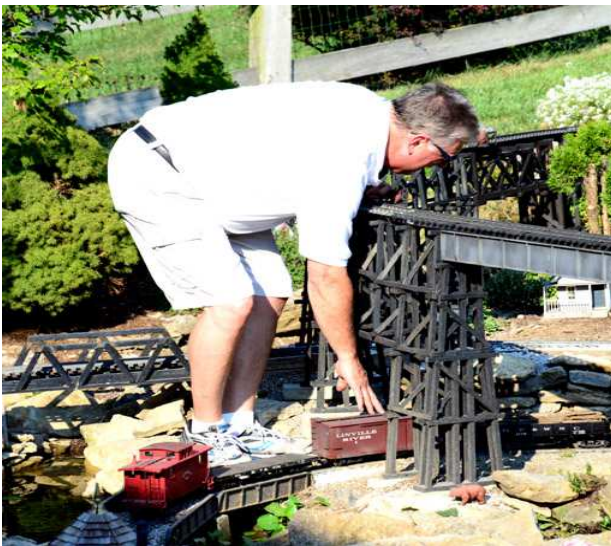
**1st Place Kit-Bashed
Don Phillips**

No Scratch Built Entries

September Layout Visits



Mike & Jeanette Wolf's Garden Layout



Dan & Pam Stenger's Garden Layout



Bill & Pam Brown's Garden Layout

White Elephants at the 2013 Fall Show

Frank Koch

I'm back again for any individual Division 7 members with items they wish to sell, but not enough to justify the cost of a table. Prepare an inventory showing your name, address, telephone and/or email address. List each individual item with a description and code so I can match it back to you and your **firm** asking price (I won't negotiate to a lower price). **Each individual item must be clearly marked with your ID code and priced as shown below.** If there is more than one of an item, list them separately. Put all your items in a bag or box and bring them to the show before it starts. I'll log them in, sell them, and calculate how much you get back. (the division will keep 10% of actual sales), and you can preferably, pick up your unsold material and money Sunday night right after the show closes or at a later division meeting. You will find the inventory form on the following page of this Oil Can. For the code on each item use your initials as shown and the price.

**Example: FJK-12
\$10.00**

Items placed in the White Elephant Sale at your own risk. Neither Division 7 nor Frank Koch assumes any liability for any items damaged or stolen during the show, though we will provide due diligence for their safety. We will not accept items that are not prepared as indicated here. If you want to help out at some time during the show let Frank know. We reserve the right to refuse any material that we deem unsuitable.

If you have any questions or need an additional form, send me an email at fjkoch@hotmail.com with "White Elephant" as the subject.

Frank

October Raffle

John Shields

We will be back with the regular HO and N scale choices in October. Also, we will begin our annual engine(s) raffle at the October meeting and continue through November and December, with the drawing at the December meeting, just in time for it to be **your** Christmas present. And for those *really* looking ahead, we will have O scale items (instead of N) at the January meeting.

Even if you don't need another engine (is that possible?), you could always give it to someone as a holiday present. [I take a small (ie, N scale) if that idea appeals to you.]

In previous years, I've announced the HO engine first (usually because I had it available and was still acquiring the N scale one). This year, since I have actually planned ahead a little better, let me tell you that the N scale engine this year is a Life Like Burlington Northern SD7 (in the green and black scheme). If you want to know about the HO engine – you will have to come to the October meeting ☺!

John

2013 Division 7 Fall Show White Elephant Sale

(10% of actual sales retained by Division 7)

