



Inter-Service Club Council of the City of Fairfax

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were represented to thoroughly explore the options. The Executive Committee will meet soon and bring options to the Council.

Next Meeting:

Wednesday, May 6, 2015
12:00 PM
Red Lobster Restaurant, Fairfax

March 4, 2015 Minutes

President Larson called the meeting to order at 1202 PM. Twelve individuals representing 14 clubs were in attendance. President Larson gave the invocation and all recited the Pledge of Allegiance.

Thought for the Day

“We can complain because rose bushes have thorns, or rejoice because thorn bushes have roses.”

Abraham Lincoln

OFFICER REPORTS

The minutes of the February meeting were approved as read.

Treasurer Lauther reported a beginning and ending balance of \$1,151.14.

OLD BUSINESS

Web Site Update: Kathy Hoffman shared a proposal for developing the web site from Webclearly. The proposal only covered development, not acquiring a domain name or hosting. Al Leightley knows a company that will host web sites for local nonprofits for free, but some members questioned the ability to do the necessary maintenance for no cost. The committee will explore further. The Council also discussed funding options. We could levy a fee on member organizations, or ask for contributions, or a onetime dues increase. Not enough clubs

NEW BUSINESS

President Larson went over the April tasks that need to be done for the Volunteer of the Year Recognition Event. Things seem to be on track.

LAST MINUTE THOUGHT & ADJOURNMENT

“A **Pessimist** sees the difficulty in every opportunity. An **Optimist** sees the opportunity in every difficulty.”
Winston Churchill

The meeting was adjourned at 1:03 PM.

City of Fairfax



City of Fairfax Parks and Recreation Department

City of Fairfax Egg Hunt – On Saturday, April 4 at Van Dyck Park.

It is a FREE event.

2-4 yr olds 10:30am

5-7 yr olds 10:45am

8-10 yr olds 11:15am

30th Annual Spotlight on the Arts Festival – April 17 – May 9, 2015

For a complete schedule of events going on during these three weeks, go to www.fairfaxspotlight.org or call 703.352.ARTS.

MAY

Grand Opening of Old Town Square

The dedication of the city's newest parkland, Old Town Square, 3999 University Drive, is scheduled for 9 a.m. May 2nd

Derby-Q

This brand new event is set for May 2 in Old Town Square, will feature specialty beer and bourbon tasting in Old Town Hall, barbecue vendors, live music by Moonshine Society and Clarence "Bluesman" Turner, and the Kentucky Derby on the big screen.

General admission is \$10; children age 3 and younger enter free. Children younger than 18 must be accompanied by an adult age 21 or older.

Beer and whiskey tasting packages can be purchased in advance or at the event. Beer tasting package (\$25) includes admission, souvenir tasting glass, seven beer tickets and one bourbon tasting ticket. Beer and whiskey tasting package (\$65) includes admission, souvenir tasting glass, seven beer tickets, one bourbon tasting ticket and one entry to the Scotch Man Whiskey Tasting. Information: www.derby-q.com.

Mother/Son Campout - May 8-9, 2015

Mothers and sons — adult women with their young menfolk — can spend the night in the great outdoors of Van Dyck Park: pitch a tent, bring a sleeping bag and prepare for fun adventures and activities. Dinner, breakfast and s'mores (and campfire) will be provided. Cost is \$30 per person

Rock the Block! #TGIFairfax begins its second season May 22 with Gonzo's Nose from 6-9 p.m. in Old Town Square. Please bring your lawn chair. Admission is free.

Volunteers Needed for Special Events

The City of Fairfax is looking for volunteers that would be interested in working a variety of special events in the city to include the Egg Hunt, 4th of July Parade, Fall Festival, Holiday Craft Show and Festival of Lights and Carols. A small time commitment (2 or more hours) is requested to help with administration duties prior to an event and working the actual event (activity leader, balloon handler, etc.) There are many fun jobs to be had. Please contact Mitzi Taylor at 703-385-1710 or mitzi.taylor@fairfaxva.gov for more information.

