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## GLOBAL STEM COMPETITION AT ST. THERESA

St. Theresa School in Kenilworth participated in the Archdiocese of Newark Global STEM Competition during Catholic Schools Week.

Grades 5-8 used the Science, Technology, Engineering and Math components to build their projects to raise awareness of the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals.

The Pre-K to 4th grade mounted a colorful ART display created from recycle materials.

5th - 8th grade entries of the STEM Fair were judged by local high school students from Union Catholic and Mother Seton.

Congratulations to the students and their projects, which will compete on April 6, 2019 at the Kearny Retreat Center.



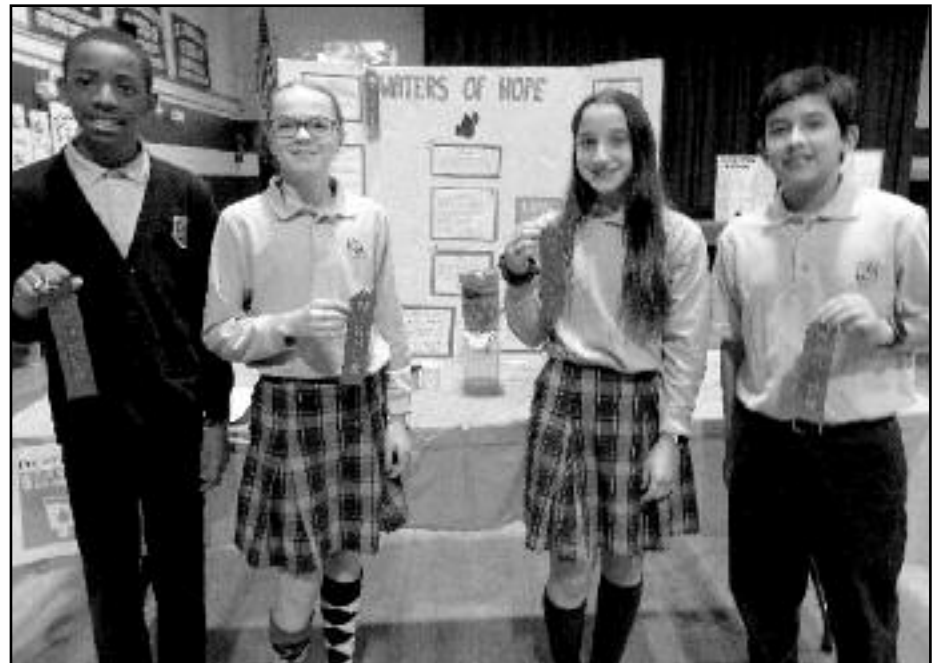
(above) The chair people of the EXPO were 7th grade science teachers Angelica Serrano and Pat Gailliot along with Mrs. Doreen Sacco, Technology Instructor. Principal Deacon Joseph Caporaso poses with the winning contestants.



(above) 6th graders Olivia Correia, Michelle Lin, Nilisa Velez, Amari Nogueira and Charles Mays with Mother Seton judges Megan and Christina.



(above) 7th graders Chidebum Ononiwu, Andrew Rofail, Anthony Guarino and Cristina Latkovich.



(above) "Water for Hope" project 7th graders: Ifeayni Ononiwu, Megan Kreinberg, Caitlin Duffy and Diego Lopez.



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## MEMO FROM THE MAYOR

March is upon us, and hopefully we will be having nice weather coming soon!

I'd like to extend hearty congratulations to our Kenilworth Boy Scouts, Troop 83, as they defended their title in the Klondike Derby against 20 other teams from across the County and won their second consecutive victory! The Klondike Derby is a circuit course where wilderness and winter survival skills are put to task in a competitive environment. Each team must pull a hand-built dog sled that carries all equipment needed as well as personnel

gear. The Scouts pull their sled to each station where they are presented a skill challenge. Please join me in giving these young men well-deserved congratulations!

