



Grace Notes

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From the Pastor's Desk

As most of you know, Sunday, June 16 was "Father's Day"! At Grace Bible Church, we recognized the fathers in our church by praying for them and by giving them (as well as all of the rest of the guys in our church) a key chain with an eagle, as well as Isaiah 40:31, on it. Guys - if you did not get your keychain, come see me!

Perhaps we need to think a bit more about Father's Day, and fathers!

From "Wikipedia", the free, on-line, encyclopedia:

"The first observance of Father's Day is believed to have been held on July 5, 1908 in a church located in Fairmont, West Virginia, by Dr. Robert Webb of West Virginia at the Central United Methodist Church of Fairmont.

Mrs. Sonora Smart Dodd of Washington thought independently of the holiday one Sunday in 1909 while listening to a Mother's Day sermon at the Central Methodist Episcopal Church at Spokane, and she arranged a tribute for her father in June 19, 1910. She was the first to solicit the idea of having an official Father's Day observance to honor all fathers.

It took many years to make the holiday official. In spite of support from the YWCA, the YMCA and churches, it ran the risk of disappearing from the calendar. Where Mother's Day was met with enthusiasm, Father's Day was met with laughter. The holiday was gathering attention slowly, but the wrong reasons: it was the target of much satire, parody and derision, including jokes from the local newspaper, *Spokesman-Review*. Many people saw it as just the first step in filling the calendar with mindless promotions like "Grandparents' Day", "Professional Secretaries' Day", etc. all the way down to "National Clean Your Desk Day". A bill was introduced in 1913, US President Calvin Coolidge supported the idea in 1924, and a national committee was formed in the 1930s by trade groups in order to legitimize the holiday."

In 1966, President Lyndon B. Johnson designated the third Sunday of June to be "Father's Day". It was not until 1972 that President Richard Nixon instituted Father's Day as a national observance.

Roses are the official flower on Father's day, red for fathers who are still living, and white for those who have passed on.

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Anders and Jennifer (Schell) Berg (June 15),
Emilio and Kimberly (Mans) Esparza (June 15), and
Robert and Heather (Den Bleyker) Scarbro (June 29)!

Let's pray for these couples as they have begun married life!

Also please continue to pray for the following couples being married in 2013.

Chris Piano and Sarah Luginbuhl (September 21st)
Ryan Hamilton and Erica Sowers (October 5th)
Lee Charles and Sarah Herington (October 12th)
Lavar Peterson and Martina Muskett (December 7th)
Dan Tom and Cheryl Walker (Date to be determined)



The deadline for August's newsletter is July 28th. Please send entries to snixon@wildblue.net or give to Susan or Pastor John.

Trivia Question

Last month's trivia question:

Who hid two spies, but claimed not to know of their whereabouts when asked? **Rahab – Josh. 2:1-5**

This month's question:

What is the only sin that cannot be forgiven?

Send your answer to snixon@wildblue.net or see Susan Nixon. Please include your full name. We'll announce the winner in next month's newsletter.



