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WEEKEND HAPPENINGS

Hackettstown Public Library Holiday Mini-Bazaar

Thursday, December 7, 9:00AM to 8:00PM, and Friday, December 8, 9:00am to 3:00PM. Sponsored by Friends 4,8,9,10 of the Library, visit us at hackettstownlibrary.org, under the 5.6.7 About button select Friends. Hackettstown Public Library. 110 Church St,, Hackettstown, New Jersey.

Hope UCC Breakfast with Santa

Hope United Christ of Christ will host a Breakfast with 16 Santa on Saturday, December 9, 8:00AM to 11:00am 701 Cherry & E. Second Streets, Wind Gap, PA. 18091. See ad page 5 for details

Lookout Fire Co. #1 Holiday Market

Lookout Fire Co. #1 will host a Holiday Market on Saturday, December 9, 10:00AM to 3:00PM at the Lookout Fire Co., 123 S.Main Street, Pen Argyl, PA. 18072 All Aspects at the Barn Santa's Christmas Market & Festival All Aspects at the Barn will host Santa's Christmas Market & Holiday Festival on Saturday, December 9, 10:00AM to **4:00PM** 1584 S. Delaware Drive, Mt Bethel, PA. 18343. See ad page 5 for details

EBUMCC One Starry Night Nativity Experience

The East Bangor United Methodist Community Church will hold One Starry Night on Saturday, December 9, 3:00PM to 5:00PM, and Sunday, December 10, 2:00PM to 4:00PM i136 W. Central Ave., East Bangor, PA 18013. See ad page 3 for details

Quiet Valley Living Historical Farm 33rd Annual Old Time Christmas The Quiet Valley Living Historical Farm 33rd Annual Old Time Christmas will take place on December 9 and 10, 2:30PM -7:00PM. Tours every 15 minutes with the last tour starting at 7:00pm. FMI visit www.quietvalley.org/old-time-christmas or call 570 992-6161 347 Quiet Valley Rd. Stroudsburg, PA 18360. **3rd Annual Holly Jolly Holiday Festival & Tricky Tray**

A Holly Jolly Festival & Tricky Tray will be held on Saturday, December 9, 10:00AM to 3:00PM at the Slate Belt YMCA, 315 W. Penna. Ave., Pen Argyl, PA 18072.

See ad page 5 for details

Slate Belt Heritage Center Great Slate Belt Trivia Contest Test your trivia knowledge of the Slate Belt at the annual Great Slate Belt Trivia Contest on Sunday, December 10 at 2:00PM at the Slate Belt Heritage Center. Bring a team of four or come alone and we will place you on a team. Prizes will be awarded to the winning team and light refreshments will be served . Slate Belt Heritage Center, 30 North 1st Street, Bangor, PA. FMI please contact Karen Brewer at 484-894-5661.

Blue Valley Farm Show Youth Advisory Holiday Cookie Sale The Blue Valley Farm Show Youth Advisory will hold a Holiday Cookie Sale. Orders due by December 10, Pick Up date: Tuesday, December 12th from 6:00PM to 8:00PM or Sunday, December 17 ,7:30AM-12:30PM Blue Valley Farm Show 707 American Bangor Road. Bangor, PA. 18013Order forms can be found on the BVFS Youth Advisory Facebook page.

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Next Issue December 21st Deadline, Friday, December 15th

*All ad copy and editorial must be submitted by Friday. December, 15th to be included in the December 21st, Christmas issue.

