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TLR Convention a BIG success!

The TLR convention once again proved to be a big success. The day trips to a ethanol plant and La Mars as well as many other sites were all interesting . I only heard glowing reports about the many models that opened their homes, or should I say basements to see many fine layouts in a number of scales, from N to O.



Safety glasses and Hardhats for the Ethanol plant tour

The clinics were all well attended and of great interest to all. The Chinese auction proved to be a lot of fun and rewarding to those



Fred's workshop on how judging is done in the model

who walked away with a great prize.



Last time we see the antics of Alan and Gerry during the Chinese auction

Dr. Rudy Daniels, our speaker on Friday night as well as the Saturday Banquet provided a most interesting history of the area and the impact of railroads in the greater Sioux City area.



Not only did Dr. Rudy Daniels talks prove to be interesting, but he dressed the part as well

Last but not less of all was a great modeling contest. There were many fine models, dioramas, photographs, and handcrafts.



Alan Saatkamp MMR earns the Bob Dew Award

Photo by Richard Dahl



Bob Blake's clinic on EduTrain Photo by Gerry Leone

We want to thank all those who took the time to prepare clinics, those who worked behind the scenes, and all those attended.

More photos on Page 3

View from the Cab

by TLR President Gerry Miller

I hope everyone had a good time at Sioux City. Prairie Lake Division did a great job keeping us entertained all weekend.

Next year we will be going north to Thunder Bay Canada, hopefully the snow will be gone when we get there! Remember to check and see that your passports or entry cards are up to date. In 2016, the South Red River Valley Division will be hosting the convention in Fargo. Watch the Fusee and our web site for more information as it becomes available on both conventions.

The TLR board is working with the Midcontinent Region on a possible joint convention in central Iowa or eastern Nebraska. Nothing is etched in stone yet, we are just exploring the possibility. A decision should be made before the convention next year.

Paul Ullrich the TLR's Vice President has rotated off the Board of directors. I would like to thank Paul for his five years of service and devotion to the TLR. Good luck in your future endeavors. Richard Dahl from the Dakota Southeastern Division was elected to the board at the membership meeting in Sioux City. He will serve as the new Vice President. Welcome Richard, I am looking forward to working with you.

We have a new web master! Caleb Van Der Brink has volunteered to redesign and update our web site. If you have any information on your division or an upcoming train show please send that information to Caleb, you can find his contact info on page 11.

Summer is finally here we can trade our snow shovels for lawn mowers! Hope you all have a safe summer.





email: edwardolson@cloudnet.com

Map & Directions: www.granitecitytrainshow.com/GCTS_map.pdf

Where Have I been

by Wes Garcia

It has taken a far longer time to get the summer edition of the Fusee out. I must apologize to all our readers for this delay.

We will have news of the region and the you will find elsewhere the minutes of the board of directors. Even though I could use abbreviations, I plan to move away from that to help newcomers and some long time readers more clearly understand what it is that we a writing about.

As always I am looking for articles, short tips, and general news from the region.



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TLR Convention



Mike, Fred, and Ron busy judging the many fine models

Photo by Gerry Leone





These two models abound with detail, only thing missing in these fine models is smell and the sound of the machinery



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One fine looking caboose



Many fine photographs were entered as well



Along with some nice handwork

I hope many will be in attendance next year in Thunder Bay. Bring your models along, you may go home with a ribbon.

All none credited photographs by Wes Garcia

Spring Board Meeting Of the Thousand Lakes Region

Minutes for the May 2nd TLR Board Meeting in Sioux City Iowa.

Present in a voting capacity were Gerry Miller, Jay Manning, Paul Gerry, Jim Krekelberg, Ron Olsen, Wes Garcia and Paul Ullrich. Present in a non-voting capacity were Gerry Leone (VP NMRA), Fred Headon (Canadian Director for the NMRA), Bob Blake (EduTrains), Tom Gay, Frank Gerry, Caleb Van der Brink, Don Radeck, Kevin Dill, Mark Karlsen, Les Breuer, Richard Dahl, Duane Durr, Rich Phillips and Jim Bernier

Meeting started at 9:05pm

Gerry Miller started by presenting the Presidents Report. Overall there seems to be a drop in membership across the region. Unknown what the cause is at this time. Possibilities include age, lack of yearly membership renewals by rail-pass trial members or the boost each convention gets when volunteers get rail-pass memberships so they can help out. The need for every member of the convention team to be NMRA members has been address by head office and "Significant others do not have to be rail-pass members to come to or help at conventions". One NMRA member per household is sufficient. On the other hand, the constant plea for volunteers has been working and if the membership is down, the amount of involvement by individual members in the TLR is up.

