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FROM THE VILLAGE PRESIDENT

Lots of summer fun in Oswego

Hello Oswego! What a great summer we've enjoyed! We started the outdoors season with a record-breaking crowd at Wine on the Fox, enjoyed an awesome 4th of July fireworks display and haven't slowed down since. It has been wonderful to



see the crowds enjoying Venue 1012 this summer. We had events for all ages and tastes and still have a few to go. We still have concerts in September including tributes to ABBA and AC/DC. We have just finalized a new annual event for October 22nd – a breast cancer fundraising concert event featuring all female bands. I hope to see you there!

Happy Tails Dog Park is now open for our community to enjoy. We had a groundbreaking ceremony a couple months ago and completed

the dog park in time for the entire family (including our 4 legged family members) to spend time together this summer. This was a great project that was designed, sourced and constructed by our very own Public Works department. They deserve a huge round of applause for delivering this beautiful amenity to the community.

Sadly the days of summer will soon give way to the changes that come in the fall but that doesn't mean the fun stops. The Fall brings us more events! We will once again have our pumpkin pickup event at Venue 1012. Please join us for this fun event. Make your way through the maze full of ghosts and goblins and get a pumpkin to take home for Halloween!

It certainly has been a pleasure to see the community at so many events this year. I hope you have enjoyed them as much as we have at the Village. The Village staff and Board attend all the events – don't hesitate to come up and say "Hi". We love to hear



Troy Parlier
 Troy Parlier

WATCH MEETINGS FROM THE COMFORT OF HOME

Can't make an in-person meeting? Live-streams of Committee of the Whole and Village Board meetings are at www.oswegoil.org/watch. Click the In Progress link when it appears next to the meeting. See the calendar on page 11 for upcoming meeting dates.

VILLAGE'S PORTION = 1.60% OF TAX BILL

DID YOU KNOW...Less than 2 cents of every dollar you pay in property tax goes to the Village of Oswego?

Your property dollars are split between many different local government bodies to provide services you use every day, including schools, libraries, fire protection and more.

The Village of Oswego receives the second smallest share of the property tax of any taxing district to which Oswego residents pay.

Of your total property tax bill, just 1.60%, or less than two cents of every dollar, goes to the Village of Oswego to provide services such as police protection, road repairs, snow removal, brush pick up, and water delivery. ■

Where do your property taxes go?



School District 308 67.92%

Oswego Fire Protection District 7.17%

Kendall County 6.43%

Waubesa Community College 5.02%

Oswego and Park District 4.92%

Oswego Library District 2.76%

Forest Preserve District 1.73%

Village of Oswego 1.60%

Oswego Township 0.73%

FROM THE VILLAGE CLERK

NEED TO REGISTER TO VOTE?

Several employees at Village Hall are certified registrars and are able to assist with voter registration at Village Hall, Monday through Friday from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. For more information visit our website at www.oswegoil.org/elections. Additional information can also be found on the Kendall County Election & Voter information page at www.co.kendall.il.us.

NOV. 8, 2022 GENERAL ELECTION

September 24

Early voting begins at the Kendall Co. Clerk's office

October 10-27

Early voting at Oswego Village Hall Mon-Fri: 8am-7pm; Sat: 8am-5pm

October 11

Last day to register to vote

November 8

Polls open 6 a.m. to 7 p.m.

NEW STAFF

Get to know the Village's new Finance Director and Economic Development Director.

FINANCE DIRECTOR

Andrea Lamberg was hired in May to serve as the Village's new finance director to oversee its finances.

Lamberg brings more than 20 years of experience in the financial industry, including 15 years in government financial management. The finance director is responsible for compiling the Village's annual budget for Board review and adoption, completion of the annual audit and overall management of the Village's financial assets. Lamberg takes the role from retiring finance director Mark Horton.

Lamberg most recently served as the finance director for the Village of Hinsdale. Previously, she served the City of Park Ridge for nearly a decade and the Village of Lincolnwood and Brown County, Wisc.

Lamberg received the Government Finance Officer's Association awards for Excellence in Financial Reporting and Distinguished Budget Presentation. She is a certified public accountant and received her degree from the University of Wisconsin-Green Bay.

