



THE LILY PAD



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BIG AND LITTLE CHANGES COMING SOON

by Meaghan Boice-Green

After years of planning, the moment is almost here: it appears that this fall, **construction will begin on a visitor center at Reinstein Woods!** This environmental education center will include exhibit, classroom, meeting and office space. It will allow DEC programs and classes to go forward in bad weather and enable us to do programs that require an indoor space, such as evening lectures on environmental topics. More information on the new building will be forthcoming later this summer.

A smaller change will be the unveiling of the new **State Symbols Self-guided Interpretive Trail**. This short trail connects with the Lily Pond Loop self-guided trail and features wayside information stations where you can learn about the official symbols of New York State, including those found at Reinstein Woods, like the official state mammal, the beaver.

In response to significant interest, the self-guided interpretive trails will have **extended summer hours from July 1 to September 1:**

Tuesday and Thursday 9:00 AM to 8:00 PM
Wednesday and Saturday 10:00 AM to 4:00 PM

In addition to DEC staff, trained volunteers will be monitoring the trails and will be available to answer questions from visitors. Staff and volunteers will be visible by their name tags and t-shirts.

As mentioned in the spring edition of *The Lily Pad*, improvements to the parking lot and utilities started this spring. If you visit "The Woods," watch for signs indicating alternate parking and tour start locations. Thank you for your patience and cooperation.

Fall Festival Planning Meeting

It's that time of year already...time to start thinking about our Fifth Annual Fall Festival! Even though the Fall Festival isn't until September 17, now is the time to start putting it all together. Join the Fall Festival planning committee and give us your input on this year's event!

Planning committee members help plan and coordinate activities, contact exhibitors and volunteers, and help to ensure another great event. The committee meets about once per month from June to September. The first meeting will be held at the Reinstein Woods Operations Center on **Tuesday, June 7 at 6:30 PM**. Call (716) 683-5959 for more information or to sign up.

NEW VOLUNTEER OPEN HOUSE Saturday, July 9 from 12:00 to 4:00 PM

Interested in volunteering at Reinstein Woods, but not sure what is involved or how to sign up? Then come out to our Volunteer Open House! You will have the chance to meet current volunteers, see what they do, and register for volunteer training sessions. Refreshments will be provided by Friends of Reinstein Nature Preserve (FORNP).

So whether you would like to lead tours, rake trails, or help at the Fall Festival, this is your opportunity to get involved at Reinstein Woods! No experience is necessary, just a love of nature and the desire to help out at "The Woods."

For more information about our volunteer program, call (716) 683-5959 or check out:
<http://www.dec.state.ny.us/website/reg9/reinstein/volprog.html>

Saw What?

The three volunteers who attended tour guide training on April 2 were thrilled at the sight of a northern saw-whet owl in the woods. This tiny migrant (only 7-8" tall) was hiding out from the slushy snowfall in a hemlock tree. See page 5 for a photo of our visitor!

Nature Notes

by Kristen Buechi

Have you ever looked under a log? I mean, really looked under a log? Got down on your knees, rolled a log over, smelled the moist earth and examined the amazing world at your feet? If you haven't yet, I highly recommend the experience.

If you feel self-conscious about undertaking this type of nature study on your own, then try it in the privacy of your yard or ask your child, grandchild, niece or nephew, or a young friend to join you on a hike. Mature, moist woods are the best places to find old, rotting logs with lots of life underneath. Just select a log and gently roll it over. You may discover a red-backed or spotted salamander—a favorite creature of most kids. Slimy golden slugs and small, round, white slug eggs are usually abundant. Centipedes and millipedes scurry with their many legs back to safety in the cracks or under the edge of the log. Earthworms slide back into their dark holes. Ants crawl into tunnels carved into the rotten log. If you are lucky, you might see the (short) tail end of a mole or a shrew disappearing into the leaf litter around the log.

You may find mushrooms growing on top of the log. Underneath the log, you might discover the mycelium, or root-like structures, that the fungus uses to digest the log. Go ahead and touch—but do not eat—the mushrooms, and enjoy the variety of colors, shapes, and sizes of fungi on the forest floor.

After you are done exploring, please roll the log back to the way you found it. If you are worried about accidentally crushing any creatures, you can place a stick under the edge so it is propped up a bit. I hope you are now inspired to go try an under-log exploration!

