Our Next Meeting:

QP 2018 Rollout!

Thursday, May 10th 6:45 pm Hunters Glen Baptist Church 4001 Custer Road Plano, Texas

Due to Time Constraints, There Will be No Show and Tell at the May Meeting.

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Bring to May 10th Meeting:

- For Membership: Name Badge & bring a friend
- For Community Service: Pillowcase, cuddles, quilts, tops
- For Quilt Show: Mini quilt for the auction and Cash or check for Show Meal tickets, Show T-shirts and Pins
- For TAQG: Check or cash for lunch at Rally Day
- For Retreat 2019: \$50 deposit

Quilters Guild

May 2018



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Programs

submitted by Dolores Williams and Sherry Worley

The May meeting features our annual Quilt Show Rollout. Be prepared to sign up for helping with the Quilt Show. The special treat at the May meeting are the demos presented by four of our own members. The topics and presenters are: How to Sew on a Sleeve by Rachel Carithers, Easy Landscape Quilts by Rose-Clair Fletcher, How to Spray Baste a Quilt by Monica Hendewerk and How to Block a Show Quilt by Linda Neal.

Michelle Dorsey will join us to teach 1 workshop on Saturday. If you signed up for the cancelled Friday Workshop you are invited to the Saturday (Happy Bag) workshop and Michelle will teach you the Sassy Screen Tote Bag. Please stop at the Programs table at every meeting to see the workshop samples. Sign up early and often so workshops don't need to be cancelled!

June brings us a power house in the form of Patsy Thompson. Patsy does it all in the world of quilting. Many of you may know her name from the wonderful digitized designs that she sells for embroidery machines. Some of you may know that she hand dyes many of the fabrics that she uses. She will be teaching Introduction to Ruler Work for the Sitdown Quilter and Free Motion Quilting for the True Beginner. Don't let these be those classes you wish you had taken! If you have ever wanted to try quilting with rulers on your home machine June is the month for you. Patsy will even have rulers that you may borrow to use in class. You will need to have a ruler foot that fits your machine. Patsy says of the Free Motion Quilting workshop "This class is geared to creating a good foundation of free motion skills that will serve you well as you continue practicing and move on toward more challenging designs. Let me help take the fear out of free motion quilting so you can discover the fun of it"

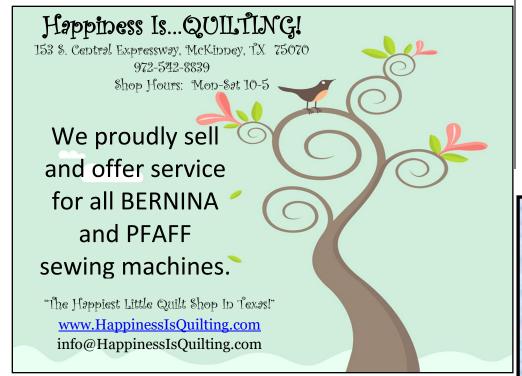
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Programs - continued

Deb Tucker will join us for a lecture in July. If you wish to take a workshop with Deb please find her local classes at www.taqg.org under Quilters Rally Day. She will present Become a Pattern Detective. This lecture is different from the two lectures she will present for TAQG.

Please do not hesitate to suggest a speaker for a future program. If you are interested in a particular speaker the chances are other members will be also. Unfortunately we have had a couple of speakers who needed to cancel recently, so we are currently rescheduling. Check back for more information.



Guild Activities:

submitted by Janet Plotkin

July is marching ever closer

I have had a sneak preview of some really terrific quilts made from our Ugly swap fabric, and I have to say, there is not one thing ugly about any of them. Please keep the July meeting in mind as that is our Ugly Swap Challenge reveal. Ideally you will bring your finished quilt to the meeting to show off your skill at making a beauty from a beastly collection. We have been invited to include these in Special Exhibits at the show, so please include a label and a sleeve in your finishing process.

I know July is a whole month before the show, so if you are not quite finished please bring what you have completed to the reveal because we know you will get it all done before August.

