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Bethel #5

Lauren Prososki

We held our Firework stand FUN-draiser again this year. We all had lots of fun and raised some money to support our activities throughout this next year!

At Grand Bethel this year, Bethel #5 was very successful! Some of our notable achievements were: 6 girls received the Go for the Gold award for membership, our Bethel placed 2nd in team choir, Gwen received 1st place for all 4 of her librarians competition entries, Grace earned Spirit Ambassador of the Year, Greg received Associate Bethel Guardian of the Year, and our members and adults received many other 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place award winners for ritual, arts and crafts, and music competitions. We also have many members who were installed as Grand Officers and Representatives for the upcoming year, and a few of our adults are serving as Grand Deputies.



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We held our Installation of Officers on July 9th. Sara was Installed as Honored Queen and we cannot wait to see what an amazing term she has planned for us!

Some of our members also attended the Masonic night at Star City Shores. It was super fun and we would all do it again!

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We **Masons** are among the fortunate ones who are taught to meet together with others opposing or competitive ideas and yet **respect each other as Brothers.**

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Liberty Lodge #300

Lynn Friesen

It was a good thing we had slowed down a bit in June because July was a whirlwind. What an exciting month for Liberty!

Thursday, July 14th, Micah Mullins was raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason. Two weeks later his brother, Nathanael Gabel was raised. It has been a privilege to see these two grow in such a short time. To get through all three degrees in seven months is a huge accomplishment and a tribute to their hard work and commitment to the Fraternity.

At both of the MM degrees it was awesome to see so many Brothers from other Lodges. A huge thank you for so many that attended and helped us give a great experience for Micah and Nathanael.

At the August business meeting we voted on a reinstatement of a Brother, Jamie Sears, and voted on a petition for another EA, Josh Philips. We look forward to seeing Jamie and helping him work toward his Titanium Trowel Award. Mark your calendars, the EA degree for Josh Philips will be on Thursday, August 25th.

Saturday, July 23rd, Brothers from Cotner and Liberty spent an evening at WB Don Albrecht's house listening to great music, enjoying food, fellowship and some modified Highland games. Even the storm that passed over it couldn't stop us from having a fun evening.

There was a lot of laughter and jubilee.

Thank you to several Brothers that attended an EA degree at Cotner Lodge in July. It is nice to be able to support another Lodge that has helped us and to help welcome another Brother to the Fraternity.

We are excited to have our September business meeting at the Masonic Home in Plattsmouth. We will plan on our usual start time of 7pm. It will be a nice evening to be able to share with the residents of the Masonic Home.

Coming up over the rest of the year we plan on having a Table Lodge, Fall BBQ, Past Master's Dinner and Christmas Party. Plus our normal business meetings and some additional degree work. It will be a busy Fall season.

Lastly, a huge thank you to the Masonic Temple Board for their stewardship in saving for maintenance expenses for the Masonic Temple. Many of you likely heard the A/C went out in July. The Board approved to have two new A/C units installed - one for the small Lodge room and one for the large Lodge room. What an amazing difference these units have made, and they are quiet.

We look forward to seeing many of you over the next several months as we near closing out another year.



Electa Chapter #8

Mike Lagueux

There was something I would be missing because I would not be able to attend our meeting on August 6, 2022. I couldn't quite put my finger on what it was, but I remember it being something good. I finally broke down and asked the Worthy Matron what was going on at our meeting...and she told me. The Associate Matron, Brenda Collins and Associate Patron, Don Frank were going to provide watermelon after the meeting! I really like this summer time treat, especially when it is hot. And Saturday was supposed to be a scorcher at over 100 degrees. But, I had a commitment in Fremont and had to go. I hear it was great and the other snacks were the perfect complement to the main event.

Saturday would also be the perfect day to test out the new air conditioning units the Temple Board had just had installed. The extremely hot day would be the best test of their capability so far. Since they were only installed the previous week the best option was to start out slow and see what the best temperature would be to cool the fifty two by twenty seven foot room for twenty plus people. With the temperature set for seventy six degrees, it felt pretty cool. The temp seemed to go up some as people arrived and the door was opened and shut

multiple times, but recovered to a good coolness as the meeting went on. Clearly there is some work to be done to establish the optimum temperature, and a learning curve to be met concerning the door being opened and shut repeatedly...but so far the new equipment is functioning far better than the old units purchased some 20 years ago.