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR

The Village hired Kevin Leighty as its new Economic Development Director in April. He is responsible for attracting new businesses to Oswego and supporting the existing Oswego business community.

Most recently, Leighty served as an economic development management analyst for the Village of Schaumburg, which has more than 35 million square feet of commercial space and 5,000 businesses. He also helped procure \$1.25 million in grant funding for public infrastructure from the state's Rebuild Illinois regional economic grant program.

Connect with Leighty and learn more about opportunities to grow your Oswego business at www.oswegoil.org/business. ■



A community experience at

VENUE 1012

From Country Bash on Memorial Day weekend to Movies Under the Stars to AZ/DZ this Labor Day weekend, Venue 1012 has been bringing the Oswego community together for fantastic entertainment

RESIDENTS OF ALL AGES have been putting down blankets and setting up chairs to watch, listen, sing and dance to a variety of music genres and movies presented by Allied First Bank at the Summer Event Series at Venue 1012.

Countless friends and family have met at the new entertainment venue to catch up, have a few cold drinks, and savor local food from the PopCorn Shop, Hells BBQ, Darkhorse Catering, Hometown Hotdogs and Freddie's off the Chain. Thursday night free concerts and Saturday evening ticketed events feature Oswego Brewing Co. craft beer, Miller Lite, White Claws, and Fox Valley Winery selections, along with soda and bottled water.

"I'm excited to see how this facility has become a wonderful gathering place for the entire community to enjoy," Village President Troy Parlier said.



2022 SUMMER EVENT SERIES



Start your Labor Day weekend early with a free concert on Thursday, September 1 by Dancing Queen, an ABBA tribute band. Return on Saturday,

September 3 for AC/DC tribute band AZ/DZ, revving up the stage with heavy metal hits.

Tickets are required and cost \$15 for ages 13 & up, \$10 for veterans & active duty military, and kids 12 & under are free. Plan your visit and buy tickets at venue1012.com.

LABOR DAY WEEKEND

Thursday, September 1: A night with Dancing Queen
This ABBA tribute band will get you on your feet singing and stepping along to the tunes. Free.

Saturday, September 3: AZ/DZ with the Pyromaniacs
AC/DC and Def Leppard tribute bands light up the stage for the last event of the summer.

Tickets: \$15 ages 13+
\$10 for veterans & active duty military
Free for ages 12 & under
Buy now at venue1012.com.





COMING SOON

Don't miss the return of the free pumpkin pick-up for Oswego families on Sunday, October 16 from noon to 3:00 p.m. at Venue 1012, or while supplies last.

A special fundraising event to help fight breast cancer has been added to the Venue 1012 schedule for Saturday, October 22. In addition to wine tasting and a silent auction, all-women bands with a pop influence will entertain with a colorful backdrop of autumn trees. More information about tickets and the event's beneficiary will be shared soon at venue1012.com.

PLAN YOUR VENUE 1012 VISIT

There is plenty of free parking with easy access to the event area. Certain events have different formats. Outside food and drink are not permitted at most Thursday and all ticketed Saturday concerts. Only credit cards are accepted for ticket, food and beverage sales.

RENT VENUE 1012

Oswego community organizations and individuals may also reserve space at Venue 1012 for both public and private events, from dance recitals to weddings. Visit venue1012.com for info.



JERSEY GIRLS HEADLINES OCTOBER 22 BREAST CANCER FUNDRAISING CONCERT

You won't want to miss this high energy concert event powered by two all-women bands at Venue 1012 stage for a worthy cause on Saturday, October 22 from 2 to 7 p.m. Rock out to Jersey Girls, and don't miss opening act Serendipity.

Enjoy live entertainment, a wine tasting, food options, as well a silent auction at this ticketed event.

More information and ticket sales coming soon to venue1012.com/breastcancer.



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Canine community

The new Happy Tails Dog Park provides plenty of space for Oswego residents and their four-legged friends, big and small.

HAPPY TAILS DOG PARK OFFICIALLY OPENED on August 10 to provide dog owners and their four-legged friends a friendly place to gather and play as a community. Located at 100 Theodore Drive in Oswego, Happy Tails Dog Park is adjacent to Oswego's Public Works facility.