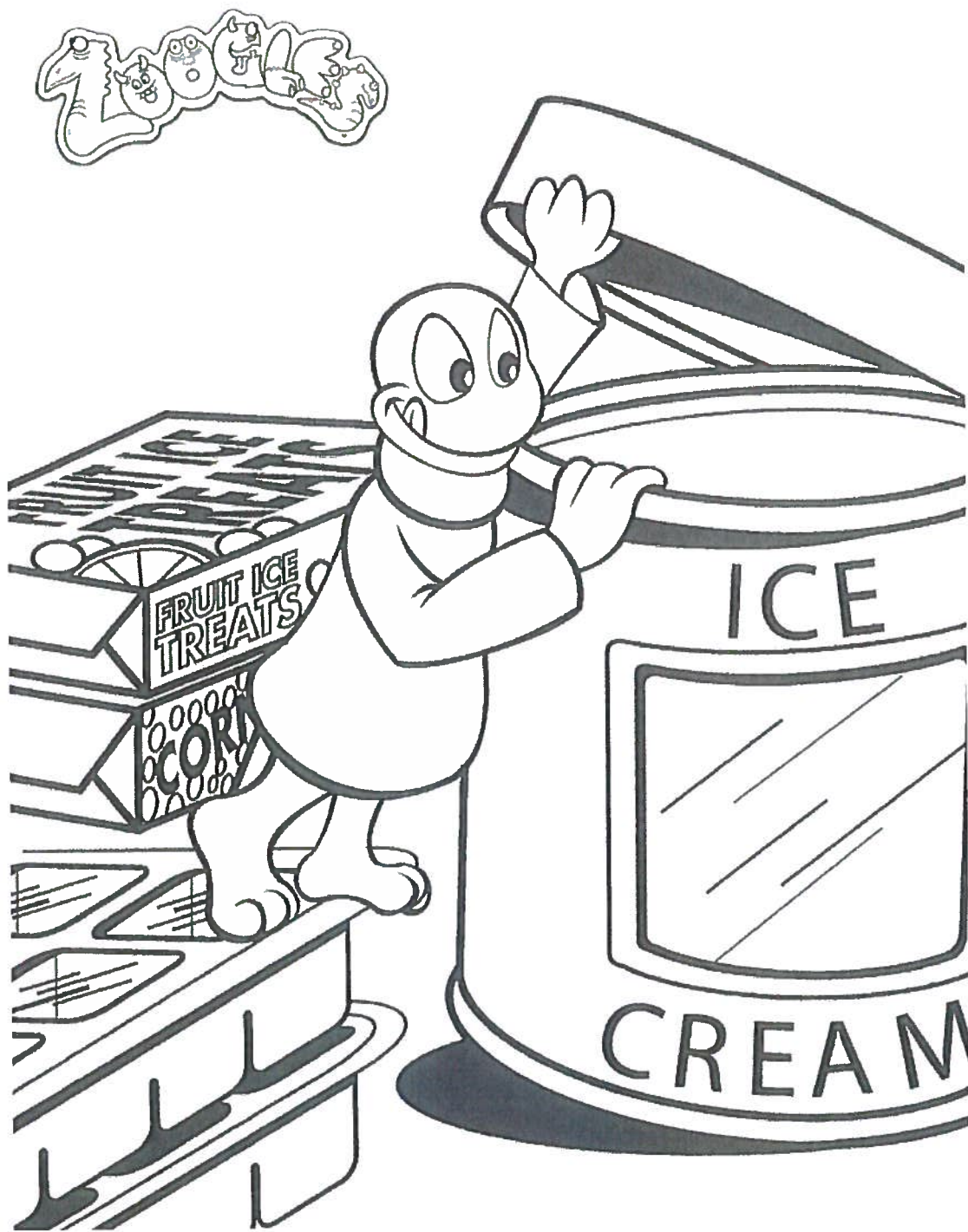
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Now that you know the "rest of the story", here are some wonderful verses from Proverbs for you to check out about the responsibilities of husbands/fathers: 1:8 (instructs his children), 1:8,9 (supports rather than undermines the teachings of the children's Godly mother), 1:10 (warns his children of evil), 3:5 (instructs his children to trust the Lord), 3:27,28 (teaches compassion), 4:1-9 (passes along a Godly heritage), ch. 5 & 6:20-35 (promotes marital fidelity to his children), 6:6-11 (encourages his children to work hard), 12:2 (obtains God's favor), 13:22 (saves something for his grandchildren), 13:24 (disciplines his children).

Let us thank the Lord for, pray for, and honor, our fathers! And, let us thank our Heavenly father, Who sent His only Son Jesus to this earth to die on the cross to pay for our sins and give us eternal life as we trust in Him!

~ Pastor John





Puzzle Time

Unscramble the letters to find words related to Summer.

