Surveyors Flock to '12 Symposium

League City was the center of the Texas surveying world last month as TSPS brought its annual Symposium education event and its first Quarterly Board Meeting to the South Shore Harbour Resort.

Some of the highlights from the two-days of TSPS happenings included:

• Board of Directors fills two vacant seats by selecting Chris Freeman and Shane Isbell as new directors
• Executive Director Anne Glasgow announced her retirement after 21 years with TSPS. Last day will be June 28. Directors have formed a Search Committee tasked with selecting candidates for the position.
• An $806,550 budget was approved by directors. The full budget, with line items, is printed annually in the March/April issue of The Texas Surveyor magazine.
• This year’s TSPS Symposium was a resounding success, with 232 paid attendees taking in Education courses Feb. 24-25, 2012 at South Shore Harbour Resort. Check the}

Shane Neally (left) and Al Hargraves presented the new TSPS brand course “Land Surveying – A Learned Profession”. See more photos on pages 4-5. (Photo by Craig Alderman)

TSPS calendar for future TSPS Education offerings, including 2012 TSPS Convention & Technology Exposition Oct. 10-13, 2012 in San Marcos!
• Board of Directors also approved the new Eminent Educator Award
Last year we encouraged the chapters to participate in the NSPS Surveying USA event that kicked off National Surveyors’ Week, and many of the Chapters participated with different events and venues. It was a lot of fun and Texas tied for the most GPS points shot that day.

This year National Surveyors’ Week is March 18 – 24, 2012 and NSPS just sent out information about GPS Day 2012 (fka NSPS Surveying USA). So again we would like to encourage chapters to participate.

Let’s get out and give the public an opportunity to observe local surveyors in action and to learn more about our profession! Take pictures and notes so we can submit them to the PR Committee and for Chapter Reports. Below is an NSPS piece from Bill Glassey about GPS Day 2012:

**GPS Day 2012**

*On Saturday, March 24, 2012 surveyors across North America will be hosting International GPS Day (fka NSPS Surveying USA) events to commemorate National Surveyors’ Week which begins on Sunday, March 18, 2012. Advanced Global Positioning System (GPS) equipment will be on display and simultaneously collecting data at sites throughout North America. The goal of International GPS Day is to give the public an opportunity to observe local surveyors in action and to learn more about one of the world’s oldest professions. Surveyors at each location will be available to answer questions about the event and to discuss the role of surveyors in the community. Anyone with a GPS unit (hand-held or otherwise) is welcome to join in the fun.

Please put the date on your calendar and plan to participate. Last year’s participants know how much fun this is, and have been anxious for this year’s information. We are coordinating our efforts with ESRI, and are hoping to have an interactive website, wherein each participant can enter his own location information, participants’ names, and possibly photos. Also, www.gpsday.com will be live soon, and additional information will be added as it becomes available. You are encouraged to process your data through OPUS prior to submittal, though it is not required.

Observer Checklist for OPUS

For information about participation not included in website, please contact Bill Glassey: billg@plsincsurvey.com

Sincerely,

Bill
R. William Glassey, P.L.S.
NSPS Governor WA
GPS Day Chairman
Denton City Council Recognizes Surveyors Week in Texas

The Mayor and City Council of Denton, Texas has declared March 18-24 as "Surveyors' Week" in the city, in conjunction with the National and Texas Surveyors' Week.

The proclamation was read at the council's March 6 meeting, with TSPS member Bill Coleman on hand to receive the proclamation and provide an explanation of Surveyors' Week to the Council and those in attendance.

A video of the City of Denton proclamation reading/prestation may be viewed [HERE].

Also, you can view the proclamation in jpg form [HERE].

Gov. Perry Signs Texas Surveyors' Week Proclamation


Haven't renewed your Sustaining Membership? Do so now to be listed in the next issue of The Texas Surveyor and to be first in line for booth space at the 61st TSPS Convention & Technology Exposition! Sustaining Members receive first opportunity to reserve the best booth space in the Expo Hall, discounts on advertising in TSPS publications and recognition in publications for your Sustaining Member status. Sign your business up today for a Sustaining Membership and be positioned for success at TSPS Convention and throughout this year!

