

Conservation News

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2026 USWCD Annual Tree Sale to be held on April 18!

Mark your calendars for this year's tree sale! The sale will be held at the Union County Agricultural Center parking lot, and We will be conducting the sale as a drive-through event again this year.

Evergreens will be sold in packets of 25
Canaan Fir, White Pine, and White Spruce

Hardwood and Shrub species sold in packets of 5
American Chestnut, American Plum, Bold Cypress, Black Cherry, Blackhaw Viburnum, Paper Birch, Shadblow Serviceberry, Sugar Maple, and Swamp White Oak

The sale will be held from 9:00 a.m. to noon, or until **SOLD OUT!**

Trees are available on a first-come, first-served basis.

Cash and checks are accepted. Due to the supply running out, wait until the time of purchase to write your checks.

The order form and a description of each species are included in this newsletter on pages 2 -4

NEW! USWCD is holding it's 1st Tilapia Sale in Spring of 2026

Details available on Page 5-6

2026 UNION SWCD TREE AND SHRUB SALE

Sale date will be Saturday, April 18, 2026

The sale will be held at the Union County Agricultural Center's Ditch Maintenance Building
in the rear parking lot at 18000 St. Rt. 4, Marysville, Ohio. The sale starts at
9:00 a.m. to Noon or until SOLD OUT

Any remaining seedlings will be sold the following week, Monday-Friday, 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

No pre-orders; seedlings sell on a first-come, first-serve basis.

Please make the selections below and bring the completed form with you on the day of the sale. After ensuring the
desired species are available, a district staff member will total your order at the sale.

We accept Cash and Checks only as payment, no credit cards. Make Checks Payable to: Union SWCD

EVERGREENS

<u># Packets</u>	<u>25/pkt. (cost + tax)</u>	<u>Species</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Sub-Total</u>
_____	\$40/pkt. (\$37.38 + \$2.62)❑	Canaan Fir	8-16"	P+1	_____
_____	\$40/pkt. (\$37.38 + \$2.62)❑	White Pine	8-12"	2 - 1	_____
_____	\$40/pkt. (\$37.38 + \$2.62)❑	White Spruce	18-24"	2 - 0	_____

HARDWOOD and SHRUB PACKETS

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>5/pkt. (cost + tax)</u>	<u>Species</u>	<u>Size</u>	<u>Age</u>	<u>Sub-Total</u>
_____	\$40/pkt. (\$37.38 + \$2.62)❑	American Chestnut *** <small>*** = 'Apparently Blight Free' with some resistance--no gene mod.</small>	18"-24"	1 - 0	_____
_____	\$15/pkt. (\$14.02 + \$.98)❑	American Plum (Wild)	6-12"	1 - 0	_____
_____	\$15/pkt. (\$14.02 + \$.98)❑	Bald Cypress, Common	6-12"	1 - 0	_____
_____	\$15/pkt. (\$14.02 + \$.98)❑	Black Cherry	6-12"	1 - 0	_____
_____	\$15/pkt. (\$14.02 + \$.98)❑	Blackhaw Viburnum	6-12"	1 - 0	_____
_____	\$15/pkt. (\$14.02 + \$.98)❑	Paper Birch	6-12"	1 - 0	_____
_____	\$15/pkt. (\$14.02 + \$.98)❑	Shadblow Serviceberry	6-12"	1 - 0	_____
_____	\$15/pkt. (\$14.02 + \$.98)❑	Sugar Maple	6-12"	2 - 0	_____
_____	\$15/pkt. (\$14.02 + \$.98)❑	Swamp White Oak	6-12"	1-0, 2-0	_____

ACCESSORIES

<u>Quantity</u>	<u>100/bd. (cost + tax)</u>	<u>Description</u>	<u>Sub-Total</u>
_____	\$15/pkt. (\$14.02 + \$.98)❑	Marking Flags (100 in bundle)	_____

TOTAL DUE \$ _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Email: _____

Please include your email address below if you would like to receive our quarterly newsletter

OFFICE
USE: Cash / Check Check# _____ Receipt# _____



2026 Brief Descriptions of Species

Evergreens:

Canaan Fir: *Abies intermedia*

Canaan fir is an attractive medium-sized tree generally reaching 40-55 feet in height and 20-25 feet in width. It exhibits a relatively dense, pyramidal crown with a slender spire-like tip. An important asset of Canaan fir is its ability to grow in areas not well suited to other native firs, but will not do well in heavy, wet, clay soils. In recent years, considerable interest has developed in using Canaan fir as a Christmas tree species.

