



The *Lighted Chalice* is a UUCTC Publication

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Lighted Chalice



A New look for the Lighted Chalice

Why did purpose of the Lighted Chalice changing?

We would like the Lighted Chalice to record our history of activities, to keep the congregation informed of the activities of our members, and document the impact UUCTC has in the greater community. We want to provide visitors with a better idea of what this community represents as we keep our congregation abreast of the impact of our church on the immediate congregation and in the community.

How will I know about upcoming events?

The Lighted Chalice will have a 'Save the Date' section. Further details regarding upcoming events will continue to be published in the weekly Meridian Update that is emailed each week, available in hard copy in the narthex and on the desk outside of the office each week, as well as posted online.

Who can submit articles to the Lighted Chalice?

Anyone can submit an article to the Lighted Chalice. It is preferred that committee chairs, leaders of interest groups, event organizers report significant events as they occur each month.

How often should committee chairs or interest group leaders submit an article to the Lighted Chalice?

Articles are submitted when there is something interesting to report, a completed activity, program, fundraiser, interest group activity, community event involving members of UU. We want to keep our congregation abreast of the impact of our church on the immediate congregation and in the community as well as document out numerous opportunities for fellowship.

Where can I find a copy of the monthly Lighted Chalice newsletter?

The monthly Lighted Chalice will be:

1. Sent via email each month.
2. Hard copies are available in the narthex, at the welcome table, and on the desk outside the office.
3. PDF copies will be posted online at <http://uuctc.org/lc-monthly/>.

What is the submission deadline?

The submission deadline is the 15th of each month.

How do I submit an article to the Lighted Chalice?

Please send your articles via email to lightedchalice@gmail.com.



There are many projects underway led by members of our congregation. These projects increase the overall effectiveness of the church's operations and communications.

We now have a budget that funds a part-time pianist/choir director. The search committee, chaired by Michael Lewis, is actively designing a format for allocating the funds judiciously and searching for personnel to fill the position.

Kathy Willowoode has stepped up to chair the Pastoral Care committee. Many thanks to Linda LeMar for the years she served as chair and for the great job she did coordinating the numerous memorial services and all the outreach provided by this vital committee.

Ellen Germann, Linda Lou Prokopy and Randy Myer did an excellent job of recruiting and hiring our awesome office assistant, Va'Linda McBride this past summer. As each of them needed to step away from the committee for various reasons, the recruited for new personnel committee member, Recently long time members Joan Marshall and Dianna Poindexter as well as a new member, Amy Austin stepped up to serve on this committee.

The IT Steering Committee has ordered equipment to improve our Internet and phone service.

Bill Welge, as well as serving as past president and heading the Cleaning Crew, dabbles in building and grounds and often serves a liaison between building and grounds and the kitchen committee. He spearheaded the acquisition of a new water softener as well as updating the plumbing in the men's room. Bill has also worked attain new carpeting for the halls in the administrative wing, The carpeting was purchased by a church member who chooses to remain anonymous and scheduled to be installed by the time this article published.

The safety committee has been working diligently to diagnose the difficulties with the software that supports the access codes to the building. They are in the process of ordering new software that will be more user friendly.

Christine Schertz purchased a new coffee maker for our kitchen that is more efficient that our previous coffee makers.

Don Gresham is a member of several committees: Sound, Worship and Cleaning Crew. I am told that he takes his cleaning beyond expectations and fixes those things we might not even notice need fixing as he cleans our facility. Thanks, Don! I recently learned that his ping pong game has improved as he and Bill Welge relax at the end of their weekly cleaning.

These are but a few examples of how members of this congregation give of their time and talents to keep this congregation thriving and to provide fellowship. Many thanks to them and to YOU for all you do to support this beloved community.

Dorothy Hughes, Board President

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Next board meeting is Tuesday, March 15 at 7:00pm

in room 101/103. All are welcome.

