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May 2024

Valley Lodge No. 135

Free & Accepted Masons

PO Box 443

4917 North Mill Road, Linden, California 95236



**Valley Lodge Charter
Friday, May 11, 1860**

164 Years

**May 2024
Worshipful Oscar Ryan**

Valley Lodge No. 135 Officers

Oscar Ryan Amil, PM: Worshipful Master

Emmanuel C. Cubol: Senior Warden

Jose A. Hular Cueto: Junior Warden

Edison C. Espeleta, PM: Treasurer

Richard E. Thornton, PM: Secretary

: Senior Deacon

Constante M. Molina: Junior Deacon

Warren I. Santos: Senior Steward

Onofre C. Carillo: Junior Steward

Robert V. Lopez: Marshal

Donie B. Navarro: Chaplin

Jericho Reyes, PM: Assistant Secretary

Alejandro Villanueva, PM: Tiler

Oscar Amil, PM: Officers Coach

Edison Espeleta, PM: Officers Coach

Grand Lodge Officers

G. Sean Metroka: Grand Master

Arthur Lupe Salazar, Jr.: Deputy Grand Master

Garrett Scott Chan: Senior Grand Warden

Ara Maloyan: Junior Grand Warden

Charles P. Cross: Grand Treasurer

Allan Lesley Casalou: Grand Secretary

Ricky Lee Lawler: Grand Lecturer

Alan S. Rellaforde: Grand Chaplain

Gary Richard Quintrell: Assistant Grand Lecturer Division I

Mike Edwards: Assistant Grand Lecturer Division II

Antonio G. Cimarra, Jr.: Assistant Grand Lecturer Division III

Jairo Jesus Gomez, Jr.: Assistant Grand Lecturer Division IV

Robert Glenn Beeson, III: Assistant Grand Lecturer Division V

Matthew Scott Vander Horck: Assistant Grand Lecturer Division VI

Alberto Luke Casanova, Jr.: Assistant Grand Lecturer Division VII

Victor Michael Ropac, Jr.: Assistant Grand Lecturer Division VIII

Russell Elliot Hennings: Assistant Grand Lecturer Division IX

Narbeh Bagdasarian: Grand Orator

Jordan Tyler Yelinek: Assistant Grand Secretary

Steven Leslie Yeffa: Grand Marshal

Christian Gegajo Marano: Grand Standard Bearer

Daniel Steven Yeffa: Grand Sword Bearer

Robert Lavern Lavy: Grand Bible Bearer

Jonathan Chan: Senior Grand Deacon

Chay Alexander Wright: Junior Grand Deacon

Gabriel G. Mariscal: Senior Grand Steward

Josh Michael Jacob Le Vesque: Junior Grand Steward

Wil Smith: Grand Pursuivant

Stephen Richard Miller: Grand Organist

Vinz Olivar Tolentino: Grand Tiler

Tigran Agadzhanian: Assistant Grand Organist

Scotty Joe Christian: Assistant Grand Tiler

Valley Lodge No. 135

Status

**** As of April 2024 ****

3 Applicants (for Entered Apprentice Degree)

- Wilfredo T. De Mesa 368531 wdemesa@gmail.com No Date
- Yasser Tamarit 353647 ytolivera@gmail.com No Date
- Herbert T. Tubillara 371190 htubillara@gmail.com No Date

****Please note: Herbert T. Tubillara has been contacted and wants to advance****

5 Entered Apprentices

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- Jayr T. Rafanan 387410 karruba00@gmail.com

3 Fellowcrafts

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- Karl Dominique Torres 366934 karldomtorres@gmail.com

Valley Lodge No. 135 has 73 Master Masons



From the East

Brethren of Valley Lodge No. 135

Happy Memorial Day!



Fraternal greetings brethren! I hope everyone had a great month.

First of all, I would like to congratulate Worshipful Brother Donie Navarro on receiving his 50th Golden Veteran Award last April 13, 2024.

