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ELIZABETH SCOVILLE



If you picked up the October issue of *Glamour* magazine, you may have noticed that one of its Top 10 College Women of 2006 is from Kentucky. Elizabeth Scoville is a University of Kentucky student due to graduate in May 2007 with degrees in agricultural biotechnology and chemistry. She plans to continue her education by attending medical school. If that weren't impressive enough, she also is a United States Presidential Scholar, a recipient of the prestigious Barry Goldwater scholarship for excellence in science and 2001 winner of a Governor's Award for Outstanding Volunteer Service.

Scoville's Governor's Award in the Innovation Youth category recognized her work with a program she started to provide low-income students with free home computers. She started Kentucky Computers for Kids when she was only 13 with a goal to distribute 10 computers in her community. The donated, used computers she collected had to be cleaned, repaired, upgraded and otherwise readied for use. At the time she won the volunteer award, she had given away 26 computers to students in London, her hometown. She since has partnered with the Kentucky Department of Education Student Technology Leadership Program, resulting in more than 800 students receiving free, refurbished computers.



Scoville said receiving the Governor's Award gave her enormous motivation to continue working to build and grow her project.

"There are so many great volunteer service efforts in this state that deserve to be recognized," Scoville says. "So many times these efforts go unnoticed, but nominating someone for a Governor's Award is a great opportunity to show the people that are doing great things in the community just how much they are appreciated."

The KCCVS applauds Scoville's efforts and is proud to have played a role in this great success story. It just goes to show that Governor's Award winners really are the best of the best. Read more about how you can nominate someone for a 2006 Governor's Award on page 4.

MAKE A DIFFERENCE DAY RESULTS

Beef Stew Drives



KCCVS traditionally sponsors a campaign to collect as much beef stew and other canned foods as possible as part of its Make A Difference Day (MADD) observance. Collected food is donated to food pantries and emergency feeding centers in the communities where the food is collected.

This year, KCCVS hosted one beef stew/canned good drive involving our Kentucky AmeriCorps programs and another among CHFS Department for Community Based Services regional offices. The KCCVS also held a drive in Frankfort with the United Way of Franklin County Volunteer Center and other local organizations.

The KCCVS chose to address the problem of hunger in its Make A Difference Day observance because, according to 2006 Food Research and Action Center statistics, Kentucky has experienced a statistically significant increase in the percent of households experiencing food insecurity. Many participating food banks have come to rely on the infusion of beef stew from the annual KCCVS MADD collection to help sustain their clients through the winter.



Students at Hiseville Elementary pose with their collected beef stew, part of The Learning Corps' drive.

Kentucky AmeriCorps programs collected a total of 279,586 ounces. Almost half of that total, **165,512 ounces**, was collected by members of **The Learning Corps** who not only earned bragging rights for a year, but also will receive a special MADD Governor's Citation commemorating their winning effort.

Seven of the nine newly reorganized CHFS Department for Community Based Services regional offices participated,

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Corporation for NATIONAL & COMMUNITY SERVICE



Throughout the newsletter are small bits for your enjoyment. Keep an eye out for them.



The happy dancing man is always accompanied by a "funny." Lighten your mood a little with a short joke.



The thinking man is followed by wise witty words from many sources. Allow him to engage your mind.



This icon is accompanied by a brain teaser. Go ahead, see if you can catch the solution.



This icon indicates that interesting statistics follow. It also begs the question: are all things number? From the philosophy of Pythagoras who said, "all things are number."

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"Nothing's as mean as giving a little child something useful for Christmas."

– Kin Hubbard, American cartoonist, humorist and journalist (1868-1930)

WHO WE ARE

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KCCVS MISSION

To promote all Kentuckians working together to meet actual community needs in a way that fosters personal, family and community pride and an enduring ethic of volunteerism and service.

DID YOU KNOW?

