

2006 ANNUAL REPORT

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ANDREW COUNTY YOUTH EXPERIENCE LAMB PROJECT FOR FIRST TIME

Andrew County has an excellent opportunity for Andrew County 4-Hers to begin a new 4-H sheep project. An Andrew County couple has generously donated money to help first time sheep producers buy lambs.

A total of \$650 was received by anonymous donors into the Andrew County Extension Council. Donors stipulated the funds be used to increase youth participation in the 4-H sheep project in the county. This money will provide five 4-Hers new to the Sheep program, funds toward the purchase of an

animal to tend during the program year. Additional donations for the project include 100



pounds of feed per 4-Her from St. Joseph MFA and equipment or discounts on equipment from Orscheln Farm and Home of Savannah.

One recommendation from the Andrew County Lamb Project Committee is that these 4-Hers show their animals at the Andrew County Fair.

Once the lambs are purchased it would be the 4-H member's responsibility for feed and care during the year. They could show the lamb at fairs and sell it at the end of the year, or keep a ewe lamb and start their own herd. If the lamb is sold after the showing season, this would

give the 4-H member money to purchase another lamb to carry the project further. We hope that the project would be carried forward for at least three years.

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Dear Members of the County Commission and Community:

Thank you! Your financial support to our land-grant university partnership makes it possible for University of Missouri Extension to deliver high-quality educational programs where Missourians live, work and experience quality of life.

More than 1 million Missourians annually turn to MU Extension for help in improving businesses, farms and communities and strengthening their families. Your partnership with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, the State of Missouri, and local organizations and businesses enhances the state's economy and brings unique opportunities to families and individuals.

In fact, MU Extension partners with more than 100 entities across the state. Those partnerships enable us to extend our educational reach without duplicating services. In FY2007, MU Extension will leverage \$39 million in federal and state funding resources into more than \$81 million in educational programming to serve Missourians.

In 2006, dollars allocated by county commissions to support extension at the local level amounted to 17 percent of the total dollars for extension funding statewide. These local dollars were leveraged to provide more programs to more people. Additionally, our local partners across the state (county commissioners and councils) provided significant in-kind contributions in the forms of office space and meeting space. Grants, fees and contract dollars account for almost 23 percent of extension funding. Combined with state and federal funds, every local tax dollar is matched with an average return of \$10.37. We use these funds very efficiently. In FY2007, just four percent of the budget is going toward administration, compared with 12 percent for most non-profits and government agencies.

The return on your investment in MU Extension for your community is great:

- Businesses become and remain profitable -- creating and retaining jobs.
 - Improved agricultural yields add to producers' bottom line, and citizens enjoy a safer environment.
 - Towns and cities use research-based resources to make better decisions about their future.
 - Young people are more likely to stay in school and increase their lifetime earnings.
 - Professionals and other workers stay on the cutting edge of career requirements through continuing education.
 - Adults and young people live healthier lifestyles and suffer fewer medical costs.

Your local extension faculty and staff, campus faculty, county extension council members, 4-H volunteers, Master Gardeners and other program supporters look forward to a continued fruitful partnership in 2007. If you have suggestions for how University of Missouri Extension can better serve your needs, please contact me or your local extension center.

Sincerely,



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Extension Regional Directors
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UNIVERSITY OF MISSOURI EXTENSION ACTIVITIES IN 2006



Holiday Cookie Decorating

Each year the Savannah Area Chamber of Commerce holds a city-wide winter holiday activity with a Santa Claus in the courthouse. The local extension council hosted Holiday Cookie Decorating in the basement of the courthouse tying into the overall theme. Since parents were required to be with the children, it offered an additional opportunity to give some handouts to them and certainly a new audience for extension. There were approximately 150 cookies decorated.

Information at Local Health & Safety and Parent Fairs

Andrew County Extension participated in two resource fairs in 2006. Andrew County's Community Action Partnership Health Department hosted a safety event at the new health department building in Savannah in June for parents and young children. Extension publications, money-saving tip sheets, and a display of poison look-a-likes was shared with 62 youth and adults.

For the past five years, Savannah High School has provided parents with the opportunity to gain knowledge and information from area agencies and organizations during Parent/Teacher Meetings in early November. This year Extension shared information on saving for college and money saving tips to approximately 300 individuals.

