

THE HUB Gilford Town Newsletter



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WELCOME TO THE SEPTEMBER ISSUE

Welcome to the September 2022 issue of The Hub, the town-wide newsletter for Gilford.

The first month of autumn has vacations winding down and kids going back to school, but there is still plenty to do around town!

If your group has something they'd like featured, please email us at gilfordlibrary@gmail.com by the 20th of the month and we will try to fit it in the next month's issue.

NEWS FROM TOWN HALL

GILFORD RESIDENTS

All Town Offices will be closed on Monday, September 5th for Labor Day



GILFORD PHONE DIRECTORY

Administrator	527-4700
Assessing Office	527-4704
Board of Selectmen	527-4700
Budget Committee	527-4700
Building Inspector	527-4727
Finance Department	527-4701
Fire Department	527-4758
Gunstock Acres Village Water District	293-8580
Health Officer	707-5860
Historic District	527-4727
Library	524-6042
Parks & Recreation	527-4722
Police -Business Emergency	527-4737 528-3800/911
Planning & Land Use	527-4727
Public Works	527-4778
Solid Waste Center	527-4778
Town Clerk/ Tax Collector	527-4713
Welfare Office	527-4796

DID YOU KNOW?

The Board of Selectmen have a Facebook Page! You can find the page by clicking <u>here</u> or by searching for Town of Gilford - Board of Selectmen's Office.

CALENDAR

Cemetery Trustees

9/1, 4PM @ Gilford Town Hall

Conservation Commission 9/6, 9/20, 7PM @ Gilford Town Hall

Gunstock Acres Village Water District 9/13, 5:30PM @ Gilford Public Library

Historic District & Heritage Commission 9/13, 7PM @ Gilford Town Hall

Library Trustee Meeting

9/14, 10AM @ Gilford Public Library

Board of Selectmen

9/14, 9/28, 7PM @ Gilford Town Hall

Kimball Wildlife Forest Committee

9/15, 4PM @ Gilford Town Hall

Planning Board

9/19, 7PM @ Gilford Town Hall

Friends of the Library

9/20, 4PM @ Gilford Public Library

Board of Fire Engineers

9/20, 8:30AM @ Fire Station

Zoning Board of Adjustment

9/27, 7PM @ Gilford Town Hall

TOWN NEWS ON YOUR TV

You can find recorded meetings, flyers for town events and programs, & information all on Lakes Region Public Access, which can be found locally on **Atlantic Broadband Channels**

Mondays 5:00am - 4:30pm Fridays 5:00am - 5:45 pm Sundays 6pm-12 Midnight

24, 25, & 26 on the schedule.



"THE RECREATION CENTER OF NEW HAMPSHIRE"



TOWN OF GILFORD

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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

FROM: Scott J. Dunn, Town Administrator

DATE: July 14, 2022

SUBJECT: BOSTON POST CANE NOMINATIONS

The Gilford Board of Selectmen is currently soliciting nominations to identify the oldest Gilford resident for the purposes of being presented with the Boston Post Cane.

Nominations may be submitted by anyone with knowledge of a distinguished senior citizen who currently resides in Gilford. It is requested that recommendations be submitted in writing by Friday, July 29 with the name of the proposed recipient, their age (a date of birth would be helpful if known), a phone number, and a brief biography.

The Town will then contact the most senior nominee to make sure he or she would be willing to accept the award and to verify the accuracy of the nomination information.

For more information, or to send in the name of a candidate, contact the Selectmen's Office at 527-4700; or write to selectmen@gilfordnh.org.

cc: Board of Selectmen



NEW HAMPSHIRE STATE PRIMARY



NOTICE TO VOTERS

THE STATE PRIMARY VOTING WILL BE HELD AT THE FOLLOWING LOCATION GILLOW YOUTH CENTER

NAME OF POLLING LOCATION

Tuesday, September 13, 2022

Beginning at 7:00 o'clock

Closing no earlier than 1:00 o'clock

For the nomination of Candidates for the following Offices:

Declarations of Candidacy to be filed with Secretary of State

Governor

United States Senator

Representative in Congress

Executive Councilor

State Senator County Officer

Declarations of Candidacy to be filed with Town or City Clerks

State Representative

Delegate to the Republican

State Convention (Election)

Declarations of Candidacy, Declarations of Intent and Petitions to be filed with the Secretary of State no earlier than June 1, nor later than June 10, 5 p.m.

