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Who We Aspire to Be

The Boston Society of the New Jerusalem is a progressive Christian presence in the City of Boston, a reflection of the Swedenborgian theology of service and mission through our commitment to education, social justice, and human rights.

We seek to make a difference in the lives of strangers and seekers through our compassion and acceptance by inviting all who share our common values to be members of our community.

We attempt to be a “rock” of stability and support in an uncertain world — a tranquil and peaceful “home away from home” for all people, where a person is missed when absent, and where one can find comfort, healing, and normalcy when things are not going well.

We worship the Lord Jesus Christ according to His Holy Word and the theological writings of Emanuel Swedenborg. In following those teachings, this Church shall maintain free and open worship of the Divine and shall honor the good in all religions that seek to foster a positive regard for all humanity, recognizing unity and diversity.

September Birthdays

Pat Blakeney
Magdalen “Maudie” Baxter
Carlton Doctor
Dom LoGiudice

VISITS, CARDS, AND PRAYERS

Please take a moment to call, send a card, or visit those in our community who are not able to be with us!

If you would like assistance arranging a visit, contact the pastoral care pastor or office.

Bill Davis

Cambridge Rehab Nursing
8 Dana St.
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Happenings from the Office

First of all, I'd like to thank you all for your kind wishes — and patience with the office — as I've been recovering surprise eye surgery. I seem to be healing well, and, as you can see from the recent photo of myself I've included below, an eyepatch isn't a bad look.



As we head into September, activity will be picking back up around here, so read on for a look at the many events we have on the horizon — and, for a full list of September and October events confirmed by the office as of this writing, see page 19.

We've also started stocking the lobby with View from the Hill brochures that include updated events calendars for the current and following month — and, of course, each Sunday's worship bulletin lays out the events scheduled for the coming week.

You can also find copies of each Sunday's bulletin in the weekly email we send every Sunday morning before the service. Those emails allow us to include important, urgent updates each week — such as elevator status during our recent bout of elevator trouble. If you're not subscribed to the weekly email and would like to be, let the office know.

Respectfully submitted,

Alex Ferraro

Recap of Spring Mission Discussions

"Who We Aspire to Be," a statement of vision and mission found inside the front cover of our monthly newsletters, offers a blueprint and foundation for our life together as a church community. The statement is taken from our bylaws, and offers a glimpse of the core values around which our church community is organized.

How have we honored those values and beliefs? How will we honor them in the future? These questions need to be revisited every few years. As we emerge from the pandemic and begin a new church year, let's take a look at where our priorities have been and need to be. What have we accomplished? What are the practical implications? Here are a few areas to consider:

- We have inherited an organization that was formed to offer Boston free and open worship of the Lord God Jesus Christ according to the teachings of Emanuel Swedenborg. We have offered not only worship but weekly spirituality and Bible studies through that lens.
- We have welcomed newcomers and old friends alike when they have come to the church. We have tried to be a "rock of stability" in a difficult and changing world. We have offered support, food, special programs and a strong musical presence.
- We have been a progressive presence, not just for the city of Boston, but for the world at large. We have used our financial resources to support projects around the world, in places where people are hurt or suffering. We have been mindful of the needs of areas which need disaster relief, and we have supported immigrants who have come from around the world.

- We are committed to education, particularly through the Rev. Dr. Ted Klein scholarship fund at UMass, and the distribution of other special scholarship funds.
- The Church has hosted many programs which involved interfaith dialogue. We respect and honor the traditions of people with whom we disagree, and offer a meeting place for discussion.
- We have a strong commitment to social justice and human rights. We believe that everyone deserves equal economic, political, and social rights and opportunities. These are some of the issues about which have been expressed by members: climate justice, economic inequality and poverty, racial equality, women's rights, refugee crisis and immigration, help for disaster relief, LGBTQ rights, hunger, homelessness, ageism, health care, support for veterans, voting rights, and gun violence.
- We realize we have been given enormous financial gifts. We have a responsibility to use them wisely. We need to reinforce our mission and purpose through most every dollar we spend.

As we think about the future in light of our core beliefs, what do we need to improve? What do we need to emphasize? How can we grow as a more loving and cooperative community in which we feel a genuine joy in loving and receiving love?