Which brings me to another topic; Kenilworth utilizes the Swift 911 system to get information via landline phone or to cell phones if you wish. Sign up is free and is located on our Kenilworth Borough website. Our goal is to get everyone signed up and we will have information and a sign-up at the Senior Center, so we can help those who might need assistance in registering. In times of crisis, the ability to get information quickly and accurately is imperative, this system allows the authorities to reach as many people as possible.

I would like to remind everyone while the season of giving is technically over, there are still people in need throughout the year. I would like to take this time to remind everyone to help stock your local food pantry.

Non-perishable goods and gift cards to any supermarket can be left in the Cry Room at St. Theresa's Church after any Mass. Monday through Friday donations can be dropped off at the Rectory from 9 a.m. - 5 p.m. Supermarket gift cards and/or check donations (payable to St. Theresa's) can be mailed to: Social Concerns, c/o The Church of St. Theresa, 541 Washington Ave, Kenilworth, NJ 07033.

If you are in need of food, you can contact the Rectory at 908-272-4444, they will arrange for a volunteer to meet you at the pantry. All identity of people receiving assistance is kept confidential!

Here are some important dates and events coming up for the Month of March:

March 6: Ash Wednesday, First day of Lent

March 10: The Kenilworth Health Department will be hosting a free rabies vaccination at the Kenilworth Fire Department from 11 to 1 p.m. Location is 491 Washington avenue. All dogs must be kept on a short leash. Aggressive dogs must be kept muzzled and under control. Cats must be confined to a carrier. Please bring sanitary supplies in case of accidents.

March 10: Daylight Savings Time, "Spring ahead, fall behind" for those who don't have clocks and watches that reset themselves, set your clocks an hour ahead.

March 17: St. Patrick's Day.

While this is for the following month these are some important dates for April.

April 10: North side of town bulk pickup.

April 13: Kenilworth Little League Opening Day.

April 15: Tax Day.

April 17: South side of town bulk pickup.

April 19: Good Friday.

April 21: Easter Sunday.

Make sure to go to [Kenilworthlibrary.org](http://Kenilworthlibrary.org) or check out the lighted sign in the front of the building for the newest events and activities every month. There are a lot of exciting things going on at the Library for young and old alike, it's not just about getting a book to read anymore!

As always visit our website [KenilworthBorough.com](http://KenilworthBorough.com) for more details about these events and more. Our stores and businesses are an integral part of our community, please take time to shop and visit and often as you can.

Thank you to our many volunteers in town, everyday people, taking time out of their busy schedules to make a difference in town. Our Fire Department and Rescue Squad are second to none and I am very proud of the people I serve with.

I would also like to thank our Municipal employees for doing a great job, everyone from the clerks to Public Works; you're the gears that keep the machine running. Special thanks to our Police for being out there 24-7, 365 days a year keeping our town safe.

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*Mayor Anthony P. DeLuca Jr.*

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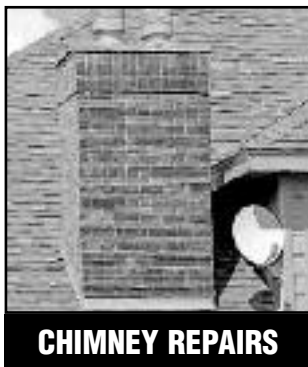
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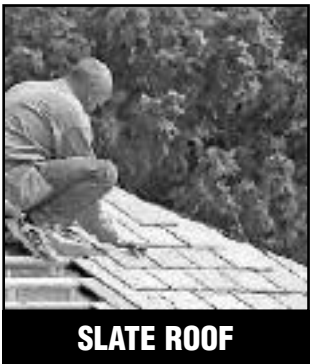
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# HARDING SCHOOL STUDENT COUNCIL SPONSORS FOOD DRIVE

*Submitted by Alan Binder*

For the 5th year in a row, the students of the Harding School in Kenilworth have collected canned goods, hats, gloves and scarves for the Cranford Elmora Soup Kitchen and the First Baptist Church of Elizabeth's Food Pantry. The Student Council started this project to coincide with "Souper" Bowl Sunday in memory of Judy Ringler, a beloved Harding School Secretary. Judy Ringler was a dedicated volunteer and supporter of the Cranford Elmora Soup Kitchen for several years. Each year she coordinated a school collection of hats, gloves and scarves for the guests of the program. Thanks to Laura Walsh, Student Council Advisor for Harding School, for coordinating the event.