Annual Extension Cookout

The Andrew County Extension Council has been sponsoring a hamburger/hot dog cookout on the courthouse lawn to market extension activities during University of MO Extension Week/Month. Kenneth Vogt, Council chair, estimated 75 youth and adults participated in the event.



EDUCATIONAL OPPORTUNITIES FOR ANDREW COUNTY LIVESTOCK PRODUCERS

JIM HUMPHREY

Agriculture continues to provide a solid base for the economy of Northwest Missouri. Livestock production continues to be a significant part of that economy. According to the 2002 Missouri Farm Facts, Andrew County has 11,000 head of beef cows, 1,200 head of dairy cows and 24,000 head of cattle all together.

This past February twenty-six producers attended the Second "Cattle Feeders Conference" in Andrew County. This program was jointly sponsored by the Andrew County Cattle Producers Association and University of Missouri Extension. Topics presented at the program were "Natural Beef Procurement Process", "Water and Nutrient Management Issues", "Cow/Calf Producers Utilization of Feedlot and Carcass Information", "The Missouri QSA Program" and "Overview of Feeding Cattle in Southwest Iowa". This program was extremely well received. Based on comments from this program the Andrew County Cattle Producers Association scheduled a summer tour. Thirteen producers from the area participated in the tour to central Missouri.

The 22nd Annual Four State Beef Conference was held in Savannah on January 12th. We had around 40 producers from the area in attendance. This conference is designed to give beef cattle producers in the four state region an annual update on current cow-calf

research. Topics presented were "Simple Sire Selection-Interpreting EPD's", "Marker Assisted Selection for Marbling and Tenderness", "Calf Health-Minimizing Losses" and concluding the program was "Reducing Summer Feeding Costs."

On February 21st, approximately 20 dairy producers attended the annual Northwest Missouri Dairy Group Meeting in Cosby at the Lions Hall. Topics presented were "Johnne's Disease Status", "Product Research at Dairy Farmers of America", and "Somatic Cell Count Under 200,000 is no Accident". Dr. Barry Steevens made a great statement. "You can't do today's job with yesterdays methods and be in business tomorrow." This program is very well attended by local dairymen. Additionally, we held a Fall Dairy Day with 16 producers in attendance. At the conclusion of the Fall Dairy Day, a participant wrote on their evaluation that they need to "work more closely with extension".

Over the last several months we have had producers participate in the Missouri Steer Feedout Program. During the steer feed-out process participants get feedback and print outs of how their cattle are performing in the feedyard. Additionally, producers get approximately 20 different data points on their cattle at harvested time. This program is done in

conjunction with Iowa State University and the Tri-County Steer Carcass Futurity.

Several producers from the area formed a Show-Me-Select Replacement Heifer Program in Northwest Missouri. We held a sale in December 2006, with heifers averaging \$1323/head. Based on this past years program outcomes the group has already scheduled another sale for December 1, 2007. This program is open to any beef producer in Missouri.

The Andrew County Extension Council, University of Missouri Extension and Kaeco Group, combined efforts to develop and print over 2000 of the 2007 Meat Goat Pocket Calendars. These are being distributed throughout Missouri as well as several other states. These calendars are designed to help producers keep better records on their operations. Additionally, we have been receiving very positive comments on the pocket calendars and continue to get requests on a regular basis.



ANDREW COUNTY 4-H IN 2006

MARY A. BAUMANN

One of every nine Missourians between the ages of 5 and 18 participated in a MO 4-H program in 2006.

Communities reap long-term benefits by supporting programs like 4-H. Youth engaged in the programs are 60 percent more likely to vote than their non-engaged peers. In addition, 4-H youth are more likely to volunteer and contribute to their communities than youth participating in other youth programs.

4-H Clubs

4-H participants = A total of 136 youth were enrolled in 4-H clubs in the county.

Seven Andrew County 4-H clubs offer long-term educational experiences in which members learn life skills such as decision making, public speaking and working with others. Members learn by doing under the guidance of adult volunteers, who teach projects ranging from aerospace and arts to veterinary science and sport fishing. Clubs also involve children and teens in community service, camping and educational trips.