Take a Look >>> More than A New Slogan



I don't like to let go. I do not like to back down. I am not a quitter. Last month, Senator Mitch McConnell coined the newest feminist rallying cry when she spoke of Senator Elizabeth Warren saying: "She was warned. She was given an explanation. Nevertheless, she persisted." When I first read this quote and heard the story that accompanies it, it immediately spoke to my heart. My first thought was: "I hope someone says that about me some day." But then I thought about it some more. I thought about my story. I thought about the times I have been warned. The times I

have been given an explanation. The times I have been told that I couldn't. The times I have been told I should give up. It occurred to me that that phrase was in me and with me my whole life. I persist. I do not let go.

While there are times that this is a beautiful and admirable trait,

one of the most frustrating endeavors. For no one can force another person to change. And in continually trying to force someone you love to meet your expectations for them, when this would require them to change, is maddening. It is a fool's errand. As hard as it is, we chose to either love them the way they are or to move on – whether that means leaving the relationship

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Nevertheless, she persisted."

—Senator Mitch McConnell

there are also times where this can become stubborn willfulness. There have been times in my life where I should have moved on, or shifted directions. There have been times that I needed to let go.

Have you ever clung desperately to your expectations of how someone in your life was supposed to be? Have you tried to change a loved one against their will? It doesn't work very well. It can be

or just accepting that they will not meet the expectations, allowing us to enjoy the ways in which they are blessings in our lives. As author, Deborah Reber puts it: "Letting go doesn't mean that you don't care about someone anymore. It's just realizing that the only person you have control over is yourself."

Finding the balance between when to hold on and when to let go

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Do Easter, Mother's Day, Father's Day Graduation and others....
Have you puzzled? Relax! UUCTC's Gift Card Program is here to ease your mind.



Order forms are available on the desk outside the office
and in the narthex.

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Orders are due by March 19th after service



UUSJ Clothing Drive...



With the changing weather, our annual Goodwill Clothing Drive is rapidly approaching. As you sort out clothing no longer needed, consider turning them into cash for someone in need.

For every bag of clothing collected and donated to Goodwill Industries, we receive money vouchers that we then distribute to local charities.

The main collection day will be in early June, but if you need to, you can bring your bags to the upper room of the Fellowship Hall before then. Be sure to label them "Goodwill." Please use the white 13 gallon kitchen bags, or something similar, which are easier for both you and us to carry. This is a clothing drive; no shoes, belts, hangers, or household items are accepted.



More Than a Slogan

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make a difference somewhere else.

In the months and years to come, we as people of faith and conscience are going to have a lot of hard choices to make about what justice issues to address and how. Our current political leaders have proposed and are carrying out harmful legislation and we will have hard choices about how best to use our collective voices to effect change in our communities and in this country. There will be a lot of issues that call to us. There will be a lot of people fearful and put in harms way. We will have to choose when to persist and when to let go. We will have to choose which battles are worth fighting. We will have hard, hard choices to make.

When I make choices about what justice battles to keep fighting, I try to remember not just what I have the power to change but also who will most suffer if I back down. I try to remember how much relative privilege I have and how vulnerable the most marginalized among us can be. I try to hold in my heart not just my needs but the needs of those with much less power than I have

and the needs of the voiceless, such as our earth. I try to listen to the voices at the margins who help me to know what to do. And I listen to a voice deep within myself, one that I hear in the silence of my prayer or in the movement of my yoga practice. That voice, my intuition, usually gives me a pretty good idea of where I should focus my energy. Of where I should persist and where I should let go.

Friends, letting go can be so hard. It can call to question our very core identities. It can break us open and tear us apart. And it can open us to profound new possibilities. It can allow us to become something new. It can make space for something more to come into our lives. It can provide the respite we need to accomplish something greater in our lives or in the world. It can be worth the hardship. As we explore this theme together, know that I am here for you. The people of this church are here for you. The universe is here for you. You are never alone. You are loved. We are in this together.

Blessings,

Rev. Elizabeth

is tricky. Knowing when to give into the loss of a relationship or when to strive to find a way forward together, for example, can be exceptionally difficult. Knowing when to keep fighting a disease or when to gracefully let go of your hold on this life can be excruciating. Knowing when to stand up and speak out about problematic decisions made by our leaders and when to move on to the next justice issue of the day can be soul wrenching.

