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“Wartime Knitting: Remembrance and Recognition,” tells a story of “knitting for the cause.” Everyone involved with recreating Second World War-era comfort and uniform items sent to Canadian soldiers, officers and nurses seems to have found personal connection with 81-year-old patterns. From left are Kings County Museum curator Ellen Lewis, and Four Seasons Fibre members Marie Gallant, Marie Meldrum and Connie Parker. The exhibit continues to December 16.



Stitches in time, remembrance in mind

Sara White,
Managing editor

Skill and care: the Canadian women who gathered to knit countless sweaters, vests, scarves, mitts and specialty items for members of their families and communities during the Second World War put great amounts of both into each stitch.

Eighty-one years later, skill, care and remembrance has gone into a reproduction effort, as members of a Kentville-area group, Four Season Fibre, have followed the same stitches and patterns, sourced contemporary wool and reflected on the value of such a concerted

effort when one’s mind, emotions and heart may be heavy.

Thirty-six hand-knit pieces make up a display, “Wartime Knitting: Remembrance and Recognition,” on now to December 16 at the Kings County Museum in Kentville. Supplemented with the museum’s own collection of wartime artefacts, the knit-work tells a story.

Marie Gallant knit a blue vest, dressing a mannequin set beside another showing off her mother’s Air Force nursing uniform, worn during her days in a Rockcliffe, Ontario, hospital. The men’s Army uniform and knit sweater represent her father, one of three brothers who

went overseas while a fourth stayed home to run the farm.

Connie Parker, one of eight children of post-war Dutch immigrants, knit a sweater in air force blue, marveling through the project at the pattern’s small size and the length of the arms.

“The patterns looked all out of proportion as we worked – they are very small, and the sleeves were very long. I rolled the arms into cuffs – I imagine that’s what the boys would have done.”

Marie Meldrum knit a vest as well, on display with scattered photos of her great-uncle, Robert, and family members, and a hand-knit, dark red

poppy.

“My daughter knit this poppy as one of 212 we knit in 2015. My husband and I were going to the Canadian War Cemetery in Villanova, Italy. Robert was a stretcher-bearer, 18 years old, and he died in a skirmish December 13, 1944. We wanted to place a poppy my mother knit on his headstone. The Canadian officials we talked to said no, but invited us to knit 211 – one for every Canadian headstone, as they are all equal. A group of us did it. My mother knit Robert’s – she was seven when he died: she remembers

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This hand-knit poppy was made by Marie Meldrum’s daughter, one of 212 placed in 2015 on headstones in the Canadian War Cemetery in Villanova, Italy. Meldrum’s great-uncle, Robert, pictured here with his brother, died in 1944. Meldrum’s mother knit the one placed on his headstone, on behalf of his mother, pictured here with his father. Meldrum’s great-grandmother “never forgot, and we all knew as our family’s generations continued, we needed to continue remembering him.” S. White

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when he finished training and he was walking with her down the road to visit Granny. He was wearing his rough wool khaki uniform, and she was just tall enough, as they held hands, she remembers it rubbing the side of her face. She hunted for the black button in the centre of her poppy – it's a Boy Scout uniform button. And my husband and I placed it for Robert's mother.

"Robert was her youngest of four boys who served, and she was devastated. She never forgot, and we all knew as our family's generations continued, we needed to continue remembering him."

In January, Meldrum was knitting, and her great-grandmother was on her mind.

"I was knitting a pair of socks – knitting is sacred and healing for me, I work through a lot while I'm doing it. My

great-grandmother knitted all her life, and I bet she thought about things, too.'

Meldrum did some research into wartime patterns of comfort items women at home would have made to send overseas – just as her great-grandmother likely did. She found patterns for even more formal uniform items knit on the home front by almost 1,000 wartime women's knitting groups, organized to "knit for the cause." So many knitters and so much to send, the Canadian Red Cross Society adopted the British IODE (Imperial Order of Daughters of the Empire) standard to ensure quantity and quality for every shipment. In 1941, the Monarch Knitting Company in Ontario published a pattern guide for war effort knitting. Meldrum went to her Four Seasons Fibre Group and asked if members would like to knit some of the same old

patterns: "I knew these ladies would be all over this."