4-H Special-Interest Programs

4-H participants = 15 4-Hers were in attendance at the 4-H Camp at Crowder State Park.

Andrew County 4-H special-interest programs include conferences, distance learning programs, day camps and other educational activities, such as school-age care. They often reach youths with special needs, such as those living in group homes or youths who are physically or mentally challenged.

4-H School Programs

4-H participants = Andrew County 4-H school enrichment programs are short-term educational experiences that supplement learning in the classroom. Most are led by teachers or 4-H volunteers. The most popular 4-H school program in Andrew County is "Bread in a Bag" a nutrition program for first graders. There were a total of 103 who participated in this program. The YPA was assisted by volunteer parents to help make this successful. Each participant received their own loaf of bread to take home with them.

4-H members were supported by 71 youth and adult volunteers. Time was valued at \$35,600 - 71 volunteers x 50 hours x \$10.00 per hour. Volunteers create, support, and are part of the 4-H community. National statistics suggest that the average volunteer contributes 208 hours per year. Valuing their time at \$15.71 per

hour, based on average Missouri incomes, the contribution of Andrew County 4-H volunteers was worth more than \$35,000 in 2006!

Andrew County had many success stories. Our Shooting Sports program had more than 50 participating with seven going to the State Contest in Columbia.

The Andrew County 4-H Council made money from several events to enable 4-Hers and volunteers to participate in events. The annual Chili/Soup Supper was held at Savannah High School and drew more than 200 people to this event making more than \$900.

We made \$1500 by cleaning up at two dog shows in the St. Joseph area.

We have been responsible for a "Clover Corner" insert in the Savannah Reporter each week featuring members, leaders, and important information. It has been very well received and a source of new members for the coming year.

It is always great to see our older 4-Hers successful in receiving national recognition. This year Rachel VanSchoiack was awarded a trip to National 4-H Congress on Georgia.

Source for national statistics on value of volunteers: *The Independent Sector*. "Giving and Volunteering in the United States." <http://www.independentsector.org/programs/research/gv01main.html>

FAMILY NUTRITION EDUCATION PROGRAM

CHANGING LIVES IN 2006

The Family Nutrition Education Program (FNEP) reached 957 Pre-school – 5th grade students in Andrew County during the 2005-2006 school year.

The program’s goals include

- Becoming more aware of nutrition,
- Making healthier meal and/or snack choices,
- Eating breakfast more often,
- Being more willing to try new foods,
- Improving hand washing skills,
- Improving other food safety skills, and
- Increasing physical activity.

After each 6-7 lesson series of classes, teachers are asked to respond with their observations of how well these goals are being met by their students. Teachers mostly just check off that they have seen improvements. Others make comments though.

Eighteen teachers reported that their students are washing longer, including a 4th and a 5th grade teacher. Twenty two teachers report their students are “singing the ABCs” during restroom breaks and before lunch and snacks are eaten. For hands to be cleaned properly, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention recommend they be scrubbed with soap for 20 seconds. This corresponds closely with the length of time it takes to sing the ABCs, sung by children from an early age in school. Teachers also report that students “hold their hands clean,” that is after washing their hands, they clasp them one to

the other. This helps them avoid the temptation to touch walls, water fountain, other children and anything else along their way, and so avoid recontaminating them before they eat. Older students are “proud to show their clean hands” to teachers, indicating that they have washed them carefully, as taught by the FNEP educators. Nine teachers said their students were reminding each other to wash their hands and to use the proper method including soap, warm water, scrubbing hands for 20 seconds, rinsing and drying. Students even reminded their teachers if they forgot to let them wash hands before lunch or a snack!

After participating in FNEP classes, teachers also report that students are being more physically active at school. Twenty one teachers reported that students were being more active during their recess time, walking, running and just playing more actively. Others reported that there was less grumbling about having Physical Education class. Older students who previously had not been interested in PE class became excited to have time to add to their goal of the recommended 60 minutes of physical activity each day.

Trying new foods is a challenge for younger students, but after FNEP

classes, more are willing to chance it. Teachers report: “Even my picky eaters tried foods” (1st grade); “They (second graders) say, ‘you don’t know until you try’” (repeating what Nutrition Educators taught them); “They will taste it now – before they refused to taste” (PreK); “Found out they liked foods they didn’t think they would” (1st and 2nd grade); and “they are surprised they like (new foods)” (Kindergarten and 1st grade).