Respectfully submitted,

Dr. Mary Kay Klein and Rev. Kevin Baxter

From the Organ Bench



What an exciting year we have planned, dear reader! This summer has seen much change and many exciting developments, not just for our music program but for our church as a whole.

Building projects have been completed, organization and expansion have happened, cleaning and refreshing older parts of the entire building have brightened up our spaces, and now the music we will make this coming year will brighten our souls.

Some personnel developments: The Choir of the New Jerusalem sadly has to say a heartfelt and warm goodbye to two of our singers. Tenor Marcus Huber has taken another church gig which fits his schedule more conveniently, and soprano Maria Khoobyar has left us to take care of her family. We wish them much love and thanks for all the wonderful music they brought to our church, and great success in their future endeavors. We welcome back Nick Mariani to our tenor section and are delighted to welcome our new soprano Halle Rosamund. It's going to be an exciting year!

The relocation of the music director's office was completed *far* ahead of schedule. I would personally like to thank everyone who was involved in this rather tricky task of moving a great many scores, books, hymnals, and equipment over to the other side of the balcony where the office had been completely redone with new carpet, paint, blinds, lights, electrical

work and even a new wall. I would like to also thank Jesse and Stephen for their unparalleled efforts in making it all happen and putting it together, as well as the building crew from BostonView. It is a wonderful place to work, with everything one could need to be as efficient as possible. I look forward to many happy years in this new office. I invite you all up to view the new space when you can.

Looking ahead to the fall, dear reader, our first concert will be an afternoon of song as the choir presents a musical theater-themed Liederabend, on September 17. Our Fall Choral Concert will be on November 19 with an exciting and eclectic program of choral works. We are greatly looking forward to presenting to you all a semi-staged production of Amahl and the Night Visitors, a short opera retelling the story of the Magi through the eyes of a little boy who saw a star. Menotti's setting is a dynamic and fun-filled score with highlighted singers from our choir as well as full company singing the choruses within the work. This presentation will take place on December 3. And, of course, we will also have our usual Caroling-on-the-Common on December 9 (A Saturday this year, due to some prior obligations by members of the choir), and our Annual Messiah Sing on December 17. We also look forward to welcoming a jazz group on October 22, and welcoming back the RenMen whose concert date and time will be announced shortly. Looking forward to a music filled, productive and uplifting year.

Respectfully submitted,

Andrew David Mattfeld

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We welcome September! It is a month that is aptly named, it joins its buddies October, November and December as months that are named after their numerical position. Unlike other months that are named after Gods, September is based in the Latin word for seven. For

those that do not know their Latin numerical roots, October is eight, November is nine, and December is 10. As we all know September is the seventh month, October the eighth... oh, wait. Umm... what?

As you might have guessed, the Roman calendar only had 10 months! Julius Caesar introduced January and February into the calendar in 46 BCE. There was a push in Rome to call it Tiberius, Antoninus, Augustus, Germanicus, or even Haligmonao if the old English folks got their way. Alas, certain things stick, and we forget their meaning, or at least ignore them until trivia nights.

Some of the great religious figures from history push against this routine automated way of life. Most every major historical faith community has some idea of what it means to be active or genuine, even the Tao which one might look at as being inactive is still about connecting to the true self or lack thereof.

Within this tradition, the more you truly understand yourself as a servant of the divine, the more you understand yourself. In western culture, we often have a concept of ourself as a standalone person. Our "identity" is formed to set us apart.

What if that is not the case? What if we are because of our connection to God? Because of our connection to others? Kevin is only Kevin if he has another person he is in relation to.

We cannot remove ourselves from all the people who make the world what it is. We cannot separate ourselves from the migrant workers who pick our food, from the workers that make our clothes, from the soldiers that wage war throughout the world. We are interconnected in a way that we cannot even begin to imagine.

The same is true at church and with God. We are the Body of Christ, the body of the divine. We cannot remove ourselves from that relationship in a meaningful way. Yet, we forget. Like the shifts of the calendar 2000 years ago, we forget what the months mean and who the Gods the other months are named after are. We stand on the shoulders of people who have done both incredible and terrible things. We have inherited lessons and behaviors that have been handed down to us... and we perpetuate behaviors unaware.

