



# PRESERVE!

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## Friends of the Lakeshore Nature Preserve Newsletter

*Dedicated to the Preservation and Stewardship of our Woodlands, Wetlands, Prairies and Shorelines*

### Volunteers – A Force in the Preserve

by Glenda Denniston

#### Volunteers in All Their Variety

Volunteer stewards and their helpers are the life-blood of maintenance and restoration work in the Preserve. Together with paid student workers, staff and Limited Term Employees (LTEs) they combine forces to get the job done, whatever the job might be. They are an essential element of Preserve stewardship.

The volunteers are not all members of the Friends, though many of them are. Some of them have contributed hundreds of volunteer hours of stewardship work, beginning long before there was an official Lakeshore Nature Preserve and before the formation of the Friends. They continue to volunteer.

Other volunteers are university or high school students who need service learning credits to fulfill class requirements. UW ROTC cadets have also been a tremendous help to the Preserve, contributing 60 or so workers for a full volunteer day of hard labor each fall for the past two years. The cadets will again donate service time to the Preserve in late November. Students and other community members, who walk the trails and see volunteers working, sometimes talk to them and decide that the work looks like fun. Some of our most faithful volunteers became involved this way.



Volunteers range in age from six to their late eighties. Some even younger than six come to work parties with their parents and join the work.

Young Buckthorn Warriors Celebrate Victory (GD) Among the most special volunteers this season were three energetic and hard-working Cub Scouts and their fathers. The boys had learned about the invasive shrub, buckthorn. After researching volunteer opportunities in the

community on the Internet, they contacted the Lakeshore Nature Preserve and spent several hours one cold day in the early spring pulling and piling young buckthorns at Frautschi Point. Other volunteers planted native wildflowers where the buckthorns were removed.

#### Volunteers in This Year's Restoration Projects

This season, volunteers helped to increase plant diversity and to care for already established plants in several restoration project areas. Sixteen hundred new native plants, purchased by the Friends, were added. Volunteers planted the ones in Bill's Woods. Workers paid for by the Friends, student and Friends volunteers and staff members all helped with the Frautschi Point and field edge restorations. They worked both separately and in joint work parties. Volunteers first dug out compacted sod and prepared the soil for planting. Then both volunteers and paid workers planted the native wildflowers. Two hard workers helped with the important job of weeding and watering the new plantings throughout the growing season.

#### The Result of all the Hard Work

Many people who walk the trails of the Preserve have noticed and commented on the newly established



plantings. They are astounded when they hear how recently the restoration work has been done. Take a walk in the Preserve and see for yourself the

changes that are transforming the restoration areas mentioned in this article. The accomplishments of many dedicated workers speak for themselves.

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The Friends welcomes the submission of articles and announcements for our newsletter. We encourage people to share their checklists and other relevant Lakeshore Nature Preserve materials on the Friends of the Lakeshore Nature Preserve Web Site. For information on submitting material, call Roma Lenehan at 238-5406 or send your articles or checklists to [rlenehan@charter.net](mailto:rlenehan@charter.net). To reserve space in our next newsletter, please tell us about your material by September 7, 2007. The submission deadline is October 5.

## Fall Field Trips

Additional Field Trips will be posted on the  
Friends of the Preserve Web Site: [waa.uwalumni.com/lakeshorepreserve](http://waa.uwalumni.com/lakeshorepreserve)

**Restoration Results in the Frautschi Point Gullies and Swales**

August 18 (Saturday) 10:00 AM-12:00 Noon

Explore lesser-known parts of Frautschi Point and learn about changes in the flora and fauna since restoration efforts began in 2003.

Meet at the Frautschi Point Entrance. Leader: Glenda Denniston (231-1530)

**Fall Birding at Picnic Point**

September 1 (Saturday) 8:00 AM-10:00 AM (with the possibility of extending)

Come search for fall migrants including confusing fall warblers and sparrows.