Our next Day Retreat at the Dallas Games Marathon is also your last chance to blow past the finish line on all your show projects. August 3, 4, 5 we will sew from morning 'til night to finalize all those required bits on show quilts which have to be turned in on Tuesday, August 7, 2018. Or even more fun, start a new project for Quilt Plano 2019. All the details are on the day retreat page at QGPlano.org.

COMMON THREADS AD RATES

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Quilt Plano 2018

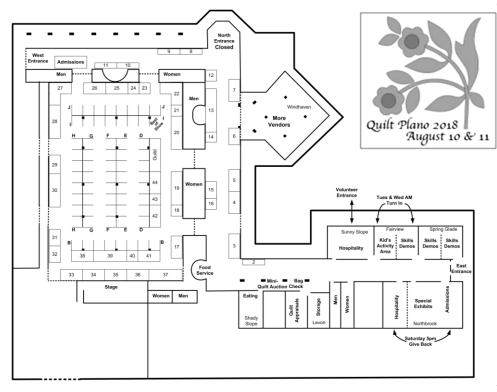
submitted by Pam Walsh

Quilt Plano 2018 is August 10-11, 2018

Two exciting changes are coming to Quilt Plano 2018. CASH PRIZES have been increased this year. There will now be a \$75 cash prize for each first place, a \$50 prize for each second place, and a \$25 cash prize for each third place.



We will also have NEW and ADDITIONAL VENDORS coming to the Show. As part of adding vendors, the layout of the show at the Plano Event Center will change somewhat.



The May Guild meeting will be our Show Roll-out meeting. Please plan to attend so you can:

- Sign up for your favorite jobs and shifts during show week.Some of the many available positions include:
 - Set-up Hanging quilts working in 3-person teams. We plan to have a new hanging method this year which does not involve climbing step-stools. Wednesday morning 8:30 – noon.
 - Admissions Selling admission tickets and greeting visitors. 2-hour shifts, sitting down, on Friday and Saturday.
 - Staff Walking around the show, greeting visitors and observing the crowd. Report any concerns to the on-site Security or Police Officer. 2-hour shifts on Friday and Saturday.
 - Quilt Angels Walking around the Quilt Exhibits, wearing white gloves to show visitors the back of quilts. 2-hour shifts on Friday and Saturday.
 - Children's Room Working with kids on a quilt-related activity. Parents are required to stay in the room with their children. 2-hour shifts, sitting down, on Friday and Saturday.
 - Take-down Taking quilts down. Saturday evening 4:45
 6 pm.
- Order a show t-shirt. The Show Committee will be proudly wearing our awesome shirts.
- Pre-order a lunch to be delivered in the Hospitality Room on Show Friday and/or Saturday.
- Attend demos to be given on:
 - o Blocking a Quilt by Linda Neal
 - Spray Basting by Monica Hendewerk
 - Quilt Sleeves by Rachel Carithers
 - Easy Landscape Quilts by Rose-Clair Fletcher

A Beautiful Day Spent Doing Good Work

submitted by Janet Plotkin

Pam Crocker, who is a member in our Guild, contacted me about a charity initiative she is involved with. The organization takes much needed items and educational programs to rural women in Uganda. She was looking for a hand-crank sewing machine to send to the Ugandan women. She related a story that the organization took a treadle machine and several villages are sharing the machine, and it would sure be nice to provide them with more resources.

I have two that I still use, but told her the timing was perfect and I would ask around. Last weekend was the Annual Northeast Texas Treadle-On Gathering and Academy (NETX TOGA). This event is for people interested in people-powered and vintage sewing machines, and the care and maintenance of them. We spend three days sharing knowledge in breakout sessions, and mech-ing on machines until we really are covered in grease to our elbows. I posted the need for hand-cranks and was so proud of the response. With special thanks to Valerie Newton, Jen Rike, Barbara Boyd, and Sue Hoch Childers.

Yesterday, with the help of Allison Bayer, and Valerie Newton we opened, cleaned, polished, Dremel-ed, soaked, scrubbed, repaired, greased, oiled, installed in bases, and tested 6 machines, including Singer models 128, 99k, 66 "Red-Eye", one with a Gorilla finish, and a beautiful little DeLuxe clone, badged Electro. Allison also packed a baggie kit including machine needles, a cleaning brush, small scissors, straight pins, bobbins, a manual, and machine information into each machine base so these sewing sisters have the tools for success. Jeanne Smith dropped off two bags of thread from her stash, so every machine will have spools of thread too. At the end of the day we were tired but very happy.

