



Hartranft Herald

The Newsletter of

Maj. Gen. John F. Hartranft Camp 15

Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War
Harrisburg, Pennsylvania

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Celebrating our 136th Year serving Harrisburg Area



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We have lost another Real Son

January 2019

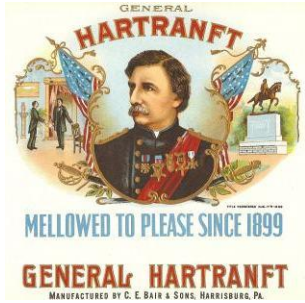


Come to our general meetings and view central Pennsylvania from high atop Reservoir Park!

A newsletter for, about, and by the members of Camp 15 and Auxiliary 7.

Come One, Come All - Ladies and Brothers, and Family & Friends, all are welcome to our Camp meetings at the National Civil War Museum and field trips at-large -- Bring your camera!

2019 Hartranft Camp 15	Commander Logan Swanger 2019
Officers and Staff	Senior Vice Commander Vernon Stout 2018
	Junior Vice Commander Scott Debo, PCC 2018
	Secretary Gregory E. Kline, PCC 08-18
	Treasurer David W. Demmy, Sr. PCC 07-18
	Council 01 Scott Debo, PCC 15-18
	Council 02 Anthony Kline 16-18
	Council 03 Jeffery Smith, PCC 18-21
	Patriotic Instructor Jeffery Smith, PCC 2018
	Chaplain David W. Demmy, Sr., PCC 00-18
	Counselor Lee F. Walters, PCC 07-08
	GAR Historian Jeffery Smith, PCC 2018
	Graves Registration Logan Swanger 14-18
	Guide Vacant 2018
	Color Bearer Vacant 2018
	Guard Gregory E. Kline, PCC 11-18
	Eagle Scout Coordinator Vacant 2018
	Signal Webmaster Dave W. Demmy, Jr. 05-18
	ROTC Coordinator Gregory E. Kline, PCC 11-18
	GAR Highway Officer. Gregory E. Kline, PCC 08-18
	Longevity Brother Dave J. Klinepeter, PCC 1943
	Webmaster Dave W. Demmy Jr., since 2011



Camp 15 routinely meets at National Civil War Museum, at Reservoir Park, Harrisburg, PA, 2 pm 3rd Sunday of most months. The Marshall A. Hope author award was bestowed upon Hartranft Herald for excellence of a camp newsletter by Brad Schall, Commander in Chief, 2010-2011.

Dept of PA: www.PAsuvcw.org National: <http://www.suvcw.org/> See TMI from afar!

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This issue of the *Hartranft Herald* is draped in remembrance of our late **Real Son, Frederick Fritz Upham, of Fort Collins, CO.**, who died late in December. His remembrance appears in Commander in Chief's Don Shaw's General Order Number 8 January 2019. Upham, along with several other **Real Sons**, was featured in the 2007 Book, *Civil War Fathers Sons of the Civil War in WWII*. Currently the SUVCW has only 2 remaining known *living real sons*!

2018, our 20th year of revitalization has come to end; welcome brothers to our 21st year and another volume of our Camp news!

Notice: Brothers and Sisters our next Camp event will be our New Year business meeting on **Sunday January 27 2019** at 2 p.m. room 222 upper level of the National Civil War Museum building high atop Reservoir Park– the highest elevation within the city of Harrisburg.

Our normal January meeting *would have been the 20th*, but with the Almanac, Weather Channel, Accu Weather and the National Weather Service all forecasting a major snow storm the weekend of the 20th, our illustrious Commander has made a command decision to postpone the 20th meeting to the 27th. The Museum has us locked in for the 27th.

Brothers and Sisters in Distress

by, Brother David W, Demmy, Sr., PCC, Kentucky Colonel and Camp 15 Chaplain

Please include the following during your daily prayer time:

- Mrs. Betz, PCinC Rich Orr, Jim Crane of Ohio, PCinC Andy Johnson; with continued blessings for Mrs. Charlotte Walters PDP and Mary Jane Bannan PDP and Mrs. Dot Kline!