Co-sponsored by the Madison Audubon Society. Meet at the Class of 1918 Marsh Parking Lot. Leaders: Roma Lenehan (238-5406) and Marty Evanson

**Bird Banding at Biocore Prairie Bird Observatory**

September 8 (Saturday) 8:00 AM-12:00 Noon

Learn about bird banding (possibly with a bird in hand) and appreciate the importance of bird banding to conservation. Co-sponsored by the Madison Audubon Society. Park at the Frautschi Point or Picnic Point Parking Lots and walk to the Biocore Prairie. Leader: Mara McDonald (274-2534)

**Edible and Useful Plants of Autumn**

September 15 (Saturday) 1:00-3:00 PM

If you know how and where to look, nature is a combination grocery, hardware and variety store all under one very big roof. Come explore the Preserve to learn how local plants can be used for food, fiber, medicine, crafts and more.

Meet at the Picnic Point Parking Lot. Leader: David Eagan (249-0409)

**Lakeshore (Temin) Path: Historical Controversies and Ecological Challenges**

September 16 (Sunday) 1:00-3:00 PM

Lars Higdon (220-9563), a restoration ecology graduate student directing the Lakeshore Path enhancement, will discuss competing visions, challenges, and efforts to address ecological restoration in this urban setting. Learn about stormwater runoff, shoreline stabilization, and human uses. Park in Lot 34. (From Observatory Drive turn north on Babcock Drive and turn right continuing beyond Tripp Hall). Meet at the Laboratory of Limnology garden on the Path.

**Enjoying Fall in Picnic Point Woods**

October 14 (Sunday) 1:00-3:00 PM

For plants, fall is the season for winterizing (fall leaf color) and for seed dispersal. Come enjoy the color, look for seeds to examine and read the history of this special area by interpreting distinctive characteristics of trees and other vegetation. Meet at the Picnic Point Parking Lot. Leader: Susan Will-Wolf (262-2754 weekdays)

**Archaeology of Picnic Point**

October 20 (Saturday) 10:00 AM-12:00 Noon

Join archaeologist George Christiansen for a tour of the effigy mounds and ancient village sites located in this beloved area of the Lakeshore Preserve.

Meet at the Picnic Point Parking Lot. Leader: George Christiansen (231-0322)

**Memory Lane on Picnic Point**

October 27 (Saturday) 4:00-5:30 PM

After the Homecoming game, join Preserve Program Manager Daniel Einstein (265-3417) on a nostalgic walk around Picnic Point. Did you know that there once was an excursion yacht that made regular visits to a dance hall/wine bar (!) at Picnic Point? Share your recollections about the good times on Picnic Point from your college days. Meet at the Picnic Point Parking Lot.

# Garlic Mustard Pull-A-Thon

by Roma Lenehan

Thirty-six energetic volunteers removed 103 thirty-gallon bags of Garlic Mustard from four areas of the Preserve at the May 19 Pull-A-Thon. Everyone enjoyed the beautiful day and helping remove this noxious weed. The Friends of the Preserve and the Preserve management both worked to make the day a success. Generous donors pledged \$0.25 to \$2.50 per bag of Garlic Mustard, totaling \$1580 for 103 bags.

## Volunteers

The Pull-A-Thon volunteers ranged from two years to more than eighty years old.

At Frautschi Point, ten University of Wisconsin General Library Services Librarians, who chose the Pull-A-Thon as their annual service project, pulled 46 bags of Garlic Mustard after a brief demonstration by team leaders Susan Slapnick and Glenda Denniston and aided by Tom and Kathie Brock.



General Library Services Librarians (G Denniston)

In Eastern Big Woods, Hui Jung Kim, Noriko Jackson, and Noriko Sekiya pulled 15 bags of Garlic Mustard in only six hours. Another 15 bags were removed from the top of Big Woods by Roma Lenehan's four slightly slower moving volunteers who had to battle stinging nettles and downed trees.

Cathie Bruner and Ann Burgess led 13 energetic volunteers who picked 27 bags of slightly more scattered Garlic Mustard at the edge of Picnic Point. A family had two small boys who enthusiastically pulled Garlic Mustard throughout the event.