When I called Pam to tell her the machines were almost ready to be picked up she related another story. Mama Joyce is

one of the women the organization is acquainted with. She has seven children, her youngest with Down Syndrome. She lives with her in-laws, but there is not enough food to go around, so she helps support the family with her sewing talents. She makes small hand-sewn items to sell. The Director of the organization told Pam, she wanted to get one of these machines to Mama Joyce to allow her to increase her production and thereby provide more for her family.

It forced me to stop for a few minutes to contemplate all that that means. A hand-crank sewing machine, in many cases a 100 year old tool so many of us see as useless, an out-moded "boat anchor" has the ability, in the right hands, to change a life, and support a family. I was struck anew with reverence for the tools and blessings we have in such profusion.

I sew on my hand-crank machines as a throwback to a slower time, to connect with the generations of crafty women before me, to feel closer to my fore-mothers. I sometimes feel a peace and joy unlike any other, and yes, I also sometimes feel the frustration of the slowness, and my right foot regularly seeks the foot-pedal and its burst of power and speed.

So whatever your preferred mode of sewing is today, take a moment to think of all that it means to you, the friendships it has afforded, the happiness, the productivity, and how fortunate we all are to live with the availability of so much.

And finally, if you have spare scissors, machine needles, hand needles, any thread, including floss, and perle cotton, thimbles, pins, or a pin-cushion please bring them to the May meeting and get them to Pam Crocker to be included with the sewing machines. Please make sure these items are gift worthy, we are giving them in that spirit, to our sisters-in-sewing in a place where our plenty is so different from the abundance they enjoy.

With a thank you in advance for the generosity of this great Guild,

Janet Plotkin













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April Meeting Photos











Texas Association of Quilt Guilds

Rally Day 2018 promises to be extra special with Guest Speaker, Deb Tucker of Studio 180 Designs (https://deb-tuckers-studio-180-design.myshopify.com/). Deb Tucker has a unique approach with her special rulers that will bring you "Higher Success, Less Stress" and "Rapid Fire Tools and Techniques".

If you haven't already signed up for any of these workshops, do so soon! What a wonderful opportunity to work with Deb Tucker for six hours' worth of instruction and inspiration. Supply

Lists are available on the TAQG website at http://tagg.org/rally-day-forms-2018/.

Hot Flash Hunter's Star Workshop:

Thursday July 12, 2018 in Mesquite, TX Learn to make a traditional Hunter's Star quilt in a fraction of the traditional construction time and with incredible results.

Love Links Workshop:

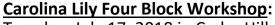
Friday, July 13, 2018 in Mesquite, TX You will learn the most efficient, successful method for making Flying Geese with a built-in margin for error. Guaranteed to increase your success rate and decrease your stress level.



Signs of Autumn Workshop:

Monday, July 16, 2018 in Cedar Hill, TX

Deb's Wing Clipper® I and Corner Beam® will have you turning out precision units in record time. And rest assured once you know how to use these two tools you will be looking for projects using Flying Geese and Corner Beam shapes.



Tuesday, July 17, 2018 in Cedar Hill, TX Using Deb's Wing Clipper® I tool and a Fast Flying Geese construction technique you will experience a simpler, more successful adventure. Learn how to construct an intriguing pieced border called "Migrating Geese" that adds visual interest to the large corner sections



Where: Mimosa Lane Baptist Church,

1233 Beltline Rd., Mesquite, TX

When: Saturday, July 14, 2018

10:00 a.m. -3:30 p.m. Doors open 9:00 a.m.

Admission Fee: \$5.00 TAQG Guild Members, \$10.00 Public Please contact Fran Levy at franalevy@mac.com for more

information.

