REMEMBER THAT THE DEAD-LINE TO WITHDRAW A QUILT FROM JUDGING OR FROM THE SHOW IS

SATURDAY, APRIL 29th.

Please notify: Nancy Goodman.

nwgoodman@comcast.com

Nine Patch News Azalea City Quilters Guild

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President: Susan Mogan smogan1@comcast.net



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Upcoming Programs: Pam Stephens 251-604-8484

Hi ladies! I know we are all excited and overwhelmed in preparation for the Quilt Show. No program in <u>May</u>. In <u>June</u>, I'd like to do a 'Round Robin' demonstration of the many ways to make Flying Geese. In <u>July</u>, our own Susan Mogan will do a trunk show of her beautiful quilts. I know you'll love that. <u>August</u> will be our luncheon and new Officers Installation.

Workshops: Nina Clotfelter 251-377-5523

May 16

9:30a- 4p; \$25 - Stand and Stow Bag , Regency Church; This simple bag stands up while you pack it, then folds and stows away! Pattern has 3 different sizes, you'll make the medium size bag in class

June 20

Hand Quilting - 9:30 - 3 - at Springhill - Georgia McCain will teach you how to do hand quilting! You've asked for a hand quilting class, so join in! You'll learn all kinds of tips and techniques with different exercises Georgia has planned for you. You won't want to miss this rare hand quilting class!

July 18

9:30-3:30 - \$20 - at Regency Church - Candy Snipes will be teaching an amazingly fun pattern called Plaid-ish. This pattern is great for beginners and advanced quilters.

MAY 2023 President's Notes

Well, we're less than 2 weeks away from our quilt show. I hope you've all got your quilts ready to go. Peggy Stone and all the committee chairs have all worked really hard, and guild members have been great about making and donating items, time, and money, so a big thank you to everyone - I think we're going to have a great show. Later in the newsletter is a condensed overview of everything going on for the quilt show that you might need to know, all in one place. Since the quilt show is the big priority this month, I'm not going to talk about anything else other than the May workshop, where we'll be making a stand-up bag. It's a great way to use your quilting skills to make something that would be great for both yourself and as a gift. I'm looking forward to finding something that I might actually be able to finish in less than 6 months!

I'd like to thank everyone again for everything they've done so far to get us ready for our show. We're very close to the finish line on this, and I can't wait to see all the quilts. Let's rock this show!

REMINDER: THE MAY MEETING HAS BEEN MOVED TO <u>MAY 2nd</u> INSTEAD OF MAY 9th.

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ART QUILTERS GROUP: The art guilters' special exhibit will be featured all across the back wall of the Abba Shrine Center during the quilt show. We hope you'll all check out the many fun and interesting projects we've done over the last few years and consider joining us in the future. Susan Mogan BOOK CLUB: new name: "Azalea Book Maids Book Club" It is important for me, as an Azalea Book Maid, to thank Linda Flores for beginning the book club and being responsible for it from the beginning. As a reader, I have loved it. Linda chose books that I would never have read on my own. Thank you, Linda! You will be missed. Enjoy your new home in Ohio and enjoy the grandbaby. Ann Singleton and I will try to lead the group in your absence. The book that we will read for May is Sonoma Rose by Jennifer Chiaverini. We'll meet at Jason's Deli after the meeting. Everyone is invited. If you have any interest, please join us and check us out. We have fun discussing the book, eating lunch, and sharing in fellowship. Ann Singleton 251-377-2781 etruscanj@att.net and Georgia McCain 251-689-1393 gamccain52@gmail.com

CHILD ADVOCACY : We have received donations of about \$60 so far this year. I appreciate your generosity. The basket will be on the table but I won't "remind" you for a while. Thank you so much for contributing to such a worthy cause. Sandy Purvis 251 -422-0968 es@bellsouth.net

EMAILS: If you want an email sent to the guild, please send to ACQG2018@yahoo.com Susan.garrett@att.net or call 251-599-4179.

