



**Little People of America - District 10 Regional
Friday, April 28th - Sunday, April 30th, 2017
Denver, CO - Sheraton Denver Downtown**

From the heights of Colorado, welcome to Denver, the site of the 2017 LPA District 10 Spring Regional. District 10 and the Front Range Chapter of LPA are excited to be hosting this event which will be a trial run for the upcoming National Conference in July. It's time to "Spring into Action" and prepare for the upcoming National! This Regional is for members of District 10 and beyond – so invite all your friends – we look forward to having a great turnout for the weekend!

Our goals are to make this event as affordable, fun-filled, educational and stress-free as possible for all who attend. We have events designed to meet the various needs of LPA members all the way from young children to older adults.

In order to assist you in the registration process we have provided a detailed description for all events. If this is your first regional, it can be overwhelming, so if you're in need of assistance, or have any questions at all, please contact District Director, Gaill Blackburn, or any of the conference coordinators. In addition, we will have conference "veterans" on hand to assist you in any way possible. (District10LPA@gmail.com)

LPA D10 Regional Conference Committee Members - Looking forward to seeing you in April!

Gaill Blackburn, LPA District 10 Director	Carol Trombino, LPA District 10 Treasurer
Brandi Van Anne, CO Regional Co-Chair	Rachel Fowler, CO Regional Co-Chair
Jami Garland, CO Chapter President	Nikole Bigley, CO Chapter Co-President
Angie Giuffre, LPA Western Regional Representative	

A few important things to remember as you go through the pre-registration process:

LPA registration savings cutoff date is Friday, April 7th !!!
Name badges must be worn during the conference at all times
Hotel reservation cutoff date is Wednesday, March 29th to secure the LPA rates

Please fill out forms completely & clearly - and only 1 household per registration form

Sincerely,

Gaill Blackburn

Gaill Blackburn
LPA District 10 Director

Once your registration packet is completely filled out please mail to:
Carol Trombino, LPA D10 Treasurer
4262 East Maya Way, Cave Creek, AZ 85331
Please make your checks payable to: LPA D10 2017 Spring Regional



CONFERENCE HOTEL INFORMATION

Sheraton Denver Downtown Hotel

1550 Court Place, Denver, CO 80202

Phone: 303-893-3333 / Reservations: 888-627-8405

<http://www.SheratonDenverDowntown.com>

Reservation Information

To make room reservations call [888-627-8405](tel:888-627-8405), and mention "**LPA D10 Regional Conference**". Or you can conveniently reserve your room online at <https://www.starwoodmeeting.com/Book/LPAD10>.

Hotel Rate Information

Room Rates: \$159/night for standard rooms (plus applicable sales taxes). These rates are ONLY guaranteed for reservations made by March 29th, 2017 at 5 pm. "Run of House" rooms are standard rooms. The bathroom doorway is a bit narrow, so if you have a scooter, you might prefer the "Traditional Accessible" rooms (please note these do not have bathtubs, but roll-in showers).

Restaurants: A full breakfast buffet is available in the hotel at the 15/Fifty Restaurant for \$21. Breakfast grab-and-go items and snacks are available at Peet's Coffee & Tea. 16Mix features an open-air patio and a variety of sandwiches, burgers, pizza, etc. Yard House is an upscale downtown Denver restaurant, with delicious American food. Zoup! Restaurant offers hearty, homemade soup with 12 rotating daily varieties. View: <http://www.sheratondenverdowntown.com/downtown-denver-restaurants>

Show your LPA nametag to enjoy a 10% discount at: 15/Fifty Restaurant, 16Mix, Peet's Coffee & Tea, and In Room Dining! (Discount does not apply to Happy Hour pricing).

Parking: No charge for self-parking for LPA Regional conference attendees.

Hotel Features

Sheraton Denver Downtown Hotel is conveniently located on a mile-long pedestrian promenade known as the [16th Street Pedestrian Mall](#), tree-lined promenade with restaurants, breweries, shopping, and entertainment such as bowling and movies - all within walking/scootering distance! Hop on the free shuttle to see top downtown Denver attractions, like the Denver Performing Arts Complex, Colorado Convention Center and the City's major professional sports stadiums.

