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1 Progressive Building Society – In the Community Awards

A Community Awards Scheme Panel, working independently of the Society, meet twice yearly to assess applications and allocate awards ranging from £200 to £2,000.

Applications for Community Awards must be made using the Society's Application Form, which must bear the nomination of a current Member of the Society. Applications submitted without the nomination of a current Member will be returned.

Applications will only be accepted from non-profit organisations working for the benefit of communities within Northern Ireland.

The Rules of the Scheme can be found on the reverse of the Application Form, available from any branch of the Society.

Past Recipients

Over the past few years we have granted many awards to various community groups and charities. These include:

NI Childrens Hospice, Heartbeat NI, Action Cancer, Age Concern NI, Aware Defeat Depression, Childline, Disability Action, CRUSE, Enniskillen Riding School for the Disabled, Fleming Fulton Phab, Shine A Light, Meningitis Trust, Cruse Bereavement Care NI, Holywood Family Trust, Glu Project, Crosskeenan Lane Animal Sanctuary, Pink Ladies Cancer Support Group, Myasthenia Gravis Assn, Indian Community Centre, Shopmobility Lisburn, HURT, NI Cancer fund for children, Whizz-Kidz, Fishermens Mission, Newforge Taggers, Guide Dogs NI, The Hearing Hub & ASBAH

At the last meeting of the Panel, awards granted included:

Autism NI, Riverside (Special) School, New Life Counselling, Assistance Dogs NI and Diabetes UK NI.

Further Information / Obtaining An Application Form

If you have any queries please contact any of our branch offices or Christine Hamill on 028 9082 1827

Judging takes place twice a year at approximately the end of May and November. Members are encouraged to apply as early as possible for any round of funding.

For further information please see: <http://www.theprogressive.com/about-progressive/in-the-community/>

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2 Churches, Communities and Unemployment Conference

Many faith based organizations and community groups are keen to find ways to help people out of poverty but

in a difficult economic climate finding work is not easy. Are there creative approaches to tackling unemployment or opportunities to work access organizations and sectors? Derry City Council and Limavady Borough Council are organizing the following event for Churches, Community groups and Charities to hear about a 'workcentres' concept and consider alternative approaches to help local people in need of income:

Title: Churches, Communities and Unemployment
Venue: Whitehorse Hotel, Campsie, Derry~Londonderry
Facilitated by Des McCabe, Diversition
Date/Time 9.45am – 4pm – Tuesday 12th November 2013
Cost Free (NB includes tea/coffee, soup and sandwiches)

The morning programme in the conference will explore the 'Work it Out' concept and 'Next Step' concept as approaches to generating income and helping those most in need. It will discuss the 'gap' in this type of provision and the opportunities for churches and communities. It will then explore the 'Work Centre' concept the practicalities around what this requires and how it operates – to see if there is local interest. After lunch there is the opportunity for those who are interested the concepts to stay on and network with other local organisations present to see if any practical action can be taken to follow up on the discussions.

There is a max of 2-3 places per organization and booking is by advance registration only. Name and full contact details must be give at the time of booking. **The booking deadline is Wednesday**

6th November. Applications are open to all but in the event of oversubscription, priority will be given to those who live, work or volunteer within the Derry City Council or Limavady Borough Council area.

For an application form and to register contact: michaela.devine@derrycity.gov.uk tel 028 71 365151 ext 8221

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3 How do we help people get back to work in our local communities?

Friday 18th October 2013, 10am-1pm, Belmont Hotel, Banbridge
ALL WELCOME - FREE

Information and discussion workshop for organisations looking to explore the possibility of setting up a local WorkCentre.

