OUR TOWN

SERVING THE VILLAGES OF BALTIC, HANOVER, AND VERSAILLES
IN THE BEAUTIFUL SHETUCKET RIVER VALLEY

Information & News for DECEMBER 2012

FOOD PANTRY

A Bountiful Thank You
to all who donated food.

A SPECIAL THANK YOU to Harry Segerstrom, Troop 19, and Cub Scout Pack #19 and all others who participated in collecting non-perishable food items for the Sprague Food Pantry.

THANK YOU

A SPECIAL THANK YOU also to the volunteers for sorting through and stacking the food into the Food Pantry.

Anyone in need of food assistance, call 860-822-3000 ext. 223 or 220.

BREAKFAST AT VERSAILLES UMC
Across from Occum Dam
4 Church Street, Versailles, CT

Saturday, December 1
7-10:00am
All You Can Eat! $6

Scrambled eggs, pancakes, sausage, bacon, home fries, toast, juice and coffee.

**Next Month: Saturday, January 5 
Mark your calendar :)

Sprague’s Brush Pick-up Clean up from Hurricane Sandy

The Town Public Works Crew will be picking up brush from residents the last week in November through the first week in December.

Please have the brush brought curbside for easy pick up.

Thanks, Cathy

Thank you for Food

A Special thank you to Ava Hatch and her parents for the abundant food donations for our food pantry.
From the Desk of the First Selectman

Prepare yourself we have many fun filled holiday events planned this season – including caroling, gingerbread house construction, and sharing and caring with residents who have little.

In that vein we are looking for help in providing gifts for those in need—last year the American Legion Post 85, Town Hall employees, and several businesses and individuals donated the funding necessary for us to provide clothing and toys for 23 children here in Town. In addition we supplied Holiday dinners including all the trimmings for 50 families also from the Town.

This year we suspect the need will be as great can you help us cut with donations either monetary or unwrapped gifts. Any donation is appreciated!

I want to thank our citizen emergency management team for helping us through this last weather event. Their help was invaluable and appreciated; it is wonderful to work with such a dedicated group! In addition several citizens stepped up to man the showers opened for public use @ Sayles School including Kelsey Allen, Dawn McQuade, Christine Kolar, Karen Sabrowski, Peter Silvestri, and Denise Dembinski.

We have included in this addition information received from FEMA, if you had any damage please contact them for assistance. Also don’t forget to get all that brush debris to the curbside.

As always thanks for your support

Cathy Osten ~ First Selectman

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15th Annual Boy Scout Auction
Sat. Dec. 8, 2012
Viewing: 5:30 PM
Start: 6:30 PM

Items to include:
- King size bedroom set
- Power lift chair
- Box lots
- Tickets to area attractions
- Star Wars book set
- Kitchen set
- Air hockey table
- Theme baskets
- Gift certificates
- Video games

Refreshments available, for more information, call:
Harry Segerstrom Sr, 860-822-6235
PUBLIC SERVICE MESSAGE

Propane Gas Heaters

As we address the consequences and endure the power outage from the any winter storm it is important to remember to use propane gas heaters safely. Propane gas heaters use up the oxygen in a room and therefore they should have a steady flow of oxygen, such as an open window. Using propane gas heaters in an enclosed space that is not well ventilated frequently results in carbon monoxide poisoning. Carbon monoxide is especially dangerous as it is colorless, odorless, and tasteless. Poisoning occurs when you inhale too much carbon monoxide gas and is a life-threatening medical emergency. It is important to seek immediate medical attention if you suspect carbon monoxide poisoning.

Symptoms of carbon monoxide poisoning may include the following:

- Dull headache
- Nausea
- Confusion
- Weakness
- Vomiting
- Irritability
- Dizziness
- Chest Pain
- Impaired Judgment

Candles

Candles are also frequently used in the absence of electricity and it is important to remember the following:

- Never leave a burning candle unattended.
- Never place a burning candle near other combustibles.
- Keep burning candles out of reach of children and pets.

