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COMMUNITY CALENDAR

DECEMBER

- 4 - **Winter Fest 2010***
2:30 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. / Town Green
- 10- **Last Day for Angel Tree***
Drop Off @ Visitor's Center
- 20 - **Winter Break – NO School!**
December 20th to January 3rd
- 24 - **CHRISTMAS EVE!**
- 25 - **MERRY CHRISTMAS!**
- 31 - **HAPPY NEW YEAR'S EVE!**
Please don't drink & drive!

Happy Holidays!

JANUARY 2011

- 1 - **HAPPY NEW YEAR!**
Fireworks are NOT ALLOWED
in Eagle Springs
- 4 - **Back to School**
- 17 - **Martin Luther King Holiday**
- 18 - **Pool Committee Meeting**
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. / Clubhouse
- 27 - **Safety Advisory Committee Meeting**
7:00 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. / Clubhouse

TUESDAYS – Trash & Recycle

FRIDAYS – Trash Only

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Winter Fest 2010

DEC. 4TH, 2:30 P.M. – 5:30 P.M.

TOWN GREEN
(Athletic Club Parking Lot)

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*Photos of our
November Events!*

*Note: Our Neighborhood Spotlight
series will return next month.*



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ES CRIME STATS

October 2010

Burglary of a Habitation	1
Burglary of a Motor Vehicle (BMV)	4
Theft from a Habitation	0
Theft of Motor Vehicle	1
Theft Other	6
Robbery	0
Assault	0
Sexual Assault	0
Criminal Mischief	0
Disturbance Family	1
Disturbance Juvenile	4
Disturbance Other	11
Alarms	44
Suspicious Vehicles	17
Suspicious Persons	3
Runaway	1
Telephone Harassment	0
Other Calls	95

A full version of crime statistics for Eagle Springs and the surrounding area can be viewed by logging onto: www.insideeaglesprings.com and clicking on Groups; then Safety Advisory Committee.

No Pets Allowed at Community Events

Pets are no longer allowed at community functions, with the exception of guide dogs or pets that are actual participants in the event. This is to ensure the safety of all residents in our community. Your cooperation is appreciated.



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2011 Assessment Statements have been mailed and should have been received by all homeowners in November. Assessments are billed annually, are due on January 1st, and become delinquent on January 31st, 2011. Your statement includes two payment options. You may pay in full by the January 1st due date or you may make three payments in November, December and January. Payment slips are provided for both options. Assessments will not increase for 2011 but will remain the same as this year - \$825. If you have any questions or have not received your statement, please contact the management company, C.I.A. Services at (281) 852-1700.

Your ESCA Board Wishes Everyone a Happy Holiday Season!

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Angel Tree

Each year, Humble Area Assistance Ministries (HAAM) sponsors The Angel Tree program for children in our community that need help. Last year, HAAM was able to provide over 3,700 children with toys for Christmas. They are depending on the generosity of the community again this year to help provide children with toys this Christmas.

Beginning **Monday, November 22nd** you can visit **The Angel Tree** at the **Eagle Springs Visitor's Center**. The Angel Tree will also be available during our **WinterFest Celebration**. Angels are selected from the tree; each angel will have a child's name and age printed on it; you then purchase a gift for the angel selected and return it to the gift table by December 10th. All gifts then go back to HAAM for distribution. Some of the best gifts come from those selected by children themselves. The Angel Tree will be available until 5:30 p.m. on December 10th to drop off your gifts.



