

ANNUAL REPORT 2007



District Board of Health
Mahoning County

The logo for the District Board of Health Mahoning County. It features a white outline of the county's shape. Inside the outline, there are several silhouettes of people of various ages and sizes, representing a diverse community. The text "District Board of Health" is arched over the top of the map, and "Mahoning County" is written below it.

FROM THE BOARD OF HEALTH PRESIDENT & HEALTH COMMISSIONER

Despite ever-increasing economic challenges for our organization and the community we serve, the **District Board of Health** has strived to maintain the standard of *excellence, innovation, and continuous improvement* in public health service that our community has come to expect from their local health department. Several achievements in the past year are especially noteworthy:

- 🏆 National recognition with a **2007 Model Practice Award** from the **National Association of County and City Health Officials** for our septic tank pumping tracking and reminder program
- 🏆 A drive-through flu clinic at the **Canfield Fairgrounds** and joint clinics with Trumbull, Youngstown, and Struthers health districts
- 🏆 A continued decline to an historic low in the number of lead-poisoned children
- 🏆 The first-ever regional assessment of local public health system performance in partnership with all seven health districts in Mahoning and Trumbull counties
- 🏆 Voter approval of a 5-year renewal levy for tuberculosis elimination
- 🏆 Adoption of local home sewage treatment system rules tailored to local soil conditions and our stakeholders' needs
- 🏆 Exercises to test our readiness for outbreaks of foodborne diseases
- 🏆 Web-based public access to restaurant inspection reports
- 🏆 Further deployment of Global Positioning Satellite (GPS) technology to precisely locate groundwater-monitoring wells around our landfills
- 🏆 Closer monitoring of flu activity in local hospitals, schools, nursing homes, and day care centers during flu season for a quicker response to flu outbreaks
- 🏆 An updated "roadmap" for homebuyers and homebuilders to help them navigate among government agencies

We are proud of these and the many other achievements of our board, staff, volunteers, and community partners, and remain committed to *continuously improving* our organization and the health of our community in the year ahead.

Leonard Perry
President

Matthew Stefanak, M.P.H.
Health Commissioner



PREVENTING YOUTH TOBACCO USE WITH TWO PROGRAMS

This year, the **District Board of Health** implemented a new tobacco prevention program, **Project Towards No Tobacco Use (TNT)**. This **Substance Abuse and Mental Health Services Administration**-approved program was implemented in several community agencies and schools throughout the counties served by the tobacco grant (Mahoning, Columbiana and Trumbull) which is funded by the **Ohio Tobacco Prevention Foundation**. In all, TNT was taught to 485 youth and it was well received. According to one facilitator, "The program was very good and the youth responded very well to the program." TNT teaches students how to have self-respect and self-confidence in order to reject tobacco use. Another facilitator said, "[The students] asked very interesting questions. They feel the pressure of smoking or using drugs." During the next grant year we have proposed to extend this program to four additional community agencies and four more schools.

YOUTH COMPLETED THE FOLLOWING ACTIVITIES THIS YEAR:

- Kick Butts Day event
- 2 DEBUNKIFY events
- 2 Thank-You Section events
- Regional Tobacco Summit
- State stand Training
- Canfield Fair education booth
- Great American Smoke Out event
- Correspondence with state legislators
- Prom Raiders promotion

The **Mahoning County stand Team** continued their work to educate youth about the dangers of smoke during one of their most *active years yet!* This year the **stand Team** reached 465 youth and 140 adults with the team's many events and outreach promotion.

The **Mahoning County stand Team** also added five new members this year. **Melanie Arnold**, a three-year **stand** member had this to say about her involvement. "As I got older I realized how many of my peers were getting into smoking and I didn't like it. I am very headstrong about what I believe in and **stand** is a way for me to express my opinions in a positive way that helps others."