The 40,000 square foot park is surrounded by fencing featuring two separate areas for small dogs and large dogs, as well as a community training area with agility equipment with a play tunnel and hurdles.

Located near the main entrance, a water fountain sports a spigot at the bottom to fill water bowls for thirsty pups. While trees and shrubs have been planted, more landscaping will be added in the coming years.

"We're excited to offer this exclusive play spot for dogs and their owners in Oswego," Village President Troy Parlier said. "Happy

Tails Dog Park provides a great way to bring people and their pets together."

The dog park is a "use at your own risk" facility and owners are responsible for any damage or harm their dog may inflict on Oswego property, people or other dogs.

Park rules include bringing no more than two dogs per person, leashing dogs when entering and exiting the park, keeping dogs in view and under voice command, and cleaning up after pets.

The following are prohibited: puppies under six months, dogs that are aggressive, in heat or sick; intact males over the age of 6 months; children under age five; alcoholic beverages; and smoking/vaping.

Happy Tails is designed, owned and operated by the Village of Oswego at 100 Theodore Drive, Oswego.

Learn more about Happy Tails Dog Park and register at **HappyTailsoswegoil.org**. ■

Registration information:

- Register online or in-person at Village Hall
- Agree to rules and regulations
- Verify your dog has the following vaccines: rabies, parvovirus, distemper, bordetella, and flu.
- Upload or bring in proof of current rabies vaccination
- Pay annual fee:
Oswego residents:
\$40 one dog, \$10 additional dog
Non-residents:
\$80 for one dog, \$15 additional dog
- Once registration has been verified by staff, dog owners will be notified that a key card will be available for pickup at Village Hall, 100 Parkers Mill, Monday through Friday, 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. or mailed for an additional fee.
- Key card will allow entry to Happy Tails from dawn through dusk.

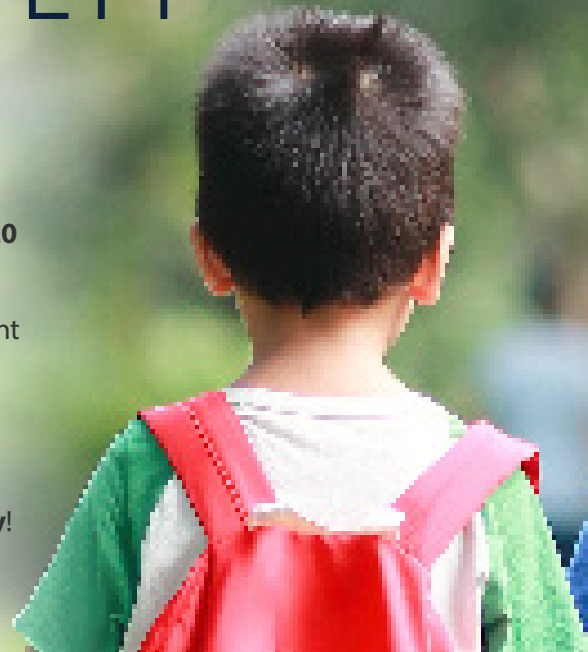
Register online: **HappyTails.oswegoil.org**.



BACK TO SCHOOL SAFETY

SAFETY FIRST. The Oswego Police Department and the Traffic Safety Unit are committed to keeping all children and pedestrians safe. With the new school year, please remember the following:

- Do NOT block the driveways of area residents
 - Motorists are reminded that the **speed limit in all school zones is 20 MPH** when children are present.
- Please be advised that extra enforcement details will be conducted in all area school zones, especially during the first few weeks of school.
- As always, if you **See Something, Say Something**, and please **Drive Carefully!**
- Thank you for helping keep our community safe. ■
- While picking up or dropping off your child from school please follow these guidelines:
 - Do NOT park in posted “no parking” areas
 - Do NOT double park
 - Do NOT stop or otherwise block the streets around your child’s school



SHARE THE ROAD WITH SCHOOL BUSES

WHEN DRIVING behind a school bus, allow a greater following distance than driving behind a car. This allows more time to stop once its yellow lights start flashing.

