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Send to: See AFMS Newsletter

To ALAA Treasurer for:

1. Memberships, new and renewals
2. Donations

Make check payable to ALAA

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Example: 3" x 4" ad = 12 inches

12 inches x \$1.50 = \$18 per issue of the Newsletter

For an additional 50% of the cost of the Newsletter ad, you can have the same ad placed on the NFMS website for the same length of time. The Newsletter ad must be purchased to receive this additional advertisement.

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OFFICER AND COMMITTEE REPORTS



**Greetings
to Each and Every
One of You
by Evelyn Cataldo
President**

This is my 30th and last column for the Northwest Newsletter. Next month this space will be

filled by your new President, Fritz Mack. I extend my gratitude to all of you who have encouraged and assisted me for the past three years; two years as a Vice-President and this past year as President. Thank you, thank you Committee Chairmen; you made my job easy. Thank you to the other members of the Executive Board for their support.

The time has passed quickly and been, for the most part, very enjoyable. I treasure the many new friends that I have made as a result of serving the Federation. I look forward to continue being an active member of the Federation.

I encourage those of you that have a little free time and a desire to see our hobby continue forward into the future to volunteer for a committee. You don't have to be a committee chairman, just say that you will help on the committee. What you will receive in camaraderie is far in excess of the effort you extend.

I look forward to seeing you in Hillsboro on September 18th.

Warm regards,
Evelyn



**Judi Allison
2nd Vice president**

Wow, here it is, almost time for me to move to the First Vice President position and hopefully learn a bit more about the inner workings of the Federation. The annual meeting will be coming up very soon, thus the change in positions.

With the advent of the meeting, summer is slipping on by. I have managed to gather a few rocks and meet a few new and old friends during the summer and look forward to adding to those treasured moments as the year continues.

At the moment, I am anxiously awaiting a trip to Scotland and Norway. I leave next week. People have asked me what prompted me to make the trip. Last year I decided I would buy a passport, then choose a place to go where I needed one. I chose Norway because I always wanted to see a fjord, and Scotland because of Rog's and my heritage and I wanted to see the Edinburgh Tattoo. I am going by myself because I didn't want to sit around waiting and wishing for someone to go with me.

Part of my point in relating this information is to let you know that you can also step up into an area that may not be familiar to you or a bit out of your comfort zone and enjoy the challenge and success of accomplishment. That is how we get involved and learn new things. So don't sit and wait and wish; step up to a new challenge and enjoy the experience.



**Promoting the Hobby
Through Field Trips**

by Doug True

One of the key factors to building a strong club are fieldtrips. There is nothing more satisfying than finding your very own treasure. Many clubs throughout the Federation schedule a number of trips to various locations every year.

I would like to propose a list of all fieldtrips scheduled be listed in the Northwest newsletter each month with time and date, description of collecting area, where to meet and any cost for insurance coverage.(just like club show listings) Invite those around you to your fieldtrip. The more we use our public lands, the better chance we have of keeping them open. If you have a club claim share it with fieldtrips.

In this way members from other clubs can get involved, or if you are traveling and are in the area.

Wouldn't it be great if we could go anywhere in the U.S. on any weekend and find a fieldtrip to attend.

Over the next few months I will be contacting all of the clubs and their fieldtrip chairman about starting this program. Now let's hear your ideas. Email me at dtruefossils@yahoo.com

**45th ANNUAL
ROCK & GEM SHOW
SEPT. 18, 2009
10:00 A.M. – 6:00 P.M.
SEPT. 19, 2009
10:00 A.M. – 4:00 P.M.**

**DEALERS
FOOD – DOOR PRIZES – GEM DIG
DEMONSTRATORS – SPIN TABLE
COUNTRY STORE – SILENT AUCTION
VOICE AUCTION (SAT 3 P.M.)**

**CASTLE ROCK FAIRGROUNDS
CASTLE ROCK, WA**

****FREE ADMISSION****

**THE SOUTHERN WASHINGTON
MINERALOGICAL SOCIETY**

**Show Chairperson Fran Wolff
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Rockhound of the Year Nominee

The Magic Valley Gem Club in Twin Falls, Idaho names Rocky Metts as our 2010

Rockhound of the Year. Since joining the club in 1999, he has been Program Chairman, Federation Director, Vice-President and President since 2005.