From www.didyouknow.cd

- Compulsive shopping was identified by a German psychiatrist almost a hundred years ago. Clinically it is known as **oniomania**. Shopaholics are the people who do not suffer from chrematophobia, which is the fear of touching money.
- The biggest selling Christmas single of all time is Bing Crosby's White Christmas, soundtrack of the holiday movie classic Holiday Inn. **More than 30 million** copies have been sold.
- Rudolph is the most famous reindeer. He is the leader of the other 8, whose names are Blitzen, Comet, Cupid, Dancer, Dasher, Donder, Prancer, and Vixen. The names of the 8 reindeer were published by Clement Clark Moore, an American poet and professor of theology, in his **1822** poem "A Visit From St. Nicholas." Rudolph was first written about only in **1939** by Robert May, who included him in a story for the Montgomery Ward Christmas catalogue.

Editor: Shannon Ramsey

COMMISSIONER SPOTLIGHT

Aaron Anderkin



Aaron Anderkin was appointed youth representative for the Kentucky Commission on Community Volunteerism and Service in 2006. A 2003 graduate of Rockcastle County High School, Anderkin began his college career at Eastern Kentucky University. In 2005, he transferred to Transylvania University and is due to graduate in May with a bachelor's degree in political science with a minor in philosophy.

Anderkin has been a staff writer for his hometown newspaper, the Mount Vernon Signal, and a legal assistant for William D. Reynolds, Rockcastle County Attorney. He currently works as a legal assistant for Joshua E. Santana, PSC with the law firm Santana, Fay and Bratt. Anderkin has served on numerous boards and committees including terms as governor of the Kentucky Youth Assembly and chairman of the Rockcastle County Young Republicans; Kentucky YMCA Board of Directors, Rockcastle County Development Board and the Transylvania University Residence Life Advisory Board. He is also an active member of Alpha Theta chapter of Kappa Alpha fraternity at Transy.

He has not yet determined his goals and ambitions for the future, but he said, "I've always been fascinated with the idea of public service. I hope to work in a capacity that will allow me to channel my passion to perform work that contributes to the betterment of our commonwealth and local communities."

That kind of attitude makes him a natural for the commission, where he has already joined several committees and participated in optional commission activities.

Anderkin credits the influence of positive role models with his positive outlook and desire to help others. Among those influences are his parents, grandparents, aunts and uncles who taught him the virtues of integrity, generosity, selflessness and civic engagement. Anderkin's mother, Cindy McCullough Anderkin, served as an AmeriCorps member.

Especially inspiring to Anderkin is the example set by his grandparents who donated land in Rockcastle County to create the Quail Community Park, which they continue to personally maintain.

"They devote their lives to community service and I saw the joy that their selfless acts bring to others," Anderkin said. "I'm just following their example."

Anderkin said he would like to be remembered as someone whose life had a positive impact on others.

Anderkin is a member of the First Christian Church of Mt. Vernon and his favorite book is *The Purpose Driven Life* by

Rick Warren. He is a country music fan and names *Forest Gump* as his favorite movie.

Anderkin is enthusiastic and eager to learn all he can about national service, AmeriCorps and KCCVS as a commissioner.

"I feel truly blessed to have the opportunity to learn from the other commissioners, staff members and AmeriCorps program directors and members," he said. "The experience thus far has truly been invaluable and I look forward to my next two years of service."

We are delighted to have Aaron Anderkin as a part of the commission and feel confident he will continue doing a wonderful job representing Kentucky youth.

WHERE ARE THEY NOW?

Cindy Anderkin McCullough

You may have wondered what happens to Kentucky's AmeriCorps members when they complete their terms of service. And, we have, too.

To satisfy our curiosity, The Heart Line has added a new feature, Where Are They Now? to highlight former AmeriCorps members and what they're doing now. We hope you enjoy reading about them as much as we've enjoyed catching up with them.

For this issue of the Heart Line, we're pleased to present a special edition of Where are they now?. Our featured former AmeriCorps member is the mother of Aaron Anderkin, featured in this quarter's Commissioner Spotlight.

Cindy Anderkin McCullough served as an AmeriCorps member in Rockcastle County and now is employed as a counselor with the Mt. Vernon Elementary School in Rockcastle County. She said her experience as an AmeriCorps member helped her prepare for her current career pursuit.



Cindy (center) with daughter, Megan and son, Aaron.

"I have no doubt that my experience working with at-risk youth during my year of service sparked by interest in pursuing a helping profession beyond that of academic instruction," she said.

During her AmeriCorps service, she also developed a passion for helping students in general. She learned that students need caring adults in their lives who are willing to go above and beyond casual service for them.