Visit [www.tsps.org](http://www.tsps.org) or call 512-327-7871 for more information.
Two new TSPS brand courses were unveiled at Symposium, including "Understanding Terrestrial LIDAR (3D) Scanning" seminar (right photo, led by Laura Crook and Beth Adcock. (Photos courtesy of Craig Alderman)

A packed classroom of surveyors (left) attended "An Expedition Through the Act & Rules", led by Paul Carey and Joe Breaux. Joe Webber and Jason Ward had many paraprofessionals (above) in Survey Math

John Wiley (upper left photo) led the "Implementing GIS in a Surveying Environment" class Feb. 24, while (above photo) Josh Burge and (back left) John Nall, Jr. and Jim Gillis presented "Everyday Use of State Plane Coordinates by Texas Land Surveyors." George Forbis-Stokes (left photo) led his 8-hour class "The Art of Topographic Surveys" on Friday.
Scenes From Symposium

A "South Shore Symposium Surprise" social was held Friday evening, Feb. 24. Photos on this page are from that fun event.

Photos by Doug Loveday
Committees Getting It Done

Take a look at these selected TSPS Committee Reports, submitted to the TSPS Board of Directors prior to the Feb. 25 Quarterly Meeting in League City. This is the type of activity that is ongoing in many, many more committees.

Go to www.tsp.org to read the complete list of Committee and TSPS Chapter reports, and see a complete list of Committee Chairs. See a committee you’d like to join? Contact that Chair and have your voice heard at the state level!

Geographic Information Systems (GIS) Chair Reporting - Jack L. Avis

COMMITTEE ACTIVITY REPORT

COMMITTEE MEMBERS: Gary Hudson, Lynn Savory, Coleen Johnson, Bill Coleman, Richard Worthey, John Wiley, Laura Crook, Beth Kellar

Committee Charges:
- Work with Membership Committee on increasing Geospatial members.
- Continue to develop GIS course curriculum for use by Education Committee.
- Continue to strengthen the relationship between the geospatial and surveying industries.
- Work in conjunction with the Governmental Affairs Committee on legislation governing GIS boundaries and mapping products.
- Work with TSPS Regulation Practices Committee to bridge gap with TBPLS on board rules that may impact GIS and surveying.

NO BOARD ACTION REQUIRED

The last GIS committee meeting was held in August 27 in WACO during TSPS board Meeting.

The committee discussed the committee charges that were handed out from incoming president Davey Edwards. Many of these charges cover working with many other committees within the TSPS organization on a number of issues.

The GIS committee believes that a name change from GIS to Geospatial Committee is needed. This name would better conform to a what many groups and other states are doing.

ACTIVITIES

TSPS members polled on the views of GIS

In early October TSPS GIS committee conducted a informational poll of it's members on their views about GIS. In general members believe that the use of GIS is important to their organization. Firms generally produce a small amount of GIS data or services on a weekly basis, but see GIS as being more important to their future. Members believe that TSPS should take an active role in getting more involved with other geospatial groups that use GIS when it comes to data sharing, coordination, and standards. One surprise that surfaced from the poll was that many members are only somewhat familiar with the TSPS Category 10 Survey specifications for GIS/LIS products and services. This informal poll was taken over one month period had it had 188 respondents.

2011 Texas GIS Forum membership recruitment:

The TSPS GIS Committee once again manned the TPLS booth at the 2011 GIS forum. The booth was manned by surveyors and students from the Texas A&M. The purpose was to introduce the practice of surveying to the GIS community and how surveyors can assist them with large scale mapping projects, utility inventories, and quality control for geospatial products. It was there to help promote TPLS to the GIS community, recruit membership and introduce TSPS to the GIS attendees that have an interest in surveying and mapping.

GIS Education & Course Development:

Currently the GIS committee assisted with the development of a Terrestrial Laser Scanning course that is being presented at 2012 Symposium by Laura Cook and Beth Kellar. There are currently no other courses being planned.