Additional tips for enjoying candles and using them safely:

- Keep candles away from drafts and vents.
- Trim wicks to one-fourth of an inch prior to each use.
- Normally do not burn candles more than four hours at a time.
- Extinguish taper or pillar candles when they get within two inches of their holders.
- Always use containers that have been made for candle usage.
- Discontinue use of a container candle when one half of an inch of wax remains.
- Keep matches, wick trimmings and foreign objects out of the candle wax.
- Do not place lit candles in windows where they may come in contact with blinds and curtains.

Cathy Osten – Sprague First Selectman

Carol Dunn- Little River Studio & Gallery
Photographer, Printmaker, Artist, Framer. Located at 457 Main Street in Hanover
Visit my website to see my artwork, get info about art classes given or current exhibits.
Take a class in Zentangle, Solarplate Etching, or learn Photoshop Elements. Need a unique gift? I have gift certificates in any amount so your special someone can choose their own art or the class of their choice. Teaching at Meiklem Kiln Works, Mystic Arts Center & Silver Circle- as well as my own studio- see my web page!
Email: www.caroldunnart.com Phone: 860-822-8412
Branching Out Notes from the Tree Warden...

Another year, another two whopper storms. Although most of us suffered without electricity, Sprague seemed to fare better than some of our neighbors. Recovery time was certainly quicker than after Irene. Far fewer trees came down during Sandy than during Irene and most of the trees that were blocking roads were from private property rather than public trees in the Town’s Right of Ways. As much as I don’t like to remove public trees from town, I will always post ‘problem’ trees to be taken care of as soon as practical. Please continue to inform me about questionable trees so that I can inspect them. Keep in mind that since we are back to Standard Time it is dark when I get home from my ‘day’ job and it may be a few days before I can see to locate the tree, let alone inspect it.

I attended the CT Invasive Plant Working Group biannual conference recently. While most of us know of many plants that ‘take over everything’ in our yards, the state and federal governments have specific requirements to identify invasive plants. The Federal requirements are: 1) non-native and 2) cause harm—economic, environmental or human. CT adds some additional specifics: must have rapid growth, a high dispersion and out-compete other plant life for sunlight and nutrients. There are currently 97 invasive plants on the CT list and 80 of them are prohibited for sale in the state. Two new plants added to the invasive list this year are Mile-A-Minute (which we have in town along the Shetucket River) and Purple Loosestrife. More information can be found about invasive plants in CT at:


I want to thank Kord, Don, Lucas and Reg for helping me to prepare the next area at the Baltic Reservoir for the planting of pine seedlings next spring.

Dave Gustafson ~ Sprague Tree Warden
DID YOU KNOW?

Federal Aid Program for State of Connecticut (FEMA) Disaster Recovery has a list of resources for family and individuals affected by Storm Sandy and other natural disasters.

* Rental payment, home repairs, replacement of household items, not covered by insurance.

* Grants and low interest loans available, to replace personal property, and help meet medical, dental, funeral, transportation and other related needs not covered by insurance.

* Unemployment up to 26 weeks for workers who lost their job temporarily and who do not qualify for benefits. Assistance also available for self-employed individuals.

* How to apply for assistance, residence and business online, www.Disasterassistance.gov or contact 1-800-621-3362, TTY users should call directly 1-800-462-7585. Toll free numbers available 7 am to 10 pm, (local time) Monday to Sunday. (Applications in English and Spanish).

* Applicants registering for aid should be prepared to provide basic information about themselves, social security number, current & pre disaster address, telephone number, where you can be contact, insurance information if it applies, total household annual income, and other information about losses.

After you complete your application you will receive a FEMA registration number, please keep in safe place for future reference.

* For food you must contact your local agencies. For information about these agencies please contact 211.

* Department of Emergency Management and Homeland Security (DEMHS), for legal advice or if you have been discriminated against. Please contact: Legal Advisor Brenda M. Bergeron. Telephone number 860-256-0816, Email: BrendaBergeron@ct.gov located within the Office of Deputy Commissioner, legal assistance provided at local, tribal, state, and federal level, as well as private sector.

(Other resources for assistance and information Salvation Army & 211)

HAVE A SAFE AND HAPPY HOLIDAYS – ANA LAZU

SABIA USTED?