TUBERCULOSIS IS STILL WITH US

Tuberculosis (TB) is a disease that has affected human beings since at least biblical times. Many people today are under the impression that tuberculosis is no longer a problem. The national news in 2007 changed that impression when it was reported that an airline passenger on a transatlantic flight was found to have, not simply tuberculosis, but drug-resistant tuberculosis. A disease that many thought no longer occurred, was suddenly, once again, a threat to us. In Mahoning County, the **District Board of Health** administers the tax-levy supported tuberculosis clinic. We are fortunate to have **Dr. Robert DeMarco**, a board certified pulmonologist, as our tuberculosis control officer, along with a public health nurse and a TB registrar who do TB testing, monitor the occurrence of TB and treat TB when it is diagnosed. The citizens of Mahoning County are fortunate to have this vital surveillance and health care service available to them for as little as \$2.00 in taxes per year.

FRANK WATSON HONORED

One of our most stalwart volunteers – **Frank Watson** – was recognized by the **Board of Health** last month for helping us organize our mass flu clinics each fall. As **Linda Ewing** tells the story, years ago **Mr. Watson** was a client at one of our first mass clinics in Canfield. After getting his shot and observing the flow of patients for a while, he approached **Linda** and told her that she could really use some help! **Linda** took him up on his offer and he's been helping us run an efficient and customer-friendly flu shot campaign ever since. And, in case you didn't know, **Mr. Watson** is the father-in-law of Youngstown's favorite son – **Ohio State** football coach **Jim Tressel**...



Linda Ewing and Matt Stefanak present Frank Watson with a token of the Board of Health's appreciation for his volunteer service.

SUCCESSFUL COLLABORATION WITH SPRINGFIELD SCHOOL

If you ever drive on Rt. 170 on a spring morning around 8:10 a.m. and you pass the elementary school in New Middletown, you will most likely see a long line of young students walking around the school property at a brisk pace. What you will not see is that after about 15 minutes of walking exercise, the students will go back into the school building where they will all receive a healthy breakfast. This wonderful exercise and breakfast program has been happening at the **Springfield Elementary School** for the past *seven years*. The school nurse, who is a **District Board of Health** public health nurse, has been instrumental in coordinating wellness activities at the school such as the exercise and breakfast program. The school has been recognized by the **Ohio Department of Health** with the **Buckeye Best Award**.

The school administration was interested in measuring how the exercise and nutrition program was helping the students. So, in 2000, the **District Board of Health** in collaboration with the **Springfield Schools, Youngstown State University** and **NEOUCOM** began working on a project to track the students' body mass index (BMI). The BMI is one way of measuring whether obesity may be a problem in the elementary school population. The most recent reports have shown that the students' BMI measurements have *decreased* indicating that the exercise and healthy nutritional choices are having a positive effect.



Hello, everyone! I am
John S. Venglarcik, III, MD,
and I am the “new kid” on the block...

I'm sure everyone has been that new kid at one time or another in her or his life. I started at the health department as medical director and medical epidemiologist July 1 replacing **Dr. Larry Frisch**. No small task I may add, especially since I don't sing. **Larry** is a bright, intelligent physician and has done marvelous work for the health district for four years. I have worked with him during that period of time in a number of different capacities and became familiar with his activities. As a consequence when he headed for more northerly climates I was pleased to be able to succeed him here.

Why don't I take this opportunity to tell you a little bit about myself. My background is that I am fellowship-trained in pediatric infectious disease and hospital epidemiology and have been practicing in Youngstown for 24 years. I was at **Tod Children's Hospital** until last June when it closed but I remain at **Northside Medical Center** where I continue to see children, adolescents and young adults with infectious diseases as well as continuing to serve as hospital

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that produce enough **electricity**
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epidemiologist. I am also medical director for the **Comprehensive Care Center** which is a full-service clinic serving the needs of several hundred men, women and children infected with human immunodeficiency virus. It is operated in conjunction with the **Youngstown City Health District**. I also maintain a very active presence at **NEOUCOM (Northeastern Ohio Universities College of Medicine and Pharmacy)** as **Professor of Pediatrics** and **Master Teacher**. In my spare time I enjoy cycling, long-distance running and yoga as well as being a passionate movie aficionado.



Although there is a lot of information I could review I would rather use my first annual report to highlight a few current issues. Two of the issues I personally found fascinating and two others have been quite prominent in the public eye in 2007.

