



# The Kentucky Pioneer

“United we stand, divided we fall.”



## Kentucky Society Sons of the American Revolution

### SAR at DAR Meeting



A Color Guard made up with members of the Lafayette, Simon Kenton and Gov. Isaac Shelby chapters presented colors at the DAR state meeting.

Seated from left to right are: Simon Kenton Chapter President Jesse Moore, Past KYSSAR President Tom Higgins, Lafayette Chapter President Al Coleman, V.P.G. Rev. Forrest Chilton, KYSSAR President Tom Geimeier.

Standing left to right are: John Rogers, III, John Clay Barnett, Roger Bain, Junior Murdock, Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter President Chuck Scott and Tommy Jones.

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## Louisville Thruston Chapter



Louisville Thruston Chapter Color Guard Commander Dan Klinck and Chapter Secretary Jon Huffman flank Private William Greathouse--Kentucky Militiaman, War of 1812.

The picture was taken at an event sponsored by the Painted Stone Settlers.



Foster Burba was presented the SAR Lamplighter Award given by the Center for Advancing America's Heritage.



Bunny Huffman, wife of Past President John H. Huffman, Sr., received the SAR Martha Washington Award presented by Doug Collins.



Sgt. Thomas Sheeham was presented the Fire Safety Commendation Medal by President Elect Douglas T. Collins.



Detective Amy Phelps was awarded the Commendation Medal for Law Enforcement by President Elect Doug Collins.



Past President John H. Huffman, Sr. extended congratulations as well as the presidential gavel to 2013-2015 President Douglas T. Collins.



Speaker Dr. Tom Owen (left) was awarded a commemorative coin and certificate by President John H. Huffman, Sr.



On April 13, 2013, members of the chapter's Color Guard participated in the St. Matthews Little League Opening Day Ceremonies by posting the Colors and firing muskets.



ACHIEVER | WILL STRENCH

# North Oldham junior aces ACT – twice

By Elaine Rooker Jack  
Special to The Courier-Journal

Will Strench, 16, had his driver's license for only a few days when he drove to an ACT testing center in February. When it was all over, he was so relieved that he drove to Thornton's for some candy on the way home.

His relief turned to excitement when he received his score: a 36 composite, the highest score possible on the standardized college exam. He scored 36 on English and science, and 35 on math and reading.

When he took the test again in March — a requirement for all public school juniors in Kentucky — he scored another 36 composite with identical scores on the individual tests. Fellow North Oldham High School junior David Glenn — who was featured in Neighborhoods in February for his 36 on the December 2012 test — also scored another 36 in March.

On average, fewer than one-tenth of 1 percent of students score a 36 on a given testing date, according to ACT. Forty-two students from Kentucky, including 16 Louisville-area students, scored a composite 36 in 2012.

Will lives in Prospect with his parents, Mary and Bill Strench. His sister, Kaylen, is a freshman at Rice University. He is a junior at North Oldham High School.

To prepare, Will took a multiweek prep course offered at his school. He also took practice tests and studied review books. He said that all the writing he's done for English classes prepared him well for the grammar sections of the test.

Will's strategy is to cross out all the possible answers he knows aren't right as he goes through the questions. "If I know I'm not choosing that one, I cross it out and move through it. If I'm unsure, I leave it." He says that habit helps him check back over his work.

He said he'd heard not to worry if the science questions were unfamiliar, and he said his friend David Glenn gave him the best advice of all for that section: Pretend you like what you're reading. He also believes that using the process of elimination served him well.

He gives credit to his parents and



**WILL STRENCH**

Age: 16  
Grade: 11  
School: North Oldham High School  
Hobbies: Youth group, cross country, track, German

his English teachers and the "great math teachers, who taught me the right way to think" about math problems.

He said his parents, teachers, and friends were all excited about his score, and "I got a lot of love from my youth group" at St. Francis in the Fields Episcopal Church. He said his parents bought him a watch to "celebrate everything."

Will is in the process of visiting colleges, where he intends to pursue the studies of history and the German language. He recently won the George and Ella Knight essay contest in the Louisville-Thruston Chapter of the Kentucky Society, Sons of the American Revolution. He advanced to win the state level competition and expects to hear the results of the national competition soon.