McCullough related a story from her year of service about a student she tutored. Joey (not his real name) confided in McCullough that he was the sole caregiver for his disabled grandmother, something not even his teachers knew. His

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2006 GOVERNOR'S VOLUNTEER AWARDS

Deadline for nominations is Feb. 1

Nearly everyone knows at least one of those extraordinary people who give selflessly of themselves to help improve the lives of others. These volunteers perform good deeds largely unnoticed and wholly without expectation of recognition or compensation.



Governor Ernie Fletcher and the Kentucky Commission on Community Volunteerism and Service will host a special ceremony in April to publicly honor Kentuckians who have given back to their communities through volunteering.

Nominations now are being accepted for the annual Governor's Awards for Outstanding Volunteer Service. These prestigious awards have recognized and celebrated the contributions of Kentucky volunteers for more than a decade.

"So many Kentuckians regularly help their neighbors in big and small ways," Governor Fletcher said. "The volunteer spirit in Kentucky is a cherished tradition and the Governor's Volunteer Awards is a way to say 'thank you' to some of our great unsung heroes and role models."

This year a new category has been added to recognize one individual and/or group who volunteer through their faith community.

Nomination forms can be picked up at all public libraries and are available online from the KCCVS Web site at www.volunteerKY.ky.gov.

The 2006 Governor's Awards ceremony will be held in Frankfort during National Volunteer Week, April 16-20, 2007.

For more information, visit the KCCVS Web site or contact the KCCVS office by phone at (800) 239-7404 or by e-mail at kccvs@ky.gov.

From www.basicjokes.com



A famous art collector is walking through the city when he notices a mangy cat lapping milk from a saucer in the doorway of a store. He does a double take. He knows that the saucer is extremely old and very valuable, so he walks casually into the store and offers to buy the cat for two dollars.

The storeowner replies, "I'm sorry, but the cat isn't for sale."

The collector says, "Please, I need a hungry cat around the house to catch mice. I'll pay you 20 dollars for that cat."

And the owner says "Sold," and hands over the cat.

The collector continues, "Hey, for the twenty bucks I wonder

if you could throw in that old saucer. The cat's used to it and it'll save me from having to get a dish."

The owner says, "Sorry buddy, but that's my lucky saucer. So far this week I've sold sixty-eight cats."

MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR. DAY OF SERVICE

"A day on, not a day off."



Jan. 15, 2007

In 1994, Congress passed the King Holiday and Service Act, designating the King Holiday as a national day of volunteer service. Instead of a day off from work or school, Congress asked Americans of all backgrounds and ages to celebrate Dr. King's legacy by turning community concerns into citizen action.

The King Day of Service brings together people who might not ordinarily meet, breaks down barriers that have divided us in the past, leads to better understanding and ongoing relationships, and is an opportunity to recruit new volunteers for your ongoing work.

Participation in the King Day of Service has grown steadily over the past decade, with hundreds of thousands of Americans each year engaging in projects such as tutoring and mentoring children, painting schools and senior centers, delivering meals, building homes, and reflecting on Dr. King's life and teachings. Many of the projects started on King Day continue to engage volunteers beyond the holiday and impact the community year-round.

Although the scope of the event grows every year, many people still are not aware of the service component of the holiday. By encouraging the participation of as many organizations as possible, we hope to make this year's King Day of Service the biggest and best ever.

For more information, please visit www.mlkday.gov.

From www.discoveryschool.com/brainboosters



Delphinia is a walking dictionary. She isn't satisfied unless she's showing off her huge vocabulary. Here's how Delphinia says these five well-known proverbs. See if you can figure out how most of us would say them:

1. The previously arriving feathered, winged biped captures the invertebrate crawler.
2. It's vastly preferable to remain unscathed than to be forced into repentance.
3. If you refrain from interrogating me, I'll articulate to you no prevarications.
4. When the terrain becomes arduous, the resolute become vigorous.
4. Heedful prudence is the preferred component of intrepidity.

Answer on page 7.