*(above) Harding School student pictured with donations from the food drive, which will support Cranford Elmora Soup Kitchen and the First Baptist Church of Elizabeth's Food Pantry.*

# ANNUAL END HUNGER 3.6 PACKAGING PROJECT

*Submitted by Carmela Moeller*

Based on the resounding success of the End Hunger 3.6 Packaging Project of March 2018, the Rotary Club of Madison and the Madison Rotary Foundation announced that this year's project will take place once again at the The Simon Forum at Drew University, Madison Avenue on Saturday, March 9, 2019 from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. This year's goal is to surpass last year's total of 160,000 meals, by packaging 250,000 meals. With the newly merged District 7475, a second packaging event will take place on March 30 at Raritan Valley Community College from 12 p.m. to 6 p.m. to package 150,000 meals for a grand total of 400,000 meals. This is a Rotary District 7475-wide project which includes Kenilworth and residents are welcome to volunteer and contribute.

What does 3.6 represent? Every 3.6 seconds someone in the world dies of malnutrition or starvation. In Rotary District 7475, which encompasses 10 counties in north central and central New Jersey, it is estimated that over 300,000 men, women and children are food insecure. Over one million persons are living below the poverty level in New Jersey. Over the long term, prevention of food insecurity is likely to be more cost-effective in treating the

consequences of this crisis.

The End Hunger 3.6 project is a community event involving volunteers packaging non-perishable, ready to cook meals, such as macaroni and cheese, rice and vegetables, minestrone, and apple cinnamon oatmeal. All food is vitamin enriched and GMO-free. The meals are distributed to soup kitchens and feeding stations throughout Rotary District 7475 as this is a district-wide project.

In order to purchase ingredients for packaging, donations and grants are required. Donations of \$500 or more will be acknowledged in Rotary's publicity materials. Contributions are tax deductible and can be made online or by mail to Madison Rotary Foundation, P.O. Box 211, Madison, NJ. 07940. Contributions for the March 30 event at Raritan Valley Community College may be sent to: Branchburg Rotary Club Foundation, P. O. Box 5135, Branchburg, NJ 08876. Both are 501(c)3 organizations.

A total of 800 volunteers are needed for the day of the event. Please register by March 5 on Madison Rotary Website: [madisonrotarynj.org](http://madisonrotarynj.org). For further information, contact Ellsworth Havens, Chair, at: [ellsworthhavens@icloud.com](mailto:ellsworthhavens@icloud.com) (Madison) or Tulsi Maharian, RVCC event Chair at [trmaharjan@gmail.com](mailto:trmaharjan@gmail.com).



*(above) A total of 800 volunteers are needed for each event. Volunteers come from all over New Jersey and beyond. Please register by March 5 on the Madison Rotary Website: [madisonrotarynj.org](http://madisonrotarynj.org).*

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## ALEXIS COSTELLO COMPETES IN MISS NEW JERSEY PAGEANT

Lifelong Kenilworth resident, and 2018 David Brearley graduate, Alexis Costello was a contestant in the Miss New Jersey Pageant held on November 17, 2018. She took first place in the swimsuit competition. A USAG gymnast, Miss Costello's future plans include becoming a physical therapist and to open her own gymnastics school.



## WHAT, WHERE, AND WHEN IN OLD KENILWORTH - FAMED PILOT CRASHED HERE

*Submitted by Walter Boright*

It was an overcast day 90 years ago on March 14, 1929, when the future, world famous WWII pilot James "Jimmy" Doolittle, crash landed his plane in a field along Faitoute Ave. Originally a WWI pilot, he gained international acclaim in April 1942 when he led a surprise air raid attack on Tokyo, Japan just four months after Japan had attacked Pearl Harbor. His death-defying bombing raid achieved two very important goals. It buoyed American spirits after the Pearl Harbor attack and showed the world – including Japan itself – that Japan was not the invincible nation it claimed to be. Doolittle eventually was promoted to the rank of general.