<http://fairfax2015.com/volunteer>

Leslie Herman: leslie.herman@fairfaxva.gov

Mitzi Taylor: mitzi.taylor@fairfaxva.gov,

Chocolate Lovers Festival Committee

(Mitzi.Taylor@fairfaxva.gov) or Leslie Herman (Leslie.Herman@fairfaxva.gov).

The 2015 event was probably the largest attendance we've ever seen. All events reported record crowds and Mother Nature was a huge participant in helping make it a wonderful week-end. The 2015 CLFC grant will be awarded to the Lamb Center at an upcoming City Council Meeting. If your organization would like to get involved in the 2016 Festival, please contact bmyers@wcsr.com.

Beverly Myers: bmyers@wcsr.com

INDEPENDENCE DAY CELEBRATION COMMITTEE

The IDCC held another successful yard sale at Green Acres on Saturday, March 28 – we would like to thank all of those who donated items and who came and shopped. July 4th T-shirts will be sold on Saturdays from May 23 – June 27 at the Farmer's Market from 8:00 – 11:00 am and at the City of Fairfax Regional Library from 10:00 am – 12:00 pm. The cost of shirts will be \$5/youth and \$10/adult. If you require a special youth size or you would like to place an order for 20 or more (and receive a 10% discount for large orders) please contact Beverly Myers at bmyers@wcsr.com. The parade line-up committee will meet on Monday, April 6 to organize the parade. We would also like to bid a fond farewell to Paul Staller and Sue Harris who will soon be leaving the IDCC and the City of Fairfax as they enjoy retirement in North Carolina. A reminder, that we are always seeking new members for the IDCC, whether it be an individual or an organization.

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Civitan Club of Fairfax

The speaker at the 2 April Fairfax Civitan dinner meeting is Carmen Gorby, the Jr Civitan Chesapeake District Chair. Our club and another senior club are going to co-sponsor setting up a new (high school) Jr club.

On Saturday 4 April, our Club resumes working at the huge first Saturday each month Arlington garage sale/flea market. Later in the month, we will hold another Adopt a Spot trash cleanup in Wilcoxin Park in Fairfax City.

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Downtown Fairfax Coalition

Jim Wyckoff, Jr.: jcwyckoffjr@aol.com



FAIRFAX FERNS GARDEN CLUB

The April meeting will be held on April 13 at the Fairfax Library at 6:30PM. Our program will be: "The High Line in New York City: A One of a kind Garden."

Hildie Carney

President: Mary Ann Barton
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Fairfax VA Harley Owners Group

We are still waiting for Spring after a very long winter. Our activities are ready to roll and we have some terrific new rides planned for the rest of the riding season. We will be out on April 4th collecting trash along Fairfax Boulevard and in front of City Hall. This is a great community effort that builds pride in our community and generates a lot of good will.

Our major charity event for 2015 for the Chapter is the "Ride for Life", which is a national fundraiser organized by Harley Davidson Dealers and the Harley Owners Group in support of Muscular Dystrophy Association (MDA). Fairfax Chapter members are contacting friends, co workers, family and neighbors to ask them to join us in the fight to conquer MD. On the weekend of May 3 and 4, Chapter members will deliver "our" help to a gathering of fellow Chapters and kids from all over the Eastern Region. Last year Fairfax VA Chapter raised over \$15,000 for this most worthy cause and our objective for 2015 is to get more members involved...and...to have fun in the process. If anyone reading this newsletter wishes to help, you are cordially invited. Please feel free to contact the dealership, Patriot H-D, or myself. Our Chapter works closely with the local MDA folks to connect this effort to our community.

On May 9th the Chapter will host another Operation Atlas event at Bethesda at the new USO Family Center. This new center focuses on our wounded warriors as they transition from injury or psychological stress to more normal lives. We will put on a Spring Picnic and Bike Show for the soldiers who are rehabilitating and recovering from wounds received while serving in Iraq and Afghanistan. We look forward to this opportunity to spend some time with "the best of the best" and share some Virginia hospitality.