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Street Address: _____

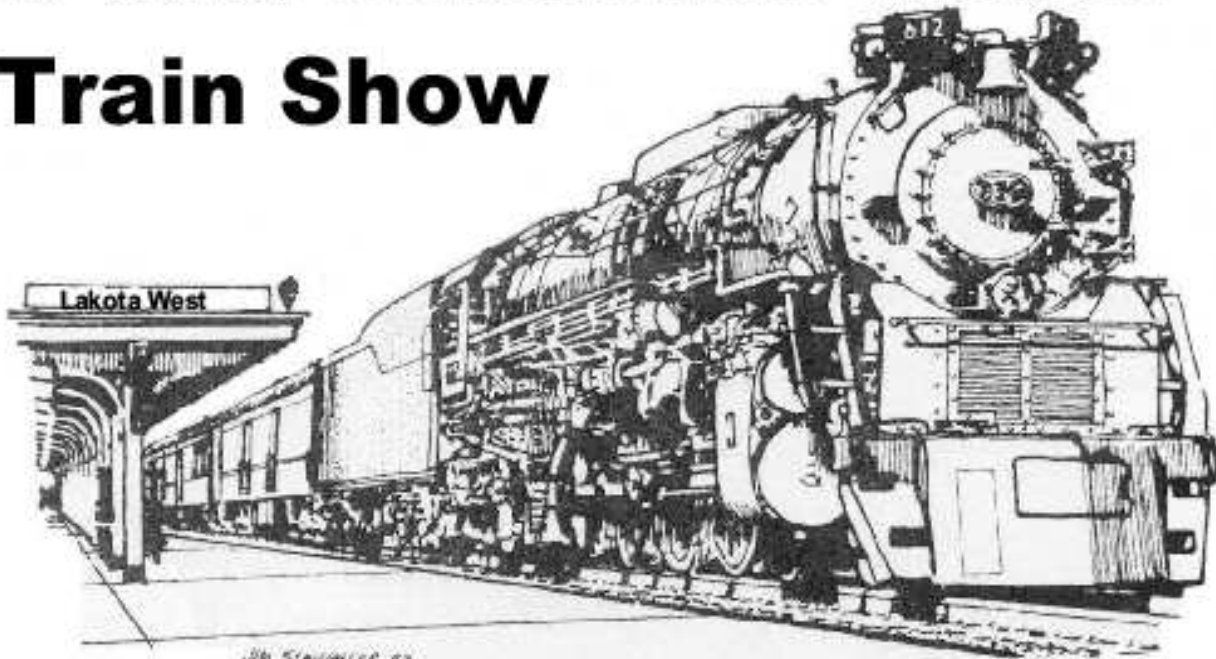
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Telephone #: _____

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46th Annual Cincinnati Model Train Show



Lakota West High School

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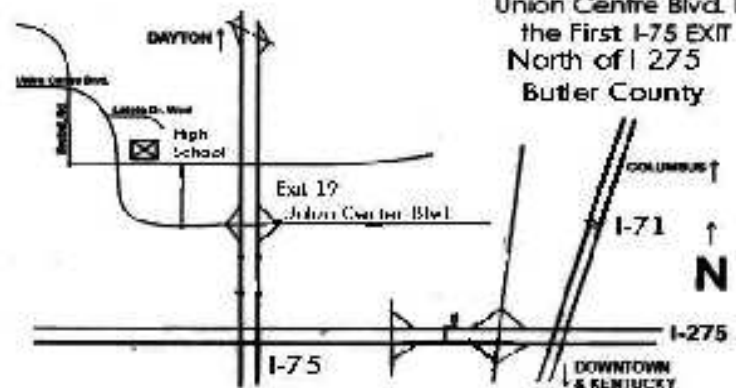
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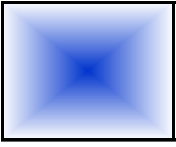
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Local Hobby Dealers

I try to promote our local hobby dealers, periodically in my column. I know I have mentioned Western Hills Photo and Hobby, Tim's Trains and Hobby, and DCC Hobbies; all are great dealers and support out division. I got a chance to visit three other excellent dealers who also do a great job of promoting model railroading; Hamilton Hobbies, Hobbytown U.S.A., and Dixie Union Station. Hamilton Hobbies is on Route 129 west of Hamilton, Hobbytown U.S.A. is on Union Cemetery Road north of Montgomery, and Dixie Union Station is in Mason, Ohio. All three shops are well worth a visit. I found Hamilton Hobbies and Hobbytown U.S.A. large and well-stocked with items for every hobbist, including model trains in every scale and gauge. Dixie Union Station is a mecca for the model railroader, especially three rail, high rail scale equipment. I was surprised to find their HO department was very extensive. All three stores had very courteous staff members, who were extremely helpful. Hamilton Hobbies and Dixie Union Station will be at our Fall Train Show, so stop by and say 'hello'. Cincinnati model railroaders are blessed to have this array of hobby dealers; please support them.