Relax in a heated rooftop pool with city views, explore six bars and restaurants, check out the superb fitness center, and enjoy free Internet access at the spacious workstations in the hotel's Link@Sheraton. Each of the distinctly appointed 1,231 guest rooms offers dramatic city or mountain views.



Additional photos can be viewed online at: <http://www.sheratondenverdowntown.com/gallery>

Denver International Airport (DEN)

<http://www.sheratondenverdowntown.com/hotel-directions>

Airport Transportation

The following options can provide airport transportation to and from the Sheraton Denver Downtown:

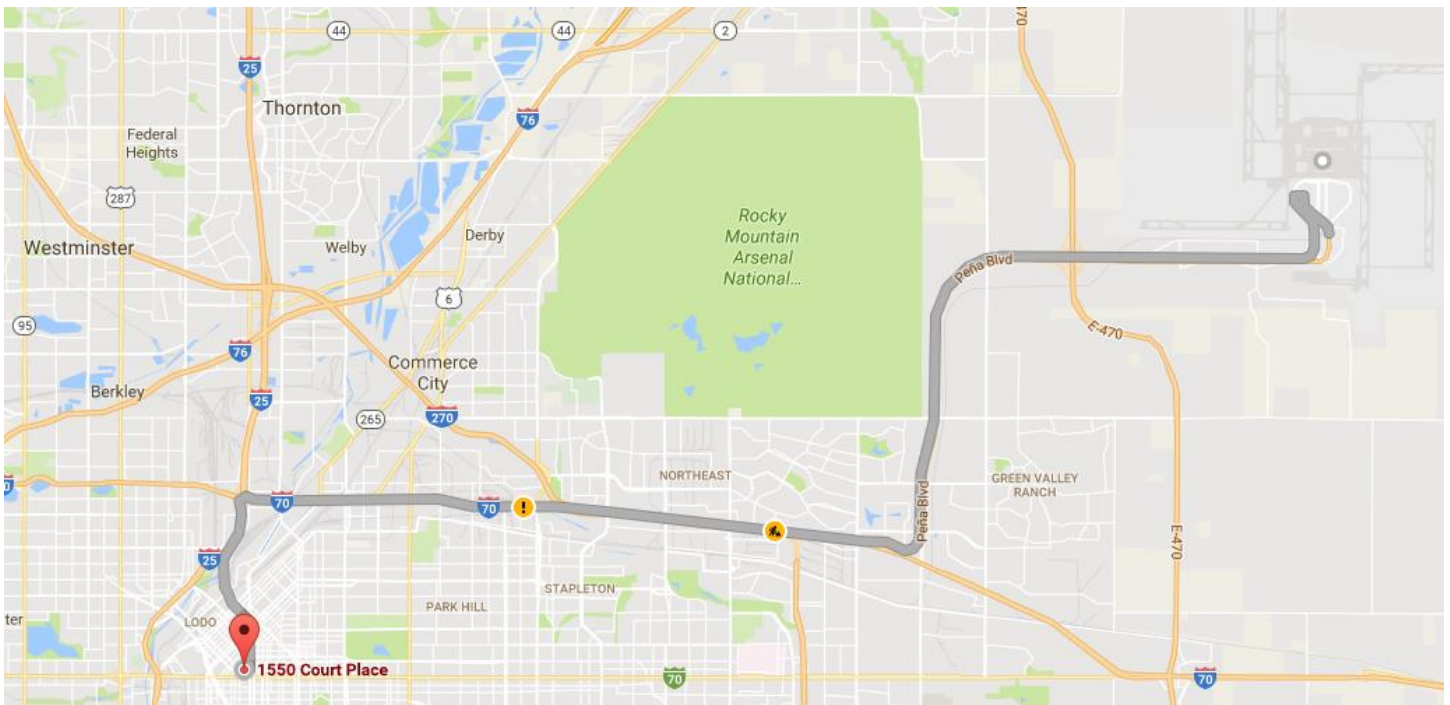
Super Shuttle: 1-800 258-3826 Fox Limo Service: 303-882-0525 Denver Yellow Cab: 303-777-7777
Metro Taxi: 303-333-3333 Freedom Cab: 303-444-4444

Train to the Plane | University of Colorado A Line

The University of Colorado A Line provides easy and affordable transportation between downtown Denver, Denver International Airport, and along I-70.