He wrote about "foreign policy in the American Revolution, beyond declaring independence but looking for cooperation in the future," he said.

David Green, teacher at North Oldham, said that Will's hard work sets him apart from other naturally gifted students.

Green said that Will takes advantages of every opportunity given him, and "he studies because he wants to learn as much as he can about every subject. He joins organizations because they offer opportunities to experience things that can be experienced no place else. He has chosen to participate in competitions like the Sons of the American Revolution Essay Contest because he enjoys testing himself."

Will said: "I try not to worry about everything. My faith is important to me; it helps me keep perspective. I've been given great opportunities and I try to do my best with what I've been given."

## Naturalization Ceremonies



Dick Bierman and Will Schrader pose with newly naturalized citizens.



## J.R.O.T.C. Medal Presentations



Marine JROTC Cadet Spencer Brumley of Jeffersontown High School shown here flanked by Compatriots Don Thom (left) and Doug Collins. On the right, Army JROTC Cadet Tyler Keel of Eastern High School is congratulated by Compatriot Drake Rinesmith



Valley High School Navy JROTC Cadet Clayton Distler accepted the SAR Bronze Medal from Compatriot Henry Head. On the right Compatriot Dan Klinck presented the SAR ROTC Silver Medal to Lt. Col. Jesse Acevedo for Air Force Cadet Cody Demuth (not present) at the Univ. of Louisville.



Louisville-Thruston Chapter presents the ROTC Medal to ROTC and JROTC cadets who have been selected by the Commanding Officers of their respective units for having a high degree of merit in leadership qualities, military bearing and general excellence. During 2013, a total of twelve cadets from local high schools and the University of Louisville will be awarded with the medal.



## Captain Charles Gatliff Chapter



Pictured (L-R): Front Row: Michael Warren, Gillis Wilder, J.B. Mountjoy, Ron Meadors, Eugene Siler, III, David Moore and Donnie Rains.

Back Row: Michael Colegrove, Don Root, John Mountjoy, David Bergmen, Herman Moore, Eugene Siler, Jr. and Roy Siler.



Compatriot Don Root presents the SAR Bronze JROTC medal to the Outstanding Cadet at Knox Central High School in Barbourville, Kentucky. The ceremony also included presenting certificates to those cadets who completed the Advanced American History--Revolutionary War course sponsored by the Captain Charles Gatliff Chapter. The picture shows part of the overflow crowd that packed the school's gym for the graduation ceremony.

## Captain Charles Duncan Chapter



Chapter meeting and BBQ at the home of member Jim and Darlene Johnson.



A 40 year award was presented to Pat Moore, wife of recently departed Compatriot John B. Moore.

The award was presented by Tom Petznick, current President of the Captain Charles Duncan Chapter.

## Lt. Robert Moseley Chapter



The Lt. Robert Moseley Chapter with the assistance of the Ohio Valley INSSAR and the Ft. Hartford Muzzleloaders held their Annual Memorial Service May 23rd at the Moseley Square Cemetery In Owensboro.



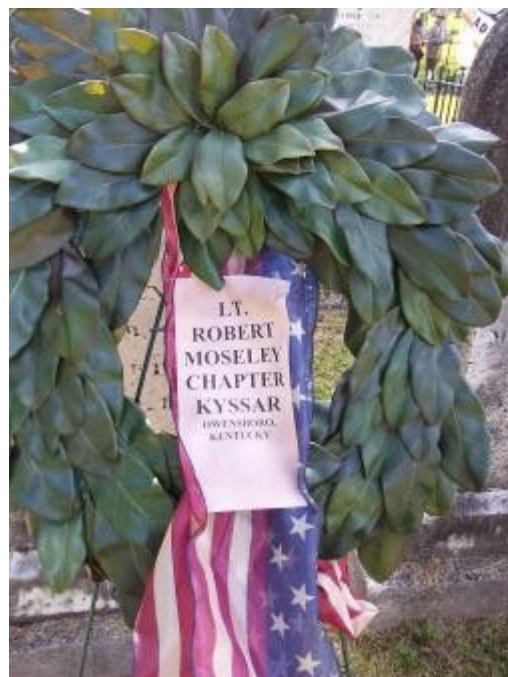
## Lt. Robert Moseley Chapter (continued)



Compatriot Scott Norris presented the Bronze JROTC medal to Daviess County High School Cadet Taylor Noble.