EXCHANGE BLOCKS: Thank you to everyone who participated in Ann's Mosaic Star block. We had a record number of participants. Because of this, I was able to give away eleven sets of blocks for quilts. In my opinion this was the prettiest block that we've made since I've been in charge of the Exchange Blocks. For



those who won blocks, please make your guilt and share with the guild at Show and Tell. I can't wait to see them. Had a really hard time giving the blocks away. Really wanted to keep them for myself. The block for April-August is called Autumn Falling Leaves. The kit consists of cream background and a brown stem. You will provide the fabric for the leaves. Leaves can be red, green, orange or yellow. All one fabric or several tones of the same color. I'll have plenty of kits at the May meeting. Blocks need to be finished by July meeting if possible. I will give away kits at the August meeting.

Happy guilting. Happy guilting. Georgia McCain 251-689-1393 gamccain52@gmail.com

LIBRARY: The library has two new books. Connie Golden has donated Dear Jane by Brenda Manges Papadakis. Ann Hetrick has donated Fast and Fun Quilts for Kids from Annie's Craft Store. The kids quilt



book is a memorial for Nancy Lancaster. Ann Hetrick 251-533-9365 annhetrick@comcast.net

MACHINE PIECING CLASS: MaryAnn Logsdon. 251-649-4682. malogsdon1@gmail.com

Night Guild : Night Guild met Thursday, April 13 at Christ United Methodist Church. Linda Dyken taught us about Hand Quilting. She talked about which fabrics and battings work best, which needles to buy and which thread works well. She also gave a demonstration of how to start, how to stop and the general hand guilting stitch. Night Guild will meet May 4th for a brief meeting to get our quilt labels. In June, Elaine Williams will present a program on Creative Backgrounds. Alan Farmer 251-463-5398 alan.farmer82@gmail.com

Off Year Opportunity Quilt: Opportunity Quilt for 2024 is still in the works and will be ready August 2023.

susan.garrett@att.net; 251-599-4179

Quilts of Valor: The next QOV presentation is scheduled for 10:30 at the Quilt Show on Saturday. We hope to honor 4-5 veterans that day. Thanks to all for their continued support and help to cover the many veterans we have. Over 60 quilts will have been presented this fiscal year by the end of the guilt show. Dues for National QOV are due now and can be paid under your member dashboard on the QOVF page - detailed instructions are in last month's newsletter, as needed, or see me with your \$10. Keep stitching - the vets need you! Joyce Reed Isubookwrm@hotmail.com 251-454-1466 Resolutions: Please remember to update Yvonne Taylor whenever you finish a resolution Yvonne Taylor Happyquilter247@aol.com.

Retreat Dates: AUGUST 24-27, 2023 at Camp Beckwith in Fairhope, AL. Susie Garrett susan.garrett@att.net or 251-599-4179



Regency Church of Christ, 501 S. University Blvd.

University Church of Christ, 5651 Zeigler Blvd.

First Tuesday of the month at office of Humana Insurance 3653 Airport Blvd., near I-65.

Baltimore Album Stitching Group May 1 at 9:30 am

BASG will be meeting the first Monday in the month at the Springhill Activities Building Yvonne Taylor, Happyquilter247@aol.com

ACQG General Meetings:

May 2, 2023 June 13, 2023 July 11, 2023

Important Dates for your Calendar:

April 29, 2023 Withdrawal date for Quilt Show
May 8, 2023, Monday Turn in your quilts
May 9-11 Quilt Show judging and set up
May 12-13, 2023 ACQG Quilt Show at Abba Shrine Center
ACQG RETREAT: August 24-27, 2023

COOKBOOK:

I know you are as excited as we are that our COOKBOOK <u>STITCHIN' AND STIRRIN'</u> will debut at our Festival of Quilts. We would appreciate it if you would give the public the opportunity for this first run of 200. If there are some left at 4:00 Saturday, you are welcome to stand in line. They will also be at the June Guild Meeting. They will sell for \$15.00 and you can make your check out to **ACQG** (not Quilt Show). In the **FOR** space please put COOKBOOK. Cash is also welcome.