Agenda:

This Work It Out networking session includes:

The new world of work - Work It Out!
Building on individual strengths
Delivery of Work It Out! training programmes
The gap in provision
How do WorkCentres work?
Who can set up a WorkCentre?
Location and facilities
Numbers, Progression and Capacity building
What support and help is available to those setting up a WorkCentre?
Can anyone set up a WorkCentre?
Who can be a WorkCentre Facilitator?
Monthly support sessions
What are the costs?
Creating your local WorkCentre

Please confirm your attendance with Carmel:
Carmel Hynes / 028 417 54777 / carmel@diversiton.com

'This programme is funded by the European Union's Peace III Programme and managed by the Special EU Programmes Body'

For further information please contact :
PEACE III Engaging in Good Relations Team, Banbridge District Council, Old Technical School Building, Downshire Road, BANBRIDGE, BT32 3JY

w: <http://www.egrteam.com>
e: info@egrteam.com
t: 028 4062 0242 (NI)
t: 048 4062 0242 (RoI)

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4 New "Job Club"

Londonderry YMCA in partnership with YouthAction NI have launched their new "Job Club", a one stop shop where you can get free and impartial guidance to support you to find employment or move into education. (for flyer with more details see attached)

Every Thursday 2pm – 4pm at the YMCA, Drumahoe for anyone aged 16+

- Non judgmental advice and guidance which is 1-1 centered and focused on what YOU want to do
- Information on current jobs and training opportunities
- Established contacts with local employers
- Help with CV's and cover letters
- Free essential skills qualifications
- Work experience placements
- Information on volunteering opportunities
- support with applications and interview workshops
- Access to further education courses
- Light refreshments will be provided every week
- Guest Speakers from local employers

- Free transport to job club if needed
- Childcare paid
- Mental fitness & managing emotions
- Outdoor activities and Residentials available

For more information drop in any Thursday or contact Lesley on 028 7130 1662 / lesley@ymca-ireland.org or Connor on 028 7131 8854 connor@youthaction.org

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5 City Centre Garden of Reflection: Tender for Project Monitoring & Evaluation

The City Centre Garden of Reflection wishes to appoint a suitably qualified individual or organisation to provide monitoring support and an independent evaluation of our PEACE III funded project.

The terms of reference for this contract are available to download from www.gardenofreflection.org or by contacting Marjorie Baker at:

City Centre Garden of Reflection,
12-14 The Diamond,
Derry/Londonderry,
BT48 6PW
Tel. (028) 7126 1941
Email marjorie@gardenofreflection.org.

The deadline for completed submissions is 31st October 2013.

The City Centre Garden of Reflection project has been funded by the PEACE III Programme through the European Union's Regional Development Fund managed by the Special EU Programmes Body.

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6 Social Enterprise NI ~ Annual Conference

Theme: 'The Big Picture'

Date: **Thursday 24 October 2013**

Venue: City Hotel, Derry/Londonderry

- Representatives from Social Enterprise in the UK and Ireland in a 'Question Time' style debate
- Guest speaker Liam Black, former CEO of Jamie Oliver's 'Fifteen' restaurant
- Workshops addressing key issues in the sector
- Dragon's Den, with the chance to win £1,500
- Plus an Evening Awards celebrating ceremony Social Enterprise excellence

To find out more and to book your place:

Email: events@socialenterpriseni.org or

Call: 028 9267 3223

Visit: www.socialenterpriseni.org

Please see attached documents for agenda and booking form

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7 NWCN/NIHRC/NICCY presents Human Rights Training

- The North West Community Network is pleased to be working again with the Northern Ireland Human Rights Commission (NIHRC) to deliver training and information sessions in the north west. This year the Commissioner for Children and Young People (NICCY) will join the NIHRC in the delivery of these sessions. This is a great opportunity for community groups to engage directly with both the NIHRC and NICCY.

The sessions have been planned in partnership with NWCN and is open to all its members. The sessions will take place at the Waterside Theatre, Glendermott Road in Derry and will be held on **12th November 2013** and on **28th November**; both sessions will start at 10am and end at 12:30pm.

Session 1 (12th November)

Introduction to rights

Gain an insight into what rights are, the international, region and local legal frameworks and their relevance to your own work.

Session 2 (28th November)

Applied rights – skills practice

Using real life case scenarios, develop and practice the skills required to identify the rights engaged in issues raised by clients and apply a rights based approach to pursuing resolution of client concerns. This session will be followed immediately with an opportunity for an individual confidential discussion with the NIHRC and/or NICCY.