Paul Gerry as secretary then made a call for someone to make a motion to accept the minutes from the Fall BOD meeting as printed in the Fusee. Jim Krekelberg made the motion, Jay Manning seconded it and it was passed unanimously.

Jim Krekelberg then presented the Treasures Report. Overall the TLR is in good health financially. Some first time bounties on AP Certificates were paid out over the last 6 months which were the only large expenditure. Jay Manning made a motion to accept the Treasure's report and Wes Garcia seconded it and it was passed unanimously.

Jay Manning then presented the Convention Directors Report. The Convention in Thunder Bay in 2015 is well into the planning phase and a convention proposal for Fargo in 2016 will be made later in the meeting. There is some talk of a possible joint Mid Continent / TLR Convention for 2018 but nothing past the initial inquiries has occurred so far. The Convention Handbook as reached its 4th Draft and is just waiting on some clarifications from the NMRA head office regarding insurance, etc before gaining final approval. The document should allow future convention planners to go through the set up stages in a step-by-step process so nothing is Forgotten.

Wes Garcia then presented the Public Relations/Fusee Editors Report. Wes stepped up and as taken over as the Public Relations Director and as the Editor of the Fusee. Wes is a minister and has

a keen interest in marketing and media relations. An introductory letter from Wes to the general membership can be found in the Fusee. As part of the PR work, local media stations were contacted in Sioux City before the convention and asked if they would like to cover the event. A formal Thank You to the BOD from Wes was made for allowing him to take over the PR/Fusee Editor position. With the Fusee hat on, Wes made a plea for any and all articles and materials to be sent to him so as to continue to make the Fusee the success is lately been.

Paul Ullrich made the No. I Northern Report on behalf of Dennis Rietze. A lackluster attendance to last falls train meet has made the executive reevaluate the meet from top to bottom. Hopes are still high that the 2014 fall meet will be a success with more emphasis on running trains with the Free-Mo group and an O gauge group in attendance and the entire meet open to the public. A smaller meet at the beginning of June will be for NMRA members only and will be more along the lines of clinics for the model railroader enthusiast. The Free-Mo group continues to draw large crowds wherever it goes and special thanks to the TLR for the grant to make the end loops possible. Overall numbers in the region have slipped since last year with most of these due to deaths of the members.

Richard Dalh then presented the Dakota South Eastern Division Report. The main fundraising event of the layout open houses

is currently under review. Lately the event has been a lot of work for a small turnout and little revenue for the division and the possibility of making it into a biannual event in under consideration. A new centre island yard on the modular layout has enhanced operations and was made possible by a lot of donations of time and money by the DSED membership. Multiple well attended business meeting have been put on throughout the year. Most of these meeting have been a combination of business (elections of new officers) and modelling (installing DCC sound decoders in an Athearn SD 40-2 engine, or how to make your own ground foam). The DSED was saddened to learn of the passing of it Founder and proprietor of McKean Models, Bill McKean, during the winter and his obituary can be found in both the NMRA.ORG magazine and Model Railroader. The big news is a partnership with the North American Ethanol Association to construct a model of an ethanol plant for promotional purposes at trade shows. Overall the growth of the division has stayed steady but the amount of individual participation has increased.

Don Radeck presented the South Red River Valley Report. Spud Valley continues to be under construction with great exposure for it and the group at West Fargo's Bonanzaville USA Pioneer Village which is a great tourist attraction. The Division recently got a lot of exposure around Christmas when members set up modular layouts at a couple of local radio stations for their annual Christmas party which drew in hundreds of guests. As well, a proposal to host the 2016 TLR Convention will be heard later at this meeting.