Work continues on our 17th annual "Ride of the Patriots" event on Sunday, May 24th. Our program for this event will be similar to previous years and will feature a short parade, an opening ceremony to honor those in uniform who serve our nation and protect our liberty and the Ride of the Patriots to join Rolling Thunder at the Pentagon. We

encourage you to check out the website at www.rideofthepatriots.com. This is a community event and everyone is invited to come. If there is an interest by any of the City of Fairfax InterService Council member groups in participating, please let me know. Your questions or suggestions will be most welcome.

The Fairfax Harley Owners Group is a diverse and energetic force of over 800 members. The Chapter publishes a monthly newsletter and maintains its own web page at www.fairfaxhog.com

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Fairfax City Regional Library

Genealogy Help Desk Bring your family history stumpers to an expert. Make an appointment at the Virginia Room desk or call 703- 293-6227, option 6. Adults.

One-on-One English Conversation Practice

Practice speaking English with a volunteer tutor. Call to make an appointment. Adults.

Personalized Internet/Microsoft Office Tutoring

Learn how to use the Web or increase your skills. Call for appointment. Age 13 & up.

Wednesdays in April, 10:30 Wednesday Morning English Conversation Group

Practice speaking English with others and improve your skills. Adults.*

Wednesday, April 1, 2:00 April Fools' Magic

Impress your friends! Learn simple magic and fun tricks to tease your brain. Magic instruction begins promptly at 2:00. Age 10-15.

Thursday, April 2, 2:00 Make and Take

Reuse materials and craft supplies to make your own unique masterpiece. Age 6-12.

Saturday, April 4, 11, 18, 25, 2:00 GIVE: Growth and Inspiration through Volunteering and Education

Volunteers from Thomas Jefferson H.S. and Robinson H.S. offer tutoring in math, reading, writing, science, social studies and ESL. Grade K-8.*

Mondays in April, 11:00

Tuesdays in April, 2:00

Library Tech Help

Get your library-related electronic resources questions answered. Includes help with eBooks and compatible devices. Adults.*

Monday, April 6, 4:30

Crazy 8s Math Club Ramp It Up: Use long foam tubes to build the fastest superball ramps ever and race to see whose track is fastest! Co-sponsored by Bedtime Math. K-2

Tuesdays in April, 4:30

Tales to Tails Need practice reading? Read aloud to a friendly, trained therapy dog. Age 6-12.

Tuesdays in April, 7:00

English Conversation Group

Practice speaking English with others and improve your skills. Adults.*

Thursday, April 9, 10:30

Toddler Time Join us for stories, songs and activities. Library staff share with children a love for books and parents learn to cultivate early literacy skills. Age 2-3 with adult.

Friday, April 10, 5:30

Late Night in the Virginia Room

Join fellow researchers and genealogists from for after-hours research. Register for Late Night and classes, "Research your Civil War Ancestor" and "More Civil War Resources" separately. Adults.

Friday, April 10, 5:30

Research your Civil War Ancestor

Discover what kinds of records exist and where to look to learn about the life and service of your Civil War veteran. Class offered during "Late Night in the Virginia Room." Adults.

Friday, April 10, 7:30

More Civil War Resources More resources for your Civil War veteran in the Virginia Room and the Internet. This class will complement the 5:30 presentation during "Late Night in the Virginia Room." Adults.

Monday, April 13, 10:30

PJ Library Book Buddies Enjoy Jewish storybooks from the PJ Library and make a craft. Cosponsored by JCC of Northern Virginia. Age 6 months to 5 years with adult.

Monday, April 13, 4:30

Crazy 8s Math Club Beach Ball Party: This is a party you won't want to miss! You'll use our star-spangled beach ball to play Flying Fives Volleyball, create a giant human math tunnel and race the clock to swat the ball onto its targets! Cosponsored by Bedtime Math. Grade K-2.

Thursday, April 16, 10:30

Mother Goose Storytime Come enjoy stories, songs and fingerplays and lay a foundation of early literacy skills for your baby. Birth to 23 months with adult.

Thursday, April 16, 1:00

Afternoon Reading Group*How the Scots Invented the Modern World* by Arthur Herman. Adults.*

Saturday, April 18, 2:30

Microsoft PowerPoint

Learn how to put together an attractive presentation using Microsoft PowerPoint. Adults.