Service Animal Etiquette

Although the use of guide dogs for the blind and visually impaired has been around for thousands of years, the term seeing-eye dog was coined in 1929 by the Seeing Eye, Inc. of Morristown, N.J., the first guide dog school in America. The term was taken from Proverbs 20:12 in the Bible: The seeing eye, the hearing ear; The Lord hath made them both. After World War I, a special school in Germany began training dogs as companions, protectors, and guides to help blinded veterans.

The German Shepard was the first breed used to assist blind and visually impaired people. The breed has the size, strength and intelligence to safely and surely guide their handlers almost anywhere they need to go.

Today the term service animal is more common since many species of animals now are trained to assist people with various types of disabilities.

Monkeys, pot-bellied pigs, miniature horses and cats, as well as many breeds of dogs, now perform these specialized tasks. In addition to leading the blind and vision impaired, service animals also alert the deaf or hard of hearing and provide therapeutic companionship to the elderly and those with emotional and mental health disorders. They also detect the onset of seizures and diabetes attacks by alerting their handlers who can then safely respond or prepare, thereby avoiding injury.



Joyce McGuire and Glider

Service animals perform a wide array of other services for the physically disabled. Monkeys and dogs, for instance, help their handlers retrieve items, pull wheelchairs, open and close doors and drawers and operate light switches.

As more and more human service uses are found to strengthen the partnership between man and beast, it becomes more important to inform and educate the general public about proper etiquette and conduct when encountering someone with a service animal.

First, always keep in mind that a service animal is **not** a pet when "on duty." Service animals are trained to ignore all kinds of distractions and always to be alert for possible dangers. This requires a considerable amount of concentration, coordination and communication between the individual and the service animal. Depending on the owner's preference and/or the animal's temperament, a service animal may be treated as a pet once at home, out of its uniform (harness or service vest) and officially "off duty."

Another often-broken rule is to always speak to the individual and not the animal. It's important to remember that the working animal is a tool, not a pet, and to respect that role. It is best initially to ignore a service animal so it can focus on its companion. Never speak to or touch the service animal without first asking permission and don't be offended if you are asked not to pet the animal. Don't call to or make sounds to attract the attention of a working service animal. These and other types of distractions can, over time, interfere with training retention and cause obedience problems.

Never feed or offer food to a service animal. Although trained to resist such temptations, even the best-trained animal when tempted frequently or persistently enough can yield to that temptation. While distracted in this way, a service animal can potentially put its handler at risk. In addition, animals, like people, can have sensitivities to certain foods and become ill if fed without permission.

It is becoming more and more common to encounter service animals at work as we go about our daily routines. By learning how to react and conduct ourselves around these special animals and their companions, we can both appreciate and support the independence these animals bring to so many people.

Submitted by Lanny Taulbee, Disabilities Coordinator

From www.clean-short-funny-jokes.com



A policeman stops a lady and asks for her license. He says "Lady, it says here that you should be wearing glasses."

The woman answered "Well, I have contacts."

The policeman replied "I don't care who you know! You're getting a ticket!"

Spotlight on Cindy Anderkin McCullough (continued from page 3)

responsibilities at home left little time for studies or a social life and created a great deal of pressure and stress for the young man. McCullough and his teachers worked together to find some solutions to give him more time to study and enjoy his life.

McCullough advised AmeriCorps members to be willing to give 110 percent to their service. She emphasized that although the service is often mentally, emotionally and physically demanding, it also is extremely rewarding. She said if given the opportunity, she would serve again. McCullough considers giving back both a responsibility and a privilege.

"I believe I learned more from those I helped than they learned from me," she said.

McCullough said her ability to see student holistically is one of the most important things she learned during her year of service. She sees students first as people who deserve respect, consideration of their feelings and loving direction. She has carried these lessons with her into her professional career.

AMERICORPS PROGRAM SPOTLIGHT

Homeland Security Corps

On Wednesday, Nov. 8, Major Alicia Webb-Edgington, Director of Homeland Security for Kentucky, met with members of the Homeland Security Corps in Owensboro during a visit to the Green River Area Development District (GRADD). Members of the Homeland Security Corps, a Kentucky AmeriCorps program, attended the GRADD Board of Directors meeting where Major Webb-Edgington was the guest speaker.

