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"Together we CAN stop child abuse and neglect"

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30th Anniversary Celebration

September 30 is the date we will wrap up our 30th year anniversary celebration. Watch the website for more details.

Save the Date!



Our 30th Anniversary Gift to You.....

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Yes, it's true! You save while you help us to help children and families in Saginaw County! The no-cost CAN Council Rx card* gives you discounts on prescription drugs at more than 58,000 participating pharmacies, immediately saving you up to 85% on the cost of both brand-name and generic drugs!

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CAN Talk is a quarterly publication of the CAN Council Saginaw County, 1311 N. Michigan Ave., Saginaw, MI 48602, and is distributed as a complimentary service to supporters and other professionals.

In July and August, you can participate in one or more exciting opportunities to help us raise awareness about the importance of keeping our children safe:

- WIOG Roof Sit
- Weichert Fill A Van for CAN
- PRIDE Family Night
- Lizard Fair
- Healthy You-N-the Zoo
- Back-to-School at the Zoo
- Saginaw's Day for Kids
- Lake Huron Child Safety Day
- Children's Fun Day
- National Night Out
- Children's Lawn Chair Film Festival
- Krusin' for Kids Bike Run

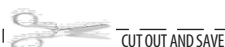
These are just a few of the ideas you will see throughout this newsletter. At the same time, we would welcome the opportunity to talk with you about how you see yourself getting involved in our mission: "To build a community where children are free from abuse and neglect!" If you have been looking for a place where you can make a tremendous difference, please give us a call at (989) 752-7226.

Because it is a beautiful Michigan summer, many of us are planning and enjoying summer vacations—what a great time to create fabulous memories with the children in our lives! Whether you travel by plane, car or foot, take a moment to review our Parent's Corner Tips for Travelling with Children—it really can be fun!

Finally, please mark your calendars to join us on Thursday, September 30th to wrap up our 30th Anniversary Celebration! There will be more details to follow on our website at www.cancouncil.org. Check it out!

Grateful for your support,

Suzanne Greenberg
President/CEO



TO REPORT SUSPECTED ABUSE OR NEGLECT, PLEASE CALL:

Saginaw County
Department of Human
Services: Protective
Services Division

(989) 758-2200

Para reportar una sospecha de abuso sexual a un niño, llame al DHS al número (989) 758-2200.

Where to find help ...

Report Abuse	989-758-2200
CAN Council (CAC, CAPE, CASA)	989-752-7226
Child & Family Services (Counseling).....	989-790-7500
Community Child Care (Referral Service).....	989-497-0680
Crisis Center (Mental Health).....	989-792-9732
Family Youth Initiative (Teen Support)	877-FYI-4YOU
Innerlink (Teen Runaway)	989-753-3431
Lead Hotline.....	800-MI-TOXIC
Mental Health Services	989-797-3400
Parent Helpline	800-942-HELP
Parent Resource Center (Parent/Child Programs)	989-759-3625
Sexual Assault Program (SAP) (Counseling)	989-790-9118
Underground Railroad (Domestic Violence).....	989-755-0411
Westlund Guidance Clinic (Counseling)	989-793-4790

THROUGH RAIN, SLEET AND DRIVING SNOW

Our Army of BABY THINK IT OVER Volunteers Came Through!

This school year was very successful for the Baby Think It Over (BTIO) program. The infant simulators were in ten schools and 789 students had the RealCare Baby experience. Our volunteers played a vital role in the success of this program.

On Friday the infant simulators are delivered to the students. **Andra Stackhouse** came in every Friday and helped load the babies into the van.

First thing every Monday morning at or before 7 a.m. the babies must be picked up—that's where **Michelle Wright** would come along to assist. She even suggested and helped implement a new process to make pick up day a lot easier.

Once the infants are returned they have to be undressed, washed, all the clothes must be laundered and then re-dressed before Friday's drop off. In addition, EVERY baby must go through a detailed diagnostic test to ensure that it is working properly for the next class. There were two teams that became pros at the procedure. Thank you to **Kim Sujkowski** and **Wendy Rhodes** and to **Gail Schnurstein** and **Jan Dise!**



Another amazing improvement to the program was a custom shelving system for the infant simulators designed and built by **Vic Davila**. This eliminated the weekly nightmare of untangling cords for more than sixty simulators.