Gerry Miller presented the South Eastern Division Report. Round robin building sessions continue although attendance is sporadic. The kids switching layout made possible in part by the TLR grant continues to generate great interest but so far the majority of new recruits are all under 18yrs old.

Blake then made a short presentation on behalf of the new NMRA initiative EduTrains. EduTrains in a library of clinics that members can download and use at NMRA events. Member who have clinics can also get them evaluated and placed on the roster for others to use. The goal is to get informative, good quality and interesting clinics in the hands of the average modeler. Increasing overall modelling skills is key rather than purely informative clinics. Clinics will also vary in topic matter from the very basic skills to advanced skills.

The National Report was given by both VP Gerry Leone and Canadian Director Fred Headon. The NMRA as a whole is in good shape financially, with a new NMRA Foundation being set up with the funds raised from the sale of Headquarters as a starting point. Biography and pictures of individual board members are being worked on to make the NMRA executives more visible to the membership and more approachable. Electronic communications are continuing to be very valuable with the e-Bulletin and InfoNet News email blasts reaching the vast majority of members and the town hall meeting after the last NMRA Board meeting in Las Vegas was a great success. The NMRA continues to have a national presence with continued partnerships with Walthers, Model Railroader and Model Railroad Craftsman to have NMRA info inserted into their various publi-

cations along with on the spot exposure at major train events, such as the Centennial of Grand Central Terminal, across the nation. Vertical integration of the 501-c3 status right down to the Division level is now at the IRS level. Integration of the various aspects of model railroading continues as new standards and recommended practices for both the "Dead Rail Society" and L (LEGO) Gauge are being developed and the outreach to the Railroad Prototype Modelers is ongoing. The NMRA has already received the first donations from E-Bay sales as well and members are continued to be encouraged to donate to the NMRA through the E-Bay program. Finally, the 2018 National Convention will be held in Kansas City.

The Minnesota River Valley Division Report was presented by Terry Davis on behalf of Brian Wordes. This years annual meeting had 10 members attend the meeting, clinics and a show-and tell session. The show-and-tell session is a great way for members to demonstrate what they have been up to over the last year with many kits of engines and freight cars being shown along with home made decals and a calender. Although only one official meeting occurs per year, most members are highly active with operating/build sessions on members layouts and with the Milwaukee Road Heritage center.

The Twin Cities Division Report was forwarded to the Secretary by Ken Zieska. The TCD has been holding monthly meeting regarding new products, improved modeling techniques and general business throughout the last year. Layout tours, both private and club, have been organized as well. There are about 35

members per meeting and the division remains highly active.

The Achievement Program Report was presented by Gerry Miller on behalf of John Hotvet. Six AP certificates and one Golden Spike were handed out over the last eight months. Jim Krekelberg received the Association Official, Association Volunteer and Chief Dispatcher. Gerry Miller received his Association Volunteer and Model Railroad Author and Richard Dahl received his Association Volunteer. Tom Gasior was the recipient of the Golden Spike.

The Historians Report was given by Jim Bernier. Jim is now retired and is looking forward to helping everyone with their research requests. So far this year a record of 3 requests have been made for information relating to AP Certificates and Fusee articles.

Old Business

The 2014 TLR Convention in Sioux City Iowa, had about 90 registrants and should be solvent. Special thanks go out to the Davis' for putting on a great convention.

New Business

The 2015 TLR Convention in Thunder Bay Ontario is well into its planning stages according to Frank Gerry. The Convention hotel will most likely be the Prince Arthur Hotel which is an old CPR hotel of yesteryear and directly overlooks the Canadian Pacific transcontinental mainline. Multiple layouts in N, HOn3, HO and G scale are lined up for tours along with industrial tours of Bombardier, the makers of the

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Bi-level commuter cars, and Resolute Forrest Products, a major paper mill. Thanks to the overwhelming support of fellow TLR members, volunteers for clinics are appearing and the No I Northern Division has offered to bring its Free-Mo modular layout to Thunder Bay. In the contest room a "Popular Vote Contest" will be initiated along with a nonjudging section for those interested in demonstrating their modelling prowess but don't want to do the paperwork for the judges. A section for the Railway Prototype Modelers will also available. Looking forward to seeing everyone there next year and DON'T FOR-**GET YOUR PASSPORTS!**