To book your place on this training programme please contact Neola on: neola@nwcn.org or call 028 7127 9090

- The Northern Ireland Human Rights Commission (NIHRC) and the Commissioner for Children and Young People (NICCY) will be in the north west on **Thursday 28th November**.

The North West Community Network is pleased to confirm that the NIHRC and the NICCY will be jointly delivering an **Advice Clinic** at the Waterside Theatre, Glendermott Road in Derry. This is a great opportunity to seek advice and information from both organisations. **The Advice Clinic will run from 1pm to 3pm and is open to all Network members and also members of the public.**

To book an appointment at the Advice Clinic please contact Neola on: neola@nwcn.org or call 028 7127 9090

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8 It's all about Youth

Aged 13 – 18?,
Living in the Derry City Council area?
Join the Foyle Youth Council Now
It's Your Place – Your Space

Mayor Cllr Martin Reilly recently launched the Foyle Youth Council at the Guildhall. The youth-led event was attended by young people from across the Derry City Council area and relevant organisations and schools that work with young people.

A joint initiative between Derry City Council and Western Education and Library Board's Youth Services, the Foyle Youth Council will give young people greater opportunities to have a say in the City in which they live and will also provide a voice and advocate for the rights and opinions of young people, with an ultimate aim of influencing positive change that will benefit all young people within the City.

Members of the Foyle Youth Council will be selected based on the principles of Section 75 legislation, which will see two representatives from each of the four neighbourhood renewal areas, two representatives from rural areas and 10 members from across the Derry City Council area forming the Youth Council. **The target age group is 13-18 (aged 21 if disabled or being looked after).**

Meetings will take place once a week, where young people will take part in issue based discussions and training; work on campaigns; and support local action.

For more information and an application form go to: www.derrycity.gov.uk/youthcouncil or email: youthcouncil@derrycity.gov.uk or telephone: 028 71 365151.

Deadline for applications is Friday 18 October at 4pm.

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9 School of Health and Social Care Courses @ North West Regional College

- Introduction to Mediation Skills, starting 7th November;
- Introduction to Herbal Medicine, starting 6th November;
- Introduction to Homeopathy for Home Use, starting 7th November;

All courses will run in the evening from 7pm to 9pm for 8 weeks in the Tower Building, Cost £25 per person (concessions may apply).

For further details and to enrol contact Declan on: Declan.mcguinness@nwrc.ac.uk or Tel: 028 7127 6164

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10 Colmcille Photo Exhibition Launch

Building on the success of the event with OFMDFM Junior Minister Jennifer McCann MLA last week, this week's Lunchtime Event is:

Wednesday 16th October (@ St. Augustine's Hall, Princes Street) - Colmcille Photo Exhibition Launch
The event will run from 12.30pm until 2.00pm.

The Lunchtime Events Series is free and open for all to attend. Simply let us know that you are coming so that we can make sure we have enough food for you!

We'd be delighted if you could spread the word of our events to anyone you think may be interested.

Please reply to this email or email marjorie@gardenofreflection.org to confirm your attendance.

Upcoming Event

23rd October - Community Dialogue's Toolbox - Jim O'Neill (@ St. Augustine's Hall)

The Lunchtime Event Series is part of the City Centre Garden of Reflection Project. The project is supported through the PEACE III Programme through the European Union's Regional Development Fund managed by the Special EU Programmes Body.

The City Centre Garden of Reflection Project is a partnership between Inner City Trust (lead partner), Derry City Council and DiverseCity Community Partnership. The Lunchtime Event Series is part of the programme element of the project that has two other physical elements – the installation of lights to illuminate the City Walls and the development of the Garden of Reflection to the rear of the under construction Holywell building in Bishop Street.

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11 0 to 5 years - Free Elklan Language Course Offer

Do you know.....Speaking & listening are prime communication skills & directly link to subsequent reading & writing skills?

Do you know.....the level of language ability a child has at Nursery is a significant indicator of their academic achievement in later years?