These are just a few of the many ways FNEP Nutrition Educators are affecting children’s lives for the better. The successes go on and on. And hopefully choices children make today will become habits for a healthier lifetime.

2006 FNP Participants, NW Region		
County	Participants per County	
ANDREW	957	
ATCHISON	811	
BUCHANAN	4,927	
CALDWELL	851	
CLINTON	2,280	
DAVISS	783	
DEKALB	742	
GENTRY	900	
GRUNDY	541	
HARRISON	785	
HOLT	352	
LIVINGSTON	975	
MERCER	286	
NODAWAY	996	
WORTH	189	
Region Totals		
Total Participants		16,375

AGRONOMIC PROGRAMMING & NW MISSOURI

WAYNE FLANARY

The agronomic programming effort is focused on timely delivery of crop management information and research to the 15 counties in NW Region. The programming effort is accomplished through radio, newspaper, newsletters, meetings and personal conversations with growers.

Each week, "Crop News and Notes," an agronomic column is written and distributed to area papers and radio stations in Northwest Missouri. The column communicates information regarding fertilizer usage, pests attacking crops, and various crop management topics. The column is sent to 17 local newspapers and 11 radio stations.

Another way we communicate with growers is through the use of an electronic email newsletter. The monthly electronic newsletter allows us to quickly inform producers of a pest outbreak and what control measures should be taken. Our past winter Ag Update meetings focused on critical topics such as

soybean rust, soybean aphid, nitrogen fertilizer management and spraying soybean fungicides. These meetings were presented with all of the Agriculture staff teaching along with the CPDs of each county helping support our efforts. Over 300 growers attended meetings in the 15 county region. Private pesticide applicator training was handled at the Ag Update meetings providing training for growers who needed licenses and those who needed to recertify. Corn growers and soybean association meetings were coordinated by the Extension Ag staff.

This summer, scouting meetings were held in all fifteen counties. The attendance limited but 72 growers attended. This is the first year this educational effort was offered.

Crop management practices for Northwest Missouri are demonstrated at the Graves-Chapple Farm. The farm is a show place to demonstrate no-till farming practices. Soil erosion reduction is a critical issue in

Northwest Missouri and we must continue our progress or regulation will force compliance. Nitrogen management, planting populations, hybrid and variety selection, pest control practices are demonstrated during field days and information from the site is delivered through an annual report, on the web and during winter meetings. Jim Crawford, farm coordinator, provides management for Graves-Chapple Farm. Bruce Burdick, superintendent, provides the management and care of the Hundley-Whaley Farm.

Twelve brush control demonstrations on right-of-ways were applied in 2005. Evaluation of the treatments was handled late summer of 2006.

My programming is based on a list of needs supplied by area growers. Continue to be a source of unbiased information and education, help us evaluate new products and technology, help keep us profitable and efficient with fertilizer use and other crop inputs and finally, keep us informed of pests that may attack our crops.

KEEPING CHILDREN SAFE IN ANDREW COUNTY

Green M&Ms and Drixoral. Tap water and rubbing alcohol. Maple syrup and motor oil. Eye drops and super glue. Each pair of products above contains a "safe" product and one that can cause harm or even death. New additions to Poison Look-a-Likes display and quiz have been helping parents in Andrew County realize their homes may not

be as safe for their children as they thought.

Dr. Rebecca J. Travnichek has been asking program participants to see if they can identify the "safe" product in 20 pairs of poison look-a-likes. A portion of the display consists of clear bottles containing the safe and poisonous products. Another portion involves pairs of products

with similar packaging, for example, ketchup and STP gas treatment or Comet and Parmesan cheese.

In 2006, approximately 150 youth and adults have had the opportunity to take the quiz and learn how packaging can be dangerous for small children, elderly, low-literacy, and non-English speaking persons.

PRESSURE CANNER GAUGE TESTING IN NW MISSOURI

JANET HACKERT

Canning vegetables and other low acid foods requires temperatures not available except at higher pressures. For pressure canning to be done safely, the gauge measuring the pressure inside the canner must be accurate. Sometimes gauges, even brand new ones, are as much as 5 p.s.i. off. Using these can lead to a potentially VERY dangerous situation!