Last April 19-21, the three pillars of our lodge attended the Master and Wardens Leadership Retreat in Lake Tahoe. We had the privilege of learning from seasoned leaders and exchanging ideas with fellow officers from different lodges. The workshops and discussions were insightful, offering practical strategies for effective leadership within the fraternity. The retreat not only enhanced our skills but also deepened our commitment to serving our lodge and community. To the incoming officers, I urge you to attend next year's retreat. It's an invaluable opportunity to gain knowledge, forge connections, and empower yourselves to lead with excellence.

Brethren, you're cordially invited to our annual golf tournament on May 25th at Micke Grove Golf Links 11401 N. Micke Grove Rd. Lodi, CA 95240. Enjoy a day of golfing while supporting our lodge and its philanthropic endeavors. Your participation will make a meaningful difference to our community.

And also I would like to take this opportunity to greet all the ladies in advance. Happy Mother's Day!

May stated meeting will be on Tuesday May 7, 2019 at 7:30PM. Dinner will be at 6:30. Looking forward to seeing you there! Attire will be business casual.

On June 21 to 23 we will be having our annual family camping at Sandy Beach County Park. For reservations, please contact Bro. Noel Cubol.

And lastly, I would like to ask everyone for a moment of silence about the passing of our brother, Bro. Reynaldo B. Nidoy. My deepest sympathy and condolences to the Nidoy family.

May GAOTU bless us all!

See you all on our Stated Meeting!

Never Over

Never Under

ALWAYS ON THE LEVEL!!!

Fraternal Grip,

Bro. Ryan Amil

From the West

Brethren of Valley Lodge No. 135

First of all I want to thanks our SGM for all what we have and still receiving from him. I am hoping that you are all safe and sound. I am always praying for our family to have good health and continue to receive blessing from up above.



Secondly I want to congratulate our WB Donnie Navarro for his 50th golden anniversary this month of April. What a great milestone in his masonic journey, not many of us will probable get this once I a lifetime award. Again congratulations to you Worshipful Donnie may you continue to inspires us with your great works of serving the community and brethren of valley lodge 135.

I also want to congratulate our Hiram recipient this year 2024 WB Richard Thornton, may you continue to serve the lodge with your great expertise and dedications to the crafts. You truly deserves this award for your are an a great assets of all masonic groups you are serving.

To our Mason of the Year Apollo Cueto congratulations my Bropre. I know that this award will come to you for I know how dedicated you are to our lodge. You are always there and give your best time and efforts to support the lodge and our brethren. Distance and being busy at work is not an excused to you, you make sure to be there whenever you are needed the most. Thanks you so much to your kindness and dedication to serve the lodge.

To this 3 distinguishes Masons this year 2024, may they become our inspirations, and lets try our best to become one like them someday. May their services to the lodge be our role model to be able do our obligations not only to community but also to each of our brothers in masonry. May the SGM of the universe continue to see us working together for the betterment of one anther. God bless us all and see you soon in the lodge.

May Brotherly love prevails,

Noel Cubol SW.

From the South

Brethren of Valley Lodge No. 135

Junior Warden's Corner

Inspire

How do you define the word Inspire? The Dictionary defines it as to fill with an animating, quickening, or exalting influence or to give rise to, bring about, cause, etc. Also to motivate towards the growth of oneself. However you describe it, it varies from one person to another. Its source may be drawn from a Person, a relic, a goal, a phrase from divine teachings, or, from our Supreme architect himself. The word inspire gives us a means of transforming and transcending to our full potential.

We, our Master, Senior Warden, and I, had a wonderful opportunity to attend the Annual Officers retreat. As a first-time attendee, It was an awe-inspiring experience that every officer should attend moving up the ranks. The brothers that were present brought warmth, love, and goodness. The speakers brought useful tools and wisdom that we can utilize and share with our lodge. They have inspired us that we as Masons have the potential to become the next Leaders and Mentors.

Inspiration can be profound and life-changing. It can guide a person through a path of hardship and challenges. Inspiration can propel a person to persevere, and move forward in achieving certain goals and aspirations. It pushes the human boundaries to its finest. Making good Men better.