Eugene Coppola, a life-long Kenilworth resident, will be 99 years old on March 13. He is the sole surviving witness. He recalled in 2010, "My family lived at 21 No. 20th St. A bunch of us kids were playing. It was twilight when we heard a plane flying overhead. As we always did, we looked up to count the wings – one or two. It had two. When we saw the plane going down, we ran down 20th St. and came out on Orange Ave. near Newark Ave. Faitoute Ave. came all the way up to Orange Ave. in those days, right near Newark Ave. So down we hurried along Faitoute Ave. When we got to the crash site there already were other kids all over the place getting pieces



*(above) Doolittle crash site and plane wreckage near 215 Faitoute Ave., 1929. Courtesy, Kenilworth Historical Society.*



*(above, left) Eugene Coppola recalls the Doolittle crash. Courtesy, Historic Signs. (above, right) Pilot James "Jimmy" Doolittle during WWII. Courtesy Historic Signs Inc., Public domain.*

of the plane. Some even managed to get parts of the propeller. It was somewhat of a wild scene. I went home for supper and returned later. Now even more people were there – everybody, grown-ups and all. There was a great deal of excitement. Many people were taking airplane parts as keepsakes. I had a small piece for a while but gave it away years ago."

Doolittle's destination was Mitchell Field, NY. Bad weather forced him to search for Newark Airport. Conditions pushed him further west. Low on fuel, he wrongly thought a beacon tower light he saw through the clouds near Faitoute Ave. was for the Kenilworth airfield on the Boulevard near 24th St. He survived the crash that wedged his plane between two trees. He was driven by local resident John Arthur to Elizabeth from where he eventually got to his original destination, Mitchell Field. Born in 1896, Doolittle died in 1993 at age 96.

A more detailed account of this crash is featured in the book, Kenilworth Memories, at the local library authored by the writer of this article, Walter E. Boright, Ed. D. Persons with inquiries about this or other aspects of Kenilworth history may contact Dr. Boright at drbori@aol.com or 908-256-5200.

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## LINE DANCING FOR KENILWORTH SENIORS

Beginner country line dancing will be starting again on Thursday, March 14 at 7 p.m. upstairs in the senior center located at 526 Boulevard (enter in back). Come on out and have some healthy fun.

## THANK YOU

*From the Social Service/Welfare Department*

The Kenilworth Social Service/Welfare Department, on behalf of the families served, wishes to thank the agencies that made their Thanksgiving and Christmas a little brighter.

Special thanks go to the Bobby Jeans and the Kenilworth VFW staff; the Union Elks and their wonderful volunteers; the St. Theresa's Social Concerns volunteers; the Kenilworth Rotary friends; and the Kenilworth school staff that helps us every year.

Without your help I could never do the work I do during the holidays.

Thank you and God bless you.

*Paulette Dragon, C.S.W.*

Kenilworth Social Service/Welfare Department Director

## ST. THERESA SCHOOL SOCK DROP

Students from St. Theresa School in Kenilworth were excited when the STAR 99.1 Radio Station Van drove up to collect socks for the homeless.

Rebecca Augello, the "Listener Engagement Coordinator," visited each class as the children showed her their Crazy Socks they wore in order to celebrate the event.

One on the Catholic School Week activities planned to Learn, Serve, Lead and Succeed was holding a crazy sock day and participating in the Sock Drop held by the radio station.

The National Junior Honor Society run by teachers Carolyn Pancurak and Nancy Pakulski collected over 700 pairs of socks. Rebecca said it was the largest pick up she did!



(above) Ms Pancurak and her 3rd grade class along with Rebecca Augello.

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## Join Us for the Fifth Annual NJ Makers Day

March 23

Stop by on Saturday, March 23, 2019 between 10:30 a.m. and 1:30 p.m. to take part in NJ Makers Day. Special activities will include drawing with famed artist Doug Baron, sponsored by Ms. Paula Kowalczyk (in honor of parents Paul and Elvira Kowalczyk) and Mr. & Mrs. James Daurio, and a delightful presentation by the Kenilworth Historical Society featuring teas from plants grown at the Nitschke House. Weave on a Saori weaving loom, courtesy of a generous donation by the Ralph Errington Foundation. Additional activities include a silly putty station, fiber arts demonstrations and more! Find out more about New Jersey Makers Day at [www.njmakersday.org](http://www.njmakersday.org).