Marcia Schmidt ran registration and Ann Burgess provided refreshments. Bill Muehl and Cathie Bruner served as judges, counting the Garlic Mustard bags and collecting them.

## Garlic Mustard Control

The Pull-A-Thon was part of a larger effort to rid the Preserve of Garlic Mustard. In most areas of the Preserve the Garlic Mustard was removed before the May 19 Pull-A-Thon (see page 7). However, several areas that were especially bad and had few native plants were chosen as Pull-A-Thon areas. Neither of the two Big Woods areas had been regularly pulled since the area only recently become Preserve management responsibility.

Afterward, Friends volunteers and student hires at Picnic Point rechecked the Pull-A-Thon areas for missed Garlic Mustard and removed it from areas that the teams did not to complete. In the case of the Frautschi Point block, another 128 bags of Garlic Mustard were removed, mostly by Glenda Denniston! Next year the Pull-A-Thon will not be held in that area of Frautschi Point since there is little first year Garlic Mustard to become second year plants due to our aggressive management of the past three years.

## Garlic Mustard Pledges

Thirty-four generous people pledged money to the Garlic Mustard Pull-A-Thon. After all the money is collected, we should have \$1580. This money will go to invasive species control. Thank you everyone who donated! Additional donations are still welcome (checks should be made to Friends of the Preserve with a note indicating it is for the Pull-A-Thon).

## Future Efforts

Of course, we always need more Garlic Mustard volunteers. We hope that you will join us for our spring work parties and our next Pull-A-Thon!



Sure, stuff four foot plants in a three foot bag! (G Denniston)

# Thank You

The Friends of the Preserve want to thank all the donors and volunteers who help make our work a success.

## Major Donors

Major donors donated more than \$100 since July 2006. See also starred listings.

August Foundation  
Elsa and Andrew Crummy  
Pamela Hill and Sheryl Jones  
Mary Trewartha  
Diana Webb  
Jack and Nancy Westman

## Gifts and Memorials

**In Honor of Jerry Frautschi in Appreciation of all those days in the North Woods**  
Walter Meanwell\*

**In Honor of Richard McCoy**  
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**In Honor of Walter Meanwell's Retirement**  
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## Pull-A-Thon Donors

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Janet Batzli  
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Kathie and Tom Brock\*  
Willis Brown  
Cathie Bruner  
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## Plants and Seeds

Kathie and Tom Brock  
Jean Meanwell

## New Members

### Patron

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## Other

Paul Borowsky  
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### Field Volunteers

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Willa Schmidt  
Noriko Sekiya  
Susan Slapnick

Mary Trewartha  
Joan Vennie  
Peg Wallace  
Alex Wells  
Emily Wixson  
Guohua Zhang  
Unknown Hikers

## Field Trip

### Leaders

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Glenda Denniston  
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Daniel Einstein  
Marty Evanson  
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Roma Lenehan  
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Roma Lenehan  
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Blair Mathews  
Richard McCoy  
Jean Meanwell  
William Muehl  
Lisa Munro  
Harriet Riley  
Marcia Schmidt  
Susan Slapnick  
Mary Trewartha

## Announcements

### Ray Guries New Chair of Preserve Committee

Ray Guries, chair of the Department of Forest and Wildlife Ecology Department, has been appointed chair of the Lakeshore Nature Preserve Committee. Ray joined the faculty in 1977. He has served on numerous campus committees including the Arboretum Committee, the Latin American Studies Committee, the Distinguished Teaching Awards Committee and Lectures Committee.

### Lakeshore Nature Preserve Website Wins Awards

The innovative Lakeshore Nature Preserve Website ([www.lakeshorepreserve.wisc.edu/](http://www.lakeshorepreserve.wisc.edu/)) won three awards:

- "2007 Best Web Site" by PlacesOnLine.org for the Association of American Geographers, an international professional organization
- The Preserve interactive map won a first place award for Best Animated Map from the Wisconsin Land Information Association (WLIA)
- The interactive map also won a national award for Best Interactive/Digital Map from the American Congress on Surveying and Mapping (ACSM).