To inspire is to influence, to ignite a spark, to become better, greater versions of what we are. What drives you or motivates you to do your best? What pushes you to be better? What makes you do things you are passionate about? Who do you do it for? Why do you do it? All these questions are just a start; however, they can also hinder a person without purpose, without inspiration. Now, the question is, what does the word Inspire mean to you?

Bro. Jose Apollo Cueto

Junior Warden VL#135

Our Masonic Valley

Antioch-Brentwood Lodge No. 175	1 st Wed @ 7:30pm	Ed Marquez	Secretary175@gmail.com	
Bicentennial Daylight Lodge No. 830	3 rd Tue @ 1:00pm	Dave Hughes	davehughes32@aol.com	5944 San Juan, Citrus Heights
Calaveras Lodge No. 8	2 nd Wed @ 7:00pm	Gary Bennis	garbapa@sbcglobal.net	5 West St. Charles Street/San Andreas
Elk Grove Lodge No. 173	2 nd Thu @ 7:30pm	William Hall	Bill@EGHalls.net	9075 Elk Grove Blvd, Elk Grove
Escalon Lodge No. 591	3 rd Wed @ 7:00pm	Matt Due	mattdue@hotmail.com	1500 Viking Street, Escalon
Hornitos Lodge No. 98	2 nd Sat @ 6:00pm	Robert McAllester	allister@mmcallister.com	
IONE Lodge No. 80	3 rd Mon @ 7:00pm	Bill Wells	Bmwells31@gmail.com	
Lodi Lodge No. 256	1 st Thu @ 7:30pm	William McVicker	wmcvicke@gmail.com	321 West Pine Street, Lodi
Modesto Lodge No. 206	1 st Thu @ 7:30pm	Charles Heckendorf	cmheckendorf@gmail.com	800 Rose Avenue, Modesto
Morning Star Lodge No. 19	1 st Thu @ 7:00pm	John Baker	jbaker@pacbell.net	340 East Market Street, Stockton
Mount Oso Lodge No. 460	2 nd Mon @ 7:30pm	William Johnson	wjio001@comcast.net	
Oak Summit Lodge No. 112	3 rd Tue @ 7:30pm		randynoe@reagan.com	Main Street & Ellen Street, Knights Ferry
Patterson Lodge No. 488	2 nd Thu @ 7:00pm	Stephen Bruce	stephenbruce@sbcglobal.net	650 North 6 th Street, Patterson
Smyrna Lodge No. 532	1 st Tue @ 7:30pm		iscoleman@reagan.com	2904 3 rd Street, Ceres
Stockton York Rite	4 th Wed @ 6:00pm	Richard Thornton	sj19secretary@att.net	340 East Market Street, Stockton
Turlock Lodge No. 236	1 st Thu @ 7:00pm	William Sargenti	Wsarge7407@gmail.com	108 South Thor Street, Turlock
Tyrian Lodge No. 439	1 st Thu @ 7:30pm		timdecarie@gmail.com	212 North Powers Ave, Manteca
Valley Lodge No. 135	1 st Tue @ 7:30pm	Richard Thornton	richard@valleylodge135.org	4917 North Mill Road, Linden
Volcano Consolidated Lodge No. 56	1 st Thu @ 8:00pm	John Stettler	josofisa@yahoo.com	16180 Charleston-Volcano, Volcano
Woodbridge Lodge No. 131	1 st Tue @ 7:30pm	James Jones	nelsonjones1971@gmail.com	1040 East Augusta Street, Woodbridge
Yosemite Lodge No. 99	1 st Wed @ 7:30pm	Larry Smith	Cuaione12@gmail.com	

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Masonic Education

Candidate Learning Center



Welcome Candidates!

The free, newly updated Candidate Learning Center is now available in an easy-to-navigate flipbook format. Meet the requirements of the California Masonic Code for the Basic Masonic Education Course at your own convenience - wherever you are!

These courses have been prepared by California Masons, for California Masons and include a wealth of extra study materials, as well as personal interviews from fellow Masons! We hope you will enjoy this exciting period in your Masonic career.