Parker says there are about 22 women in the knitting group, which formed near the start of the 2020 pandemic as a way to connect with others.

"We meet at the seniors' centre, Aylesford Lake Beach, the park gazebo in Meadowview – we plugged in our electric blankets and coffee pots and met outside when we had to – we were each other's support group, we talked, we all had different levels of skill, and we'd share the day-to-day goings on in life."

Fifteen group members joined the war knitting project. They searched out Briggs and Little in New Brunswick for appropriate yarn, and had an "enthusiastic" dive into the archives of the Greenwood Military Aviation Museum to check on style, textiles and military colours.

"Captain Art Gogan at the museum let us into the back, and we looked in drawers and



Marie Gallant's mother's Second World War nursing uniform, left, adds to the personal connection Gallant knit into her portion of "Wartime Knitting."

all over the place – we opened one trunk," Meldrum says, "and there at the bottom was a khaki green sweater, with a tag from 1943 – 'Here's an original!' So well preserved in that trunk, and it was well done." They approached the Kings

County Museum in early spring, and curator Ellen Lewis encouraged their ambition to stage an exhibit.

"My grandmother was a wartime knitter, and I know the care she put into it – I was excited to see these ladies' work," Lewis says. "We're a community museum, and we want our displays to directly engage with people. These women were passionate. At the heart of every item in any display there is a story, and their stories are here – our community, taking leadership to keep stories going."

The ladies of the knitting group acknowledge how hard the wartime women must have worked to knit the quantity of items they did, and to such a high standard. As they worked themselves, comparing patterns and chatting in their circle of modern-day daily happenings, it was not hard to feel a connection to wartime knitters, working through stitches and worrying about their homes, families, struggles and loss.



Madeleine Jaffray's lifetime of service

WAR AMPS Pays tribute to Canada's only female amputee from the First World War

For more than 100 years, women have been an integral part of Canada's military history. During the First World War, Madeleine Jaffray (1889 - 1972), served as a nurse overseas and returned home missing a limb.

Jaffray was born in Chicago, Illinois and moved with her family to Galt, Ontario, as a child. She trained as a nurse and, soon after the outbreak of the First World War, enlisted with the French Red Cross. Nursing was virtually the only area where women could experience the war at the front.

Jaffray went overseas in December 1915 and spent 10 months working in a military hospital near Bordeaux, France, before being transferred to a mobile ambulance unit in Adinkerke, Belgium.

This area was only a few kilometres from the front lines and Jaffray recounted how the unit was bombed.

"I was coming out of a covered passage in one of the wards when a bomb fell right in front of me," she said. This severely wounded her foot, which led to an amputation, making her Canada's only female war amputee from the First World War.

The nursing director wrote to Jaffray's mother: "At one o'clock last night, the hospital was bombed by German aviators and she [Jaffray] was wounded in the foot by a piece of shrapnel from one of the bombs... It is a bad wound."

A week after the incident, Jaffray was awarded the Croix de Guerre by the French military for her bravery, with an additional star for her services, though she felt all the nurses in her unit were equally deserving of it. She was the first Canadian woman to be awarded this medal.

After the war, she worked at the Dominion Orthopedic Hospital on Christie Street in Toronto. She later moved to Edmonton with her husband, and continued her nursing career, working for the Victorian Order of Nurses, and was a member of the Overseas Nurses Association.

She also became the only female war amputee member of The War Amps, an organization started by amputee veterans returning from the First World War to provide each other with support and adapt to their new reality as amputees.

Annelise Petlock was born a left arm amputee and grew up in The War Amps Child Amputee (CHAMP) Program, started by these founding war amputee veterans so young amputees across Canada could receive financial support for artificial limbs and devices, as well as



Madeleine Jaffray with wounded French soldiers. Courtesy of the Provincial Archives of Alberta

emotional support. "Jaffray served in wartime, returned home missing a limb and continued to practice nursing," says Petlock, who now works with The War Amps. "She never let her amputation stop her from helping others."

The War Amps has added Jaffray's story to its website in an ongoing project to tell the stories of its early veteran members.