Declarations of Candidacy and Petitions to be filed with the Town and City Clerks no earlier than June 1, nor later than June 10, 5 p.m.

Date **JUNC 1, 2022**

Danielle Latonal

Clerk

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

- To vote, fill in the oval (s) Opposite your choice (s) like this
- . To write-in a person not on the ballot, write the name on the line provided for the office and fill in the oval opposite the write-in line, like this

OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR **GILFORD** DEMOCRATIC

STATE PRIMARY ELECTION September 13, 2022



For Governor Vote for not more than 1

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MIRITE IN	

Tom Sherman

John Rinnieri

For United States Senator

Vote for not more than 1

John Higgion	
Maggie Hassan	
Paul J. Krautmann	

For Representative in Congress

Vote for not more than 1

Chris Pappas	

WRITE-IN

For Executive Councilor

Vote for not more than 1

Dana	S.	Hilliard	
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WRITE-IN

For State Senator Vote for not more than 1

Kate Miller

For State Representatives Vote for not more than 4

Lisa	A.	DiMartino	
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Dana Ha	ckett
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Bob McLean

Edward Cracraft

WRITE-IN

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For Sheriff

Vote for not more than 1

WRITE-IN

For County Attorney Vote for not more than 1

WRITE-IN

For County Treasurer

Vote for not more than 1

WRITE-IN

For Register of Deeds

Vote for not more than 1

WRITE-IN

For Register of Probate

Vote for not more than 1

WRITE-IN

For County Commissioner

Vote for not more than 1

Eliza Leadbeater

WRITE-IN

INSTRUCTIONS TO VOTERS

- To vote, fill in the oval (s) opposite your choice (s) like this
- To write-in a person not on the ballot, write the name on the line provided for the office and fill in the

Gilead R. Towne

OFFICIAL BALLOT FOR GILFORD REPUBLICAN



oval opposite the write-in line,	State Primary Election September 13, 2022	SAMPLE	
For Governor Vote for not more than 1	For Executive Councilor Vote for not more than 1	For Register of Deeds Vote for not more than 1	
- Chris Sununu	Joseph D. Kenney	Judy McGrath	
Karen Testerman	WRITE-IN O	WRITE-IN	
Julian M. Acciard	For State Senator	For Register of Probate	
Jay Lewis	Vote for not more than 1	Vote for not more than 1	
Richard A. McMenamon II	Dave DeVoy	Alan Glassman	
Thaddeus P. Riley	Timothy Lang	Marc Abear	
WRITE-IN WRITE-IN	John R. Plumer	WRITE-IN O	
For United States Senator Vote for not more than 1	WRITE-IN O	For County Commissioner Vote for not more than 1	
Edmond Laplante, Jr.	For State Representatives Vote for not more than 4	Leo R. Bernier	
Vikram Mansharamani	Norm Silber	Stephen Hodges	
- Andy Martin	Glen Aldrich	Harold Shurtleff	
Chuck Morse	Harry H. Bean	WRITE-IN	
Tejasinha Sivalingam	Richard B. Beaudoin		
Kevin H. Smith	Russell Dumais	For Delegates to the State Convention	
Gerard Beloin	Gregg Hough	Vote for not more than 4	
John Berman	David Nagel	Priscilla M. Bean	
Donald C. Bolduc	WRITE-IN	Sue Higgins	
Bruce Fenton	WRITE-IN	Douglas J. Lambert	
Dennis Lamare	WRITE-IN	David Murphy	
WRITE-IN	WRITE-IN	Nancy S. Poole	
For Representative in Congress	For Sheriff	David Strang	
Vote for not more than 1	Vote for not more than 1	WRITE-IN O	
Tom Alciere	Bill Wright	WRITE-IN O	
Tim Baxter	Michael A. MacFadzen	WRITE-IN O	
Gail Huff Brown	WRITE-IN	WRITE-IN O	
Mark Kilbane	For County Attorney		
Karoline Leavitt	Vote for not more than 1		
Mary Maxwell	Andrew Livernois		
- Matt Mowers	WRITE-IN O		
Russell Prescott	For County Treasurer	DACE C	
Kevin R. Rondeau	Vote for not more than 1	PAGE 6	