How to use the Candidate Learning Center

- The flipbooks shown below match your degree status in the Member Center. (Entered Apprentices will only see the Entered Apprentice degree, Fellow Crafts will see the Entered Apprentice and Fellow Craft degrees, and so forth.)
- Select the name of the degree course below to open each flipbook in a new window.
- Thoroughly review each flipbook to immerse yourself in the lessons of each degree. If any questions come up during your review, make a note of them to discuss them with your coach.
- Once you feel adequately prepared for each degree, you can take the final exam for the course
- A score of 70 percent is required to pass each course. Once you pass, a checkmark will appear in the box in the "passed" column and your score will appear in the "score" column. You can take the test as many times as you would like. If you score a new, higher score, it will replace your previous score in the score column. Record of your passing the course will also appear in your member record in the "Basic Masonic Education Courses" section.

Course Name

Entered Apprentice Final Exam	Study Guide
Fellow Craft Final Exam	Study Guide
Master Mason Final Exam	Study Guide

May & June Birthdays



May

Alejandro Villanueva – 5/3
Ronald Tupas – 5/21
Ramon Espiritu – 5/23
Christopher Arrington – 5/30
Mark Lewallen – 5/31
Constante Molina – 5/31

Erlita Cunamay – 5/28
Leticia De Mesa – 5/29

June

Cajaine Carillo – 6/12
Gabriel Herrera – 6/19
Warren Santos – 6/30

Alyne Bloom – 6/5

Secretary's Chat

Members,

We, Valley Lodge No. 135, have several great activities on our horizon, Number 1, our Stated Meeting on Tuesday, May 07, 2024 where we gather and greet each other and catch up on gossip; secondly, Saturday, May 18, 2024 is the Linden Cherry Festival filled full of fun and activities, especially the Cherry Pie eating contest, and finally, the big one, huge even, spectacular, our Gold Tournament. I am left speechless, what else could a secretary write about, oh, I know, maybe if we throw in a degree or two.



VALLEY LODGE #135
ANNUAL CHARITY GOLF TOURNAMENT



**SATURDAY - SHOTGUN: 8:30AM
 MAY 25, 2024**
 MICKE GROVE GOLF LINKS
 11401 N. MICKE GROVE RD
 LODI, CA 95240

**Hole In One:
 \$10,000 Prize!
 Closest To The Pin
 Long Drive**

GOLD SPONSOR: \$300
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 HOLE SPONSOR: \$100

\$120 ENTRY FEE
 Entry fee includes course fee, cart, range balls, team prize, & lunch

Check-In: 6:30am-8:00am

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 John Natividad: 916-240-7833
 jnf.natividad@gmail.com
 Angelito Miranda: 209-918-7385
 angelito_miranda1029@yahoo.com

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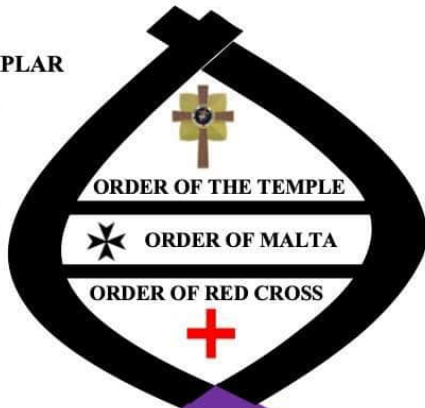



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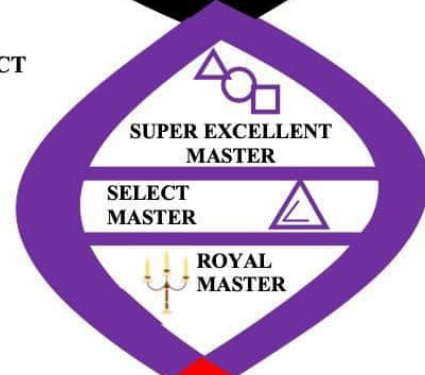