Author Eckhart Tolle reminds us that "sometimes letting things go is an act of far greater power than defending or hanging on." Sometimes, we can waste energy throwing rocks at something that cannot be changed in this moment. Sometimes, we need to take a step back and take a breath and prepare for the next big fight. Sometimes, we cannot change what is before us, as much as we yearn to, but we might be able to

Feature^{Story}

Religious Education (RE) Director, Nicole Rice

“Exploring the Theme of Freedom in February”



Mystery Pals

We completed another round of mystery pals, an intergenerational pen pal program, matching youth with youthful adults. Eighteen people participated in this round and we really enjoyed exchanging letters and sharing snacks.

OWL

Our OWL (Our Whole Lives) program is going strong for the spring semester. Kat Braz and Barny Dunning are facilitating the program, which teaches 7th-9th graders more about topics such as: anatomy, puberty, gender roles/identity, and building relationships. We have fifteen 7th-9th graders registered for this session. Amy French recently attended facilitator training for young adults/adults so be on the lookout for more information on that in the coming months.

Sickness Horcrux

The 6th-12th graders have been busy fighting the sickness horcrux in the month of February. They made dried soup mixes and lavender bath salts to sell to raise money for St. Jude Children's Research Hospital. So far, we have raised over \$400. Way to go!!!

Acts of Kindness

We celebrated “acts of kindness” month in February and decorated hearts to represent the various acts of kindness. Check out our display in the hallway and see what great things we've done to help others. Feel free to fill out your own hearts and spread the kindness around the building.

Valentine Making (see attached for pictures)

We had a spirit circle on February 12th to make valentines for the CARES committee. The RE classes made dozens of cards to show their love.



Save the Date

March 19: Farewell to Lizz Cohen after service in Fellowship Hall

April 2: Seed Planting Party in the Playground

April 23: Earth Day Recycle Fair

May 6: Annual Plant Sale

May 7: Congregational Meeting

June: UUSJ Clothing Drive
TBD

Wheel of the Year



Ostara is the Pagan celebration of the Vernal (Spring)

Equinox. The day and

the night are the same length, on this the day when spring begins according to the solar calendar. In 2017 the Vernal Equinox is on March 20 at 10:29am.

We will have our celebration the Friday before (**March 17th at 7PM**). This a family friendly service. Light refreshments will be served. Come join us for an evening of singing, poetry reading and fellowship.

Kirsten Reynolds

An Awakening...

A Preview of Worship and Forum

March 12 at 10:30 A.M.

Topic: **Celebrate Holi**

Speaker: **Neelu Chawla**

Love transcends. March 13 is Holi is the Hindu celebration of Lord Krishna and his beloved Radha's transcendent love. To celebrate Holi, we throw colors on each other, just like Krishna threw colors on Radha in the holy city of Vrindhavan, thousands of years ago. Let's celebrate Divine Love! Let's celebrate Holi! We will provide powdered colors to throw on each other so wear clothes that you don't mind get messy with lovely colors.

March 19 at 10:30 A.M.

Topic: **"Nevertheless, She Persisted"**

Speaker: **Rev. Elizabeth Carrier-Ladd**

Women throughout history have responded to setbacks and obstacles with remarkable persistence. Join us for this all ages services that celebrates some of the most persistent and inspiring women of our history.



March 26 at 10:30 A.M.

Topic: **Finding spiritual meaning in a society that sometimes makes it hard to find.**

Speaker: **Kelly Besecke**

Educated spiritual seekers are often looking for the intersection between "what's inspiring" and "what makes sense." In a society that can feel increasingly demoralizing and nonsensical, what are some of the tools that progressive religion offers to help us find intellectually satisfying spiritual meanings in our own lives and be "activists for meaning" in the larger society?

March 12 at 9:00A.M.

Topic: **LUM's After School Program**

Speaker: **Rev. Ms. Cindy L. Haley**

LUM offers the After School Program during the school year for students who need a place to go to so their parents can work after school hours. We provide a safe, loving place where they are able to complete their homework, have tutoring, a nutritious snack, and fun! In the summer, we offer Fifth Quarter. This is a day care for school age children with an emphasis on learning. A brief history of the After School Program and Fifth Quarter along with what services we provide and the need for volunteers will be shared in this presentation.

March 19 at 9:00A.M.

