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A Message From Village President Jeff Magnussen



"May health and happiness follow you
and yours during the year to come. Happy
New Year!"

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Dear neighbors,

I proudly announce that a Village Administrator has been appointed by myself and the Village Board of Trustees.

Village Administrator Jay Hedges began his assignment on December 2nd. He will be implementing Village Board policies and directives and he will provide leadership and direction to all Village departments.

Later in this newsletter you'll find a bio entitled

Historic January Events

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Calendar of Holidays/Events

Jan 1
New Year's Day

Jan 6
Feast of the Epiphany

Jan 9
Law Enforcement
Appreciation Day

Jan 20
Martin Luther King Day

Jan 25
Chinese New Year

Feb 2
Groundhog Day

Feb 2
Super Bowl LIV

Feb 12
Lincoln's Birthday

Feb 14
Valentine's Day

Feb 17
Washington's Birthday

Feb 17
Presidents' Day

Feb 25
Fat Tuesday
Madri Gras

Feb 26
Ash Wednesday

"Hampshire Open For Business", written by Jeanie Mayer, to introduce Jay Hedges.

2020 is a census year

Starting in March, each household will receive notification in the mail inviting them to complete the census online. That will be followed by a reminder letter, which will be followed by a reminder postcard.

In April, those who haven't responded will receive a paper census questionnaire. A final reminder postcard will be mailed to non-respondents at the end of April.

An in-person followup will be conducted to households that don't respond either online, by phone or by mail.

Let me speak to the importance of the census: Each individual's participation is important for all of us and for the Village of Hampshire. Census data is used to ensure public safety and plan new schools and hospitals. Real estate developers and city planners use the census to plan new homes and improve neighborhoods. Federal funds, grants and support to states, counties and communities are based on population totals.

In this newsletter, Trustee Ryan Krajecki gives us a great report of the good work being done by the Business Development Commission. Their goal is to attract new business to Hampshire. You can aid them in this initiative by completing the census. Businesses use Census Bureau data to decide where to build factories, offices and stores, thus creating new jobs.

Also in this newsletter, Trustee Kelly highlights some of the advancements that have been made to Hampshire's Village Services. He tells us about an upcoming survey seeking village residents' opinions about how we are doing, and what remains to be done. Please respond to the survey to give the Village Board an idea of what direction to take to better serve our community.

In his report, Trustee Robinson updates us on the legalized recreational cannabis issue. He reports on

Mar 2
Casimir Pulaski Day

Mar 6
Employee Appreciation Day

Mar 8
Daylight Savings Time Begins

Mar 17
St. Patrick's Day

Mar 19
St. Joseph's Day

Mar 20
Spring Equinox

Mar 29
National Vietnam War Veterans' Day

Apr 1
April Fools Day

Apr 5
Palm Sunday

Apr 9
First Day of Passover

Apr 10
Good Friday

Apr 12
Easter Sunday

Apr 13
Thomas Jefferson's Birthday

Apr 15
Tax Day

Apr 16
Last Day of Passover

Apr 17
Orthodox Good Friday

Apr 19
Orthodox Easter

how diligently and carefully this issue is being debated by all members of the village staff. He invites all residents to attend the Village Board meetings to let their opinions be known.

The 2020 Census, the BDC and Village Services surveys, public meetings and citizens comments at regular Village Board meetings provide meaningful information to guide us in making the right decisions for the future of Hampshire. I thank you all, in advance, for your cooperation in these endeavors.

In closing, I sincerely wish a very happy and healthy new year to all of you. May you find peace and harmony all year.

Sincerely,

Jeff Magnussen
President
Village of Hampshire

"If I cannot do great things, I can do small things in a great way."
Martin Luther King Jr.