Rocky created many positive changes in our Club. He organized several committees: (1) to teach the lapidary arts to members, (2) to organize and publicize the Annual show, (3) to work with the schools -members visit with the students about rocks, and (4) is creating show manuals.

He supervised rewriting the Club by-laws so they address current issues, and instituted a junior member's club. He encourages members to participate. Under Rocky's guidance membership in the Club has nearly doubled. In 2005 there were 68 members and 2 junior members-- in 2010 there are 119 members with 8 juniors.

Rocky is always energetic and enthusiastic and has made a tremendous effort to build up our Club. He believes and stresses the importance of the AFMS Code of Ethics. He never does things half-way but puts his whole heart into any project and strives to make it the best it can be. The club has benefited greatly from Rocky's dedication and direction. Thank you!



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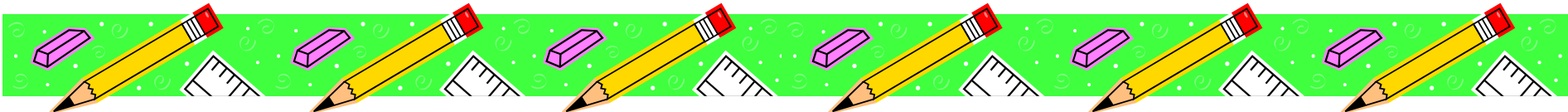
WATCH FOR IT!!!!



BIG NEWS FOR OUR JUNIORS coming at the NFMS CONVENTION. MORE INFORMATION IN THE OCTOBER NORTHWEST NEWSLETTER.

CLACKAMETTE MINERAL & GEM CLUB'S 46TH ANNUAL GEM AND ROCK SHOW "HARVEST OF GEMS IN 2010" CLACKAMAS COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS 694 NE 4TH AVE. CANBY, OR OCTOBER 23 & 24, 2010 SAT. 9 AM - 6 PM, SUN. 10 AM - 5 PM FREE ADMISSION

Ore-Rock-On On DVD NEW Version 5.2 Oregon, Washington, and Idaho Rock Dig Locations DVD Use with any internet browser - PC or MAC Now includes ALL rockhounding sites in the 2008/2009/2010 editions of Gem Trails of Washington & Oregon and Rockhounding Idaho by Garret Romaine!



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All ALAA MEMBERS AND CLUBS

I have arranged a meeting room at the Comfort Inn (formerly Hotel B) across from the Fairgrounds on Saturday, Sept 18th from 9am to noon.



The reason for this meeting is to acquaint you with the fact that rockhounding as we currently know it could be in its death throes. This is no idle remark. It's made to get your attention to a serious problem that won't go away.

I am inviting all the clubs in the Northwest to attend this meeting, whether you belong to ALAA or not.

I need you all to attend and make your thoughts heard. Be prepared with the following information for your areas:

- Does your club go on field trips?
- Are these field trips on public lands?
- Have you a working relationship with those managing the lands?
- Do you know your Congressman and/or Senator?
- Have you personally contacted your Congressman and/or Senator regarding rockhounding?

Are YOU willing to get involved? ALAA is composed of "working members" and we need everyone to help.

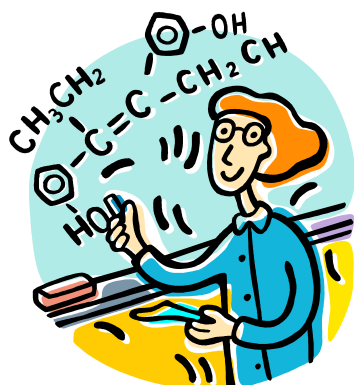
Governmental officials and politicians don't know who rockhounds are or what we are about. We've all got to change this by getting involved.

We can no longer stand on the sidelines and hope "someone else" will take care of the rockhound collecting sites. It's up to all of us to do it.