The generosity and time our BTIO volunteers donated allowed the Baby Think It Over program to be successful and to provide services to even more students in Saginaw County.

CHILD ABUSE PREVENTION MONTH BY THE NUMBERS

What do you get when Catherine Martinez, our Community Outreach Coordinator, gets boxes and boxes and boxes of blue pinwheels?

- 21-organizations to participate in CAP Month
- 4,414 -pinwheels with a prevention message distributed
- \$4,160 -raised to help prevent child abuse prevention

Thank you to the following organizations for their participation:

Raising Donations: Exchange Club, Sam's Club, St. Matthews Episcopal Church, Morley Company, Family First Credit Union, Delta College, Ricker Jr. High Fair, Consumers Choice Credit Union, Security Credit Union, Village Veterinary Clinic, Firstbank Alma, McDonalds Restuarants (M-81, Holland, & Dixie Hwy)

Pinwheel Gardens: Intermediate School District, Claytor Headstart, and Covenant HealthCare Emergency Department

Community Awareness: Intermediate School District, Saginaw Chamber of Commerce -Lead Group, Carrollton Health Fair, Saginaw Social Service Club, Farm & Garden Association, DOVIA Group Meeting, HeadStart -Claytor, Saginaw On Stage, and YMCA Healthy Kids Day



Blue Ribbons: Saginaw County Court House, Tri-Star Trust Bank, Family First Credit Union, Douglas Family Vision, Wakeman Funeral Home Inc., Denture Care Clinic, American Red Cross, State Farm Insurance, GAB Auto Sales, Cederberg Brietzke Funeral Home, Faucher Dental Group, McIntyre Funeral Chapel, Covenant HealthCare Imaging and Diagnostic, GP Rousseau, John Lazano, Andrea & James Mertz Denistry.

Parent's Corner

ROAD TRIP VACATIONS

Reality check - Traveling is unpredictable. See it as an adventure rather than just a destination. Enjoy the ride and keep a sense of humor.

Set the expectations. Discuss everyone's ideas about what they want to get out of the vacation.

Get excited. Talk about the people, sites, and activities your children will experience.

Beyond the suitcase. Plan to pack snacks, layers of clothing that can be adjusted to the temperature. Quiet activities items such as toys, books, pencils, crayons, paper, etc.

Be mindful of physical needs. Take short breaks more often than if only adults were in the car (you aren't sitting in a car seat). Plan to eat at parks so the kids can play, run and move. Stick to normal nap times and eating times as much as possible.

Plugged In? DVD's, electronic games and iPods have their time and place. In addition, use some of your car time to get "plugged into" your family.

Make the kids the navigator. Give the kids a map to follow your route, watch for road signs and estimate "how long it will take to get there".

Discover the real words in songs. Print out songs your kids love; camp songs that can go on and on; songs you knew as a child – It is a great time to share.

Read books out-loud. Kids and adults love to hear stories (what do you think books on CD's are all about?).

Look out the window. Download copies of traveling games that require the kids to observe what is going on outside the car: The License Plate Game, Counting Cows Game, I Spy.

Teach some old games. Take magnetic games (like chess, backgammon, checkers, or Chinese checkers). Remember string games such as Cats Cradle or String Loops, clapping rhymes games?

<http://www.kiddles.com/lyrics/busy.html>
<http://www.ultimatecampresource.com/>
<http://fun.familyeducation.com/slideshow/travel-games/48985.html?page=1>
http://www.ifyoulovetoread.com/book/chten_cats1105.htm
<http://www.gameskidsplay.net/games/clappingrhythmsgames/index.htm>

CHILD ABDUCTION RESPONSE

In April, several professionals from Saginaw County went to Jacksonville, FL for training as a Child Abduction Response Team (CART).