Robert Brooks and Gary Tunget took part in the Patriot John Hardin Memorial service at Shelbyville, KY. They served in the Color Guard, was part of the group that participated in the black-powder gun salute and presented the wreath pictured above.



Members of the Lt. Robert Moseley Color Guard and members of the Ohio Valley Chapter INSSAR provided a Flag and Musket Salute at the committal service for a 56 year Member of the DAR Edith Bennett. Ms. Bennett was very helpful to the Moseley Chapter during its rebirth in 2007. She said she wished she could join the SAR because we had more fun than the DAR.

These two chapters often work together and in doing so represent the SAR well in their communities.



Chapter President Tom Payne presents our Guest Speaker Tom Koon, SAR member of the John Manire Chapter, with a token of appreciation for an outstanding job on his talk about the causes of the American Revolution.



## Wounded Warrior Turkey Hunt



**Wounded Warrior turkey hunt  
Fredonia, KY.**

Want to see some of the people who have been fighting for our country in the War on Terrorism? Take a look at the above pictures. This group of Wounded Warriors took part in a Wounded Warrior Outdoors turkey hunt in Fredonia, KY. Local residents made sure that the visit was special, allowing their farms to be used in the hunt and providing several good meals after the day's hunt. Several of the locals also acted as callers to attract the birds. Walking on artificial legs or going through fields in their wheelchairs did not deter the spirits of these heroes! Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter members Scott Giltner, Forrest Chilton, Chuck Scott and Charlie Scott attended one of the dinners and presented Wounded Warrior coins and certificates.

**Fredonia, Ky**

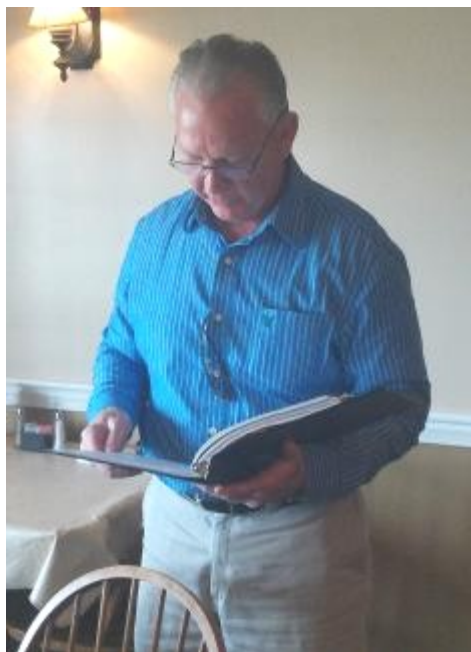


**Lake Cumberland**



The picture on the left shows the Wounded Warriors and local residents that hunted turkeys in Fredonia, KY. The picture on the right was taken after the turkey hunt at Lake Cumberland where locals and members of the Corps of Engineers assisted in making sure the Wounded Warriors had a good time. All of these heroes received a Wounded Warrior coin and certificate from members of the Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter.

## Captain William Arnold Chapter



KYSSAR President Tom Geimeier inducts Captain William Arnold Chapter officers Historian Jackie Miller, II, Vice President Jackie Miller, I, and President Billy Conrad.

## Lafayette Chapter



After helping with the Color Guard, Lafayette President Al Coleman sits with KYSSAR Treasurer Richard Bierman at the Patriot John Hardin Memorial Service.

President Coleman also presented the chapter wreath at the ceremony.



Lafayette President Al Coleman prepares to salute at grave marking of Jeremiah Phillips.



## DAR Nathaniel Burrus House Marking



Laura Jones in front of Nathaniel Burrus House



DAR members at house marking ceremony



The Jones Family: Jason, Lisa, Tommy & Laura



DAR marker



Ann Franklin, Rev. Forrest Chilton & Jeanette Wortham.



Marshall Wilkins, Charlie Scott & Tommy Jones



Al Coleman & Chuck Scott



Log cabin on property



Tommy Jones, John Clay Barnett, Chuck Scott & Charlie Scott at a table in the log cabin. Everything was there except the food!