Can I count on you to attend? Let me know by email.

Shirley Leeson
ALAA Vice President
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Hooray for Teachers!!!



Gem Mineral SHOW

Sat. Sept. 11th, 10-5 Sun. Sept. 12th, 10-5

- 14 dealers selling rough material, slabs, minerals, jewelry, used machines and more
- Demonstrations of wire wrapping, gold panning, capping and knapping
- A wonderful kids section that includes a mine dig for treasures
- A bountiful silent auction, door prizes and continuous fun and excitement

Adults \$2.00 Kids under 12 free

**WALLA WALLA FAIRGROUNDS
WALLA WALLA, WA**



From the Editor's Rockpile
By Beth Heesacker

As our thoughts turn from summer play and rockhounding (well, they never really turn from rockhounding, do they) to sending the kiddies back to school, I wanted to put in a good word for our teachers. From preschool to graduate studies they tried their best to stuff as much knowledge into us as we were willing to absorb. Maybe some teachers were not as good as others but they all tried. Sometimes some of us were not the best students either.

Some of us have been very deeply blessed by those teachers who expected much from us and pushed us beyond our limits. They instilled a love of learning in us that we should value very highly.

They gave us the gift of curiosity. They taught us how to do research so that when they were not at our sides prodding and pushing, we could work on our own and find out ANYTHING that we wanted to know. Maybe we cannot remember all the facts as we grow older but we can always find a way to look them up.

We would not be the individuals that we are today if it were not for all the teachers in our lives. Let's give a standing ovation to all those who devote their lives to teaching and the love of learning.

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PUBLIC LANDS REPORT
Andy Johnson

Earlier this year President Obama held a conference on America's Great Outdoors and established the America's Great Outdoors Initiative to be led by the Secretaries of Interior and Agriculture, the Administrator of the Environmental Protection Agency and the Chair of the Council of Environmental Quality. The initiative is tasked with reconnecting Americans, especially children, to the outdoors and they have asked for public input and ideas.

It is vitally important that the Administration hear from each one of you about how you recreate on and enjoy public lands. We can be sure as a Federation that they are hearing from those who would support limiting or ending access for motorized as well as non- motorized recreation. **WE** now have an opportunity to tell our side of the story as well. If you can access the internet please visit the following website www.doi.gov/americasgreatoutdoors

Sign-up and weigh in. Now is the time to make it clear that public lands are our recreational playground. It is a family oriented activity that allows for father and son and mother and daughter to spend quality time outdoors. Too often recreational activities are defined by the renegade few who behave irresponsibly. Please take this opportunity to make it clear that millions of Americans responsibly enjoy rock hounding and a number of other multi-use recreational pursuits on public lands and while you're at it tell them to maintain what we already have established and to abandon any further thought of creating and taking additional lands for monuments, wilderness or landscape designations until the federal government becomes financially responsible



AROUND THE FEDERATION:

In Idaho * In response to continuing closures of roads and trails on Public Lands in Idaho a new organization was born. PLAY which stands for Public Lands Access Yearlong, formed in 1999 with the mission and purpose to work with public land managers more intensely to insure that roads and trails on public lands would remain open. More info on this organization can be found at their website www.accessplay.com

Pocatello | BLM -[Proposed Resource Plan and Final EIS published](#)
In Montana *Yellowstone National Park and the National Park Service have begun a two-year project to prepare the next long-term plan for managing winter use in America's first national park. That plan is to take effect in the winter of 2011-12. Access issues are threatened. For more information go to the following <http://www.nps.gov/yell/planyourvisit/winteruse.htm>

In Alaska * Have you checked out the BLM-Alaska webpage lately? Did you know you can look up easement maps, comment on what's important to you on BLM-managed public lands, pull up recreation guides and brochures, learn how to file a mining claim, volunteer opportunities, and so much more? www.blm.gov/ak

In Alaska, the Bureau of Land Management administers approximately 75 million surface acres of federal public land—an area larger than the State of New Mexico.