Worthy Matron Denise opened the meeting in form and the business of the Chapter was conducted. One of the major pieces of the agenda was presented, being a change of the bylaws proposal. It was proposed to allow the Secretary and Treasurer to remain in their offices for ten years instead of the five years that is currently applied. This was accepted and will lay over until our next meeting when a vote to accept it or not will be had.

Since several of our members, including two of the officers, would be unable to be at the meeting it was wonderful to see new members of Electa take spots left open by these absences. All of the officer positions were filled with members still on the sidelines.

The Temple Board for the building has a plan to put in a Bluetooth sound system that will enable everyone in the room to

hear everything that is said during meetings. While expensive at \$15,000 this initiative will allow all of our members to participate in the meeting hearing clearly all that is said. So far over \$6,000 has been raised for this project and it is anticipated that we may have it in place before installations begin next year if contributions continue at their current rate. Thank all of you who have so far contributed to this project.

We would also like to thank Don Frank, who is Electa's member on the Board of Directors for the Temple. He is currently working on tiling the restroom on the third floor and has done a magnificent job of cutting and placing the new tile up there to make the renovation of the area not only functional, but very nice looking for our members in the Temple. Don is one of several volunteers who put in many hours to paint, tile, and do many of the skilled jobs around the building. The work being done is amazing and they work for the love of the building. If you would like more information on what is going on within our building, just go to a Temple Board meeting! The meetings are open to all and it is astounding what these volunteers do for each of us. Temple Board meetings are held the second Tuesday of

each month at 5:00 PM and all are welcome.

At our last meeting in July Worthy Matron Denise asked each member to consider what kind of animal, their "spirit animal" our members would most closely identify with...the gentleness of a bunny, the ferocity of a Tasmanian Devil, maybe the devotion of your favorite dog, whatever it is consider bringing a picture or stuffed animal of your inward self to our next meeting. You don't have to say why you chose the animal you did, but it's a great way to see how you see yourself and maybe how others see you as well.

Once again I thank you for contributing to the Blue Barrel campaign to ensure those who are struggling during these times of

limited funds and increasing National turmoil can maintain a level of self-respect within our community. Your contributions make the difference in our current hard times for many of our fellow citizens. Please continue to contribute as much as your circumstances will allow. Once again, thank you so much. I am reminded of the women who had only two mites to give to the church, while many of the rich deposited gold and silver proclaiming loudly their gifts. In the end, who gave more? Those who had the funds to contribute while calling attention to their giving...or those who gave much of what they had, quietly and with humility? God bless you all.



Lancaster Lodge #54

John Hansen

It is safe to say we meet on most Friday evenings. Feel free to stop in and visit and/or participate in the meeting. Don't worry about any of the passwords you may have forgotten, one of the brothers will be happy to assist your memory.

Upcoming meetings are: August 19 Degree practice, August 26 Degree practice, September 2 Business meeting. All meetings start at 7PM.

Often, complete strangers will come up to me and ask "how tall are you?" I politely answer 5 foot 18. I have received a wide variety of responses from "Oh, wow" to "you can't be

5 foot 18, because 5 foot doesn't go that far!". I've overheard conversations where two are saying "I wonder if so and so is taller than him".

This made me wonder, who is the tallest Mason? The tallest Mason is Robert Pershing Wadlow. He lived from February 22, 1918 to July 15, 1940. He was 5 foot 47inches. He was born and lived in Alton, Illinois. While growing up he was in Boy Scouts and DeMolay. Robert was a member of Franklin Lodge #25 in Alton, under the Grand Lodge of Illinois AF&AM. Robert was made an Entered Apprentice on 10/19/1939, Fellow Craft

10/31/1939, and raised to the sublime degree of a Master Mason 11/4/1939. Yes the dates are correct. He also became a member of York Rite.

Robert was known as kind, gentle, and intelligent man. He frequently visited kids in hospitals and orphanages. He wanted to study law at Shuttleff College. As demonstrated by his rapid ascent thru the three degrees, Robert had an excellent memory. He was well liked and respected.