Let us continue as we began last year to ask the questions about why we are here, as a church and as individuals. Let us begin to look beyond the meaningless titles and seek a more mindful, more genuine way of life. What does it mean to be friend, a member, a disciple and child of God? What does that call us to do and to be? How do we stop living for the "I" and start living for the "we" or "thee" (as relates to the divine).

Blessings,

Kevin Baxter

Community Lunch

In August, our community lunch featured a special presentation by Matthew Gifford, director of partnerships at the office of the Massachusetts attorney general. The program discussed scams directed toward people through the internet and over the phone. It is a huge industry and the people who practice this type of theft are very good at it. Matthew presented the state attorney general's guidance for avoiding scams:

1. If it sounds too good to be real, it probably is!
2. Gift cards are not real currency! They cannot be used instead of cash for paying taxes or fees, or helping people over the phone.
3. Scammers will use fear to get you to act! Anyone who pushes you to do something saying there is not time to think it over is probably trying to scam you.
4. Mobile scams are about money and information. Never give anyone personal information over the phone unless you have called the number from a verified source.
5. Avoid any links in an email or text message.
6. Call the police and the Massachusetts attorney general's office to report scams.

This year, we'll continue to feature programming at community lunches to feed both the body and soul. Join us on the third Wednesday of each month! Arrive a few minutes early — the lunch starts at 12 noon.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Kevin Baxter



Mission Committee Update

Summer is coming to an end. The bounty of the garden is being harvested. A new school year is beginning.

Climate change has created havoc for our planet. Canadian wildfires impact our air in Boston. The Maui wildfires have resulted in more than 100 deaths, and more than 388 people are still missing. The historic town of Lahaina in Hawaii is gone. Natural disasters are on the rise. At its August meeting, the Mission Committee recommended contributing \$15,000 to the Canadian Red Cross: \$10,000 to western Canada and \$5,000 to Nova Scotia to aid with relief and recovery from the devastation. The Board of Governor's subsequently approved this recommendation. At our September Mission Committee meeting, we hope to recommend funding for relief work in Maui.

Dana Siles from Rescuing Leftover Cuisine joined us recently to thank us for our work. She attended our worship service, lunch and committee meeting.

At community lunch on September 20, a speaker from United Way will join us to discuss the work we've funded. We support United Way programs at a level of \$50,000.

The Adult Congenital Heart Association will be celebrating its 25th anniversary on

October 14. A presence there would be welcomed, as members of our church (Dr. Mary Kay Klein and others) were involved in the incorporation. More about the event and how to register is on page 10 of this newsletter.

ACHA's annual Heart Walk will be held on the Boston Common the following day (October 15), beginning at 8:30 a.m.

Our matching grant program is now in its second year. Our church voted this year to double the matching amount for your charitable donation. For example, if you donate \$50 to Save the Children, the church will write a check for \$100 to them in your name! To have your donation matched, you must complete a matching form (copies of which are available in the office) and submit it to the office along with receipts for your donations by December 1. Remember that you need to include the organization's charity ID number.

Reminder that the Mission Committee meets on the first Sunday of each month following worship service and lunch. We'd love to see you there.

Respectfully submitted,
Likam Lie

You're Invited: ACHA 25th Anniversary and Heart Walk

The Adult Congenital Heart Association (ACHA) is holding a 25th anniversary celebration on October 14, and you are invited! The ACHA, which was incorporated in 1998 with the involvement of some members of Church on the Hill, promotes education, research and support for adults living with congenital heart disease, and has grown into a recognized national organization that has saved and improved many lives. The event will be casual, with a short program, light lunch buffet, and lots of conversations. Please join us as we remember the past and look forward to the future of the Adult Congenital Heart Association. The registration deadline is October 1, and the registration fee is \$10. For more information, visit our website at www.churchonthehillboston.org.

On the following morning, October 15, the ACHA Heart Walk will kick off at the Parkman Bandstand on the Boston Common at 8:30 a.m., with the walk itself beginning at 9:00 a.m. The walk around the Common will be over in plenty of time to get to the Church on the Hill for a cup of coffee before worship. One of the walk teams, "Karen's Team" will be walking in memory of Karen Klein McNulty, first president of ACHA, and daughter of our former pastor, Rev. Dr. Ted Klein.