Cookbook Committee

ACQG Treasurer's Report—April (March Activity)		
Money Market Account Balance	\$10,265.39	
Interest Earned	34.67	
Total	\$10,300.06	
Checking Acct. Beg. Bal. (December 1)	\$2,589.62	
INCOME		
Child Advocacy	34.00	
Library Book Sale	66.00	
Membership	140.00	
Workshops	690.00	
Ways and Means	119.00	
TOTAL INCOME	\$804.99	
EXPENSES		
Regency Church of Christ	\$125.00	
Exchange Block	79.98	
Donation Guilts	49.64	
Workshops	690.00	
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$944.62	
Ending Balance	<u>\$2,694.00</u>	
Respectfully Submitted by Susie Olsen—Treasurer		

4/11 Membership Report:

74 Members Present 1 Visitor

Renewal Member:

Jo Woycke 3719 Gulf Ct 3/9 Theodore, AL 3658 251-689-2873 Jo9335@aol.com

<u>New Member:</u> Theresa Seibert 5824 Williams Rd 5/7 Theodore, AL 36582 251-300-1212 Theresa@thecottoncutter.com

Jo and Theresa are owners of a new quilting store in Tillman Corner.

"The Cotton Cutter's"

4400 Rangeline Road, Suite C

Mobile, AL 36619

251-725-0537

Thanks for giving me the opportunity to serve as your Vice President of Membership.

-Bennie Johnson

Minutes: 4/11/2023 General Meeting

Welcome and Opening Remarks. Susan Mogan, President, Azalea City Quilter's Guild welcomed all members and visitors to the March 2023 meeting. A request for prayer for Reba Perkins's husband, who broke his back was made.

Inspiration. Ashley Fleming told a story about a father talking about antiques with his grandson. He was talking about old sewing machines and how the value of a thing is only what an individual thinks of it. She talked about the old Singer Featherweights machines and how a quilter considers that machine a value possession. How a quilter value the straight stitches it make even thought it is an old machine. She read a poem about the Featherweight and how it is valued even through it is an old machine. She spoke that feels the same way about the older quilters and how we may feel sometimes. Ashley told us that God treasures his "old Feather Weights" and will always cherish them no matter what their age is. She spoke a small prayer thanking the Lord.

Correspondence. Susan Mogan read a thank you letter from Ramona Thompson for the concerns and prayer for her and her family.

Corrections for the March Minutes. Susan Mogan asked if there were any corrections to the March 2023 minutes. No corrections were noted. Susie Olson motioned to accept the March minutes. Carol Peterson seconded the motion. A vote was taken and there were no objections. The February minutes were approved.

Treasurer Report. Susie Olsen read the Treasurer's Report for March concerning the February finances. A copy will be filed and published in the April Nine Patch Newsletter. She spoke of how well the Money Market certificate was doing since transferring to Edward Jones. As of this date is has made over \$50.00 in interest. Last year total interest was less than \$1.00.

Membership Report. Bennie Johnson, Vice President of Membership, announced we have 71 members, including one renewal of membership and one new member joining today.

Exchange Blocks. Susan Mogan announced we would give the Exchange Blocks out earlier in the meeting since Georgia McCain had to leave early. Georgia asked everyone to make the name tags on the quilt blocks they turn in approximately 1 ½ by 4 inches. She is getting them in all different sizes and it will make it difficult to have a fair drawing with so many different size name tags. She also requested that the name tags be pinned to the exchange blocking using safety pins, not staples. Trying to take the names off the blocks is difficult when the name tags are stapled on. Names were drawn for this guarter's exchange block, the Batik Star. We had enough blocks to make 11 quilts. The winners for this quarter were Debbie Vice; Darlene Boyd; Sandy Purvis; Mary Reese; Susan Mogan; Valerie Jackson; Caroline Stoops; Mary Warfield; Reba Perkins; Terry Jenkins; and Susan Garrett. Next quarter's exchange block is the Maple Leaf block. Georgia is asking everyone who make the block to use various colors of red, orange and yellow for this block.

General Announcements – Susan Mogan made the following announcements:

May Meeting Date Changed. The monthly meeting scheduled in May will be moved to May 2 due to the Quilt Show.

Nominating Committee for the July Elections. Susan stated that we now have a Nominating Committee in place for the July elections. They are Alice Cornelson, Nina Clotfelter and Mary Jo Datema. She ask everyone if the Nominating Committee approaches them to ask about taking an office, to please consider taking that office. We need to find new officers for ACQG and new blood is important to keep the Guild running.

