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Happy
St. Patrick's
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AMERICAN BIKERS for AWARENESS TRAINING & EDUCATION

The main purpose of the ABATE organization is to work toward continued freedom of the road by insuring that motorcyclist's point of view is presented to our legislators and to promote motorcycle safety, rider education and public awareness. We are trying to alleviate the very real possibility of "Big Brother Government". We encourage all our members to be informed registered voters. We write letters to our elected officials and stay aware of what is going on with motorcycle legislation, and other transportation issues. We welcome interested parties to any of our activities or to join our organization.

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President's Message

Hello everyone,

As always I hope all are well. Another month has passed and many events have happened and will be happening. Included are some pictures of past event with more to follow next month. The Wreath Retirement went well in both Calverton National and Long Island National Cemetery's, the weather was great and the Volunteers were plentiful. The following weekend was the Pennsylvania L&L Seminar in which a few of us attended. The weekend was packed with many workshops and networking opportunities. All of our Calendar events are set, beginning with our Motorcycle Awareness Run Sunday April 30th. See flyer in this newsletter. By the time you are reading this we at Long Island ABATE will have had our Train the Trainers Class. The class was taught By Bruce LePorte from the Traveling Memorial Wall for Fallen Bikers. <http://www.bikerwall.com> There was over a dozen volunteers there to be taught. The purpose of this class was to enable Long Island ABATE to get back into high schools and teach Motorcycle Awareness to up and coming drivers during their Drivers Education Classes. I am truly excited about this and cannot wait to do so. Pictures to follow next month. After the class we then went to a Membership Meeting for the Spyder Ryders, there we informed the Members who ABATE is and what we do for the Motorcycle Community in an effort to promote our organization and spread Awareness while helping to keep Motorcyclists safe and protect our Rights. March is going to be another event filled month for us as well. March 14th at our Membership meeting Don Gomo from Empire State Motorcycle Safety Education Program www.motorcyclesafetyprogram.org Don will have a Motorcyclists Tune up Class to refresh themselves with information for a safer riding season. Next on the agenda is the Ronkonkoma St Patrick's Day Parade with a lot more to follow. Please visit our Website and or our Facebook group to see keep up to date. We are currently working many different events and hope to see you there.

Long Island ABATE is still looking for a Recording Secretary and a Donations Coordinator. If you're interested, please send me an email or give me a call.

As always Long Island ABATE is looking for input and participation from members to better the organization as well as volunteers to help us maintain and grow the organization, while protecting the rights of motorcyclists and trying to keep us safe. If you would like to get more involved or have ideas, please reach out to myself or any Board Member. We would love to have you and or your input.

Thank You for your continued support.

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SUNDAY APRIL 30TH

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**MOTORCYCLE
AWARENESS**

SAFETY RIDE & BLESSING

**Registration: 9:30 H Lee Dennison Building
100 Veterans Memorial Hwy, Hauppauge, NY**

**Safety Workshops, Guest Speakers, Shark Radio
KU at 12:15 - Escorted Ride**

**Vendors, Food, Live Music, Raffles & 50/50
End site: TBD**

\$20.00/rider, \$10/passengers, \$15 Walk-in

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516-381-1531 or email: chrisliabate@gmail.com**

**Blessing of Bikes upon entry by Rushing Wind / Bikers for Christ
Proceeds to support Long Island ABATE'S Awareness Campaign**





Greetings members of Long Island ABATE! The recent weather has welcomed some to start the riding season early. Please be attentive to the road conditions, whether it be icy spots left in shaded areas of the road, or the over sanding of some streets. Although many if not all potholes have been filled, please keep in mind many are still dangerously hiding! As a motorcyclist, we always must be careful as we ride! As you may know, I have been assigned as our safety officer who attends Suffolk County police precinct community meetings. The meetings give information from the precinct inspector to the community attendees

from law enforcement statistics on burglary, larceny, homicide, theft, break-ins and vehicular accidents including motorcycles. Usually a map of the district will contain the various locations of these crimes. Most meetings occur during the day but some have also been scheduled for evenings. If you are interested in attending these meetings or following your Suffolk County Police Precinct, you can use PIXEL to keep you informed. All you have to do is place your zip code in the form on line. At the end of these meetings the public is encouraged to ask questions or share policing issues by calling 311 and reporting the issue.

