

Southwest Florida Chapter News, News, News!

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53rd Annual Military Ball

When: February 22, 2020
Where: Vanderbilt Country Club,
Naples, FL

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Did you receive your invitation yet? If not, notify Susan Farr or LTJG Neil Frost at info@moaswf.org.

Add Info@moaswf.org to your e-mail accounts so you may be kept informed! Thank you.

FROM your President: As we are in a new decade, I wish everyone a healthy and Happy New Year. Also, as may be appropriate, a healthy and happy new decade.

MOASWF requests your assistance in recruiting new members. Recently, we sent out approximately 600 letters to potential members (list provided by national MOAA).

Volunteer! As stated above, the Board requests a Spouse's Liaison, person to take pictures at socials, write articles for the Newsletter and the Florida Council of Chapters Communique Newsletter, assist with programs and venues, etc. More than one person would be welcomed.

Would YOU tell us about YOUR military history? Everyone has a story and we would love to print it. Questions to ask yourself: Where did you serve? What did you do in the service? Do you have pictures?

Let us know!

Note: As I finish this Newsletter in central Minnesota where I am visiting my son and grandson, the temperature when I arrived was a balmy "8 degrees with a wind chill of "-1" My body and our new puppy, Classi, did not know how to react to the frigid cold! Classi is a 5 month tea-cup Morkie!

JROTC EVENTS!

Collier County Drill Meet

When: Saturday, 22 February 2020

Where: Gulf Coast High School

Time: 0800-1300 hours

Entrance is free!

Members are encouraged to stop by for a while and witness some of the best regulation and exhibition drill in the State. Cheer on the JROTC cades from Collier and Lee High schools we support.

It's a great way to start the day and end with the MOASWF Military Ball that evening!

JROTC End of Year Award Ceremonies are coming up — Page 4! Hope you can attend one of these.



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MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

UPCOMING SPOUSES/SOCIAL LUNCHEON



January 17, 2020

Presentation: Women & Money: Seven Savvy Secrets of Financial Health

By Marsha McDonald

Where: Capital Grill, Naples, FL (limited to 30 people) Hostess: Marsha McDonald

Time: Noon

To register, contact Marsha at: 239-682-5490 or marsha.mcdonald@morganstanley.com

When: February 20, 2020

Where: TBD

Hostess: Brigitte van den Hove-Smith

Time: TBA

To register, contact
Brigitte @ 239-450-2204
bvdhsmith@aol.com

Note: Brigitte will take you on a tour of the

Collier Museum prior to lunch!

When: **March 20. 2020**

Where: Pelican Isle Yacht Club 410 Dockside Dr, Naples, FL 34110

Time: TBA
Hostess: Jenny Duffy

To register, contact Jenny at 239-592-5100 or

Jenduff@comcast.net

The Board appreciates the Spouse's Luncheon donation for the JROTC!

Thank you!

Add <u>Info@moaswf.org</u> to your e-mail accounts so you may be kept informed! Thank you.

Monthly Dinner Socials

JANUARY 2020

Installation of Officers

When: Friday, January 18, 2020 Where: Glen Eagle Country Club 1403 Glen Eagle Blvd., Naples, FL 34104 Social: 5:30 p.m. Dinner 6:00 p.m.

MENU

Cocktail: Cheese display and Hors d oeuvre's

Salad: Shrimp Caesar Salad

Sorbet ENTREES

#1—12 oz Prime Rib #2—Hot & Crunchy Grouper #3—Vegetarian

Dessert: Chocolate Decadence Includes: soft drinks, coffee/tea

Register online at www.moaswf.org or Contact Neil Frost, neilera63@gmail.com, or 239-595-6783.

Cost is: \$50 per person Online: \$52 per person

March 2020

Presenter: Humana

When: TBD

More information will be e-mailed or mailed out once

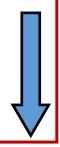
available!

April 2020 DINNER

Presenter: National MOAA

When: TBD

More information will be e-mailed or mailed out once available!





Monthly Dinners—Continuation

May 2020 JROTC AWARDS DINNER

When: Friday, May 8, 2020 Where: Glen Eagle Country Club 1403 Glen Eagle Blvd., Naples, FL 34104 Social: 5:30 p.m. Dinner 6:00 p.m.