The “Implementing GIS in a Survey Environment”, an 8-hour course, will also be presented by Jack Avis during 2012 Symposium. (Editor’s note: John Wiley filled in for Jack Avis as instructor of the class at Symposium.)

GIS Outreach Texas Geographic Information Council (TGIC)

TGIC is currently in sunset at the state level. For the time being TGIC officers continue to hold meetings and discussions about its future direction. However, they have not held a meeting since in April. Currently a House Bill has appointed a State Geographic Information Officer to function in TGIC’s absence.

1. Establishment of a Geographic Information Officer: HB 3530 (introduced but not passed in the 82nd Texas Legislative Session), Relating to the review and functions of the Texas Water Development Board. http://www.legis.state.tx.us/tlodocs/82R/billtext/doc/HB03530I.doc

College and University Outreach Programs for GIS:

Jack is a member of Texas A&M University – Corpus Christi, Geographic Information Science Program's Academic Advising Committee. The committee focuses on assisting in defining the curriculum for its Geographic Information Science program which includes surveying and GIS related courses. The last meeting was Sept. 23, 2011 to help define the degree programs and discuss what type of reporting is needed to insure goals are being met for continued accreditation and expansion of the program.

Jack is also an academic advisor to the Austin Community College. A meeting in early January 2012 focused on core course requirements for the associate's certificate and two-year degree programs.

Government affairs and regulator practice activity

The GIS committee has been reviewing other State Boards of Registration to determine which states are licensing and regulating the practice and use of GIS products and services. Below is a list of states board websites that have some rules and or licensing in place for GIS products and Services.

2. New Jersey State Board of Professional Engineers and Land Surveyors.

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Registration Practices
Chair Reporting - Jerry Goodson

Jerry Goodson chairman: committee members; Mickey Nowell, George Sanders, Henry Kuehlem, Robby Christopher

Texas Board of Professional Land Surveying
Task Force Committee meeting, Dec. 8
The task force meeting was well attended. Two conclusions were agreed on:

- That the GIS community is not in favor of being regulated by any state board. They are working toward being certified by a national association.
- The Photogramists are interested in being regulated by the TBPLS. Those in attendance declared that they would be in touch with the TSPS President and try to start the dialogue of hopefully having something for the 2013 session of the legislature to consider.

The task force will be meeting to determine if any other area covered by the Act, and are not currently regulated by the TBPLS.

Texas Board of Professional Land Surveying
December 9, meeting.

This meeting was very well attended (standing room only). TSPS Education Chairman, Jim Gillis, presented D. G. Smyth with a “for Service and Dedication to the education of the Surveyors of Texas” award and plaque.

The Board dealt with the routine items. There was some discussion of raising the firm registration fee. The revenue generated from this action would be used to fund another investigator. The idea was for this money, was to be designated funds for an investigator, and not go to general fund. This will take some time, as this would have to be cleared by the Legislative Budget Board, and no telling what other state agency. There was no action taken just some preliminary discussion.

A disabled veteran applied to the TBPLS for a waiver of the $40 fee to go inactive. The board can not do this, however deserving the cause. A TSPS member in the audience presented the TBPLS with a cash donation for this fee, in the name of TSPS.

Exam Results:
SIT  Examinees = 51, passed = 21,
RPLS Legal: examinees = 35; passed = 27;

Analytical: examinees = 39, passed = 16,
Recital Examinees: = 30, passed = 23;
for a total of 43 newly Registered Professional Land Surveyors.

LSLS  1 examinee with a 100% pass rate.

Complaints:
Violation:
- Board rule 663.16. Boundary Construction. Did not respect junior/senior rights or he violated the rule when he did not apply the proper rules of dignity or the priority of calls, and applicable rules of statutory and case law of Texas when he placed he placed all of the excess, of the block into one lot.

Action Taken:
- Reprimand and a $1,500.00 penalty fee.

Violation:
- 1. A Registered Firm affixed the seal and signature of a former employee, after the employee left their employment.
- 2. Failure to respond in writing to two Board inquires within 30 days.

Action Taken:
- Revocation of the firm registration and a $4,500.00 penalty fee.