Topic: **"Nevertheless, She Persisted"**

Speaker: **Matthew Barron**

Matthew Barron is a medical technologist and fiction author from Indianapolis who has been volunteering with the Indiana Chapter of Americans United for Separation of Church and State since 2008. He serves on the national organization's National Leadership Council and is the local chapter's representative on the HAPA (Health Access and Privacy Alliance) coalition where he helps with messaging.

Our primary goal is to educate the citizens of the Hoosier state regarding the importance of religious liberty through the separation of church and state

March 26 at 9:00A.M.

Topic: **TBD**

Speaker: **TBD**

UUCTC Monthly Calendar

MARCH 2017

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
26 9:00 AM Forum (101) 10:30 AM Worship & RE 12:00 PM Mystery Pals Reveal Celebration 5:00 PM 7th-9th grade OWL class	27 7:30 AM Qi Gong (FH) 8:30 AM Zumba Class (FH) 12:00 PM 12 Step Meeting (FH) 2:30 PM Girl Scout Troop 1436 (FH) 7:00 PM 12 Step Meeting (anon FH) 7:00 PM Monday Meditation (101)	28 12:00 PM 12 Step Meeting (FH) 6:30 PM N.A. (212) 7:00 PM Documentary "Living for 32", room 101/103 7:00 PM Lafayette Chamber Singers (S)	1 7:30 AM Qi Gong (FH) 7:00 PM Blue Moon Rising Choir(101/103)	2 5:00 PM Meditation (M) 5:40 PM Dinner @MCL 6:00 PM Finance Committee (102) 6:00 PM UUSJ is hosting the Community Read (101/103)	3 7:30 AM Qi Gong (FH) 8:30 AM Zumba Class (FH) 12:00 PM 12 Step Meeting (FH)	4 7:30 AM Zen Meditation (M) 1:00 PM Burniskes Birthday party(101/103)
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Leadership & Empowerment

...A Visit to Washington by Amy Austin



It's easy to feel alone when you're sitting at home making phone calls and signing petitions. It makes you feel like you're the only one who cares. But being in a sea of thousands upon thousands of women and men who are literally all moving in the same direction gave me hope that I am not alone, that there are more of us than there are of them. Knowing that the gatherings - the largest of their

kind in the history of this country - were entirely peaceful made me proud. Walking the monuments in DC the day after, from the Thomas Jefferson Memorial to the Vietnam Memorial, punctuated how inappropriate the current president is for the position. I can't imagine any of his words carved in stone and on display to the ages.

We have a great deal of work to do over the coming years, but I have confidence that the passionate, intelligent, committed women I saw in Washington DC are up for the job. When I get discouraged by the news, I close my eyes and remember how it felt to be there, surrounded by people like myself who are hungry for change.

It inspired me to come home and sign up to help plan the April 22 March for Science here in Tippecanoe County.

While being in DC was an amazing experience, hearing news of the local march made me realize that my place is here at home, with my people, doing everything we can to affect change for ourselves and our neighbors.



WANTED, NEEDED, and REQUIRED

**Photographers and Writers
for a Grand Adventure...UUCTC's Lighted Chalice**

**If you are interested, please contact
board president Dorothy Hughes,
djhugheslmhc@gmail.com
or 765-237-7652.**

**THANK YOU Lynn(Holland) for your hard work.
We Appreciate you!!!!**



A Facilitator of Chalice Circle

by Susanne McConville



As a facilitator of a Chalice Circle, I have had the pleasure of watching my group grow in friendship, respect, confidence, and wisdom. I carry the hope of the seed planted growing into something significant.

From month to month, “checking in” allows us a peek into each others lives, however mundane or exciting they may be. Because we have both common interests, and different opinions, friendships sprout and our experience is richer.

Deep listening requires us to be fully present while someone is speaking. What is required of us is to let go of our inner chattering and our impulse to react or respond. It is attentive listening, rather than active or reactive listening. We become aware of our unbridled impulse to talk, and find a different way the mind can work; a way that is open, calm, alert, and receptive. Our propensity to sway someone to our way of thinking must be recognized

and restrained. It’s challenging to be that receptive! Yet what develops in each person is a deep respect for each other, for their life situation, for their beliefs, their interests, their hopes and dreams. This respect is reciprocal, and forms a bond of trust.