In Oregon*

Weyerhaeuser manages millions of acres of commercial forests in the United States and Canada to supply the wood and paper products people need. They also work to protect habitat for fish and wildlife, water quality, scenic views and recreational opportunities. Weyerhaeuser allows public access to company forestlands for recreational purposes when compatible with forestry and harvesting operations. Please call 1-888-741-5403 for more information.

In Washington * Web Site Changes – The USFS Pacific Northwest Region #6 web pages are being upgraded. In addition to the obvious "look and feel" design, many of the links are changing as well. See for yourself at their website <http://www.fs.fed.us/r6/okawen/travel-management/>

BLM Launches Social Media to Promote Public Involvement

As part of its ongoing effort to engage the public on issues in more timely and relevant ways, the Bureau of Land Management has entered the realm of social media by establishing a presence on the popular websites Facebook, YouTube, and Twitter.

“We are excited about using social media to connect with people interested in the management of their public lands,” said BLM Director Bob Abbey. “Through such media, the BLM will not only be able to reach more citizens in ‘real time,’ but also generate instant feedback on the myriad issues facing our agency.”

Besides the social media accounts set up by the Bureau’s national office in Washington, D.C., more local and subject-specific accounts will be administered by the BLM’s State Offices and various programs throughout the agency. For example, BLM-California, BLM-Colorado, BLM-New Mexico, BLM-Oregon, and BLM-Wyoming have already created Facebook pages, as has the Bureau’s Wild Horse and Burro Program.

Interested parties can begin following the BLM at <http://www.facebook.com/BLMNational> and <http://www.twitter.com/BLMNational>. A list of our other social media sites can be found at <http://www.blm.gov/wo/st/en/info/socialmedia.html>

Twitter is a free micro-blogging and social networking service that allows users to send and receive each other’s updates through interactions known as “tweets,” while Facebook allows users to share items of interest with their friends via text, photos, and videos.

The BLM has also established a YouTube channel to share informational videos more easily with the public. The Bureau’s YouTube page is accessible at <http://www.youtube.com/BLMNational>

Fees Waived on Forest Service Locations

On Sept. 25, Public Lands Day - fees will be waived at Forest Service locations, offering visitors the opportunity to experience the great outdoors prior to school season. Other fee-free days include, Nov. 11 for Veteran's Day. Go enjoy the wonders of our natural resources.

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QUICK TIPS for EDITORS
 By Linda Jaeger, AFMS Bulletin
 Editors Advisory Chair

If you have a question (or suggestion) about editing or writing or the bulletin contest or something related, send it to

me by email: LjgrAlg@aol.com or at home address: 3515 E. 88th St., Tulsa, OK 74137. If I cannot find an answer to your question, we'll publish the question and ask the readers for their answers.

Congratulations to all of you whose bulletins, articles, and poems were entered in the 2010 AFMS Bulletin Editor's Contest. Certificates, name badges, and trophies for entrants who were not present at the breakfast in California are in the mail. By the time you read this you should have your certificate and/or badge and trophy. The list of winners is published in the September issue of the *AFMS Newsletter*, so take a look at it!

Let me take a moment to address a comment I received at the breakfast. The comment was: "*Many editors do not enter the contest because they feel like they are nominating themselves for an award.*"

First – Our jobs as editors are to be good communicators within our clubs and federations. This is a TEAM effort. When we enter our bulletins or articles/features/poems in a contest we are entering our TEAM in the contest. Think about any school-sponsored or competitive sports team. They enter plenty of contests. Entering does not guarantee them (or us) an award, but it does provide experience and allows us to learn how to improve! Remember good communication? Comments from qualified judges can give us additional perspective and make our communication skills even better.

Second – This is how the AFMS contest works: Club editors enter their best bulletin issues, best articles, etc. in their regional contests. There are seven regional federations (EFMLS, MWF, SFMS, RMFMS,

SCFMS, CFMS, and NFMS). The top three winners in each category of each regional federation's contest are entered in the AFMS contest. We have 13 different categories to cover all the methods of written communication we might use in our bulletins. After these have been judged, we present trophies and badges to the top three in each category and a certificate to every entry. This happens at the AFMS Breakfast with Editors and Web Masters. You also receive a score sheet and judges' comments for each entry (unless something has gone awry!). Again – entering the contest is NOT nominating yourself for an award. It is an effort to improve our communication skills and strengthen the glue that holds our organizations together.

