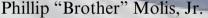
The Antler Official Newsletter of the Galveston Elks #126



Patriot Day - 2024





Officer Christopher Sanderson

For the Elks, 9/11 carries a profound significance, as it aligns closely with our core values of charity, justice, brotherly love, and fidelity. Our lodge is deeply dedicated to supporting veterans, first responders, and the community. In the aftermath of the 9/11 attacks, many Elks lodges across the nation organized fundraisers, blood drives, and various events to aid the victims, their families, and first responders.

Patriotism is a fundamental principle for the Elks, and 9/11 serves as a powerful reminder of the importance of unity, service, and remembrance. Each year, Julie Molis and Rachel Sanderson, along with the help of volunteers, prepare and deliver meals to every police department, fire department, and EMS personnel in Galveston County. These meals are prepared in honor of Officer Christopher Sanderson and Phillip "Brother" Molis, Jr., who were best friends and inseparable in life. Christopher passed away on March 4, 2017, and Brother on April 15, 2017. This luncheon is a way to keep their memory alive while honoring what they both loved, often sharing stories of the two.

This year, the menu will feature enchiladas, rice, and beans. If you're interested in helping prepare, deliver, or learning more about these two remarkable men, please reach out to Julie or Rachel to sign up.

Patriot Day - September 11

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<u>Elks National</u> <u>Foundation</u>



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A word from the Exalted Ruler

August was another month that made me incredibly grateful to be an Elk. I am truly honored to serve you as your Exalted Ruler. This past month has been a shining example of what we stand for as Elks, and I couldn't be prouder of our lodge and all that we've accomplished together.

One of the most heartwarming moments for me was when our lodge stepped up to provide space for the Sunshine Center's largest fundraiser of the year, after a fire forced them to relocate. The way our community rallied together in support of this vital cause was nothing short of inspiring. It's moments like these that remind me why I'm proud to be an Elk.

The Jeffro benefit was another event that truly brought us all together. The outpouring of support and participation was overwhelming, and I cannot thank everyone enough for all that you did to make it a success. Your dedication and generosity are the lifeblood of our lodge.

We also had a fantastic turnout for the CASI cookoff benefiting Troop 177. With 17 cooks in attendance and three qualifying for the Terlingua International Chili Championship, it was a day filled. Tom Scott and Stanley Chain prepared breakfast and Pete Rhymes and Troop 177 worked really hard to make the event a success.

As we move into September, I'm excited to share that we have a Pool Party on September 7th hosted by Alma Zepeda. Tickets are only \$20, and it promises to be a great time! The TECSI Homecoming will be on September 20th & 21st in Gonzales, TX. I encourage everyone to attend if you are able to. This event supports our Sweetheart, Mary Scott, and gives you the opportunity to see first hand what all the sweethearts work so hard for each year.

Additionally, Stampede tickets are now available for purchase. With only 300 tickets available, be sure to grab yours while you can! You can purchase tickets from Stacie Fowler, Alma Zepeda, Mary Scott, any board member or at the bar. The Stampede committee have exciting plans for this event and it is a night you do not want to miss!

Thank you all for your continued dedication and support. Let's keep up the great work and continue making a positive impact in our community.

Kind regards,



Rachel Sanderson Exalted Ruler





As we welcome September, I can't help but reflect on the incredible month of August and how it served as a powerful reminder of why I chose to become an Elk. The dedication and community spirit we witnessed were nothing short of inspiring. I am pleased to report that our finances remain stable and strong. Through careful planning, prudent spending, and your continued support, we have been able to maintain a healthy balance in our accounts. This stability allows us to continue funding the programs and activities that make our lodge such a valuable part of the community.

August was a month filled with meaningful events and projects that truly showcased what it means to be an Elk. Whether it was hosting the Sunshine Center, volunteer efforts, or simply coming together to support one another, we embodied the values that drew me to this organization in the first place.

Being an Elk means more than just being part of a organization; it means being part of a family that cares deeply about making a positive impact in our community. The commitment and passion I've seen from all of you this past month have made me incredibly proud to serve as your treasurer. As we move forward into September, let's continue to build on this momentum. We have more opportunities ahead to make a difference, and I have no doubt that we will rise to the occasion as we always do.