Michael G. Muzzey

WRITE-IN

WRITE-IN

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ THE LIBRARY

Dearly beloved, we are gathered in this newsletter to witness the union of the end of Summer and the beginning of Autumn. This curious in-between, where the weather is fickle and you aren't quite sure if you should bring that jacket on your outing later.

Though the eventful time of Summer programs and reading challenges is behind us that doesn't mean we can rest on our laurels here at the library. September is Library Card Sign-Up Month where we encourage you to "Make Thyme for Yourself." To entice you (and perhaps an aspiring library patron friend of yours) into our building we have fun programs throughout. From "Banjos, Bones, Ballads" on the 6th to "Doggy Storytime" on the 7th, "Felt Workshop" on the 15th and "Good Night, Sleep Tight" on the 20th, September is packed with exciting one off programs to bring the community together.

We hope to see you around, whether you're jacketed or not.

SUBSCRIBE TO OUR WEEKLY NEWSLETTER

Want the latest information and want to know what's going on at the Gilford Public Library? Click here to sign up for the newsletter. We have the latest books and highlight some library staff favorites as well as fun facts and videos.

Building Hours

Monday - Wednesday, Friday 9AM-6PM Thursday 9AM-8PM Saturday 10AM-2PM

Curbside Service

Monday-Friday 9AM-5PM

WHAT'S GOING ON IN THE CHILDREN'S ROOM

Doggy Storytime - Wednesday, September 7 @ 10:30pm

Baby Storytime - Mondays, September 12-October 17 @ 10:00am

Preschool Storytime - Tuesdays, September 13-October 18 @ 10:30am

Preschool Storytime - Fridays, September 16-October 21 @ 10:30am

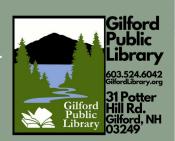
Elementary Early Release: Scarecrow Pencil Holder - Wednesday,

September 14 @ 1:30pm

Spanish Storytime - Every other Thursday, September 15-October 13 @ 10:00am

Science @ the Library - Wednesdays, September 21-October 5 and October 19 @ 3:30pm

For More Information click <u>here</u>!



WWW.GILFORDLIBRARY.ORG

WHAT'S HAPPENING @ THE LIBRARY

LIBRARY CARD SIGN UP MONTH - SEPTEMBER 1-30

Don't have a library card or know someone who needs one? Come by the library during the month of September! You will receive a library card and access to our myriad books, audiobooks, dvds and more, AND a small token of appreciation from the library.

BANJOS, BONES, BALLADS - TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 6TH @ 2:00PM

Jeff Warner brings ballads, love songs and comic pieces from pre-industrial New England in this performance of where we came from and what brought us along.

MYSTERY BOOK GROUP - MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 12TH @ 5:00PM

Join us for this month's mystery book group! Betty Tidd will lead the discussion of *The Glass Key* by Dashiell Hammett. Copies of the book will be available at the circulation desk.

FALL FELT CRAFT - THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH @ 2:00PM

Learn how to make whimsical wool mushrooms with needle felting and bring home a cute fall decoration!

BOOK DISCUSSION - THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 15TH @ 5:00PM

This month's book is *Fifty Words for Rain* by Asha Lemmie. Led by Rhetta; books are available at the front desk.

GOOD NIGHT, SLEEP TIGHT - SEPTEMBER 20TH @ 1:00PM

Granite VNA presents a workshop on how to get those essential Zs. Find out how much sleep we really need, suggestions for a quality nights sleep, and strategies on speaking with your healthcare provider about difficulty sleeping.