Violation:
- Engaging in the practice of land surveying services when he is not registered to do so.

Action Taken:
- Cease and Desist Order and $3,000.00 civil penalty fee and Class B Misdemeanor charge.

Violation:
- Board Rule 663.10(7) when he issued an elevation certificate with an incorrect finished floor elevation which created a misleading representation of the actual flood elevation.

Action Taken:
- Reprimand and $1,500.00 penalty fee.

The GIS committee was asked to participate on a TBPLS Geospatial Work Force Committee to help determine whether Texas, should pursue similar action. After several meetings the GIS committee prepared a position statement for the Taskforce, which is currently under advisement and consideration for further action.

Respectfully Submitted by:
Jack L. Avis, Chairman

Committees Getting It Done

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http://www.state.nj.us/lps/ca/laws/engineers_law.pdf
http://www.state.nj.us/lps/ca/laws/pelsregs.pdf
3. Rhode Island Board of Registration & Rhode Island GIS Executive Committee MOU
4. TBPLS Survey/GIS Product Statement
http://www.txls.state.tx.us/14_news/survey_gis_products.rtf
5. Oregon Board of Examiners for Engineering and Land Surveying
http://landru.leg.state.or.us/ors/672.html
6. West Virginia Board of Professional Surveyors


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Committees Getting It Done

**TxDOT Liaison**

**Chair Reporting - Chris Freeman**

**COMMITTEE ACTIVITY REPORT**

The TxDOT Liaison Committee is charged with establishing and maintaining an open line of communication between the TxDOT Standing Committee on Surveying (SCOS) and the TSPS Board of Directors and TSPS members, and to help find mutual common ground from which both entities can work jointly for the advancement of the surveying profession and the protection of the citizens of Texas.

**Activity since 09/2011:**
- 10/2011 President Davey Edwards assigns Chris Freeman as TxDOT Liaison
- 10/2011 Contact TxDOT Standing Committee on Surveying (SCOS)
- 10/2011 Coordinate transition with previous liaison Mary Chruszczak
- 12/2011 Contact TxDOT Consultant Contract Office to continue previous TSPS offer of resources for Contract issues (definition of terms, technical explanations, etc.)
- 12/2011 Liaison invited by TxDOT SCOS to attend and present on TSPS

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Violation:
- **Board Rule 663.10(7)** when he represented that he had set the four corner monuments when he had not (4 violations).
- **Board Rule 663.10(5)** when he made false certifications as to the setting of monuments.

**Action Taken:**
- Reprimand and a $7,500.00 penalty fee.

Violation:
- A mistake was found and corrected, refunded the fees charged, made good faith effort to correct his mistake.

**Action Taken:**
- Assurance of Voluntary Compliance.

Violation:
- **Board Rules 663.16(a),** relating to boundary construction and respect for junior/senior rights, the footsteps of the original land surveyor, the record, the intent as evidenced by the record, the proper application of the rules of dignity or the prior of calls, and applicable statutory and cases law of Texas.
- **663.16(b),** relating to boundary construction and reliance on appropriate deeds and/or other documents, when he disregarded the appropriate deeds for the adjoining parcel.
- **663.10(7)** relating to acts which are fraudulent, deceitful or misleading, on which any manner whatsoever, tend to create impression.

**Action Taken:**
- complete 16 hours of board approved continuing education in addition to the required 12 hours, all 28 hours to be completed within one year of signing of the Order.

• Pay an administrative fine of $3,000.00 to the Board within 30 days.
• 5 year probated suspension of his RPLS registration.
• 3 year suspension of his LSLS license.
• Will no longer voluntarily offer himself as an expert witness.

Violation:
- **Board Rule 663.10(7),** violated when an employee represented that he had set the four corner monuments when he had not.
- **Board Rule 663.10(5),** violated when an employee made false certifications as to the setting of the monuments.