- Tony Kline, PCinC Gene Mortorff and Mrs. Linda Mortorff!
- Joe Long Jr, PDC and Mrs. Rob Koenigsberg, spouse of PA Dept Secretary! Mrs. Bill Kuhn Jr, Scott Debo PCC, Mr and Mrs. David McReynolds, nat'l treasurer, Darlene Alcorn's son, Lowell Alcorn, Mrs. Rosemary Martin, Mrs. John Martin, and Ellen Higgins! Brother Larry Keener-Farley, PCC, and Brother John Martin.
- Mrs. Robert Treat; Jeffery Smith PCC; Mrs. Robert Manning. Brother Dave Sosnowski.
- Chaplains Jerry Kowalski and Scott Teeters and Clark Brocht!
- PCinC Ed Krieser, PCinC Brad Schall, and

PCinC Richard Partington; Mrs. Dick Williams of the department of Michigan to our prayer list too!

God bless you and yours, and in all things, give thanx!

Camp 15 Dues time – year 2019

2nd notice

To save postage you may bring your New Year 2019 Camp 15 dues of **\$35** to January Camp Meeting!

Life Members' dues is \$7.00 for Pennsylvania Department collection.

Life Members are exempt from Camp 15 dues and National per capita!

Sunday January 20th

Camp treasurer prefers checks payable to

'Hartranft Camp 15, SUVCW'.

Or mail your check to

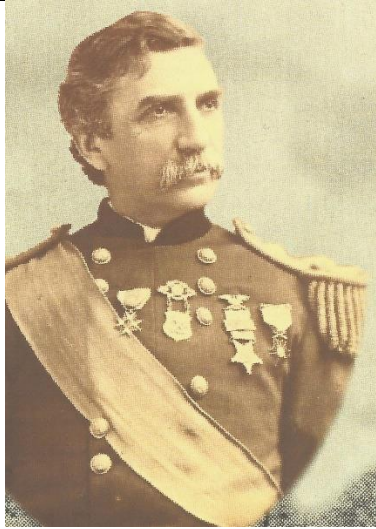
David W. Demmy, Sr., 881 Sunny Hill Lane
Harrisburg PA 17111 – 4690

Check protects both parties!

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Photo collection of Our Camp Namesake



one of the most famous images of Gen John F Hartranft!

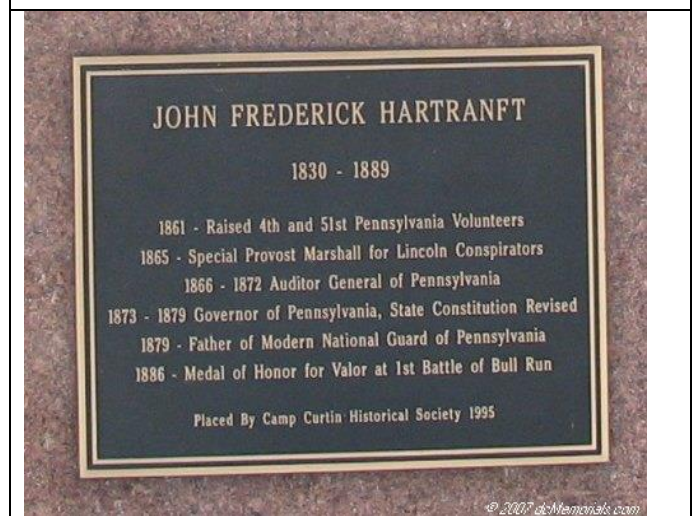
Hartranft, John Frederick (1830-1889) — Born in New Hanover Township, Montgomery County, Pa., December 16, 1830. A Republican, he served in the Union Army during the Civil War; was Pennsylvania state auditor general, 1866-72; then Governor of Pennsylvania, 1873-79; and candidate for Republican nomination for President, 1876. He received the Medal of Honor in 1886 for action at Bull Run, Va., July 21, 1861. The General died October 17, 1889. His Interment is at Montgomery Cemetery, Norristown, PA, which Camp 15 has visited.