A proposal for the 2016 TLR Convention was made by the members of the South Red River Valley Division led by Don Radeck for Fargo North Dakota. This would occur on May 27th-29th 2015 and would feature prototype tours of plastics and steel companies and the Friday night social at the Spud Valley Model Railroad Club. The big news is the involvement of the Western Minnesota Steam Threshers Reunion who will open up the fairgrounds to the TLR and have live steam trains to ride on along with other steam driven vehicles and machines! The Steam Threshers apparently have a safety inspection on all their steam equipment around the same time as the TLR Convention which requires everything to be fired up and run and the Convention will make a great excuse to do just that. There are no other current proposals for the 2016 Convention so the SRRV Divisions bid was accepted. Profit/Loss split with the TLR will be decided at a later time.

Next up was a discussion on going to an all electronic Fusee or keeping the current format of paper

with a delayed digital copy available on the website. Problems with the all electronic copy surfaced rapidly with the fact that not all TLR members are internet users yet (as evidenced by not everyone having an up-to-date email for the E-Bulletin) and that only doing hard copies for these members would quickly remove any cost effectiveness of bulk mailing. Members also pointed out that some of them like to bring the hard copies into the workshop where a computer or tablet might get damaged. Another factor was Canada's new Anti-Spam laws which are about to come into effect and carry large fines if broken and do not depend on the country of origin for the breach but only that the email ended up at a Canadian registered address. Wes Garcia, as the new Fusee Editor made a motion to keep the format of the Fusee as it currently is and the motion was seconded by Jay Manning. It passed unanimously.

A brainstorming session on fundraising for individual divisions then ensued. Ideas included Chinese/White Elephant auctions where the members donated their own unwanted supplies, bake sales or craft sales, 50:50 draws and just direct membership donation requests for specific projects. Due to the complexity of local laws (ie the 50:50 draw is considered gambling in some places) it was decided to leave the fund raising to individual divisions based on their local regulations but the TLR Grant proposal format was still open at the regional level to be used.

Next was an introduction of our new Webmaster Caleb Van Der Brink. Caleb answered an add in the Fusee for the position and has a keen interest in the internet world. Already he has made up a new website, that looks a lot more modern and is easier to navigate than the old one, in preparation of the move from our old server Go Daddy to the new server Wix. The move is due to a better cost analysis with Wix which will be about \$12 a month for the website to be hosted. A motion to keep Caleb Van Der Brink as the new Webmaster and to switch to the new Server Wix at the \$12 per month fee was made by Wes Garcia and seconded by Paul Ullrich. The motion passed unanimously.

Next was a debate on if we can/ should/would host a National Convention. The last National was hosted in '99 in Minneapolis and the soonest the TLR would host one would be 2019 (20 yrs later). Due to the more rural nature of the division when it comes to population density there is realistically only one site available and that would be Minneapolis again. Winnipeg did host a National but now falls under the minimum population of I Million set by the NMRA to host along with issues with crossing the boarder as witnessed when Toronto last hosted especially with respect to vendors. Articles asking for opinions on if going in for a bid for a National Convention will appear in the Fusee. A motion to get an exploratory committee together to find out if a National is possible or even if the region is willing to host one was made by Wes Garcia and seconded by Ron Olsen. The motion passed unanimously with Wes volunteering to lead the commit-

Duanne Durr then made the an-

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nouncement that the Northern Pacific Historical Society's Convention will be in Fargo North Dakota from July 14 - 19, 2015. Live steam excursions will be a possibility.

Next the Convention SOP Handbook was discussed. A formal acknowledgement and commendation to Jay Manning for putting together the Thousand Lakes Region National Model Railroad Association Convention Handbook was made by Gerry Miller. The 4th Draft of the handbook is done with the finer points of the insurance requirements being vetted by National as we speak. It was suggested that the profit/loss split between the Division hosting and the Region be allowed to be made at 12 months prior to the convention rather than the 24 months prior as originally suggested. The I Day Saturday fee for registrants will officially be left to the preference of the individual Divisions. The Handbook will no doubt help future convention

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The new TLR Board

planning committees be more efficient and not miss important points.