Lily Pond's Namesake

by Patricia Nelson

They are often the one standout feature that visitors remember about their visit to Reinstein Woods. Almost everyone with a camera takes their picture. The lilies at Lily Pond on a warm summer day would have been the perfect subject for a Monet painting. Hundreds, if not thousands, of dark green lily pad leaves dotted with pink flowers spread across Lily Pond like a carpet.

But beyond their aesthetic value, what exactly do we know about these lilies? Their scientific name is *Nymphaea odorata*, which tells us they are a member of the fragrant water lily family. *Odorata* is a Latin word, which means scented. While the lilies may have a fragrance, people usually can't get close enough to smell it. Thankfully, it's not heavy or overbearing, and it doesn't cling like some odors in nature. (Think "skunk" and you'll know what I mean!)

The fragrant water lily plant is an East Coast plant, composed of four basic parts—rhizomes, a stem, the lily pad and the flower. The rhizomes are root-like structures, buried in the mud. The stem is round and can measure several inches to several feet long, depending on the water depth. The lily pad is actually the plant's leaf. Look at it closely, and you'll notice it isn't all green. The underside is reddish-purplish in color. Shape-wise, it is easy to see it is almost a

perfect circle—except for a small notch near where the stem attaches.

The flowers of Reinstein Woods' fragrant water lilies, however, aren't the typical color. In nature, fragrant water lilies are white with yellow centers. The pink lilies, along with native white and yellow varieties, were planted by Mrs. Reinstein and her daughter Julie. Fragrant water lilies have long been cultivated, or grown and altered by humans, to exhibit certain characteristics. The pink color of fragrant water lilies is one characteristic that has long been cultivated. In addition to cultivating these plants, people have also introduced them to other regions of the US, and in doing so, have made them an invasive species in some of our western states!

In late spring, the leaves of the lilies begin to emerge from the rhizomes. They eventually float on the water's surface. The flower buds usually appear in late May and bloom through the summer months. Visit Reinstein Woods at different times of the day and you will notice that the water lily flowers look different. That is because they "open" in the morning and "close" by late afternoon. Mid-day visitors will see their display at its peak. By September, most flowers are gone, replaced by the plant's fruits. The fruit is green, berry-like and contains many seeds.

Throughout their growing season, the fragrant water lilies provide shade to the aquatic inhabitants of Lily Pond. Their stems and floating leaves provide substrate, or surfaces, on which aquatic insects can sit or crawl. According to Stokes (1985), one species of beetles uses the water lily for major parts of its life cycle. This beetle, a member of the *Donacia* genus, lays its eggs on the underside of the lily pad. The larvae hatch and feed on the lily plant, and even suck air from its stem! Their metamorphosis involves spinning a watertight cocoon around their body on the stem of the water lily. Many visitors witness part of this beetle's life cycle when they see holes or lines cut out of the lily pads. These holes are most likely cut by the female beetle so she can lay her eggs on the underside of the lily pad!

As a food, however, fragrant water lilies don't appear to be very popular. While biologists have determined that fragrant water lilies in the southeastern US provide a steady food supply for some ducks, that doesn't seem to be the case here in the Northeast. Ducks probably do eat the lily seeds at Reinstein Woods, but the lilies are not their primary source of food.

In northeast states where moose roam, water lilies are a major part of the moose's diet. Beaver, muskrat and even porcupines have been known to feed on various parts of the water lily plant, primarily the rhizomes. We can clearly see a "path" carved through the lilies by our resident beaver family, but, like ducks, the beavers don't seem to dine solely on the lily plants.

Last, but not least, the fragrant water lilies of Reinstein Woods are also a favorite of educators. For young children, they provide a shape in nature (circle) and colors (pink and green) that they are learning in the classroom. Older children are introduced to the concepts of cultivars, native versus exotic, roots versus rhizomes, and many more. And, the beauty and abundance of these plants at Lily Pond make them memorable and draw people back time and again to visit "The Woods."

Reinstein Woods Nature Preserve – Summer 2005 Programs

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Pre-registration is required for some programs; call (716) 683-5959

JUNE

National Trails Day

Saturday, June 4 at 10:00 AM

Celebrate National Trails Day by fixing up our State Symbol Trail. Bring work gloves and/or a rake if you have them; other tools will be provided. Participants will be entered in a drawing for National Trails Day t-shirts and other items.