"In doing so, we pay tribute to their service and help to ensure that their sacrifices

are never forgotten," says Petlock. To learn more about Jaffray and other founding members of The War Amps, visit waramps.ca/about-us/our-war-amputee-members/.

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Legion names Canada's 2022 National Silver Cross Mother

The Royal Canadian Legion is pleased to announce this year's *National Silver Cross Mother*, Candy Greff of Lacombe, Alberta. Mrs. Greff will have the honour of placing a wreath at the National War Memorial in Ottawa on Remembrance Day. She will remain in her national role until October 2023.

"Behind each fallen veteran, is a story that resonates with us all," says Bruce Julian, Dominion president of The Royal Canadian Legion. "Mrs. Greff

and her family's story is one of sacrifice and fortitude and the gratitude we have for them is eternal. We thank them for sharing the joy and the pain, with all of Canada."

Greff's son, Master Corporal Byron Greff, was a member of the Third Battalion of the Princess Patricia's Canadian Light Infantry (PPCLI), based in Edmonton. He was a highly-skilled soldier, also trained as a paratrooper. He was born August 11, 1983, in Saskatchewan, and died October

29, 2011, while serving in Afghanistan. He was riding inside an armoured NATO bus when a suicide bomber detonated an explosives-filled car, which impacted the bus.

Master Corporal Greff was the last Canadian soldier to give his life in Afghanistan in the line of duty.

The National Silver Cross Mother acts on behalf of all Canadian mothers who have lost a son or daughter in the line of service, be it in action or over the course of normal



duty. From November 1 to October 31, Mrs. Greff will openly share her story, and be part of several events honouring Canada's fallen.

The Memorial Cross - more

commonly referred to as the Silver Cross, was introduced December 1, 1919. It is a symbol of personal loss and sacrifice on behalf of widows and mothers who lose a child on active duty, or whose death is later attributed to such duty.

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Remembrance Day Sentry Program selection announced

November 1, the Chief of the Defence Staff, General Wayne Eyre, announced the members selected for this year's Remembrance Day Sentry Program. In its 24th year, the program was created in 1998 to publicly recognize outstanding Canadian Armed Forces (CAF) members from both the Regular and the Reserve Force, and the Royal

Canadian Mounted Police (RCMP), for their dedication, professionalism, and performance in service to Canada. Six CAF members and one officer of the RCMP received the distinction of being named sentries and will play an important role during this year's national Remembrance Day ceremony in Ottawa. Program participants were selected for

this important ceremonial duty based on criteria that included deployment experience, community involvement, physical fitness and their record of conduct. "Congratulations to all the sentries selected for this year's Remembrance Day Sentry Program," said Eyre. "Each of you represent the very best of the Canadian Armed Forces and the Royal Canadian Mounted Police. We acknowledge your dedication, effort, professionalism, and performance in serving Canada and all Canadians, and we thank you for your service.

Your country is proud of you." The following personnel have been selected to form the vigil for the event this year: Canadian Army Sentry Commander: Sergeant Ryan T. Peden, 4th Canadian Ranger Patrol Group, Swan River, Manitoba; Royal Canadian Navy Sentry: Sailor 3rd Class William Ryan Black, HMCS Calgary, CFB Esquimalt; Royal Canadian Air Force Sentry: Master Corporal Karine Delisle, 14 Air Reserve Flight, Greenwood; Special Operations Forces Sentry: Master Corporal

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Child amputee finds inspiration from Second World War veteran

Eight-year-old Isla McCallum is an energetic young girl with a big smile. Charlie Jefferson, 98, is a veteran of the Second World War. At first glance, these two appear to have little in common, yet they share something special: they are both amputees.



Charlie Jefferson, a Second World War amputee veteran, and Isla McCallum, a member of The War Amps Child Amputee (CHAMP) Program.

Jefferson served as a lieutenant with the Queen's Own Rifles Regiment. In 1945, in the Rhine Valley, Germany, he was injured by an anti-personnel mine explosion, resulting in the loss of his left leg below the knee. When he returned home, Jefferson joined The War Amps, started by First World War amputee veterans to help each other adapt to their new reality.