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Committee Election *Results*

In October of each year, elections are held for each committee. These two year positions rotate from year to year so that each committee always has a few seasoned members along with a few new ones. These committees each hold an important function within Eagle Springs and act within the Eagle Springs Community Association (ESCA) structure. Each committee is charged with its own set of responsibilities and reports directly to the ESCA Board. For more information about any of the committees, please contact the committee or attend one of the monthly committee meetings. *Looking for a way to be more involved in your community? Consider one of the positions that were not filled during elections.*

Congratulations to our newest members who are shown below in italics:

Landscape Committee:

Chair: Ken Auenson

Treasurer: Bernadette Session

Secretary: Gene Garner – pro tem

Voting Member #1: Position Open – pro tem

Voting Member #2: Position Open

Voting Member #3: Sue Lavey

Voting Member #4: Position Open

Pool Committee:

Chair: Position Open

Treasurer: Cheryl Stringer

Secretary: Robin Sherrill

Voting Member #1: Ken Auenson

Voting Member #2: Misti Perez

Voting Member #3: Xavier Henderson

Voting Member #4: Debbie Willows

Safety Advisory Committee:

Chair: Terri George

Treasurer: Debbie West

Secretary: Jonette Hayes – pro tem

Voting Member #1: Anne Wallace

Voting Member #2: Cristine Butuc

Voting Member #3: Tory Western

Voting Member #4: Jock Hartstein

Sports Field Committee:

Chair: Roy Dueitt

Treasurer: Sean Alley

Secretary: Julie Kessel – pro tem

Voting Member #1: Kevin Neel – pro tem

Reservations Voting Member #2: Heather Pena

Voting Member #3: Position Open – pro tem

Voting Member #4: Lynette O'Neil

Neighborhood Night Out Photo Contest Winner

The winner of the Neighborhood Night Out Photo Contest is Angela Holmes of Crescent Ridge, who submitted the following photo. *Please contact the Safety Advisory Committee to pick up your prize!*



Besides being an adorable photo, this one depicts precisely what this “night out” is about – neighbors getting together and interacting with our local law enforcement and fire departments.

The Safety Advisory Committee received many, many great photos! It was a difficult job to pick only one winner! Fantastic photos everyone!

Eagle Hatchlings

MEGAN RILEY PERMENTER

Born: October 9, 2010

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Christmas Blessings To You And Your Family

As we head into a very special season, Christmas time, I'd like to take this opportunity to wish each of you a very Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. It seems like just yesterday we were kicking off another decade as we embarked on 2010. It flew by quickly. Many memories were made in 2010; many friends, family members and clients come to mind. This time of year is a time of celebration for many. Christmas can be a tough time for those that lost love ones, are going through hard times or don't have family close by. Reach out to those around you that may need a friendly smile, a hug, or just a listening ear. Giving back is something that is important to many of us. Following are several ways that you can volunteer or give back in your local community.

The Salvation Army - offers the following 4 options for volunteer involvement during the lead-up to Christmas: (1500 Austin; Houston 77002 Contact: Cindy Grove 832-201-8018 cynthia_grove@uss.salvationarmy.org)

- Secret Santa Warehouse - Volunteers come to the Salvation Army's giant toyshop and help sort and package gifts for underprivileged children and seniors. Groups and individuals alike are encouraged to come out during November and December to help Santa get ready for Christmas Day. Volunteers must be 16 or older. Light snacks and beverages will be provided for volunteers by The Salvation Army. Volunteer slots are available from 9 a.m. to 5 p.m., Monday - Friday and some Saturdays.
- Host a Toy Drive - Help The Salvation Army provide gifts to underprivileged children this Christmas and collect new unwrapped toys. Get creative and decorate a box with wrapping paper to make your own collection container. Please contact The Salvation Army about gift ideas and to get information about when and where to drop off your collected items. Additionally, potential donors are also invited to participate in the KHOU Spirit of Texas Toy Drive benefiting The Salvation Army. Starting Thanksgiving Day, new, unwrapped gifts can be dropped off at any Randall's store or at the Channel 11 studio located at 1945 Allen Parkway.
- Mall Angel Tree - Starting on November 20, you can visit one of six Houston area shopping malls and adopt a child or senior from one of our Mall Angel Trees. You can shop while you are there and place your gifts under the tree.
- Adopt a Kettle - Come with your family, friends, church or organization and adopt a kettle location and help The Salvation Army raise funds for the Salvation Army's Christmas programs. On the weekdays or Saturdays of your choice, you'll station yourself next to a red donation kettle at a mall, supermarket, or store in your preferred area and ring a classic Christmas bell to invite passersby to make donations. (If you like to sing or play an instrument, you're certainly encouraged to exercise that talent and transform your volunteer shift into a "gig"! Assignments are available November through December.