In addition to Robert's height, his shoe size was 37. A shoe company made him shoes for free, when he was an adult, for

advertisement. His masonic ring was size 25. One of the members of our Lodge, who I think has some large hands has a ring size of 13.

Robert Wadlow passed away at the age of 22. Over 4,000 people attended his Masonic funeral. His family said "He was not a freak, he was a son, a brother, a gentle and genial man who happened to be tall."

"His height, however, won't tell you something that was arguably more important about him: he was a just and upright Mason, and for far too short a time he walked and acted as such."



Lincoln Assembly #6

The officers and members of Lincoln Assembly #6 have much to report as we have had a busy summer! First, we attended our 75th session of our annual Nebraska Grand Assembly in June. We had so much fun with getting to see neat exotic animals for Friday Fun Night, swimming in the Double Tree's swimming pool, fun singing in the choir and getting to participate in cavalcade of flags. We initiated a new member, Addisyn, at Grand Assembly and Rochelle got her Grand Cross of Colors. We ended our session by welcoming our new Grand Worthy Advisor Courtney Bockman and her term of Stand Up, Stand Out, Stand Tall. Her mascot is giraffes and her service project is raising money for cancer research.

Our Worthy Advisor Rochelle was installed as Grand Representative to Iowa and Maine. We learned that Iowa's Grand Assembly was the weekend after ours so 5 days later we found ourselves at Iowa Grand Assembly in Des Moines, IA. Rochelle brought greetings from Nebraska and we had a wonderful time getting to meet the officers of Iowa and dancing with them during their fun night. We helped them welcome in their new Grand Worthy Advisor and then returned home.



In early July the girls attended the OES Salt Dogs event for the Lincoln area Grand Chapter visitation. The girls each got their own star dog travel puppy and got to meet lots of real service dogs. The next day we travelled to Weeping Water Assembly #5 for their grand visitation. They had a beautiful initiation and then had a fun activity of "Guess the Cancer" based off the ribbon colors. Grand Worthy Advisor Courtney, dressed in a Giraffe blow up costume, did her best to guess the cancer and her prize was funds for her service project. Then we played bingo for prizes.



At the end of July, beginning of August was Supreme Assembly! Rochelle and Tiffany got up bright and early to get on the bus for Oklahoma City, OK. This year is the 100th anniversary of the International Order of Rainbow for Girls so it was fitting that Supreme was held in Oklahoma, the birth state of our order. Nebraska Grand Assembly had the honor of hosting the Cavalcade of Flags and our Past Supreme Inspector, Sister Betty Garwood, managed amazing talent showcases. We started the Supreme weekend with lots of practices! The girls practiced the cavalcade march. Our Grand Worthy Associate Advisor, sister Katheryn Rice practiced



Tiffany Westerholt

her clarinet solo she had for a talent showcase, and many other girls practiced for ritual competition. We attended the Banquet Saturday evening in which we all wore our best formals. There was a dance that evening and more practices! Nebraska Grand Assembly also hosted a mixer event and we thought we'd change things up by playing group games, dancing to music and having ice cream. The event was a success with the girls made new friends from different jurisdictions and having a great time.



Often at Supreme there is down time in between practices and sessions and this time was no different. There were many fun things the girls could do and one of them was explore Bricktown in Oklahoma City, which was within walking distance of the hotel. In fact, we decided to have a selfie competition with different places that could be found in Bricktown! The many girls and adults that went to supreme were divided up into different "villages" so it was often the villages that went together to explore Bricktown. Sister Tiffany Westerholt's village decided to try out the Lime Scooters that were available, so they got to "scoot" around Bricktown taking selfies and having a great time.