"I can't change the direction of the wind, but I can adjust my sails to always reach my destination. "

Jimmy Dean

Village Officials

Village President

Jeffrey Magnussen

Village

Administrator

Jay Hedges

Village Clerk

Linda Vasquez

Trustees

Aaron Kelly
Christine Klein
Toby Koth
Ryan Krajecki
Mike Reid, Jr.
Erik Robinson

Village Phone Numbers

Main, 847-683-2181

Village Clerk, Ext. 0

Village Administrator,
Ext. 26

Finance Director, Ext.
25

Utility Billing Clerk,
Ext. 22

Building Department,
Ext. 28

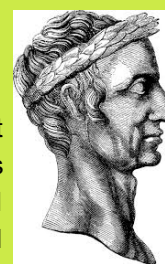
Street Department
847-683-9489

Water / Sewer
Department
847-683-2064

Police and Fire
Emergency
911

Non-emergency

Roman Calendar History:



Martius or mensis Martius ("March") was the first month of the ancient Roman year until possibly as late as 153 BC.[1] After that time, it was the third month, following Februarius (February) and preceding Aprilis (April). Martius was one of the few Roman months named for a deity, Mars, who was regarded as an ancestor of the Roman people through his sons Romulus and Remus.

March marked a return to the active life of farming, military campaigning, and sailing. It was densely packed with religious observances dating from the earliest period of Roman history. Because of its original position as the first month, a number of festivals originally associated with the new year occurred in March. In the Imperial period, March was also a time for public celebration of syncretic or international deities whose cultus was spread throughout the empire, including Isis and Cybele.

Illinois Trivia

On December 2, 1942, Enrico Fermi and a small band of scientists and engineers demonstrated that a simple construction of graphite bricks and uranium lumps could produce controlled heat. The space chosen for the first nuclear fission reactor was a squash court under the football stadium at the University of Chicago.

illinoisattorneygeneral.gov

**A Message From
Village Clerk
Linda Vasquez**



The winter parking policy is in effect until April 1st

Parking cars blocking the sidewalk is not allowed from
6:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m. all year round.

"Life is like riding a bicycle. To keep your balance, you must keep moving."

Albert Einstein

**Village Board
of Trustees Report**

Business Development Commission

Police Department
847-683-2240

Non-emergency
Fire Department
847-683-2629

Building Inspector
B&F Services
847-428-7010

Waste Management
1-800-796-9696

OFFICE HOURS
Monday - Friday
8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

Village Board
Meetings:
1st & 3rd Thursdays
of each month

If you would like to
see something put on
our newsletter or if
you would like to be
put on our emailing
list. [Please email.](#)

(reposted from last issue)

PROTECT YOUR DOG'S PADS

One of the biggest threats to healthy paw pads is the salt used to melt ice on driveways, roads and sidewalks. Prolonged contact can lead to chemical burns on dogs' paws. If your dog is limping by the end of a walk, deicing products may be hurting his feet. Try to keep your dog off the salty sidewalk (think

The Business Development Commission would like to extend warm wishes during this holiday season. We all hope that the residents of Hampshire enjoy the time with friends and family during this special time of the year. Despite the coming holidays the BDC has been continuing our work. As was mentioned in the last newsletter we sent out invitations to many of the stakeholders in the community to come and join us for an overview of the Main Street America program that the Village decided to join earlier this year. We had an outstanding meeting with over 30 people present from local business, local government, and local volunteer organizations that do so much good work for us here in Hampshire. The feedback and question and answer period were very robust, and the team believes that we achieved our goal of bringing more awareness and engagement by more of the leaders in town regarding the work we are trying to do. We are grateful to everyone who came and participated.



Also, as we mentioned in our last report, we have pinned down a company to help us create a marketing brochure that is focused solely on the Village of Hampshire that we can share when we meet with prospective businesses. The BDC researched out and received quotations on producing this marketing material. We then passed a recommendation onto the village board that we should move forward, and the board of trustees unanimously agreed. We begin work on completing that at our next meeting. We expect that to be completed in the next couple of months.

We are excited to report that the façade project at Petersen's Fuel has been completed. We want to extend a thank you to Les Petersen and his team for participating in our program. That brings a total of 5 projects completed for the façade program since last year (Copper Barrel, Roy's Place, Harvest Real Estate, Dr. Foster Chiropractor, and Petersen's Fuels). We also have an active application in for another property that we are working through the details on, but we hope to have that moving forward by early spring. If there are any businesses that qualify and are interested in learning more please reach out to me personally via my cell phone or village e-mail. We want to be helpful in any way we can.

Finally, we hit a small snag in our goal of getting our commercial properties listed on the Location One service

grass or snow) whenever possible.