For more information about ACHA and the walk, please visit the website at www.achaheart.org.

Respectfully submitted,

Mary Kay Klein



Board of Governors Update

At its July meeting, the Board of Governors corrected a previously approved motion on Ukraine aid to reflect the correct organization receiving the donation. The Board then voted to appoint Diane Beverly to the governor position vacated by Janet Forbes when she was elected vice president. Diane will hold this position until the next members meeting, at which time the seat will be filled by election. Because the church bylaws limit the number of governors who can serve on the Membership Committee, Diane then resigned from the Membership Committee.

At its August meeting, the Board approved a recommendation from the Mission Committee for a grant of \$15,000 to the Canadian Red Cross for wildfire relief and recovery (\$10,000 to western Canada and \$5,000 to Nova Scotia). Paul LoGiudice resigned from the Board of Governors. Upon recommendation of the Executive Committee, the Board appointed Jerry O'Sullivan to fill the vacated governor position until the next members meeting. Upon recommendation of the Executive Committee, the Board appointed Stephen

Dyson, Jerry O'Sullivan and Diane Beverly to the Personnel Committee; Likam Lie, Janet Forbes and Deborah Hammer to the Finance Committee; and Carlton Doctor as the audit liaison, fulfilling the role of the Audit Committee. The Board then made an interim appointment of Paul LoGiudice to the Program and Events Committee. The Board selected November 19 as the date for the fall members meeting and scheduled the next Board of Governors meeting for September 17.

As always, full minutes of all Board of Governors meetings are available in the office.

Respectfully submitted,

Alex Ferraro

Church Picnic

Let's start with a big thank you to all who helped at this year's church picnic! Despite the delay from the mechanical issue with the bus, the spirit of the day was wonderful!

On Saturday, August 26, folks boarded the bus to head down to Miles Standish State Forest for a picnic. The group of more than 30 people spent the afternoon at the Charge Pond Pavilion, which also featured close access to the Charge Pond beach. The meal was catered by Tex's BBQ Express and featured ribs, chicken, potato salad, cornbread, corn on the cob and brownies. Maudie reprised her role as s'mores chef and made delectable marshmallow

treats for anyone who wanted one. People enjoyed a few games of chess, some swimming, and a hike or two, along with a musical selection compiled by Rev. Baxter.

While the site was great, it was a harrowing adventure for some. We are looking for ideas and new locations for next year. Please let the Program and Events Committee know of any ideas you might have.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Kevin Baxter





Happy New Year by Janet Forbes

Some readers may think this is a premature greeting, as most consider the New Year to begin on January 1.

Those closely affiliated with may be used to learning that the new church year begins in the fall. During the summer, many church staff and members are on vacation, and it's not unusual that many activities are reduced. Some churches actually do not hold services during the summer months.

Here at Church on the Hill, you will be familiar with the term "Back to Church Sunday," which marks the resumption of all activities and, often, the introduction of new programs.

Resolutions are often suggested prior to the New Year. Why don't we consider some for our new church year? I mentioned this concept to several members and have included their suggestions.

1. Let's remember to always warmly greet visitors.
2. If, during a meeting, we disagree with someone's opinion, let's always express our reasons respectfully.
3. Let us always avoid sarcastic comments.
4. Remember Thumper's law of saying nothing if our words may be perceived as unkind.
5. Acknowledge and return with gratitude any kindness received even if it's as simple as "good morning."
6. Be quick to offer help to others whenever you can.
7. Let us all be forward thinkers and not dwell on the past.

8. Let us be humble enough not to assume responsibilities that we cannot fulfill.
9. Let us be gracious enough to step down if a task becomes overwhelming.
10. Let us never forget our shut-ins.

Very shortly, our Board of Governors will consider some new ideas that we hope will enable members to reach out to those that are no longer able to participate in person. This in no way is intended to replace the current attention provided by our pastors and Mary's practice of sending cards. Many churches have similar programs in place and report great appreciation not only from their shut-ins but from the members providing this care.

The Bible frequently reminds us of our individual responsibility we have to each other. It may be as simple as making a phone call, sending a note, doing an errand, or paying a visit. Here at Church on the Hill, our shut-in list is very short, and these folks deserve not to ever be forgotten. When able, these folks were active participants, always present at services and supportive of all church programs.