Bushkill Twsp. Vol Fire Co.Santa Breakfast Buffet

Santa Breakfast Buffet at the Bushkill Township Vol. Fire Co. Firehouse. **Sunday, December 10,** 155 Firehouse Lane, Nazareth, Pa 18064. **See ad page 6 for details**

PA Roadhouse Breakfast with the Grinch

Breakfast with the Grinch will be held at the PA Roadhouse on **Sunday, December 10, 9:00AM to 11:00AM**. Pre-Registration is required. Call or text Marci at 860-405-7819 or 484-291-4399. See ad page 5 for details

Bangor Area High School Bands Winter Concert

Wednesday December 13, 7:30PM Performing Arts
Theatre, 187 Five Points Richmond Rd., Bangor, PA. 18013
Mt. Bethel Vol. Fire Co. Ladies Aux. Monthly Soup Night

The Mt. Bethel Vol. Fire Co. Ladies Auxiliary will hold their Monthly Soup Nite On **Thursday, December 14** and the second Thursday of every month thereafter at the Mt Bethel Vol. Fire Co., 2341 N. Delaware Drive, Mt Bethel, PA. Two 8 varieties of homemade soups will be available by the quart Take - Out only. To Pre-Order call Svena at 570-234-7203. Mark your calendar for the next Soup Nite January 11, 2024.

Plainfield Township Vol. Fire Co. Breakfast with Santa Claus Plainfield Township Vol. Fire Co. will host a Breakfast with Santa Claus on Saturday, December 16, 8:00AM to 11:00AM. 6480 SULLIVAN TRAIL, WIND GAP, PA 18091

Ackermanville UMC Free Community Drive-Yhru Meal

A Free community drive-thru meal will be held **Sunday, December 17, beginning at 3:00PM.** The church hosts a free monthly community meal every 3rd Sunday of the month. The church is located at 1410 Ackermanville Rd., Ackermanville, PA.

Richmond UMC Church Bell Christmas Concert

The Richmond United Methodist Church will hold a concert of Church Bell Christmas Songs on Sunday, December 17, 3:00PM to 4:00PM in the parking lot of the church located at 8538 South Delaware Dr., Bangor.

Blue Valley Farm Show Monthly Breakfast

The Blue Valley Farm Show will hold their monthly breakfast on **Sunday, December 17** with a special visit from Santa Claus 707 American Bangor Road, (RT 512) Between Bangor & Pen Argyl FMI CALL 610-554-9682.

See ad page 8 for details

First United Methodist Church Bangor Free Christmas Luncheon
First United Methodist Church Bangor will host a Free
Christmas Luncheon Sunday, December 24, 12:30PM
Turkey meal including dessert and drinks. All are welcome
First United Methodist Church Bangor. 55 N 3rd Street,
(Please use the alley door off of 3rd Street) Bangor, PA.
18013.

Zion United Lutheran Church Free Christmas Dinner

Zion United Lutheran Church at 1919 Route 209 in Brodheadsville will be providing free hot turkey or ham dinners with all the trimmings on **Christmas Day.** Reservations are required by December 21 by calling the church office at 570-992-6988 and a pick up time will be given to the caller. Pick up times will be between 1:00 and 3:00PM.





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Marine Corps League meeting

The Northampton County Detachment #298 Marine Corps League will meet **Saturday, Dec. 9** at 1621 Lehigh Street, Easton PA at **11am.** All active duty and honorably discharged Marines, FMF Corpsmen and FMF Chaplains welcome. Contact John Mitzak 908-235-7017 or email jvmitzak@gmail.com. Facebook: Marine Corps League Northampton County Detachment 298.

Bangor Elks Hoop Shoot

Bangor Elks Lodge #1106 proudly announces this year's Elks Hoop Shoot. Saturday, December 16th at the Washington Elementary School, Washington Blvd. Bangor PA 18013 Registration begins at 8:30am, hoop shoot begins at 9:00am. Eligibility for the Elks Hoop Shoot is determined by the age that the contestant will be on April 1, 2024. Group ages 8/9, 10/11, & 12/13 both boys and girls. Go to www.elks.org for more information. For questions or concerns contact the lodge by email at bangorelks@gmail.com

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Wedding Announcement

Chapman - Dyckman



Briana Chapman and Kevin Dyckman were united in marriage on October 28, 2023 at Our Lady Queen of Peace in Broadheadsville.

Briana is the daughter of Bonnie Hughes of Easton and Christopher Chapman of Bath. Briana graduated in 2012 from Nazareth Area High School and works as a Certified Veterinary Technician.