During the meeting, the members were recognized and applauded by Daviess County Judge/Executive and GRADD Board Chairman Reid Haire. Judge Haire, whose fiscal court sponsors several AmeriCorps members for local agencies, praised the high caliber of the members and the impact of their accomplishments on the community.



Back row (left to right): Joe Yorns, Dave Clark, Mischelle Pinkston, Tom Pulvino, Jacob Wright
Front row (left to right): Chet Kaminski, Carol Jenkins, Amy Daugherty, Maj. Alicia Webb-Edgington, Shari Johnson, Sandra Arison, Robina Spencer (VISTA)

In her remarks, Major Webb-Edgington spoke of state-level goals, including to educate citizens on effective disaster preparedness and training volunteers in disaster response. These priorities parallel performance measures established for the Homeland Security Corps. Interestingly, she also stressed the importance of using geographic information systems (GIS) to help prepare first responders.

Since 2002, 10 members of the Homeland Security Corps have helped increase the capacity of local disaster preparedness and response agencies by training in disaster response, educating the public and recruiting volunteers for Citizen Corps programs.

In the seven-county GRADD region, program members have reached more than 60,000 citizens with disaster preparedness information, 300 people have been trained in community emergency response and another 130 have received Medical Reserve Corps training. The corps' sponsor agencies represent all Citizen Corps programs and partners and serve on the regional Citizen Corps Council.

Homeland Security Corps members serve with law enforcement agencies, fire-rescue agencies, county emergency management agencies, solid waste management, GIS and the American Red Cross. The Red Cross provides in-kind training for members including CPR, first aid, introduction to disaster, mass care and sheltering, logistics and damage assessment. Upon

completion of these classes, members are qualified to assist in Red Cross disaster shelter operations.

In the past year, Homeland Security Corps members have collaborated with other Corporation for National and Community Service programs such as: the Senior Connections AmeriCorps program where they've constructed wheel chair ramps and performed other services on behalf of area low-income elderly; AmeriCorps*VISTA, for which they've helped recruit volunteers for the Medical Reserve Corps; and Senior Service Corps at Audubon Area Community Services where they collected canned goods for local food pantries as a Martin Luther King Jr. Day event.

David Clark, program director, and Jud Pomeroy, program coordinator, previously served as Homeland Security Corps members.

Submitted by David Clark, Homeland Security Corps program director

BILLY CORDER

Kentucky AmeriCorps member Billy Corder, 60, of Stearns passed away Nov. 16 at the Lake Cumberland Regional Hospital in Somerset. Funeral services were held Nov. 19 at the McCreary County Funeral Home with Rev. Dillard Bryant officiating.



Born in Oneida, TN, Corder was a welder and member of New Haven Baptist Church. He also was a member of Eastern Star; Orië S. Ware Lodge # 874; the Honorable Order of Kentucky Colonel and a 32nd degree Mason with the Covington Scottish Rite.



Billy Corder at the 2005 Governor's Volunteer Awards ceremony on April 24, 2006.

Corder won a 2005 Governor's Award for Outstanding Volunteer Service in the National Service Individual category for achievements above and beyond his national service requirements. At the time of his award, in addition to his 1,700 hours of service to

the AmeriCorps Getting Things Done for Kentucky's Homeless program, Corder volunteered two days a month delivering food to working single-parent families and homebound persons. He also volunteered his time to youth projects and was dedicated to helping others understand the true value of community service.

The staff at KCCVS is saddened at the loss of this extraordinary community servant and extends its sincere condolences to his family. We also wish to thank Billy Corder for his legacy of community service that will continue to bear fruit for many years to come.



For every Real Christmas Tree harvested, up to 3 seedlings are planted in its place the following spring.

There are about 500,000 acres in production for growing Christmas Trees in the U.S. Each acre provides the daily oxygen requirements of 18 people.

It can take as many as 15 years to grow a tree of average retail sale height (6 - 7 feet) or as little as 4 years, but the average growing time is 7 years.

SPIRIT OF GIVING



Chase Copeland, a seventh-grade student at Royal Spring Middle School in Georgetown was recently awarded a KCCVS certificate of appreciation honoring his contributions to his school's Thanksgiving canned food drive. The food collected was donated to the local Amen House food bank.