If anyone has any additional ideas related to this issue, please share them with a member of the Board and/or staff. All suggestions will be welcomed and considered.

Respectfully submitted,
Janet Forbes



Thanks to all who joined us to prepare delicious, handmade egg rolls for Back-to-Church Sunday!



Save the Date: Fall Members Meeting

We now have a date for the fall members meeting. Mark your calendar for **Sunday, November 19 at 12:45 p.m.** (following worship), and keep an eye out for important meeting information as the date approaches.

Church Discovery Group: A journey to learn more about us.

There are several opportunities to grow in life and faith with our church. Not only do we have great opportunities each week with prayer, spirituality group, and Bible study, but we will also have a church discovery group starting to meet in October.

What is a church discovery group? It is a name for an age-old thing. Some call it a new members class and others might call it a formation class (it forms the student spiritually). Formation classes have the ring of being molded in a way that might not communicate what we are doing. New member classes make it sound like it is only for people who want to become new members. This group is a group for people who want to discover more what our church is about. It can be people who are not looking for membership, who are looking for membership, or have been members for long time.

The group will be on a trip of discovery! All the sessions will explore the nature of God and the Holy Bible through different perspectives. One will talk about Swedenborg, whose particular view of the Bible and God is transformative for our lives. Another will discuss how the early founders broke

from their traditional churches out of a need to have a Swedenborgian Church in Boston. Then we will look at the way God, Scripture, and our faith motivate our current actions. Finally, we'll explore how our vision of God, Scripture, and faith leads us into the future.

Session 1: Who is Swedenborg and Why Should Anyone Care?

Session 2: The Foundation and History of Church on the Hill

Session 3: Mission, Purpose, and our Organization Now

Session 4: How Can Church Help Us Live Lives of Faith?

If you are interested in joining us, let Rev. Baxter know so you can be included on the contact list! We will be looking at times before worship or during the week outside of the Sunday program.

Respectfully submitted,

Rev. Kevin Baxter

A Sobering End to Summer by Pastor Colin

The news from Maui is hard to fathom, hard to catalog among the countless extreme weather events of the past few years. Over a hundred people have died as the search for bodies goes on. Two thousand buildings have been destroyed. The cost of extreme weather has already been catastrophic.

July was the hottest month on record globally. Thirty-five people have died in fires in Greece. Flooding in Vermont damaged thousands of homes. What wake-up call are we waiting for? What would we wake up to?

Climate scientists say wildfires, flooding, and heat waves will get worse.

We have been fairly fortunate to date in Boston and Massachusetts, not to minimize the flooding in the western part of the state or the tornadoes south of Boston. We have been told for a long time that our location along the coast will make us continually vulnerable.

As Bill McKibben has said, "Climate change is the issue every day."

What can we do? How might we respond to the current climate conditions? Where is the Church?

Our first obligation is not to turn away. We cannot pretend that business as usual is an option. We need to think long and hard about how we as individuals and as a country have been responsible for climate change. How might we be motivated by our complicity? There are of course no easy answers.

The Church needs to be clear that climate change is a moral issue. Some people are harming other people. Some people and countries have benefited hugely from the use of fossil fuels, some very little. The

anger from the have nots has been muted so far. Can that continue?

It is very difficult to comprehend, to take in the enormity and the dangers and the sure consequences of climate change. Are we able to contemplate, to think about the radical uncertainty of the future of humanity? The clock is ticking. Climate change is happening faster than the scientists predicted.

Find things you can do about climate change. Lists are readily available on the internet. Take time each day to think about the victims of climate change. Plot your own course in these difficult times. Waiting for leadership is folly. Talk to friends and family regularly about climate change. Share written materials.

We are in a triage situation. Millions will die no matter what we do. What is the best we can do for the most people? Injustice will abound. The wealthy will do better as temperatures and water levels rise.

The average Major League Baseball salary is \$4.9 million dollars a year. Mark Zuckerberg owns 1,412 acres on Kauai. The average credit card debt in America is approximately \$5,700. Our priorities as a society are meshuggah.