MENU—TBD

Register online at www.moaswf.org or Contact Neil Frost, neilera63@gmail.com, or 239-595-6783.

Cost is: \$50 per person Online: \$52 per person

Department of VA News Releases

Check these out!

https://www.va.gov/opa/pressrel/

2020 Board of Directors

Ms. Susan Farr, President
CPT Andrew Vallozzi, 1st Vice President
CAPT Jack Fulmer, 2nd Vice President
LCDR Jerry "Benny" Bennett, Treasurer
Ms. Estelle Rourke, Secretary
Admiral Jerry Johnson
COL Tony Peguese
LCDR Robert Perfetto
LTJG Neil Frost, Past-President



SUPPORT JROTC

Military Officers Association, Southwest Florida supports JROTC programs located in Collier and Lee County.

- Collier:: (approx. 1,050 students):
 Palmetto Ridge, Barron Collier,
 Immokalee, Golden Gate, Lely,
 Naples, Gulf Coast.
- Lee: Estero & Bonita High School. Note: Lee County Schools have over 7,000 students in their JROTC programs (the largest in the Country)

Operating expenses for JROTC are estimated to be roughly \$10,000 or more per year depending upon School district (not paid for by the school or Cadet Command). Monies donated assist the programs with awards, equipment, clothing, gas, trips, etc.

Send your tax deductible contribution to MOASWF, P.O. Box 1212, Naples, FL 34106-1213

Your donation is highly appreciated.

Motivate High School Students to Become Better Citizens

Board of Directors Meetings

1st Thursday of the month
Time: 1730 hours (NOTE: TIME CHANGE)
Location: Building to the right of entrance of
Naples Airport, off of Radio Road. 2nd floor.

All members and guests are invited to attend.



January 2020

NATIONAL MOAA MEMBERSHIP

One of the criteria for Chapter Level of Excellence is the number of national MOAA members in the Chapter. It is recommended Chapter members join the National MOAA. Three are three levels of membership in MOAA: Basic (free), Premium (dues are paid annually), Life membership (based on age). To join MOAA National membership, visit

http://www.moaa.org/

NOTE: MOASWF is a separate entity; therefore, national MOAA membership does NOT include Chapter membership. Each Chapter must pay dues to the national MOAA and the Florida Council of Chapters.

Benefits to Chapter Membership

Support our local JROTC schools.

Camaraderie

Meet new people and renew friendships

MOASWF Committee Liaisons:

Personal Affairs & Nominating:

COL Tony Peguese

Email: tony.peguese@yahoo.com

Phone: 239-877-2372

Public Relations:

CAPT Jack Fulmer

E-mail: jackhd90@hotmail.com

Phone: 239-596-6716



TAPS

Mrs. Pat Beshara

Collier County End of the Year Awards Ceremonies 16 Apr Palmetto Ridge 9am Gym Auditorium 23 Apr Naples 6 pm 24 Apr Golden Gate **Auditorium** 6 pm 5 May Lely Auditorium 9am 22Apr Gulf Coast **Auditorium** 6pm 6 May IHS 9am **Auditorium**

Information, Information, Information!

www.moaswf.org

If you are a member, request permission to have access to:

- Member's Roster
- Newsletter's

Check our the upcoming events for not only MOASWF, but for other associated Veteran events in SW Florida, "Take a Look".

If you would like to add, delete, or change anything on the web, submit your suggestions/comments to Susan Farr, President, at info@moaswf.org

Mailing Address:

MOASWFL, P.O. Box 1212, Naples, FL 34106-1213

Website: www.moaswf.org



Board of Directors Report

- Military Ball—Theme: Victory in Europe! Cost: \$100 per person (check) or you may register online for \$104 per person. Location: Vanderbilt Country Club. Date: Saturday, February 22, 2010. Time: 1730—? Band: Uptown Express.
- Dinner Socials
 - The quality of the meals have been exceptional.
- Meals may be paid for on-line convenience fee included) or you may continue to send in your check.
- **Time Change** for the Board Meetings are now 1730 hours at the Naples Airport, 1st Thursday of the month.
- **2020 Dues.** \$30.00 (check/cash). However, if you wish to pay online, the cost is \$32.00. 2020 Dues is now due.
- **Spouse Liaison.** The Board is seeking a Spouse's Liaison. If interested, e-mail: info@moaswf.org or contact Susan Farr at 239-246-6901.