Programa Federal de ayuda para el Estado de Connecticut (FEMA) Recuperacion de Desastres tiene una lista de recursos para familias, individuos, afectado por la Tormenta Sandy y otros desastres naturales.

* Pagos para alquileres, reparaciones de casas, para repasar articulos, que no son cubierto por su seguro.

* Prestamos a bajo intereses y otro tipo de ayuda monitorea disponible para repasar propiedad personal, y ayudar con gastos de medico, dental, funeral, transportacion, y otras necesidades que no son cubierta por su seguro.

* Ayuda de Desempleo asta 26 semanas para trabajadores que perdieron su trabajo por tiempo, temporario y no califican para beneficios de desempleo regular. También ayuda para individuos que trabajan para ellos mismo.

* Como aplicar para asistencia, residentes y negocios por correo electronico al www.Disasterassistance.gov, o llame al 1-800-621-3362, personal que usan el TTY debe llamar directamente al 1800-462-7585. Estas llamadas son gratuicia, estan disponibles de 7 am a 10 pm, (hora local) de Lunes a Domingos. (Aplicaciones en Espanol y Ingles)

* Aplicantes que se registren por ayuda debe estar preparado para proveer informacion basica, sobre usted, numero de seguro social, direccion de donde vivia antes del desastre natural y la presente, numero de telefono donde se pueda comunicar con usted, informacion de seguro si le aplica a usted, ingreso total de su hogar en total annual, y otras informaciones sobre sus perdidas.

Despues que complete su aplicacion usted recibira un numero de registracion de FEMA, favor de mantenerlo en un sitio seguro, porque lo va a necesitar para el futuro.

* Para comida usted tiene que ponerse en contacto con sus agencias locales. Para informacion, llame al 211.

* Departamento de Emergencia y Manejo y Seguridad de Homeland (DEMHS) para consejos legales o si usted a sido discriminado, favor de ponerse en contacto con La Congera Legar, Brenda M. Bergeron. Telefono es 860-256-0816, o correo electronico, BrendaBergeron@ct.gov localisadaen la Oficina del Comisionador, proven asistencia legal a el nivel local, tribal, estado, y federal, como igual a como a otros sectores privados, PASEN UNO FELIZ DIA DE FIESTA, ANA LAZU
For Disaster Assistance
You Must Register with FEMA

If you sustained losses or damages from Hurricane Sandy, you may be eligible for disaster assistance

www.DisasterAssistance.gov
m.fema.gov

When you apply for disaster assistance, please have the following available:

- Social Security number
- Private insurance information, if available
- Address and zip code of the damaged property
- Directions to the damaged home or property
- Daytime telephone number

You can still register by calling toll-free 800-621-3362 (TTY 800-462-7585) or by visiting a Disaster Recovery Center.

Disaster recovery assistance is available without regard to race, color, religion, nationality, sex, age, disability, English proficiency or economic status.

If you or someone you know has been discriminated against, call FEMA toll-free at 800-421-FEMA (3362). For TTY call 800-462-7585.
STATE OF CONNECTICUT
FEDERAL DISASTER DECLARATION FACT SHEET
OCTOBER 30, 2012

On October 30, 2012, President Obama issued a major disaster declaration for the State of Connecticut triggering the release of Federal funds to help people and communities recover from Hurricane Sandy that began October 27, 2012 and continuing. Details of the disaster declaration and assistance programs are as follows.

Declaration Number: FEMA-4087-DR
Incident: Hurricane Sandy
Incident Period: October 27, 2012 and continuing
Federal Coordinating Officer: Albert Lewis, National FCO Program
Individual Assistance (IA): (Assistance to individuals and households)
IA Designated Counties: Fairfield, Middlesex, New Haven, and New London Counties and the Mashantucket Tribal Nation and Mohegan Tribal Nation located within New London County.

Public Assistance (PA): (Assistance for emergency work and the repair or replacement of disaster-damaged facilities)
PA Designated Counties: Fairfield, Middlesex, New Haven, and New London Counties, and the Mashantucket Pequot Tribal Nation and Mohegan Tribal Nation located within New London County for debris removal and emergency protective measures (Categories A and B) including direct federal assistance, under the Public Assistance program.