Monday, April 20, 4:30

Crazy 8s Math Club

Writing on the Wall: Make real-life, super-sized and mini pictures of yourself with wax sticks! You'll need your detective hat to solve the Mystery Math. Co-sponsored by Bedtime Math. Grade K-2.

Tuesday, April 21, 7:30

Evening Book Discussion*Under the Wide and Starry Sky* by Nancy Horan. Adults.*

Thursday, April 23, 10:30

Preschool Storytime Build your child's early literacy skills while enjoying stories, songs and activities. Age 3-5 with adult.

Saturday, April 25, 10:30

Family Math Games Come as a family to try our games! We'll have games for all levels with tips for parents to use at home. All ages.

Monday, April 27, 10:30 and 11:30

Music and Movin' with Miss Susan

Cosponsored by Friends of the City of Fairfax Regional Library. Age 6 months-5 years with adult.

Monday, April 27, 4:30

Crazy 8s Math Club Jumping Through Hoops: Discover just how unique you are! See what traits show up the most and least often then do the math to diagram the most unusual combinations. Co-sponsored by Bedtime Math. Grade K-2.

Wednesday, April 29, 4:30

Brain Games at the Library Have fun and win prizes with our board games and card games that challenge your thinking and build your skills. Age 8-12.

Thursday, April 30, 2:00

Genealogy Databases Search for your ancestors using the library's genealogy databases and other free Internet databases. Adults

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**Friends of
Fairfax Station**

Station is open Sundays from 1:00 to 4:00 PM.

Pete Conklin: conklinps@aol.com



The April meeting of the **HFCI Board** will be held on **April 15** at the **Blenheim Civil War Center** at 7PM. This is the **General Meeting** and the program is “**Oral History Presentations**”. ****see flyer**

Are you interested in being a volunteer or docent for historic sites? Call 703 385 8415 and find out more about it.

Would you like to be remembered forever as a citizen of Fairfax? Buy a brick with your name on it for \$100. The bricks are placed in front of the Fairfax Museum.

Programs at the Fairfax Museum and Blenheim:

MUSEUM: Programs are at 2PM every other Sunday
Fairfax Museum and Visitor Center 10209 Main Street, 703 385 8414

April 12: “Discovering the Universality of the Soldier Experience”
Speaker: Andrew H. Talkov, VP for Programs, Virginia Historical Society.

Exhibit: March 15, 2015 – October 14:
“An Artist’s Story: Civil War Drawings, by Edwin Forbes.

BLENHEIM CIVIL WAR INTERPRETIVE CENTER, 2PM
3610 Old Lee Highway

April 25: FAIRFAX CIVIL WAR DAY – 10AM -5PM.

Website: historicfairfax.org Check us out for all our programs and news!!

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Kiwanis Club of Fairfax

We will be attending District Convention in Roanoke and we will be doing our spring clean up.

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Lions Clubs International

Bill Trent: trentwe@aol.com



Knights of Columbus Father Diamond Council 6292

The Council holds business meetings are on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday's of the month at 8 PM in Providence Hall. Web site: WWW.6292.kofc.com.

April Activities:

4 April – Feed the Homeless in DC
5 April – Easter Sunday - Easter Bunny and Egg Hunt at St Leo's
13 April – Bingo at Fairfax Nursing Home
18 April – Night of Magic at St Leo's Gym
19 April – Family Breakfast
21 April – Grey GOST Luncheon
23 -26 April – KOVAR Collections for the mentally disadvantaged

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Pat Richter: pat.richler@richler1.com



Optimist Club of Central Fairfax

Completed the following activities in March:
We held a Trivia night on the 21st where we made \$1200, and had our dinner meeting on the 24th where we had guests from Iraq who talked about their situation there.

The following activities are planned for April.
We will have our club-level Oratorical contest on the 11th and our regular dinner meeting on the 28th, where we will hear the winners present their speeches.