Houston Food Bank (3811 Eastex Fwy; Houston, Texas 77026 Contact: Matthew Marcinek (713)547-8608 mmarcinek@houstonfoodbank.org)

- Annual Share Your Holidays Food Drive. This drive is designed to reach portions of the population ordinarily overlooked or underserved by traditionally organized food drives. It will utilize a large number of volunteers, with assignments falling into 4 main categories:
- Phone Bank Volunteers (12/6/10 through 12/11/10): These volunteers will be stationed at the Houston Food Bank (address above) These volunteers will register clients for food donations by phone.
- Food Package Building Volunteers (11/29/10 through 12/17/10, weekdays except for Tuesdays): These volunteers will put together food packages in preparation of the Food Distribution event on 12/18/10 (see below). These packages are designed to support a family of 4 for 3 days. This activity will also be based at the Houston Food Bank.
- Food Drive Collection (Friday, 12/18/10): This will take place at the Channel 13 Studios, at 3310 Bissonnet, Houston TX 77005 (just west of Buffalo Speedway). Volunteers will accept food from the general public, organize it and put together food packages intended to support a family of 4 for 3 days. Shifts will be available between 4:30 a.m. and 7 p.m.

City Wide Club of Clubs (4715 Caroline (77004) Call: (713) 752-2582)

- Christmas Eve Feast. Will take place the morning of Christmas Eve (December 24) at the downtown George R. Brown Convention Center. 35,000 to 40,000 persons are expected to attend. Volunteers are needed to help with setup, serving the meals, distribution of canned goods to the needy, cleanup, etc. Shift times are flexible and can be arranged for almost anytime between 7 a.m. and 6 p.m. Volunteers are invited to partake in the meal. Teenagers are welcome.

The Real Estate season tends to slow down in December even though there are those that are trying to get in their home before Christmas, before the next school semester and finally so they can qualify for the Homestead Exemption. If you are planning to put your home on the market to sell, January is when activity starts to pick up again leading into the spring selling season. With the new year brings less pricing pressure from the Builders year end clearance sales as well. Allow me the privilege of helping you sell your home. Call today to schedule a Complimentary Comparative Market Analysis to show you a range of your homes value. I also offer a Free Local Move and a Free Professional Stager! Please call for details and restrictions of this offer. If you are in the market to buy a home, January tends to offer many new listings to choose from. I realize you have a choice and appreciate the opportunity to assist with finding your new dream home and/or selling your current home! *Your Neighbor, Rebekah Snipp*

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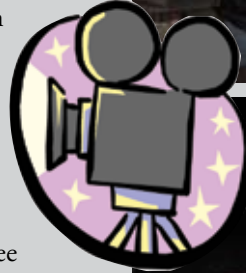
"Movie Night on the Green"

Congratulations to the neighborhood of Meadow Lake & Meadow Lodge for their participation in our Neighborhood Night Out Contest! They won with 156 participants and got to enjoy a "Movie Night on the Green" all to themselves at the Sports Complex on Friday, November 5th featuring "Furry Vengeance."

The Safety Advisory Committee provided popcorn for everyone and the Marty family brought hot cocoa to share.

Kids and adults camped out in their blankets, sleeping bags and chairs.

A great time was had by all!