## John Manire Chapter

The John Manire Chapter, Sons of the American Revolution (SAR) held a regular meeting on 18 Apr 2013 at the Oakland Manor on Newstead Road, Hopkinsville, Ky. A total of 35 guests and members attended. The highlight of the evening was the Presentation of SAR Youth Awards. Three local young people were honored with awards as follows:

Layton Thomas Atwood Outstanding Citizenship Award (female)

Kyle Anthony Hester Outstanding Citizenship Award (male)

Breck Burgin Turner Outstanding Eagle Scout Award



Layton Atwood received the Outstanding Citizenship award from Chapter President Robert L. Fears. With Layton (far right) are her Grandparents Don and Beverly Atwood and her parents Kevin and Tracie Atwood.

Kyle A. Hester (far right) received an Outstanding Citizenship award. There for the ceremony are: Josiah Parker, cousin; Susan and Aretis Edds, grandparents; Randy Hester, father and Kelly Crick, mother.



Breck B. Turner receive the Outstanding Eagle Scout award from James G. Adams Jr., District Judge and SAR member.

Breck's Dad (William R. Turner) and grandparents (William and LaVena Turner) were present for the award ceremony.

Chapter President, Robert L. Fears (seated) watches the presentation.



## John Manire Chapter (continued)

The John Manire Chapter, SAR held its regular monthly meeting at the Kentucky Veterans Cemetery – West in Hopkinsville, KY . After the opening ceremonies President Robert L. Fears introduced Mr. John Brame VFW Post 1913 Commander who presented Mr. Delbert D. Cayce III with an award honoring him as the last John Manire Chapter SAR member who was a veteran of World War II. Mr. Cayce served from 27 Apr 1944 to 1 Jul 1946 in the U.S. Navy aboard the USS Shoshone. He served as a signalman on a four man crew of a 36 foot LCVP (landing craft vehicle personnel) ferrying Marines from their ships to the Beaches of Iwo Jima.

President Fears also awarded the Distinguished Service Bronze award to Mr. David C. Smith honoring him as the founding President of the John Manire Chapter and for his continued service to our Chapter holding multiple offices for over thirty years. Mr. Smith was unable to attend and Mr. Delbert D. Cayce III accepted the award on his behalf.

The Featured Speaker for the evening was Mr. Richard A. Stanley, Director, KY Veterans Cemetery – West. Mr. Stanley provided a brief background on the founding of the KY Veterans Cemetery-West and gave thanks to the NSSAR and DAR for their continued support of the cemetery. He reminded everyone about what it means to be a veteran and how we are indebted to them for their service. He pointed out the Monument to Revolutionary War Veterans who settled in Christian County, KY erected in a joint effort by the John Manire Chapter, SAR and the KY Dept. of Veterans Affairs in 2012 as a good example of a lasting tribute to some of our nation's first veterans.



Mr. Richard Stanley, Director of the Kentucky Veterans Cemetery – West in Hopkinsville, KY



(L-R) Mr. Robert L. Fears, John Manire SAR Chapter President; Mr. Delbert D. Cayce III last surviving World War II veteran in the John Manire Chapter and Mr. John Brame, Commander of Veterans of Foreign Wars (VFW) Post 1913 in Hopkinsville, KY.

## Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter



The Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter presents ten JROTC medals to deserving cadets. The above pictures show Charlie Scott with Cadet Captain Francis R. Silva, III (John Hardin High School), Cadet Trace Decker (Central Hardin High School) and Cadet Captain Kyle Perkins (Bullitt Central High School)



Vic Bitter and his four Grandsons dressed up for the Derby parade.



Forrest Chilton arranged for the Chilton Group to let the SAR use one of their trucks for those not walking in the parade.



Joe Parish and Ed Myles were honored for volunteer service at the Robley Rex V.A. Hospital. Joe has 750 hours, Ed 1305 hours.



Riflemen  
John Test and Marshall Wilkins



Tommy Jones was part of the Kentucky Color Guard at the DAR state meeting.



## C.A.R. & SAR Working Together with the DAR



Children of the American Revolution brought greetings and made a presentation at the DAR state meeting.

In picture are: Andrew Giltner and Paige Harper both Jack Jouett C.A.R. members, Senior KSCAR President Rita Johnson and KSCAR President Mitchell Clouse.