White Pine (native): *Pinus strobus*

The White Pine is a fast growing (2-3 ft per year or more) evergreen that has needles of from 3—6 inches long and are arranged in bundles of five on the stem. In Sep-Oct this pine “sheds” all of its needles that grew out the previous year. It will grow to 80 feet tall by 40 feet wide or larger under optimum conditions, with a rapid growth rate. Its shape is upright pyramidal when young but becomes irregular with maturity. The White Pine performs best in evenly moist, rich, well-drained, acidic soils in full sun.

White Spruce: *Picea glauca*

This non-native spruce, to 60' high and 20' wide, is more tolerant of heavier clay soils and wetness than the Norway spruce. It is slower growing than Norway spruce and has a symmetrical shape with blue-green needles. The primary benefit locally is that it will better tolerate the acidic heavy clays. It will not survive extended seasonal wetness.

Hardwoods/ Shrubs:

American Chestnut: *Castanea dentata*

American Chestnut was predominately located in the eastern half of Ohio, where the soils are more acidic. Its nuts were a staple food of the Native Americans and pioneers, while its wood was harvested for the production of furniture, musical instruments, caskets, crates, and tannin. Dimensions of 80 feet tall by 60 feet wide were regularly obtained when it was located in the open. As a member of the Beech Family, it is related to the Oaks and the Beeches, in addition to other Chestnuts.

American Plum: *Prunus americana*

Known as Wild Plum, is present throughout all of Ohio, and is native to most of the eastern and central United States. Its fruits are sweet when fully ripe, and make excellent jelly or jam due to their high pectin and high acid content. American Plum reaches 20 feet tall by 25 feet wide as an individual specimen under optimum conditions, but forms thickets of indeterminate width with time.

Black Cherry: *Prunus serotina*

A rapidly growing woodland tree common throughout all of Ohio, is often found in open fields and previously harvested forests. Its small fruits are relished by birds and mammals as a food source in late summer. Also known as Wild Black Cherry, this tree may grow to 60 feet tall by 30 feet wide (or larger) when it is found in an open field.

2026 Brief Descriptions of Species

Bald Cypress: *Taxodium distichum*

The Bald Cypress is a large, deciduous coniferous tree native to the southeastern United States. It is well-known for its adaptability to wetland environments and is the personification of a swamp tree. Bald Cypress trees prefer moist to wet soil conditions and are highly adaptable to different soil types, including loam, clay, and sandy soils. They can tolerate both full sun and partial shade, although they generally grow best in full sun. Bald Cypress trees are well-suited for planting in wetland areas, near streams, or in landscapes where moisture retention is favorable.

Blackhaw Viburnum: *Viburnum prunifolium*

Blackhaw is perhaps the most widely distributed Viburnum in Ohio, as it is found throughout the state, ranging from shady mesic woodlands to open, dry fields. Blackhaw has plump floral buds on arching branches in winter, white flowers in mid-spring, glossy foliage in summer, and combination of colorful foliage and fruits in autumn make it a native shrub with four-season appeal. Blackhaw slowly reaches 15 feet tall by 10 feet wide when found in the open, and if limbed up into tree form, may reach 20 feet tall by 15 feet wide. As a member of the Honeysuckle Family, it is related to the Honeysuckles, Elderberries, Weigelas, and the multitude of other Viburnums.

Paper Birch: *Betula papyrifera*

The Paper Birch tree is considered to be one of the most attractive tree species in North America. Its' handsome summer and fall foliage, graceful form and showy white bark keep this Birch species in demand for landscaping applications. Paper Birch was once used by northern Native Americans to build canoes and is also known as 'Canoe Birch'. It should not be pruned during late winter through spring due to the copious bleeding that occurs from sap rising during that time of the year. Union County would be considered to be at the southernmost range of its area of growth.