HELEN KELLER HISTORICAL ENACTMENT-THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22ND @ 6:00PM

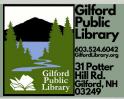
Historical actress Sheryl Faye presents the life of Helen Keller from her childhood to the writing of her twelve books.

FOUNTAIN OF YOUTH - SEPTEMBER 27TH @ 10:00AM

Dr. Amanda of Awakening Chiropractic presents a class on understanding how our bodies age. Learn more about what you can do daily to increase your body's longevity and vitality for years to come!

OUTDOOR MOVIE- THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH @ 6:30PM

Stay tuned for the day and time for an outdoor movie experience!

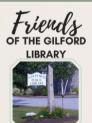








Old Home Day 2022



GILFORD FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY!

The Friends Old Home Day Pie and Book Sales were a huge success! Thanks to all who participated in any and all ways. If you are looking to become more involved, consider coming to our next Board meeting on Tuesday, September 20th at 4:00 pm in the library Meeting Room. We will begin planning for Fall events and review Board positions to fill any vacancies. Please come and add your thoughts and energy.



GILFORD SCHOOL DISTRICT

SAU 73 2 Belknap Mountain Road Gilford, NH 03249 Phone 603-527-9215 | Fax 603-527-9216

ALL SCHOOLS

School starts
September 6th
Early Release
September 14

SCHOOL BOARD MEETING

6:00 p.m. ~ September 12, 2022 - Gilford High School

EARLY RELEASE

Gilford High School - September 14 @ 12:30PM Gilford Middle School - September 14 @ 1:30PM Gilford Elementary School - September 14 @ 1:30PM

BUS SCHEDULES

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Gilford Bus Schedule



Gilford Parks and Recreation News!

Senior Moment-um "End of Summer" Beach BBQ and Bocce on Monday, September 12th!

Where better to be on a late summer day than Gilford Beach? We will hosting an "End of Summer" Barbecue. Please join us at the Gilford Town Beach at 11:30 AM for lunch, enjoy the view of the lake while we eat, and then on to some friendly bocce and/or corn hole competition for those who wish to play! Dan Barnhart will be





preparing a barbeque meal of hot dogs, hamburgers, cheeseburgers, pickles, tossed salad drinks and dessert. Also, if you have a lawn chair, please bring it! Come and enjoy the last of our summer days at beautiful Gilford Beach! The cost is \$8.00 per person. Please RSVP by Thursday, September 8. The rain date will be Wednesday, September 14. For more information or to RSVP, please call the Parks and Rec.

Office at 527-4722.

Senior Moment-um Italian Lunch and Movie on Monday, Sept. 26th!

We will be meeting at the Gilford Community Church for an Itialian Lunch prepared by Dan Barnhart, followed by a viewing of "Under the Tuscan Sun". Menu details and price are still yet to be determined. Please call the Parks and Recreation Office at 527-4722 for more information.

Fall Adult Hiking Program Scheduled to Begin on September 13th

We will once again be sponsoring some fall hikes for any adults looking for a fun, socially distanced safe activity on Tuesdays this fall. The first hike will be held on September 13th at they will run each week through October 11th. Participants will gather each morning at 9:15 a.m. in the Gilford Town Hall Lobby before departing for the hike. All interested participants must RSVP at least one day in advance



to each trip. For more information or to RSVP, please call the Parks and Rec. Office at 527-4722.

Gilford Parks and Recreation Contact Info

Gilford Parks and Recreation website: www.gilfordrec.com
Gilford Parks and Recreation Office Phone: 527-4722
Gilford Parks and Recreation Program Announcement Line: 527-4723
You can also "Like" Gilford Parks and Recreation on facebook!







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DOWN AND DIRTY WITH DPW



FALL CLEANUP TIME



Most people don't realize that beautiful falling New England leaves means more blocked culverts and ditches for DPW. Whether mother nature blows the leaves or a home owner uses a leaf blower, leaves that make their way to the roadside ditches, can wreak havoc on the drainage system. Storm water, leaves and debris flow downstream until they often clog up at a private driveway culvert, Town catch basin or road culvert. When this happens you or your neighbor's driveway might washout, your road may be undermined or worse yet a section of road could collapse!