Programs. Pam Stevens, Programs Chair, stated that the "I Spy" project she gave out last month is doing well and she is receiving some blocks already. She asked everyone who already has their completed blocks to stand up and show them. Pam stated these block will be used during a "sew day" for the Donation Quilts sometime is the fall. There will not be any program next month due to the Quilt Show. The program in June will be a "Round Robin" on the different way the Flying Geese block can be made. She is asking anyone who has a different way to make a Flying Geese block and would like to demonstrate it to please let her know.

Donation Quilts. Diane Engels was not present at the meeting. Susan Mogan stated she is working on getting a "free" block pattern she found for the Donation Quilts and is working on a possible workshop for November using these blocks.

Quilt Show.

Peggy Stone, Quilt Show General Chair, said the Quilt Show is going well. She stated:

- Several questions have been asked about ACQG members and if they would have to pay to enter the Quilt Show. Peggy stated that members of the ACQG would not have to pay an entry fee, so long as they are wearing a proper name tag. That could either be the new magnetic name badges or the older versions, so long as it is a current name badge. Members would be requested to wear their name badges as long as they are in the building.
- Comp Tickets for ACQG members. Peggy stated that Comp Tickets will be available for members of the ACQG to give away. The tickets would have to be paid by the ACQG member if they are used to get in the Quilt Show.
- Entry Paperwork for the Quilt Show. Nancy Goodman will have the paperwork for each quilt for the Quilt Show available today in the lobby. These forms will show if your quilt is to be judged or not. Orange tickets are for judged entries and blue is for non-judged entries. She is asking that these forms be attach to the appropriate entry with a safety pin.
- Country Store and Unique Boutique. We are getting good support for both the Country Store and Unique Boutique. A lot of people are turning in items for both today.

Pegi Cromartie, Publicity Chair for the Quilt Show talked about what is going on with the publicity for the Quilt Show and how each one of us can help with it. She explained about the posters she has and if anyone would like to take one or two and see if a business in the area would display it in their business. She stated the more we get the word out about the Quilt Show the better turn out we will have at it. Susan Mogan stated that we still need multiple volunteers to work in the various areas of the Quilt Show. She asked each of the Quilt Show Chairs to explain exactly where and what each volunteer would be doing in their areas. Each of the Chairs for the Committee on the Quilt Show spoke about what exactly is needed in their areas and how many more volunteers they could use. Susan stated that Candy Snipes will be the General Volunteers Chair for the Quilt Show. Candy is working with each area of the Quilt Show to ensure they are staffed with the volunteers they need. Candy will be out in the lobby after the meeting if anyone was interested signing up for helping in the various areas. She will be emailing a spreadsheet out in the future with the names of the volunteers, where they will be working and what times they need to be at the areas they have been assigned during the Quilt Show. Candy will also have a table set up at the Quilt Show in the Lobby of Abba Shrine for anyone who would like to help and has not been The meeting was adjourned at 11:42 p.m. assigned an area yet.

Susan Mogan also reminded everyone that the Monthly Guild Meeting for May will be moved to May 2 due to the Quilt Show. Workshops. Nina Clotfelter, Workshop Chair, talked about the upcoming workshops.

April Workshop is scheduled for April 18, 2023 and will be held at Regency Church of Christ. It is how to get your quilts ready for the Quilt Show. How to make a sleeve for hanging, placing labels, and other things involving getting your quilt ready. The cost is \$5.00.

May workshop will be on May 16 at 9:30 a.m. and will be held at Spring Hill Baptist Activity Center on McGregor Ave. This workshop will be making a stand up tote bag. The cost of this workshop is \$25.00.

Book Club - The Azalea Book Maids. Linda Flores stated the Azalea Book Maids will be meeting today after the meeting for lunch at Jason's Deli and to discuss their latest book. Anyone who wished to join them for lunch is welcome, you don't have to read their books. Just come out for some fun discussion.

Library. Ann Hetrick announced that a two new books have been donated to the Library today. The first book, "Feather Weight Maintenance and Troubleshooting" is ready to be checked out. Tia Bourke spoke out in the meeting stated she would like to have it this month. The second book is "Dear Jane Quilt Book", which includes all the patterns. This book is not ready for check out, but will be available next month.

Annual ACQG Retreat. Susan Garrett announced that the annual retreat for the ACQG is scheduled for August 24 thru 27, 2023 and the application forms were posted in this month's newsletter.