Another threat from deicers is ingestion. Dogs may lick their paws or your boots and ingest deicing salts. To prevent your dog from ingesting deicing salts, keep a shallow bowl of warm water and a cloth near the entryway to your home so that you can wipe your boots and your dog's paws when coming back inside.

Another common cause of sore paws during the cold winter months are the ice balls which form between the pads and toes of hairy-footed dogs. To reduce the risk of ice balls, keep inter-pad hair trimmed neatly and short during the winter months. Not only can hairy feet contribute to the development of ice balls on the feet, paw hair can retain a lot of those nasty deicing salts. If your dog has hairy feet, trim them throughout the winter.

Dogs left in the cold for long periods of time are also at risk for frostbite on paws and hypothermia. It is not advised that dogs spend hours in the cold. In winter, frequent short walks are better for your dog than a single long walk.

Bag Balm, a product available at nearly

that is provided at no cost by the State of Illinois. We still fervently hope to participate in this as it is a great way to get Hampshire into the conversation for companies looking to relocate from other parts of the country and even other parts of the world. The challenge we have is we are looking for someone who has some advanced computer/database skills that can assist us in data entry and management. I would imagine it won't take but a very small amount of time to manage the village's participation in the site, but the initial startup may be more time intensive. If you are interested in helping us out and you have the skills please reach out to me personally, and we will get you plugged in.

One more time, I'd like to wish all the residents of our amazing village a wonderful and blessed holiday season. Please choose to shop and patronize our Hampshire locations as much as you can. Our commitment to each other is a big part of us getting to the place we all want Hampshire to be. Thriving businesses, supported by our local residents, play a huge role in that mission.

Thank you.

Ryan Krajecki
Trustee
Village of Hampshire

Planning & Zoning

Beginning on January 1, 2020, the recreational use of cannabis will be legal in the State of Illinois. This will have an effect in our community and will leave us with decisions in regard to cannabis that we, as a village are allowed to make, and some that we are not. By legalizing cannabis for recreational use, the State of Illinois has taken the decision of whether or not cannabis will be allowed in our village away from the Hampshire Village Board. Cannabis will be legal to use recreationally in Hampshire and all communities throughout the entire State of Illinois on January 1, 2020 in accordance with state law.

Village residents will be allowed to purchase cannabis where it is allowed for retail by local ordinance and bring the product back to Hampshire for consumption. Therefore, the Planning and Zoning

every pharmacy, applied in a thin layer daily or every other day should help keep your dog's paws from cracking and bleeding. Keeping a humidifier in the house should also prevent dry, itchy skin for both you and your pet.

Products For Protecting Dog Paws

There are many products designed to protect dog paw pads during the winter month, from pet safe deicing products to protective waxes and dog booties. Safe Paw is a common pet-friendly deicer, but sand, small stones, and kitty litter (non-clumping) are also options for deicing while protecting your dog's pads from injury and chemical burns.

Musher's Secret is one of the most popular paw waxes. Paw wax is applied to the pads of the feet before a walk, forming a protective barrier between the paw and the salty sidewalk or pavement. Paw wax will wear away after extended exercise, and should be reapplied before each walk.

The best protection for your dog's paws and pads are dog booties. Just as wearing boots in the winter protects your feet, dog boots will

Committee, Planning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, and the Hampshire Village Board have had to make some tough decisions during this past year.

First, the Planning and Zoning Committee had to determine whether or not to draft ordinances that would allow any or all of the different types of business associated with cannabis (Retail, Craft Growing, Cultivation, Infusion, Processing, and Transporting). The Planning and Zoning Committee has been deliberating on this issue since the summer, when the decision was made by the State of Illinois to legalize cannabis for recreational use. In a decision that was not made lightly, as we are very well aware that the residents of our community have an opinion on this issue either in support or against the allowing of cannabis based businesses in our town, the Planning and Zoning Committee decided to move forward with the drafting of ordinances that would allow all types of cannabis businesses within the Village of Hampshire.