I will make a confession; I have had many misconceptions concerning landfills. I now know that a landfill is so much more than a “city dump.” My mental images were drawn largely from childhood cartoons and consisted of huge mountains of rotting food (including the obligatory fish skeletons) complete with rising “waves” of stench along with discarded furniture, especially overstuffed sofas and chairs with broken metal coils protruding through rips in the upholstery. My visit last summer to the **Carbon Limestone Sanitary Landfill of Browning Ferris Industries of Ohio** in Poland Township quickly dispelled these notions.

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I found the landfill to be incredibly well organized and run by true professionals who were knowledgeable and justifiably proud of their operation. I learned that the site must undergo a great deal of preparation before refuse can be deposited. The bottom of the landfill must undergo a variety of manipulations including soil compaction and placement of a liner that has linear ridges which direct the runoff to a central drainage location. The runoff is collected and treated before being discharged. There is an extensive network of ground wells around the site that are monitored for ground water contamination by the health district. I was also shown a facility on the site that uses the methane gas which is a

byproduct from the breakdown of organic material. It is harvested through an elaborate system of pipes strategically placed throughout the man-made hills. This methane gas powers generators that produce enough electricity to meet the needs of about 15,000 homes. I will never ever think of landfills in the same way and have a much greater appreciation of the role that several individuals from the health department play in monitoring this facility.

I also have had the good fortune to be invited to visit the main post office facility in downtown Youngstown. I was told that I was invited because I was now the person who “writes all the antibiotic prescriptions” if there is anthrax exposure at the facility. So I guess it was fair that I was invited to see some new equipment used to prevent any mass exposures. To be brief I was impressed with the expertise of the officials I met with as well as the thoroughness of the process. The bottom line for me was that I was now much better prepared to respond to an emergency that I hope I never have to face.

Drug resistance, regardless of whether it was tuberculosis or Staphylococcus aureus, was a popular topic in the media in 2007. We were affected by both. A patient was identified with isoniazid resistant Mycobacterium tuberculosis in our tuberculosis clinic. The patient was treated appropriately and never became contagious. Further investigation revealed that the individual had acquired the infection in a foreign country then moved into the area. This was *NOT* the extremely drug-resistant Mycobacterium tuberculosis (XDR TB) that caused quite a stir last summer after a potential exposure had occurred on board an airplane.

Finally, community-acquired, methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus CAMRSA or just MRSA (pronounced mur-sah) infections caught the spotlight after the death of a teen, from MRSA, coincided with the release of a national report on MRSA infections. There were multiple cases in the area but nothing approaching an epidemic level despite all the news coverage. It gave me the opportunity to meet with all the county school superintendents as well as the principals of the elementary schools, middle schools and high schools. I was assisted by the nursing division and had a one-hour session with each of the four groups. The feedback I received was very positive and I hope I can continue with this type of engagement with the community.

A lot of other things happened, as well, including the first drive-thru influenza vaccine clinic which was very successful. I have enjoyed working with everyone from Matt on down. It has been an exciting and interesting six months.

HOME SEWAGE RULE CHANGES: CUSTOMER SERVICE IS KEY

2007 proved to be a very challenging year in the **Wastewater Programs** with multiple changes in the **Residential Home Sewage Treatment System** rules at the local and state level. The initial change came as a result of **House Bill 231** when new state rules became effective January 1, 2007. These complicated and somewhat effective rules were the first state sewage rule revisions since 1977 which provided for soil-based treatment systems and the use of many recently accepted methods and equipment such as sand mounds, shallow leachfields



Kosco sand mound and finished view of the lake
(sand mound design under new rules)

and drip distribution. Off-lot discharging aerators were also introduced that comply with **Ohio EPA's National Pollution Discharge Elimination System (NPDES)** water quality standards.

These rules were then rescinded on July 1, 2007 by **House Bill 119**, leaving only the discharging system requirements and a few other issues in place until July 2009, when the rules are to be revisited. The tools and ideas that were refined and developed over this transition were added to the many successful **Health District** practices and a revised local **Household Sewage Treatment System Regulation** was passed by the **District Board of Health** in December 2007.