William Cronon, Mark Harrower, and Daniel Einstein supervised the students, Rob Roth, Joel Przybylowski, Andy Woodruff, and Melanie McCalmont, on the Lakeshore Map design team.

### New Friends of Preserve Officers

In May the Friends of the Lakeshore Nature Preserve elected four new officers for a one year term: Ann Burgess, President; Mary Trewartha, Vice President; Lisa Munro, Secretary; and Marcia Schmidt, Treasurer.

### Thank You, Retiring Officers

We want to thank the four outgoing Friends officers. Dick, Glenda and Roma helped establish the Friends.

Richard McCoy served as President for three years and Vice President for two, helping establish our organization and raise its visibility. Dick spear headed the Development Committee, obtaining class gift money. Recently he has been working on the fund-raising drive to honor William Cronon (see page 8).

Glenda Denniston, Vice President for three years, championed the volunteer and restoration Program, leading volunteers and work parties, personally removing millions of weeds and planting thousands of plants in Bill's Woods, on the Big Oak Trail and in the Frautschi Point Gully.

Roma Lenehan, Secretary for six years, also chaired the Communications Committee, which produced the newsletter and website, developed the field trip program, and recruited the membership.

Ann Burgess served as Treasurer, working with the Preserve Management to ensure that Friends money is used to benefit specified projects in the Preserve. Ann is now President of the Friends and will guide the organization's future development.

## Around the Preserve

### Nature Notes

- In early spring, several Turkeys appeared. They were seen crossing Lake Mendota Drive, on Eagle Heights Apartments grounds, and in the Preserve.
- The Sandhill Cranes again successfully nested and the three cranes could be seen near the 1918 Marsh and in the Biocore Prairie near Frautschi Point.
- Once again American Toads and Leopard Frogs roamed over much of the Preserve.
- Two rare birds for the Preserve, a Dickcissel (June 16) and a Bobwhite (the previous week) were observed at the Biocore Prairie.

### Garlic Mustard

In addition to the Pull-A-Thon (see page 3), under the supervision of Field Manager Cathie Bruner, more than 815 volunteer hours and 458 paid hours were spent removing more than 599 bags of Garlic Mustard (see chart).

Many people helped pull Garlic Mustard. Roma Lenehan led Friends work parties. Paid students led work parties at Picnic Point base. At the Class of 1918 Marsh, an Academic Staff group led by Tania Banak pulled the Garlic Mustard. Rebecca Kagle oversaw its removal in the Tent Colony Woods project area and at Muir Woods.

In addition, beginning with snow melt March 13 and continuing through the heat of early July, Glenda Denniston and Roma Lenehan and four dedicated Friends volunteers spent 700 hundred hours removing Garlic Mustard from Big Woods, Bill's Woods, and the western parts (from Frautschi Point west) of the Preserve. Other Garlic Mustard was pulled by unknown hikers.

At Picnic Point and Picnic Point base students and LTEs were hired to pull the Garlic Mustard. The Friends donated money to help pay them. The many paid students worked hard on removing Garlic Mustard. One team, led by graduate student Emily Sievers, conducted systematic removal in defined areas of Picnic Point that will allow careful tracking of the control process.

### Garlic Mustard Effort

	Hours				Bags			
	Friends Volunteers	Pull-A-Thon	Work Party	Paid LTEs & Students	Friends Volunteers	Pull-A-Thon	Work Party	Paid LTEs & Students
Bills Woods	52				20			
Frautschi Pt	353	28	31		233	46	9	
Eagle Hts Wd	107				16			
Picnic Point & Base	2	30	40	455	1	27	34	76
Big Woods	163	14	9	3	171	30	7	8
Other Areas	58				21			2.5
<b>Total</b>	<b>735</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>458</b>	<b>462</b>	<b>103</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>87</b>
	<b>Total : 1345 Hours</b>				<b>Total: 702 Bags</b>			



# Increasing Insect Diversity: A Sign of Success

by Glenda Denniston

## Evaluating Ecological Restoration Success

Experts in landscape architecture and plant community restoration disagree about how best to measure the success of ecological restorations. They use complicated formulas involving stem counts of diverse plant species. Some include data noting the proportion of plant species that are “conservative” or are found in nature only in intact native plant communities. I know of no plant ecologist, however, who uses as a criterion data concerning the diversity of animals – specifically insects – that have made these restoration areas their home.