DPW tries to get around to suck out leaves or dig them out of swales that are prone to clogging, but with 90 miles of road and thousands of culverts around Town, our crews cannot get to them all. For the last month crews have been repairing damages from the late July and August heavy rains that created washouts all over Town. Residents can help by NOT blowing leaves into the roadside ditches or even back yard ditches that are meant to collect storm water from rain events.







DOWN AND DIRTY WITH DPW

FALL CLEANUP TIME (CONT.)

Water is powerful and can cause significant damage when it falls fast and furious. So when the weather cools down and you're ready to start doing fall cleanups in your yard, please remember to bring your leaves to the Gilford Solid Waste Center where they can be recycled into compost and avoid blowing them into drainage ditches. Thank you!







COMMUNITY EVENTS

From National Nite Out, to enjoying some lemonade on Morgan way or our construction themed float in the Old Home Day parade, DPW staff has been out engaging with our great community! The DPW staff enjoys meeting families and participating in these fun community events where kids get a chance to see our trucks and equipment up close. Thanks to our awesome staff who stepped up and made the extra effort to attend these events over the summer.





Eversource's New Start Program

Sometimes life can take you down a road with unexpected financial curves. Eversource's New Start program can help give you a new start.

The New Start program helps you eliminate your outstanding balance in as little as 12 months. You make on-time monthly payments and we'll make up the difference. Let's do this together!

Here's How New Start Works

- Eversource will review your account billing history and set a monthly payment plan based on your average electric usage during the past 12 months.
- The amount credited to your account each month is calculated by taking your total balance at the time of enrollment and dividing it by 12.
- With each on-time monthly payment, 1/12th of the enrollment balance is eliminated or forgiven; up to \$12,000 annually.
- Your service will not be shut-off for non-payment provided you are making your on-time monthly payments.

Eligibility and Benefits

To qualify for New Start and Get its Benefits:

- You must be an Eversource residential electric customer with active service; and
- Your account must have a financial hardship status and have a past due balance of \$150 or more that is 60 or more days past due.
- As long as you continue to make on-time, monthly payments, we'll continue crediting
 your account until your entire balance as of the date of enrollment is eliminated (up to
 \$12,000 annually).

We're Here to Help You can enroll in New Start today with just a few clicks and no wait at **Eversource.com/billhelp**.

If you would prefer to speak with us, you may call 844-273-7760. Our representatives are available Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 6 p.m.



Struggling to pay your electric bill? We have programs to help.

For more information on these payment assistance programs and payment plans, visit Eversource.com/billhelp or call us at 844-273-7760.

We'll work with you one-one-one to find the best program for you.

Fuel Assistance

Provides payment toward your heating bill.

Visit CAPNH.org or call 2-1-1 to find your local Community Action Agency and apply.

Medical and Financial Hardship Protections

If you or a member of your household has a medical condition or is experiencing a financial hardship, your service may be protected from service disconnection.

Electric Assistance Program

You may be eligible for a discount on your electric bill through the Electric Assistance Program, if your gross monthly or annual household income qualifies at the time you apply. See Income Eligibility Guidelines below.

Visit **CAPNH.org** or call **2-1-1** to find your local Community Action Agency and apply.

New Start

Have your outstanding balance eliminated in as little as 12 months. We'll establish a monthly payment plan for you based on your usage.

Make your scheduled New Start monthly payment, and a portion of the total balance enrolled in New Start will be eliminated or "forgiven," reducing the amount you owe.

Payment Plans

All customers, regardless of income can pay a past due balance over an extended period.

Call Eversource at **844-273-7760** or visit **Eversource.com/billhelp**.

Energy Efficiency

Visit **Eversource.com/home-savings** for tips, tools and resources to help make your home more energy efficient and comfortable.