Years later, these veterans established the Child Amputee (CHAMP) Program, which provides young

born a left arm amputee, with financial assistance for artificial limbs and the peer support of fellow amputees.

With Remembrance Day coming up, McCallum and her family visited Jefferson at his Ottawa residence. McCallum was interested to learn about Jefferson and the medals he earned for his service. She was also intrigued he, too, was missing a limb. She described Jefferson as a role model, who made her feel proud to be an amputee.

McCallum's mom, Jamie, says it is important her daughter understands the sacrifices that many Canadians made for our freedom.

"Mr. Jefferson and others risked their lives so that we could live in a better world. They (veterans) passed

this legacy to younger amputees, and now it's their turn to share these stories so that the sacrifices of veterans and all those who served are never forgotten. It's a wonderful legacy!"

Through The War Amps "Operation Legacy," McCallum and young amputees across the country pay tribute to the veteran

members of the association who laid the foundation for programs that continue to make a difference in the lives of amputees today. Jefferson says he also takes comfort in knowing McCallum and other "champs" will continue spreading the message of remembrance, even when he no longer can. →

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Tips to learn more about your local history

(NC) There are lots of things you barely notice as you go through your life: old photos of people in uniform, Grandma's locket, medals tucked into a drawer, a memorial to military history that you walk past every day.

Why not stop for a minute and take a closer look? What does that monument commemorate? What do those family treasures mean? You'll often discover a fascinating story.

Here's a family project: challenge each member of the household to choose one thing they see often, but they have never thought

about. Then settle in to find out more.

If it's a monument, start by reading its plaque to learn about what it commemorates. Ask questions of your family, friends and neighbours and listen to their stories. You'll probably discover that you can relate to what you hear. The plaque on that monument may bear the name of a family in your community and the locket may be a gift from grandmother's first love. You may get first-hand accounts of past events from older neighbours.

If it's a family photo, remember that they were usual-

ly used to capture significant life events. Is it of a young person in uniform on the day they left to join the armed forces?

To get more insight on your object, visit your local library or community museum. You may see a familiar face in a historical picture or recognize a former student at a wreath-laying ceremony.

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Suitcase packs family's history of family

Artefacts start a story, from Second World War sacrifice to today's remembrance

Frank Moore

Retired for almost 20 years now, I'm still motivated and excited in pursuing my lifelong passions of travel, classic cars and Canadian military history. My wife's parents were active members of the Royal Canadian Legion, both veterans themselves and both served as past presidents. This accorded me the opportunity to interact with many Second World War veterans, which further stimulated my interest in

Canadian military history. After retiring to Tillsonburg, Ontario, I became a charter member of the Tillsonburg Military History Club, during which time I visited several battlefields in Europe where Canadians fought in both world wars.

In 2008, a brown suitcase was acquired by a collector of military artefacts from the executor and beneficiary of the McCracken estate. The executors stated there were no other family members here in Canada, as Alexander and his brother, James, were the only children. Alexander was the navigator on the Halifax bomber "HR 864 LQ-M for Mother," and James served

in the merchant marines. I received information from my identical twin brother this collection was available for sale from a friend of his. After realizing this, I made an offer to purchase the suitcase in its entirety in 2013.

My decision to do so was based on two factors: I could not bring myself to allow the legacy and military history of this family to be lost forever, and I felt some degree of kinship to Alexander in that, prior to joining the air force, he was a junior clerk and teller at the Royal Bank of Canada in Montreal. I started my career with the Royal Bank in exactly the same way: as a junior clerk and teller. The difference was he gave his life for his country



A group of eight Canadians, including the artist, Doug Bradford, travelled to Ten Boer and presented this print of the lost Halifax bomber, "HR 864 LQ-M for Mother," to the mayor, councilors and residents of Ten Boer in April 2016.

and, in so doing, in no small measure provided myself and my generation the opportunity of having successful careers, marrying, having children and enjoying grandchildren into our golden years.