Supreme Assembly sessions started the evening of August 1 with introductions, presentations, and getting to see the amazing marches. Many distinguished guests brought greetings from the Sponsoring organizations of Rainbow and it was so wonderful to hear them all speak and encourage the girls. Something incredible that happened needs a little backstory: The headquarters for Rainbow

Girls is the Supreme Temple, International Order of Rainbow for Girls located in McAlister, OK. For many years now the girls and jurisdictions have been raising funds to improve the building, make many major repairs and working to create an endowment fund for future repairs. The Oklahoma Freemasons presented Supreme Assembly with a check for \$100,000 to help us in our goal to restore the temple. They then challenged all the jurisdictions that if they could raise another \$100,000 by December of 2022, they would match what was raised. This incredible gift and challenge lifted everyone's spirits and within 24 hours, almost another \$56,000 was raised with each jurisdiction pledging \$1000, including Nebraska. This means that the Supreme Temple's building can be worked on and gets the project closer to phase 3 which is to create an endowment fund so that future repairs are covered.



During the evening of August 2nd, the girls got to enjoy the cavalcade of flags that our jurisdiction sponsored. We had video graphics, strobe lights, and above all, talented girls who led complex marches across the supreme floor. Video is available on Facebook and we'd be happy to share if you wanted to see. We were so honored and excited to be able to host cavalcade and it was a blast.



With Supreme almost over, I have one other incredible surprise to share. On Wednesday, August 3, our

own Sister Betty Garwood, PGM OES, was installed as Supreme Faith. This means that as she advances up the line, in 10 years, she will become Supreme Worthy Advisor and Nebraska will host Supreme Assembly! This is such an amazing honor and opportunity. We couldn't be more excited to share in this journey with her. After the supreme sessions ended, it was time for some celebrating. The whole group did water taxi rides, had a great dinner at Bricktown Brewery, presented gifts, and bid farewell to Oklahoma City. The next morning at 5am we loaded the bus and travelled two hours to visit the Supreme Temple that had just gotten funds to be repaired. We met the office staff, toured the rooms and marched in the assembly room on the third floor. We couldn't leave without visiting the grave of Mr. Sexson and visiting the Rainbow Reflection Memorial. After a lunch of steak and shake and ice cream at Braums we started the long journey back to Nebraska.



The weekend after coming back from Supreme we had more Grand Visitations! Elkhorn-Waterloo had a pancake breakfast and pledge ceremony. The next day Athena Assembly had a baby dedication, pledge ceremony and fun addendum in which Grand Worthy Advisor Courtney had to do fun tasks for service project funds.



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Lincoln Assembly #6

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It has been such a busy summer and it's not done yet! On August 20th it will be Lincoln Assembly's Grand Visitation at 3:30pm at the Scottish Rite. You are all welcome to attend. That morning the girls will be attending a parade in Bellevue before heading back to Lincoln to host our visit. Lastly, on August 27th we will be heading to the State Fair to help with the CHIP event.



The girls are still taking bugging orders if you want to bug a friend or family member for \$20. Just contact us on our website of lincolnassembly.org. If you ever want to know what we're up to, let us know and we can add you to our email list: lincolnassembly6@gmail.com. We hope to see you all soon.



Starcraft Chapter #307

Bridget Anderson

StarCraft met on Wednesday August 3 for our regular meeting

Bro Dennis's sister is in treatment for cancer and we are sending her our prayers!

We were excited to welcome our 2022 Scholarship recipient Kennedy Shores and her family to a potluck before the meeting. Kennedy is a coworker of Sis Bridget at Raising Canes. She shared her plans for college. Our other 2 scholarship recipients were unable to attend but we plan to have them at a future meeting!

On a great news side - StarCraft will be welcoming 2 new members on Aug 17!! More details next month!

As I cannot find my birthday list right now, Happiest of birthdays to those celebrating in August!

Sis Terri welcomed all and we went through our normal business

Illness and good news - sis Joann and Bro LeRoy Rosenthal are great grand parents to two more great grands!!



Lincoln Lodge #19

Bruce Anderson

July was a hot month with a few cool days, not many. August is starting off hot but today as I write this news it is cooler. Lodge has only had one event and that was the business meeting. We did declare one of our Fellowcraft Masons proficient in the Fellowcraft degree so he will be ready for a Masters Degree soon. Just have to get the date scheduled.

We have been working on a Fundraising Dinner for the month of August. On August 12th we will have a dinner to raise funds to be donated to the "F street community center". We hope to have a good amount and many of our brothers in attendance. I also know of one Brother that will receive a year pin that evening. WB Will Folsom has been the planner for the event. I will have

more about the event in the next issue.