Income Eligibility Guidelines for Electric Assistance Program (Discount Rate)

Household Size	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
30-Day Income	\$3,098	\$4,052	\$5,005	\$5,958	\$6,912	\$7,865	\$8,044	\$8,222
Annual Gross Income	\$37,696	\$49,295	\$60,894	\$72,493	\$84,092	\$95,691	\$97,866	\$100,040

New Hampshire Emergency Rental Assistance Program (NHERAP)

NHERAP helps eligible residents impacted by COVID-19 pay past-due and future rent and utility expenses. Apply online at **CAPNH.org** or call **2-1-1**.

Neighbor Helping Neighbor

May provide additional financial assistance for overdue utility bills. Visit **CAPNH.org**.

Other Help

Visit **211NH.org** or call **2-1-1**.

More Information

New Hampshire Public Utilities Commission: 800-852-3793



Scan here for more information.





For immediate release

Contact: Jennifer Kelley Executive Director Jenn@ChildrensAuction.com 603-527-0999 383 South Main Street Laconia NH 03246

Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction's First Theater Fundraiser Raises Over \$10,000

LACONIA — The Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction's first-ever Broadway Fundraiser held at the Colonial Theatre Laconia last week entertained hundreds and raised just over \$10,000 for local children and families in need.

Roughly 400 tickets were sold, and nearly 150 children attended the show at no cost, thanks to generous donors who sponsored seats through local nonprofits. Organizations that had children attend included Belknap House, Boys and Girls Club of Central NH, Central NH Foster & Adoptive Parent Support Group, Got Lunch! Ashland, Got Lunch! Campton Thornton, Hands Across the Table, Mayhew Program, and Tapply Thompson Community Center.

"It was so exciting to collaborate with local community theater groups to create this community fundraising event," said Jennifer Kelley, the Auction's executive director. "Our area is robust with talent, and we wanted to showcase them. We were also thrilled to give kids in need the ability to attend the show at no cost with our Sponsor a Seat initiative."

The show offered Broadway-themed musical performances by local community theater groups, including Franklin Footlight Theatre, One Light Theatre, Powerhouse Theatre Collaborative and The Streetcar Company, as well as an array of dancers from Broadway North. The event was sponsored by Bank of New Hampshire and MB Tractor & Equipment, along with media sponsors Laconia Daily Sun and Lakes 101.5 FM. Perfect Lines donated bags of popcorn for the kids in the sponsored seats.

The evening's performance was produced and directed by Jessica Alward and her creative team, including Scott Alward, Hillary Ayers, Sarah Olsen and Kelli Powers. Kelley said, "The Auction is grateful for their vision and dedication and the innumerable hours they devoted to making this a memorable performance."

Alward said, "This wonderful event wouldn't have been possible without the talent and support of the many community theater groups in the Lakes Region. What a pleasure it was to see them come together to support the Auction with their time and talents. We were delighted with the outcome of this inaugural production and look forward to next year's event."

The evening's emcee was local radio legend Pat Kelly, a loyal supporter of Lakes Region events and organizations, particularly of the arts. "He has a decades-long association with the Auction, and we were thrilled to have him lead our event," Kelley said.

The goals of our Broadway Fundraiser were to raise money for the nonprofits that support local children and their families in need; to highlight the extraordinary talent in this community; and to create an event to expose to the arts children who might not otherwise have this opportunity.

Learn more about the Auction at Childrens Auction.com

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About the Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction:

The Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction is a charitable event held every December in central New Hampshire. Countless volunteers and donors have turned the Auction and its many fundraising events, including the 2022 Community Challenge, into a major annual campaign. In the 40 years that the community has come together for the Auction, an impressive \$7.5 million has been awarded to local nonprofit organizations, all through volunteer efforts, community donations and corporate sponsorship. The Greater Lakes Region Charitable Fund for Children is a 501(c)(3) nonprofit organization that helps community organizations in the Central New Hampshire region. For more information about the Auction, the nonprofits it supports and how you can help, visit Childrens Auction.com.



Greater Lakes Region Children's Auction is a 501(c)3 nonprofit organization 383 South Main Street, Laconia NH 03246

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