Hazard Mitigation (HM): (Assistance for actions taken to prevent or reduce long-term risk to life and property from natural hazards)
HM Designated Counties: All counties and Indian Tribes in the State of Connecticut are eligible to apply for assistance under the Hazard Mitigation grant program

Other: Additional designations may be made at a later date if requested by the State and warranted by the results of further damage assessments.

Questions or more information call (202) 646-4500 FAX (202)646-3600.
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The Commander was absent. Vice Commander Fred Zinavage opened the meeting at 7:00 p.m. It was noted that 3 of the 7 officers were present. 6 members were noted in attendance. The minutes for October 2nd were read and accepted. There were no new members or no sick members reported. The Vice Commander welcomed the 5th District officers — Jack Pelto, Sr. Vice Commander and Allen Iott, District Commander.

The financial report was not given due to the absence of the FO. Adjutant Bastien reported that the Duck Race grossed $515.00. The money will be turned over to the FO for the memorial fund. There was no report available on the bake sale or tag sale held during the Town Festival.

Jr. Vice Commander Coletti talked about the upcoming Veteran’s Day ceremony. The Adjutant has volunteered to orchestrate the ceremony. A new Veteran’s Flag is also planned to be raised at the War Memorial Park. Coletti also reported that the Post minutes were not published in the Our Town newspaper for an unknown reason. The entire minutes are available on the Post website.

The Vice Commander closed the meeting with the Pledge, a Salute to the Colors and prayer. The meeting closed at 8:03 p.m. The next meeting will be at the Rod and Gun Club at 7:00 p.m. on December 4th, 2012.

Respectfully submitted, Tom Coletti — Junior Vice-Commander

The Sprague Historical Society

Booklets of Christmas Carols are for sale by the Sprague Historical Society

Donation of $5.00

Can be obtained at:
Sprague Town Hall – Mon, Tues, & Thurs: 8:00am-4:30pm; Wed: 8:00am-5:30pm
Sprague Historical Museum – Tues & Thurs: 4:30pm-7:00pm; Wed, Sat: 10:00am-1:00pm Sprague Library – Mon & Tues: 2pm-7pm; Wed, Thurs: 9pm-7pm; Sat: 9am-2pm
HASTEDT BROS. LLC
ASPHALT PAVING
860.848.0545
Baltic CT

ANDY'S CELL: 860.234.3541  JOE'S CELL: 860.234.3543
Email: estimates@hastedtbros.com  Web: www.hastedtbros.com

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DRIVEWAYS * ALL TYPES OF DRAINAGE WORK * APRONS * CURBING *
LINE STRIPING * SEAL COATING * CRACK FILLING
Magazines!!!

We have ordered several new magazine subscriptions and they have started to arrive. Please stop in and check them out. The current issues will have to be read in the library, but all other issues can be checked out for one week. Some are:

- Martha Stewart Living
- Consumer Reports
- Newsweek

More

- Birds & Blooms
- Ladies Home Journal

And more are arriving every day.

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Sprague Public Library

Christmas Caroling at the Grist Mill!!!

Please join us on Friday December 14th at 5:30 PM.

For Christmas Caroling and a visit from Santa Claus at 6PM

All three villages should join together for this annual event.

Song books made by the Historical Society are on sale now at the Library for $5.00. Support the Historical Society and purchase one now.

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Gingerbread House Program
Saturday December 15th
At 10:30 AM

You must sign up by December 8th to attend this program

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The Library will be closed for the holidays on:
December 22nd 24th & 25th
December 29th 31st & January 1st

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No Book Clubs in December

Afternoon Delight will meet on January 2nd at 3:30 to discuss The Beach Street Knitting Society and Yarn Club.