A motion to adjourn was made In Memory of Nick Andrusiak, Bill Taylor, Bill Mckean and Gayle Olsen (all Past TLR Presidents) at 10:32 pm and was seconded by Wes Garcia. The motion was accepted unanimously.



What shall we do? National Convention

Many of you have already read in the board meeting minutes that there was a question presented on whether the TLR should host the National/International Convention sometime in the future. The last time the TLR hosted the National was in '99 in Minneapolis and the soonest the TLR would host another one would be 2019 (20 yrs later). Due to the more rural nature of the division when it comes to population density there is realistically only one site available and that would be Minneapolis again. Winnipeg did host a National but now falls under the minimum population of I Million set by the NMRA to host a convention along with issues with crossing the boarder as witnessed when Toronto last hosted, especially with respect to vendors.

In our next issue of the Fusee I will have a questionnaire to find out what the members think about hosting the National Convention. I also plan to place a survey in "Survey Monkey" for those who have internet connections. Start sending me feedback as soon as you like, The questionnaire will be something you can tear out and mail back to me. If you're interested in sending a letter you can send it to:

Wes Garcia 2212 S. Sherman Avenue Sioux Falls, South Dakota 57105

I want to hear about the good, bad, and ugly related to hosting a National Convention. Only if we receive over whelming support for hosting a National Convention will we move forward. Only with all the districts supporting this idea can the region take on such a challenge as hosting the National Convention.

November
Is
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Show of one of your models at work, or someplace where they don't know you're a model railroader.

Invite a friend to a train meet or your division meeting.

Show off your layout to a friend or hold an open house for the block you live on

We grow the hobby one person at a time!

How to Dry Paint: Or How to Make a Simple Drying Oven Article and Photos By Wes Garcia

I cannot take credit for this simple paint drying oven. I found it on the internet many years ago, but did not save the link, just the idea.

For those who don't want to use the kitchen oven, or are not allowed to use it. This simple project may be just what you are looking for.

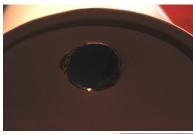
It will take longer to explain how it is made then it will to make one.

Start with one white metal mailbox. Any size will do. Check a big box store like Menards or Home Depot. You will need a chandelier light socket, with metal prongs, and pre-wired with an in line switch. Also, you need a battery powered digital thermometer with a long lead to the sensor, and one light bulb to fit a chandelier light socket.



Chandelier Light Socket

Once you have all the parts, drill a hole in the back of the mail box. The hole size is based on the type of light socket you get. Somewhere on the package it will tell you what size the mounting hole should be.





Hole Drilled in Back of Mail box, Chandelier Socket Installed

On the bottom side of the mail box there should be two mounting holes, one near the back and one near the front. Take the sensor from the thermometer and pull it through the rear opening. If in doubt, before you buy the mail box and thermometer make sure the senor will fit through the mounting hole. My thermome-



Thermometer Mounted on the Left Side of the Front

ter's senor had double sided tape to mount it. If your sensor has no tape, just cut a piece and stick it on the sensor. Now screw in the chandelier light bulb. You are now finished with your paint drying oven.

Mine is large enough to get 80 to 90 percent of items I paint inside. So far the maximum temperature I have seen on my oven is just under I20 degrees. You control the temperature by opening or closing the door.

I have been able to use it for drying paint on metal and plastics without any problems. Give it a try, I think you will like it.



Temperature After Only Being On for About 15 Minutes



In our next issue
find out
who
Tom Gasior is,
and
what he is doing for the
TLR

You will see
his handy work
on
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South RRV Division TLR Convention Meeting Minutes

May 14, 2014

Present: Kevin Dill, Don Radeck, Tom Gay, Duane Durr, Jim Moore.

Don presented the motion that we establish convention committee officers. Duane motioned that Don be selected as convention chair and he was selected unanimously. Kevin was nominated as Secretary/treasurer by Tom, and was elected unanimously. Tom volunteered to be in charge of tours and Duane volunteered to be in charge of Clinics. The committee now is as follows:

Chairman: Don Radeck
Secretary/Treasurer- Kevin Dill
Clinic Chair- Duane Durr

Clinic Chair- Duane Durr
Tour Chair- Tom Gay
Checking Account- The TLR requires a separate checking account be set up and maintained for the convention. Kevin will set one up at

Bell Bank, and have Don and Kevin as signees. We may need documentation of the nonprofit status and bylaws of the division.