Thank you for your continued support and dedication. It's an honor to serve alongside such remarkable individuals.

Fraternally yours,

Julie Molis, PER Treasurer



Patricia Young, Secretary Galveston Elks Lodge 126

We are continuing to collect dues from members. If you haven't paid your dues please do so. If you haven't received your cards, I do have cards for new members that need to be picked up and signed for in the office. There is a few of you who have not paid your prorated dues that have been reinstated you must do that before you can get your new card. If you would like your card mailed please send me an email at elkslodge126@gmail. I will get it out to you.

I'm in charge of contracts this year. So, if you want to rent the hall or you know someone that wants to rent the hall please have them contact me at 409-762-1212. Please remember, I work at the terminal on certain days, but you can always call the office and leave a message on the machine.

If anyone is interested in becoming Secretary next year, please reach out to me. Sally wants you to train with me before you can become the Secretary for any upcoming years. I know this is going to be a great year.

Best wishes, Pat Young Galveston Elks Lodge #126 Secretary





Julie Molis Elks National Foundation (ENF) Chairman

Greets Galveston!

The Elks National Foundation offers a remarkable opportunity for high school seniors across the United States through its Most Valuable Student (MVS) Scholarship program. As one of the most prestigious scholarships available, the MVS Scholarship is designed to recognize and reward outstanding students who demonstrate excellence in leadership, academic achievement, community involvement, and financial need.

Each year, the MVS Scholarship awards substantial financial support to deserving students, helping them pursue their dreams of higher education. The top awards include two first-place scholarships of \$50,000 each, awarded over four years, providing a significant financial boost to the recipients as they navigate the challenges of college life.

Additionally, the program offers two second-place awards of \$40,000 each, two third-place awards of \$30,000 each, and 14 fourth-place awards of \$20,000 each. Beyond these top-tier awards, the ENF also grants 480 runner-up scholarships of \$4,000 each, ensuring that a wide range of students receive recognition and assistance.

The MVS Scholarship is not only about financial support but also about celebrating the achievements and potential of young leaders. Applicants are evaluated on a comprehensive set of criteria, including their leadership abilities, academic records, participation in extracurricular activities, and their commitment to serving their communities. The application process is rigorous, requiring students to submit academic transcripts, a well-crafted essay, and a detailed account of their involvement in activities outside the classroom. A letter of recommendation is also required to provide additional insight into the student's character and accomplishments.

For high school seniors who have demonstrated a strong commitment to their education and community, the MVS Scholarship is a unique opportunity to gain recognition and financial support from a respected national organization. The Elks National Foundation invites all eligible students to apply for this lifechanging scholarship.

By participating in the MVS Scholarship program, students have the chance to join a legacy of excellence and take a significant step towards achieving their academic and professional goals.

This scholarship is more than just a financial award; it is an acknowledgment of the hard work, dedication, and potential of young leaders who are poised to make a difference in the world. Don't miss out on the opportunity to invite a student you know to be recognized as one of the nation's most valuable students. The 2025 MVS application closes on November 12, 2024.

Warm wishes, Julie Molis, PER Elks National Foundation Chairman





Chaplain's Corner



Chaplain Joe Chaplin, Galveston Elks Lodge 126

Autumn renewal

Fall is a time of change. The leaves are changing color and ultimately falling off the trees as they die.

Change is a constant in this world. What changes are happening to you? Are you embracing change or ignoring it?

We have to regularly adjust our lives to the changes around us. Embracing change is not always easy but it's something we all have to do from time to time to keep up or we too will fall like the leaves off the tree.

Be a positive force of change in your life and in the lives of others. As little change as 1% change In ourselves each day to be better than we were yesterday will lead you to a 365% change in your life one year later.

Embrace this time of change in the seasons in your lives and the lives of those around you.

Happy Fall to all!

If I may be of service to you please reach out to me at 281-935-9950. May God bless you and keep you until next time.

Sincerely,

Chaplain Joe



Elk on the run



Sonya Ann Saldena - Jones Newsletter, Galveston Elks Lodge 126

At our last regular meeting Pat was reading the minutes from the previous meeting and when she got to the part where Rachel (ER), said that she wanted to make it very clear that anyone who wanted to volunteer should be found something to do, especially the newer Elks. That raised an eyebrow.