Cost: local (\$2.60), regional (\$4.50) or airport fare (\$9.00) depending on your destination.

Train departs every 15 min. and has 8 stations total, including Union Station and Denver Airport station. Get on the train at Denver Airport station and get off at Union station. Take RTD bus to 16th Street Mall (which is less than a mile). Get off the RTD bus at 16th Street Mall and Court place. Sheraton is there!



Downtown Denver Transportation

RTD Light Rail

Offering over 30 convenient stations on several lines to get you to where you need to be! Convenient stations near the Sheraton Denver CO hotel located at 16th Street & Stout, 16th Street & California and Union Station.

RTD Buses

Local area bus service runs 365 days a year to the places you need to get to. With over 10,000 stops and convenient online trip planning, maneuvering the bus system is a breeze.

Commuter Train

The trains will run every 15 minutes during peak hours and every 30 minutes during non-peak hours. The public transit center will also serve as the pick-up and drop-off location for all RTD buses.

If traveling with a wheelchair or scooter... make sure to let them know ahead of time.

Weather Conditions

The average high temperature in late April is around 65 degrees and the average low around 40 degrees.

Regional Pre-Registration

The regional planning committee strongly recommends that you pre-register for all events. If tickets are not purchased in advance, we cannot guarantee tickets will be available on-site (especially banquet).

Registration Funds

Cash and personal checks will be accepted for pre-registration and onsite registration as well as regional event fees. Sorry, no credit cards will be accepted.

Refunds

A full refund of registration fees will be granted before April 7th, 2017. All requests for refunds must be made in writing to Carol Trombino. Requests for refunds on or after April 7th, 2017 will not be honored. There will be no onsite refunds, and registrants who do not cancel prior to April 7th, 2017 and do not attend the regional will be responsible for the registration fee, and events. Tickets for activities may be traded, sold, or given away and is the responsibility of the ticket holder.

Minors

Teenagers attending the regional without their parents must have an identified regional guardian. A temporary guardian form **must** be included with your registration form or your packet will be returned to you as incomplete and unregistered.

Prohibited Conduct

LPA members, and other attendees of LPA functions may be disciplined for grievous behavior at, or related to an LPA function, including regional or national conferences, by eviction, membership probation, revocation of membership, and/or other actions deemed reasonable. Any official action by LPA does not preclude legal recourse by the hotel or outside entity, including law enforcement personnel. Prohibited behavior includes, but is not limited to, illegal use of alcohol and/or drugs, destruction of hotel or private property and harassment. Please sign and return the "**Code of Conduct**" page with your registration.

Non-Discrimination

LPA does not discriminate on the basis of race, color, religion, sex, sexual orientation, age, national origin, diagnosis or disability status in its programs and activities, with respect to admission, access treatment, benefit and / or employment. In addition, LPA does not condone any form of harassment.

Selling of Goods at the Conference

Selling of items at the regional without prior written permission of the regional committee is prohibited.

Important Reminder

You are responsible for your hotel room and any costs associated with it. If you have roommates, make sure you know who is paying for what before arriving in Phoenix.

LPA Membership

If you are not a member, LPA membership is available online at <http://www.lpaonline.org/join-or-renew>, and membership forms will also be available for you to fill out onsite.

CONFERENCE SCHEDULE

Friday, April 28th, 2017 -

Registration	3:30 PM – 6:30 PM
Dine Around	6:30 PM – 9:00 PM

Saturday, April 29th, 2017 -

Registration	9:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Family Fun Day	10:00 AM – 12:00 PM
Officer's Lunch Meeting	12:00 PM – 1:00 PM
<i>Lunch (on your own)</i>	<i>12:00 PM – 1:00 PM</i>
Registration	1:00 PM – 4:00 PM
Family Fun Day	1:00 PM – 4:30 PM
DAAA Bocchia Ball	1:00 PM – 3:00 PM
Bingo Tournament	3:00 PM – 4:30 PM
<i>Time on your own</i>	<i>4:30 PM – 6:00 PM</i>
Meet and Greet	6:00 PM – 6:30 PM
Banquet Dinner and Conference Talk	6:30 PM – 8:00 PM
Dance with DJ	8:00 PM – 12:00 AM

Sunday, April 30th, 2017 -

Kid/Tween/Teen Room	8:45 AM – 12:00 PM
Parents Workshop	9:00 AM – 10:30 AM
General Assembly Meeting	10:45 AM – 12:00 PM

Have a safe trip home and thanks for making the conference extra special !!!