Make a difference to your child's success & engagement in education – early education lays the foundation for success.

Free Elklan Language Course Offer:

Tips, ideas & activities to help you, support, assist & understand how your child's language develops.

Recognised qualification & certificate.

Is promoted & valued by Nursery Teachers.

For only 2hrs for 6 weeks.

Start date: Tuesday **5th November** 13 - 7.00pm to 9.00pm

End date: Tuesday **10th December** 13 - 7.00pm to 9.00pm

Venue: Culmore Primary School, Culmore Road.

NB: that there are limited free places, so book as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

To book your place or make enquiries.....Contact Lorraine McWilliams on 02871 358787 or email lorraine@shantallow.net

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12 Get Online Week – 14-30 Oct 2013

Free Introductory Courses

Do you know someone who would benefit from learning to use the internet e.g. to keep in touch with family and friends through email, Skype photography
Save money through shopping online e.g. comparison websites, eBay, gum tree online banking
Benefit entitlement checks e.g. www.a2b.org.uk or www.tum2us.org.uk
job searches, uploading CV's
Using online government services e.g. booking MOT or DARD's online maps
Health and fitness
Genealogy

If the answer is Yes, please contact one of the following Centres to book a place on one of their courses, subject to demand and availability.

Linda Watson, Crescent Community & Cultural Centre, 205-211 Sperrin Park, Londonderry
Co Derry~Londonderry BT47 6NQ
T: 028 7131 8100 E: admin.cndag@btconnect.com

John O'Connell, BEAM Social Enterprise Centre, Invista House Maydown Works Derry Co Derry~Londonderry
BT47 6TH
T: 028 7186 1550 E: john.oconnell@bitcni.org.uk W: www.beamni.com

Stella Glasgow, Glasgobury Unit B1 The Business Centre, Tobermore Road Draperstown Co Derry~Londonderry
BT45 7AG
T: 028 7962 8428 M: 07742 336615 E: stellaglasgow@gmail.com W: www.glasgobury.com

Una McCrystal, The Rowan Tree Centre, Pomeroy, Dungannon Co Tyrone BT70 3FD
T: 028 8775 7834 E: rowantreepomeroy@gmail.com

Barry McMenamin, Clogher Valley Community Centre, 9A Irish Street, Augher Co Tyrone BT77 0EB
M: 077 1188 5 216 E: mcmenaminbarry@hotmail.com

George Marshall, Cavanaleck Leaf Centre, 7 Willowvale, Enniskillen Co Fermanagh BT74 4FA
T: 028 6632 9791 M: 077 1293 7310 E: cavanaleck@hotmail.com

Tiernach Mahon, ARC Healthy Living Centre, 116-122 Sallyswood, Irvinestown Co Fermanagh BT94 1HQ T:028
6862 8741 E: Tiernach.mahon@archlc.com

Dennis Monaghan, Town Hall, Main Street, Ederney Co Fermanagh BT93 0DG
T: 028 6863 1774 M: 075 4659 6466 E: edemeytrust@btinternet.com

Peter Boyle, Northwest Lifelong Learning Ltd, CERES Group Europe (NI) Ltd, CERES House, 3 Shackleton Drive,
Ballykelly, Limavady, Co Londonderry, BT49 9PR (Mobile IT Suite)
T: 028 7776 4429, E: pboyle@nwlla.org W: www.cereseurope.com

Ken Callaghan, Ignite IT, Unit 413 Lisburn Enterprise Centre, 6 Enterprise Crescent, Lisburn BT28 2BY (Mobile IT
Suite)
T: 0844 736 5355 M: 078 6655 7783 E-mail: ken@ignite.it W: www.ignite.it

Beginner courses can also be arranged for tablets or iPads subject to demand and availability.

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13 Make One Change with Parents' Week 2013: 21st - 27th October 2013

The 14th annual Parents' Week will take place this year from **Monday 21st October to Sunday 27th October**.
Change for the better often happens by taking small steps, and for that reason our theme for Parents' Week
2013 is "Make One Change". Whether it is about parents pledging to spend more quality time with their children
or employers actively promoting parent-friendly working environments, Make One Change aims to build a picture
of the small changes that can make a big difference to parents and families.