Kevin is the son of Karl and Kim Dyckman, of the Poconos. Kevin graduated in 2011 from Pleasant Valley High School. He is a CDL driver employed at a local trucking company.

The couple resides in Effort with Kevin's 2 beautiful daughters and their pets.



Grand Re-Opening and Ribbon Cutting Held at Mr Pastie

Photo courtesy of Rep. Ann Flood

A Grand Re-Opening and ribbon cutting ceremony was held on Monday, December 4, at Mr. Pastie in Pen Argyl, PA.

Owners Chris & Marsha Tallarico, Ed & Lisa Saukulak, and Todd Donnelly are proud to carry on the Mr Pastie tradition.

The building updates were done with the help of the Slate Belt Rising Facade Program.

Mr Pastie is located at 10 E Bell Ave, Pen Argyl, PA. 18072

The phone number is 610-863-9091. Hours are Monday-Friday 9:00am - 5:00pm & Saturday 9:00am - 1:00pm. Visit their website for menu www.mrpastie.com



Pictured L-R Beth Duyssen, Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce Director, Tammy Kemp, Pen Argyl Borough Councilwoman, Brian Fenstermaker, Slate Belt Rising Director, Rep. Ann Flood, Owners-Lisa Saukulak, Marsha Tallarico, Ed Saukulak, Mr. Pastie Staff, Adrienne Fors and Rosemary Albert, Slate Belt Chamber of Commerce Board, and Mr. Pastie Staff.

Join us at Hope United Church of Christ for



Breakfast with Santa Saturday, December 9, 8:00am -11:00am

Walk-ins

welcome

Breakfast includes: Pancakes, Sausage, Juice, Coffee, Tea, Hot Chocolate and fun with Santa.

Cost: Donations appreciated but not required to come and enjoy breakfast with Santa.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT HOPE UCC:

Sunday Morning Worship Services -10:00 am
2nd & 4th Monday evening – Goal Setting for Life Success
Via Zoom at 7:00pm (see our Facebook page for info & link)
Blue Christmas Service - Thursday 12/21 at 7:00 pm
Christmas Eve Service - Sunday 12/24 at 7:00 pm

Hope United Church of Christ

701 Cherry and E. 2nd St., Wind Gap, PA • 610-863-4474



Friday, December 8, starts at 6:30PM, Santa arrives at 7:00PM. Live music, cookies and cocoa East Bangor Park, Park Road, East Bangor, PA 18013.

Nazareth Borough Christmas Tree Lighting Friday, December 8, 7:00PM,

Center Square, Nazareth, PA 18064

Santa's Christmas Market & Holiday Festival

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 9TH

10AM - 4PM

(INDOOR & OUTDOOR EVENT)

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Breakfast with the Grinch! Sunday, December 10 9:00AM-11:00AM

Adults \$15 per person

Children 12 and under \$10 - 3 and under FREE!

Includes a breakfast made by the lovely Judy Knecht! Choice of pancakes (chocolate chip, blueberry or plain), French toast, eggs , home fries bacon and sausage !!!

For the parents -

Marci's special Bloody Marys and Mimosas!

Pre-Registration is a must!
Call or text Marci 860-405-7819,
or the Roadhouse at 484-291-4399!

Each child will receive a small gift from the Grinch as well as get his or her picture taken with him. Fur babies welcome from 12:00PM-2:00PM for photos with the Grinch for \$5

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Special music 30 minutes prior to each service.

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Ho Ho Ho Stop by and See Santa and Enjoy our Breakfast Buffet at the Firehouse.

Sunday, December 10, 7:30AM -12:00PM.

Adults \$13 Seniors \$12 Kids \$8

Under 3 free!

At Bushkill Twp. Vol. Fire Co. 155 Firehouse Lane, Nazareth, Pa 18064

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Breakfast with Santa Claus Saturday, December 16, 8:00 AM - 11:00 AM

Join us for a morning of fun with Santa Claus! Enjoy a delicious breakfast, take a picture with Santa and let the kids do some fun activities! Santa Claus will be visiting until 11:00am.