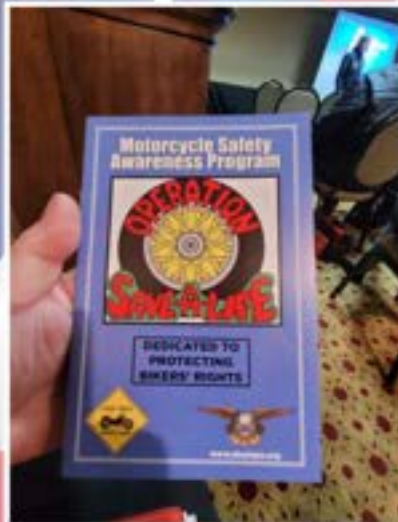
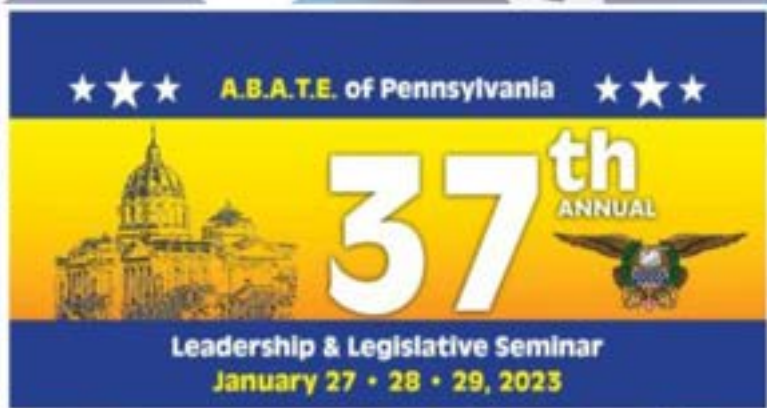
I also was asked to attend and join the Suffolk County Traffic Safety Board. This group of safety minded law enforcement members give their input about specific topics and issues they become aware of. My part is to make them aware of the issues pertaining to all motorcycles. Autonomous vehicles that don't "see" motorcycles, profiling of motorcyclists, road hazards like the use of wire guardrails, potholes or other hazards on the road. Recently I was asked to send in a resume and possibly join the board! I'm thrilled to be asked and I hope the board allows an ABATE officer to join. I hope you can share and recruit ABATE membership to your fellow riders or those just interested in motorcycle issues. Membership is a mere \$25.00 per year and really worth the cost. A no cost \$4,000 insurance policy is included! Did you know we have meetings on the second Tuesday of the month in Suffolk at the BPOE Elks building in Centereach and then the third Tuesday in Nassau at the Marine Corp League in Massapequa?

We just announced some events for Awareness, Veterans Day, camping out and a Toy Run!

I look forward to seeing you at the bike nights and at our meetings!

Long Island ABATE is your advocate for all motorcyclists! We fight for your rights and lobby for legislation to protect them! Ride safe!

Stay well and ride safely
Nick LaMorte.....1st Vice President



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Calverton National & Long Island National Cemetery

WREATH RETIREMENT







Updates From Josephine

LEADERSHIP & LEGISLATIVE SEMINAR

Hello, I hope everyone is well. On the 1st of May, George left for Pennsylvania for the 2023 Leadership & Legislative Seminar. The ones that even joined us from New Jersey. We had a meet and greet reception and Panel discussion. There we went to many break out sessions. We had special guest speakers from Tennessee. They were going to be in store for this year's Leadership & Legislative Seminar.