Charlie Scott, KYSSAR's DAR Liaison, presented certificates to DAR's SAR Liaison Barbara Smith and KSDAR Regent Jessianne Wells in appreciation of the KSDAR members referring 68 new members to the Kentucky Society SAR.

**Thanks KSDAR**



### Matching Donation Program

When you make a donation, you receive credit for twice the amount.

That's right, donate \$50 and you receive credit for a \$100 donation!

Plus, since 2013 is the 230th anniversary of the Treaty of Paris, you will also receive the handsome pin on the left.

25% of KYSSAR members have made some type of donation.

Have you made your donation?

## 2013 Kentucky Derby Pegasus Parade



All dressed up and ready for the Kentucky Derby Pegasus Parade.

Picture by: Doug Collins



On the parade route.

Notice, we are all in step



## Patriot John Hardin Memorial Marking

The Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter hosted this service for Patriot John Hardin. They were assisted by three compatriots from South Carolina and members of the Lafayette and Lt. Robert Moseley Chapters. Four DAR Chapters were also represented: John Marshall, Fincastle, Peter Force and the Isaac Shelby Chapter.



Color Guard ready to post Colors and Standards.



Patriot John Hardin Monument



Seven shooters took part in the black-powder gun salute. From left to right are: John Test, Joe Parish, Robert Brooks, Gary Tunget, Bob Krause, Dan Woodruff and Marshall Wilkins. Gov. Isaac Shelby Color Guard Commander John Clay Barnett oversees the firing.



Scott Giltner playing taps.



## Patriot John Hardin Memorial Marking (continued)



Flag-Folding Ceremony: Tom Higgins and Charlie Scott folded the flag. Mark Anthony (South Carolina Society) kept the flag taut and Rev. Forrest Chilton explained the 13 folds.



Music tribute: Charlie Scott played “Amazing Grace” on his fife.



Compatriots line up prior to firing black-powder gun salute. Shooters left to right: John Test and Joe Parish (Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter,) Robert Brooks and Gary Tunget (Lt. Robert Moseley Chapter,) Bob Krause and Dan Woodruff (South Carolina Society) and Marshall Wilkins (Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter.)



South Carolina Society members: Dan Woodruff, Bob Krause and Mark Anthony.



Distant Cousins:

John Clay Barnett and Gary Tunget (Lt. Robert Moseley Chapter member.)



## Daughters of the American Revolution



Winnie Townsend, a member of the Captain Jacob Van Meter DAR Chapter, presented DAR JROTC medals and certificates to a deserving cadet at both the John Hardin and Central Hardin High Schools.



Mary David Myles, Isaac Shelby DAR Chapter, 5th Great Granddaughter of Patriot John Hardin was presented the American Flag after it was folded.



Peter Foree DAR Chapter members at the Patriot John Hardin Memorial marking service. From left to right: Jimmie Spratlin, Regent Adele McCoy, Pam Godwin, Vivian Stewart, Patty St. Clair, and Julie Mudd.



Tricia Langley and Regent Keitt Wood from the Fincastle DAR Chapter and Regent Sharlene Cooper from the John Marshall DAR Chapter attended the John Hardin service.



On the left, Vivian Stewart, Peter Foree DAR Chapter member ready to place a flower at the Patriot Grave Marking service of Jeremiah Phillips.

On the right John Marshall DAR Chapter member, Vicki Bierman place a flower for her chapter.



Attending the Cox's Station site marking are: Pat Hart in front of Thomas Hart, Terry Lynn Pyles and Regent Janet Upton.



## Children of the American Revolution



Elizabeth and Lara Rose Giltner, members of the Jack Jouett C.A.R. Chapter, carried a flag and presented their chapter wreath at the annual ceremony at Martin's Station.



Andrew Giltner, Jack Jouett C.A.R. member (white shirt) led the pledge to the Flag at the Martin's Station ceremony.

With Andrew are: (L-R) Don Drewry (Simon Kenton Chapter), sisters (Elizabeth and Lara Rose) and Dad, Scott Giltner (Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter).