Chase went above and beyond what was expected or even imagined. Having recently received a check for participating in the Kentucky State Fair 4-H competition, Chase used all the proceeds from his fair prize to buy canned goods for the food drive - 48 cans of vegetables.

And he didn't stop there. Chase also earned money babysitting and doing extra chores. He used that money to purchase additional cans of food. His ingenuity and generosity resulted in a donation of 150 canned goods.

Chase also graciously declined a teacher's offer to treat him to breakfast in recognition of his outstanding contributions to the food drive. Chase said, while he very much appreciated the gesture, receiving special attention, "just doesn't feel right, knowing [the food drive] is for charity."

Chase also presented a certificate of appreciation to his school principal Shannon Gullett in recognition of the school's volunteer spirit.

The generosity and giving spirit of students at Royal Spring Middle School resulted in the delivery of more than 5,000 cans of food to the local food bank.

Submitted by Carrie Bryant

Answer to brain teaser on page 4.

1. The early bird catches the worm.
2. Better safe than sorry.
3. Ask me no questions, I'll tell you no lies.
4. When the going gets tough, the tough get going.
5. Discretion is the better part of valor.



Make A Difference Day Results (continued from cover page)

collecting a total of 51,439.6 ounces of beef stew. Almost half of that total, **20,861 ounces** was collected by the **Two Rivers Service Region** representing an average of almost 42 ounces collected by each of 500 employees. The Two Rivers Service Region will receive the special MADD Traveling Award as part of the annual Governor's Awards for Outstanding Volunteer Service presentation ceremony in Spring 2007.

The Arlie Boggs Family Resource and Youth Services Center (FRYSC) in Letcher County sponsored a school dance that required a can of beef stew for admission. The FRYSC collected 1,128 ounces of beef stew with this innovative idea.

Statewide, Kentuckians collected **349,617.68 ounces** of beef stew - enough to feed **more than 43,700 Kentuckians**. To all participants, on behalf of the KCCVS, thank you for making a difference.

Other Make A Difference Day Activities

On Make A Difference Day, Oct. 28, the KCCVS staffed a booth at the annual Pumpkinfest in downtown Frankfort.

- Beef stew/canned good donations were collected for the Franklin County Emergency Food Bank.

- Holiday greeting cards were available for visitors to sign for our troops on active duty, veterans and homebound elderly.



- Visitors to the booth learned about local volunteer service opportunities with community non-profits and other organizations (both kids and adults).

- Kids colored tray liners to be used at Frankfort Regional Medical Center and in the Meals on Wheels program.



- People picked up free Medical Records Card developed by the University of Kentucky Cooperative Extension Service, stickers and apples donated by the Bramble Ridge Orchard in Mt. Sterling.



"The miracle is this – the more we share, the more we have."

– Leonard Nimoy, American actor, director and writer (1931-)

WHAT'S ON OUR CALENDAR?

JANUARY/FEBRUARY/MARCH/APRIL

2007

Jan. 1 – New Year's Day
Jan. 7 – Orthodox Christmas
Jan. 14 – Orthodox New Year
Jan. 15 – Martin Luther King, Jr. Day of Service, www.mlkday.org
Jan. 20 – Muharramn/New Year (Islamic)
Feb. 1 – Deadline for Governor's Volunteer Awards nominations
Feb. 2 – Groundhog Day
Feb. 3 – Tu B'Shevat (Arbor Day) (Jewish)
Feb. 14 – Valentine's Day
Feb. 19 – Presidents' Day
Feb. 21 – Ash Wednesday (Christian)
March 4 – Purim (Jewish)
March 11 – Daylight Saving Time begins
March 17 – St. Patrick's Day
March 21 – First day of Spring
April 1 – Palm Sunday (Christian)
April 3 – First day of Passover (Jewish)
April 6 – Good Friday (Christian)
April 8 – Orthodox Easter
April 8 – Easter Sunday (Christian)
April 9 – Easter Monday (Christian)
April 10 – Last day of Passover (Jewish)
April 15 – Yom HaShoah, Holocaust Remembrance Day (Jewish)
April 15-21 – National Volunteer Week
April 20-22 – National and Global Youth Service Day, www.ysa.org/nysd
April 24 – Yom Ha'atzmaut (Jewish)
April 25 – Administrative Professionals Day

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