## Ecological Research in the Preserve

If I had my choice, I would choose insect diversity rather than plant diversity as the best measure of ecological restoration success. A great diversity of native insect species live, reproduce and thrive only in intact plant communities or in successful restorations. Many insects have very specific requirements in order to thrive. They need a particular plant host for the development of their larvae or specific nectar-producing flowers for their adult stages. To have a diverse native insect population you need a diversity of native plants.

## Restorations in the Preserve

This article focuses on the open-area restorations in the Preserve: Biocore Prairie, Upper Bill’s Woods, the Cedar Area of Frautschi Point along Big Oak Trail, plantings around the two big open-grown oaks in Frautschi Point, and planting areas along the field edge and the Gully between Frautschi Point and Second Point Woods. All of these areas have been seeded and planted with local ecotype native prairie and savanna plant species. They are in various stages of restoration.

The woodland restorations in the Preserve are omitted because insects, particularly butterflies, would not be the best indicators of successful restoration in wooded areas. Woodland bird diversity might be the best measure for these projects.

## Butterflies as a Measure of Diversity

I am using butterflies as a proxy for insect diversity. Butterflies are one of many insects that can be used to measure diversity. They are large and easy to identify in the field by ordinary observers.

One could also measure the increase in the diversity of native bees and beetle pollinators on native plants, but these insects are more difficult to identify. In some cases, only a few specialists can identify all the local species in a specific group of insects. A report on changing insect species diversity in the restoration areas

would make a great project for an entomology student.

On July 7, 2007, NABA members Ann Thering and Glenda Denniston participated in the North American Butterfly Association annual butterfly count in the open areas of the Preserve. On the count day they found the following butterflies in the Preserve: 2 Eastern Tailed-Blue, 2 Summer Azure, 2 Pearl Crescent, 1 Hackberry Emperor, 9 Great Spangled Fritillary, 7 Meadow Fritillary, 10 Banded Hairstreak, 1 Striped Hairstreak, 1 American Lady, 11 Red Admiral, 5 Wood-Nymph (including 2 mating), 12 Dun Skipper, 3 Silver-spotted Skipper, 22 Clouded Sulphur, 1 Orange Sulphur, 8 Black Swallowtail, 2 Eastern Tiger Swallowtail, 2 Mourning Cloak, 41 Cabbage White and 7 Monarch. This is an impressive diversity for a small area.

Most of these butterflies, except for the non-native Cabbage White, were found in newly-restored areas of the Preserve. The Striped Hairstreak is uncommon. The day before the official count it was recorded and photographed in the Cedar Area. Other uncommon butterflies found this year, though not on the count day, are Baltimore Checkerspot, American Snout, and Hickory Hairstreak. Though I have been watching butterflies in the Preserve for many years, never have I seen any of these uncommon butterflies in the restoration areas before restoration work began.

## The Verdict

In the decade since the beginning of the Biocore Prairie and succeeding prairie plantings, the Upper Bill’s Woods and Gully projects and the restorations around several open-grown oaks, there have been many positive changes in the numbers and diversity of native insects. In the judgment of native insects, the restorations are a resounding success.



