

CORVETTES of Buffalo

SEPTEMBER 2022



VETTE NEWS SINCE 1981

Notes from the President:

In the past the focus of my column has been about the accomplishments of our membership and the events they have organized or chaired. While I want to thank Jim Kuczmariski and Kevin Horan for chairing what I think was one of the most successful caravans in COB history and Barb Lipome and her committee for another successful club picnic, my focus is also to look at the future of the club.

At the September meeting we will hear the financial reports from the Car show, Caravan, and the Club picnic. I believe the membership will be pleased with the results of all 3 events. Anyone interested in chairing these events next year, please make your intentions known as soon as possible.

We will also hold a vote to modify the by-laws concerning becoming a member of the club. Please review the changes posted in the Members Only section of the Website and contact me if you have any questions or want any clarification.

Most importantly, September is the opening of nominations for club Officer positions. It is time to consider running for one of these positions or a position on the Board of Directors. Please think about it, there is no better way to become involved in the future of our club. Elections will be held at the November meeting.

Finally, I am asking members to support the car shows and cruises scheduled during the month of September. They are not only the last ones of the summer, but they all support important local charities and organizations who have supported Corvettes of Buffalo. It's Your Club - Get Involved! Save the Wave

Bob Joseph



EDITOR'S NOTE:



Dave Spencer

Lots of events happening this late July/August, so I'm limiting my photos in this newsletter to events up to and including the COB picnic.

Dear COB friends: I'm starting a new series, The "Car of the Month". Send your photos with "Car of the month" in the subject to me with a story or description of your beauty. Barb Lipome gets to be the first in this issue.

Another thing, if you should find pictures on your phone of a past event, send them to me. Just identify the event so that I can do likewise in the newsletter. Remember, don't reduce the size (resolution) if you do.

Note: I optimize photos in the newsletters, so view them on a big screen for even better results!

A note from Barb Lipome: To our COB Family: Thank you to all who came to our Club picnic, we hope you had fun. Thanks to those who donated so many great desserts and Timbits. Also, thanks to those who took charge of the games and those who helped setup, cleanup. It was a great success!

The COB Picnic Committee

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Meetings every
second Saturday of
the month at First
Presbyterian
Church, 9675 Main
Street, Clarence, NY
14031.....
Meetings start at
7:00 pm

Visit us at:

<http://www.corvettesofbuffalo/>

Send newsletter articles to: Dave Spencer – c7hotrod@gmail.com (before the
25th for the next month's publication) Note - sooner is better!

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**HAPPY
ANNIVERSARY**

SEPTEMBER ANNIVERSARIES:

4th Marty and Mim Link (wow 51 years)
11TH Kevin and Val Horan
15th Harry and Lorry Kwiek
15th Bob and Midge Woodley
16th Bob and Joan Meegan
18th Tony and Joyce Corigliano



Anniversaries need not be just for married
couples. Let me know about any special
ones you may have! Editor



SEPTEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

1st John Kowalske, Peter Ricigliano
7th Lee Buccilli, Richard Miller
10th Barbara Lipome
12th Barbara Singer
14th Leon Kuczmariski, Lowell Rothenberger
16th Tony Malagisi
17th Frank Oster
25th Terry Decker
27th Kevin Horan
29th Jim Kelly, Fran Woodley

Current Planned Club Events August/September 2022 (from Website)

more activities to be seen in later issues for October - December

September:

September 3 Olcott Beach Super Car Show – Krull Park, 8am – 4:30 pm

September 4 Classics on the Niagara Car Show 8am-3pm

September 4 West Seneca Police PBA Car Show/ Taste of W. Seneca 1250 Union Rd. 9am- 4pm

September 10 COB Meeting & Club Dues – Clarence Church – 7pm

September 11 11th annual Rally at the Ridge Chestnut Ridge Park 8-4pm

September 11th End of Summer Party Pig Roast at the Sparks home (see flyer)

September 12 WNYCC Fall Super Cruise–Matt Urban VFW Post, 3741 Walden Ave. 3-7pm

September 17 Buffalo Launch Club Car & Boat Show, 503 River Rd. Grand Island, 9am-4pm