Muerms	_____
Eic marec	_____
On osloch	_____
Odg ydsa	_____
Wnso necos	_____
Mwisgnim	_____
Tvcaanoi	_____
Deanmole	_____
bucerabe	_____
Cciinp	_____
Meeht rkpa	_____
Gacpnim	_____
Qusoumtois	_____
Nnrdaeigg	_____
Ssoiltec	_____
Chbae	_____
Reawmnohte	_____
Leasbbla	_____
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Did you know...?

Early in 2006, members of the board of a podcasting company called, "Odeo", held a day-long brainstorming session to name a planned project that would use computer messaging to reach small groups rather than single recipients. The messages were confined to 140 characters, for which reason the group finally hit on "Twtr", alluding to both the short burst of song from a bird and the photo site called, "Flickr". The company's "Twitter" site - so spelled - was unveiled later that year.



“THE FATHERHOOD CYCLE”

AGE:

- 4 My Daddy can do anything
- 7 My Dad knows a lot, a whole lot
- 14 Dad? Hopelessly old-fashioned!
- 21 Oh.... Dad? He is out-of-date;
what would you expect?
- 25 Dad? He comes up with a good idea
now and then.
- 30 I have to find out what Dad thinks about it.
- 35 A little patience; let's get Dad's input first!
- 50 What would Dad have thought about it?
- 65 I wish I could talk it over with Dad once more.



HAPPY BIRTHDAY, AMERICA!



YOU JUST GOTTA GO TO CAMP!!

The Summer is upon us, and that can mean only one thing: 8 *wonderful* weeks of camp at Broken Arrow Bible Ranch! Are you going to go? Lots of fun, big-ball games, movies, archery, model rockets, Bible studies and instruction, free horsemanship, tournaments, surprises, carnival, basketball, singing, riflery (22's), snacks, skits, crafts, volleyball.... WOW!! How could you *not want to go*? A mere 18 miles south of Gallup on Highway 602, on the right about ½ mile past Joe Milo's Trading Post!

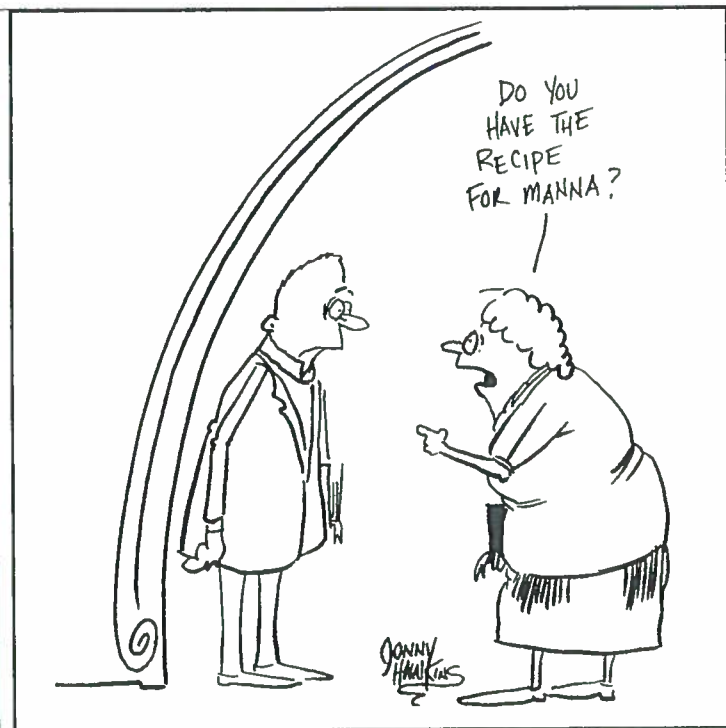
Several weeks of camp have already happened, but there are still a few weeks left:

Junior Camp (ages 8-12)	July 1
Junior Camp (ages 8-12)	July 8
Junior Camp (ages 8-12)	July 15
Teen Camp (ages 13-19)	July 22
Teen Camp (ages 13-19)	July 29

Pre-register for a guaranteed place! Call (505)778-5526 to register and/or for more info!