CONFERENCE HIGHLIGHTS

Raffle Tickets

There will be a 50/50 Raffle with the winner announced at the General Assembly Meeting. Tickets will be sold at the registration table upon your arrival, during the beginning of the Banquet dinner, and during the District meeting. Tickets sale for \$1 each, or 6 for \$5. Thanks in advance for supporting your District!

Family Fun Day

There will be a variety of activities to choose from for ALL ages – bingo, card games, board games, twister, a scavenger hunt, and mingling... Enjoy friendships, old and new! Bingo cards will be sold for 25 cents each and there will be plenty of great prizes for the winners so bring your quarters!

DAAA Bocchia Ball

Bring your "A" game to this year's bocchia tournament. Teams can be put together before the conference, or teams can be formed onsite. New to bocchia? No problem! Feel free to learn all about it online here - http://www.daaa.org/uploads/3/0/0/1/30014259/team_usa_bocchia.pdf

Officer's Meeting

This is a working lunch for National, District, and Chapter Officers to brainstorm with National's CMC member, Marge Carlisle, on the upcoming Denver National Conference and its needs from CO volunteers.

Saturday Night Banquet Dinner

Please join us for the D10 Regional Banquet Dinner - buffet style! The selections will include your choice of: mini hot dogs, sliders, quesadillas, pizzas, assorted mini cookies, lemonade and tea. Meals will be \$25 per person (\$15 for kids 12 and under). National's Conference Management Committee (CMC) member, Marge Carlisle, will be presenting information on the upcoming [National Conference](#) – what to expect and what you can do to help! Last minute raffle tickets will be sold during dinner and the winner of the 50/50 raffle will be announced at the General Assembly Meeting on Sunday morning.

Saturday Night Dance

At this year's event, we will be having a DJ with dancing on Saturday night. The cover charge is \$15 in advance, and \$25/person on site. If you are attending the Banquet, your entry to the dance will be free!

Group Photo

What a wonderful memento to be taken during the banquet.

Parents Workshop

Come and join other parents of little people to discuss a range of questions regarding medical issues, psychosocial matters, school issues, etc. This is a good time to connect with other parents and get advice. There will be a variety of parents there from new parents to parents of children that are graduated from college, average-height parents and LP parents.

General Assembly Meeting

Join your volunteer leaders in learning about the going-ons and happenings of the chapters and district. Be there and let your voice be heard. LPA is a volunteer based non-profit and benefits from involvement. This meeting gives the LPA membership an opportunity to meet with the local, district, and national officers present. National's Conference Management Committee (CMC) member, Marge Carlisle, will be on board to answer questions about the upcoming [National Conference](#) – what to expect and what you can do to help! We will also be announcing the grand prize winner for the raffle (you must be present to win) !!!

Kid/Tween/Teen Room

While the adults get down to business in the Parents Workshop and General Assembly Meeting, the kids, tweens and teens can have fun together during their very own "end of conference" festivities with karaoke, crafts, games, and tons of fun.

LPA Alcohol Policy

Alcohol Use under Age 21: A Tough Love Approach:

It is against the law for a person under the legal drinking age (which is 21 in Colorado) to buy, receive, have in possession, or consume alcohol.

If it is determined by hotel security, police, or an LPA official that an individual under the age of 21 is under the influence of alcohol at an LPA National Conference then that individual shall:

Not be allowed to attend a LPA National Conference without at least one parent or their legal guardian in attendance until age 21. They will not be allowed to designate a "Conference Guardian". Parents or guardian(s) will be contacted immediately regarding the individual's alcohol consumption and resulting behavior.

If parents are in attendance at the National Conference, then the underage individual shall be prohibited from attending the succeeding National Conference. Thereafter, the individual may not attend a National Conference unless accompanied by at least one parent or legal guardian until age 21.

If an individual has lost the privilege of attending the National Conference they may appeal the conference restriction through their District Director and/or the Vice President of Membership. After a review of the specific circumstances of the incident and individual's circumstances, the Executive Committee may then decide to amend the member's conference restriction. This will be considered on a case by case basis and will not be considered lightly.