Breakfast includes: Scrambled eggs, pancakes, bacon, sausage, breakfast potatoes, toast, juice and coffee.

Price: \$8 for children 5-12yrs \$15 for adults/children 13yrs and up

Annual Santa Claus Toy Run same day (Plainfield Township residents only) starting at 12:00pm! If you are interested in having Santa Claus stop by your home to visit your child, please bring a wrapped gift with your child's name on it and a \$10.00 donation (per house) to the firehouse any Monday evening between 7pm and 9pm or call the firehouse at 610-863-3302 to setup a drop off. All gifts must be dropped off prior to December 15th. Santa Toy Run form will be posted in the discussions tab.



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Adults \$14 Children 6-12 \$6 UNDER 6 FREE

Homemade Creamed Chipped Beef, Homefries (with or without onions), Scrambled Eggs, French Toast, Pancakes, Kielbasa, Scrapple, Pork Sausage, Turkey Sausage, Bacon, Ham **DESSERT BAR DRINKS:** Orange Juice, Apple Juice. Fountain, Coffee, Tea, Hot Chocolate

707 AMERICAN BANGOR ROAD (RT 512)(BETWEEN BANGOR & PEN ARGYL) FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 610-554-9682







Regular Games \$100 Specials \$400

Quickies \$100

Either/or \$250

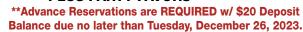
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Pen Argyl Area High School Unsruffs the Bus

On Friday November 17th students from the Pen Argyl High School went to the YMCA to sort, count, package, and hand out all the food that was collected from the huge Stuff the Bus event. Pen Argyl Area High School collected food for Stuff the Bus, from Monday October 30th through Friday November 17th at 7:00-7:30 am and 2:30-2:45 pm. Stuff the Bus was a district wide event in which students and teachers donated non perishable items for people in need during the Thanksgiving season. The school district works with Families First, meaning that all the food collected was given to families in Pen Argyl that needed a little extra help to get through the holiday. Not only did the members of Pen Argyl School District donate to this cause, but the local businesses and community members also donated items. We wanted to give a special thanks to Krise Transportation, The YMCA, Waste Management, Woodstone Country Club, Boy Scout Troop 34, Forks UCC Church, and Miss Rose's Preschool. Thanks to the help from the community, we collected 7,599 items and were able to feed 44 families.

The Knight's Order, the Character Education program at the Pen Argyl High School that organized the event, is responsible for service projects throughout the school and community. The Knight's Order wanted to give back to the community that has been so supportive of their other initiatives. The Character Education students put in hours of their time to get this event ready for the whole district to participate in. Thank you to everyone who participated in this event without your help this would not have been possible.



PVEN Food Pantry and Clothing Closet

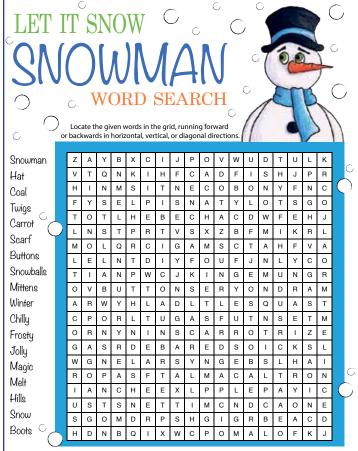
The PVEN Food Pantry is still collecting donations of gravy, stuffing, yams, and cranberry sauce to fill their shopping carts in December. Donations can be purchased at Shoprite in Brodheadsville and placed in their donation bin (to the right of the door at



checkout) or brought directly to PVEN Food Pantry (2334 Route 209, Sciota PA) and placed in the teal & yellow bin outside the food pantry.

PVEN Clothing Closet donations needed in December include: Body wash, razors and shaving cream, kids and mens sneakers and winter boots, (new or gently used) blankets, sheets and towels. If you'd prefer to make an online donation, visit https://pven.kindful.com/Call the office at (570) 992-3136 with any questions.





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Area Food Banks & Food Pantries

Portland Upper Mt Bethel Food Bank P.U.M.P.