Fiction Addiction will meet on January 10th at 5:30 to discuss Cloud Atlas
November 2012

Dear Sprague Families and Community Members:

This is a quick note regarding the performance of Sayles School’s 3rd-8th grade students on last spring’s (2012) Connecticut Mastery Tests (CMT’s). As you can see from the District Reference Group F (i.e. similar towns) results, our students in grades 3-8 performed above the state average in every category. Also, in comparing our students to the other 15 towns in our District Reference Group F, they achieved a ranking of 7th or higher in all subject areas.

Sayles School’s intervention system continues to evolve and grow to better meet the needs of every child. Professional development aligns with and supports our school improvement plans.

The staff continues to use test data to make informed decisions on plans for future improvements at each grade level and for each individual student. We are collaborating on curriculum improvements based on the Common Core of State Standards and on developing stronger support systems for our students. We want to help them improve and ultimately reach advanced levels on the CMT’s.

We believe you will find the overall performance of our Sayles school students to be very encouraging and competitive. The staff is dedicated to providing the highest quality public education for all students. There are always problems we need to solve. With the community’s continuing support and involvement and the hard work of staff and students, we will continue to improve our teaching and students achievement levels.

Sincerely,

Dr. Edmund G. Senesac, Superintendent

Dr. Judy Benson-Clarke, Asst. Superintendent

Mrs. Jean Wierzbinski, Principal
Sprague District Results 2012
Rank within DRG F, Percent of 3rd through 8th Grade at or above State Goal

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1-2-3 CLEANING

HOME CLEANING, AUTOMOTIVE DETAILING AND LAWN CARE

123CLEANINGBALTIC@GMAIL.COM

KRISTIN BOTHUR  IAN BOTHUR
860-822-6303
**Sprague Democratic Town Committee Update**

At our November meeting, the DTC met and discussed the last minute details for the election activities.

All of our endorsed candidates in the November elections—Chris Murphy for Senate, Joe Courtney for Congress, Catherine Osten for State Senate, and Brian Sear for State Representative were elected. We thank everyone for coming out to vote!

We continue to encourage people who are interested in volunteering on boards and commissions to submit an application located on the new Town website (www.ctsprague.org) and in the Town Clerk’s office. There are still openings for the Office of Justice of the Peace, again please let us know if you are interested.

As always the Sprague DTC encourages residents to register to vote. Registered democrats interested in serving on Town boards or joining the DTC should contact me or DTC secretary Claire Glaude at 860-822-9111.

Please visit the Sprague DTC website @ SpragueDemocrats.org for updated information.

Catherine Osten

DTC Chair

**RTC Column**

As you read this you will undoubtedly be preparing for the Holidays, we hope yours is a safe and healthy one. On that note the SRTC will be holding its Second Annual Coat and Non Perishable Goods Drive December 1, 2012 from 2:00 – 4:30 PM, location has yet to be determined but should be available on www.spragueforward.org shortly. Last year was a great success and we are hopeful for the same or better results.

Thanks to all those who participated in the last election, there were some good races and the electorate has spoken. The important thing is that we all participate in the process and judging by the turnout in Sprague, many of you took advantage of that privilege.

We meet the second Monday of every month in the Town Hall Senior Center at 7 PM, our next meeting will be December 10, 2012.

Happy Holidays,

Michael W. Smith ~ SRTC Chairman

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**PROJECT SAFE HALLOWEEN 2012!**

We would also like to thank ALL of the businesses and MANY families who dropped off the many bags of candy at the Sprague Town Hall and at the Baltic Fire House. PLEASE help us to continue on with this community program for 2013 by making a donation to the Safe Halloween Fund Baltic Fire Department.
VNA East
34 LEDGEBROOK DRIVE, MANSFIELD CENTER, CT 06250
PH: 860-456-7288  FAX: 860-456-4267

Blood Pressure Screenings

VNA East will hold the following clinics:

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Times are approximate and may vary several minutes earlier or later. Service runs Monday through Thursday except for holidays. For more information call Buddy Meadows, Sprague Senior Center Coordinator at 860-822-3000 ext. 203. The Sprague to Occum Bus is a courtesy of the Town of Sprague and the Sprague Senior Center. For seat schedule visit www.seatbus.com.