I also received news about one of our newest Brothers. The information and picture is below. Congratulations!!!

"Entered Apprentice Brother John Loudon, a rising Junior at UNL majoring in finance, has been selected as an Escort for the 127th Aksarben Ball on October 29, 2022 in Omaha. Brother John Loudon is pictured with his parents, Worshipful Brother Andrew Loudon and his Lady Anne."

In the past I have had an educational article. I have a short article that I want to write this month. You may or may not agree but it has been on my mind for many months perhaps years. So here goes.

We all join organizations for many reasons. The Masonic Blue Lodge is one. It is one of many Masonic organizations that a person can join that is related to the Masonic Fraternity. I once was asked to do a presentation about the other Masonic organizations that exist and what their names were and what they do. I stopped looking when I reached 30 different affiliated bodies and there were still many left. Each one had a purpose and each one met on a specific night or day. Each one wanted more members and wanted to increase activity.

I am sure that many of our members belong to many of these organizations, myself included. Once a member you may be asked to be an officer or

at least be active. My point is that we become stretched beyond our limits of actively being involved so we wind up not attending at all. This hurts not only the organization but their desire to fulfill their goals. The meetings become smaller and smaller to the point of having to close or merge with another like organization. I feel that sometimes we join a particular body to either please someone or just to say we are a member. Again my point is that are we card carrying members or active supporting members.

Ask yourself what you can do for the organization besides just being a dues paying member so you can say you are and carry the card of the organization.

Just a few thoughts on my part.



North Star Lodge #227

Bob Tooker

Several chickens sacrificed their lives so we could dine at the festive board spread prior to the August Business Meeting. The bill of fare was provided by WM Steven Flader. Normal business was conducted, correspondence was

read, bills were paid. Fortunately, no appeals for donations were received from the usual beggars. Two petitions for membership were read for the second time and ballots were favorable. The Masonic Education discussed the three tenants of

Masonry, Brotherly Love, Relief and Truth. With the subdivisions of each tenant listed. Interesting.

A Lodge of Fellowcraft Masons has been called for August 8, at 7:00 P.M for the purpose of conferring the degree on Bro. John Helter. Also, a

Lodge of Entered Apprentice Masons has been called for 7:00 P.M. August 15. Please come up and watch your officers in action. We received our certificate of proficiency from Grand Lodge for 90 continuous years.

That is about it for this month. I don't have any jokes I can share without jeopardizing my successful chances of running for public office. Till next month!

East Lincoln Lodge #210

Joel Green



East Lincoln 210 encourages anyone interested in trying to win a Henry Golden Boy .22LR to purchase \$5 raffle tickets or 5 for \$20. There are only 500 tickets for this! Or if you'd like to try to win 4 ribeye steaks from Leon's, 5 Masonic cigars, and a bottle of Side Show bourbon, purchase a \$1 raffle ticket from a member of

East Lincoln Lodge #210.

After dinner, Worshipful Master Mark Reece headed 210's meeting consisting of five past masters and three other brethren. A petition was read by WB Buhrman and WB Reece named an investigation committee.

East Lincoln 210 will also

be hosting an autumn picnic at Pioneers' Park on Thursday, October 13, and there's a good chance the Lincoln Chapter of the National Sojourners will be involved as well!

On Saturday, November 19, 2022, East Lincoln 210 is inviting everyone to come and enjoy the Steer Creek Band! There will be a steak dinner

available for \$20.00, and then a free will donation for the plethora of whiskies and cigars (including the Hiram and Solomon's MM, FC, and EA.) If you've never tried a Hiram and Solomon, according to their site, they are "full of power and character. The

carefully handcrafted cigars evoke the very spirit of Brotherhood – allowing for reflection on and the insightful examination of the ideas and traditions we hold dear." This event will surely be a blast – please join us!



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Business Meeting 7:00 p.m.