Into the Dusk

Wednesday, June 8 at 7:30 PM

Take a walk in the woods as the sun sets, and experience the sights and sounds of nature during the transition from day to night. ***Pre-registration required.***

Full Moon Walk

Wednesday, June 22 at 8:00 PM

Enjoy a walk in the woods as the full moon rises. ***Pre-registration required.***

Stroller Strut

(For kids ages 3 and under)

Monday, June 27 at 10:00 AM

Bring your stroller and share a sensory exploration of nature with your young child. ***Pre-registration required.***

JULY

Evening in the Woods

Friday, July 1 at 7:30 PM

Experience the sights and sounds of nature as the sun goes down! Bring a flashlight if you have one. ***Pre-registration required.***

New Volunteer Open House

Saturday, July 9 from 12:00 to 4:00 PM

Meet our volunteers and learn how to get involved with lending a hand at Reinstein Woods!

Pond Life (For kids ages 6 to 12)

Tuesday, July 12 at 10:00 AM

Dive into the world of aquatic organisms and see what is living in our ponds! ***Pre-registration required.***

Project WILD Workshop

Wednesday, July 13 from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Join this workshop for educators with activities for grades K to 12 focusing on wildlife. Project WILD activities are effective for teaching problem-solving and decision-making skills and correlate to NYS learning standards.

Pre-registration required.

Stroller Strut (For kids ages 3 and under)

Friday, July 15 at 10:00 AM

Bring your stroller and share a sensory exploration of nature with your young child. ***Pre-registration required.***

Nature Crafts for Kids (For kids ages 5 to 9)

Tuesday, July 19 at 10:00 AM

Decorate a canvas backpack with nature stamps and paint! ***Pre-registration required; \$2.00 for FORNP members, \$4.00 for nonmembers.***

Full Moon Walk

Thursday, July 21 at 8:00 PM

Stroll through the woods by the light of the full moon. ***Pre-registration required.***

Stories in the Woods (For kids ages 4 to 6)

Tuesday, July 26 at 10:00 AM

Listen to a nature story followed by a walk in the woods. ***Pre-registration required.***

Volunteer Tour Guide/Youth Instructor Training

Thursday, July 28 at 9:30 AM

Saturday, July 30 at 1:00 PM

Join a training session to learn how to lead tours. No experience is necessary. ***Pre-registration required.***

PLEASE NOTE:

All programs are held entirely outdoors, so please dress appropriately for the weather. Please call (716) 683-5959 to find out whether a program has been canceled due to severe weather.

We are unable to accommodate organized groups of more than 10 people; please call to schedule a separate program for a group of this size or larger. If you or your group have special needs, please call ahead and we will be happy to learn how we can best accommodate your needs.

Programs last about 1½ hours, unless otherwise noted. If you register for a program and are unable to attend, please cancel your registration (716-683-5959) so that others may sign up! See our website for more information:

<http://www.dec.state.ny.us/website/reg9/reinstein>

Please look for signs regarding alternate entry or parking locations during the summer season, as our education center construction and site work may necessitate changes. Thank you!

AUGUST

FRIENDS CORNER

by Mary Losi

Sunset Stroll

Thursday, August 4 at 7:30 PM
Enjoy a walk in the woods as the sun sets.
Pre-registration required.

Nature Crafts for Kids (For kids ages 10 to 12)

Wednesday, August 10 at 1:00 PM
Make a nature journal and receive a camera to take your own photos on a nature walk. **Pre-registration required; \$2.00 for FORNP members, \$4.00 for nonmembers.**

Project WET Workshop

Thursday, August 11
9:00 AM to 3:30 PM
Project WET is an interdisciplinary program for educators and youth leaders. Workshop attendees participate in hands-on activities and receive the curriculum guide, state-specific water resource information, and access to water education materials. **Pre-registration required.**

Pond Life (For kids ages 6 to 12)

Thursday, August 18 at 10:00 AM
Dive into the world of aquatic organisms and see what is living in our ponds! **Pre-registration required.**

Full Moon Walk

Friday, August 19 at 7:30 PM
Come out for walk in the woods under the full moon light.
Pre-registration required.