**Action Taken:**
- Penalty fee of $7,500.00 probated for two years.

Violation:
- **Board Rule 663.16(c) when he failed to do research of adequate thoroughness to support the determination of the location of intended boundaries of the land parcel surveyed.**

**Action Taken:**
- Assurance of Voluntary compliance and a Penalty fee of $1,500.00.

The Board addressed the importance of continuity planning for agency staff duties and functions. The Board discussed asking Mr. Gilley, in addition to his duties as investigator, to function as an Associate Director. The Board will ask Mr. Gilley to report directly to the Board. The Board expressed its desire to have Mr. Gilley assist in the development of a report which documents vital Board operations, procedures and critical deadlines. The report would also document each of the employee position duties related to the compliance in fulfilling its statutory duties.

The next scheduled meeting is the 9th of March, 2012.

Respectfully Submitted
Jerry M. Goodson

at the TxDOT Surveyor Conference in Austin
- 01/2012 SCOS activity report received by Liaison:
  - densification of the TxDOT Virtual Reference Network continues across the State
  - monitoring the LightSquared situation and its affects on the Texas transportation system and public safety
  -GIS Disclaimer Bill and its affects on TxDOT information

In general, I can report that there is great and open communication between the Liaison and members of the TxDOT SCOS. There are several areas of mutual interest that offer the opportunity to strengthen our relationship.

The invitation to present on TSPS to the TxDOT Surveyor Conference in March 2012 is a great opportunity to share what TSPS is and how it works for the good of all in the surveying profession.

Respectfully submitted,
Christopher R. Freeman, RPLS
TxDOT Liaison
Metes and Bounds/February-March 2012

Coming Events

MARCH

March 18-24
Texas & National Surveyors Week
TSPS and all Texas surveyors will celebrate Texas Surveyors Week March 18-24. Visit the NSPS website at www.nspsmo.org for Surveyors Week information.

March 24
GPS Day 2012
On Saturday, March 24, 2012 surveyors across North America will be hosting International GPS Day (fka NSPS Surveying USA) events to commemorate National Surveyors’ Week which begins on Sunday, March 18, 2012. Advanced Global Positioning System (GPS) equipment will be on display and simultaneously collecting data at sites throughout North America.

Contact your chapter president for activities in your area (go to www.tsps.org for list of chapter leadership), and visit www.gpsday.com for more information.

March 31
CST EXAM - Austin, Texas
Joe Webber, RPLS, Proctor
March 31, 2012 in Austin, 8 a.m.
At Baker-Aicklen & Associates
405 Brushy Creek Road
Cedar Park, Texas 78613
Call the TSPS office at 512-327-7871 for more information.
Find CST Program Information and exam application HERE

APRIL

April 19
18th Annual Alamo Chapter 11 Golf Tournament
Vaaler Creek Golf Club
228 Jeff Vaughn
Blanco TX 78606
$65 - per player 1 p.m. Shotgun Start
BBQ dinner, awards and door prize drawing after tournament.
Tournament Sponsorships & Hole Sponsorships available
Contact Brett Walker at brettwalker99@gmail.com for more details and registration info

April 21
TSPS Permian Basin Chapter 10 Golf Tournament
In Support of Odessa College Surveying & Mapping Program
8:30 a.m. (check-in at 7:30 a.m.)
Hogan Park Golf Course
Midland, Texas
Four-person scramble - BBQ & Prizes provided after golf
$85 - per player Hole Sponsorships - $150
Contact Dan Garlington at dan@team-west.com for more deals and registration information

MAY

May 5
Second Quarterly Board Meeting
1:00-5:00 p.m.
Hilton Austin Airport
9515 Hotel Drive
Austin, TX 78719
512-385-6767
Ray Wisdom Barbecue and Auction to follow meeting.
Committee meetings, including Chapter Presidents Forum, will be held in the morning prior to the Board meeting.