Much time and research was put into the investigation of these types of businesses. The committee received input from many sources, including the Chief of Police, the Village Attorney, and residents of Hampshire that helped guide our decision making process. Common sense, safety, and security were always at the forefront during the decision making process. For example, the committee recommended unanimously that any cannabis business allowed in the Village of Hampshire will not be allowed to let anyone use the product at the business site. Also, any cannabis business in the Village of Hampshire will be required to obtain a special use permit in order to operate. This will give the Village more oversight of the business. The Planning and Zoning Committee feels very confident that cannabis businesses in our town will be managed with the utmost care and responsibility and could potentially be a much needed tax revenue generator for our community if a business of this type should choose to locate within our village, as we have many important needs in our Village and only so much revenue to fund those needs.

This matter was then deliberated upon by the Planning Commission, Zoning Board of Appeals, and the Hampshire Village Board in open meeting sessions (in which public hearings were conducted in some cases). This matter will continue to be deliberated on at the

protect your dog's feet. Dog boots can protect your dog's paws from salt, ice balls, and cutting his pads on sharp items that may be hidden under the snow or sharp ice.

Proper sizing of dog boots is especially important in ensuring that the boots are comfortable for your dog to wear and maximize paw protection.

Dog boots may look silly, but really are the ultimate protection for your dog. Human snowsuits look silly also, but are they not the best for keeping sledding kids warm? Just as your child may not want to wear a snowsuit, your dog may not initially like wearing dog boots. With a little time and patience, you can train your dog to love wearing his dog boots!

from Petfinder.com

2020 is symbolically important. It makes one Century since women got the vote in 1920.

January in History

5th :
1914 Henry Ford introduces \$5.00 per day wages for all his Ford workers.

6th :
1920 The Yankees

Village Board level in open session as we ring in the new year, as a decision on whether to allow any or all types of cannabis businesses in our community has not yet been made final.

Please keep an eye on the Village Board Meeting Agendas in the upcoming weeks and months if you are interested in attending and voicing your opinion on this matter during citizen comments. Village Board Meetings are held every first and third Thursday of the month at 7:00 PM at the Hampshire Village Hall. All meeting agendas are posted on the Village website and all members of the public are welcome to attend.

The legalization of the recreational use of cannabis is a new challenge for not only Hampshire, but the entire State of Illinois. I want to assure you that the State of Illinois has a very thorough process, complete with strong restrictions, to obtain a cannabis business license. As your elected leaders, we are trying our best to not only plan for our present, but to responsibly plan for the future of our community.



I want to wish you all a very happy and safe holiday season and a wonderful beginning to 2020.

Erik Robinson
Trustee
Planning & Zoning Chairman
Village of Hampshire

Village Services

As we look back over 2019 it's amazing to think of the progress that has been made: The Comcast Business Services (both fiber and standard networks) build out is complete; empowering businesses in the Hampshire Industrial Park, along State Street, down Mill Ave. on the north side of the tracks, as well as the businesses surrounding US20 near / at the Truck Stops. We want to thank Comcast for their partnership and for covering the entire cost of this year-long project.

bought Babe Ruth from the Boston Red Sox

**9th :
1958 Toyota and Datsun first appear in the United States**

**10th :
1944 GI Bill Signed Into Law**

1946 The first General Assembly of the United Nations Meeting

1964 "Introducing the Beatles," the first Beatles album, is released in the US

**14th :
1934 Loch Ness Monster Spotted**

**15th:
1967 In the first Super Bowl The Green Bay packers defeat the Kansas City Chiefs in Los Angeles**

**16th:
2003 Space Shuttle Columbia was launched on its final mission**

**17th :
1949 First Volkswagen Beetle in the U.S. arrived from Germany**

**20th:
1961 John F. Kennedy, took the oath of office**

**25th:
1964 The Beatles get their first number one with "I Want To Hold Your Hand" on the Billboard Hot 100 chart.**

**29th:
1959 Disney releases the animated film Sleeping Beauty to theatres**

**30th:
1968 The Viet Cong launched the Tet Offensive.**



We also started to work on improving our Recycling habits within the Village this year. In partnership with Waste Management, we launched the At Your Door recycling program where Waste Management will come to your home and pick up items for recycling such as needles, electronics, oil, etc. All of this at no additional cost to our residents outside of what they pay in their normal trash bills. For more information or to have your items picked up call 1-800-449-7587 or visit <https://wmatyourdoor.com/>.