Stories in the Woods (For kids ages 4 to 6)

Tuesday, August 23 at 10:00 AM
Listen to a nature story followed by a walk in the woods.
Pre-registration required.

Cold-Blooded Creatures

Saturday, August 27 at 1:00 PM
Join an afternoon search for our snakes, salamanders, frogs and toads!

Be sure to mark **June 18** on your calendars! This is the date of our next Friends of Reinstein Nature Preserve (FORNP) members-only program: **"Tree Identification"** presented by Bill Michalek. This program begins at **1:30 PM** at Reinstein Woods, is available to all members of the Friends group and will give us a wonderful opportunity to increase our knowledge of the trees that grow in "The Woods."

FORNP Programming Committee members Linda Arndt and Phyllis Carter have done a great job of scheduling a variety of interesting programs for our members. On **July 7**, they have arranged for Wayne Gall to set up his special lighting in Reinstein Woods to attract and identify some of the insects found there. This **"Bugs by Nightlight"** presentation will begin at **9:30 PM** (rain date: July 14), and last about two hours. And one more wonderful summer opportunity for FORNP members: **"Reptiles and Amphibians"** will be the subject of Mark Carra's program on **August 9**, scheduled at Reinstein Woods at a time to be announced later.

In addition to providing educational opportunities for its members, FORNP has recently used its funds in various ways to support Reinstein Woods. Refreshments were provided for several volunteer events, including tour-guide continuing education, tour-guide training, Frogwatch USA training, trail-monitor training and Earth Day Cleanup. FORNP also provided refreshments for those enjoying our winter members-only snowshoe walk on March 5. In addition, funds were used to purchase GPS units and compasses for Reinstein Woods and materials for tour guide training. Money for all of this comes from membership fees as well as fundraising efforts such as the Fall Festival, t-shirt sales, etc. Speaking of t-shirts, if you haven't yet purchased one of the really attractive Reinstein Woods t-shirts, caps, or tote-bags, we do have a few remaining. Just call "The Woods" to arrange your purchase.

Finally, just a reminder that FORNP members are always welcome to attend FORNP's Board of Directors meetings. The next meeting is on **Monday, July 11 at 6:30 PM** at the Reinstein Woods Operations Center.

Welcome to Our New Friends of Reinstein Nature Preserve (FORNP) Members

Tony Congliosi George Kurzdorfer
Mary Hughes Lisa Lichtenhal

For information on how to become a FORNP member, please pick up a brochure in the visitor shed, call (716) 683-5959, e-mail BUFFCADMAN@adelphia.net, or check out our webpage and download a membership form: <http://www.dec.state.ny.us/website/reg9/reinstein/friends.html>

VISITOR HOURS

PUBLIC GUIDED TOURS
Wednesday and Saturday at 10:00 AM
(No reservations required)

SELF-GUIDED INTERPRETIVE TRAILS
Summer Hours (July 1 - September 1)
Tuesday and Thursday
9:00 AM - 8:00 PM
Wednesday and Saturday
10:00 AM - 4:00 PM
(Visitors must sign in and out at trailhead kiosk)

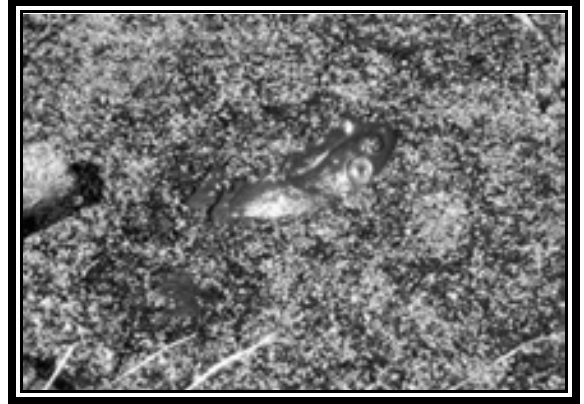
CLOSED ON STATE HOLIDAYS

SPRINGTIME IN THE WOODS

Photos by Kristen Buechi



Wild turkeys strut their stuff in April.



A bullfrog hides in duckweed in Spring Pond.