birthplace



GEN. JOHN F. HARTRANFT
MEMBERS OF HIS STAFF DURING THE CIVIL WAR.
AT THE REUNION, APRIL 30, 1888



JOHN FREDERICK HARTRANFT
1830 - 1889

- 1861 - Raised 4th and 51st Pennsylvania Volunteers
- 1865 - Special Provost Marshall for Lincoln Conspirators
- 1866 - 1872 Auditor General of Pennsylvania
- 1873 - 1879 Governor of Pennsylvania, State Constitution Revised
- 1879 - Father of Modern National Guard of Pennsylvania
- 1886 - Medal of Honor for Valor at 1st Battle of Bull Run

Placed By Camp Curtin Historical Society 1995

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The General once *rode* in front of the state capitol building, but was later relocated to the far-right side [as viewed by this image]!

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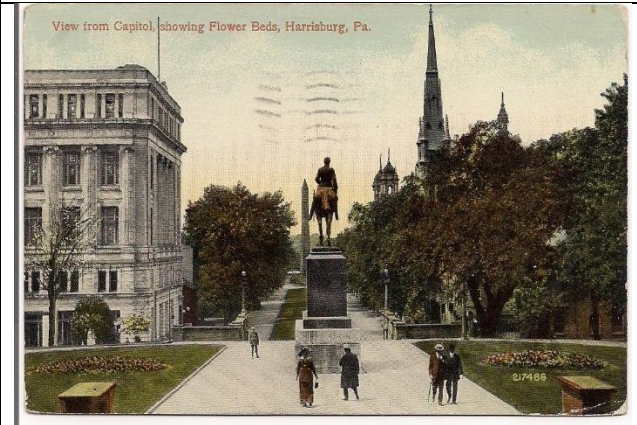
The General was relocated more than once!



Medallion created for the dedication of the statue.

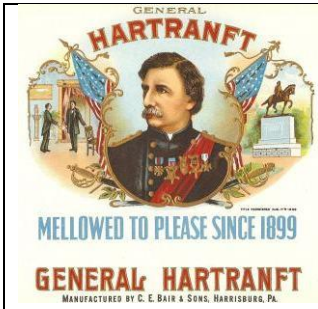


for the dedication too.

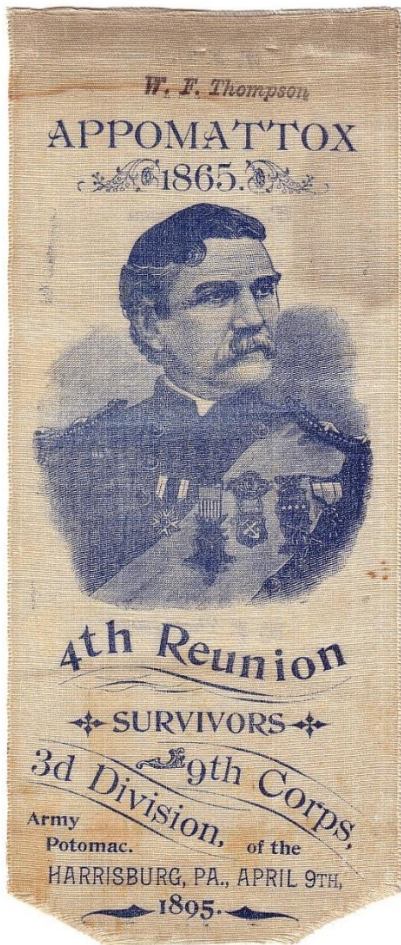


Original view from capitol building facing State Street looking western toward river front

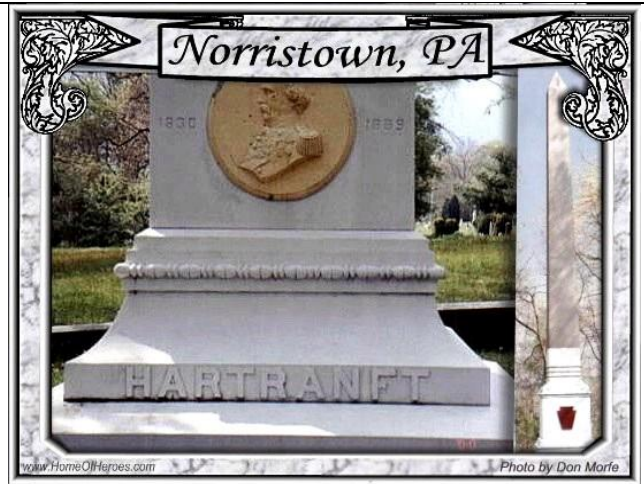




many famous folks, of the time, were immortalized upon cigar boxes! This author has 2 such boxes among his collection.



reunion.....