April Meeting Photos



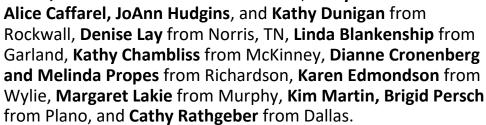




Membership

submitted by Diana Florence and Jeanne Vogel
April showered us with 107 quilters. We had
10 new members, 3 renewing and 8 visitors. We
thanked **Linda Sullivan** for showering us with a
cookie treat arranged like a quilt block.

Welcoming 13 new members was our new BeeKeeper, Debbie Saul with presents to Terry Reese, Joe Ellen Ticknor from Sherman, Mary



We had 8 visitors: Carlene Oliver, Debbie Smith, Dorothy Hodges, Marilyn McWilliams, Sandra Petty, Rhonda Sanchez, and Sotella Smith.

Showering us with door prizes was Jan Eby from shops: Sew Let's Quilt It, Not Your Mama's Quilt Store, Box Car Quilts and Quilt Country.

To check out all the local quilt shops, go to our website, Resources—Shops for the listing.

Of note: a new quilt shop: Box Car Quilts in Crossroads, TX. Minding our P's and Q's Shop is moving May 21 in Denton, TX. Call before going to verify their location.

Calling all New Members:

We are doing something different, instead of a **New Member Tea** we are going to do a day retreat at the *Best Little Retreat Center in Texas.* We value our new members so much that guild is "treating" half of the cost. On Sunday, June 3, you can come and meet the board members and other new members anytime between 9 AM and 9 PM. To reserve a sewing table you must go to:

QGP - New Member Retreat Day - Sunday, June 3rd

Pam Wingate 469-708-2378

New Groups forming:

We have four new small groups that are welcoming more members. We have a morning group starting at 9:30 or 10 until 12, an afternoon group 1-3, (or you can stay all day) that meets on the 2nd and 4th Fridays. We have an evening group meeting from 7-9 pm on the 4th Wednesday of the month. Another small group living in and around Murphy, TX is meeting on the 4th Thursday evening.

Please contact our BeeKeeper: beekeeper@qgplano.org

LovePacs donations overflowed the wagon and will be given to Hunters Glen Baptist Church to feed the children in Plano Schools. A big Thank You to those that brought canned fruits and vegetables. We will collect again in September. Thank you!!

If you need a long arm quilter.....go to QGoP website: Resources—Longarm Quilters

The **JOANN VIP program** is going away May 31, 2018 – they are not issuing any more physical cards. Guild members can take advantage of the new JOANN+ program for bulk discounts on every item online and this also comes with a rewards program. This is a digital card only, but it can be printed out to be used in store. You will then have a 3 month period to spend \$500 and you will receive \$25 back. The website is

plus.joann.com

Hotline: 888-905-0007

Hotline Hours: M-F

9:00-7:00 EST



Letter from the President

Our May Guild meeting (May 10, 2018) is one of our most important meetings of the year. It is our Quilt Plano 2018 Kick-off Meeting. This meeting is chock-full of information on how we pull together the big event scheduled for August 10-11 of this year. Not only can you get information and instructions, you can sign-up to volunteer at the Show and you can be one of the first to preview (4) different demos that will be a part of the Demo room at the show. Please be assured that there is a job for everyone and we need as many volunteers as possible to help make Quilt Plano 2018 successful.

At the April meeting, I recognized (4) members awarding them "The Lone Star Award". This is an award initially given by Brooks Wilson when she was President in 2000-20002. The Lone Star Award recognizes members for going above and beyond the call of duty. The April recipients were Pam Wingate, Pam Walsh, Lynne Fritsche and Diana Florence. Thanks to all of you for all you do for our Guild.

Nominees for this award can come from any member of our Guild, please let me know if you would like to nominate a fellow member for the next round of honorees.

Happy Quilting!