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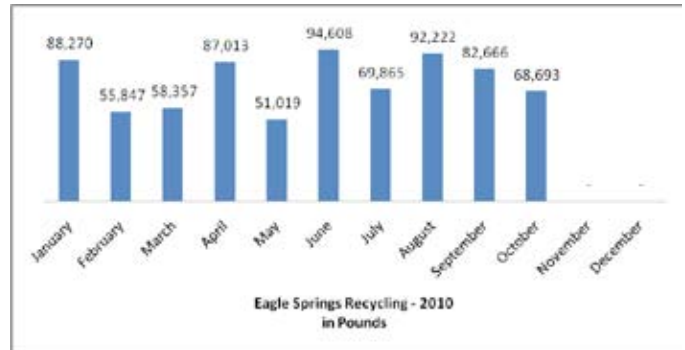
Dates: November 18 - Appetizers
December 16 - Side Dishes
January 20 - Main Dishes
Time: 6:30 – 9:00 p.m.
Eagle Springs Clubhouse

Bring your families & favorite recipes to share with everyone along with a copy of the recipe to be published in the First Annual Eagle Springs Cookbook! We are hoping to collect 200-250 recipes over the next four months. Our goal is to pre-sell 500 Cookbooks at \$10.00 each. All proceeds will be donated to the Leukemia & Lymphoma Society, in honor of Morgan Marinelli who will be a three year survivor at the time of publication! The books should be delivered in time for Easter 2011 and will make great gifts for Easter, Mother's Day, Birthdays, etc... so please consider buying extras!

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3rd Annual BBQ Cook-off

The BBQ Cook-off this year began on Friday night at 9:00 p.m. Three teams pulled into the Sports Complex and setup camp for the night! There were a total of 8 teams that participated this year. The mechanical bull was the highlight of the day. The band kept the event hopping with great music that was enjoyed by all ages.

Winners:

- 1st Place Brisket and 1st place Dessert: Set it and Forget it (Russell & Kortnie Joyner & Jeff Davis)
- 1st Place Other (Stuffed Flounder) and 1st Place Chicken: Hook & Roll BBQ (Todd Springer & Charlie Watson)
- 1st Place Ribs: Holla-at-Cha BBQ (Tracy Hartman & Kyle Islas)

Thank you to all of the teams for making this event so fun and successful! Thank you AHS-HOSA for volunteering for this event! And a special thanks to Atascocita Volunteer Fire Department for accepting the challenge of judging all of the wonderful food.



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Fall Festival & Craft Fair

Did you happen to notice something strange in the community recently? If you were out and about during this year's Spook-tacular Fall Festival you may have seen Pirates, Princesses, Fairies, Pumpkins, and Monkeys to name a few. The folks of Eagle Springs came out in full force to celebrate the season.

In addition to some amazing costumes, the festival boasted 350 pumpkins, a large trackless train, hay rides, rock wall, face painting, crafts, and games.

Thank you to all of the Craft Fair vendors for taking the time to showcase your talents and businesses.

It was a beautiful day and this was by far the BIGGEST and BEST turn out for any event. Thank you so much for sharing the evening with your neighbors - you made it a huge success. A great time was had by all - old and young alike! A big thank you and shout out to the AHS students who volunteered to help make this event so successful.

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Memorial Hermann Northeast Hospital Official Sponsor of Humble ISD Athletics

Memorial Hermann Northeast Hospital partners with the district's athletic program to provide medical and financial support and services to more than 5,000 student athletes. This collaboration includes providing physicians at the football games, offering annual athletic physicals, Saturday morning injury clinics and continuing education opportunities for the athletic trainers and coaching staff.

Theo Shybut, M.D., an orthopedic surgeon fellowship-trained in sports medicine, is the team physician for Humble ISD with responsibility for Atascocita, Humble and Summer Creek high schools.

The district's athletic trainers are enthusiastic about the benefits of the partnership since Dr. Shybut began attending games. "This partnership truly benefits our community's student athletes, allowing them to compete safely while preventing and minimizing injury and illness," said Amy Walker, head athletic trainer for Humble High School.

"I feel that our athletes are in excellent hands with Dr. Shybut," said Sara Hansen, head athletic trainer for Summer

Creek High School. "His care and concern for our students is surpassed only by his willingness and enthusiasm to assist us in every way possible."

"My hat is off to Dr. Shybut and the entire Memorial Hermann Northeast sports medicine team," added Mike Romig, head athletic trainer for Atascocita High School. "They have done a great job watching the players, giving them thorough evaluations and, if needed, coming up with a treatment plan that will help them get on the road to recovery quickly."