- It is illegal in all 50 states to pass a school bus that is stopped to load or unload children.
- Never pass a bus from behind or from either direction on an undivided road if it is stopped to load or unload children.
- If the yellow or red lights are flashing and the stop arm is extended, traffic must stop.
- The area 10 feet around a school bus is the most dangerous for children; stop far enough back to allow them space to safely enter and exit the bus.
- Be alert: Children often are unpredictable, and they tend to ignore hazards and take risks. ■

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LEAF COLLECTION

ZONES

The Village has a zoned collection system to provide residents with a set schedule for leaf collection. Your house is assigned a zone based upon its location in the Village:

Zone A All properties west of the Fox River, Hunt Club subdivision, and all properties east of Fox Bend Golf Course and south of Route 34.

Zone B All properties south of Wolf Road, all properties south of Route 34 east of the Fox River and west of Route 71 (the downtown area), all properties south of Route 71 excluding Hunt Club subdivision.

Zone C East of the Fox River and northwest of Route 34.

A list of neighborhoods by zone is available at www.oswegoil.org/brush.

DATES

Village crews will collect leaves three times this season. Leaf collection is scheduled for Monday through Friday as follows:

Zone A Weeks of October 17, October 31

Zone B Weeks of October 17, November 7

Zone C Weeks of October 24, November 14

All Zones Week of November 21

Leaf collection dates may be subject to change due to inclement weather, staffing, potential equipment issues and leaf volume.



Proper leaf piles, up on the curb. Leaves are not piled long enough to kill grass.



Improper leaf piles, in the street. Leaves in the street clog drains, causing flooding.

FREE CURBSIDE LEAF COLLECTION

EACH FALL, the curbside leaf vacuum program provides Oswego residents a cost-effective way to dispose of leaves.

Rake leaves into piles and place them on the parkway grass between the sidewalk and curb by 6 a.m. on the Monday of your specified collection week.

No brush, grass clippings, tree limbs, vines or trash will be collected. These materials can cause damage to our costly equipment and put the operator and residents in the area at risk of injury or death.

Please note:

Leaves placed on the parkway after 6 a.m. will be picked up the next date scheduled for your zone.

- Due to the tremendous scope of this work, leaves piled near an obstruction or blocked by a parked

vehicle will be skipped, and will not be picked up until the next collection week.

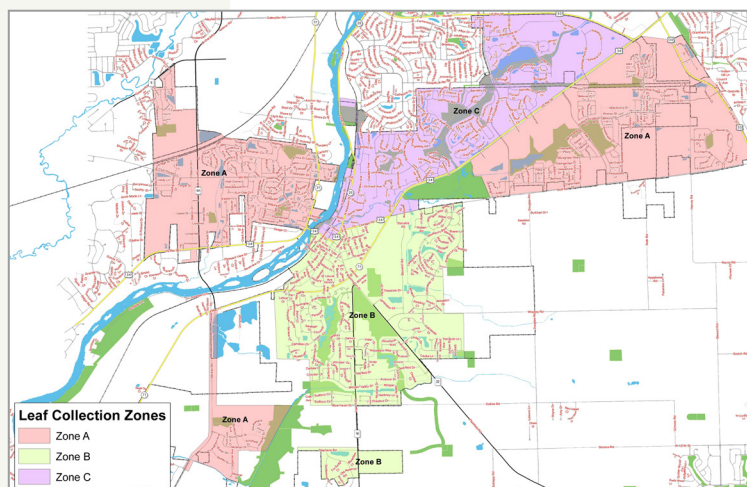
- The bulk of the piles will be vacuumed as the crews go by your address. However, it is impossible for crews to collect 100 percent of the leaves piled for collection.
- Keep leaves off the curb and street. Leaves in the street can cause hazardous driving conditions and local flooding.
- Leaf burning is prohibited at all times throughout the Village.

There is a very small window of opportunity to collect the leaves from the time the leaves fall to when winter weather begins. Inclement weather or large volume of leaves can alter the leaf pickup schedule. Once the leaves are snow covered, the vacuum cannot collect the leaves and the program may be suspended.

Collection alternatives

Residents are strongly encouraged to use alternative options such as placing leaves in and around plant beds under trees and shrubs as this provide nutrients for the soil and provide insulation for the plants.