If the person has a second infraction, with or without their parents present, before they are 21 years of age, then they will not be allowed to attend LPA National Conference until they are 21.

Providing Alcohol to Minors

Little People of America, its officers and Conference Committee, will not tolerate anyone of any age providing or purchasing alcohol for minors. This includes the purchase of alcohol in bars or clubs or cash bars or providing of alcohol at individual parties.

If an individual is found to have violated this, they will be reported to the hotel security and local law enforcement officials for the legal action of the host conference site. They will be removed from the current LPA Conference.

They may not be allowed to attend the next two LPA Conferences. Their attendance at national conferences after that will be determined by a committee consisting of not less than the following individuals, LPA Executive Committee, the current National Conference Chair, and their Current or past District Director and/or Chapter President. They may lose their membership to LPA for an undetermined length of time.

Disruptive Behavior: If a person of any age is under the influence of alcohol participates in the destruction or damage of any public or private property, disorderly conduct, harassment or abuse of individuals while at a LPA Conference, that person will be subjected to disciplinary action by the local civil authorities and/or LPA Executive Committee and/or Board of Directors.

Also Note: For all on-site and off-site events that require participants to be over 21 registrations will be checked against LPA records. You may need to provide identification.

THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED AND RETURNED WITH YOUR REGISTRATION FORM

Member Code of Conduct

Little People of America is committed to providing a safe, caring, healthy, and respectful environment for all members and guests. To promote these values, we ask individuals to act appropriately at all times when attending our events.

Our Member Code of Conduct dictates positive interactions with others, language free of anger or vulgarities, and actions at or above a generally accepted standard of conduct. The following conduct can lead to immediate suspension or termination of membership:

- Violation of membership rules and policies in the LPA Bylaws and Policy Manual
- Physical contact with another person in an angry or threatening manner
- Angry or vulgar language including swearing, name calling, or shouting
- Harassment or intimidation by words, gestures, body language, or any other menacing behavior
- Theft or behavior that results in the destruction of property belonging to LPA, its members or guests, or homes or facilities where events are taking place
- Unlawful carrying of concealed weapons or devices/objects that may be used as weapons
- Unlawful use or possession of illegal chemicals, tobacco, or alcohol during LPA events
- Any other conduct of an inappropriate, threatening or offensive nature

The protection of our members and guests participating in our programs and events is a paramount interest of Little People of America. The LPA reserves the right to deny access, suspend, or revoke membership to any person who violates the membership code of conduct. This code of conduct is applicable at all LPA functions including national, district, and chapter sponsored events. The board of directors of the governing body of the event have the responsibility and right to enforce the code of conduct and to determine consequences for violations.

This Code of Conduct does not otherwise affect the legal rights and responsibilities of LPA or its members. LPA reserves the right to call law enforcement when necessary. Any action by LPA does not preclude legal recourse by the hotel, event venue, individual member or non-member, or outside entity.

Membership Code of Conduct Acknowledgment

I hereby acknowledge that I have received a copy of the Little People of America Membership Code of Conduct. I also agree that as a member of LPA I will adhere to all rules and policies set forth in this Code. If I am signing as the Head of Household, I agree to inform all members listed on my Membership and/or Registration Form of the rules and policies set forth in this Code. I understand that any violation of the rules and policies listed in this Code could result in penalties up to loss of membership privileges of Little People of America, nationally, regionally, and locally.

Name

Date

Photo Release

By attending the LPA conference I hereby give my permission to Little People of America and their designated agents to take and use any photograph, video-tape or voice recording of me, the signer of this page, my family or my guests, for publication or reproduction in any advertisement, public relations effort or fund raising efforts of the association, its programs or agents.

Name

Date

**THIS FORM MUST BE SIGNED, NOTARIZED AND RETURNED
WITH YOUR REGISTRATION FORM (IF APPLICABLE)**

TEMPORARY GUARDIAN AND MEDICAL RELEASE

Minors (under the age of 18) attending LPA's D10 Spring Regional April 28-30, 2017 in Denver, CO without their parents or legal guardian, must have a temporary guardian designated for the weekend conference. The parents of the unaccompanied minor who is attending the 2017 LPA D10 Spring Regional must fill out the form below. The temporary guardian must be at least 21 years of age.