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These revised regulations allow for greater flexibility in sewage treatment system designs that are directly related to site-specific soil types and land features. The new rules benefited **APCO Construction** and new homeowners **Andrew and Catherine Kosco of Springfield Twp.** which provided for a suitable sand mound without the large unsightly mound that would have obstructed their lakeside view. The simplified sand mound was constructed at a more reasonable cost and preserved the lakeside view as a result of the rule revision and some excellent work by **Registered Installer Steve Bendel Jr. of B.E.I. Excavation**

and Grading. This site-specific design concept using soils, routine servicing and pumping will lead to more successful system performance.

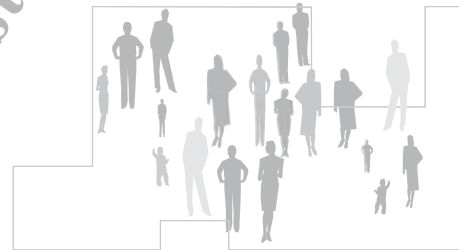


Front line Environmental clerical staff: (L to R)
Tina Schneider, Linda Zmith, and Julie Thompson

The rule change challenges were felt hardest by the office and field staff when directly working with county residents, builders and septic contractors to use the rules and determine the best route to achieve compliance. The key to surviving and excelling through this transition with new tools and methods is the high level of customer service that the staff at the **District Board of Health** provided while keeping the industry moving. This high level of customer service was best noted in a December 2007 survey of 69 sewage contractors that reflected **District Board of Health** office staff courtesy of 4.69 (5.0 scale) and field staff courtesy of 4.54 (5.0 scale) in addition to responding to 100% of all sewage complaints within *10 days!*

Wes Vins, Director of Wastewater Programs says, "because of the changes in sewage rules and technology, we needed to take a 'customer service first, regulator second approach' ... and it's working for us and the community."

District Board of Health



Mahoning County

2003 BIRTHS

Live Births 1,575
 Low Birth Weight Births* 150
 Birth to Teen - Under 18 36
 *less than 2,500 grams or 5.5 pounds

MATERNAL HEALTH FACTS

Births every day 4.3
 Births in a hospital 99.0%
 Saint Elizabeth Health Center 50.6%
 Forum Health Northside 35.1%
 Prenatal care during 1st trimester 91.0%
 Did not use alcohol during pregnancy 99.4%
 Did not smoke during pregnancy 84.5%

2003 DEATHS

Infant Deaths 17
 Total Deaths 1,908

- 5.4 deaths occurred every day
- 1.5 heart disease deaths occurred every day
- 1.2 cancer death occurred every day
- 1 infant death occurred every 21 days

2003 LEADING CAUSES OF DEATH

<i>Causes of Death</i>	<i>Number</i>	<i>Rate*</i>
Heart Disease	557	340.1
Cancer	442	269.9
Stroke	128	78.2
Lung Disease	109	66.5
Alzheimers	57	34.8
Diabetes	50	30.5
Accidental Death	53	32.4
Flu/Pneumonia	39	23.8
Kidney Disease	37	22.6
Septicemia	33	20.1

*unadjusted rate per 100,000 population

2006 COMMUNICABLE DISEASES*

Varicella	189
Chlamydia	110
Hepatitis C	53
Gonorrhea	27
Salmonellosis	13
Meningitis, aseptic	9
Campylobacteriosis	6
Pertussis	6
Streptococcus pneumoniae, drug resistant	6
Giardiasis	5
Legionnaires' disease	5
E. coli, enterohemorrhagic	4
Streptococcal disease, invasive Group A	4
Cryptosporidiosis	3
Hepatitis B	3
Lyme disease	3
Haemophilus influenzae (invasive disease)	2
Kawasaki disease	2
Listeriosis	2
Meningitis, bacterial	2
Shigellosis	2
Mumps	1
Streptococcal toxic shock syndrome	1
Syphilis	1
Tuberculosis	1

*Mahoning County townships, villages, and the cities of Canfield and Campbell

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2003 birth and death data is currently the latest available from the Ohio Department of Health

2007 FINANCIAL STATEMENT

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REVENUES

LOCAL REVENUES

Local Taxes: Inside Millage and Tuberculosis Levy	\$1,110,420
Environmental Health License, Registration, and Permit Fees	902,382
Contracts with Governmental Agencies	663,464
Personal Health Services Patient Paid Fees	107,122
Laboratory Services Fees	94,245
Rental Income	48,440
Donations	20,083
Miscellaneous Revenues.	457