September 17 Cruise in the Gardens Buffalo & Erie County Botanical Gardens 10-3:30pm

September 17 Akron Super Cruise & Craft Show Akron, NY 9-4pm

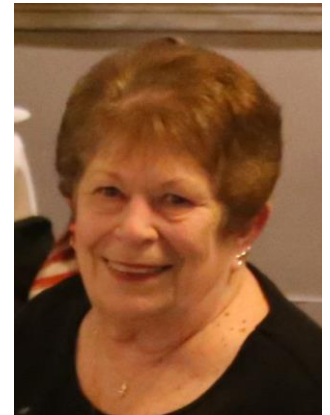
September 18 Ellicottville Car Show – Rockin Oldies 8am – 4pm

September 18 Breast Cancer Car Show, West Herr 3575 Southwestern Blvd. O-Park, 10am-3pm

September 19 Pembroke Kiwanis Car Show – Town Park Rt.77, 9am – 4pm

September 24 Cruisin for a Cure Car Show, Roswell Park 665 Elm St. Buffalo, 8am- 4pm

Lynda Graham, Activities Director



Note: October meeting is changed from the Second Saturday October 8th to the third Saturday October 15th. Clarence Church – 7pm

November:

November 12 COB Meeting – Elections!

December:

December 11 COB Christmas Luncheon, Classics V – Karen & George Sparks

After making this desert for the COB picnic, many ladies came over and asked me for this recipe and suggested that I submit it for the newsletter so everyone would have the recipe.

Thanks, Marilyn Cosbey

Cinnamon Cream Cheese Rollups

1 Jumbo Loaf of Sandwich Bread (couple of days old) - Cut off crusts and then roll flat with rolling pin.

Make filling with following ingredients:

1 pound cream cheese softened

3/4 cup of sugar

2 egg yolks

1 teaspoon vanilla

In mixer beat ingredients until creamy and then set aside.

Melt 1 cup of butter and set aside.

Mix 1 cup sugar with 1 teaspoon cinnamon.

Spread filling on flattened bread and roll like a jelly roll.

Dip each rolled bread in melted butter and then in the sugar/cinnamon mixture.

Place on cookie sheet overnight or freezer for 1 hour.

ELECTION PROCEDURES

Article Thirteen: Elections:

1. The attendance record for the year's meeting/activities in lieu of meetings will be recorded in the September newsletter for all members eligible to be nominated for any officer or Board position.
2. Election procedures will be published in the August newsletter for member review.
3. The election process for officers and board members is as follows:

a.) **September Business Meeting** - Nominations for office. Those members named will have the opportunity to either accept or decline each position to which they have been nominated.

b.) **October Business Meeting** - Nominations may be reopened by a majority vote of the members in attendance as long as the person(s) to be nominated is (are) present at this meeting. Those members named will have the opportunity to either accept or decline each position to which they have been nominated, after which nominations are closed. Individuals nominated in September and not able to appear at the October business meeting must arrange to submit their decision, in writing, to the President. If this notification is not received prior to the October meeting, the member's name will be removed from the ballot. Those "accepting" are to submit an article, to be published in the November newsletter, outlining their qualifications, accomplishments, goals, etc. for the particular office, which they desire to hold.

c.) **November Business Meeting** - Elections by written, secret ballot. Names of members running for, but not elected to the office of president will automatically be placed on the ballot for vice president, if he/she desires. Additionally, the names of members running for vice-president, but not elected to the office of Vice-President will automatically be placed on the ballot for Board of Directors, if he/she desires.

d.) **Proxy vote** - a vote by proxy must be submitted to an officer or Board of Director member in order to be recognized. The vote must be received in a sealed envelope.





SEPTEMBER: DONATIONS-laundry products,
bar soap, shampoo



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KED Donation photo July 6th 2022

COB members Mike and Lee Buccilli and their family helping KED raise money at the fair. We had a great day full of fun and laughs.