NEW MEMBERS

<u>10-15-2019—12/31/2019</u>

COL Early Falk

CDR John Langenheim

CAPT John McGehe

CAPT Norman Schleif, Jr.

2020 RENEWALS

<u>10-15-19 — 12/31/2019</u>

LTC Page Berry

LTC Rolland Berry

LT Delbert Booher

COL James Britton III

CAPT Glenn Brown

LTCOL Bruce Burkhard

CAPT Bob Burhans

MG Mike Coyne

COL Jan Curran

Mrs. Alice Cutrona

LTCOL Charles Dinsmoor

Mr. Carl Ehmann

LTC Robert Frazier

Cw4 Michael Harp

COL Ewald Forsbrey

LTC Robert Frazier

LTJG Frost

LTC Paul Garrah

LTC Kerrye Glass

MAJ Ruben Gonzalez

COL John Granskog

LTC Russell Hammer

MG James Hughes

1st LT Joseph Innes

CAPT Richard Johnson

LTCOL Adolfo Martinez

LT Bill O'Reilly

21 Jill O Melliy

LTC Robert Parker Mrs. Rita Pascoe

CAPT Donald Peacock

Col Tony Peguese

CAPT Richard Plager Wescome

Mrs. Marilyn Post

CAPT Ralph Rappuhn

Mrs. Estelle Rourke

MAJ John Sarnecky

CPT Walter Slack

Mrs. Brigitte Smith

LT Russell Thomas

Mrs. Mary Vertin

1LT David Wallace

LTC Rufford Warren

CDR Daniel Wilbur

Mrs. Joan Wilde

RADM Louise Wilmot

COL Richard Wood

CAPT Robert Young





SOUTHWEST FLORIDA CHAPTER

Internet Links & Phone Numbers

DEERS: https://tricare.mil/deers (800) 538-9552

Department of Veterans Affairs: www.va.gov (800)

827-1000

DOD Benefits (Survivor Benefit Plan): https://

www.dfas.mil/retiredmilitary/provide/sbp.html 800-

321-1080

Express Scrips Mail Order Pharmacy: https://

www.express-scripts.com/TRICARE/index.shtml (877)

363-1303

Social Security: https://www.ssa.gov/ (800) 772-1213

Medicare: www.medicare.gov (800) 633-4227

milConnect: https://milconnect.dmdc.osd.mil/

milconnect/ (800) 538-9552

TRICARE: https://www.humanamilitary.com/

(East Region) (800) 444-5445

TRICARE for Life: www.tricare4u.com (866) 773-0404

Florida Department of Veteran Affairs www.floridavets.org/ (727) 518-3202:

Collier County Veterans Council: https://www.collier-

county-veterans-council.org/

Collier County Veterans Services: https://

www.colliercountyfl.gov/your-government/divisions-

<u>s-z/veteran-services</u> (239) 252 8387

Lee County Veterans Services: http://

www.leegov.com/dhs/veterans (239) 533-2111

Disabled American Veterans: https://www.dav.org/

Cape Coral VA Outpatient Clinic: https://

www.baypines.va.gov/locations/

lee county va healthcare center cape coral fl.asp

239-652-1800

Naples VA Outpatient Clinic: https://

www.baypines.va.gov/locations/Naples Florida.asp

239-659-9188

MacDill AFB: https://www.macdill.af.mil/ (813) 828-

1110

MOAA Blogs at http://www1.moaa.org/blogs/

MOAA Florida Council of Chapters Newsletter: www.moaafl.org/Communique/Default.aspx