Josephine



A.B.A.T.E. of Pennsylvania



the night of January 26th it was a Thursday after work, myself Chris Beckhans, Donna Flower, Deb Stondell and her husband for L & L. (Leadership and Legislation) weekend. While there it was great to see old friends from last year and make some new jersey that will be getting the Garden State ABATE up and running again. Once getting checked in there was a discussion where you get to hear each of the panel guest speakers tell a bit about themselves and what their jobs are. While sessions (glasses). Some were Membership, Secretary, Treasurers, Legislative and Public Relations Workshops. There on hand the Motorcycle Riders Foundation (Mark Buckner, Kirk "Hardtail" Willard, Ryan Hubbard) They gave us a sneak peek about what is legislation agenda at this year's Meeting of the Minds to be held hosted by A.B.A.T.E of Pennsylvania in September.

Pennsylvania



Seminar 2023





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2023 VETERANS
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Sunday June 11th, 2023

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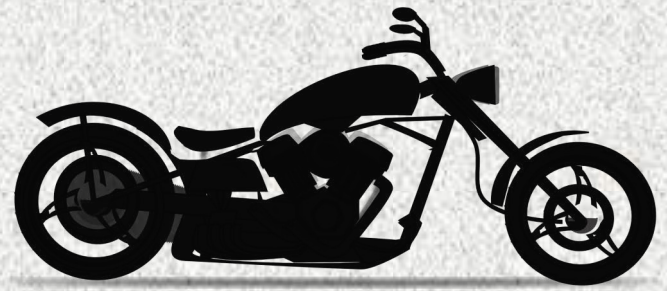
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SAVE THE DATE!!!!

MARCH 14TH 730 PM @ THE PORT JEFFERSON ELKS LODGE
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Long Island ABATE will be hosting a Motorcyclists Tune Up for riders to refresh themselves with information for a safer riding season in 2023. This will be a non riding course (presentation only) that will review topics such as proper cornering, braking, street strategies, road awareness and more. Many riders have been dormant for the "off season," so this information may be helpful to review and could help prevent an unwanted situation on the road.

Presentation by: Empire State Motorcycle Safety Education Program

Thanks,

Don Gomo

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The Rally LIST

Looking for Motorcycle Rallys in 2023?

Below are the dates and locations of the major rallys around the United States .

Daytona Bike Week ... March 3–12 ... Daytona Beach, FL

Myrtle Beach Bike Week...May 12–21 ... Myrtle Beach, SC

Americade Touring Rally... May 31– June 4 ... Lake George, NY

Republic of Texas Biker Rally... June 9–12 ... Austin, TX

Laconia Motorcycle Week... June 10–18 ... Laconia, NH

Women on Wheels Ride-In... July 4-6 Harrison AR

Sturgis Motorcycle Rally... August 4–13 ... Sturgis, SD

Four Corners Motorcycle Rally... Sept 1 –Sept 3 ... Durango, CO

Bikes Blues & BBQ... September 20-23... Fayetteville, AR

Texas Lone Star Rally...November 2-5 ... Galveston , TX

Did We Miss Any?

If you have a favorite that's not on the list
Submit it to your newsletter editor and we'll add it!