Lee



Kids Escaping Drugs

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We're back for another day at the Erie County Fair with our friends from the Corvettes of Buffalo! Come by and spin the wheel to win an exciting pri... See more





End Of Summer Party Pig Roast/Luau

09/11/2022

George and Karen Sparks Home
5716 West Lane
Lakeview, N.Y.

\$20.00 a person
which includes, appetizers, pork with rolls, sauces,
3 sides, and dessert.

*Anyone not liking pork can bring their own meat and price
will be adjusted.

The party starts at 1:30 with meal being served at 3:00.
Plenty of parking at George and Karen's either on their
driveway or on street..
Please wear Hawaiian clothing, hula skirts, etc.

**THE ONLY THING YOU WILL HAVE TO BRING ARE
YOUR OWN DRINKS AND A SMILE**

I will be collecting moneys at the picnic or you could always
send it to me.
Nancy Conroy
179 Pratt St.
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LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING ALL OF YOU



CORVETTES OF BUFFALO CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11, 2022

Arrival 12 Noon Lunch Served at 12:30 PM

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Buffet Luncheon to Include:

Sliced Roast Beef, Parmesan Crusted Chicken,
Pasta Primavera, Herb Roasted Potatoes,
Mixed Vegetables, Chef Salad, Pasta Salad, Rolls,
Chocolate Tuxedo Cake, Coffee & Tea
Pop Station During Lunch
Cash Bar Available

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Nonmembers \$20

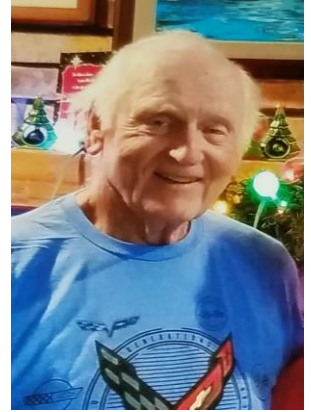
NO RESERVATIONS will be made without payment!

Reservations taken at September, October, November Meetings

Mail your check payable to COB:

Karen Sparks 5716 West Lane, Lake View 14085

John Meyerhoff: National Corvette Museum Rep. Every year around the Labor Day weekend, Corvette enthusiasts celebrate the Grand Opening of the [National Corvette Museum](#) in 1994 with a participant-focused event. This year's show is scheduled for September 1st through the 3rd, and it marks the 28th Anniversary milestone for the NCM. The focus is on the diversity of people that Corvette has brought together for a look back on the Museum's history and forward to the future! Registered participants can enjoy three days of activities in and around the Museum, including access to interesting and unique road tours, special video presentations, raffles, and more during this event in honor of your help and support.



Harlan Charles, Chevrolet Corvette & Camaro Product Manager, will be on-site to answer your questions! Hear from this year's Hall of Fame Members-Elect in a moderated Round Table, see unique items from the Museum's Collection up close, get on track at the NCM Motorsports Park, hear an update from the Bowling Green Assembly Plant, enter an all-Corvette Car Show on Saturday and so much more!

Interested in attending? You can [register for the 28th Anniversary Celebration](#) here. As in previous years, there will also be a 28th Anniversary Celebration Virtual Program which you can watch from the comfort of your home. Virtual seminars include the Hall of Fame roundtable discussion, the Corvette Assembly Plant update, and the General Motors Corvette presentation. Sign up for the [Virtual Program](#) here.



NCCC News: Mike Buccilli (our NCCC Governor):

Hello members,

NCCC elections will be held this fall and our club gets one vote per office, these are the offices up for election: President, Vice President of Membership, Treasurer, Parliamentarian and Director of Public Relations. If anyone is interested in running for any of these NCCC offices please see me. As Always, be safe... Mike B



Meet our new prospective members - Jim and Sharon Kaznowski:

Our Corvette is a 2006 machine silver convertible with a black top and red interior 3LT Z51.

Sharon and I purchased this beauty in Rochester from an older gentleman. It only had 8,000 miles on it and it had never been in the rain. We fell in love with it and bought it on the spot!