SUB-TOTAL LOCAL REVENUES **\$2,946,613**

STATE AND FEDERAL REVENUES

Ohio Department of Health Funded Grants/Projects	
State Funded Dollars Include:	\$295,100
Child and Family Health Services Block Grant	
Help Me Grow Program	
Rabies Surveillance Contract	
Federal Funded Dollars Include:	\$731,853
Child and Family Health Services Block Grant	
Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention CDC Grant	
Lead Regional Resource Center Grant	
Public Health Infrastructure Grant	
WIC Program	
Medicaid/Medicare Reimbursement for Services.	\$58,833
Other State and Federal Dollars Include:	\$476,938
Adult Day Services Grant - Area Agency on Aging	
Ohio Tobacco Use Prevention and Control Grant	
Passport Program - Area Agency on Aging	
Lead Abatement Grant - HUD	
Homestead and Rollback Reduction Funds	
State Subsidy	\$49,022

SUB-TOTAL STATE AND FEDERAL REVENUES **\$1,611,746**

TOTAL REVENUES **\$4,558,359**

EXPENDITURES

	FEDERAL/STATE	LOCAL	TOTALS
Personal Health Services	\$ 928,174	\$ 629,121	\$ 1,557,295
Environmental Health Services	46,842	1,471,048	1,517,890
Administrative & Support Services	353,626	585,075	938,701
Laboratory Services	32,160	390,682	422,842
Health Promotion and Assessment	194,556	92,924	287,480
TOTAL EXPENDITURES.	\$1,555,358	\$3,168,850	\$4,724,208

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75 years ago

January 10, 1933

The Board of Health adopts a \$19,750 budget for 1933 to support a staff of 3 nurses, a sanitary inspector, a plumbing inspector, and one clerk.

June 13, 1933

Health commissioner George Davis asks the Board of Health to appropriate an additional \$629 to pay for vaccinations to stop a *smallpox outbreak* in Lowellville.

January 7, 1958

The Board of Health enacts requirements for disposal of septic tank contents at least 500 feet from water supplies, dwellings and roads.

50 years ago

25 years ago

February 1, 1983

Environmental health director Steve Uecke reports that *due to high local unemployment*, many unlicensed persons are preparing food in their homes for sale at local flea markets.

July 5, 1983

The Board of Health is awarded \$467,000 from the Ohio Department of Health for a new Child and Family Health Services Program.

November 1, 1983

The Board of Health reviews *newly adopted state performance standards* for local health districts in Ohio.

December 6, 1983

YSU lab director Len Perry informs the Board of Health of a change to the new membrane filter method for bacteriological analysis of drinking water.

10 years ago

February 12, 1998

The Board of Health leases the building at 50 Westchester Drive in Austintown for its main operations.

March 26, 1998

Health commissioner Matthew Stefanak announces that the Board of Health has been awarded grants to offer vouchers for prenatal and well child care to uninsured families and to pay for the design of a "one-stop" permit center for homebuilders in its new building.

June 25, 1998

The Board of Health declares a public health nuisance in the Woodworth area of Beaver township due to water pollution problems from failing septic systems.

July 9, 1998

The Board of Health awards bid to WT Investments to build and lease the Board a 4,500 square-foot environmental health lab on Westchester Dr. in Austintown.

MAHONING COUNTY HEALTH NEWS

NICHOLAS CASCARELLI



Above is Nick Cascarelli training the WIC staffs in Richland and Ashland counties about lead poisoning and why it's important for them to test children for lead who are clients in their project.

Nicholas Cascarelli is the Outreach Educator in the Childhood Lead Poisoning Prevention Program. In this position, he also serves as the coordinator of the Northeast Ohio Regional Resource Center. As the NEORRC coordinator he services Mahoning County and 21 other counties in northeast Ohio by providing lead poisoning prevention education and awareness for various audiences including but not limited to parents, healthcare providers, health departments, daycare providers, WIC projects, Help Me Grow projects, job and family service agencies. "This position is very satisfying because I believe I am making a difference. The numbers of lead-poisoned children in Ohio have come down drastically since I started in 2000. However, I realize there is still some work to do in eliminating this disease," said Cascarelli. He also acts as liaison between the Ohio Department of Health and the local health districts in his region for case management of lead-poisoned children.