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Helping Those with Intellectual Disabilities

Parents & Associates, NVTC

Elaine & Ed Senft: esenft@comcast.net



[1.] As of April 1, the **membership continued to stand at 82**, 77 Active and 5 Honorary Members.

[2.] Saturday, April 25, Rotarins will show **service above self** by fixing up the home of an elderly couple.

[3.] In February the Rotary Club delivered several boxes full of toiletries and related personal items to **The Lamb Center**.

[4.] "**April 21 will mark the 84th birthday of the Fairfax Rotary Club**." April 21, 1931 was "Charter Day" for the club.

[5.] Monday, May 11, will be the date for the "**29th Annual Fairfax Rotary Club Charity Golf Tournament**" at the Country Club of Fairfax. The club clears about \$23,000 from the event to help provide annual scholarship funds.

[6.] Monday, June 8, we will present a **series of scholarships** gathered from our foundation funds from our golf tournaments thru the years.

[7.] **Rotary will have a float in the July 4th parade.**

[8.] See all of the year-round activities and events of **Fairfax Rotary on Facebook** and at <http://www.fairfaxrotary.org/> .

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Salvation Army

Women's Auxiliary

The Fairfax Corps of the Salvation Army continues to take applications for energy assistance.

The Auxiliary is finalizing plans for the Fashion Show Luncheon to be held on April 17 at the Waterford Fair Oaks with Fashions by Lord and Taylor. There are still a few tickets available at \$40.00. Contact Connie Lauther 703-909-8423. This event is the chief fund raiser by the Auxiliary with all

proceeds going to the Salvation Army's Social Programs.

Connie Lauther: lauthers2relo4u@cox.net



Shepherd Center Fairfax Burke (SCFB)

SCFB is dedicated to helping older adults continue to live independently, and to providing enrichment and social networking opportunities that keep life exciting and rewarding for them. Programs include Accompanied Medical Transportation and Companion Shopping (for older people who are no longer able to drive), Friendly Callers/Visitors (for people who are mostly homebound), Caregivers Support Groups (for those who have loved ones with dementia), low-cost exercise classes (to promote strength, balance and flexibility), and Lunch N' Life, Adventures in Learning, and Wednesday at the Movies which all provide mental stimulation and socialization opportunities.

SCFB significant future activities, for more information on the below activities see our web site www.scfbva.org:

ADVENTURES IN LEARNING

Older Adults Shape Up Mentally and Physically with the Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke: Join the Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke (SCFB) for its Spring session of *Adventures in Learning*. This program is open to all adults age 50 or better. Registrants bring a bag lunch and stay for a full day of classes/activities and socializing, or pick and choose the classes that interest them the most. The classes run Mondays, March 30 through May 11, except April 6 will have no classes. Each Monday begins with an exercise class at 8:30 or 9:30 a.m. and other classes end at 2:45 p.m. at Lord of Life Lutheran Church, 5114 Twinbrook Rd., Fairfax; cost \$30.00. Registration form and class schedule is

available in on the website www.scfbva.org, or by calling 703-323-4788. Registration is open throughout the session. *Here is the link to the February Newsletter and AIL FLYER*
[:http://www.scfbva.org/files/febnewsletter02_05_15.pdf](http://www.scfbva.org/files/febnewsletter02_05_15.pdf)

LUNCHEON N' LIFE

Please join us for our next Lunch N' Life scheduled for May 21, 2015 from 12 - 2 PM at St. Mary of Sorrows Catholic Church, 5222 Sideburn Road, Fairfax VA 22032. Mr. Knox Singleton, the CEO of INOVA Health Systems, will speak on "Current Healthcare Issues". Cost is \$10.00 per person; please contact Faye Quesenberry at 703-620-0161 for a reservation.