Eleven professionals including: **Detective Ryan Oberle** and **Detective Scott Richmond** from the Saginaw Police Dept., **Trooper Hillary House** from Michigan State Police, **Detective Dave Kerns** from the Saginaw County Sheriff Dept., **Officer Reggie Williams** from the Saginaw Police Dept., **Randy Price** a Saginaw County Assistant Prosecutor, **Derrick Voltz** a Child Protective Service worker, **Tracy Kaul** a Victim's Advocate from Child and Family Services and three members of our CAC, **Bonnie Skornia**, **Barb Andrews** and **Sarah Bertrand** attended this intensive week long training.



These professionals will form the core CART team with other team members and disciplines being added as the ground work is completed. The training, lodging and travel was funded through a grant written by Detectives Ryan Oberle and Scott Richmond.

Thankfully child abduction has not been a big problem in Saginaw County, but if an abduction takes place, Saginaw County will be much better prepared to respond to this type of situation. Thank you Ryan and Scott for finding the grant, having the passion for children and pulling the CART core team together!

Silence, ignorance and apathy are the child predator's greatest allies!

NEW FACE

We are pleased to announce that the newest member of our CASA team is, **Michelle Kendall**.



She has been hired as a CASA Volunteer Supervisor. Michelle graduated with a Bachelors degree in Social Work from Saginaw Valley State University, a BS degree in Criminal Justice from Ferris State University and a Paralegal degree from Delta College. She was employed at Saginaw Juvenile Court as a School Truancy Coordinator. Michelle is currently a Sexual Assault Advocate with Child and Family Services and in May was sworn in as a CASA volunteer. Michelle brings a wealth of experience including family court, medical, paralegal and so much more.

Michelle has been hired on a full time basis to assist in expanding our program through recruitment of 30 new CASA volunteers!

6 NEW CASA'S

On May 20, Family Court was the setting as five new CASA's took their oaths as officers of the court. Pictured with the Honorable Faye Harrison is **Stacie Duclos**, **Tim Robinson**, **Devona Carethers**, **Michelle Kendall** and **Evana Nelson** (**Daniel Clarke** not pictured).



Board Chair, Drewe Robinson and Guest Speaker, Val Lee were on hand to welcome and provide congratulations. The ceremony was followed by a reception for family and friends. Welcome, you truly are extraordinary! Four of these new volunteers are already serving as advocates for children who are victims of abuse and neglect.

Be the Difference in a Child's Life. Applications are being accepted for the fall 2010 class. If you are interested in finding out more information about the CASA program, please call Michelle Kendall at (989) 752-7226.

CASA PROGRAM STRENGTHENED THROUGH GRANTS

Our CASA program has been selected to receive two National Court Appointed Special Advocate Association grants to expand our program. These grants allowed us to now hire our new CASA Supervisor, Michelle Kendall. With the help of the second grant, she will recruit, train, and add 30 new CASAs who will be advocating for 30 to 50 children. The CASA Supervisor will assist these new CASA volunteers with their court reports and help to create ongoing training to help them provide the best advocacy for our children!



CASA DIRECTOR ATTENDS NATIONAL CASA CONFERENCE

Randy Roberts, CASA Program Director, recently attended the 29th Annual National CASA Conference in Atlanta, Georgia. The conference provided extremely educational and important workshops to help us move forward with our program and provide support for the children in Saginaw County who are abused and neglected. The picture is of Randy with Ryan Fewins-Bliss, Interim State of Michigan CASA Director.



DON'T FORGET TO BUY YOUR RAFFLE TICKET!!

Spence Brothers has built and donated a children's playhouse to the CASA Program of Saginaw County. This is a signature project for CASA programs around the nation. This year a weekend stay at the Homestead Resort in Glen Arbor, donated by Randy Barst and a homemade quilt limited edition have been donated. Raffle tickets are being sold around the county at many activities. We have participated at Bintz Apple Mountain, the Garber Classic Car Night, and the Taste of Saginaw. Ticket sales will continue through July and until the drawing on August 13th at the Friday Night Live Kids Night in downtown Saginaw. Tickets are \$2 each or 3 for \$5.



■ GOLF HIGHLIGHTS

GOLF OUTING SETS NEW RECORDS

Thanks to our sponsors, golfers and donors, the 12th Annual Golf Scramble has set both a new attendance and gross proceeds record! This year 120 golfers enjoyed great golf, great food, and great fellowship at Swan Valley Golf Club resulting in over \$28,000 being raised to benefit the Children's Advocacy Center.