Each of us has our own dignity and moral sense to protect. How we live is more at issue than perhaps ever before. Still, each of us has agency. Acting consciously and thoughtfully has its own reward.

God has not caused climate change and God will not fix climate change. God is with us in our best efforts, a powerful force for the common good, for the least among us.

God bless you.
Pastor Colin Leitch

BostonView Update

While things at the church have slowed down, BostonView keeps on rolling. This article will cover the July and August meetings. The directors met on the third Wednesday of each month with all directors either in-person or on Zoom. The Board reviewed the financials and the minutes of the previous meetings, as is normal practice.

The major issue facing the building — as many of us know — has been the elevator, which has been a never-ending saga over the past three years. Not only did we need to replace the cables in the B elevator, but due to a rescue operation by the Boston Fire Department, the A elevator also needed repair. This meant there was a copious amount of down time for the residents of the building. Thankfully, the A elevator repair was much less expensive than we had thought, but the B elevator cable repair seems to have not gone as smoothly as we would have liked. As of now, both elevators are working and the directors are asking management to work on ways we can be more proactive.

Due to the elevator and new door issues, the fob replacement program was put on hold. The building is required to replace our security fob infrastructure as the old system is no longer being supported. This project should start in September and the transition should have minimal impact on the residents.

We were also informed that the 04 plumbing stack needs to be replaced. This is the stack that can be found in the church's back sexton room. The plumbers will be able to do this

work after Labor Day and we hope it will address the 60 year old pipe issues.

Management has reported that Compass rentals is lowering their unit rentals by two. Charlesgate believes these units will be easily rentable. Both months, Charlesgate reported that the building was at 100 percent occupancy.

We have some outstanding HV/AC work in the lobby and in the church kitchen that is on the back burner. A ventilation cleanout in the kitchen is needed, but finding people to do the work has been difficult. The lobby heating and cooling system might not be upgradable this year; we will have to see how the next couple of months turns out.

As the number of electric cars using our parking is on the rise, the Board is talking about a profit share program to bring electric vehicle charging into the building. We will need to see how this will affect the bottom line, but it might make our garage more marketable in the future.

As always, members of the shareholding organization (members of the church) are welcome to attend our monthly meetings at 4 p.m. on the third Wednesday of the month.

Respectfully submitted,

Kevin Baxter

CALENDAR

Administrative Hours: Monday to Friday, 9:00 AM to 4:00 PM

September Events

- 4th *Labor Day (church closed)*
- 10th Back-to-Church Sunday 11 a.m.
- 16th Bowling 2 p.m.
- 17th Board of Governors meeting 12:45 p.m.
Liederabend choir recital 3 p.m.
- 20th Community lunch (w/ Missions giving update from United Way) 12 p.m.
BostonView meeting 4 p.m.

October Events

- 9th *Columbus Day (church closed)*
- 14th ACHA 25th anniversary (registration required) 2 p.m.
- 15th ACHA Heart Walk 8:30 a.m.
Board of Governors meeting 12:45 p.m.
- 18th Community lunch 12 p.m.
BostonView meeting 4 p.m.
- 21st Bowling 2 p.m.
- 22nd Jazz concert 3 p.m.

November Events

- 15th Community lunch 12 p.m.
BostonView meeting 4 p.m.
- 18th Bowling 2 p.m.
- 19th Fall members meeting 12:45 p.m.
Fall choir concert 3 p.m.
- 23rd Thanksgiving dinner Time TBA

Weekly Events

Worship

11:00 Sundays

Alcoholics Anonymous

12:00 Weekdays

Purls on the Hill

10:00 Mondays

Zoom Prayer Time

11:00 Mondays

Pastors' Coffee

10:00 Tuesdays

Board Games

2:00 Tuesdays

Spirituality Class

11:00 Wednesdays

Tai Chi

1:30 Thursdays

Scripture Study

11:00 Fridays

Regular Committee Meetings

Mission: first Sunday of each month at 12:45 p.m.

Music: second Sunday of each month at 12:45 p.m.



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“It is my mission to help in the breaking down of classes, and to make all men feel as if they were brethren of the same family, sharing the same rights the same capabilities, and the same responsibilities. While my hand can hold a pen, I will use it to this end; and while my brain can earn a dollar, I will devote it to this end.” Lydia Maria Child

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