Gulf States Quilter's Association. Robbie McHardy stated that the GSQA Quarterly Meeting will be held in Picayune, Mississippi next month.

Quilts of Valor. Joyce Reed announced that she has two bolts of batting available if any of the individuals in the ACQG with a long-arm machine would like to help in quilting the quilts for Quilts of Valor. She asked if any long-armer could do two quilts a months to help with these projects, since Linda Flores, who was the main long-armer for Quilts of Valor is moving away from the area this month. Ways & Means. Sharon Morris announced we had eight unbirthday gifts this month and made \$124.00. The winners of the unbirthday gifts were Alice Cornelson, Judy Gaul, Mary Edwards, Sharon Morris, Jean Anthony, Melanie Stoffly, Susan Mogan and Peggy Stone. Show & Tell. Quilts and other items were shown at Show & Tell. Photos were taken and are being posted on the ACQG Facebook page for anyone interested in seeing them.

Final Remarks and Adjournment. Susan Mogan stated that this meeting would be Linda Flores' last meeting with the ACQG, since she is moving to Ohio to be closer to her family. She wished Linda well and hopes she will come and see us if she is back down in Mobile.

Submitted by: KAREN GORDON, Secretary, ACQG Approved by: SUSAN MOGAN, President ACQG

<u>ACQG T SHIRTS</u>

We have a few T shirts to sell at the May Guild Meeting. Please measure your chest at its fullest part before the meeting to determine what size you need. The size chart will be available. Sizes Small - XL = \$15 and 2X-4X = \$18





The 2023 quilt show "Back To Traditions" is ready. Everyone has worked so hard for the show to be a success. I want to express my appreciation to the quilt show committee and members ACQG for their support and dedication to the quilt show.

Members if you do not have a name tag use your current membership card for entrance to the show.—*Peggy Stone*

Unique Boutique

BOUTIQUE

WOW!! You girls are the best!! The Boutique has lots of pretty items that have been turned in & priced and ready for a new home. We will accept what few remaining items that haven't been turned in yet at the May 2 ACQG meeting. That's the absolute deadline. We hope to exceed the \$1500 that we made at the last quilt show. What doesn't sell will be brought to the June ACQG meeting for you to pick up. A great big THANK YOU to ALL who contributed in any way.

Sandy Purvis 251-422-0968

Susie Olsen 251-510-1361

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FINAL QUILT SHOW 2023 INFORMATION

Note: Sat, April 29th is the last day to withdraw a quilt from judging consideration or from the show

QUILT WEEK CALENDAR:

Monday, May 8th – quilts are brought to Abba Shrine Center between 10:00 and 1:00

Tuesday, May 9th – quilt judging begins at 8:00

Wed, May 10th – judging continues, poles and drapes are set up Wed morning, hanging begins Wed afternoon Thursday, May 11th – judging finishes by noon, all remaining quilts are hung, ACQG booths and vendors set up Friday May 12th and Saturday May 13th – actual show dates. Quilts are picked up on Sat at 6:00.

QUILT TURN IN: Monday, May 8th, from 10:00 – 1:00 at the Abba Shrine Center on Schillinger Road.

Before packaging up your quilt, please use a lint roller to remove any pet hair or stray threads Each quilt must have a hanging sleeve on the back of it, and if your quilt is being judged and you have a label on it with your name, please cover that label with painter's tape or a piece of cloth.

- The <u>blue or orange judged/non-judged label</u> gets safety-pinned in the lower left corner of the back of the quilt (as you're facing the back).
- The quilt is then folded so that the blue or orange label is on top, easily visible, and the quilt is inserted into a pillow case (to keep it clean). Please safety-pin an index card or piece of paper with <u>your</u> <u>name and the quilt entry number</u> written on it to the outside of the pillowcase.
- Wed May 10th in the afternoon people needed to help hang quilts. A wooden rod is inserted through the sleeve on the back of the quilt and then inserted into "S" hooks to hang the quilt. We need some people who are comfortable climbing up on ladders, and if you have a step ladder or stepstool please bring it with you. Contact Susan Garrett for more info or to sign up.

One quilt only per pillowcase, please.