Bright yellow registration forms are on the Welcome Desk at Grace Bible Church!

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Bulletin Bloopers

The Fasting & Prayer Conference includes meals.

The sermon this morning: Jesus Walks on the Water. The sermon tonight: Searching for Jesus.

Ladies, don't forget the rummage sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.

For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.



DO YOU WANT TO BE added to our church's email list? You will receive prayer requests and updates, reminders of upcoming events of

the church, missionary letters, etc., etc. If you would like to be added, simply send a brief note to Pastor John at john@gracebiblegallup.org. If you would like to be removed from the email list, please send a note to that same email address!



GET INVOLVED!

There are 2 "LifeGroups" going on during the week...

EXPLORE THE BIBLE WITH US

1. Monday nights, 6:30 PM - 8:00 PM Marshalls' home (1419 Elva Dr) Old Testament Survey
2. Monday nights, 7 PM - 9 PM Luginbuhls' home (303 Cactus Rd) Study in 1,2,3 John

Now is a *great* time to get involved!!

2013 Year Verse

**"Let us consider how we may spur one another on toward love and good deeds."
Hebrews 10:24**



MAY 5th WAS "GRADUATION SUNDAY!"

We congratulate all regular-attenders of our church and/or Youth Group who have graduated from high school, college, military school, graduate school, nursing school, etc.! We are praying for you!!

College

Clarissa Johnson (B.S. In Elementary Education, UNM , Albq., Dec. '12)

Natalia Pete (Assoc. of Arts in Elementary Education, UNM, Gallup)

Gallup Central

Felix Yazzie

Fran Yazzie

Gallup High School

Rae-Lynn Cosens

T.J. Sowers

Stephanie Walker

Felicity Yazzie

Home School

Katelyn Hilderman

Justin Wynne

Middle College High School

Matthew Knox

Miyamura High School

Jessica Benally

Daniel Daugherty

Tabitha Hallock (also received her associates degree, UNM, Gallup)

Matthew Viekmán

Precepts Training Center

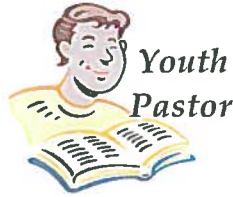
Beka Lewis

Rehoboth Christian School

Leah Thomas

Wingate High School

Shatasha Lee



WE WELCOME STEVE YODER, OUR NEW MINISTER OF YOUTH!

We are thrilled to have Steve Yoder come on staff at the church as our new Minister of Youth! Steve is currently working part-time in this position. As you all know, Pastor Rob, Liesl and their four children moved to Broomfield, CO during the week of June 10. Certainly we miss them, but pray God's blessing upon them as they have begun a new chapter in their lives. Pastor Rob's last day as our Minister of Youth was June 2. The Lord worked it out so that Pastor Steve's first day as Minister of Youth was June 3!

Pastor Steve was born and raised in Gallup. He is the son of Mark and Diann Yoder, who are part of our church family. He is also brother to Staci Spolar, who is one of our church's Deaconesses. Steve teaches Construction Technology at Miyamura High School in Gallup. Please pray for Pastor Steve as he has begun this vital ministry! The "Pulse" (youth group for entering 6th grade in the Fall through entering 12th grade in the Fall) now meets on Sunday nights at 6 PM, at the church. A schedule of youth events is posted on the bulletin board outside of Pastor Steve's office. Since Pastor Steve has come on staff, the young people have already had several fun activities! If you are in 6th-12th grade, make sure you get involved in Pulse! You'll be glad you did!

31 GUYS FROM GBC ATTEND PROMISE KEEPERS IN PHOENIX!

On the weekend of May 17-19, 31 men and young men from Grace Bible Church - and several guys from other churches - attended the Promise Keepers Conference in Phoenix, AZ. The Friday night and all-day Saturday conference was held at the new, 5000-seat Grand Canyon University Arena. 33 of us stayed at the very nice Country Inn and Suites Deer Valley on the Friday and Saturday nights. Nice rooms, free breakfast, outdoor pool and jacuzzi... pretty sweet!