WMPA

I don't wish to alarm anyone, especially my many Appalachian modeling friends, but WMPA has a new president. Mr. Salvatore Ramano has just accepted the presidency of this fine organization, upon the disappearance of his predecessor Alphonse "The Bull" Garbanzo. No one knows for sure what happened to Alphonse, but he disappeared soon after renewing his membership in the V&O Historical Society. I did notice there are new concrete footings under the bridge in Trinidad, CO.

The Monthly Raffle

I must confess, last month's raffle was the best yet. I won an especially nice book about USRA 2-8-2's which included a section about Santa Fe 4-8-4's. The Santa Fe bought some N&W Y3's to assist with the war-time traffic through the Raton Pass. Unfortunately, the locomotives were too slow and held up vital traffic. So the railroad bought more 4-8-4's to augment the motive power over the pass. I pulled Randy Kerka's ticket next; so what is so sinister about that? Do you think our officers, or John would allow blatant corruption in any way? By the way, even John Burchnell won. It was obviously a totally clean and above-board raffle. Now let me tell you about the Tooth Fairy, Santa Clause, and the Easter Bunny. See you at the show and bring plenty of money.

Keep 'em rolling

Bruce

Next Meeting

2 PM Sunday October 13th

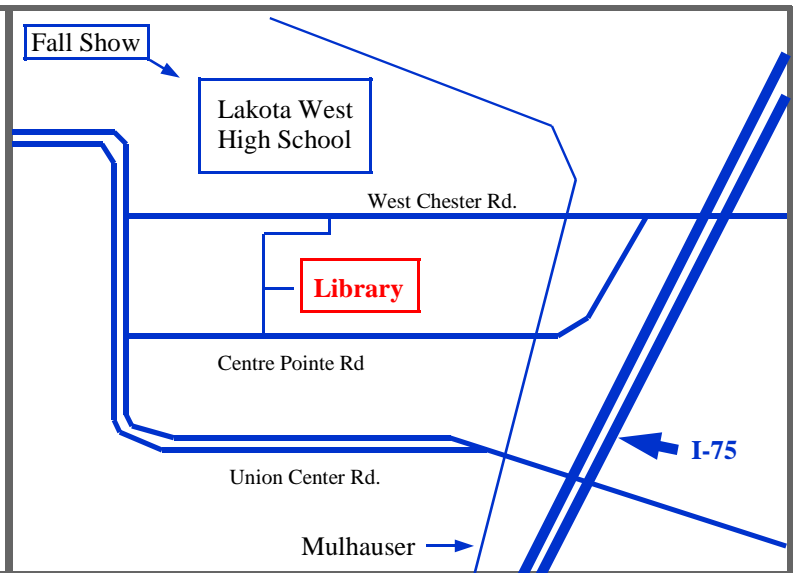
West Chester Library

9363 Center Pointe Dr.

(across from Lakota West High School)

Directions:

From I-75: Take the Union Center exit and go west to Mulhauser. Turn Right (north) to either Center Pointe Rd. or West Chester Rd. Turn left (west) to the library which is across from Lakota West High School. (where we hold the fall train show)



Coming Down the Line

Cincinnati Division 7, MCR, NMRA
2013 Schedule

NOTE: ALL REGULAR MEETINGS START AT 2PM
(Unless otherwise notified)

<u>Date</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Program/Speaker</u>	<u>Layout Visits</u>	<u>Contest Topic</u>
10/13	West Chester Library W. Chester, OH	Bring-n-Brag (Rolling Stock Models) Eastern Loggers Mini-Clinics	?	<u>Models:</u> Rolling Stock <u>Photos:</u> Personnel - Workin' on the railroad
10/17	Resurrection Lutheran Church	Lebanon Sub Meeting Lebanon, OH	NA	Show & Tell
10/19-20	Lakota West High School W. Chester, OH	46th Annual Cincinnati Model Train Show	NA	NA
11/10	Partners in Prime 149 Ross Ave Hamilton, OH	Lou Sassi	TBA	<u>Models:</u> Servicing Facilities <u>Photos:</u> Diesel Locos

Around the Region

2013

10/19-20 Cincinnati Model Train Show W. Chester, OH
11/2-3 Dayton Train Show Hara Arena Dayton, OH

National

2014

6/25-29 National N Scale Conv.
7/17-20 NMRA National Train Show Cleveland, OH

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