Join us in thanking our sponsors

Event

Walmart on Brockway

Cart

Hilliard Lyons-LeRoy Bartnikowski Group

Dinner

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Hole-in-One

Garber Buick

Lunch

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Putting Contest

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Although no one got to drive the new Buick home for a hole-in-one and Joe Grigg missed the 60 foot \$10,000 putt by "just that much", the golfers enjoyed a very warm day in beautiful sunshine. Each golfer will receive a team photo thanks to Image Artz Photography. Many area businesses helped by donating items for door prizes and our auction. A special thank you to our golf committee for their hard work: Sue Adams, Barb Andrews, Terianne Carey, Vic Davila, Ray Eickholt, Amy Flood, Delores Gale, Dave Kerns, Rich Mallette, Catherine Martinez, Bonnie Skornia, and Mindy Worden. Thanks also to our volunteers and Joe LeFevre and his staff at Swan Valley for making it a special day.

■ CAC PROGRAM HIGHLIGHTS

CAC CASE COORDINATOR RECEIVES MASTER DEGREE

The CAC's Case Coordinator, **Sarah Bertrand**, received her Master's Degree in Social Work from Michigan State University this May. Sarah has been with the CAC since August 28, 2006 and will continue to work closely with the multidisciplinary team on suspected child abuse cases. Congratulations, Sarah!



LAW ENFORCEMENT OFFICERS OF THE YEAR

Exchange Club of Saginaw honored two of our own as "Law Enforcement Officer of the Year" with 6 others from local police agencies at the Saginaw Club on April 20th. The CAC is very proud to say that we work with some very dedicated and talented detectives who are passionate about the welfare of children. Two of the detectives that the CAC works with were also acknowledged by their departments as "Officer of the Year".

In April **Detective Mindy Worden**, Saginaw Township Police Department, was honored at their policeman's ball and **Detective Ryan Oberle** from the Saginaw Police Department was honored in May. The CAN Council as a whole would like to congratulate these two detectives, they are both very deserving of this award.

SAGINAW SPIRIT PARTNERSHIP

You may have noticed our volunteers selling 50-50 tickets at the Saginaw Spirit games throughout the past few seasons.



You may have thought, "I wonder if it's worth it". The answer is a resounding YES! The CAN Council decided to dedicate the funds we receive from this activity to our endowment fund. In the four years that we've been selling 50-50 tickets, we have earned \$5,287!!! Thank you 50-50 ticket seller volunteers, thank you all you ticket buyers, and a special thank you to the Saginaw Spirit Foundation for providing this opportunity.

FILL A VAN OPPORTUNITY

On July 29th, Weichert Realty will have our CAN van parked in their lot and are asking the



public to donate items from our wish list (go to www.cancouncil.org to view the list). Weichert is reaching out to its network and we hope you join in the fun.

EMMAUS HOUSE PARTNERSHIP

The CAN Council is partnering with Emmaus House to help parents provide for their children.



They have a program called "Blessings for Babies" gift bags that provide new clothing, books, and basic newborn needs. Donations of new sleepers, onesies, receiving blankets, diapers, wipes and bottles will be distributed to Teen Parenting, Abortion Alternatives and Emmaus House through this program.

Periodically donations of children's clothing, toys, and books are given to the CAN Council. If we have an excess of donations, we will be sharing them with Emmaus House clients. Donors are encouraged to remember the needs of the children in our area including: new underwear and socks, diapers, coats, boots, scarves, gloves, new and

WATER, WATER EVERYWHERE

A few weeks ago we opened the



office to find the contents of our water heater no longer in the heater and all over our floor. Our knights in shining armor arrived and they are **Etna Supply Co.** who generously donated the water heater and **Michael Adams of Custom Contracting** who quickly installed it. Thanks for pulling together to get us back on track!

OPES LANDSCAPING & THE LAWN

DOCTOR SCORE BIG

Have you driven by the CAN Council lately and noticed



how much better our lawn is looking? We have Opes Landscaping and The Lawn Doctor to thank for donating their services to make our grounds



look beautiful again—thank you!