[John F. Hartranft \(1830 – 1889\)](#) served as Governor of Pennsylvania, 1872-1879. Born in Montgomery County, Pennsylvania in 1830, having served local militia, he raised a regiment of Montgomery County militia in April of 1861 to serve in the Civil War. Hartranft was later named Colonel of the 51st Regiment Volunteer Infantry, participating in several major battles, and rose to the rank of Brigadier General. Following the Civil War, Hartranft was appointed Special Provost Marshall, and given responsibility for the care and final execution of the conspirators convicted in the assassination of President Abraham Lincoln.

Later, Hartranft became Auditor General of Commonwealth of Pennsylvania in 1865 and, served

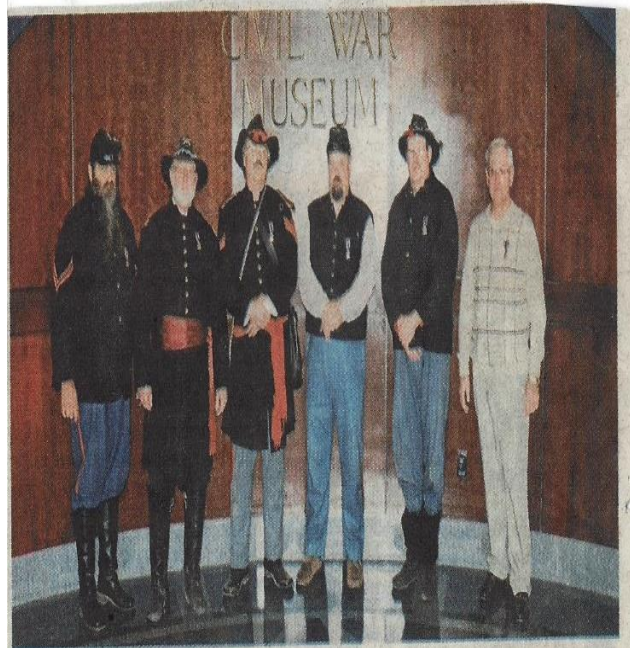
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two terms. Thereafter he was elected Governor of Commonwealth in 1872. As Governor, he was involved in the ratification of a new state constitution, the Centennial of Pennsylvania, and such labor issues as railroad strikes and the trials of the *Molly Maguires*.

Following his years as governor, Hartranft was active in various organizations, and was appointed Major General over the Pennsylvania National Guard.

The General, Camp 15's namesake, died on October 17, 1889.



▲ Five people became members of Gen. John F. Hartranft Camp 15 of Harrisburg, Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War. The ceremony was held at The National Civil War Museum. Shown from left are Scott Debo of Sunbury, Jack Rushoe of Muncy, Dennis Dewalt of Gowen City, Camp 15 Commander Greg Kline of Harrisburg, Tom Bowman of Carlisle and Tony Kline of Northumberland.

Hartranft lives on within the recruiting efforts of camp 15!

Above items provided by Hartranft Herald Staff from personal collection of civil war items surrounding Camp 15 at Harrisburg, Pennsylvania.

If you have images or collections of the General and

you are willing to share with us, we will be happy to scan your collection and return it to you immediately. Contact David Demmy if you can visit national headquarters to share.....

NCWM – The National Civil War Museum announces its next Community **FREE** Day will be Saturday February 16, 2019. Members are desired for volunteering to assist Museum Staff, on this free activity day.