The Portland Upper Mt Bethel Food Pantry P.U.M.P. is open Mondays 8:30AM to 11:30AM, P.U.M.P. is located at 111 State Street in Portland. The phone number is 570-897-5847.

Mission of Love Food Bank

Every Tuesday 9:00AM to 12:00PM, 555 North Main Street, Bangor, PA. Questions contact Pastor Frank Pons (570) 807-7794.



HIGH STAKES BINGO

Diamond Fire Company

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Saturday, February 10, 2024

Snow Date: Saturday, February 17, 2024 Price In Advance \$40 (12 Face) \$45 Price Day Of Event

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AA Meeting - McMichaels UMC

AA meets at the church every Wednesday at 12:00PM and Saturday evening at 6:30PM. If you or someone you know needs assistance in conquering this addiction please join the class. All are welcome at no cost. All meetings are confidential. McMichael's United Methodist Church is located at 104 Church Road (corner of 715 & White Church Rd.) Saylorsburg, PA.



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Birds and Bagels - Citizen Science and Monitor Training -Saturday, December 9 at 10:00am to 12:00pm. Love birds and want to contribute to science? Project FeederWatch turns your love of feeding birds into scientific discoveries. Participants will learn how to contribute to Project FeederWatch and be presented with the opportunity to become FeederWatch monitors at Jacobsburg or in their own homes! Bagels, coffee, and hot cocoa will be provided. Attending this program is required if you plan to participate in Project FeederWatch Monitoring on Thursdays and/or Fridays: Dec 21-22, Jan 4-5 & 25-26, Feb 15-16 & 29, Mar 1 & 21-22. Registration is required.

Winter Tree ID - Saturday, December 9 at 2:00pm to 3:30pm. No leaves to be seen? Dichotomous keys help you identify trees! During this program you will learn how to use a dichotomous key to identify trees by examining the twigs. You will discover common patterns among groups of plants and tricks to help you remember those groupings. After the lesson, we'll head out for a short walk to practice our new skills. Registration required.

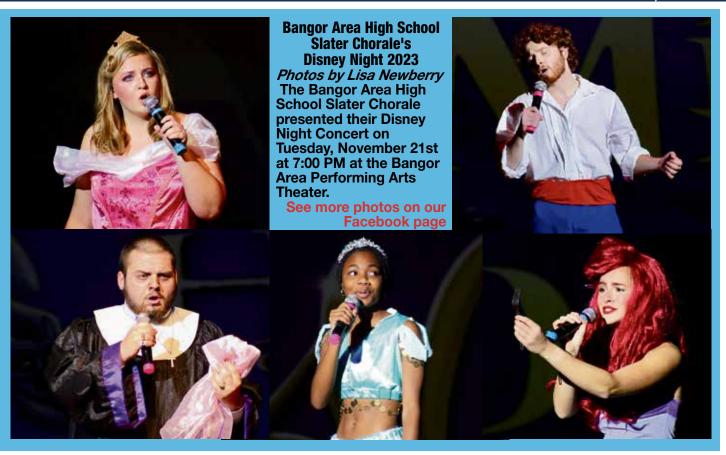
Crafting Natural Arrangements for Adults - Wednesday, December 13 at 1:30pm to 3:30pm. This free program is offered in both English and Spanish. Get crafty and join Conservation Volunteers Adriana and Toni as they demonstrate how to use natural materials to create simple, yet ornate floral arrangements. You will have the opportunity to create your own arrangement to take home. You will also learn to identify native and invasive plants and gain experience in sustainable gathering of plants for crafting. The arrangements will be Wabi Sabi-inspired; the Japanese world view centered on the acceptance of imperfections.

Crafting Natural Arrangements - Wednesday, December 13 at 6:00pm to 8:00pm. This free program is offered for teens and adults in both English and Spanish. Get crafty and join Conservation Volunteers Adriana and Toni as they demonstrate how to use natural materials to create simple, yet ornate floral arrangements. You will have the opportunity to create your own arrangement to take home. You will also learn to identify native and invasive plants and learn about sustainable gathering of plants for crafting. The arrangements will be Wabi Sabi-inspired; the Japanese world view centered on the admiration of imperfections. Registration Required.