One small change your family could make might include:

- Make a promise to leave work on time every day.
- Designate a regular family time as part of your routine; organise a weekly movie night, take the dog for a walk together at weekends, have a family check-in during dinner or before bed. If you work nights, perhaps you can plan a lunch together. Figure out a routine that works for you and your family.
- Stay connected even when you're apart. With technology, it's much easier to be in contact with extended family members who live across the country or around the globe.

Also, by visiting <http://parentsweek.org.uk/resources/forevents> you will have access to downloadable resources; posters, bunting, Make A Change cards and family event ideas as well as a press release template to help make your Parents' Week the most successful yet.

So join us for Parents' Week and help us to....

- Celebrate the hard work parents do
- Raise awareness of the importance of making one change to benefit parents and families

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14 Brain Injury Matters information

Brain Injury Matters is a charity dedicated to supporting people with Acquired Brain Injury to rebuild their lives

and reach their full potential in the community.

Please see attached for further information

Fiona McCabe, Chief Executive Officer
Brain Injury Matters, Unit 5c Stirling House, Castlereagh Business Park, Castlereagh Road, Belfast, BT5 6BQ

T 028 9070 5125

M 075 5336 5895

www.braininjurymatters.org.uk

www.facebook.com/BrainInjuryMatters

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15 The Stroke City Project – Art for life after Stroke

Art Workshops for Stroke Survivors, Carers and Family Members
At North West Regional College (Rooms 404 and 405), Strand Road, Derry-Londonderry

Starts Friday 1 November 2013 at 12.00 noon

(For five Fridays up to 29th November 2013)

Lunch and Transport provided

Contact the Stroke Association on 028 9050 8020 for more details

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16 Various information from the Pink Ladies Cancer Support Group

5K run & 2K Walk ~Sunday 20th October 2013

Starting at Sainsbury's

Run starts at 11.00am

Walk starts at 11.15am

Run: £8 adults / £5 under 18's

Walk: £5 adults / £2 kids

Everyone will receive a T-shirt and a goodie bag
Finishing at Ebrington Square with entertainment

Registration venues:

Richmond Centre: 18th & 19th October

Rathmor Centre: 14th & 15th October

TK Maxx: 18th October

Sainsbury's: 19th October

Quayside Shopping Centre 18th & 19th October

Northside Shopping Centre: 18th & 19th October

Registration on the day from 10am at Sainsbury's

Keep and eye on the Pink Ladies Facebook for update

- **Action Cancer Big Bus will be At Immaculate Conception College Trench Road on the 23rd October**

Launch of Pink Ladies services with other cancer service providers in the Gasyard Centre Monday 28th October at 12 noon all welcome Various information from the Pink Ladies Cancer Support Group

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17 Now and Then: A retrospective of songs composed by Roy Arbuckle over the past 30 years

Performed by the man himself and friends at the Playhouse on **Oct 26th**.

Arbuckle's songs are simultaneously soothing and provocative, reminiscent of the Cohen, Cash and Guthrie catalogues.... one of Ireland's finest storytellers

Book a table at the Playhouse Box Office on 028 71 268027 or <http://www.derryplayhouse.co.uk/content/booking/8>

For more than 50 years, Roy Arbuckle has been making music in Derry-Londonderry, around Ireland and around the world, in Canada, America, Japan, from the Fountain to the Royal Festival Hall, London from Westport to the White House Washington DC where with his band Different Drums of Ireland he played for the Clintons...in 1999...

Even from his early showband days (with the Swingtones, Signetts, Fendermen, Woodchoppers, Flingels) of the sixties, to his latest CD Songs for the Soul (recorded with Anne Tracey and released on December 7th last year) Roy has been continually re-inventing himself musically. Over the past 30 years he has written more than 60 songs, many of them finding their way onto albums with his bands Calgach, the aforementioned Different Drums of Ireland and more recently onto his solo albums, "Songs from the Fountain" and "Songs for the Soul".