Tiger Swallowtail and Dun Skipper (top left) Nectaring on Swamp Milkweed in Gully Restoration (G Denniston)

# Interns Learn while Helping the Preserve

by Cathie Bruner, Field Manager

The Lakeshore Nature Preserve is fortunate to have the services of a very dedicated and hard-working team of five undergraduate interns from UW-Madison this summer. The internship program is organized by the Madison Audubon Society. The Friends of the Preserve donated money to pay the interns for their work at the Preserve. Five partners, the Lakeshore Nature Preserve, Madison Audubon's Goose Pond Sanctuary, Tom and Kathie Brock's Pleasant Valley Conservancy, Holy Wisdom Monastery (formerly St. Benedict's Center), and The Prairie Enthusiasts, share the team. The interns work one day per week at each site.



Interns after Weeding at Raymer's Cove (C Bruner)

The interns, (pictured above left to right) Samantha Nagy, Chelsea Statz, Stephanie Judge, Eric Rieth, and Andy Kellner, are accomplishing a great deal of work. They are applying what they learn at other sites to help

the Preserve. They are getting the opportunity to work on a variety of stewardship projects and learn multiple skills. The interns removed non-native invasive plants from the Raymer's Cove prairie restoration and Frautschi Point trails. They planted the Frautschi Point Woods gully with Glenda Denniston. They cleared shrubs, weeds, and logs from the prairie edge and Biocore Prairie. As part of a Preserve wide erosion plan, they controlled erosion on Picnic Point near the Indian Mounds and the wooded strip of the Lakeshore Path north of Lot 34.

The interns are fast, efficient, dedicated, and enthusiastic. It has been a great pleasure working with them. We thank Tom and Kathie Brock for suggesting that we join Madison Audubon's internship program and the Friends of the Preserve for the wonderful gift enabling the interns to be hired.



Two Interns Carrying Logs on Edge of Frautschi Point (G Denniston)

## Join the Friends of the Lakeshore Nature Preserve

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Address _____	Individual	\$20 <input type="checkbox"/>
City, State _____ Zip Code _____	Household	\$35 <input type="checkbox"/>
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<input type="checkbox"/> Please send me information about how to volunteer	Patron	\$100 <input type="checkbox"/>
(Include your email address and telephone number if you would like to volunteer)	Other	_____ <input type="checkbox"/>

Mail your check payable to Friends of the Lakeshore Nature Preserve with this form to:

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Your donation is tax deductible to the full extent of the law.

# In Support of Bill Cronon's Priorities: The Friends Organization Recognizes and Honors His Contributions

by Richard McCoy and Blair Mathews

Early this spring, the Board of the Friends of the Lakeshore Nature Preserve met to discuss a way to honor the decisive contributions made by Bill Cronon during his tenure as chair of the UW's Lakeshore Nature Preserve Committee. Bill's leadership gained the support of UW administration, fellow committee members, Friends members and others who have long supported this effort. It is the support he built that made possible the recognition of these lands as *The Lakeshore Nature Preserve* and the commitment to long term protection.

Just one plan of recognition fit the values and priorities of the honoree. The board is inviting members of the Friends and select others to support "Bill Cronon's Priorities." We intend to fund an expansion of the Stewardship Fund for ongoing care of the Preserve; it ranked at the top of the Cronon list.

Bill saw firsthand the difficulty and frustration of planning and budgeting Preserve work when funds are scarce. Funds for the newly designated Preserve were typically directed to specific restoration projects or limited to use in specific locations. But the needs were

much broader and varied. It was essential to have undesignated funds like the Stewardship Fund.

One board member made a contribution of \$50,000 and we set out to bring the total to \$100,000. Thus, our goal was to raise an additional \$50,000. A few days of informal conversation brought added pledges of \$15,000. Since then, over 400 invitations have been mailed and the process will continue through the summer. At the time of this writing (July 12), almost \$40,000 has been received toward our goal. The response has been strong; the goal is in sight!

This spring we were able to inform the Preserve Executive Committee of these amounts just in time to influence the newly evolving budgeting process. These funds made an immediate difference. Budgeting progressed with confidence in assured funding and with a new flexibility.

If you have contributed to Bill Cronon's priorities, thank you again! If you have not, or if you have not yet received an invitation, please plan to give this your serious consideration. (UW Foundation, Preserve Stewardship Fund/Cronon)

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