Dr. Shybut shares duties with two primary care physicians affiliated with Memorial Hermann Northeast: Doan Do, M.D., and Ismael Diaz, M.D., who are both board certified in family medicine.

"As an orthopedic surgeon, sports medicine specialist and an athlete myself, I understand how important athletic trainers are to any team," said Dr. Shybut. "Athletic trainers make sure the players are healthy and help them to be the best they can be. Our goal is to provide the same excellence and enthusiasm in healthcare that these athletes exhibit on the playing field."

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Holiday Safety Tips for Your Pets

Of course we all want to include our furry friends in the festivities, but as we celebrate this holiday season, we need to steer them away from the following:

O' Christmas Tree

Securely anchor your Christmas tree so it doesn't tip and fall, causing possible injury to your pet. Do not allow your pet to drink from the "tree water," which could contain fertilizers or other bacteria that can cause nausea or worse.

Go Tinsel-less

Kitties love this sparkly, light-catching "toy" that's easy to bat around and carry in their mouths. But a nibble can lead to a swallow, which can lead to an obstructed digestive tract, sometimes requiring surgery. It's a better idea to decorate your boughs with something other than tinsel.

No Feasting

You probably know not to feed your

pets chocolate or anything sweetened with xylitol, but do you know the lengths to which an enterprising furry friend will go to get to something yummy (aka human food)? Make sure to keep your pets away

from the table or any unattended plates of goodies, and remember to secure the lids on garbage cans.

Toy Joy

Looking for something to stuff your pet's stocking? Choose gifts that are safe.

- Dogs have been known to tear their toys apart and swallow the pieces, which may become lodged in the esophagus, stomach or intestines. Stick with chew toys that are basically indestructible. "Kongs" that can be stuffed with healthy treats are designed to be safe and digestible.
- Long, stringy things are a kitty's dream, but the riskiest toys for cats involve ribbon, yarn and loose little parts that can get stuck in the intestines, often necessitating surgery. Surprise kitty with a new ball that's too big to swallow, a stuffed catnip toy.

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Holiday Safety Tips - (Continued from Page 12)

Forget Mistletoe & Holly

Holly, when ingested, can cause pets to suffer nausea, vomiting and diarrhea. Mistletoe can cause gastrointestinal upset and cardiovascular problems. And many varieties of lilies can cause kidney failure in cats, if ingested.

Leave the Leftovers

Fatty, spicy and "no-no" human foods, as well as bones, should not be fed to your furry friends. Pets can join the festivities in other fun ways that won't lead to costly medical bills.

That Holiday Glow

Don't leave lit candles unattended. Pets may burn themselves or cause a fire if they knock candles over. Be sure to use appropriate candle holders, placed on a stable surface. And if you leave the room, put the candle out!

All Wired Up

Keep wires, batteries, and glass or plastic ornaments out of a paw's reach. A wire can deliver a potentially lethal electrical shock and a punctured battery can cause burns to the mouth and esophagus. Shards of breakable ornaments can damage your pet's mouth.

Careful with Cocktails

If your celebration includes adult alcoholic beverages, be sure to place drinks where pets cannot get to them. If ingested, your pet could become weak, ill and may even go into a coma, possibly resulting in death from respiratory failure.

Time Out

Give your furry friend his own space – a quiet place to retreat to for a "time out" complete with fresh water and a place to snuggle. Shy pups and kitties may want to

hide out under a piece of furniture, in their cage or kennel, or in a separate room away from strangers and all the commotion.

New Year's Noise

As you count down to the new year, please keep in mind that noisy poppers can terrify pets and cause possible damage to sensitive ears. Many pets are afraid of the noise from fireworks and firecrackers. If left alone, they may become scared and/or cause damage around your home. Please make sure they have a safe and secure place if your plans include going out for the evening.