January 19: Museum Curator, Brett Kelley will present “*New Acquisitions ... & treasures of the Museum!*”

January 26, Author, Jeffry Wert will be on hand for “The Business of War:

Lincoln Luncheon and Appomattox Luncheon(s)

① Quick note on 2019 Lincoln Luncheon, until flyer is available:

Event to be held on Saturday February 9th at Williams Restaurant, 3630 William Penn Hwy, Easton, PA 18045. more later.

② This year there will be 2 Appomattox Luncheons. One in the East and one in the West. Attached is the rsvp form for the **Western half of the Department of Pennsylvania.**

As soon as the application from the host of the East Camp arrives, it will be posted here for your perusal!

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On the Road with Camp 15

Next camp business meeting will be Sunday January 20, 2019!

April camp meeting will be conducted on **April 28** as our usual 3rd Sunday meeting day is Easter 2019

Our Brother Greg Kline is a 'PCC' of Camp 15 and also of the newly established Camp 503 in Sunbury. Currently he is our Camp secretary and also, the Pennsylvania Department Senior Vice Commander, which means he is on the path to become the Pennsylvania **Department Commander 'DC'** next year **2019** at the PA department encampment convention to be held at Crown Plaza at King of Prussia exit off of turnpike.

The dates for this event are June 27-29 and it was voted at 2018 encampment to go back to 2-day encampment affair with events/tours of the area.

To support Brother Greg's promotion to department Commander, one of 30 other commanders across our nation, I am making this plea to you to reserve this event and dates and to do all in your power to attend and, not only vote for Greg, but support him in his endeavors and goals for our department, the largest Department among our grand patriotic organization.

More data forthcoming when we receive it. in the meantime, you may research the **Crown Plaza at King of Prussia**.

Proud - Wear the Badge



Come out to a meeting and engage with us!

- The Allied Orders of the GAR:
- -Woman's Relief Corps Auxiliary to GAR,
- -Ladies of the Grand Army of the Republic,
- -Daughters of Union Veterans of Civil War,
- -Sons of Union Veterans of the Civil War, and
- -The Auxiliary to Sons of Union Veterans Civil War.

Camp Officers & authors, the first Friday of each month is the Deadline for submission of stories, events, articles, and photos for *Hartranft Herald*.

Membership Bio Profiles will continue to appear as they are submitted by members.

Worksheets were inserted in Camp 15's 125th Anniversary history book.

If you prefer, [and your *Hartranft Herald* wishes you would], complete an *e*-worksheet, please ask for one – send e-mail request to DoubleD@Demmy.cc

Bring a nephew, uncle, brother, father, grandfather, cousin, neighbor and friend to a Camp meeting! Family and our sisters of Auxiliary 7 are always welcome!

Established February 11, 1882

in Fraternity, Charity, and Loyalty!

Continued with other data below!

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2019 APPOMATTOX LUNCHEON

Western Region

Annual Luncheon: Saturday, April 6, 2019 12:00 Noon

Oakhurst Grill – Upstairs Banquet Hall, access, rear parking lot

2400 Glades Pike (Route 31)

Somerset, PA 15501

Hosted by Mt Union Church Camp #502 & Auxiliary & Susanna Cook Tent 61

Lunch buffet of chicken, turkey, ham, assorted potatoes and vegetables, salad, rolls, desserts with beverage included. Price of the luncheon is \$22.00 per person.

Program: Music of the Civil War Era: From Battlefield to the Homefront

Presented by Jerry D Clark, a retired Band Director for Albert Gallatin Area School District, Uniontown, Pa. Jerry is a graduate from the West Virginia University School of Music with degrees in Percussion Performance, Music Education and Wind Band Conducting.

Jerry now performs with the VFW Post 8543 Band and the American Legion Band Post 400, both in Fayette County, Pa, is a percussionist for a Swing band, and also plays for several local high school musicals in the area each year. He serves on the Board of Directors of the WVU Alumni Band and the Friendship Hill National Historic Site Association. Jerry is also Junior Vice Commander of Camp #502 this year.

Reservations: Please remit payment no later than Monday April 1, 2019

Payment payable to: Mt Union Church Camp #502

Mail payment & form to Tim Bell, 174 Bellview Lane, Somerset, PA 15501

Directions to Oakhurst Grill, Somerset, Pa

From East: Exit Pa Turnpike 110 (Rt 219 Somerset/Johnstown). Access road to 3rd right on to N.