The theme of the conference was "Awakening the Warrior." The men heard messages from a variety of speakers on topics dealing with family, purity, masculinity, unity, salvation. There were also a number of times of worship, as well as a special concert by Lincoln Brewster as well as by Christian comedian Michael Jr.

The weekend proved to be a great time of fellowship, learning and growth! Hopefully next year we can have even *more* guys from Grace Bible attend!



AARON CHAVEZ is in a former soviet republic this Summer, leading a team (Aaron, Austin, Caitlin, Carissa, Josh) with Baptist Student Union - the "FSR White 2013 team" - in order to share the Gospel and encourage people there. You can follow what the Lord is doing in and through the team by going to fsrwhitechallenge.blogspot.com Please pray for Aaron and the team as they love people with the love of Jesus Christ!



[John Adams](#) wrote, in a letter to his wife: The second day of July, 1776, will be the most memorable epoch in the history of America. I am apt to believe that it will be celebrated by succeeding generations as the great anniversary festival. It ought to be commemorated as the day of deliverance, by solemn acts of devotion to God Almighty. It ought to be solemnized with pomp and parade, with shows, games, sports, guns, bells, bonfires, and illuminations, from one end of this continent to the other, from this time forward forever more.

So why is Independence Day celebrated on July 4th? From the outset, Americans celebrated independence on July 4th, because it was the date shown on the much-publicized [Declaration of Independence](#) rather than on July 2nd, which was the date the resolution of independence was approved in a closed session of Congress.



- July 6 Men's Breakfast at Don Diego's Restaurant, 801 W. Hwy 66, 8 -9 AM
- July 9 4-week Prophecy Class (Faith Bible Institute) begins, in gym, 6:30 PM
- July 12 Family Game Night at GBC, 7 PM
- July 14 Bridal Shower for Sarah Luginbuhl (2 PM)
- July 28 Quarterly Business Mtg (Noon)
- Aug. 3 Men's Breakfast at Don Diego's Restaurant, 801 W. Hwy 66, 8 -9 AM
- Aug. 4 Baby Shower for Autumn Peralto
- Aug. 15-17 SWCBA Leadership Retreat, Scottsdale
- Aug. 18 Baby Shower for Natalia Pete





Recipe of the Month: Fudge Sundae Pie

Ingredients:

1 cup evaporated milk
6 oz. semi-sweet chocolate morsels
1 cup miniature marshmallows
 $\frac{1}{4}$ tsp. salt
Vanilla wafers
1 quart vanilla ice cream
pecans

Directions:

1. Put evaporated milk, chocolate morsels and miniature marshmallows in sauce pan.
2. Heat on low heat until melted and thickened, stirring constantly.
3. Remove from heat and allow to cool to room temperature.
4. Line the bottom and sides of a 9 inch pie plate with vanilla wafers.
5. Spoon $\frac{1}{2}$ quart of ice cream over the wafers.
6. Spoon on $\frac{1}{2}$ of fudge mixture.
7. Add another $\frac{1}{2}$ quart of ice cream and the remaining fudge mixture.
8. Top with pecans.
9. Place in freezer to harden, about 3 to 4 hours.



Special Days in July

- 1 American Zoo Day, International Joke Day
- 2 Fudge Sundae Pie Day
- 4 Independence Day, National Country Music Day
- 5 Work-a-holics Day
- 6 National Fried Chicken Day
- 7 Chocolate Day
- 9 National Sugar Cookie Day
- 10 Teddy Bear Picnic Day
- 11 Cheer up the Lonely Day
- 12 Pecan Pie Day
- 13 Embrace Your Geekness Day
- 17 Peach Ice Cream Day
- 20 Moon Day
- 21 National Ice Cream Day
- 23 National Hot Dog Day, Vanilla Ice Cream Day
- 24 Cousins Day
- 26 Aunt and Uncle Day
- 28 National Milk Chocolate Day, Parent's Day
- 29 National Lasagna Day
- 30 Father-in-Law Day
- 31 Mutts Day