## Join us for the monthly READ program

Thursday, March 26, at 6:30 p.m.

Police Chief John Zimmerman will be the featured community leader. Please join us for a one hour meet and greet, light refreshments will be served. Additional community leaders will be included in future "Read" posters, emphasizing the importance of reading and libraries throughout our lives.

Members of the community are welcome to contact Library Director Lorraine Ruiz to nominate individuals to be considered for future READ posters. These posters will be created on the library's E Color Printer which has been funded by The Ralph Errington Foundation.

## Broadway musical concert,

"Florian Schantz Jazz Combo,"

Saturday, March 16, from 11:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The Florian Schantz Jazz Combo was formed in 2012 by then 9 year old Florian Schantz. Since then, the band has delighted audiences in hundreds of venues in the greater NYC area and in Germany. Their musical influences are

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## Book Group "Enduring Love"

The book group will meet at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, March 26

to discuss "Enduring Love" by Ian McEwan. Join us for some pleasant conversation and share your thoughts about our latest selection!

Participation in the book discussion group is free and open to all members of the general public, including residents of communities other than Kenilworth. Previous experience with a book group is not required and new members are always welcome. Copies of the book will be available for check out at the circulation desk and residents of communities other than Kenilworth should inquire regarding ways they might be eligible for borrowing privileges at the Kenilworth Public Library.

## Wellness Workshop, "Chair Yoga,"

Thursday, April 4, from 11 a.m. to 12 p.m.

Rose Luma is a 500 hour certified yoga instructor teaching a range of classes from Vinyasa Yoga, Yogalates, Meditation, Chair Yoga and Kids Gymnastics at the YMCA in both Union and Elizabeth Branches and Kenilworth Senior Center. She also works with corporate offices providing employees with Chair Yoga and meditation during their lunch break or after work. She works with a range of different flexibility levels to increase blood and oxygen flow within the body. Using the breath, she eases you into a deep dream-like state of relaxation to allow the body to release tension.

## 'SOUP'S ON' TO BENEFIT HISTORIC NITSCHKE HOUSE

The Kenilworth Historical Society will host a soup-tasting event on Thursday, March 21, from 6 to 8 p.m. in the Community United Methodist Church hall, 455 Boulevard, Kenilworth. This popular event – "Soup's On" – will give participants the opportunity to taste a variety of favorite soups from local restaurants and others, along with assorted breads and desserts. Admission is \$12. Parking and entrance to the church hall are located at the rear of the building.

Advance reservations by March 15 are requested, as seating is limited. For information/reservations, please call 908-709-0434 or visit Especially Yours Florist (13 North 20th Street, Kenilworth), where tickets for the event are also being sold.

Proceeds from "Soup's On" will benefit the Kenilworth Historical Society's Oswald J. Nitschke House (c. 1880) "living history" museum and cultural arts center by helping defray the cost of an elevator that makes all levels of the site fully accessible to everyone.

The Kenilworth Historical Society is an independent, volunteer-based, non-profit, tax-exempt, 501 (c)(3) organization dedicated to the research, preservation and interpretation of the Oswald J. Nitschke House, local history and culture.

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# STUDENT COUNCIL MEMBERS RECOGNIZED BY KENILWORTH BOARD OF EDUCATION

Submitted by Angela Sandull



(above, l-r) Principal Mrs. Nurphy, Kenilworth Board of Education Vice President Ryan Haberthur and Student Council award winners Sonia Haberthur and Carter Stein.

Photo by Kenilworth Public Schools

The Harding Elementary School student spotlight for January is Sonia Haberthur and Carter Stein. Sonia Haberthur, a 6th grader at Harding Elementary School in Kenilworth, was honored by the Kenilworth Board of Education on January 14, 2019. There she was awarded a certificate of accomplishment for her outstanding dedication serving as the Student council President. Sonia was elected in fifth grade as class representative and has brought great ideas, a huge smile and a positive attitude to each meeting and event.