Shadblow Serviceberry: *Amelanchier canadensis*

Shadblow Serviceberry is a large, multistem, upright shrub with attractive white flowers in early spring followed by dark red fruit birds love. It has handsome fall foliage, which ranges from yellow to red. An excellent native shrub to add to any landscape, but be patient because it does grow slowly.

Sugar Maple: *Acer saccharum*

Another Union County native, Sugar Maple can be expected to grow across Union County – except in areas of extended seasonal wetness. This maple is the most efficient at producing maple syrup. Growth habit includes a broad canopy and beautiful fall color. It prefers plenty of space and sunlight. Will tolerate shade with subsequent slower growth,

Swamp White Oak: *Quercus bicolor*

If Union County had an official tree, this would be an excellent candidate. While it is tolerant of extended seasonal wetness, this white oak family tree is just as much "at home" on higher and drier sites. It is used as a tree lawn tree where space is afforded, but grows anywhere adequate space will permit (Mature height 60', with a 50-60' wide crown). Swamp white oak has recently been referred to as "Bicolored Oak" in the landscape industry - taking from its scientific second name of bicolor. This reference is to the summer's glossy green leaves that are silvery white on the backside.

Union Soil & Water Conservation District

2026 Tilapia Sale

Union Soil and Water Conservation District is now offering pond owners the opportunity to stock their ponds with Tilapia. Fish orders will be accepted until Friday, May 15, 2026. The fish will be supplied through Remlinger Fish Farm, Kalida, Ohio. Tilapia pickup will be at Union Soil & Water office at 18000 State Route 4, Marysville, OH 43040. The pick up date will be provided at a later time. All sales are final **NO REFUNDS!** Fish are guaranteed to arrive in good condition; however, we do not guarantee survival after you have stocked them in your pond.

Why Should Pond Owners Stock Tilapia?

- Tilapia eat many of the common types of filamentous algae, blue green algae, chara, duckweed, watermeal, nuisance rooted aquatic vegetation. Work good with the amur which does not prefer these types of algae
- Prolific breeders, Spawn every 18 to 21 days and lay up to 1500 eggs per female
- Fish spawn when they reach 4" \ water temperature is above 68 F
- The babies are the ones that put the biggest strain on the algae \by converting vegetation into a bait fish for your predator fish.
- Reduce demand on minnows and Amurs
- Increase the size and population of other fish in your pond.
- Fall temp cause fish to slow down allowing predator fish of all sizes to gorge itself just in time for winter
- Most Eco Friendly solution to controlling algae, no more chemicals

Union SWCD FISH ORDER FORM

<u>Species/Size</u>	<u>Price (cost + tax)</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Cost</u>
Tilapia/5"-10"	\$86/a box (4lb.) (\$80.37+\$5.63)	_____	\$ _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Make Checks Payable to: Union SWCD 18000 St. Rt. 4, Ste. D Marysville, OH 43040

OFFICE USE: Date Paid: _____ Cash / Check # _____ Receipt # _____

To determine how much Tilapia to stock

Step 1 How Big Is the Pond

Formula for Circular Pond (results in acre)	Formula for Rectangular Pond (results in acre)
$(\text{Total Ft of shore line})^2$ 547390	$(\text{Length} \times \text{Width})$ 43560

Step 2 Amount of pond Covered by aquatic vegetation?

Little = 1-inch layer of green, fuzzy algae shadowing the rocks

Spotty = small clumps of algae scattered about pond

1 Ft Around Pond = layer of algae, extending one foot from its edge around entire pond

3 ft Around Pond = layer of algae, extending three feet from its edge around entire pond

Covered = The pond lies ensnared beneath a relentless blanket of algae, its surface entirely obscured by the overgrowth.

Example if you had a 3/4 acre pond with 1 ft of algae around the entire pond it would take 5 order / boxes (20 lbs. of Tilapia) at a cost of \$430.00 (assume you are charging \$86 per box) These are the grey colored boxes in the chart so you can see how the charts work.