I am a third generation Gallupian, son of Mark and Diann Yoder. My grandfather Roy Yoder had a construction business for many years here in Gallup and built many homes and businesses around town. His parents were key founders of the First Baptist church which was located on the corner of W. Green Street and S. 2nd Street. I am very proud to say that

the Yoder family has always been dedicated to serving our Savior Jesus Christ for many generations. This was a blessing and a curse because I was under the impression as a child that going to church and saying a prayer made one a child of God, but I was wrong. My walk with Christ became real when I was 16. I had gone through some hard events and realized that "playing church" was not what a real follower of Christ was. At that point in my life, I decided to make Jesus my King, Savior, and submitted to His ruling of all decisions in my life. It was not long till my walk became very intimate with the Lord and the understanding and desire to read His word was a focal point in my life. At seventeen God had showed me the direction in life he wanted me to pursue was Youth ministry. A youth pastor from Florida named David Yawn had become youth pastor at First Baptist Church. He walked beside me and became a close friend and mentor, modeling a true heart for teens, showing me what true ministry was. After graduating from Rehoboth, I attended UNM branch for two years and transferred to South Eastern Theological Seminary in North Carolina where I pursued a major in History of Ideas and a minor in Biblical Studies. I worked my way through seminary as a carpenter and foreman for different construction companies while leading an after school outreach program for teens called Youth for Christ.

In the winter of 2008, God called me back to Gallup for ministry. I heavily declined His offer and became very stubborn, not listening to the convicting voice calling me home. In the same way a child throws temper tantrums, I refused His will for me to return home. Now looking back at my offensive behavior to our merciful God, I see that He had to pull a "Jonah" on me. Sometimes God must correct His children because He loves us. I am now the Construction Technology teacher for Miyamura High School where I teach high school students about residential carpentry. I happily served as youth pastor at East Aztec Baptist Church for a little over three years and now God has given me the opportunity to minister at Grace Bible Church as youth pastor. My heart's cry is to see the youth of the Gallup area to come to know Christ as their personal savior, overcome struggles, and bring families closer together. I would like to thank the families of Grace Bible Church for welcoming me with open arms and Pastor Luginbuhl for being a good friend I can serve side by side with.

~Steve Yoder



Do you want to be baptized? We will be having a baptismal service during our morning worship service at Grace Bible on July 28. If you'd like to be baptized, you **MUST** attend a one-hour baptismal class, at Grace Bible, on Sunday, July 21, at 4:30 PM (in the Sanctuary).

You may simply be interested in learning what our church believes about baptism (from God's Word). Please feel free to come to the class! Coming to the class on July 21 does NOT "obligate you" to be baptized on Sunday morning July 28! However, if you *plan* on being baptized on the 28th, you **MUST** attend the class!

Questions? Please let Pastor John know.



Grace Bible Church July 2013

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
	1 6:30 Life group @ Marshalls' 7:00 Life group @ Luginbuhl's	2 6 PM Pulse: Service Night (distribute food to needy)	3	4	5	6 8:00 Men's Breakfast @ Don Diego's Restaurant
7 Sunday School 9:00 Worship 10:15 The Edge 6:00 Prayer Time 6:00 The Pulse 6:00	8 6:30 Life group @ Marshalls' 7:00 Life group @ Luginbuhl's	9 6:30 FBI	10 5 PM Pulse leave for Zuni; back at 9	11	12 All-Church Family Game Night 7:00	13
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21 SS 9; Wrshp 10:15 Bapt. Class 4:30 The Edge 6:00 Prayer Time 6:00 The Pulse 6:00	22 6:30 Life group @ Marshalls' 7:00 Life group @ Luginbuhl's	23 6:30 FBI	24	25	26 8 AM Pulse: hike El Morro	27
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