Well, now hearing it read back a second time it really struck a chord with me. I thought to myself, why am here, why do I want to be an Elk, what do I love about Elkdom. Elkdom is more than making the best potato salad in all of Texas. Although, making something that others enjoy is a large part of that for me.

The answer to those questions seemingly has evolve for me over short period of time in the lodge. In the two years I have made fantastic memories, have had others share we me their memories and built wonderful relationships.

I figured we have some great stories in our lodge and thought how fantastic it would be for those stories to be told. My inclination was, I wanted to ask a strong woman, a strong Elk!! Someone I admire, an endearing personality.

The idea was very "spare of the moment" but Rachel and Paul both said "run" with it, let's see where it goes. Sitting beside the pool at Elks 151, I picked up the phone and called that strong Elk, I called Ms. Linda. I explained to her my idea, what I was doing and why.

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Ms. Linda said let's do it, just make me look good honey. So, I asked her the three questions I had asked myself and this is what she told me.

The first question I asked Ms. Linda is "When did she become an Elk?" She said it was about 17 years ago.

The second question I asked Ms. Linda "What made you want to become an Elk?"

Ms. Linda being the very strong young lady that she is, had opinions and thoughts on what was happening in Our Beloved Lodge. When she was reminded that she could not vote or share her views on matters of the lodge if she wasn't a member, Ms. Linda quickly fixed that problem and became "An Elk."

The Third question I asked Ms. Linda is what is your Fondest Memory Of Elkdom?

Ms. Linda replied in the sweetest voice ever! I have so many fond memories of Elkdom. They do so much for so many people and I'm so proud to be a part of it all. My most recent memory is when Beryl came through and so many people in the community were without power, The Lodge opened their doors and welcomed Members to come In, have a meal, sit in the air-conditioning and relax. Elk's Care. Elk's Share, she said.



I also learned that Ms. Linda had served on our Board. She has been the Leading Knight, Loyal Knight, and she had for been а Trustee several years. It was even suggested to her to be The Exalted Ruler during her time as a Galveston Elk.

Linda Muehlberger

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I have personally admired Ms. Linda from the day I met her on the Bus ride to Homecoming. She told Paul and I about previous homecomings and what a wonderful event it was.

Ms. Linda is a very kind young lady with a humongous heart. I really enjoyed talking with her and learning more about her from this conversation. If you haven't met Ms. Linda yet and are wondering why you're an Elk, go have a seat next her and ask few questions. Ms. Linda is a straight shooter; you get what you ask for from her and it comes gift wrapped in Brotherly Love!!

Lodge Beautification Committee

Tom and Stanley have been hard at work this month pressure washing the lodge getting ready for Labor Day among many other tasks. As always Spot was right there making sure there were limited breaks and keeping them focused!





Antler News for September by the Lodge Sweetheart, Mary Scott:

During August, the sweethearts have done other volunteer things – like putting up and taking down "Summerween" decorations, doing inventory of the black and white tablecloths, cleaning the front room, and helping Sunshine Center get ready for their fundraiser. The committee will not meet on Tue Sep 3, but it has be rescheduled on Thu Sep 12.

We also finalized plans for a Sweetheart Cook Team. Premier cooking event will be on Thursday, Sep 5, serving a "mini meal" for the Board of Directors/ House Committee at 6:00-7:30 (or when food is gone). The "Sweet Tarts" Cook Team will provide these small meals on Thursday Oct 3, Nov 7, and Dec 5. We expect to continue into the coming year.



Coming up real soon, is the Sweetheart Homecoming Fundraiser Event. September 20-22! Most of the sweethearts in the state will be there with games, raffles, live auction items. We are excited about this year's Homecoming. We have an unique live auction item!

Also, many Gulf Coast District Elks might ride a charter bus on Saturday to visit the Homecoming! Watch for the information about the bus to the Annual Sweetheart Homecoming in Ottine.



Many of the Elks members are donating raffle items for the baskets. The committee will be on raffle baskets beginning on Thursday, Sep 12 at 5:30.