Number of boxes required Chart (Each box contains 4 lbs. of Tilapia)

Pond Coverage	Pond Size (Acre of Water)								
	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{3}{4}$	1	$1\frac{1}{4}$	$1\frac{1}{2}$	$1\frac{3}{4}$	2	$2\frac{1}{4}$
Little	1	2	2	3	4	5	6	6	7
Spotty	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
1 Ft	2	3	5	6	8	9	11	12	14
3 Ft	3	5	8	10	13	15	18	20	23
Covered	5	10	15	19	24	29	34	38	43

End Consumer cost if charging \$86.00 per box

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Little	\$86	\$172	\$172	\$258	\$344	\$430	\$516	\$516	\$602
Spotty	\$86	\$172	\$258	\$344	\$430	\$516	\$602	\$688	\$774
1 Ft	\$172	\$258	\$430	\$516	\$688	\$774	\$946	\$1032	\$1204
3 Ft	\$258	\$430	\$688	\$860	\$1118	\$1290	\$1548	\$1720	\$1978
Covered	\$430	\$860	\$1290	\$1634	\$2064	\$2494	\$2924	\$3268	\$3698

Drainage Maintenance Update

Mill creek Logjam update

H&H land clearing has begun second phase of the mill creek logjam removal project. H&H will begin at the Delaware county line and head upstream towards Logan county cutting the dead standing trees from the top twenty five feet of the bank. Field staff will be out marking trees to be cut and removed . If you have any questions feel free to give Union Soil and Water Conservation District a call.



If you have any drainage-related questions, contact our office
Monday - Friday from 8:00 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Joe Eads, Drainage Maintenance Supervisor
Email: jeads@unioncountyohio.gov
Ph: 937-209-2236

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Wild About Wildlife

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Winter Wildlife, Habitat, Interests and Concerns

What's In-Season

Always Refer to the Current Year's Regulations.

[Hunting Regulations:](#)

[Fishing Regulations:](#)

"Hunting With Permission" forms and hard copies of the **Hunting and Fishing Regulations** are available at our office.

Get the [HuntFishOH Mobile APP](#) and get everything in one place!

Muskrat or Beaver Problems?.... Now is the Time!

A timely reminder for anyone experiencing chronic damage from Muskrats or Beaver.

Now is the time to recruit trappers to reduce the potentially explosive muskrat population.

In Union County, the regulated Muskrat and Beaver trapping seasons run until

February 28, 2026

Duck, Duck, Goose!

Waterfowl seasons will be ending soon and the nesting season is right around the corner. Now is the time to think about next years ducklings by constructing nest structures and placing them before the ice melts.

I have nest plans available in my office.

On another note, if you have had nuisance geese problems in the past, you are likely to have them again.

Efforts to legally discourage Canada geese from nesting on properties should begin early. It takes uncommon persistence to keep them from instinctively nesting.

If, despite one's very best efforts, one still needs assistance, the Ohio Division of Wildlife has an on-line website to assist with human-geese conflicts.

To learn more about human/ goose conflicts and to apply for a [Goose Damage Permit](#) click [HERE!](#)

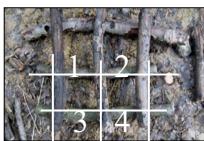
Christmas Trees for Wildlife

Placing a wildlife brush shelter on your property can add an interesting and important element to your backyard habitat, attracting a wide variety of wildlife that may have been missing. Providing dense, heavy and secure shelter close to the ground can attract many animals that may not feel comfortable otherwise. An old Christmas tree can make a great base. This is the easiest thing you can do with your tree if you have a yard. It directly benefits the wildlife in your backyard during winter months because brush piles and dead trees offer food and needed protection from the chill.

Wildlife Brush PilesCottontail Condos

Winter is a great time to construct heavy-duty brush piles.