The accuracy of the gauges can be tested with a calibrated tester. Previously, Extension offices throughout the NW Region had the old-style testers, though not all offices offered the testing. Much like a pressure canner, these testers had to be heated up and then brought up to pressure. To do this safely, the person using the tester had to have full attention on the operation. This was often a luxury for office personnel in an Extension office. If not used carefully, there was a danger of the pressure building to a dangerous level. For this reason, some county offices had even chosen not to offer pressure gauge testing.

New pressure canner gauge testers do not require heat or pressure. They take as little as two minutes to test a gauge. And if the attention of the user shifts, there is virtually no danger involved.

Each open county Extension Office received the newer style of pressure canner gauge tester. They also received training on how to use the tester as well as when gauges need to be tested. At the same time, the Nutrition Specialist would go over foods that need to be pressure canned so office staff can promote gauge testing with clients who can these foods.

There also was a media campaign to help raise the awareness of communities about the need to test pressure canner gauges. Some offices that do not test gauges now, for whatever reason, were encouraged to let the public know that testing is available. All offices were encouraged to let folks who can know that testing their gauges will no longer take a long time, but that it can be done in minutes.

This project falls right in line with the statewide expectation to share Food Safety information with the people of Missouri. The testers were purchased through funding provided by MU Extension for innovative programming.

All counties with open Extension offices received the new pressure canner gauge testers. All office staff have been trained on use of the testers, along with some interested specialists and program assistants/associates.

Information on the importance of getting a gauge tested has gone out to the public by means of the regional newsletter (News You Can Use, June 2006 issue) and news releases. These news releases have been published in six newspapers.

The 13 testers themselves cost \$975, as expected. With the lowering of the mileage rate and the way Karen From and Janet Hackert combined trainings with other travel (paid for with other funds), only \$172.67 was spent on mileage. This left \$77.33 leftover for more cooperation with community partners in getting the word out about the new testers. After surveying the county Extension offices about possibilities, 100 copies each of the basic guide sheet on how to use a pressure canner (GH 1452) and on (pressure) canning vegetables (GH 1454) were ordered. Buchanan County Extension photocopied 100 copies of a "Canning News" handout with Karen and Janet's contact information, information on the new recommendations for holding time, altitude adjustments and how to "plump" the ring for best fit. These were distributed to Atchison, Buchanan, Daviess, Harrison, and Mercer counties. Staff there worked with their local merchants who sell pressure canners (for example, hardware stores) and with farmers markets to get the information out to people who were actually the most likely to be pressure canning.

After using the new pressure canner gauge testers through the harvest season, office staff who used them had positive feedback. One said, "Definitely more convenient and a big time saver compared to the old one – JUST WONDERFUL – I no longer dread canner tests!" Another said she "didn't have to worry about getting burned or answering the phone in the middle and forgetting about it!" Another said that she had ended up testing approximately twice as many gauges as last year. She said, "Several of the people had let others know of our new Pressure Canner Gauge Testers, and were wanting to see how it worked." One said she was able to share information on canning with half of the people who brought in canners to be tested, giving them handouts provided during her training. Other people who can have been canning for a while and are already familiar with current recommendations. All who responded said the new testers were easier, quicker and more convenient; clients also recognized the convenience and speed of the new testers.

ADDITIONAL PHOTOS OF EXTENSION COUNCIL ACTIVITIES IN 2006



Savannah and Andrew County citizens enjoying lunch with Andrew County Extension Council members at the Annual BBQ.

Joe Nichols, Catherine Davis, and JoAnn Poirier, Andrew County Extension Council Officers help youth (and adults) decorate cookies during the Savannah Area Chamber of Commerce's Annual Candlelight Walk.



FAMILY FINANCIAL EDUCATION ACTIVITIES IN ANDREW COUNTY



Cost of Raising a Child

Expenditures by families on children vary depending on a variety of factors such as age of child(ren), income of family, number and place order of the child in the family, and place of residence. Although family investments into children are generally on a “pay as you go” plan, it is often important to estimate what these costs might be in the future for planning purposes.