Julie Reinstein, daughter of Dr. Victor Reinstein, and her friend Jody Laine recently visited Reinstein Woods. They met with DEC staff and representatives of Friends of Reinstein Nature Preserve, Inc. Pictured from left to right are: Ginger Wszalek, Jeanne Pawlik, Kristen Buechi, Meaghan Boice-Green, Maureen Brady, Julie Reinstein, Russ Biss, Jody Laine, and Peter Losi. *(Photo by Mike Blake)*



Canada geese standing on Lily Pond in late March.



Saw-whet owl roosting in a hemlock tree on a snowy April afternoon.

Treasure Hunts for Everyone

by Jason Preston, Intern

Have you ever had a day when you wanted to get outside but didn't know what to do? Well, the solution could be either orienteering, geocaching or letterboxing. They are all fun to participate in and are for people of all abilities. The start-up cost is minimal, and the reward for finding a point is priceless.

Orienteering is a sport using a compass and a map to find points around a designed course. Many clubs have regular "meets" or gatherings. The reason that it is considered a sport is because teams compete against each other for the fastest time. This doesn't mean that you have to sprint to the points; you can go at your own pace and enjoy a nice walk in the woods. The only equipment that you need for this sport is a compass (\$6.00 to \$30.00). Maps are provided by the club that has designed the course.

Geocaching is a leisurely activity involving a hidden "cache" or prize. The cache is a container that usually holds small prizes. You can take a prize but you leave a prize in its place. After finding a cache, you e-mail the person who hid it or post a note on the Internet about the find. Most points are made and maintained by other geocachers, making this a social activity as well. When a cache is placed, the coordinates are posted on the Internet. You will need a basic Global Positioning System (GPS) unit, which costs around \$100.00. There are also other things to find, such as travel bugs, which are items with a recorded history about them that are moved to different locations, and multiple caches, where each point leads to another cache.

Letterboxing is a lot like geocaching. You are given a place to look for a small container, inside of which is a rubber stamp and a logbook. The stamp is like an I.D. for that point. You need a rubber stamp that identifies you, a small notebook and a stamp pad, for a total cost of \$6.00 to \$10.00. Instead of receiving a coordinate, you will be given a clue to help you find the point. A compass comes in handy if heading into the woods. When you find the container, you use your stamp in the logbook and stamp your own notebook with the letterbox stamp. As in geocaching, the points are maintained by the people who created them. As you can see, this is also a social activity.

These activities are fun, healthy ways to enjoy the outdoors with family. They don't take a long time to learn and are not expensive to begin, and the best part is that you can go at your own pace. Who knows, someday you may create a cache of your own!

For more information, see these websites:

Orienteering

<http://www.orienteering.org>

<http://www.buffalo-orienteering.bfn.org>

Geocaching

<http://www.geocaching.com>

Letterboxing

<http://www.letterboxing.org>

<http://www.lbworld.org>

Spring Wildflower Walk

by Ginger Wszalek

The cold spring weather did not deter the wildflowers from blooming in Reinstein Woods. Kristen Buechi and I took a walk on a warm, sunny day to look for some spring wildflowers. As we walked along the east side of Lily Pond, we noticed a patch of wild violets along the trail, which usually bloom from March to June.

We then continued on past Redtail Swamp and spotted some **spring-beauty** blooming on the south side of the trail in the woods. One of the first plants to flower in spring, they have a five-petal white flower with darker veins of pink running through the petals. If you look closer, you will see the pink anthers rising up from the stamen. Try to get out early and see them, as they flower only from March to May.



Rounding toward Tussock Marsh, we ran into **false hellebore** on the east side, a couple of steps off the trail. Also called Indian poke, this plant has ribbed, yellow-green leaves that give off stalks of star-shaped hairy flowers from May to June. But watch out for this one! The roots and leaves are poisonous and are avoided by animals, so you might get a chance to see it before the plant withers away before summer.



We continued on toward the champion beech tree and came across a patch of **cut-leaved toothwort** on the west side of the trail. The four-petaled white to pinkish flowers stand out against the plant's dark-green, sharply toothed leaf pattern. This plant flowers only from April to May. Walking to the champion beech tree, we ran into wild leeks, with wide, long leaves rising upward. Leeks, also called ramps, flower from June to July. We also saw abundant trout-lily leaves speckled with purplish spots (like a brook trout), but none of their yellow-bronzy flowers that usually appear from March to June.