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Tales From The North (Dakota)

Tyler T. Hall

Greetings from Bismarck/ Mandan, North Dakota, from Brother Tyler, a perpetual member of North Star Lodge No. 227 in Lincoln, Nebraska, and dual member of Sherburne Lodge No. 95 in Osseo, Minnesota, and Mandan Lodge No. 8 in Mandan, North Dakota. I bring you news and experiences from my travels from DeMolay to Masonry to other appendant bodies in Lincoln, Nebraska, to the Twin Cities of Minnesota, and finally to western North Dakota.

Masonic activities, career, etc., and making sure we have a balance in all aspects of life.

Here in the summer 2022, we are over halfway through the year... How are you in your journey this year? Can you recall your New Year's "Reflections?" Or was it the traditional "New Year's Resolutions" that you reflected on back then at the beginning of the year? Either way, do you recall yours and what your hopes were for the 2022 calendar year? What hopes and dreams did your Masonic groups plan at the beginning of the year, and are you helping to ensure those activities succeed?



Hope you enjoy each month as we go on a trip together in search for that which may not have been too lost.

Self Reflections Reprise, 2nd Half 2022

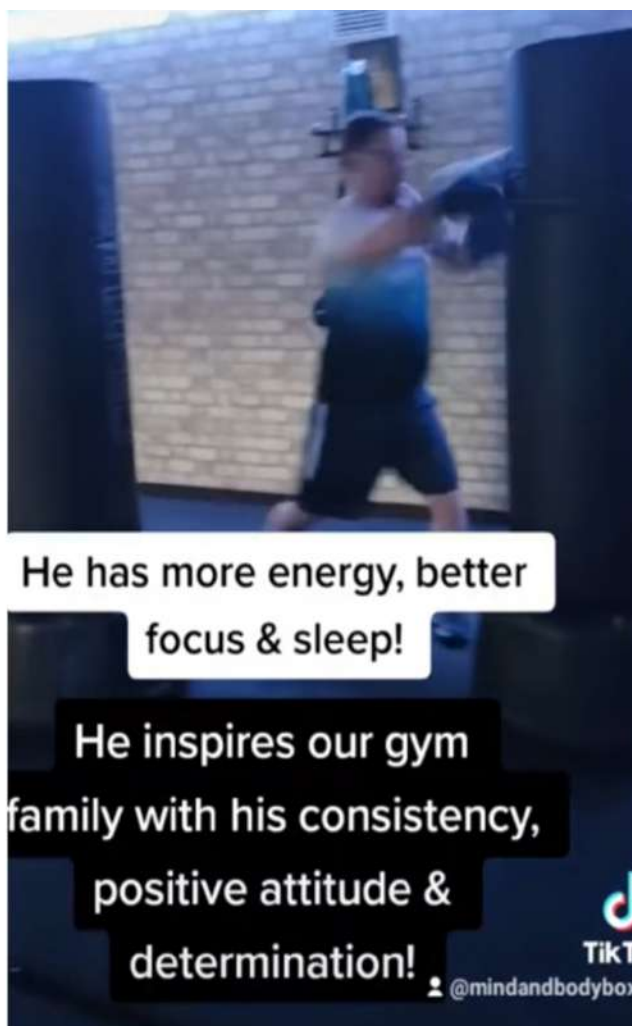
One of the lasting lessons of Freemasonry, as well as enhanced in our Appendant Bodies, is the aspect of self-improvement, being a better person, and learning & taking the next steps to strive for perfection. Perfection as in being the best person we can be. No one is perfect, but we can chisel away at that rough ashlar we had in life to move towards a smoother ashlar; continuing to work at becoming that perfect ashlar we strive to be.

For myself, as an example, my whole lifestyle changed for the better with my mindset on life, physical and mental health, finding a sustainable workout program, eating meals and snacks better with less carbs. It feels like a sustainable lifestyle change for me rather than a "diet" and feeling like a "chore" for going to the gym. I'm improving myself which in turn I'm feeling like I can witness to my groups with more of my attention and energy than I've ever had given them before. As a result and consequence, the loss of weight and body fat is only secondary to being a better me; and showing that better me to my world of family and friends.



If we go back to the January 2022 issue of this Masonic News, we may recall our New Years Reflections. In my article that month, I indicated the reference to "reflections" rather than "resolutions." We reflected on the journey of life,

Lots of stories in between, but more articles yet to come...Thanks for listening.



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