The Original Bike Blessing



SAVE THE DATE

**19TH ANNUAL "BLESSING OF THE BIKES"
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March 26th (*RAIN OR SHINE*)

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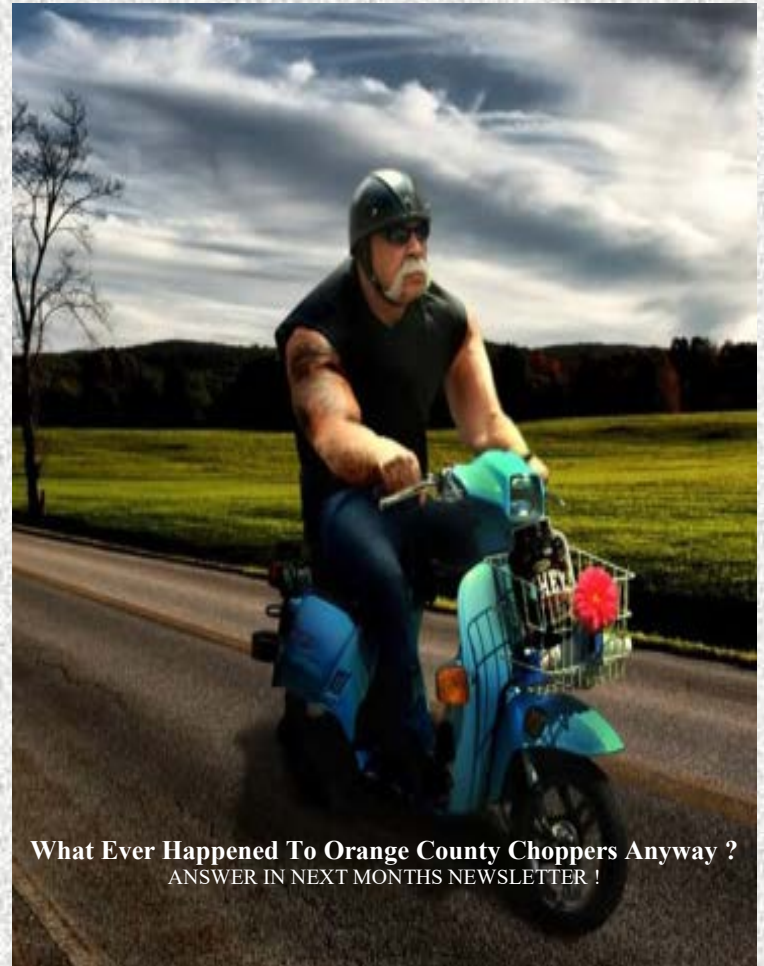
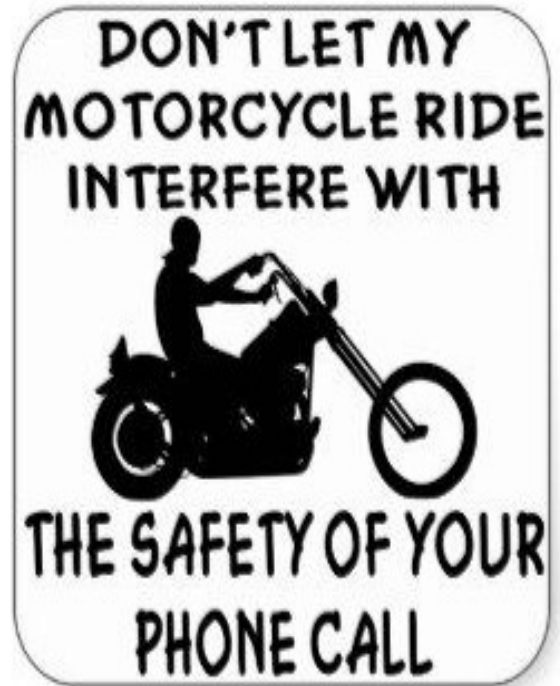
1)... To initiate , endorse and sponsor educational programs such as rider safety, public awareness, legislative and affirmative action and, individual freedoms and rights.

2)... To create and promote a positive public image of motorcyclists and motorcycle groups and to dispel and disprove media hype, unfounded propaganda and the "Hollywood" image.

3)... To encourage goodwill and mutual understanding among motorcyclists, law enforcement personnel and the general public.

4)... To serve as an information source on matters pertaining to current laws, pending legislation, personal rights, political inclinations of elected officials and their constituents, and voter awareness.

5)... To act as a central responsive agency to devise and coordinate recreational, legislative, educational, and charitable activities



What Ever Happened To Orange County Choppers Anyway ?
ANSWER IN NEXT MONTHS NEWSLETTER !