EASY WAYS TO HELP

Every year many businesses, groups and individuals find simple ways to direct donations to the CAN Council. Recently the **Department of Corrections** collected \$60 during their 'Casual Friday' event; **Kelsey Krzyzaniak** held a



bake sale at St. Charles High School and raised \$80; and **David Milka** raced a marathon and procured \$150 in pledges.

Sharon Raabe keeps busy making dozens and dozens of blankets for our kids; **Dan Parker** writes and maintains our databases; and **George Baumann** built us an amazing trash cage to keep the critters out.

Thanks to everyone for your creativity and generosity.



In the Spirit of Giving

During the Month of April in Honor of April Child Abuse Prevention Month, Board Member, **Vickie Stuart** encourages her small congregation of **St. Matthews Episcopal Church**, Center Road-Saginaw Township, to be a voice in the prevention of child abuse. A total of \$489.16 and Ten \$10 gift certificates to Meijer was collected and presented to the CAN Council.

In addition, on the morning of April 24th the CAN van was parked in the church lot to receive donations as part of the "Fill a van for CAN". Members were asked to bring in donated items from the CAN Wish List.

KISS A PIG, WHAT??

Imagine our surprise when we opened the mail and received a check for \$109.08 from Bay City Western.



When we called to find out why, we were told that **Shannon Gerhardt** and other students had been on our website and were impressed with the CASA program (which Bay County does not have) and wanted to help. Their answer was to receive pledges for a 'Kiss a Pig' event. Thank you **Principal Phil Heller** for puckering up.

TJX FOUNDATION SUPPORTS CAC

We were thrilled to receive a \$5,000 grant from the TJX



Foundation. Their foundation concentrates its giving to programs that help women and children. We are honored that they chose our CAC program for this donation. Our TJ Maxx store is the local tie in to the foundation.



AWARD WINNERS

And the winner of the Great Lakes Bay Regional Lifestyle Magazine's Greatest of the Great Lakes Bay 2010 Charity Event is the CAN Council's Mardi Gras Auction! Community votes combined to give us this grand distinction through the magazine. Mark your calendar for February 24, 2011 to be part of this award winning event next year.



SAVE THE DATE

Come Celebrate in Style!
18th Annual Mardi Gras Auction
 February 24, 2011
 Apple Mountain Resort's
 Grand Ballroom



MASSAGE-A-THON

Genia Jarema, our 2010 CAN Do Award Winner, is creating a "You CAN Take 5 to Give \$5" massage event to benefit the CAN Council at the ALL ABOUT WOMEN Expo 2010.



Thousands of women attend this two day expo held at the Saginaw Valley State University Ryder Center, scheduled this year for Friday, November 5th and Saturday, November 6th. If you are a massage therapist and would like to volunteer to help, please call the CAN Council and we will put you in touch with Genia.

AT & T PARTNERSHIP

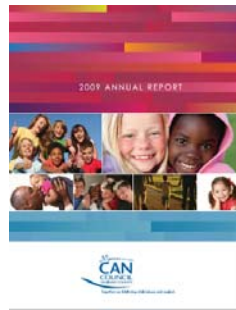
The CAN Council has created a partnership with AT & T to help report child abuse.



We receive many calls from individuals looking to report child abuse. State law requires a report be made to Children's Protective Services (CPS). It has been difficult in the past to locate the correct number to call when reporting child abuse. With the new AT & T phone books that will be published shortly, the CPS number will be highlighted in an ad located in the upper right hand corner and repeated every few pages. In addition, the yellow pages will have the number listed under the category 'Child Abuse Information'.

ANNUAL REPORT

The 2009 Annual Report is now available. For your copy, go to our website (www.cancouncil.org) or stop in to the office.



SHOW YOUR SUPPORT

Put the BRAKES on Child Abuse!

Kruisin ' 4 Kids Poker Run

See back page for more information.

Become a Fan or Follow the CAN Council!