Carter Stein, a 5th grader at Harding Elementary School in Kenilworth, was also honored by the Kenilworth Board of Education. There he was awarded a certificate of accomplishment for his outstanding dedication serving as the Student Council Vice President. Carter was elected Vice President last year as a fourth grader. He successfully fulfilled his responsibilities with a positive and hardworking attitude.

Sonia and Carter continue to work hard to help the Harding Student Council make an impact.

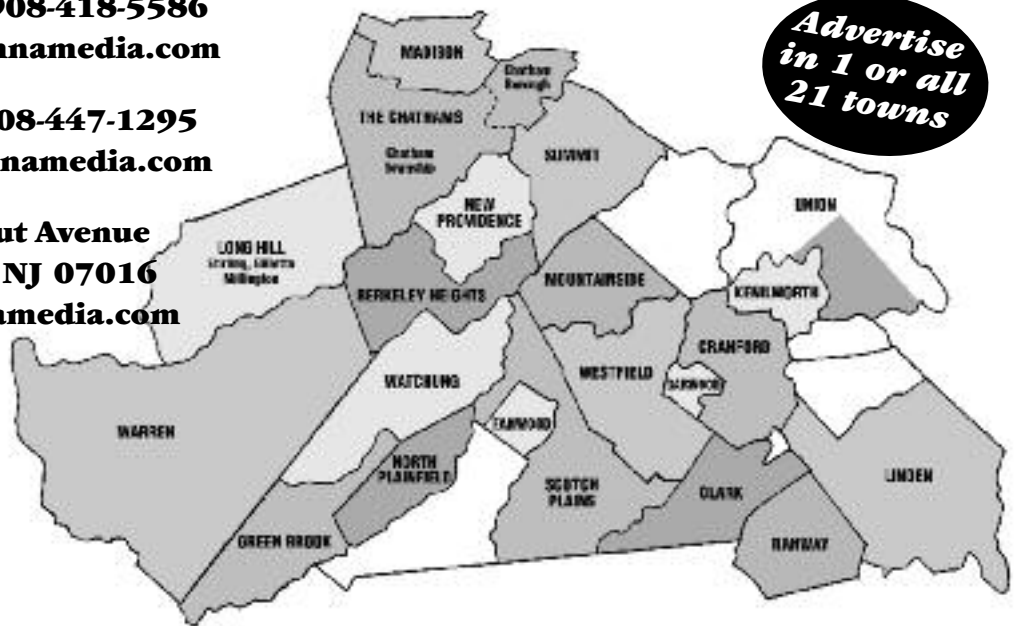
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# MEET AUTHOR: LINDA YIANOLATOS AT LIBRARY

Children ages 3 and up are invited to attend a special event story time presented by local author Linda Yianolatos on Thursday, March 28, 2019, at 6:30 – 7:00 p.m. Children will have an opportunity to listen to the author read *The Yummy Treats Room*, the first book in the Crystal City series, and learn more about this exciting series of books. Registration is required.

To register please call 908-276-2451 or visit 548 Boulevard.

### About the author:

Linda Yianolatos is a Certified Public Accountant, and holds a Master's Degree in Business Administration. She is a retired Chief Financial Officer of a New Jersey Hospital, and has been a Finance professional for over 30 years. More recently, she has authored seven children's fantasy books in the "Crystal City Series" based on stories she has told her grandchildren over the years. In each book, the children had a fun adventure and learned a valuable lesson. Family traditions and gatherings have always been important to Linda and her children. Yianolatos lives in Kenilworth N.J. with her husband. Her

daughter lives nearby with her husband and two daughters, Carmella and Clara. Her son lives in Pennsylvania with his wife and two sons, Sam and Max.



(above) Children's author Linda Yianolatos will visit the Kenilworth Library on Thursday, March 28, 2019, from 6:30 – 7:00 p.m.

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