Rose Davis President



Important Dates for Quilt Plano 2018

- May 10th Show Kick-Off at Guild Meeting
- June 14th Quilt Entry Deadline
- August 7th Quilt Show Turn-In
- August 9th Quilt Plano 2018 Preview Night
- August 10th 11th Quilt Plano 2018
- August 11th Quilt Pick-Up

May Birthdays

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Sabine Watts	05/01
Janet Plotkin	05/04
Barbara Snyder	05/04
Barbara Graves	05/06
Susan Rentz	05/07
Tami Marlar	05/08
Barbara Verri	05/12
Becky Woods	05/12
Tracy Spruell	05/16
Bethany King	05/17
Laurie Tanas	05/17
Valerie Pearson	05/19
Debra Ballew	05/23
Lori Hutyra	05/24
Emily Hall	05/25
Ceidys Butterworth	05/26
Nancy Worst	05/26
Fonda Brinlee	05/28
Margaret Lakie	05/30



April Meeting Photos









Why Community Service?

submitted by Kaye Dunn

Community Service takes many forms. As members of our quilt guild, we are most familiar with donations of quilts, pillow cases, cuddles, taggies, baby hats, Afghans and dog beds and all the hours spent in their making. Why do we do this?

Community service can have a lot of positive effects, such as helping to develop and improve sewing skills, making contacts, understanding of the value of teamwork, improving decision making skills, developing leadership abilities and improving the quality of life of others. Additionally, one gains a new perspective on our community and on what life is like for people who are often overlooked. This could change how you see the world and your role in it.

Once you learn more about struggles and injustices that other groups of people face, you are statistically more likely to want to actively take part in making a change in the policies and social structures that keep certain groups from succeeding. This change can take many forms, such as active campaigning, voting in elections, and continuing to volunteer time to important causes.

Volunteering has also been shown to have another personal benefit. Did you know that it's actually good for your health? Volunteering isn't just good for your mind and conscience; it's also good for your body. 76% of people who have volunteered in the past twelve months say that volunteering has made them feel happier, and 94% of people report that it improves their mood. 78% of volunteers say that it has lowered their stress levels. By focusing on others' problems instead of their own volunteers have lower mortality rates, greater functional ability, and lower rates of depression than those who do not volunteer.

Doing small things each day can make a big difference for you and others. Thank you for your participation in Community Service.

Press On

submitted by Kaye Dunn

I am so proud of all of you who have donated a mini quilt for the Show Auction. They are going to help make this year's show a success. We currently have 56 minis. You are running a "good race". We're almost to the "finish line". We need 20 more minis. So, "Press On".





General Meeting Minutes

April 12, 2018

Meeting called to Order at 6:45pm by Rose Davis Minutes and Treasurer's Report from last month approved as published. Minutes recorded by Carol Long

President's Business:

- Donna Petrick announced that Joan Wilson passed away on April 7,
 2018 and announced when her service would be held
- Lone Star Awards were given out to
 - o Pam Wingate
 - Pam Walsh
 - Lynne Fritsche
 - Diana Florence
- Nominating Committee for the October 2018 Officers is being headed up by Donna Petrick, Lynne Fritsche has volunteered to be on the committee, so we need 3 more volunteers and 1 alternate.

Committee Reports

Community Service by Kaye Dunn:

- Donations for March were 60 quilts, 11 pillow cases, 6 dog beds and 40 cuddles
- Valerie Salter completed her birthday quilt and turned it in
- PISD School Program
 - Collecting through May
- There will be a sit and sew on April 21, 2018 at Pam Wingate's Best Little Retreat Center and on May 8, 2018 at Plano Sewing Center

Guild Activities by Janet Plotkin:

- She thanked everyone who participated in the "70273 Project"
- There will be a Day Retreat at Dallas Games Marathon on April 27th through 29th, the cost is \$35.00 for 3 days

Quilt Show by Pam Walsh:

- Announced that show cash prizes will be increased this year in all divisions
 - o 1st place \$75.00
 - o 2nd place \$50.00
 - o 3rd place \$25.00

- Also announced that we are increasing the number of vendors we will have and that we are bringing in new vendors
- Our raffle quilt won a 2nd place ribbon from the Dallas Quilt Show
- Any raffle money collected needs to be turned in to Donna Petrick
- A new member has volunteered for the Quilt Show Door Prize Coordinator, Leanna Williams
- The Quilt Show Board will be introduced at the May roll-out meeting
- 11 quilts have been turned in so far, we need more
 - o Get pictures and forms to Donna Petrick or Dolores Williams
- Mini-quilts: Kaye Dunn and Valerie Salter showed the 12 that were turned in tonight
 - o Total of 53 collected so far, aiming for 80
 - Taking quilts through July
- Special Exhibits: there will be a special exhibit of Joan Wilson's quilts