Family Science Night - Rhythm and Woodpeckers - Friday. December 15 at 6:00pm to 7:00pm. Drumming is one form of non-vocal communication used by most species of woodpeckers. During this program we will put our music skills to the test to create a symphony of Pennsylvania woodpecker calls and drumming patterns all while learning the science behind common woodpecker behavior and adaptations. Registration is required.

You can view and register for community programs online at https://events.dcnr.pa.gov/search/

events?order=date&search=jacobsburg. If you need an accommodation to participate in a program, please contact the park office at 610-746-2801 or jacobsburgsp@pa.gov. Interpreters for people who are deaf or hard of hearing are available for educational programs with at least five days notice.



34th Annual Mt Bethel Volunteer Fire Co. Ladies Auxiliary Fall Craft Show Photos by Lisa Newberry

The Mt Bethel Volunteer Fire Co. Ladies Auxiliary held their 34th annual Fall Craft Show on Saturday, November 25th. This is one of the biggest crafts shows in the area and a Thanksgiving weekend tradition to kick off the holiday shopping season.

See more photos on our Facebook page



Roseto Borough Annual Christmas Tree Lighting

Photos by Lisa Newberr

The annual Roseto Christmas tree lighting was held on Sunday, November 26. Although it rained, and the festivities were held indoors, that did not deter the large crowd that turned out to ring in the holiday season.

See more photos on our Facebook page



Upper Mount Bethel Township - A Mount Bethel Christmas Photos by Kris Ordinsky-Parks

Upper Mount Bethel Township held their annual "A Mount Bethel Christmas" on Wednesday, November 29 at the Mt Bethel Vol. Fire Company. Attendees enjoyed the festivities that included, the lighting of the Christmas tree, Christmas carols, cookies, and hot chocolate. See more photos on our Facebook page



Bangor Borough Artisan Market and Tree Lighting

Photos by Lisa Newberry

Broadway in historic downtown Bangor was aglow with the sights and sounds of the Christmas season on Saturday, December, 2nd, for the annual Bangor Borough Artisan Market and tree lighting. The day was filled with shopping, music, good food, the lighting of the Chrstmas tree and a visit from Santa Claus!



Lower Mount Bethel Township Christmas Tree Lighting

Photos by Lisa Newberry

Lower Mount Bethel Township held their annual Christmas tree lighting ceremony on Saturday, December 2nd. The event was held at the municipal building in Martins Creek. A fun festive evening was enjoyed by all who attended to kick off the holiday season. See more photos on our Facebook page







New in the Bangor Public Library

Adult Fiction - Tom Clancy Command and Control by Marc Cameron; Alex Cross Must Die by James Patterson; Inheritance New Books by Nora Roberts; There Should Have Been Eight by Nalini Singh The Ball at Versailles:



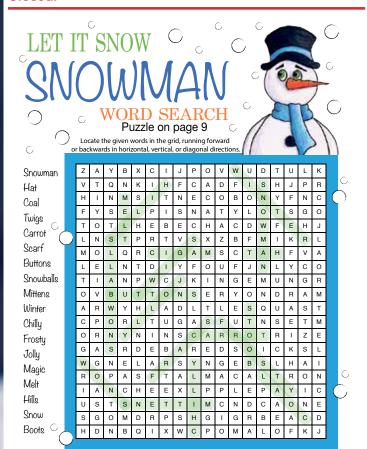
A Novel by Danielle Steel Use of Force by Brad Thor. Adult Non Fiction - Know What Matters: Lessons from a Lifetime of Tranformations by Ron Shaich.

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New Adult Large Print: The Twelve Dogs of Christmas, Susan Wiggs; Bright Lights, Big Christmas, Mary Kay Andrews; Blessing Of The Lost Girls, J.A. Jance. Adult Non-fiction: A Most Tolerant Little Town, Rachel Martin; Differ We Must, Steve Inskeep.

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