This form must be included with your registration form or your packet will be deemed incomplete and returned to you without processing. A separate form must be completed for each minor

Thank you for the following information. Please print clearly.

Minors Full Name:	Date of Birth:
Minor's Social Security #	
Health Plan Name:	Group #
I give permission for my minor (name _____) to receive full medical treatment in the event of an emergency	
I authorize (legal guardian name) _____ to be legal guardian for my minor during the weekend of April 28-30, 2017 in Denver, CO.	
Signature of Parent:	Date:
Parents Full Name:	
Address:	City/State/Zip:
Home Phone:	Cell Phone:
Name of Appointed Guardian (must be over 21 years of age):	
Address:	City/State/Zip:
Signature of Guardian:	Date:
Allergies of Minor:	
Complete listing of current medications:	
Other medical needs or concerns:	
Notary Republic Stamp / Signature:	Date Commission Expires:

**LPA District 10 2017 Spring Regional
 MAIN REGISTRATION FORM - Only One Household Per Registration Form***

Last Name	First Name	Age (if under 21)	Little Person	First Timer
			Y / N	Y / N
			Y / N	Y / N
			Y / N	Y / N
			Y / N	Y / N
			Y / N	Y / N
			Y / N	Y / N

Address:				
City		State		Zip
Telephone			Email	
Do you have any special needs?				

Regional Registration Fees						
	Single	Couple	Family*	Add. Guests	Additional cost for non-members **	Total
On or before 04/07/17	\$20	\$30	\$40	\$10	\$55 year dues / \$20 (age 65+) / \$35 (students 12 units +)	
After 04/07/17	\$30	\$40	\$50	\$20	\$55 year dues / \$20 (age 65+) / \$35 (students 12 units +)	
Regional Registration Total	Subtotal					\$

***Up to four. Only available to family members in the same household.
 Cannot be used by roommates. Children 3 and under are free.**

Regional Event Fees				
Event Title	# Attending	Prior to 04/07/17	After 04/07/17	TOTAL COST
Friday, April 28th, 2017				
Dine Around		(pay on your own)	(pay on your own)	
Saturday, April 29th, 2017				
Boccia	Team Members:			<input type="checkbox"/> Looking for a team
Event Title	# Attending	Prior to 04/07/17	After 04/07/17	
Banquet Dinner (includes dance)		\$25.00	\$25.00	
Banquet Dinner (includes dance) Kids (12 and under only)		\$15.00	\$15.00	
Dance Only		\$15.00	\$25.00	
Dance Only (5 & Under)		free	free	
Sunday, April 30th, 2017				
Kid/Tween/Teen Room		free	free	
Regional Event Fees Total	Subtotal			

Total Conference Registration Fees	TOTAL	\$
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 Carol Trombino, LPA D10 Treasurer
 4262 East Maya Way, Cave Creek, AZ 85331
 Please make your checks payable to: LPA D10 2017 Spring Regional**

If you want to pay with PayPal or by Credit Card, either fax in your Registration Form to 1-888-244-1864 or email it to District10LPA@gmail.com. (Please designate on the form that you paid online via PayPal. If you have a confirmation code, that's even better – write it on your form!)

<http://lpadistrict10.org/regionals/2017-denver-co-spring-regional/online-registration-payment/>

NEW POLICY ON LPA MEMBERSHIP AND REGIONALS **

As of last year the national board has put into place a policy that there is to be an additional fee for non-members attending a conference. The difference in price for non-members is the cost of a one-year membership. Instead of paying the extra cost, it is more beneficial to become a paying member of LPA.

If you are not a current paid member of LPA and want to become one to avoid paying the extra fee with your registration, the membership prices are currently are \$55 per household per year. A three year membership is \$120. Lifetime membership is \$750. Senior memberships (age 65+) are \$20. International Members or full-time college or vocational students (12 units or more) are \$35.

For more information about National LPA membership, or for other questions, please visit: <http://www.lpaonline.org/join-or-renew>.

Your Regional registration will be checked against the LPA National membership database. If you are not a member at the time of registration, you may be asked to pay the additional fee when you arrive at the Conference. If you have other questions, or are not sure if you are a current LPA paid member, please contact the LPA National office at info@lpaonline.org or by calling 1-888-LPA-2001.

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