TAQG by Sherry Worley:

- Announced that they are in need of mini-quilts or any high-quality fiber items
- Raffle tickets, lunch tickets and pins are for sale

Programs by Sherry Worley:

- Next month is Michelle Dorsey, please sign up for the workshops **Membership** by Diana Florence:
- Linds Cullings and treats for the
- Linda Sullivan made treats for the meeting
- New Members Retreat
 - Will be held at Pam Wingate's Best Little Retreat Center on June 3, 2018
 - Watch your mailbox for information on this
 - o \$7.00 fee to attend
- Thanked everyone for bringing food for Love Packs
 - o 65 children went home with food
 - Love Packs will start again in September
- 87 members attended and 10 new members

The meeting was adjourned at 7:26pm, and Kathy Dunigan was presented and gave a very entertaining presentation.

The next meeting will be May 10, 2018 at the Hunters Glen Baptist Church.

LaDawn Dalley

New Workshop Registration Form

Workshops Fees: Members \$45/workshop

Non-Members \$55/workshop

See the guild website at www.qgplano.org and go to the Programs page (on the Activities tab) for more information. Fees are refundable only in the event the speaker cancels her appearance. Questions may be directed to the Programs team via email to programs@qgplano.org.

Hours: 9:00 am – 3:00 pm Set Up – 8:30 am

Location: Best Little Retreat Center in Texas, 7989 Beltline Road #168, Dallas, TX 75248. (See map on the last page)

If an alternate location is being used for a particular workshop, it will be specified on the Programs page of the Guild website.

Supply lists may be printed from the website. Your cell phone number and email are particularly important so we can reach you in the event of any last minute changes.

Bring Completed Form to a Meeting, or mail to:

Dolores Williams 280 Kate Lane Princeton, TX 75407

Upcoming Workshops

Location 7989 Beltline Road #168, Dallas, TX 75248

Michelle Dorsey

Saturday May 12th – "Happy Bag"

Patsy Thompson

Friday, June 15th – Intro to Ruler Work for the Sit-Down Quilter Saturday May 12th – Free Motion Quilting for the True Beginner

Check the website (<u>www.qgplano.org</u>) for more information



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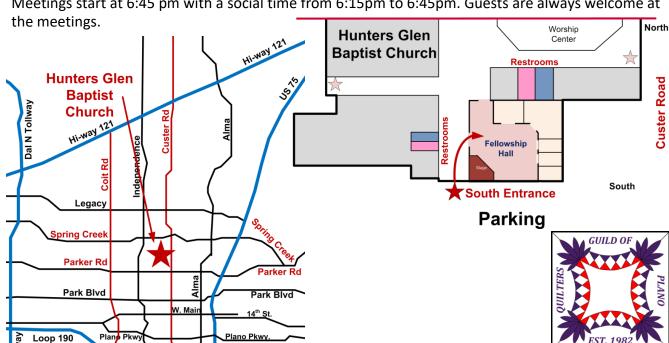
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Quilters Guild of Plano

The Quilters Guild of Plano exists to bring together people who share a love of quilts and quilting, preserve the heritage of quilting, promote the knowledge and understanding of all aspects of quilting, and provide opportunities for continuing education among those interested in the art of quilting. Together we learn from national and local quilt teachers and speakers, and share our work with each other and the community. All levels of quilters are encouraged to join us, including beginners. We are a 501 (c) 3 organization.

The Quilters Guild of Plano normally meets at **Hunters Glen Baptist Church, 4001 Custer Road**. The church is on the west side of Custer Road between Parker Road and Spring Creek Parkway. We park on the South end and enter through the South Entrance. The meetings are held in the Fellowship Hall, on the right as you enter. The Guild meets the second Thursday of each month. Meetings start at 6:45 pm with a social time from 6:15pm to 6:45pm. Guests are always welcome at



Board Minutes

Members can find the Minutes for the Board Meeting on the Web Site under

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Financials

The Monthly Financial Report can be found on the website under **Members/Documents** - < Pulldown> - **Financials**

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