So, now that we owned a corvette, we were even more excited to go to the car shows with our own vehicle. We subsequently met Kevin Horan and Bob Woodley at the West Seneca Police Benevolent Association car show Labor Day weekend. Kevin invited us to go to the 911 Tribute at Van Bortel in Rochester. That is where we also met Jim Kuczmariski. That day our car was included in the overhead picture of the American Flag!

Our new friends asked us if we were in any clubs. We said "No, we weren't aware there were any". They proceeded to tell us about the numerous activities and charity events that the Buffalo Corvette Club is involved and sponsors. We were very impressed with all of the information that they relayed to us. We immediately asked "How can we join?"

We have been so pleasantly surprised at how everyone in the club is so welcoming to us! We look forward to being a part of this amazing club!

Jim and Sharon Kaznowski Editor note: Jim's a Marine veteran - thanks for your service! Check out his special plate in the windshield...



Car of the Month (a new series): Contact the editor for yours to be displayed!

Editor note: I have talked to Barb on membership stuff a number of times and I must say she's a fun person with a great outlook on life. I'm glad to call her a friend! P.S. She doesn't know I'm adding this note!



You all know that I like my car BUT I also like all Corvettes. Better than liking the cars I like the wonderful people I've met in COB and all the club activities in which we participate. I enjoy the trips, both long and short. I've always had a terrific time. Speeding down the highway in a line of Vettes is a 'rush'. Cruises and Car shows are a favorite pass time, walking around looking at all kinds of vehicles, sitting and chatting and of course eating. I hope you enjoy your Corvette as much as I enjoy mine.

FREE FOR ALL PAGE: MAKE IT INTERESTING – (Editor) Send me things!

On Jul 15, 2022, at 15:31, Gary Watts Removals <garywattspianoremovals@gmail.com> wrote:
Thank you peter I had seen most of those but not this one, it looked a pretty straight car even back then

Sun, Jul 31, 2022 at 5:35 PM Hi peter, thanks for the pic of the 72 in the old shade of blue. I didn't have that one in the folder, it looks to have been in pretty reasonable shape for being stood for 20 years and a pretty straight car. Still figuring out the vacuum system. Ever since the car arrived here, the wiper door and headlamps have opened when the engine is started and then close again after several seconds. I thought this was normal and was a test to show the system was operating correctly. Reading through a few posts on vette forums it seems this may not be how things are supposed to work. What is your understanding of whether this is correct or not. Some say a possible fault in a control valve under the wiper door vent grill or a leaking check valve, (the little silver one near the plastic filter) a friend said he put jubilee clips on all the vac hose connections and it improved the performance over when they were just a push on fit. I will keep reading for now.

Take care Pete,
All best, Gary



July 31st, 2022 6:50pm: Gary That vacuum system could be a problem for even export vette shop here. I replaced and rebuilt just about everything in that system. I also found that some of the new parts were defected like a new headlight switch I replaced. Check the vacuum tank under the front driver fender because they leak. They expand, contract, develop cracks, and leak. Wish I could help you more on it!

Gas here, for high test is going down to under \$5 after being over \$6.00 last month. It is still expensive, but we still go for Ride's to club events and car meets just about every day. Weather has been very hot (in 90s) but it cools down at night when the sun goes down. The virus seems to be under control with Americans getting mild form, but they aren't going to hospital or dying. Prices of everything are going up, but we are going OK even though being retired!

What happening over there? I hear it get even hotter across the pond. Check the 2 corvette newsletters to see what we are doing.

Stay safe and healthy

Your friend

Pete

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From Tony Malagisi

Editor note: awesome high def. panoramic photo if viewed as such, but limited in its ability on these pages. Get it from Tony for a unique look at the cars!

Also, thank you Tony for the Shamus Restaurant photo below. As the photographer I don't get in many photos, and this one appears to have me directing some event, or perhaps surrendering.



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From Sue and Dick Brownlee:

The "Roaring Twenties" followed by the "Great Depression".

The year is 1922, "One hundred years ago. What a difference a century makes!

Here are some statistics for Year 1922.

The average life expectancy for men was 47 years.

Fuel for cars was sold in drug stores only.

Only 14 percent of homes had a bathtub.