HELP ME GROW NEWBORN HOME VISITATION PROGRAM

The District Board of Health Help Me Grow Newborn Home Visitation Program has been very helpful to new mothers like Rosa and her newborn son, Antonio. Rosa was born in Mexico and came to the United States to live with friends while she was still pregnant. Rosa did not speak English; however, the Help Me Grow nurse was able to contact the Hispanic outreach social worker from the hospital who was able to be with Rosa to help with translation at all her healthcare appointments. After Antonio was born, Rosa felt unsure about how to care for her first-born child. She had difficulty breastfeeding. She offered the baby herbal tea which she remembered her grandmother doing when Rosa watched her grandmother care for babies back in Mexico. Antonio began to lose weight. The Help Me Grow nurse visited Rosa and showed her how to bathe the baby and change his diaper. The nurse contacted the lactation counselor from the hospital who helped Rosa to be more comfortable breastfeeding Antonio. The Hispanic outreach social worker was present for each of these home visits to assure that Rosa understood all the information that she was receiving. Antonio began to gain weight and Rosa was more relaxed caring for him. The Help Me Grow program helped Rosa and her son to have a healthy start in life despite cultural and language barriers. The collaboration of the Help Me Grow nurse with the Hispanic social worker and the lactation counselor also helped Rosa to begin to understand how to access healthcare services in Mahoning County for herself and her son.

FOODBORNE ILLNESS

Foodborne illnesses and food recalls are becoming more and more frequent. This past year the District Board of Health revised the foodborne outbreak protocols and held a mock foodborne outbreak drill to test the revised procedure. This drill involved most health department employees from the District Board of Health, Youngstown and Struthers City Health Districts. Nurses interviewed sick clients, environmental sanitarians took food samples, and the county epidemiologist tracked symptoms, food sources and locations of food purchases. Other employees simulated ill or worried citizens and physicians reporting the illnesses.

The revision of the foodborne illness procedure took over 18 months to complete. The process used by the District Board of Health to assist in this revision was "Quality Service through Partnership" (QStP). QStP is about involving all employees providing services, to do a better job of meeting customers' needs and expectations. This was done by a team of employees, from various departments coming together using a systematic approach. One makes decisions based on data rather than hunches when using this approach. The root cause of the problem is looked at rather than reacting to superficial symptoms, and those on the team seek permanent solutions rather than relying on quick-fixes. Some of the techniques used by the foodborne illness QStP team were brainstorming, flow charts and cause-and-effect charts. The team established ground rules in the beginning which were adhered to throughout the process, and all team members were empowered to participate.

The functional drill took place on March 29, 2007 and was designed to have all health jurisdictions affected simultaneously to test countywide communication and response. The main objective of the drill was to test the new foodborne outbreak procedure that was created. The second objective was to test internal and external communication during an outbreak. An after-action assessment took place immediately following the drill, and all who participated in the drill were given a chance to voice what they felt went well and what needed improved. The overall opinion was that the foodborne outbreak procedure proved to be a useful and valuable tool. As with most such protocols, this procedure is dynamic, and the need to periodically review and update them must be kept in mind. This is another key aspect of the QStP process that helps keep "quality" services available to all customers.

ADULT DAY SERVICES PROGRAM

Every Tuesday afternoon, Bessie, Ethel, Joan and Frances meet at 2801 Market Street to play a very serious game of cards. Frank and Solomon are busy making wreaths and painting. These amazing seniors who vary in age from 75 years to 90 years are just a few of the people who make up the roster of the District Board of Health Adult Day Services Program. For over 25 years, the District Board of Health has provided a setting for therapeutic socialization for seniors aged 60 years and older. These frail elderly are able to maintain their independence in their own homes because of the Adult Day Services Program. With funding from the Area Agency on Aging XI and the District Board of Health, an activity director, a registered nurse and a van driver provide health assessment, social interaction and transportation for individuals who might otherwise need to move to an extended care facility. The vitality that these seniors demonstrate is an inspiration to all who meet them.



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