The suitcase contained an incredible story very much like an onion: every time a layer was peeled back, another part of the story was revealed. A trove of material was discovered on Flight Officer Alexander McCracken, which included his service medals (along with his father's from the First World War). Also included were exchanges of letters between the crew's mothers and various notifications from Royal Canadian Air Force authorities. All a rare view of courage and trauma on the home front among a group of mothers awaiting official word on the fate of their sons, missing in action.

With a close friend, Ben Mayville, we worked together doing the research. Ben, with his forensic background, uncovered the details surrounding the downing of the aircraft over Ten Boer, Holland. Once this was identified, it became readily apparent the story required more than just putting every-

thing back into the suitcase. It became clear the historical background of the downing of this bomber needed to be told. The best way in my mind to do this was through the commissioning of a piece of art that could be presented to the Municipality of Ten Boer. This is when Jeremy Van Dyke, another close friend, came into the picture. He agreed to sponsor the artwork. Doug Bradford, a renowned watercolor artist from Sault Ste Marie, armed with the details of the German night fighter's account; suggested the commission depict the night the bomber was shot down, as the skies were clear, with unusually bright aurora borealis.

Arrangements were made to travel to Holland and make a special presentation to the Municipality of Ten Boer. A small group of eight Canadians made the journey, and we were warmly received by the mayor and town councilors April 26, 2016. After the official presentation in chambers and dedication at the gravesite, the day was capped off by a wonderful reception held only a few steps away from the crew's final resting place. This, to me, was a

once in a lifetime experience. I won't admit I'm getting older but, now the McCracken suitcase has been in my possession for approximately seven years, I have long contemplated what should eventually become of it. The collection was almost split apart once, and it would be a disservice to the McCracken family to have their history threatened again. I have decided to donate the complete collection to the Town of Ten Boer, keeping in mind my wishes to ensure the collection remains in public hands, displayed for public viewing and not archived, and used for educational purposes deemed to be in the best interest of their community. Our next pilgrimage to Ten Boer was planned for May 4, 2020 along with direct descendants of two crew members – namely, Mickey Tomczak, pilot, and Michael Smyth, tail gunner. We had approximately 50 Canadians planning to attend; all for not, as the global coronavirus pandemic forced us to cancel. Our goal will be achieved when it becomes safe to travel. →

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A portrait of the "M for Mother" crew, on the wing of their Halifax Bomber.



Pilot and Flight Officer Marcel (Mickey) Tomczak, pictured with his Halifax bomber, "HR 864 LQ-M for Mother," crew preparing for one of 17 missions taken prior to their last raid on Essen during the Battle of the Ruhr in 1943. Submitted



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Banners honour Middleton area veterans

Second Lieutenant Meagan Duncan

Royal Canadian Legion Middleton Branch 001 has recently placed several banners of veterans along Commercial Street. The new project honours veterans local to Middleton, from Margaretsville to New Albany to Nictaux; who served in the Army, Air Force, Navy and Merchant Navy from the First and Second world wars, the Korean War and Vietnam.

This is the first year for the veterans' banners project in Middleton, but other towns across the province have participated for a few years.

"For Nova Scotia, the project first started in Sydney," says Middleton Legion branch president Andrew Bent. Many Legions now take part, including New Ross, Sheet Harbour, Springhill, Yarmouth, Digby and Windsor.

"I know Windsor has at least 60 banners," says Chief Petty Officer (retired) Douglas Moore, the District D secretary and Middleton branch secretary. (District D spans from Windsor, down Digby Neck to Freeport, and includes 15 branches.)

Moore presented the banner project at a district meeting about three years ago; when Middleton's Heart of the Valley long-term care facility approached the Middleton Legion about helping with the project, Bent was happy to work together.

"We were a little slow getting started but, between the folks at Heart of the Valley and the Legion, we made it happen. It is something very special for the veterans."

The first name submitted was for a Merchant Navy veteran from the Second World War, Aubrey W. Ingraham. The 102-year-old veteran is not a resident at



Royal Canadian Legion Middleton Branch 001 president Andrew Bent, right, and Chief Petty Officer (retired) Douglas Moore, District D secretary and Middleton branch secretary, are happy a new public display of the community's veterans is ready for Remembrance Day 2022.