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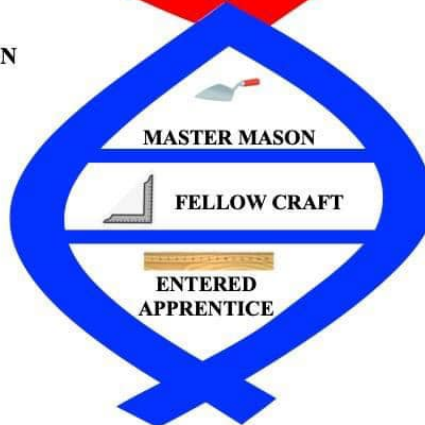
ROYAL & SELECT MASTERS



ROYAL ARCH MASON



MASTER MASON



CHIVALRIC MASONRY:

The Order of the Red Cross: The story told in the ritual for the Red Cross acts as a link between the Capitular Degrees and the ones that follow and bridges the period between the Old and New Testaments.

The Order of Malta: The story of this order begins by making the candidate a Knight of St. Paul or the Mediterranean Pass.

The Order of the Temple: Confers knighthood on the pilgrim making him a Knight's Templar. Every Christian Mason should be a Knights Templar.

CRYPTIC MASONRY

Royal Master: The Temple is nearing its completion and certain Overseers are anxious to receive the Master Word and be honored with the rank of Royal Master before their employment ceases. Shortly before his death Hiram Abif explains to one of these Overseers, Adoniram, that with patience and industry he will, in due time, receive it. This discourse is widely regarded as the most beautiful in any Masonic Degree.

Select Master: The preparations for the building of the Temple having commenced in the Mark Master Degree, the three Grand Masters are anxious that the form of the sacred treasures, including the Ark of the Covenant, could be lost forever in the event of the Temple being sacked. They therefore arrange for a small number of Select Masons, sworn to secrecy, to construct a secret vault beneath the Holy of Holies and deposit replicas therein.

Super Excellent Master: The Temple had stood in all its glory for nearly 400 years but had then fallen to Nebuchadnezzar and his army. The King and his principal citizens were taken into captivity in Babylonia. Zedekiah, Nebuchadnezzar's puppet King, has rebelled against him and fled, leaving the remaining citizens to defend the Temple and pledge their devotion to God.

CAPITULAR MASONRY

Mark Master: It concerns the workmen building King Solomon's Temple. The Degree of Mark Master teaches the candidate the value of workmanship, honesty, and charity and how they received their wages.

Past Master: In the York Rite system, the Past Master is a symbolic degree, and the candidate isn't actually installed as the Master of a Lodge.

Most Excellent Master: Deals with the completion and dedication of King Solomon's Temple.

Royal Arch Mason: The completion of the story started in the Symbolic Lodge Degrees, about the search for secrets that were once lost now discovered.

IS THE YORK RITE IN YOUR DNA? IT SHOULD BE!

Valley Lodge No. 135 Committees

All Reports must be in writing, given to Secretary for attachment to minutes. When Master calls upon the Committee, give verbally the report, stating a copy has been presented to Secretary, or state "No Report".

Executive Committee	Ryan Amil, PM Emmanuel Cubol Jose Apollo Cueto Donie Navarro, PM	Member Member Member Member
Audit	John Jay Natividad, PM Alejandro Villanueva, PM Donie Navarro, PM Erwin Guzman, PM	Member Member Member Member
Budget and Finance	Ryan Amil, PM Edison Espeleta, PM Richard Thornton, PM	Member Member Member
Dues and Delinquent Dues	Ryan Amil, PM Edison Espeleta, PM Richard E. Thornton John Jay Natividad, PM	Member Member Member Member
Charity	Oscar Ryan Pol Amil, PM Emmanuel Cubol Jose Apollo Cueto	Member Member Member
Fund Raising	Emmanuel Cubol Jose Apollo Cueto John Jay Natividad, PM Angelito Miranda, PM Marcial Gullem, Jr, PM	Member Member Member Member Member
Sunshine Committee	Donie Navarro, PM Robert Lopez Richard Thornton, PM	Member Member Member
Hiram Award	Emmanuel Cubol Jose Apollo Cueto Edison Espeleta, PM Andy Villanueva, PM Mannie Buentipo, PM	Member Member Member Member Member
Mason of the Year	Oscar Ryan Pol Amil, PM	Member
Masonic Education	Edison Espeleta, PM John Jay Natividad, PM Mannie Buentipo, PM	Member Member Member
US Constitution Observance	Jericho Reyes, PM Richard Thornton, PM Donie Navarro, PM Erwin Guzman, PM	Member Member Member Member
Refreshment Committee	Jose Cueto Warren Santos Onofre Carillo Constante Molina Erickson Ordonia Erwin Ordonia	Member Member Member Member Member member
Candidates Coach	Emmanuel Cubol Jose Apollo Cueto Angelito Mirando, PM Paulino Collado, PM	Member Member Member Member
Retention	All Members	Member