Collier-Lee Honor Flight: https://www.collierhonorflight.org/

Marine Corps League of Naples: http://www.marinecorpsleaguenaples.com/

Naples Military Museum: https://naplesmuseummilitaryhistory.org/

Southwest Florida Museum: http://swflmm.org/

SWFL Veterans Alliance: http://

swflveteransalliance.org/

Gulf Coast Veterans & Friends: https://gulfcoastvf.org/

VFW (Naples): https://www.vfwpost7721.org

VFW (Bonita Springs): https://www.facebook.com/

BonitaVFW/

American Legion (Naples): http://www.post135fl.org/

American Legion (Bonita Springs): https://

legionpost303.org

The Mesothelioma Center (David Sides, Public Outreach

Coordinator): dsides@asbestos.com

*https://www.mattressclarity.com/blog/what-veterans-should-know-about-sleep/

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

- Membership—Dues are \$30.00 annually.
- Currently the Chapter has over 80 members.
 Know someone who was a military or uniformed service officer but not a member of MOASWF and MOAA or a Surviving Spouse? <u>ASK THEM</u>
 TO JOIN.
- MOASWF Name Badges—Cost of Name Badges are \$11.00. You may order online or with the enclosed form.

NEWSLETTER

Future newsletters will be sent by email in lieu of a printed copy (if applicable). The Newsletter will also be available on the website: www.moaswf.org If you require assistance, contact Susan Farr at info@moaswf.org

If you wish for another organization to be added or errors need to be corrected: e-mail: info@moaswf.org





Elected Representatives

U.S. Senators:

- Senator Marco Rubio, https://www.rubio.senate.gov/public/, (866) 630-7106 (Ft. Myers office)
- Senator Rick Scott, https://www.senate.gov/senators/116thCongress/ScottRick.htm, (202) 224-5274

U.S. Representative Francis Rooney, 19th District, https://francisrooney.house.gov/, Collier (239)252-6225, Lee (239-599-6033

Florida State Senator Kathleen Passidomo, District 28, (239)417-6205

Florida State Senator Lizbeth Benacquisto, District 27, (239) 338-2570 http://www.flsenate.gov/Senators/

Florida Governor Ron DeSantis, https://www.flgov.com/ (850) 717-9337

Collier County of Commissioners, https://www.colliercountyfl.gov/your-government/divisions-a-e/board-of-county-commissioners

Lee County of Commissioners, http://www.leegov.com/bocc

Military ID Card Information-MacDill AFB (Site ID 101435), (813) 828-6673; Coast Guard Sector, St. Petersburg (Site ID 174794), (727) 828-7560. Use the RAPIDS Site Locator https://www.dmdc.osd.mil/rsl/appj/site or https://rapids-appointments.dmdc.osd.mil/ (Use Site IDs for online scheduling, address, & directions or call). APPOINTMENTS ARE REQUIRED.

Collier County Veteran's Council

Interested parties may partake in local Veteran news at their monthly meeting.

Location: Naples City Council Chambers 735 8th Street South, Naples, FL 34102 **When:** 3rd Wednesday of the month

Time: 7 p.m.

All Veterans are invited!

meetup

Do you have a smart phone! Download the App—
"Meetup". Look up: Military Officers Association, Southwest Florida! Here you will find upcoming events and you may also reply.

Visit MOASWF's Facebook, for events not only in Collier and Lee County, but other events in the surrounding areas.

MOAA NEWS

Check out what MOAA is doing for all of us!

2020 Military and Benefits

MOAA Widow's Tax

QUESTION

Should MOASWF solicit businesses to place ads in the Newsletter?

Respond:

info@moaswf.org



NEVER STOP SERVING



Veteran's Day, November 11, 2020

On Veteran's Day, Rear Admiral Wilmot was the keynote speaker at the Community School of Naples "Through their Eyes" Veterans Project, which celebrated a remarkable collection of art and words. Created by students, faculty, family, and friends the portraits and accompanying biographies are a tribute to service, commitment, and sacrifice. Over 400 veterans and families attended the event.





On Veteran's Day,
Admiral Jerry
Johnson was the
keynote speaker at
the Pelican Sound,
Naples, FL.