On Thursday, Sep 19, Thomas and I will be packing the truck and heading to central Texas. Thomas' family lived in Luling Texas for many years. Kind of like going home when we reach Luling/Ottine/Gonzales area!! Friday morning we set up the our canopy and booth and start selling raffle tickets at noon until 5:00 pm. Saturday, we open at 9:00 am and close at 2:00 pm. Then the large live auction begins at 3:00 pm!! Auctions

items sell for \$500 to \$17,000!!

During the Homecoming there are all kinds of eats and treats. All kinds of BBQ cook-off and other things I never got time to see! There are nice hotels in Luling and Gonzales if you what to come and stay, help and enjoy! Gonzales is 3 ¹/₂ hour drive.









Eric Ayles Drug Awareness Program Chair

Elks 126 DAP Program

Elks National Drug Awareness Program *is the largest volunteer drug awareness program in the United States.* The Elks are committed to eliminating the use and abuse of illegal drugs. Our goal is to spread awareness of the destruction of drug use and reduce the massive numbers of overdose deaths in our community. *One Pill Can Kill*

Upcoming DAP events:

Sept 21st - Rally for Recovery, 11:00 at Walter Jr. Island Community Center, 4700 Broadway

Oct 12th - Homeless Expo Galveston, 10:00 at Historic Electric Building, 715 30th

Dec 3, 5:30 - DAP Banquet and Art Exhibit at the Elks Lodge April 10, 2025 - Belly of the Whale Conference, Moody Methodist

Reaching the Community

On August 23rd, we represented the Elks DAP at the Resource Navigation Expo by the Galveston County Health District. We distributed drug awareness packets and made valuable connections with other local organizations.

Helping Women in Recovery

The DAP team helped to coordinate donated patio furniture to go to the Recovery Chick new sober home in Galveston. They offer sober and transitional living to women who need addiction help and recovery. They were very appreciative. Thank you Rachel and Greg for helping to make it possible.

ART CONTESTS -

Please help us get the word out to the students in Galveston and help raise awareness about the dangers of drug use. **Mary Williams** will be coordinating the contest for Elks 126. This year's slogan: *"Throw away Drugs - Not Your Future"*

ESSAY Contest, Open to students in 6th through 8th grade. POSTER CONTEST Open to students in 3rd through 5th grade. VIDEO CONTEST, Open to Pre-High School, High School, and Postgraduate Students. Winners from our lodge will be forwarded to District Competition. District winners will be forwarded to State Level Competition to be published. Submit entries before **Dec 1**st to **Mary Williams** to <u>itsmaryfw@gmail.com</u>

Eric Ayles 972-768-3211





Rachel Sanderson Veteran Committee Chairn

The Veterans Committee continues to work tirelessly behind the scenes to support our veterans. Many of our efforts remain unpublicized out of respect for the privacy of those we serve, but their impact is deeply felt within our community.

In August, we had the privilege of assisting a veteran moving into his first home in many years. Thanks to the generosity of our members and community, we were able to collect essential items to help him get settled. Louis Nelson, Rozita Nelson, Paul Jones, and myself delivered every item, ensuring he had what he needed. In another instance, we received an urgent call from the VA about a veteran who had just gained custody of her young grandchildren and needed furniture. Without hesitation, Tom Scott stepped up and, on the same day, purchased a set of bunk beds and mattresses for the children. The following day, Tom and Stanley Chain, under the supervision of Spot, delivered and assembled the beds, ensuring the family had what they needed.

Our Veterans Breakfast continues to grow in popularity and attendance. Last month, PER Stef Cochran and Rheba Cochran prepared and served a hearty breakfast, with delicious desserts and muffins provided by Amanda Olson and Sonya Jones. We're excited to announce that our next breakfast will be on Saturday, September 21st, from 9 AM to 11 AM. This month, Lenny Van Noord will take on the role of Chef Extraordinaire, serving up a breakfast that you do not want to miss!