No, not small piles of limbs. Begin by placing large diameter pieces (Six inch +.), at the base. Arrange the base to have four compartments by placing logs across the middle of each side. As each row goes up, move the logs "in" one width, so that a pyramid shape begins to form. At about four feet high, place leftover limbs and other cuttings on top as a roof. Add to the top of the pile as necessary.



Wildlife Conflict Management

...Forget Control!

Experiencing wildlife conflicts? Try the solutions associated with this wildlife conflict resolution website! [The Internet Center for Wildlife Damage Management:](#)

www.icwdm.org

OLHAP - OHIO LANDOWNER/ HUNTER ACCESS PARTNERSHIP PROGRAM



Looking for some new places to hunt? Have you heard about the OLHAP program? Check out the above link to find out more about the newest hunter access program in Ohio.

Injured—or what appears to be Helpless Wildlife?

Call or contact the **Ohio Wildlife Center** – 614-793-WILD (9453) – then follow their every instruction!

www.ohiowildlifecenter.org

Technical Trivia: Retention Basins

Covering conservation and drainage topics on a quarterly basis.

Retention basins come in many forms, but they all share the same purpose: to collect and store stormwater before releasing it at a controlled rate to downstream watercourses. Some also help with water treatment. They are often used to slow the rate at which runoff leaves a developed area, thereby preventing large, damaging discharges and reducing erosion potential.

Wet Basins or Retention Ponds are designed to hold water year-round, with extra capacity to allow for handling small and large storm events. Drainage water from the surrounding area is funneled into the basin. As the basin fills, a spillway (usually a pipe) begins to release the water slowly. Most basins also have a secondary spillway to allow water to escape if the basin gets too full.



A grass-lined dry basin with a dusting of snow on the bottom



A retention pond with freshly graded banks

Dry Basins are a special type of retention basin that is designed to empty completely between large storm events. They can appear as no more than a shallow depression in the ground, but function in the same way as a wet basin during storm events.

Retention basins often look like recreational ponds, and can be visually attractive features of the landscape. However, they are a critical part of drainage infrastructure and need to be maintained in order to function properly. Maintenance typically consists of vegetation management and sediment removal.

If you have questions or want to learn more, feel free to contact us!

Marysville Field Office welcomes new employees

Union SWCD Urban Technician, Emma Scott



Emma was born and raised in Northeast Ohio and studied Environmental Science at Cleveland State University. During and after her time in undergrad, she worked various seasonal field jobs focused on reptile and amphibian conservation. In 2020, she moved to Oregon for graduate school and became interested in agriculture while working as a seasonal technician for the Oregon Department of Agriculture. After earning her masters, she accepted a position with NRCS as a Soil Conservationist and developed a love for sustainable agriculture and soil & water health. She recently moved back to Ohio and is excited to begin a new chapter with Union Soil and Water Conservation District as an Urban Technician. In her free time, she enjoys birding, hiking, drawing and creating memories with her family and friends.

Pheasants Forever Farm Bill Wildlife Biologist, Riley Porter

My name is Riley Porter, and I am the new PFQF Biologist covering a few of the counties in your areas. My home office is located at the Marysville NRCS Office (Union), but I also cover Champaign, Clark, Logan, and Madison counties. I transferred within PFQF from NW Indiana where I was also a Farm Bill Biologist working on various NRCS and related programs. My fiancé, Michaela, and I moved to Marysville to give her the opportunity to become a research associate at Ohio State in their fisheries ecology lab. We are huge waterfowl hunters, bird hunters, and anglers. We have a year and a half old German shorthair pointer that needs to get on some birds next fall/winter, and we are excited for some fishing this spring.



Become a Union SWCD Affiliate Member

The Union Soil and Water Conservation District is seeking 2026 Affiliate Members. These contributions help the Board of Supervisors continue their efforts to educate the people of Union County about protecting our natural resources. Such efforts include field days, pond clinics, displays, tours, camp scholarships, and presentations to schools and civic groups.

Contributions to the District are voluntary and tax deductible.

The following memberships are available to those contributing

Diamond Membership	\$500 or more
Platinum Membership	\$250 - \$499
Gold Membership	\$100 - \$249
Silver Membership	\$50 - \$99

As an Affiliate Member, we will list your business name and logo in our quarterly newsletters, the Annual Report, the Annual Meeting Program, and on the District website and Facebook page.