The maximum speed limit in most cities was 10 mph.

Only 8 percent of homes had a telephone.

The tallest structure in the world was the Eiffel Tower.

The average US wage in 1922 was 22 cents per hour.

The average US worker made between \$200 and \$400 per year.

A competent accountant could expect to earn \$2,000 per year.

A dentist earned \$2,500 per year.

A veterinarian between \$1,500 and 4,000 per year.

And, a mechanical engineer about \$5,000 per year.

More than 95 percent of all births took place at home

Ninety percent of all Doctors had *NO COLLEGE EDUCATION*! Instead, they attended so-called medical schools, many of which were condemned in the press AND in the government as "*substandard*."

Sugar cost four cents a pound.

Eggs were fourteen cents a dozen.

Coffee was fifteen cents a pound.

Most women washed their hair once a month and used Borax or egg yolks for shampoo.

Canada passed law prohibiting poor people from entering into their country for any reason.

The Five leading causes of death were:

1 Pneumonia and influenza

2 Tuberculosis

3 Diarrhea

4 Heart disease

5 Stroke

The American flag had 45 stars

The population of Las Vegas , Nevada was only 30.

Crossword puzzles, canned beer, and iced tea hadn't been invented yet.

There was neither a Mother's Day nor Father's Day.

Two out of every 10 adults couldn't read or write And, only 6 percent of all Americans had graduated from high school.

Marijuana, heroin, and morphine were available over the counter at local drugstores. Back then pharmacists said: "Heroin clears the complexion, gives buoyancy to the mind, regulates the stomach, bowels, and is a perfect guardian of health!" (Shocking?)

Eighteen percent of households had at least one full-time servant or domestic help.

There were about 230 reported murders in the ENTIRE U.S.A.

I am now going to forward this to someone else without typing it myself. From there, it will be sent to others all over WORLD all in a matter of seconds! It is impossible to imagine what it may be like in another 100 years.

FREE FOR ALL PAGE: MAKE IT INTERESTING – (Editor) Send me things!

I'd like to take just a moment to thank all of our club members that repeatedly stepped up to support the 2022 Super Cruise Committee. This year's show was one of the most successful on record. Whether you passed out fliers, got Sponsors or gift cards, or made up baskets...we thank you! Special thanks to all who came out to work the day of the show, we had more volunteers than jobs to be done. Thanks to each committee member, as well as Karen Sparks, Frank Pastore, Tony Corigliano, Barb Lipome, Carole Blanford, Nancy Conroy, Donna Biggie and Dan Krakowski for your expertise in special areas the day of the show.

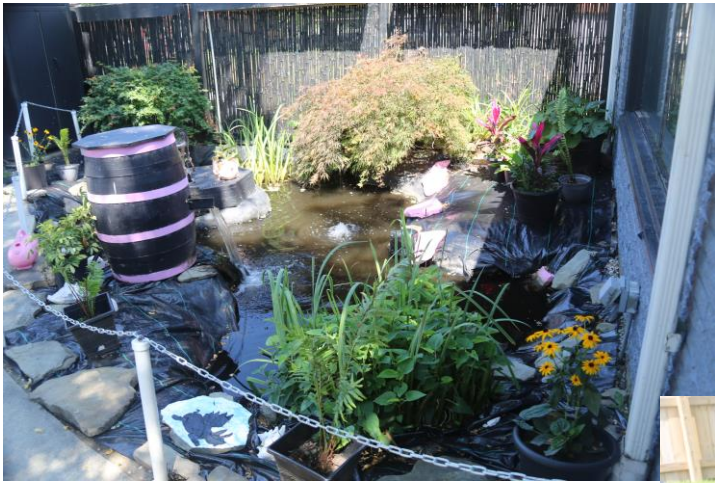
My goal was to make this a community event, all cars rather than just Corvettes to build bridges and make everyone interested in attending, both car owners and spectators. I think we achieved that this year, truly a fulfilling experience for me, made possible by all of you that came along side in so many ways! The Eastern Hills Mall wants to host us again, many of those in attendance thought it was the best since Salvatore days. I believe it would be best to build on that momentum...same VETTE time, same VETTE station.