In other exciting news, our lodge was recently awarded the Gratitude Grant from the Elks National Foundation. This grant will fund our 2nd Annual Galveston Elks Veteran Committee Fishing Trip on November 11th. Registration for the event will be open during the upcoming Veterans Breakfast for all veterans who wish to attend. Jerry Jackson has provided briskets to prepare and feed all attendees after the trip, and prizes will be given out to every veteran.

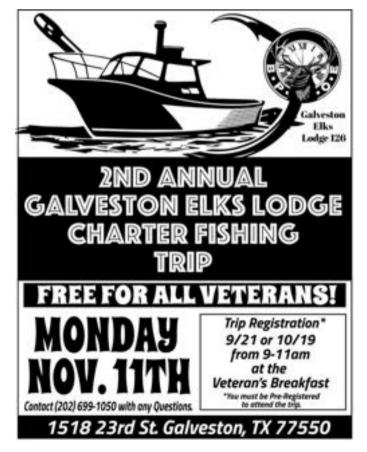
Our lodge is incredibly fortunate to have such compassionate members who consistently step up to support our veterans. The Veterans Committee remains dedicated to making a meaningful impact in the lives of those who have served our country. Together, we are making a difference.

Thank you all!

Rachel Sanderson Veteran Committee Chairman







Hurricane Preparedness Committee

Lodge Committee Meetings will be announced on FaceBook and email notification.

Do you or anyone you know need some assistance during times of an emergency event? The state of Texas presents the STEAR program. The STEAR program is a free registry that provides local emergency planners and emergency responders with additional information on the needs in their community. Texas communities use the registry information in different ways.

Registering yourself in the STEAR registry DOES NOT guarantee that you will receive a specific service during an emergency. Available services will vary by community. For more information on how your community will use information in the STEAR registry, contact your local emergency management office.

If you need assistance registering, please contact the lodge. For more information on Hurricane preparedness contact **Christine Hinze**.



The State of Texas offers the option to register with the STEAR program, a free registry that provides local emergency management planners and responders with information related to your needs during an emergency.

FEMA Assistance for Generators Following Hurricane Beryl

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September 2024



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
1 Lodge opens at noon	2 Labor Day BBQ – Noon – 4PM	3 Lodge opens at 4PM	4 Lodge opens at 4PM Steak Night! Pull Tab Bingo	5 Lodge opens at 4PM PER 5PM Membership 6PM BOD/House 7PM	6 Lodge opens at 4PM. Burger/Fish Baskets ELKGO	7 Lodge opens at noon Sunset Pool Party 5:30PM
8 Lodge opens at noon	9 Lodge is CLOSED	10 Lodge opens at 4PM DAP <u>Cmte</u> 3:30PM Veteran <u>Cmte</u> 5PM Lodge Meeting 7PM	11 Lodge opens at 4PM Food by El <u>Nopolito</u> Pull Tab Bingo	12 Lodge opens at 4PM Sweetheart <u>Cinte</u> 5:30PM	13 Lodge opens of 4PM. Officer Appreciation Dinner – 5:30PM Special Initiation 7PM	14 Lodge opens at noon
15 Lodge opens at noon	16 Lodge is CLOSED	17 Lodge opens at 4PM New! Rituals Practice – All members welcome 5PM-6PM New! Newsletter <u>Cmte</u> – 6PM-7PM	18 Lodge opens at 4PM Steak Night! Pull Tob Bingo	19 Lodge opens at 4PM	20 Lodge opens at 4PM, Burger/Fish Baskets ELKGO HOMECOMING	21 (DAP) Recover Rally 9AM Veterans Breakfast 10AM Lodge opens at noon HOMECOMING
22 Lodge opens at noon	23 Lodge is CLOSED	24 Lodge opens at 4PM Lodge Meeting 7PM	25 Lodge opens at 4PM CF Steak/CF Chicken Pull Tab Bingo	26 Lodge opens at 4PM	27 Lodge opens at 4PM. Burger/Fish Baskets ELKGO Movie Night!	28 Lodge opens at noon
29 Lodge opens at noon	30 Lodge is CLOSED					

Welcome! New Members



Jennie Latham, Charley Porcarello, Kathy Fasolino, Elisabeth Belcher, Stefan Fasolino, Holly Williamson, Amanda Olson, Susan Bali, Ramon Hernandez, Emilio Carrillo, Dontae Bailey, Hunter Tauch, Jimmie Gillane

Lare - Lo Share

Elk of The Month



"Tator" Salad Queen

We are thrilled to announce that Sonya Jones has been selected as our Member of the Month!