February:

3rd—Four Chaplains Day

14th—Valentine's Day

17th—President's Day

19th—Anniversary of the Battle of Iwo Jima



January 20, 2020

Martin Luther King Jr. Day

March: Month of the Military Caregiver

3rd—Navy Reserve Birthday

5th—Seabee Birthday

8th—Daylight Saving Time starts

13th—K-9 Veterans Day

17th—St. Patrick's Day

25th—National Medal of Honor Day





Name Tags—Order Form

PRINT ONLY

Name: (As you wish on your tag)					
Rank:	Branch of Service:				
Additional Name Tags:					
1. (As you wish on Name Tag)					
Additional Prefix/Rank:	Branch of Service (if applicable):				
2. (As you wish on Name Tag)					
Additional Prefix/Rank:	Branch of Service (if applicable):				
In case of clarification is required,	submit the following information:				
Phone #:					
E-mail:					
The cost of EACH name tag is \$11	.00.				
Pay Online or make your check ou	at for \$11.00, payable to:				
MOASWF—Name Tags	MOASWF—Name Tags Presidents Day				
If mailing, send form and check to:					
MOASWF—Name Tags	MOASWF—Name Tags P.O. Box 1212				
P.O. Box 1212					
Naples, FL 34106					
Your tags will be ordered when pa	syment and information has been submitted.				
Name tags will be mailed (free).					
	Thank you for your service!				
Date Received:					
Date Ordered:					



Total Enclosed: _____

MILITARY OFFICERS ASSOCIATION of **SOUTHWEST FLORIDA** P.O. Box 1212

Naples, FL 34106-1213

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION (Initial/Renewal)

Name:				
(Last)	(First)	(Middle)		
Regular Member or Auxiliary Member (circle)	Status (circle): Activ	e/Retired/Former/Spouse		
Rank: Service:	If Auxiliary, state nar	If Auxiliary, state name/rank/service of Spouse:		
Date of Birth:(mm/dd/yy) Spous	es' Name:			
Southern Address:				
Northern Address:				
Reside in Florida: months per year				
Telephone #: Cell #:	Alterna	te:		
E-mail address:	MOAA Member # (if applicable):		
Chapter Participation Interest (circle): <u>Annual</u> Presenters/Speakers <u>Public Relations</u> <u>Perso</u>	-	ng Judicial/Legal matters		
Officers 90 years of age and older do not pay annua 214 with SSN blackened out—if available).	al dues. Attach a copy of proof of	warrant or commissioned service (DD For		
Your Annual Dues may be paid by check (\$30.00) or	r online (\$32.00).			
New Members: Submit your application and verific Box 1212, Naples, FL 34106	cation to info@moaswf.org, pay or	nline or mail to: MOASWF Membership, F		
Renewals: Annual Dues is due by January 1st of ea	ch year. Pay online or by mail.			
Signature:	Date:			
Dues:				
JROTC Fund:	* 1 E-17 7 E-1			
Total Enclosed:	NEVE	R STOP SERVING		



SUPPORT JROTC!

Southwest Florida Chapter, Military Officers Association, supports the JROTC programs in the local high schools, eight in Collier County and Estero High in Lee County. Also, in May of each year, MOASWF hosts a dinner for the top JROTC Cadets and their parents.

MOASWFL can only achieve our goals with the help of generous donations from supporters and community members. We are the only 501c19 Non-Profit Veterans Organization which supports JROTC programs in the area. Therefore, we are asking for your help so that we can continue assisting our JROTC community and future JROTC programs.

Would you donate to help us reach our goals?

If you wish to contribute, fill out the form below. Every donation makes	a difference and takes us one step
closer to building a better community!	For more information, contact:
Thank you in advance for your support!	info@moaswf.org
	Website
Sincerely,	www.moaswf.org
Susan Farr, President	

Charitable Donation

Name:		Phone:	
Address:			
City:	State:	Zip:	
Email:			
Enclosed is my tax deductible gift of: \$			

Mail your donation to: MOASWF, P.O. Box 1212, Naples, FL 34106.

Contributions are tax-deductible.

Military Officers Association, Southwest Florida Chapter is a 501c19 Veterans Organization.

EIN: 23-7250555



Upcoming Local Events





Do you have a Facebook page? If so, search for the "Military Officers Association, Southwest Florida" and "like" your page! Ask your friends as well.

All the upcoming events are listed for MOASWF and other associated military/veteran events in the Southwest Florida area and other surrounding areas!

If you have an event you wish to share regarding military/veterans, feel free to do so!

This is your page as well!