WIOG LIZARD FAIR

WIOG's Lizard Fair will return August



14th to Dow Diamond in Midland for the second year. Headlining the show are IYAZ and retiring artist Boys Like Girls. Also scheduled to appear are Kevin Rudolph, White Tie Affair and Shontelle. Local group, Finding Clyde, of Essexville will open. Join the crowd for a fun evening. A portion of the concert proceeds will benefit the CAN Councils of Saginaw, Midland and Bay County. Tickets and information are available at Loons.com, WIOG.com and the Dow Diamond ticket office. Tickets range in price from \$15 for general admission bowl seats, to \$25 for general admission floor seats, and \$35 for VIP floor seats.

10th ANNUAL WIOG ROOF SIT

Join us for some yummy McDonald's food and drop off your donation at



kick off of our 10th Annual WIOG Roof Sit on July 21st. This is a joint fundraising event for our Tri-Counties. We'll be joining WIOG for live remotes in Bay City on Wilder Road from 7 a.m. to 9 a.m.; Midland at Eastman Road from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.; and Saginaw State Street from 5 p.m. to 7 p.m.

From July 21st through August 13th, a combined 24 participating McDonald's Restaurants will be taking donations at canisters at all of their registers (drive through and in restaurant). The real fun starts when we cheer on DJ Demas when he gets on the roof at the Wilder Road McDonald's on the morning of August 11th and lives there until the evening of August 12th when we bring him down from the roof complete with live music. August 11th is scheduled as a family fun day at the Bay City Wilder Road McDonald's with many family oriented activities—bring the kids and meet Ronald McDonald.

CAN COUNCIL ELECTS OFFICERS

The CAN Council Board recently elected its officers for the 2010-2011 year.

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*** New Board Members**

VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION

Eighty-five volunteers, guest and staff celebrated volunteer appreciation at the beautiful Germania Town & County Club on June 22. Board Chair Drewe Robinson provided the welcome, with the presentation of awards following lunch. Volunteers were treated to a lunch buffet, door prizes, certificates and a special gift for all those in attendance. If you were unable to make it to the event, please stop by the office and pick up your appreciation gift.

As a special treat to our award winners, Cheryl Hadsell of The Willows Hair Salon and Day Spa presented Mona Theil and Genia Jarema with "A Day at the Spa". Thank you to Cheryl for giving these special people a special treat!



CASA OF THE YEAR

Mona Theil was named CASA of the Year for 2010. Mona is a retired Pediatrics Registered Nurse and has raised 8 children as a single mother. She was sworn in on March 27, 2003 and has advocated for 26 children on 15 cases. She has volunteered 566 face to face contact hours with the CASA children and numerous more with service providers involved with her cases. She is a member of the Garden Club and volunteers at the Children's Museum. We would like to say congratulations and thank you Mona for your dedication to the children of Saginaw County.



2010 "CAN DO" WINNER

Eugenia "Genia" Jarema came to the CAN Council energized and interested in how she could make a difference. Immediately, she got busy on our Fund Development Committee and then joined the Mardi Gras Auction's Acquisition Committee. Her energy and "CAN DO" attitude made her unstoppable. Following our best auction yet, Genia wanted to do more and over two years—designed, planned and is implementing our first-ever event for CAN—a Massage-a-Thon! This fabulous event will take place during the Women's Expo in November - stay tuned! Congratulations Genia—our 2010 CAN-Do Volunteer of the Year.



VOLUNTEER GROUP OF THE YEAR

The **Exchange Club of Saginaw** was awarded the 1st annual "Volunteer Group of the Year" award at our recent annual appreciation event. President Mike Manzoni accepted the award on behalf of the organization. Pictured: Catherine Martinez, Mike Manzoni, Trish Speight, Buck Ruthenbar, Nancy Corrian, Jo Browlie and Sue Burk.

The Saginaw Exchange Club was honored for their contributions and continued support of the programs and services of the CAN Council. They plan an Annual Spaghetti Dinner to raise funds and awareness. They are actively involved as sponsors and participants of the Annual Mardi Gras Auction and Golf Scramble. The members play a major role in the Kick Off event for Child Abuse Prevention Month at the County Court House by planting pinwheels and tying blue ribbons around tree trunks. They assist with the Pinwheels for Prevention at Sam's Club and many special awareness events throughout the year. Many individuals also have recruited their employers to participate in raising awareness and funds for the CAN Council. Congratulations to the Exchange Club!





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