Seven students at North Andrew High School learned about family expenditures to raise a child from birth to age 17. Data are provided for two parent and single parent families.

MoTax Volunteer Income Tax Assistance site

The MoTax Education Initiative assists people by preparing and electronic filing income tax returns and by providing financial education to help families maximize their tax refunds. This educational initiative reaches its audience through the “3 P’s”:

Promotion of tax credits and free tax services.

Preparation and e-filing of tax returns.

Planning for financial stability and wealth building.

MoTax Volunteer Income Tax Assistance site. The contents of the folder distributed at the Andrew County MoTax VITA site in the Andrew County Courthouse addressed the final “P,” “Planning for financial stability and wealth building.”

Eighteen families came to the Andrew County MoTax VITA site to have their tax returns completed and e-filed. Average refund amount for Andrew County was \$913. Average return for all 26 MoTax VITA sites across Missouri was \$1,150.

Money Apron

Thirteen Kindergarten and 121 first grade students in Andrew County learned how to identify money (coins and bills), credit cards, and checks using the “Money Apron.” They learned where their parents obtain money—by earning it, and also about where their parents spend their money—on needs (housing, food, clothing, etc.) and wants (pets, recreation, etc.).

Encouraging a child to be a smart shopper now, will lead to a better financial decision-maker in the future.

“Stress Management” and “Home and Child Safety”

Community Action Partnership (CAP) of Andrew County requested multiple educational opportunities for their clients following their

monthly training sessions. Rebecca J. Travnicek conducted two such educational seminars with a total of 19 Andrew County CAP clients.

Stress is a major issues for American families today. It is important to understand the dynamics of stress within the family. The objectives of the “Stress Management” seminar were:

- ◇ To define stress and identify stressors;
- ◇ To recognize physical and emotional reactions to stress;
- ◇ To identify warning signs of stress;
- ◇ To practice techniques to eliminate or reduce stress; and
- ◇ To set personal goals to deal with stress.

Participants defined stress and looked at some of the stressors in their lives. We drew a picture of how stress can physically affect our bodies and minds. Relaxation music was played during breaks and at specific points during the seminar.

One stressor felt by many individuals and families relates to financial management, or the inability to manage money effectively.

The article on the bottom of page 7 discusses another workshop held with CAP.

Karen From has also conducted educational seminars with CAP clients in Andrew County.



Andrew County Extension Council

Financial Report

January-December 2006

	Andrew County Appropriations		
	<u>Jan - Dec '06</u>	<u>Budget</u>	<u>\$ Over Budget</u>
Income			
	6		
County Appropriations	<u>42,600.00</u>	<u>42,600.00</u>	<u>0.00</u>
Total Income	42,600.00	42,600.00	0.00
Expense			
Personnel Service - Salaries & Wages	19,318.04	20,000.00	-681.96
Payroll Expenses	5,946.46	6,616.00	-669.54
Travel	5,526.29	5,484.00	42.49
Postage	547.00	1,000.00	-453.00
Telephone Service - Local	1,127.36	1,400.00	-272.64
Telephone Service - Long Distance	460.78	450.00	10.78
Rent/Lease Space	75.00	0.00	-75.00
Publishing/Printing	1,503.76	1,500.00	3.76
Reproduction/Copying	922.18	1,000.00	-77.82
Supplies/Services	1,582.31	1,500.00	82.31
Other Contract Services	400.00	400.00	0.00
Insurance	619.82	600.00	19.82
Extension Council Election Exp.	112.50	350.00	-237.50
Repairs/Maintenance	1,512.03	1,500.00	-87.976
Furniture/Equipment	<u>571.97</u>	<u>700.00</u>	<u>-128.03</u>
Total Expense	<u>40,225.50</u>	<u>42,600.00</u>	<u>2,374.50</u>
Net Income	2,374.50	0.00	

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Extension Mission

The mission of University of Missouri Extension is to improve the economics and social well-being of Andrew County citizens with improved knowledge through educational information. The staff works to inform as well as encourage and stimulate citizens to strive toward more competitiveness, self improvement, improved economics, and life enrichment. Much of the staff efforts are expanded by working with and through other associations, organizations, and agencies.

Live. And Learn.



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