THIRD ANNUAL COLLIER COUNTY **VETERAN AND DEPENDENTS EXPO**

"SERVING THOSE WHO SERVED AND THEIR FAMILIES"

Over 50+ Vendors and Services for Veterans and Family Members Onsite!

- Local Services
- Aid and Attendance
- TBI and PTSD Information Compensation Benefits
- Burial Benefits
- Elder Care Services Service Dog Info
- Education and Employment
- Surviving Spouse Benefits Homeless Assistance
 - Collier County Service

VA Healthcare Sign Up

Veteran Organizations

- Hospice Care/Palliative Care

HERO'S WELCOME: 9 AM FREE BRUNCH



FEBRUARY 22, 2020 9:00 AM -1:00 PM NEW HOPE MINISTRIES 7675 DAVIS BLVD NAPLES FL,



SPONSORED BY:

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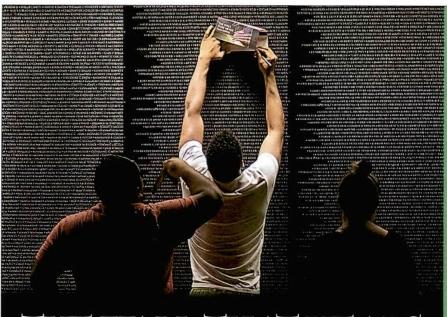


Legacy Options

Funeral & Cremation Services







THE WALL THAT HEALS Over 400 feet in length

COMING TO MARCO ISLAND FLORIDA THE ONLY FLORIDA LOCATION IN 2020

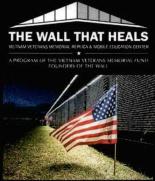
Opens Thursday, February 20 to Sunday February 23 Veterans Park, 901 Park Avenue, Marco Island, FL (Site of Farmers Market)

Open 24 hours - Open to Public - Free Admission

MOTORCYCLE ESCORT

February 18 – I75 Rest Area Exit 131 to Veterans Park Registration: 9:30am Leaving 11:30am. Complimentary Lunch for Escorts





For more information about The Wall That Heals visit www.thewallthatheals.org Facebook: The Wall That Heals 2020 Marco Island Florida

TIME LINE **OF EVENTS**

Tuesday, Feb 18 The Wall Arrival Approximately 12:30pm

Wednesday, Feb 19 Wall Setup Starts 8:30am

Thursday, Feb 20Wall Open for Viewing 12:01am
Collier County Scools Student Tours Begin 10am Welcome Ceremony 12 Noon.

Friday, Feb 21 Wall Open 24 Hours Collier County Scools Student Tours Begin 10am

Friday, Feb. 21 Reading of the names of 1,957 Floridians killed during the Vietnam War. Noon continuing Saturday, Feb 22 at noon

Saturday, Feb 22 Wall Open 24 Hours

Sunday, Feb 23 Closing Ceremony 1:30pm The Wall Closes Disassemble The Wall 2pm

GENERAL INFORMATION Anthony DeLucia jukeboxtonyd@yahoo.com

VOLUNTEER **INFORMATION**

Raymond Rosenberg raymondrosenberg@gmail.com

MOTORCYCLE ESCORT INFORMATION

Doug Andrews 1 (305) 588-9676 Registration: 9:30am Leaving 11:30am. Complimentary Lunch for Escorts

TO SCHEDULE **SCHOOL TOUR**S

Charles Hartman hartman2@gmail.com

THE WALL THAT HEALS TOUR SCHEDULE https://www.vvmf.org/The-

Wall-That-Heals/2020-Tour-Schedule/



53rd Annual Military Ball

75th Anniversary VICTORY IN EUROPE 1945 – 2020

Cost:

\$100 per person (check)

Cost:

\$104 per person (on-line)



Make your reservation early!

For more information, visit www.moaswf.org/calendar

53rd Annual Military Ball

Military Officers of America Association

South West Florida Chapter

SATURDAY 22ND FEBRUARY 2020
VANDERBILT COUNTRY CLUB, NAPLES, FLORIDA

www.moaswf.org

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Do you have suggestions or ideas to enhance the

Suggestions—Ideas

Website: www.moaswf.org

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