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SEPTEMBER 21-24, 2023 HARRISBURG, PENNSYLVANIA

Red Lion Hotel Harrisburg Hershey, 4751 Lindle Road, Harrisburg, PA 17111

Hotel Room cost \$109/night (cut off date September 6, 2023)

Call 717-939-7841 (mention the MRF MEETING OF THE MINDS)

Pre-registration for conference through the MRF, PO Box 9090, Peoria, IL 61612

Pre-registration (must be received by Sept. 6, 2023): \$100.00 (current member) / \$120.00 (non-member)

Registration rate after Sept. 6, 2023: \$110.00 (current member) / \$130.00 (non-member)

Registration includes all workshops, workshop materials, and Saturday banquet.

Registration questions call the MRF at 202-546-0983, or email Fred Harrell at fred@mrf.org.

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Thousands of motorcyclist rights activists have attended MRF sponsored annual regional and national workshops since 1985. These workshops provide the nuts and bolts, "user friendly" subjects and training to assist motorcyclists in defending, building, and strengthening their grass roots organizations.

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Use the applications below to join and support the Motorcycle Riders Foundation and to pre-register for the **39th Annual Meeting of the Minds, September 21-24, 2023.**



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Motorcycle Riders Foundation



Nominees Wanted

Class of 2023 Motorcycle Riders Foundation Hall of Fame

The Motorcycle Riders Foundation Hall of Fame (MRFHOF) was introduced at the Meeting of the Minds in Denver, Colorado. This institution was created to recognize individuals that have worked through the MRF to positively impact motorcycling. The Motorcycle Riders Foundation is proud to announce that the nomination process for the next class of inductees into the MRFHOF is now open.

The nomination form and a timeline are posted on the MRF website at:
<https://mrf.org/mrf-hall-of-fame/>

Nomination applications are **DUE** to the Hall of Fame Committee **by March 4th, 2023** – please send completed forms to.....
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Past Motorcycle Riders Foundation Hall of Fame inductees are: Keith "Bandit" Ball, Mark Buckner, Wayne Curtin, Michael "Balls" Farabaugh, "Still" Ray Fitzgerald, Richard Gray, Bob Illingworth, Nathan "Buck" Kit-tredge, Ed Netterberg, Sherman Packard, Todd Vandermyde, Paul Vestal, Penny Walker, Ed Youngblood, Vince Consiglio, Fredric Harrell, Rodney Roberts, Simon Milward, JoAnne Packard, Karen Bolin, Lee Richardson, Jerry "JT" Thomas, Teresa Hepker, Dick "Slider" Gilmore, Charles Umbenhauer, Wanda Hummel-Shultz, "Biker" Jim Rhoades, Lee Ryan, Marc Falsetti, Gary Klinker, Charlie Williams, Dave Dwyer, "Radio" Bob Letourneau, "Farmer" John Eggers, Michael "Boz" Kerr, Butch Brown, Deb Butitta, Jim Dahling, Carol Downs, Jay Jackson, Gary Sellers and Kirk "Hardtail" Willard.

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When Things Get Dark, There Is Hope

Some winter, huh? No snow yet but we all believe it is coming. We think about everything in our hopeful lives. We hope for raises or promotions, new cars or bikes, new homes, new clothes, etc. We are hopeful beings. We always look forward to something. Since we were children, we looked forward to new toys and birthday cake, cupcakes at school, cookies anytime we went to a relative's house, candy at Valentine's Day or Easter or Christmas. Some of us looked forward to new clothes too! We are born with a hopeful nature.

As we got older, we were hopeful for a boyfriend or girlfriend. Or time to go driving and hangout or maybe a party. But there are those who didn't have that hopeful a life when they were young. Things always seemed as though they were always hard to come by. Many of us learned to be grateful for what we had because we knew that it was difficult for those who gave it to us to get. Some folks had a hard childhood. Being hopeful for them was not normal as things to be grateful for didn't come often enough. Yet, there were still the small things that they may have been thankful for. Some, however, did not grow up being grateful. They may have felt entitled or completely lost in their life. These two feelings have a lot in common. They both have no hope. Things got dark at some point in their lives and they stayed there.