Winter Weather Schedule: The bus will follow the school closure schedule during the winter. Watch early morning television on Channel 3, 8 or 30 for closures.
Sprague Historical Society
2013 Birthday and Anniversary Calendar.

If you have not submitted your order yet, please do so immediately.

Fill out the form below with the names and dates of people you’d like to see in the calendar.

Birthdays and anniversaries - $1.00 each; Calendar- $5.00 each

Send this form and your donation to: “Sprague Historical Society” P.O. Box 162- Baltic, CT 06330.
Calendars will be available for pick up at Town hall in December. You’ll be notified when they’re ready.

Please help the Sprague Historical Society. Place your calendar order today.

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(B) Birthdays @ $1.00 ea  
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SAFETO HALLOWEEN DONORS, THANK YOU!

The men & women of the Baltic Fire Engine Company # 1 wish to thank all of the businesses and families who were able to make a donation which in turn, allowed us to hold this year’s Safe Halloween Program. This program takes hundreds of hours of untold man hours to arrange the donations, pickups, set ups, take downs, etc. We also want to thank all of the volunteers, both in and out of the department who have made this event a success. Thank you all!! Below is a partial list of contributors for this program:

A huge debt of gratitude goes out to our donors who have supported our program since the beginning. AMGRAPH Inc, Ken Fontaine was once again our #1 contributor who has helped to make sure that this program continues to run. Sharkey’s Pizza, High Street in Baltic, owners Al & Connie have donated 6 bikes every year since we started this program. Frito-Lay, Dayville, for the assorted chips. Wal-Mart Lisbon Store was able to give us a grant again this year which in turn we used to purchase over twice the amount in candy. Vinnie of Malerba’s Farm Market, Norwich, CT for all of the pumpkins that are donated every year.

- Sprague’s Senior Smile Program
- Sprague Rod & Gun Club
- Affordable Air & Refrigeration LLC
- Margaret Campanelli
- Target Lisbon Store
- Frank Davis Sr
- Leo Stewart & Norma Morgan
- Julia & Chris Wood
- John Atterbury III
- Barbara Furbacher
- Big Y Stores
- PFP Electrical
- EF RA Conde
- Dorothy & Valindria Morin
- Brian Shukis
- Sharon Crouch
- Edwin Muenzner CPA
- Baltic Wine & Spirits
- Steven & Virginia Smelser
- Stop & Shop Norwich
- Sprague Democratic Committee
- Albert & Anice Bastien
- Stonewall Apiary LLC
- Gerald Stefan
- Guillot Funeral Home
- Mr. Leep
- Chris Regst
- Hanover Nursery School
- Lorraine F Allen
- Gerald & Sandra Arpin
- George Ozga
- Baltic Fire Dept. Ladies Auxiliary
- 72 Degrees Heating & Cooling
- Bubbles to Butterfly Swim School
- Jewett City Savings Bank
- The Blackham Family Goldcheater
- Mohegan Sun - dinners for 2
- Lisbon O’Neil Theaters-movie tickets
- Michael & Jennifer Sullivan Jr & Family
- Margaret Woodhouse Becker Falcon Farm
- Thomas & Joan Lane
- Roger & Grace Newton
- Marie & Peter Glaude
- Alphonse & Kimberly Hoard
- New Britain Candy & Norwich Staples Store
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I want to thank all who will donate to the Salvation Army Kettles (outside of various store locations) and the Angels gift card program (at Town Hall) this holiday season. Ninety percent of the money raised by the Upper New London County Service Unit kettle will be kept here.

Also I would like to thank all of those in the community who supported the Scouting for Food Drive this year. Thanks to the Boy Scouts efforts there is food available to those in need at the town food pantry. I also want to thank those who have donated checks to the Upper New London Country Service Unit. We can still use your help; donations can be made by sending checks to Salvation Army Upper New London County Service Unit, P.O. Box 304, Versailles, CT 06383.

If you need food, call Town Hall and speak to Colette thanks to Scouting for food there is food to help you. May the Lord bless you and thank the Lord for all you have. Dennison Allen~
Town of Sprague Representative

Note from the Editor: Elizabeth Calderon

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