All of this could not happen without the hard work and dedication of your Village Services Committee: Aaron Kelly (Chairman), Toby Koth, and Erik Robinson. The committee would also like to thank Jan Kraus, former Chairwoman of the committee, for her dedication to the village, village services, and for helping 2019 be such a great year. Through her hard work this year the village was able to provide better telecommunications services to our residents in 2019.

To ensure we start 2020 off on the right foot, look for a survey from the committee in early January asking for your feedback on what is going well, what needs to be improved, and what new services you would like to see the village provide. Until then, from our families to yours, have a happy and safe holiday season.



Regards,

Aaron Kelly
Trustee
Village of Hampshire

"Success is not final, failure is not fatal: it is the courage to continue that counts. "

Winston Churchill

Hampshire Open for Business

New Administrator Brings Development

NATIONAL BOOTLEGGERS' DAY

National Bootlegger's Day is observed annually on January 17.

January 17 is the birthday of Templeton Rye Whiskey, bootlegger Al Capone and the son of another bootlegger, Meryl Kerkhoff.

The earliest use of the term bootlegger was during the 1880s in the Midwest when one would conceal flasks of liquor in one's boot tops when going to trade with Native Americans.

The term found its permanent place in the American vocabulary when Congress passed the Eighteenth Amendment prohibiting the manufacture, transportation, and sale of alcohol in 1920.

Despite now being illegal, thirsty Americans still had a demand for liquor. While some distilleries switched their production to something legal, others took to bootlegging.

Bootleggers helped fill the demand by smuggling various

Experience to Village of Hampshire

By Jeanie Mayer

HAMPSHIRE - As a small town that was built on farming and agribusiness, the Village of Hampshire has been slowly laying the groundwork for industrial growth and has taken a major step forward in cultivating commercial projects and developing a pipeline that will provide a smooth process for welcoming business investment through the hiring of Jay Hedges as Village Administrator.

Hedges comes to the village with a vast amount of business development experience in both the public and private sectors. He served as the Director of Commerce and Community Affairs (DCCA) for the State of Illinois in the mid to late 1980's where he directed the State's economic development efforts under Governor James Thompson and was involved in relocating Sears to the Hoffman Estates campus-keeping the then top retailer in the State of Illinois.

"We chose Jay Hedges because he has the depth of experience in both the public and private sectors. He has economic development experience with the State and experience running private businesses for a number of years," Village President Jeff Magnussen said.

As to his public sector experience, Hedges was first recruited by Governor Thompson after a brief meeting with him when he served as the Assistant Village Manager in Mt. Prospect. Knowing his desire to work in local municipal government, Gov. Thompson created a post for him as Assistant to the Governor - Local Community Affairs where he worked as a liaison to the Governor's office. From there he stepped into the role as Director of the DCCA.

"Working in State government, I developed a strong commitment to public service. I learned high ethical standards from Governor Thompson. I learned over time how to push the envelope to be successful, but never cross the line," Hedges said.

Hedges has also worked extensively in the private sector serving as president of several companies over a 30-year period. In his leadership roles with several manufacturing companies, Hedges was responsible for the development of marketing strategies that led to revenue growth for the

brews from Canada and Mexico, and later distilling their own liquor in backwoods and secluded areas. They brought their loot back to sell to speakeasies, individuals and other establishments.

Other terms, such as rum-runner and moonshiner, became popular during this time as well.

Bootlegging has a legendary history. The Mafia arose out of the illegal and coordinated activities of bootlegging. Storied names like Al Capone, Lucky Luciano, Alphonse Kerkhoff, and Bugs Moran are surrounded by glamour, danger, and mystery.

Prohibition was repealed in 1933 when Congress ratified the 21st Amendment.

ABOUT TEMPLETON RYE

When Prohibition outlawed the manufacture and sale of alcoholic beverages on January 17, 1920, many enterprising residents of a small town in Iowa chose to become outlaws - producing a high caliber and much sought-after whiskey known as TEMPLETON RYE, or "THE GOOD STUFF"

companies he managed.

"Business development is the number one priority that the Village Board has outlined for me. Expanding commercial and industrial development to provide employment opportunities and to bring in tax revenue from business and commercial sources," Hedges said.