Center Ave then right on W. Main St (Pa 31/281). Continue on Pa 31 West for about 6 miles to Oakhurst Grill on left. From West: Exit Pa Turnpike 91 (Pa 711/Donegal) then left on to Pa 31 East for 12.8 miles to Oakhurst Grill on right. Contact: Bob Wrigley 717-475-5451, email rwrigley@frontiernet.net Please mail the Reservation form below with check.

Appomattox Luncheon Sat April 6, 2019. Mail to Tim Bell, 174 Bellview Lane, Somerset, Pa 15501

Name(s) _____

Pay \$22.00 x ____ = Total _____ Check # _____ Phone _____

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THE NATIONAL
CIVIL WAR
 M U S E U M
 IN ASSOCIATION WITH THE SMITHSONIAN INSTITUTION

January 26, 2019
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

"The Business of War"

Our Newest Temporary Exhibit Opens to the Public
with a special presentation by Jeffrey Wert

2:00 pm - 3:00 pm

"Civil War Barons and the Union Cause"



Mr. Wert will profile 19 Northern businessmen and their contributions to the victorious Union war effort. Some of them owned iconic American firms, such as Deere, McCormick, Squibb, Borden, Armour, Weyerhaeuser, Carnegie, and Studebaker, while others roles were vital to the cause.

This presentation is included in the cost of regular Museum admission and is free to Museum members.

This special opportunity sponsored by:



3:00 pm - 5:00 pm

"The Business of War" opens to the public

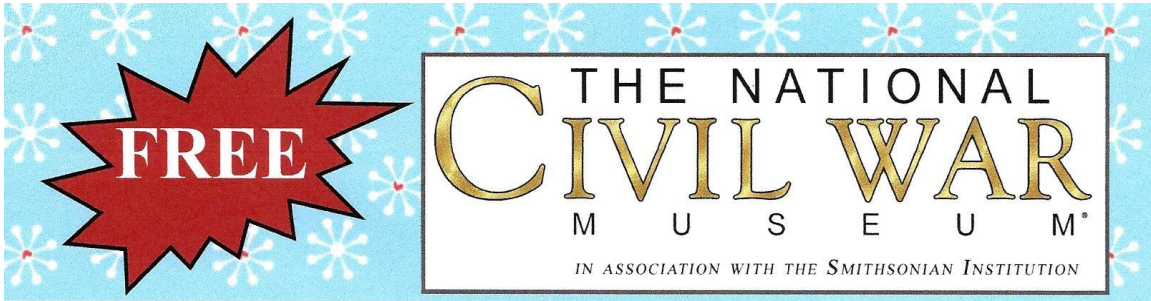
The Business of War exhibit will discuss how private businesses adapted to a war economy and contributed to or detracted from the war effort in their Union or Confederate sphere of influence. The exhibit will focus on businesses that worked with their respective governments and how that relationship helped or hurt both parties. Special attention will be paid to companies that have stood the test of time and continue to operate to this day.



One Lincoln Circle at Reservoir Park · Harrisburg, PA 17103

717-260-1861

www.NationalCivilWarMuseum.org



**Celebrate Black History Month
at the
NCWM Community Free Day**



**Saturday
February 16, 2019
10:00 am - 4:00 pm**

Sponsored by: UNITED CONCORDIA® DENTAL
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Presentations:

**11:00 am
Dr. Abigail Cooper**



Black refugee or
"contraband camps" of the
American Civil War

**1:00 pm
Dr. Cheryl Renee Gooch**



"Personal History is
Social History"

**2:30 pm
Michael Moore**



The Making of a Museum:
The International African
American Museum (IAAM)

Turn off the TV and Enjoy these Family Activities:

- 3rd USCT Display & Living History
- Clothing Station for children of all ages
- Coloring station (also for children of all ages)
- Musical Entertainment by the
Long Hill String Band
- Officers for the Union Living History
- Ladies for the Union Living History



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