As we walked back towards Lily Pond, we came across the flowering **coltsfoot**. This bright yellow, dandelion-like flower caught our eyes immediately. They are a European introduction into the area and flower from February to June. They can be seen on the north side of the Lily Pond Trail heading back to the parking lot.



If you get a chance, come out and see the spring wildflowers that will still be blooming before summer arrives, such as Jack-in-the-pulpit, Dame's rocket and may-apple.

VOLUNTEERS IN THE WOODS

VOLUNTEER HIGHLIGHT



Julie Panepento

Julie completed tour-guide training in April 2002. She became a volunteer because she likes learning about nature, thought it would be a good way to share her interest in nature with others, and was hoping to get her son involved in volunteering.

Besides being a good excuse to get outside, Julie enjoys leading tours for school kids. She likes the seasonal changes, especially experiencing "The Woods" on snowshoes in winter and searching for Jack-in-the-pulpit plants in spring. No matter how many times she sees them, she still loves watching the white-tailed deer. Although she enjoys the wide variety of tree species in Reinstein Woods, the American beech trees are her favorite.

Julie is a computer programmer, and she enjoys reading, hiking and outings with the Adirondack Mountain Club. She lives in Snyder with her husband, Dave, and two teenage children, Stephen and Noelle.

Earth Day Cleanup

Our appreciation goes out to the dedicated volunteers who braved the rainy and windy weather on April 23 for our Earth Day Cleanup event. Seventeen people showed up to pick up trash and rake the trails. Terry Boyle coordinated the work crew, and Jeanne Pawlik coordinated the refreshments (provided by FORNP). Thanks again for getting wet to help take care of "The Woods"!

Thank You to Our Tour Leaders

We owe our gratitude to the volunteers who helped lead tours at Reinstein Woods during the spring season: Linda Arndt, Jake Bajdas, Mary Losi, Peter Losi, Julie Panepento, Christine Parish, Jason Preston, Cecelia Schroeder, Roy Seiders, Karen Smith, Tom Stoll and Carrie Zaenglein.

Welcome to Our New Tour Leaders

The following volunteers attended tour-guide training in April: Teresa Corrigan, Stephan George, Kevin Grzybek, Steve Hui, Ted Koeth, George Kurzdorfer, Candi Litwin and Michael Pufpaff.

Tour Leader Continuing Education Program Summer Wildflowers

Saturday, July 16 at 1:30 PM

Volunteer tour guides: join DEC staff to discover our summer wildflowers. Learn identification, folklore and more to share when you lead tours. We will meet under the pavilion. **Call (716) 683-5959 to register.**

Volunteer Appreciation Gathering

Saturday, August 6

4:00 to 8:00 PM

All active volunteers: come join us and enjoy good food, socialize with other volunteers and receive a token of our appreciation for all of your hard work. Please bring your own place settings and a dish to pass. Look for a reminder postcard in your mailbox this summer with more information!

Cub Scout Trail Work Day

Special thanks to Cub Scout Pack 37 of Kenmore for volunteer trail work. On April 16, 26 scouts, parents and siblings worked on our future State Symbols Trail by raking leaves, picking up sticks and lining the trail with branches. Along the way to the work site, they enjoyed a nature walk led by Meaghan Boice-Green and saw ducks, geese and snakes.

Girl Scouts Complete Bronze Award Project

Junior Girl Scout Troop 972 (Crabapple Service Unit) created a display on bird feeding for our visitor shed to fulfill their community-service requirement for the Bronze Award. Thank you to Jennifer Bejarano, Anna Clark, Rebecca Flynn, Samantha Kropovitch, Katelyn Loomis, Sarah Nieman, Brittany Hesson and Alexis Torsell for creating and installing the display. Check it out on your next visit!

Reinstein Woods on the Road

Visit with DEC staff and Reinstein Woods volunteers at the following events this summer:

Allegany Nature Pilgrimage

June 3-5, 2005

Allegany State Park

<http://www.alleganynaturepilgrimage.org>

Erie County Fair

August 10-21, 2005

Erie County Fairgrounds/Conservation Building

(716) 649-3900

<http://www.ecfair.org>

WNY Earth Day Expo

August 14, 2005

Buffalo Zoo

(716) 829-3535

<http://www.wnyearthday.org/expo.html>

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