Third – Sharing what we do best with other editors and their clubs is something else that strengthens the glue holding us together. Every year AFMS publishes a *Winning Articles Booklet* that can be purchased at cost in either hard copy or CD form. If editors do not enter their team's "best stuff" in the AFMS Editor's Contest, the rest of us never get to see it (unless we just happen to exchange bulletins with them). So, c'mon and share!

Fourth – Everyone deserves a "pat on the back" or an "atta boy" for things done well. As a teacher and as the person who helps present these awards, I can tell you it gives me GREAT pleasure to see someone who is excited to receive an award that tells everyone they have done something worth noticing!

Have I changed your mind? Do enter your regional federation bulletin editor's contest for 2011. Communicate. Learn. Improve. Share!

And by the way – AFMS has approximately 640 local clubs as members with about 52,000 people who belong to those clubs. Again I say, "I wanna see your stuff, too!"

Winning Articles CDs (\$3.50) and a few hard copies (\$8.00) are available by mail. *Make your check to AFMS, mail it to Linda Jaeger at 3515 E. 88th St., Tulsa, OK 74137, and I will send your order to you.* The prices given here already include packaging and mailing.

NFMS Member Clubs - Gem and Mineral Show Calendar

Date	Club/Show Name	Show Location	Contact Person
September 11 & 12 Sat - 10 - 5 Sun - 10 - 5	Marcus Whitman Gem & Mineral Society	Walla Walla County Fair Ground 9th Street & Orchard, Community Center Walla Walla WA 99362	Warren Rood 509 522 2330 warrenrood@yahoo.com
September 11-12 Sat 10-6, Sun 10-4	Umpqua Gem and Mineral Club "Rough to Gems"	Douglas County Fairgrounds, 2110 Frear Street, off I-5 at Exit 123, Roseburg, OR	Bob Sampson (541)459-1755
Sept 17 - 19 Fri 10-5, Sat 10-5, Sun 10-5	Far West Lapidary and Gem Society South Coast Rock & Gem Fest 2010	4th Street Parking Lot (across from Outdoor-In) Downtown Coos Bay, OR	Rocky Pribble 541-572-8301 PO Box 251, Coos Bay OR 97420
September 17-19 Fri 10 - 6, Sat 10 - 6 Sun 10 - 5	30th Annual Portland Regional Gem and Mineral Show AND NFMS Convention	Washington County Fairgrounds, 873 NE 34th Hillsboro, OR 97124 (take Shute Rd exit off Hwy 26 to Cornell Rd, turn right, at Airport turn left, go past motel on left, take next right onto Fairgrounds.)	Josh Heater cell 971 570 5456 jfrankray@hotmail.com
September 18 - 19 Sat 10 - 6 Sun 10 - 4	Southern Washington Mineralogical Society	Castle Rock Fairgrounds Castle Rock, WA 98611	Fran Wolff PO Box 1492, Kalama WA 98625 360-560-2987, fwolff@comcast.net