God Bless,
Sue Blum



8/05/22 - When Pigs Fly Barbeque Event:
Following this was an invitation to the George and Karen Sparks home for a delightful visit, including an anniversary celebration for Denyse and Joe Weatherbee





08/07/22 All Corvette Caravan and Chicken Barbeque











08/11/22 Shamus Restaurant Visit:





08/14/22 COB Picnic:











Thanks, Frank Pastore, for this shot of COB members communicating with each other in the 21st century



Before picture:



After a long day of fun and games and getting older:



“TO EV OR NOT TO EV?”

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MOST LIKELY YOU WILL BE OVERWHELMED WITH THE ELEGANT AND FUTURISTIC DESIGNS THAT EACH EV MANUFACTURER IS VYING FOR YOUR APPROVAL AND ULTIMATELY BUYING/LEASING. THE EYE-CATCHING EXTERIOR LIGHTING IS FABULOUS AND, IN MOST CASES, INCREDIBLY CREATIVE. INTERIORS, ARE ANYTHING BUT “PLAIN JANE”, AND BEYOND WHAT WE WOULD HAVE THOUGHT POSSIBLE ONLY A FEW DECADES AGO. THE TOUCH SCREENS HAVE TREMENDOUS AMOUNTS OF COLORS, LITERALLY BILLIONS OF COMBINATIONS, HUGE FLAT SCREENS, WITH SOME MUCH INFORMATION AND CONTROL FEATURES THAT PUT OUR PARENTS VEHICLES INTO THE FLINTSTONE ERA. MOST ARE OFFERING “HANDS FREE CRUISING, ON SELECTED HIGHWAYS” AND “TWO PLANE HUD (HEADS UP DISPLAYS). THESE DISPLAYS ARE PHENOMENAL WHILE DISPLAYING VITAL VEHICLE INFORMATION THEY ALSO DISPLAY GPS NAVIGATION, TEXT MESSAGES, ETC. ALL WITHOUT REMOVING YOUR EYES FROM THE ROAD IN FRONT OF YOU. THIS AMAZING TECHNOLOGY DEVELOPED FOR FIGHTER PILOTS HAS REACHED DOWN TO OUR OWN VEHICLES. WE’RE ALL FAMILIAR WITH OUR HUD’S IN OUR CORVETTES AND HOW HELPFUL IT IS. TODAY IT IS BECOMING MORE ADVANCED AND SOPHISTICATED. WE ARE IN THE 21ST CENTURY, ANY MINUTE NOW WE’LL BEING SEEING BUCK ROGERS AND THE CREW FROM STAR TREK ZOOMING BY US ON THE INTERSTATE.

NEXT MONTH: SEE “TO EV OR NOT TO EV?” – EPILOGUE “E-RAY???”

“SPARKY”

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Jim Kuczmarski's recently purchased Van Bortel Corvette

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Co-chairs of the 2022 event include Buffalo Common Council member Darius Pridgen and his son, Pastor Craig Pridgen, and Dr. Ravinder K. Devgun, Memorial's chief of anesthesiology, and his wife, Sukhmender S. Saran.

Bajwa, Memorial's chief of infectious diseases, led the hospital's response to the pandemic.

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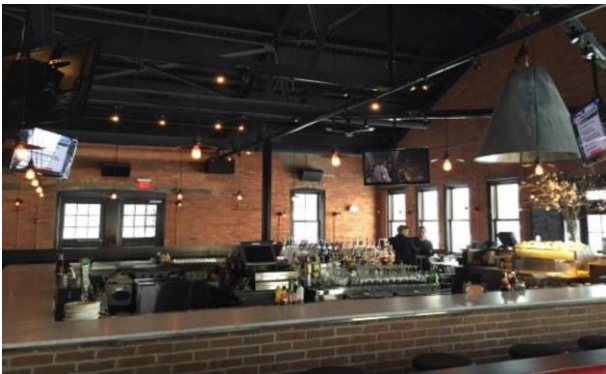
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