Contributions should be dropped off or mailed to:
18000 State Route 4, Suite D, Marysville, OH 43040.

If you have any questions, contact Sherry Maisenbacher at
(937) 642-5871 x2221 or smaisenbacher@unioncountyohio.gov.

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Union SWCD Affiliate Member Application

<https://www.unioncountyohio.gov/departments/USWCD/affiliate-members--donors>

Affiliate membership dollars are used to help contribute to a variety of natural resource education efforts for Union County residents. Such efforts include field days, pond clinics, displays, tours, camp scholarships and presentations to schools and civic groups.

Membership Benefits:

Annual Meeting Tickets	Recognized in our quarterly newsletter
Listed in our Annual Report	Listed on our website
Listed in our Annual Meeting Program and Powerpoint	

Please complete the form below:

Business Name: _____

Contact Name: _____

Email: _____ Phone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Website: _____

Choose one of the following Affiliate memberships available:

<input type="checkbox"/>	Diamond Membership	\$500 or more
<input type="checkbox"/>	Platinum Membership	\$250 - \$499
<input type="checkbox"/>	Gold Membership	\$100 - \$249
<input type="checkbox"/>	Silver Membership	\$50 - \$99

Send this form along with a check payable to: Union SWCD
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Maryville, OH 43040

If you have any questions please contact Sherry Maisenbacher at
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Conservation Tillage Club

2026 Breakfast Meeting Series

**Mid Ohio Energy Cooperative,
1210 W. Lima St. Kenton Ohio 43326**

January 8 – Grain Market Outlook - Matt Roberts, Bridgeforth LLP

January 22 – Tar Spot Update - Nic Baumer, Agriculture and Natural Resources Educator, OSU Extension, Hardin County

February 5 – Artificial Intelligence & Autonomous Vehicles - John Fulton, Professor, Food, Agricultural and Biological Engineering.

February 19 – Agriculture Law Update - Peggy Kirk Hall, J.D. – Attorney and Director, Agricultural and Resource Law Program, OSU Extension.

Time: 8:00-9:30 am

Cost: No Cost or RSVP Required

Contact information: Wayne Dellinger - dellinger.6@osu.edu 937-644-8117

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Upcoming Events / Office Closures

January 1, 2026 **Holiday:** USWCD Office **CLOSED** to observe New Year's Day

January 8, 2026 **USWCD Board Mtg.:** 6:00 p.m., in the Buckeye Mtg. Room

January 19, 2026 **Holiday:** USWCD Office **CLOSED** to observe Martin Luther King Day

February 9 – 11, 2026 **OFSWCD Partnership Mtg.,** Hilton in Columbus

February 12, 2026 **USWCD Board Mtg.:** 6:00 p.m., in the Buckeye Mtg. Room

February 14 – 19, 2026 **NACD 80th Annual Mtg.,** in San Antonio, TX

February 16, 2026 **Holiday:** USWCD Office **CLOSED** to observe President's Day

March 12, 2026 **USWCD Board Mtg.:** 6:00 p.m., in the Buckeye Mtg. Room

April 9, 2026 **USWCD Board Mtg.:** 6:00 p.m., in the Buckeye Mtg. Room

April 18, 2026 **USWCD Annual Tree Sale,** 9:00 a.m. - Noon or until **SOLD OUT**

May 14, 2026 **USWCD Board Mtg.:** 6:00 p.m., in the Buckeye Mtg. Room

May 15, 2026 **USWCD Tilapia Sale,** Deadline to turn in the Tilapia Sale Order Form

**Union SWCD Board of Supervisors and staff would like to
THANK the 2025 Affiliate Members for their continued support**

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<u>Connolly Companies</u>	<u>Cook Real Estate</u>	<u>Dean Cook Nationwide Insurance</u>
<u>Gravatt Farms</u>	<u>Millcreek Gardens LLC</u>	<u>Heart of Ohio Fish & Game Assoc.</u>
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Silver Member
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