Pictures



Picture of Valley Lodge No. 135 Oscar Ryan Amil, PM, Master, Emmanuel Cubol, Senior Warden, and Jose Cueto, Junior Warden. We are going to have an excellent year and how do I know this, well it's a fact, look at the picture; this could be put in the dictionary as definition of "Serious"

Golden Veterans Award



Valley Lodge No. 135
presents

GOLDEN VETERAN'S AWARD

50 Years in Masonry

WB Donie Navarro, PM

April 13, 2024



Donie Brosas Navarro Biography

Donie Brosas Navarro was born on Monday, September 28, 1942 in Bacao General Trias, Philippines. Parents are Florentino Morato Navarro and Pilar Brosas Navarro. 1962 I graduated from High School and enlisted in the military, Friday, October 09, 1964, serving 22 ½ years in the United States Navy. During my service I was stationed on various ships, USS Parsons, DD949 (Destroyer) USS Cavalier APL 134 (Cargo ship), USS America (Carrier) and well as Serving in Vietnam, 1969 to Late September 1971 (Stationed in Vietnam for 1 year and 6 months).

Then I received an order to report to Vallejo, California to Submarine Group for duty in U.S.A. Enroute, I made a stop and married my wife, Saturday, October 2, 1971. We have two children, both lovely girls, the oldest was born at Travis Air Force Base, 1973, and the youngest, was born in Naples, Italy, 1975. I was stationed in Naples for 3 years, attaining rank of Chief Petty Officer before transferring to serve at South Weymouth, Massachusetts for 3 years, 1977 to 1980.

After duty in Massachusetts for 3 years, transferred to sea duty aboard USS Ranger, homeport, San Diego, California. Sea duty from 1980 to 1983, served as leading Chief on USS Ranger and then transferred to shore duty, North Island, San Diego, California; retiring from the Navy on Saturday, May 31, 1986. Subsequently working at Commissary, Naval Training Center, then produce Manager at Mare Island Naval Shipyard and later at Beal Air Force Base.

Additionally, to my Military and Civilian Careers, I became an active member of Freemasonry. Joining Bagong Buhay Lodge No. 17, The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted Masons of the Philippines, and on June 1974 becoming a Master Mason and affiliating with General Douglas MacArthur Lodge No. 853, The Most Worshipful Grand Lodge of Free and Accepted masons of California, 2012, and Valley Lodge No. 135, 2015.

I have received Master Mason of the Year and Hiram Award and having the honor of becoming a Past Master twice, 2019 and 2023. I am set to receive the Golden Veteran Award for 50 years of service to Masonry, Saturday, April 13, 2024.

I express my gratitude to Valley Lodge No. 135 for this honor and extend my thanks to all who supported me throughout my journey in Masonry

Thank you so much to everyone.

Worshipful Brother Donie B. Navarro, PM







Jericho Reyes Visiting schools and orphanage in the Philippines













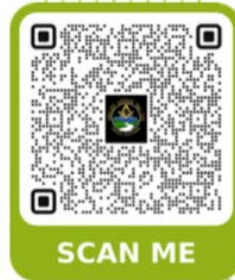






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MAY 25, 2024

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Hole In One:
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IN
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Memory of

REYNALDO BADUA NIDOY

Born: May 26, 1950

Died: April 18, 2024

Age: 73 Years Old

INTERMENT

Date: April 23, 2024

Time: _____

Venue: _____



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