May 11-12
A Jefferson Historical Seminar - History of Survey Measurement Tools & Instruments, and Ethics for the Professional Surveyor
Presented by TSPS North East Texas Chapter
Instructor - Milton Denny (Mr. Denny is licensed in seven states, is Past President of the Alabama Society of Professional Land Surveyors and a Fellow in the American Congress on Surveying and Mapping)
Kellyville Community Center
130 Kelly Park Road
Jefferson, Texas 75657
Mr. Denny will share his extensive knowledge in the use of Early Surveying Equipment (8 hrs/CEUs) with emphasis on the survey Compass and the Vara Chain. He will bring several of these instruments and attendees will have hands-on instruction in their use. The seminar will be held in a classroom where attendees will told the history of early surveying equipment and instruments, the principles of their operation, how adjustments were done and the actual methods of their use.
On Saturday morning, Mr. Denny will give a seminar (4 hrs/CEUs) on Ethics for the Professional Surveyor. Both seminars are approved by TBPLS. Watch for the official Jefferson Historical Seminar brochure in the March/April issue of The Texas Surveyor, or contact Mike Gardner now for information or to sign up: (903) 293-4483 or mgardner@mtgengineers.com.

AUGUST

August 16-18
Third Quarterly Board Meeting – Strategic Planning
La Torretta Lake Resort & Spa
600 La Torretta Boulevard
Montgomery, TX 77356
936-448-4400
Annual Strategic Planning
Aug. 16-17, 2012
Third Quarterly Board Meeting
1 p.m. – Aug. 18, 2012

OCTOBER

October 10-13
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6. Is responsible for survey vehicle and issued equipment.
7. Is responsible for following proper safety practices affecting assigned tasks and those of the work group.

EDUCATION/EXPERIENCE:
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Land Operations, San Antonio, TX

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• Assist with the acquisition of GIS data, by way of manual data entry, scanning documents and digitizing maps.
• Produce marketing materials.
• Assist with other duties required to upkeep drafting / data management department.

EDUCATION/EXPERIENCE: Associate’s degree in Drafting/CAD from two-year college/technical school plus 3 years related experience equivalent combination of education and experience.

• Proficiency in use of computer aided drafting software (Terramodel & AutoCad), Civil 3D, DTM software
• Understands sound surveying principles
• Outstanding communication and relationship management skills
• Be proficient with Microsoft Office products. (Word, Excel, and Power Point)
• Valid driver’s license with acceptable motor vehicle record
• Prefer experience with oil & gas sector, pipelines, and government projects.

Note: Must live within one hour of area, position is not entry level
Send resume to: usajobs@fugro.com

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Eby & Petrus Survey is seeking a qualified Party Chief for work in south central Texas. Candidate should have a minimum of 3+ years (SIT and CST a plus) in boundary surveying, construction staking, horizontal and vertical control and topographic surveying using GPS with RTK, total

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**CAD TECHNICIAN**

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WIT Job Posting No: 6830842
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**CAD TECHNICIAN**

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Must be willing to travel in and around the Eagle Ford Shale area, and have a valid TDL.

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Instrument Man – San Antonio, TX

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Requisition #: GMES-RPLS
Title: RPLS Land Surveyor (TxDot Certified)
Occupation: Engineering/Engr Support on all Projects
Office (City): Mercedes, Texas Corporate Office
Salary: $Open based on experience (Health Insurance and other Benefits Available)
Closing Date: 03/01/2012
CONTACT: Send Resume and Salary History to Jeff C. Riviera at jriviera@gmes.biz

Description: Must be a Texas licensed RPLS in good standing. Must be Tx-DOT Certified preferably in all categories of Surveying & Mapping (15.1.1, 15.1.2, 15.1.3, 15.1.4, 15.2.1, & 15.4.1) and be knowledgeable of all Tx-DOT Guidelines. Candidate will be responsible for the day to day supervision of all surveying crews, project management, direct client contact, and all surveys (Final Work Product). Candidate must have hands-on experience with Right-of-Way mapping, horizontal and vertical control, construction staking, utility, and topographic and all phases of surveying. Candidate must be familiar with governmental and private sector work with emphasis on accuracy and expedience through use of state of the art technology.

GIS Operator / IT Administrator

Seeking applications for GIS Operator/IT Administrator. Candidates should be proficient in the ESRI software system ArcMap, computer SQL, and have a general working knowledge of networks, servers, and related technological equipment. The candidate must know how to draw maps,
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