Residents can also use Groot's curbside yard waste bags and refuse collection program. The final week for Groot yard waste pickup is the week of December 5. Yard waste bags will be accepted without stickers during special cleanup events the week of November 14 and December 5.



View a larger map of leaf collection zones at www.oswegoil.org/leaves.

AUG. 29 - SEPT. 30
WATER MAIN FLUSHING

The Public Works Department will flush water mains between Aug. 29, and Sept. 30, weather permitting.

Crews will begin flushing at 7:30 a.m. Signs will be displayed on a daily basis to alert residents. To avoid possible rust discoloration, finish your laundry before 7 a.m. or after 6 p.m. on these days.

The Public Works Department flushes fire hydrants in the spring and fall per Illinois EPA recommendation. Flushing cleans the water mains by running high flows of water through fire hydrants to get rid of iron deposits that could produce colored water and, in some instances, damage water meters.

Flushing also helps to deliver fresh water to dead end water mains.



Run cold water first

Before running hot water, run all cold water taps first to make sure the water is running clear. Once you are sure it is running clear, you may run your hot water. ■

NOVEMBER 14-18

FREE FALL CLEAN-UP WEEK

Groot will collect additional household waste, yard waste and bulk items for free the week of November 14-18, on your regularly scheduled garbage day.

Place all items at the curb by 6 a.m. along with your regular garbage and recycling on your normally scheduled garbage day. Yard waste must be placed in 30-gallon Kraft yard waste bags. **Do not place yard waste in plastic bags.** Stickers are not required.

No appliances, televisions or electronics should be set out during this collection. Call Groot at (630) 892-9294 to schedule a special pickup for these items. ■

FINAL BRUSH COLLECTION STARTS OCT. 3

THERE ARE two brush collection zones for residential properties. Zone A includes all properties east of the Fox River and north of Route 34 as well as those properties west of the Fox River and north of Mill Road. Zone B includes all properties east of the Fox River and south of Route 34 as well as those properties west of the Fox River and south of Mill Road.

Final brush collection dates: **Zone A:** October 3 & **Zone B:** October 10

Place all brush at the curb by 7 a.m. on Monday morning of the designated week, but no earlier than noon the Friday before. The Public Works trucks will pass through an area once and will not return for brush placed after the deadline. ■

LABOR DAY & THANKSGIVING

NO TRASH COLLECTION

Groot Industries will not pick up residential trash on Monday, Sept. 5, in observance of Labor Day and Thursday, Nov. 24, Thanksgiving.

Curbside trash and recycling collection will be delayed by one day. ■

DECEMBER 5-9 NEW! FREE LANDSCAPE PICKUP ADDED

During the week of December 5, Groot will accept yard waste bags without stickers.

CORRECTION: OSWEGO ANNUAL WATER QUALITY REPORT 2021

The Water Consumer Confidence Report for calendar year 2021 included in the Summer 2022 Village Newsletter omitted the following data:

Disinfectants & Disinfection Byproducts	Collection Date	Highest Level Detected	Range of Levels Detected	MCLG	MCL	Units	Violation
Total Haloacetic Acids (HAA5)	1/12/2021	6	05.76-5.83	No goal for the total	60	ppb	No
Total Trihalomethanes (TTHM)	1/12/2021	7	0-7.27	No goal for the total	80	ppb	No

Per Illinois EPA regulations the Village is required to inform the public that this data was omitted and the 2021 annual report has been revised. Visit WaterQuality.oswegoil.org to view the full corrected report.

MCLG = Maximum Contaminant Level Goal
 MCL – Maximum Contaminant Level
 ppb= parts per billion

LARGER THAN LIFE PUBLIC ART

A COLORFUL NEW MURAL was completed in late July by Illinois artist Jason Watts on the south side of 59 S. Main Street. The site of the former Oswego Fire Department is now home to Fox Valley

Winery, Oswego Brewing Co. and Oswego Cyclery.

After an open request for proposals, the Oswego Cultural Arts Commission selected Watts to create a vibrant public art design that embraces the great outdoors.

Measuring 18 feet tall, the artwork portrays a cyclist traversing a path in Oswego. Watts used long-lasting acrylic paints designed to maintain their color in direct sunlight. The mural took a little more than two weeks to complete.