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Date	Club/Show Name	Show Location	Contact Person
Sept. 25-26 Sat 10-6, Sun 10-5	Hellgate Mineral Society Big Sky Rocks	Ruby's Reserve Street Inn 4825 North Reserve Street Missoula, MT 59808	Bob Riggs 14 Holiday Lane, Missoula MT 59801, 406-543-3667
October 9-10 Sat 10-5, Sun 10-5	Marysville Rock and Gem Club 36 th Annual Rocktoberfest	TOTEM MIDDLE SCHOOL CAFETERIA 7th Street & State Avenue, Marysville, WA	Bill Moser 425-238-8222 bill-jj@comcast.net George Haage, 425-339-2272 haag@GTE.net
October 15- 17 Fri 12-7, Sat 10-7 Sun 11-4	The Springfield Thunderegg Rock Club 53rd Annual Rock & Gem Show	Gateway Mall, 3000 Gateway Street Springfield OR, (Use Exit 195A off I-5, turn right on Gateway Street)	Bob Smith 541-741-0060 PO Box 312, Springfield OR 97478 John Randall 541 683 2661
October 16 - 17 Sat 10 - 6, Sun 10 - 5	Hells Canyon Gem Gifts From The Earth	Nez Perce County Fair Grounds 1229 Burrell Avenue, Lewiston ID 83501	Rick Westerholm 208-746-2101 POBox 365, Lewiston ID 83501
October 16 - 17 Sat 10 - 6, Sun 10 - 5	Billings Gem & Mineral Club	Billings Hotel & Convention Center 1223 Malloweny Ln Billings, Mt	Lynn Edwards 406-855-3675 93 Cache Dr. Billings, MT 59102
October 23-24 Sat 9-6, Sun 10-5	Clackamette Mineral and Gem Harvest of Gems in 2010 - 46th Annual Gem and Mineral Show	Clackamas County Fairgrounds Main Pavilion Building, 694 NE 4th Avenue Canby, OR	Bea Settle 503-631-3128 Rick Mauer 503-691-6395 tallerricardo@juno.com
October 23 & 24 Sat 10-5 Sun 10-5	Bellevue Rock Club Rock, Gem & Jewelry Show	Vasa Park 3560 West Lake Sammamish Blvd SE Bellevue WA 98008	Marjorie McKinley, PO Box 1851 Bellevue WA 98009-1851 Bellevuerockclub@comcast.net
November 12-14 Fri 10-5 PM, Sat 10-5 Sun 10-4	Northwest Opal Association and the Boeing Employee Mineralogical Society 6 th annual South Sound Gem, Opal and Mineral Show	Washington State Fairgrounds, Meridian Street South and 9 TH Ave SW, Puyallup, WA	Lyle Jorgensen 425-483-0557. mechanix@comcast.net
November 13-14 Sat 9-5, Sun 10-5	Skagit Rock & Gem Club Treasures of the Earth - A Gem, Mineral, Fossil & Jewelry Show	Sedro Woolley Community Center 720 State Street Sedro Woolley, WA	Contact: Vi Jones 360-424-8340 rocks1x1vi.george@verizon.net
November 20 Preview - 5:30pm Auction - 7 - 10pm	Columbia-Willamette Faceters's Guild 37th Annual Gem and Jewelry Auction	Monarch Hotel 12566 SE 93rd Avenue Clackamas OR 97015	Gail Lough 971-678-2862 glough7@gmail.com
November 20 & 21 Sat 10 - 5 Sun 10 - 5	Kitsap Mineral & Gem Society 2010 Fall Festival of Gems	The President's Hall, Kitsap County Fairgrounds 1200 N.W. Fairgrounds Road Bremerton WA 98311	Jim McClure 253-265-3011, pogy2@centurytel.net
February 12 & 13, 2011 Sat 9-5, Sun 9-4	Whidbey Island Gem Club 46th Annual Sweetheart of Gems Show	Oak Harbor Senior Center 51 SE Jerome Street, Oak Harbor, WA 98277	Keith Ludemann 360-675-1837 rock9@whidbey.net
February 26 & 27, 2011 Sat 10-6, Sun 10-5	Idaho Gem and Mineral Club	Expo Idaho, 5610 Glenwood St., Boise ID 83714	Charlie Smith 208-628-4002 P.O. Box 8443 Boise, ID 83707
March 26 & 27, 2011 Sat 10-6, Sun 10-5	Sweet Home Rock & Mineral Society 63rd Annual Show, Featuring Fossils	Sweet Home High School Activity Gym 1641 Long Street, Sweet Home, OR	Joe Cota 541-451-4027 PO Box 2279 Lebanon, OR
April 8 - 10, 2011 Fri 10-6, Sat 10-6 Sun - 10 - 5	Rock Rollers Club 52nd Annual Gem, Jewelry, Rock and Mineral Show	Spokane County Fair & Expo Center North 604 Havana at Broadway Spokane, WA	Gerry Pfeiffer 509-924-1027 patsplace@bookorchard.net



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