As the new Village Administrator, Hedges has been tasked with the responsibility of helping to clarify the development process and create a process that will effectively communicate with developers how to do business with the Village. Hedges said the work the Village's Business Development Committee has already started has been critical to identifying sites for new development and laying the groundwork for growth.

In addition to his development initiatives, the Board is pleased to have a full-time administrator at Village Hall to increase professionalism and meet the needs of those who come to the village for services.

"Having a full-time Village Administrator in addition to our current staff will bring more professionalism to Village Hall every day. We have a need for someone to handle economic development, residential building and employment issues on a day to day basis," Magnussen said.

Hedges said he chose to accept the position in Hampshire because of the commitment to growth and organized development he felt from the Village Board and the real opportunity for growth he sees within the village.

"Hampshire is very much like small town America -- but poised for growth. We have the assets we need to grow. We need good strategic planning and administration for those plans," he said.

Recycle: Yea or Nay?

Is it recyclable in a Hampshire curbside recycling cart?
Test your knowledge:

to those in the know.

Alphonse Kerkhoff was one of those Templeton outlaws.

Over the course of its storied history, Templeton Rye became Al Capone's whiskey of choice, quickly finding its way to the center of his bootlegging empire. Templeton Rye is based on the original Prohibition era Kerkhoff recipe. It is aged in charred new oak barrels for a smooth finish...and a clean getaway.

January 17 is not only the birthday of Templeton Rye, but it's also the birthday of Al Capone as well as the original Bootlegger's son, Meryl Kerkhoff. Please join our community of enthusiasts at the Bootlegger's Society.

HISTORY

National Bootlegger's Day was submitted by Infinium Spirits and proclaimed by the Registrar of National Day Calendar® in June 2015.

I told my wife I wanted to be cremated. She made an appointment for me on Tuesday!

Chip Dip Container and Lid



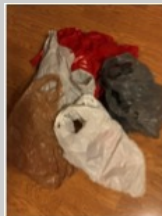
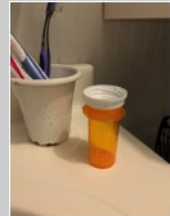
Metal Deodorant Can and Top

Cardboard Egg Carton



Shredded Paper

Prescription Medicine Bottle and Top



Plastic Grocery Bags

Yea or Nay answers:

Chip and dip container and lid:

Yea - assuming it's rinsed and clean; be sure to leave the top on.

Metal deodorant can and top:

Nay - no aerosol cans of any type can be recycled due to potential fires when the recycling is being baled.

Cardboard egg carton:

My wife said she wanted me to take her to one of those restaurants where they prepare the meal in front of you. I took her to Subway. Then the argument started.

It was a bit of a strange day. First I found a hat full of money. Then I was chased by an angry man with a guitar.....

Census History

Once a decade, America comes together to count every resident in the United States, creating national awareness of the importance of the census and its valuable statistics. The decennial census was first taken in 1790, as mandated by the Constitution. It counts our population and households, providing the basis for reapportioning congressional seats, redistricting, and distributing more than \$675 billion in federal funds annually to support states, counties and communities' vital programs - impacting housing, education, transportation, employment, health care and public policy.

Census trivia

The U.S. Census Bureau has not asked about religious affiliation since 1946.

The U.S. Census Bureau reports that American homes are 650 square feet larger today than they were in 1980. Unfortunately, so are most Americans.

Yea - to the egg carton and Nay to the egg shell which should be placed in the regular garbage or in your compost pile.

Shredded paper:

Nay - as is presented due to the plastic bag; Shredded paper is acceptable only when placed in a brown paper bag and sealed with a staple to keep the paper from blowing through the Village and the recycling transfer stations.

Prescription bottle and top:

Yea - be sure to leave the top on for weight and stability.

Plastic grocery bags:

Nay - these can be taken to a retailer that recycles these bags.

When in doubt if an item is recyclable, throw it out!

Recycling's Dirty Dozen

When placed in the recycle cart, these Dirty Dozen upset the recycling process.

- Food Soiled Paper
- Clothing
- Cords/wires
- Food
- Electronics/batteries
- Hazardous Waste
- Needles
- Garden Hose
- Diapers
- Broken cups/dishes
- Plastic Bags
- Snack bags/wrappers

Conan O'Brian

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