VOLUNTEERS: If you've already signed up to help in some way, thank you. If you haven't, here's what is still needed:

- * Tues and Wed 8:00-4:00, Thursday 8:00-12:00 judging committee works until all quilts are judged
- * Thursday May 11th all day –this is the real "all hands on deck day", to finish hanging quilts and set up the ACQG booths and exhibits (boutique, country store, baskets, sit and sew, hang art quilts, QOV,etc)
- * Friday May 12th and Sat May 13th working in the ACQG booths in the show itself. Please contact Candy Snipes at <u>candysnipes@runbox.com</u> to sign up to help. Candy will be at the May meeting, and will also be in the lobby during the show, so if you didn't sign up for a shift and want to just come and see where you're needed she can direct you.

HOSPITALITY: During show set up (Tues May 9th – Thursday May 11th) we also supply **food** for all guild members working, and for vendors setting up on Thursday, so we need food brought to the Abba Center on Tuesday May 9th – Thursday May 11th. The hospitality committee has a sign-up sheet of specific items needed. Please contact Yvonne Taylor at <u>happyquilter247@aol.com</u> or Anne Godwin at <u>azaleamom@aol.com</u> or 251-377-8313 to sign up to help. We aren't allowed to bring outside food in on Friday and Saturday, but there will be a food vendor available from 11:00 – 2:15 on those days.

MISC:

- Guild members get into the show free if they're wearing their name tag or showing their membership gard. Family members must pay regular admission. Please wear your name tag all during the show. Shella Caroni has complimentary tickets if anyone would like to get some to hand out – you pick them up for free and give them to people you'd like to come to the show, and then you're only charged for them if they're actually used.
- Guild members are asked to delay purchasing the new guild cookbook "Stitchin' and Stirrin'" until late Saturday afternoon so that our initial print run can be available to sell to the public.
- Opportunity quilt tickets are available for purchase until about 3:45 Saturday afternoon. If you purchase your guild member booklet of tickets during the show, make sure you give them your name so you receive credit for having done so.
- No food or drinks can be consumed in the main show area. The Abba Center Auxiliary will be selling food between the hours of 11:00 2:15 during the show.
- Prize drawing will begin around 4:00-4:15 on Saturday. Basket winners will be drawn first, then the opportunity quilt winner
- Vendors will be told they can begin to break down their booths as soon as prize drawings start, so don't wait until the last minute to do your shopping!





Judy Purcell 5/3 Martha Sumrall 5/4 (not sure) Tish Fisackerly 5/5Mary Ann Logsdon 5/5 Theresa Seibert 5/7Karen Lanham 5/7Trent Short 5/9 Vickie Manly 5/12 Carolyn Courson 5/14 5/14 Rene G. Hawkins Arabelle Walker 5/14 5/16 Lynda Cockrell Sharron Potts 5/17 Ellen Stebbins 5/17 Virginia Sarradet 5/18 Cathy Wilson 5/21 Judith Wheeler 5/24 Linda Flores 5/25 Linda McInnis 5/27 Darlene Maltese 5/27 5/31 Carol Peterson Sue Filipowicz 5/31



ACQG 2023 Summer Retreat

August 24 - 27, 2023

Name:	
Phone: (h) (c)	Email:
RETREAT COST:	
Thursday 8:30am – Sunday 12pm	Db \$300.00, Single \$380.00
Friday 8:30am – Sunday 12pm	Db \$230.00, Single \$285.00
Roommate:	
RETREAT COST: ****** DAY CAI	MPERS *****
Day Camping Hours 8:30am – 5pm ar	nd will include Lunch meal Fri & Sat
Thursday – Saturday \$120.00	or Choose Individual Days
Thursday \$30.00	Friday \$50.00
Saturday \$50.00	
Dinner Friday Add \$20.00	Dinner Saturday Add \$20.00
Please list any food allergies or s	special dietary needs on back.

DEADLINE FOR RETREAT SIGNUP IS AUGUST 8, 2023. ALL REGISTRA-TION AND PAYMENTS ARE DUE.

PLEASE MAKE CHECKS TO: ACQG RETREAT ACCOUNT

Mail to: Susan Garrett, 10824 Lott Cemetery Rd, Chunchula, Alabama 36521

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