Second Lieutenant M. Duncan

Heart of the Valley, but he does volunteer there in the kitchen! His banner may be found across from the town hall.

Plans are underway to keep the project growing. The Legion has approval from NS Power to install the banners on power poles along

Highway 1, where they will be more visible.

"We've got 23 banners this year, and I've already heard from another five or six interested families," Bent says. "We could get up to 40 or 50 next year."

"There are lots of power poles," Moore adds.

Thanks to volunteers at the Legion and support from Heart of the Valley, families interested in a banner for their veteran contributed approximately \$120. That amount could change next year, but Middleton-area residents may contact the Legion for more information (902-825-4751 or middletonlegion@bellaliant.com).

To see the veterans' banners, check out Facebook "Middleton Legion, Branch #1" or take a walk along Commercial Street – see if you can spot the married couple, husband and wife veterans of the Second World War.

The Legion will host its Remembrance Day service at the NSCC Middleton campus, with guests to arrive at 10:30 a.m. There will be supper that evening at the Legion, 205 Marshall Street; with a meet and greet at 4 p.m. and supper served at 5 p.m. for \$10. →



The first name submitted for the Middleton Legion and Heart of the Valley Long Term Care Centre was for Second World War Merchant Navy veteran Aubrey W. Ingraham, a 102-year-old volunteer in the Heart of the Valley kitchen! His banner may be found across from the town hall.

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Atlantic powerlifting first CAF-sanctioned event

Sara White, Managing editor

14 Wing Greenwood hosted the Canadian Armed Forces' Atlantic regional powerlifting championships October 18 and 19 – the first regional powerlifting event across the CAF in this newly-recognized sport.

"We've had powerlifting events in the region before, but this is the first sanctioned event," said Matt Gillis, 14 Wing Fitness & Sports manager. "In the past, we made up our own rules and had fun – now, we're following international powerlifting rules."

14 Wing Deputy Wing Commander Lieutenant-Colonel Eric Travis opened the competition. No stranger to CAF sports as a long-time triathlete, he was excited to see powerlifting come into the sports program.

"Some of you have been powerlifting for a long time; some of you are relatively new. We love seeing new sports coming into the CAF, and maybe now the sky's the limit – we have regionals, maybe there will be nationals? Or we'll see it at CISM events?"

"I know what it takes to be at the top level of a sport: a lot of dedication and consistency to training to get here. I look forward to seeing what you are all doing."

Military members came from bases across Atlantic Canada to compete, including 5th Canadian Division Support Base (5 CDSB) Gagetown, 9 Wing Gander, Canadian Forces Base Halifax, 12 Wing Shearwater, 5 CDSB Detachment Aldershot and 14 Wing Greenwood. Each weighed in prior to the competitions, which included three competitive lifts: the squat, bench press and deadlift. Each competitor took three increasingly heavy attempts in each lift, using the most weight possible for a single repetition. The winner of each weight class was the lifter who achieved the highest total combined weight from their best attempt at each lift. →



Corporal C. Hickey, 14 Wing Imaging

Women's Division

1st place: Lieutenant Jess Perigo, Gagetown – squat: 120kg, bench press: 75kg, deadlift: 145kg

2nd place: Corporal Jasmine Dobson-Laforet, Gagetown – squat: 75kg, bench

press: 47.5kg, deadlift: 85kg

Men's Lightweight Division

1st place: Master Warrant Officer Rob Dyke, 91 Construction Engineering Flight, Gander – squat: 185kg, bench press: 150kg, deadlift: 210 kg

2nd place: Corporal David Szasz, Greenwood – squat: 185kg, bench press: 120kg, deadlift: 210kg

Men's Middleweight Division

1st place: Petty Officer 2nd Class Mitch Sheppard, Halifax – squat: 195kg, bench press: 142.5, deadlift: 215kg

2nd place: Sailor 1st Class Stephan Nael, Halifax – squat: 165kg, bench press: 120kg, deadlift: 195kg

Men's Heavyweight Division

1st place: Master Corporal Jeff Baker, Greenwood – squat: 265kg, bench press: 167.5kg, deadlift: 302.5kg

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