Leah Shelburne, a member of the Nelson County C.A.R. Chapter, proudly holds a certificate presented to her for taking part in the "Keyhole to History" program sponsored by the Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter, KYSSAR. Others pictured above are: (L-R) Scott Giltner, Susan Lewis, Rebecca Brothers, Lynn Shelburne and Chuck Scott.



Scott Giltner, VP of the Gov. Isaac Shelby Chapter presents certificate to Leah Shelburne. Her mother, Lynn Shelburne looks on.



## Simon Kenton Chapter



SAR members at the Martin's Station ceremony

Compatriots on each end are unknown. In the middle is Scott Giltner and KYSSAR Color Guard Commander Don Drewry.



KYSSAR President Tom Geimeier congratulates Turkey Middle School Principal Tom Arnzen on the school in Kenton County earning the honor of being a "Distinguished" school.



Pendleton Co. H.S. JROTC Awards  
This is one of several schools where the Simon Kenton Chapter presents JROTC medals.



Recently announced: Wickland Manor ...Bardstown, Nelson County ..the site of our KYSSAR Fall Meeting. (July 20)



Color Guard at recent Honor Flight



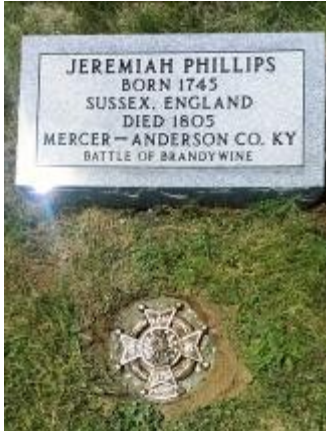
Chapter President Jesse Moore presents a certificate to Pat Berry for chairing KYSSAR poster contest.



Don Drewry inspects Color Guard at Grassy Run.



## Patriot Grave Marking Service for Jeremiah Phillips and John Cardwell, Jr.



Phillip's stone and marker.



Phillips Family members at service.



Cardwell stone and marker.



Central District V.P. General Rev. Forrest Chilton and KYSSAR Vice President Chuck Scott presents Bronze Good Citizenship medals and certificates to Amalie Preston, Carole Brady and Luther Davenport.



Dickie Phillips, direct descendant of Patriot Jeremiah Phillips, and Rifleman Marshall Wilkins fire a black-powder gun salute.



Descendants of Jeremiah Phillips and John Cardwell, Jr. speak about their Patriot ancestors.



Family members at Patriot Grave Marking Service



## DAR's Cox's Station Site Marking

The Cox's Station DAR Chapter marked the original site of Cox's Station. Colonel Isaac Cox and a party of settlers selected this location in Nelson County, KY as their home twelve years before Kentucky became a state. The spring house and part of a creek rock wall is still at the original site where several cabins and a stockade once stood. Colonel Cox was killed in 1788 by a band of Indians.



KSDAR Regent Jessieanne Wells and KSDAR Regent-Elect Barbara Zink stand beside the springhouse and the new DAR marker. The picture on the right is of the site marker.



Pictures of the people who attended the ceremony. Several DAR members from other chapters came to the event.



Members of the Gov. Isaac Shelby SAR Chapter posted the Colors above the creek rock wall.



Later at a reception, Susan Lewis was honored. Here she receives a KY Colonel commission from Regent Jessieanne Wells.



## Big Sandy Chapter

The Big Sandy Chapter members Gary Howard, Roger Ratliff and Jerry Nichols spent Tuesday and Wednesday May 21st and 22nd cleaning off Rev War Soldiers gravesites that have been neglected. Those patriots are as follows: John Mullins, Dickerson County, Va; Jacob Hess, Pike County, KY; Ayres Vaughn & Thomas Brown, Floyd County, KY. We also cleaned the gravesite of Samuel Hatfield, War of 1812 Soldier. These gravesites required the use of a weed eater as shown in the attached pictures.





## Genealogy Workshop



The Kentucky Society of the Sons of the American Revolution (KYSSAR)

Captain William Arnold Chapter

DAR 5<sup>th</sup> District Regent Ruth Green Kozrenborn  
and

The Grant County Public Library

Presents

A GENEALOGY

WORKSHOP

Jackie Dean Miller (Genealogist CWAC) and DAR 5<sup>th</sup> District Regent, Ruth Green Kozrenborn  
on

Saturday June 1, 2013 11am – 2pm

at

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