The covenant, or promise, that the group collectively makes at the



beginning of the session paves the way for confidence in everyone being treated fairly. It’s a list of ground rules that define the ways we commit to interact with one another. Each member can feel the freedom of knowing their presence is honored and respected. This makes it safe to speak from the heart.

Wisdom is the ability to use your knowledge and experience to make good decisions and judgments. For UU’s, wisdom from all religions of the world inspires us in our ethical and spiritual life. My group comes

from a variety of religious backgrounds. Sharing our stories, and the wisdom gained from experience, generally brings an optimism that life’s problems can somehow be solved. Being deeply listened to by the group affirms one’s dignity and worth and creates a certainty that there is a benevolent intelligence at work within.

As for myself, having come from a religious tradition rich in mysticism and ritual, Greek Orthodox and then Catholic, and now as a yogi and energy healer, I often long for something ethereal. The intimacies we experience in Chalice Circle are bonds of trust, respect, friendship, confidence, and wisdom. Life becomes meaningful when the relationships we develop lift us out of the mundane into a sense of the sacred. While ultimacy, or God, or the universe, is defined differently by everyone in our congregations, we can all experience a deeper, more subtle power in these connections that are transformative. The pagan in me knows that as it is within, so it is without, and I look forward to the transformation of our larger community as well.

Turning the page...

Feminist Book Group:

73 Books and Counting



Since Linda S. Prokopy set out the signup sheet for the monthly Feminist Book Group in late 2010, members have read and discussed 73 books by women authors.

The adventure began with “Remarkable Creatures” by Tracy Chevalier. Among other authors have been Chimamanda Ngozi Adichie, Roxane Gay, Dina Nayeri, Charlotte Rogan and Padma Viswanathan.

“That’s a crazy number of books,” Prokopy says. “But we’ve barely made a dent in all the many great books written by women, so here’s to another 73.”

Members volunteer to host the discussions—and those can be lively since readers are not always on the same page with their opinions. Those

attending are expected to have read the book, and chit chat waits until after the book discussion.

Fiction, International Books Most Popular

Titles are chosen once a year, by consensus. Most are fiction, many by authors from and about countries other than the U.S. A few have been feminist classics, and several won the PEN/Bellwether Prize for Socially Engaged Fiction.

What’s kept the group going all these years? “The secret is a small group of committed members who read the books,” Prokopy says. “We have great discussions about the books, which trigger discussions about life—and that keeps people coming back.”

In mid-2015, the group began rating books on content and discussion potential. High marks last year went to “The Nightingale” by Kristin Hannah, “Behind the Beautiful Forevers” by Katherine Boo (nonfiction) and “The Turner House” by Angela Flournoy.



Each service auction, the group contributes a basket of books read and discussed, wine, chocolate, tissues (some books are sad) and reading-related items.

Join in

Upcoming titles include “The Door” by Magda Szabó, “Oranges are Not the Only Fruit” by Jeanette Winterson and “The Leavers” by Lisa Ko.

Reminder: “Feminist” is not gender-limiting. Feminists are people who believe in the political, economic and social equality of all, so group members include women and men.

Interested? Send Prokopy an email to join the list—and the discussions:

lprokopy@purdue.edu

The “LIVING FOR 32” Link

...a multi-award winning documentary showing a survivor of the April 2007 Virginia Tech shooting's journey into gun availability in this country and his choice to become an advocate with the Brady Center.

The movie is available online at <http://livingfor32.com/>.

The Guild of the Gods by Beth Zimmerman

The Guild of the Gods would like to invite you to spend Ostara/Spring Equinox with us at Bellinger's Pond 10am-6pm on Saturday 3/25. We have a wonderful day of activities planned for all ages! After introducing ourselves to the area, we will offer a chance for adults to be cleansed in the pond for a personal reset. (Please see our Facebook event for further instructions, if interested in participating in this part.) We will have Eostre egg hunts for both

children and adults, then roll our own eggs for a personal divination. After a leisurely potluck lunch, Ben will tell us the story of Lakshmi and lead us in making origami lotus blossoms. The kids will have a scavenger hunt to see who can collect the most litter, with prizes, while we collect materials to make personal charms to take home. Our tribe of children will get a chance to make us our own happy to plant and grow as we craft our

charms. We will then come together for a last, formal ritual. We are asking everyone to bring instruments, drums, and dance clothes, and Beth will teach everyone to Walk in Rhythm! We will improvise song and dance, and close out a day of offerings by welcoming the lady of prosperity to wish us the best for this spring. Guests are welcome to come for the whole day, or pop in as available. Thanks to the Equinox, we should have daylight for all the activities, and be able to send everyone home by dark!