Next time you visit the downtown area, walk by the area to view the artwork.

Learn more about the Cultural Arts Commission and get involved at CulturalArts.oswegoil.org.



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SEPTEMBER

01 **Dancing Queen**, ABBA tribute band, performs free concert at Venue 1012. venue1012.com

03 **AZ/DZ** rocks Venue 1012 with heavy metal favorites from AC/DC. Buy tickets at venue1012.com

05 Village offices are closed for **Labor Day**. Trash collection will be delayed by one day.

06 **Oswego Village Board** meets at 7 p.m. at Oswego Village Hall. Meetings are open to the public and include a public forum. Committee of the Whole meeting precedes at 6 p.m. for more in-depth discussion on issues before they reach a final Board vote. Agendas and live meeting streaming available at www.oswegoil.org/watch.

10 **Coffee and Conversations for Seniors** with Village President Troy Parlier at 9 a.m., Village Hall.

20 The **Oswego Village Board** meets at 7 p.m. at Village Hall. Committee of the Whole at 6 p.m.



OCTOBER

03 Final **brush collection** for the year begins. Page 9 for details.

04 The **Oswego Village Board** meets at 7 p.m. at Village Hall. Committee of the Whole is at 6 p.m.

16 Oswego families get a free pumpkin at the **Pumpkin Pick-up**. Details at www.venue1012.com. Noon to 3 p.m.

17 **Leaf collection** begins and runs through November, weather permitting. See page 8.

18 The **Oswego Village Board** meets at 7 p.m. at Village Hall. Committee of the Whole is at 6 p.m.

22 **Breast Cancer Fundraising Concert** featuring all-women bands, wine tasting and a silent auction. Details at venue1012.com.

31 **Trick-or-Treating** hours are 3:30 to 8 p.m. Ensure children trick-or-treat only during this time frame. Be safe and only visit homes with front door lights on.



NOVEMBER

01 The **Oswego Village Board** meets at 7 p.m. at Village Hall. Committee of the Whole is at 6 p.m.

11 Oswego Village Hall is closed in honor of **Veterans Day**. Garbage service is unaffected.

14-18 Put out extra unwanted trash and bulk items during the **Free Fall Clean-up** on your regular garbage day. Details on page 9.

15 The **Oswego Village Board** meets at 7 p.m. at Village Hall. Committee of the Whole is at 6 p.m.

24-25 Village offices are closed both Thursday, Nov. 24 and Friday, Nov. 25, in observance of **Thanksgiving**. Trash collection will be delayed one day.

26 Celebrate our small Oswego businesses on **Small Business Saturday**. Shop small in Downtown Oswego and kick-start your holiday shopping season with sales on gifts that support your neighbors and your community.

2023 CALL FOR ARTISTS AT VILLAGE HALL

The Oswego Cultural Arts Commission invites local artists to submit 2023 exhibit proposals for art to be displayed in Village Hall. Four exhibits will be featured in 2023: February, April, July and October. Individual artists, groups of artists, and curators, both youth and adults, are invited to apply.

Work will be selected by the Commission to highlight a diversity of artistic expression. To submit art for consideration, visit CulturalArts.oswegoil.org and complete an application and upload a proposal and/or images. The deadline to apply is Dec. 9. Contact Oswego Special Events Manager Julie Hoffman with questions at 630-551-2344 or jhoffman@oswegoil.org.



Laura Halfers displays her art at Village Hall



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Save the date for a spectacular holiday gathering with friends and family, young and old, on Friday, Dec. 2 from 4:30 to 8:30 p.m. in Oswego's well-dressed downtown.

Enjoy dazzling holiday lights, a medley of dining options, live music, games, prizes and a warm welcome from Santa Claus.

SPONSORSHIP PACKAGES

Businesses and local organizations: Let us craft a package to help meet your marketing needs and share your message to the community this holiday season.

MAIN STREET BOOTHS will be available for local nonprofit organizations and businesses. A fee applies, but will be waived for nonprofits. Applications open in late August. Deadline Nov. 4 or until spaces are no longer available.

PROGRAM LISTINGS & ADS

Rates and sizes for ads are available at www.oswegochristmaswalk.com. A program listing is free for organizations participating in Christmas Walk festivities.



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