Convention Hotel: Don and Duane had visited the DoubleWood Hotel and were quoted \$99 per night for the rooms if the convention used the on-site banquet service. Don visited the Tourist and Convention Bureau and they said that this was a great rate and to go with it. Don and Duane will go to the hotel and let them know the dates. Before any contracts are signed, Duane recommended that the board go to lunch there, check out the food and examine the rooms and convention amenities in more detail. It was tentatively scheduled for June 3rd, and Tom and lim will check their schedules.

The early report from Sioux City was that they had 93 registrants, including spouses. Minneapolis had 138 registrants.

The dates for Thunder Bay next year

are May 22-24, 2015.

Western Minnesota Steam Threshers - Don will contact the Mark Kerkovich about the dates of our convention- May 27-28, 2016. This is Memorial Weekend, but the Fargo Mrathon the week before that and NDSU Graduation 2 wks prior. We will need to discuss the lunch fee, how we are going to manage the group (small groups kept together, one big group, or people on their own), cab rides and how we will split the proceeds. We will earmark \$5 per person in the registration fee as a donation to WMSTR and an additional amount for lunch. Steve Clausen mentioned that he would be willing to have some speeders available for rides as well.

TLR Projector Grant- The TLR will grant us \$400 for obtaining a digital projector for the group, and can be used for the convention. After discussion, we agreed to accept the grant and will shop for a projector. No decision was made on whom would do this or the actual model.

Clinicians: Jim Bernier and Rein Vanderhill have offered to do clinics. Jim has several to choose from: RTR to Layout Ready - How to rebuild your freight car fleet to meet NMRA specs, DCC - Using JMRI Decoder Pro to program your DCC fleet, Moving Grain - Understanding the transition from box cars to covered hoppers, and how to model them and Operation - How to create Car Cards/Waybills on your home computer(and use them). Rein Vanderhill offered to do a clinic on photographing your layout.

Layout Tour Planning- We will start looking for layouts for the convention. Don will maintain a master list and organize this but each committee member will look for layouts. The layouts will need to be toured to determine accessibility and quality for the tours. Kevin will make a poster and ask Mark at Hobby Hut if it can be posted in the store, and ask him to forward any interested people to contact Kevin for potential layout tours.

Banquet Speaker Ideas- Duane will talk to BNSF and Tom will talk to Cindy Olson at RRVW for potential speakers. CP was mentioned but there are no contacts, so will wait on this for now.

Promotional Photos- Jim has started getting photos together and will continue to get photos of the areas rail attractions—depots, rolling stock etc. that will be used for the guide book.

Transportation- WMSTR has requested that we only allow busses. We will also need to use busses for the Friday prototype tours. So, we will need 2 busses Friday for tours and 3 busses for Saturday to get to Rollag for WMSTR. Tom will talk to Richards Transportation and Mark Shuck, and Jim will talk to Red River Trails for a quote.

September TLR Board Meeting- We will need to present a preliminary budget, schedule, show our reservations for the Hotel and our Theme at this meeting. Therefore, all preliminary budget information must obtained by August. We will also need to establish if we are going to go 50-50 with the TLR or have the TLR foot the expenses. A tentative them could be "Live Steam in 2016".

Fusee Articles- Duane suggested that we start a "save the date" campaign for the Fusee to run in each edition until next year's convention is over, then really push with articles. Jim and Kevin mentioned pushing with an email campaign after Thunder Bay

Other Thoughts: Dirk Lenthe has agreed to open his facility for a tour, and we may do this Thursday night as a preconvention kickoff. If this doesn't work, we can do it Friday night in conjunction with Bonanzaville. Tentative Layouts: Tom Gay, Dr Lillestal, Greg Reardon, Duane Durr, Kevin Dill, N-Scale Modular Layout, Sioux Falls Layout, Spud Valley Layout. The meeting was adjourned and we will try to meet again by the end of July.

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