Celebration of Life



Karl B.

Lohmann, Jr., age 91, of West Lafayette, died peacefully on Saturday, **October 2, 1925 – February 11, 2017**, at Westminster

Village, surrounded by family. He was born in Champaign, Illinois on October 2, 1925, the son of Professor Karl B. Lohmann and Jane England Lohmann. After graduating from Urbana High School in 1943, he served in the Army Air Corps during World War II as a radio operator, flying extensively in China, Burma, and India and completing numerous trips across the Himalayan

Mountains transport route known as "The Hump".

Upon return to the U.S., he earned a B.S. degree from the University of Illinois in 1950 and a M.S. from Indiana University in 1952. Early work experience included census enumerator, newspaper reporter/photographer, and commercial television director. From 1953-1959 he produced films for the University of Michigan Television Office and was a production consultant for National Educational Television, a forerunner of the Public Broadcasting Service. From 1959 until his retirement in 1990 he was employed by Purdue University as a film and television producer-director. He is survived by his wife Joan J. Lohmann, to whom he was married

for 65 years, and by three children: daughter Kathleen Baumann (husband David) of Odenton, Maryland; son Kenneth J. Lohmann (wife Catherine) of Chapel Hill, North Carolina; and daughter Sara L. Kirk (husband Paul) of Gainesville, Florida. He has five grandchildren and four great-grandchildren. He was preceded in death by his sister Elizabeth "Betty"

Faucett of Champaign, Illinois.

To read the complete obituary, please visit

<http://www.legacy.com/obituaries/jconline/obituary.aspx?n=karl-b-lohmann&pid=184135906>

Special Parents-Special Kids



Members of the Social Justice Committee have decided upon the theme “Love Wins” to guide our efforts during 2017. Special Parents- Special Kids Inc. was chosen by the committee as the recipient for Change for Change in March and April. In all the work done through Special Parents- Special Kids Inc love is winning!

The organization provides parent support groups, educational programs and special events for families in the Greater Lafayette area who have children with special needs. Financial help is available to families in need through gas and grocery cards when the organization has resources to share. Director Tiffany Kendall recognized the need for a way for parents of children with special needs to support one another and share information about services and resources.

Special Parents- Special Kids Inc developed a Parent Resource Guide for families that is especially important for parents who are just beginning the journey of getting therapy for their children.

Director Tiffany Kendall has developed a network for parents who need help or just need to talk to another parent who understands the challenges of parenting a child with special needs. At this time there are 390 families who participate in parent support groups, parent trainings and family events such as monthly activities at My Gym. Tiffany tries to find ways to finance activities, such as visiting the Columbia Park zoo or Craft Nights for families who cannot afford to participate.

For families whose children are unable to communicate there is an increasing need to purchase iPads for communication needs. Tiffany’s own child uses an iPad to communicate with his family and therapists. She hopes someday Special Parents Special Kids Inc. will have resources to assist parents who are unable to afford this important tool.

Let’s come together and help Special Parents Special Kids continue to grow and help families

by giving generously to Change for Change. Love grows around in a circle, then comes back knocking on our front door. Thanks.

From a mother member:
“Tiffany Kendall has to be one of the kindest people I have ever met. She has and continues to go the extra step to connect people with people (be it other parents or professionals that may be able to help)! It is refreshing to know someone who is eager to not only talk about helping people but then to actually do it! This is a fantastic group to be a part of, and I cannot



wait to see how it continues to develop!”

Another parent writes:
“Special Parents-Special kids is fantastic! They have great & fun activities constantly planned for the kids! They also have help available for real needs that may arise. anything.

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