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1-30—HOUSTON: CraftTexas 2010 Showcases the best in Texas-made contemporary craft. The exhibition will be juried by Gail M. Brown, independent curator of contemporary craft from Philadelphia; Cindy Hickok, internationally acclaimed fiber artist from Houston; and Paula Owen, president of the Southwest School of Arts and Crafts in San Antonio. Houston Center for Contemporary Craft. www.crafthouston.org 713/529-4848

1-31—VICTORIA: Exhibition: Victoria, Where Texas History Began Museum of the Coastal Bend. www.museumofthecoastalbend.com 361/582-2436

1-Jan. 2—GALVESTON: Festival of Lights at Moody Gardens Features a milelong trail of more than 1 million lights, holiday music, photos with Santa, a giant poinsettia tree and an outdoor ice rink. www.moodygardens.com 800/582-4673

1-Jan. 2—HOUSTON: Dynasty and Divinity: Ife Art in Ancient Nigeria Offers an in-depth look at ancient art from Ife, the ancient city-state of the Yoruba people in present-day Nigeria. The exhibit highlights Ife's early kingdom and the achievements of its artists. Museum of Fine Arts, 1001 Bissonnet. www.mfah.org 713/639-7300

1-Jan. 2—HOUSTON: Secrets of the Silk Road See intriguing Caucasian mummies from Xinjiang, China and more than 150 objects related to the people living alongside the Silk Road through several millennia. Houston Museum of Natural Science. www.hmns.org

1-Jan. 8—ORANGE: The Book of Hours: A Highlight Exhibit Selected medieval Books of Hours from the museum's collections are on display featuring glorious hand-painted illustrations, including imagery related to Christmas. Stark Museum of Art, 712 Green Ave. www.starkmuseum.org 409/886-2787

1-Jan. 9—BEAUMONT: Artwork by Sedrick Huckaby Huckaby's quilt paintings celebrate both his grandmother's craft as well as the artistic legacy of the African-American quilting tradition. Art Museum of Southeast Texas. www.amset.org 409/832-3432

1-Feb. 6—BEAUMONT: Artwork by Kathleen Boudreaux in Cafe Arts Art Museum of Southeast Texas. www.amset.org 409/832-3432

2-Jan. 6—NASSAU BAY: Open Door Series: Winter 2010 Juried Exhibition The Arts Alliance Center at Clear Lake opens its doors to the area's emerging artists for submissions of works in any medium, of any subject. 2001 NASA Parkway. www.taaccl.org 281/335-7777

14-19—GALVESTON: A Tuna Christmas The Grand 1894 Opera House. www.thegrand.com 800/821-1894

14, 16—ORANGE: Holiday Open House The W.H. Stark House and the Stark Museum of Art offer tours, gallery spotlights, music by the Lone Star Pipe Band and local students, and holiday decor. Hours are 5 to 8 p.m. 610 W. Main Ave. and 712 Green Ave. www.whstarkhouse.org 409/886-2787

16—ORANGE: Cherryholmes Christmas Bluegrass family's performance includes original songs and classics. Lutch Theater. www.lutcher.org 409/745-5535

17—SOUTH PADRE ISLAND: Annual SPI Christmas Parade Runs down Padre Boulevard from Mars Street to Campeche. Begins at 6 p.m. 956/772-1974

18—KEMAH: The Preludes Ballet This 30-minute revue-style show features singing, dancing and high energy entertainment. Kemah Boardwalk, Kipp Avenue. www.kemahboardwalk.com 281/334-9880

18—LAKE JACKSON: Bird Banding The public is invited to join workers collecting data on birds at the Bird Observatory. www.gcbo.org 979/480-0999

18—PASADENA: Audubon Christmas Bird Count Begins at 6:30 a.m. Armand Bayou Nature Center, 8500 Bay Area Blvd. www.abnc.org 281/474-2551

18—SAN BENITO: Market Days Open-air bazaar features food, live music, crafts, antiques and more. Plaza de San Benito. www.sanbenitochamber.org 956/399-5321

19—BAYTOWN: Live Nativity Scene at Yepez Vineyard Hours are noon to 3 p.m. 12739 F.M. 2354 www.yepezvineyard.com 281/573-4139

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