I am here to tell you...there is always hope. If you feel that you haven't had much to be grateful for, look at what you have, where you are, and where you were. You've worked for what you have even if it isn't much, it is yours. You have a roof over your head, even if you don't own it, you can stay out of the weather when it gets bad. You have a means to buy groceries, pay bills, and receive medical care. I can go deeper...the lights turn on when you flip the wall switch. You have water, hopefully hot and cold, heat when it is cold or an a/c or a fan when it is hot. Yet, some of you may feel that you are in a dark place.

If you feel that way, please look for hope. Jesus gives hope. If you don't know how to find Him, ask me, anytime. You may say that you'll get by. Why would you only want to get by? Because it works? Why not have a life with hope? Without hope, you cannot get by, you'll feel like you're dragging through life. Or, things may be ok right now, but you're not happy. You can feel love, joy, hope, and peace. And if you have this feeling, please do not stay alone. Go somewhere where there are other people, even if you don't know anyone there. You may have fun people watching and that can break the dark feeling that you may have. By the way, being happy is momentary; joy is everlasting. Joy comes from having the blessed assurance that you are loved and always thought of.

I know that not everyone believes as I and many do, but just consider this...hope creates joy, joy breeds peace, and all that comes from love. What's better than that?

I love you all. I pray you all have hope for this and every day going forward.

Ride safe and see you soon.

God Bless You All!!!



Gerry Waldron Chaplain Long Island A.B.A.T.E.

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March Madness

If I was a college basketball fan this month of March would be a big deal with the NCAA playoffs, sweet 16, elite 8, final 4, and the championship game. But I'm not that into it. But I think March brings a different kind of madness when you're a biker and you happen to live in New York, or other areas where riding your scoot may not be viable 12 months a year. Although this year has not been as cold.

That being said I know I get at least a bit land locked during the winter without being able to ride that much, particularly myself still physically sensitive from by past year of health challenges. I'm getting stir crazy, going mad so to speak, as I'm sure you all are also. Just gotta ride, get in the wind and enjoy not being caged. You

live with the cold and get on the bike, layer up and go. But it's kind of a treacherous time a bit. You can underestimate the dangers out there.

You may stay out too late and black ice can form, a residue of remnant leaves that haven't been totally removed from the fall, winter leave fall. I don't know about some of you but I've had times I didn't gauge the temperature correctly, went out for a ride, enjoyed the ride and finally getting out there. But somewhere during the ride, usually at the farthest distance from home the temp drops and I'm trying to beat almost hypothermia getting home. Getting there and uncontrollably shivering for a half an hour or so.

At that point I think the thrill and fun of the ride was worth it. I think, maybe. But I paid a price I wasn't counting on. I've done that quite a few times, and will probably be doing it again. But what drives you to do it? Because you've been going mad, getting frustrated every time you go in your garage and see your bike, knowing what could be. Daring the elements, cursing the elements, because they're keeping you from your desired passion.

It is at this point you need to have wisdom. I know having God in my life has kept me from going mad and doing rash things at times. God saves me from myself time and time again. I'd be out riding this evening to the ABATE meeting, but my lungs aren't 100% yet and who knows what could happen. But my desire to do what I love to do for people overrides my mad desire to just get on the bike and throw all caution.... "to the wind", as they say. How appropriate. So my point is having God in your life can and often protects you from very stupid decisions that you get away with many times, but it only takes once.

God inspired the creation of the first motorcycle, thank..... God. He'd like you to enjoy it, feel Him in the experience of it, but listen to His wisdom as far as keeping you around and safe a long time to enjoy it. He actually will do that in every area of your life by the way. Just saying.

God Bless, ride safe, and God Bless America.

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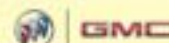


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