Sonya's contributions to our lodge are nothing short of remarkable. She works tirelessly behind the scenes on several committees, ensuring our success at every turn. Her dedication was especially evident during Jeffro's benefit, where she spent countless hours at the lodge after working extended shifts at her job. Sonya recently celebrated thirty years of service at UTMB in the pharmaceutical field, holding a management position in pharmacy operations, surgical services and narcotics reconciliation. Sonya is steps away from retirement and strives to help make every lodge event a success. She has been affectionately crowned as the "Potato Salad Queen," Sonya's culinary skills have become a beloved staple at our gatherings.

In addition to her work on various events, Sonya plays a vital role in our Veteran Committee, ensuring our veterans feel welcome during their breakfasts and always have sweet treats to enjoy while at the lodge. She answers the call of the DAP Committee with a commitment and love of her community. Sonya is on schedule to train with Mary for cashier relief when needed, Her positivity and willingness to help set up and organize events, all with a smile on her face, show the true spirit of teamwork and community.

And lastly, Sonya has become contributor and committee member of the Galveston Elks, 126 News Letter, providing stories of Elkdom and personal interviews of new and long standing members. The column will be called "Elk on the run" See page 6.

Sonya is more than just a hard worker; she is a team player, a cheerleader for many, and an embodiment of what it means to be an Elk. Her selflessness and enthusiasm are an inspiration to us all.

Please join us in congratulating Sonya Jones on this well-deserved recognition. We are incredibly grateful for all she does to make our lodge a better place for everyone.

Thank you, Sonya, for your outstanding dedication and commitment!



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COMING SOON SUNSET POOL PARTY

We are thrilled to invite you to an exciting evening of music and fun at the Galveston Elks Lodge #126! Organized by party planning extraordinaire Alma Zepeda! Join us on September 7th for a pool party fundraiser to support our pool fund. This event promises to be an unforgettable night filled with live music, delicious food, and great company

We are honored to announce that Mike and Jamie Roper have sponsored a performance by the talented duet of Keith Neubauer and Bruce Brown. Known for their versatility, they cover a wide range of musical genres, from classic rock and country to blues and folk. Keith Neubauer on keyboard and vocals paired with Bruce Brown's amazing skills on guitar make for an engaging and dynamic show. They are a beloved part of the local music scene, entertaining audiences across Galveston with their captivating performances.

Additionally, Ace of Galveston / 51st Street Towing has sponsored a performance by The Bayou Gypsies, a music group playing a variety of rock, blues and dance cover band music. Get ready to hit the dance floor.



The event will take place on September 7th at our lodge. Food will be served at 5:30 PM, and music will begin at 6:00 PM. Tickets to the show are \$20 per person, with pulled pork sliders baskets or hot dog baskets available for only \$5. Bring a lawn chair, grab your swimsuit, bring a friend and join us for a night of great music and friendship! This is an event you won't want to miss. Tickets can be purchased at The Lodge.

We look forward to seeing you there!



<u>COMING SOON</u> 2024 HOMECOMING











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ELEVEN O'CLOCK TOAST

You have heard the tolling of eleven strokes. This is to remind us that with Elks, the hour of eleven has a tender significance.

Wherever Elks may roam, whatever their lot in life may be, when this hour falls upon the dial of night, the Great Heart of Elkdom swells and throbs. It is the golden hour of recollection, the homecoming of those who wander, the mystic roll-call of those who will come no more.

Living or dead, Elks are never forgotten, never forsaken. Morning and noon may pass them by, the light of day sink heedlessly in the West, but ere the shadows of midnight shall fall, the chimes of memory will be pealing forth the friendly message:

"To Our Absent Members."





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PER SHIRTS & HATS – These are on display behind the bar. There are Polo shirts \$35 and T-shirts \$25 as well as hats \$25. Talk to the bartender – hats are available and shirts will be ordered according to size/color.

We Hope to see you at the Lodge Soon!!







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