It was perhaps inevitable then that Roy might capture some of the limelight during this fantastic UK City of Culture year. On Saturday October 26th at the Playhouse, in a show entitled: "Now and Then", Roy will take his bow, centre-stage in an evening's entertainment where, with a supporting "cast of thousands", he will sing and play us through a couple of dozen of his own back catalogue.

Says Roy: "There comes a moment when maybe you have to say to yourself, let me take a risk here, let me get together some of the fine musicians and singers I have worked with over the years and let's create a show based around the songs I've written, gathered up, some that might never ever have seen the light of day yet. Let me trust that such an evening could be just lovely, beautiful, trust that the people would come and support me even. Then the nerves would kick in and I would say "Naw". Then the next morning, I'm right back bang on form again and up for it. The musicians and singers I have approached have been more than generous in offering their support and their support has galvanised me. As has the energy of Jammhouse John Ross for this project." So who has Roy recruited for his show Now and Then? Well... Phillip Wallace, Johnny Nutt, Pete O'Hanlon, Anne Tracey, Ursula McHugh, Different Drums of Ireland, The Henry Girls, Tom Newman, Paul French Paddy Nash, Diane Greer and maybe more!

As a side-project to his Playhouse show on October 26th, Roy is developing a limited edition EP featuring four songs, two from THEN "Fade to Grey" and "Young Boy's Dream" (previously unrecorded) and two from NOW, his two latest songs, "Dead Man's Raybans" (previously unrecorded) and "How's Your Broken Heart These Days," an early stripped down version. "Now and Then" the EP will be on sale at the Playhouse on the evening of the 26th, "an ideal little stocking filler," says Roy.... "is it Christmas already?"

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18 Your Honour, Your Honour!

Who knows golf could be so funny.....
A new comedy by Martin O'Brien

Showing at St Brigid's School, Glengallagh Rd, Derry, **TONIGHT 15th October 13** at 8pm to 9.30pm with [Martin O'Brien](#), [Helen McLaughlin](#) and [Paul O'Doherty](#).

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19 'Design Den' is back!

The Playhouse has announced the return of its Saturday Art Club - 'Design Den'!
The famous Saturday Art Club will feature a series of art workshops exploring different art themes, art history and teach budding artists an array of unique, creative art skills.

Starting this month, the varied and wide ranging workshops for **7 to 11 year olds** will take place on **Saturdays from 11am to 1pm**.

"For several years now Design Den has been providing young people with an itch for the easel a diverse series of workshops that are fun, engaging and educational" Design Den facilitator Suan McLaughlin said.
"We're all about inspiring young people's imagination and self-expression, introducing them to hands-on art activities, if it's through painting, printing, drawing, sculpture, or collage, our Saturday art classes encourage confidence in participants and put a big focus on unlocking every child's artistic potential!"

Cost £50 for ten weeks **beginning Saturday October 19**. For further information and booking please contact the box office on 028 71 268027.

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20 Social Evening with Special Attraction Event

Music by White Lightning

Staff members performing 3 dances!
Starting 9pm – 10pm

Monday 21st October 2013 in St Patrick's Hall, Strabane

Social evening with special attraction event and light supper

Supper served 9pm – 9.30 pm
Social continues 10pm

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Include reliable contact information: named contact, organisation, telephone number, email address &, where appropriate, web address

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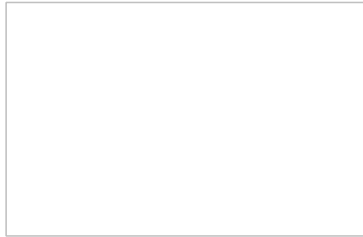
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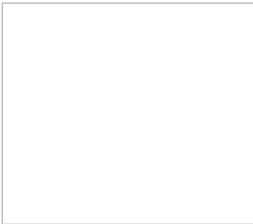
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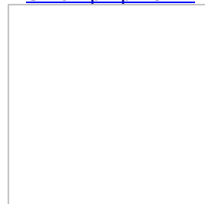
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