SPRING BOUQUET CONCERT TO BENEFIT SCFB

Shepherd's Center Fairfax- Burke is selling tickets for the SPRING BOUQUET Concert in partnership with the NOVA-Annandale Symphony Orchestra, and the RMS (Reunion Music Society, Inc). On April 17, 2015 at 8:00 PM at the Ernst Cultural Center of the NOVA-Annandale Campus, 8333 Little River Turnpike, Annandale, VA. The program will present music from Haydn's Drumroll Symphony, Holst's Jupiter and Scott Joplin's Rags under the direction of Christopher Johnston. Tickets will be adults \$15.00; students with ID \$10.00; children under 12 are free. In order to benefit SCFB, please purchase tickets prior to the concert date by mail to the SCFB office at 4019 Olley Lane, Fairfax, VA 22032 or contact Lisa Carroll, SCFB office 703-426-2824. Here is the Link to the flyer:http://www.scfbva.org/files/spring_2015_concert.pdf

Family Bingo

Mark your Calendars! Join the Shepherd's Center of Fairfax-Burke (SCFB) at St. Leo the Great Catholic Church, 3700 Old Lee Highway, Fairfax, VA on Saturday, June 6, 2015 from 12:30 PM to 3:30 PM for an afternoon of **Family Bingo**. For tickets, contact the SCFB office at (703) 426-2824. Hope to see you there.

INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL PROGRAM

Shepherd's Center Fairfax-Burke has endorsed an **International Travel Program** led by Rev. Ron Qualley, former pastor of Lord of Life Lutheran Church. The first trip scheduled to Scandinavia and St. Petersburg will be from Sept. 4-16, 2015 on the Norwegian star cruise ship. The trip includes twin bedded cabins, meals on the cruise, breakfast and tour in Copenhagen, port charges, and transfers between airport and hotel/pier, and roundtrip airfare from Washington, DC. and stops in Copenhagen, Tallin, Estonia, St. Petersburg, Helsinki, Stockholm, and Warnemunde (Berlin). The SCFB price starts at \$3479 per person from Washington DC. Contact Rev. Ron Qualley, 9723 Aspen Hollow Way, Fairfax 22032, 703 425 9004, Email RGQI@aol.com. Space is limited so sign up soon!!!

DRIVERS FOR THOSE UNABLE TO DRIVE NEEDED

Shepherd's Center of Fairfax Burke serves those 50+ and who no longer drive. Volunteer **Drivers** are urgently needed for trips (Monday - Friday) to medical appointments and Companion Shopping within the Fairfax/Burke area. If you can volunteer your time, please contact Barry Wickersham at 703-359-2918 or John Taylor at 703-239-2898

Albert Leightley: Leightley8@verizon.net



Soroptimist International of Fairfax County

Trying to find a date for our Awards dinner that does not impact members' surgeries, vacations, etc.

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Woman's Club of Fairfax is busy planning for their Fashion Show Luncheon which is co-sponsored by Fairfax Spotlight on the Arts and will be held on May 9, 11:30 am at the Sherwood Center. All proceeds from this event are donated toward our 2015 college scholarship.

Fashions will be provided by T J Maxx and the Fairfax High School Academy of Design students. Luncheon is provided by Doug's Catering. A silent auction, door prizes and raffle will be featured.

Tickets are \$40 and must be purchased in advance. Contact Betty Powell, bpowell1@aol.com, ph 703 273-3216.

Molly Dias: mjmmdd@gmail.com



Zonta Club provides an ongoing food pantry support for the Fairfax County Domestic Violence Action Center (DVAC). The food pantry provides emergency supplies for clients of the DVAC.

In March , We had a terrific speaker at our meeting Dr. Michael Bourcke the chief psychologist from the U.S. Marshall Service spoke about domestic abuse and trafficking. We celebrated the International women's day March 8. Several members of our club participated in some of the Commission for the Status of Women events and dinner in New York City in March with the International President.

At this meeting we also discussed Fundraising Items Just a reminder to reserve the first weekend in June to help out with the Celebrate Fairfax Beer Tent. Also, reserve October 3 and 4 for our parking lot duties with Kids Fest. Both of these fundraisers are extremely important to us in securing the funds needed for our Foundation budget and donations. There was also discussion of budget and the activities for the Advocacy and Service committee.

The next meetings will be Saturday April 11 from 10- 11.30 am at the Patrick Henry Library and our speaker will be Ms. Ruchel Tuchrello, Case Manager of Shelter House.

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