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"Wise Old Owls"

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"Hi" to all my classmates & alumni of LHS, I hope this finds you all well and happy.

This is the one hundredth & thirtieth edition of our class (LHS'52) and the eighteenth since we invited LHS graduates from the years 1948 to 1959 to join us in keeping in touch with our alumni. Send us the birth and anniversary date of you and your spouse if you wish to be included in our monthly "Notable Dates" section.

Please send in some news to share with your alumni !!! How is your job going? Have you scheduled a vacation? How was your last vacation? Any operations scheduled? Have you relocated? How do you like your new home? Are you in an assisted living home? Would you recommend it? Here is a format to tell us all about your life. A lot of us are interested in knowing how your life is going so submit some information to share. I'll repeat.. As Lew Ross (LHS'52) wrote... "I think it would be nice to hear what our classmates are up to and that they still remain on the right side of the grass." Let us hear from you!

The class of '52 published a class directory which was distributed during our 50th reunion held in Port Jefferson, NY in Sept. 2002. The directory included spouses name, children's and grandchildren's names, address, telephone & email number, and a brief history of our lives since graduation. We invite our alumni to send in some information about their lives since graduation, are you married? how many children & grand children? where do you live now? would you like to submit a brief history about your life since graduation?

The Newsletter is distributed by email once a month. All news received is "cut & pasted" into an email format for distribution. If you do not have email capabilities give me the email address of a family member or friend that would receive it for you & I'll send it there. We had decided not to include jokes (although several of us have our own distribution list for jokes). Any thing sent to me is included in the Newsletter unless you advise me not to include something.

Please include your email address and year of graduation (LHS'52) etc. with your submittals.

Several of our alumni have suggested that we include the town we live in so that we could see if any of our alumni live near us. I have this information for the class of '52 and will start adding this information. If others will let me know where they live I will add that also. I think this was a great idea and thank all that suggested it.

So that's it! We welcome our alumni aboard and ask that they notify their classmates of our existence and request for news.

Editing News Submittals: This newsletter is meant as a place you can reminisce about our high school days, to stay in touch with your alumni and to find out how their lives are going. Please do

not send in political or religious notes nor other inflammatory statements, they will be edited out at the sole discretion of the editor. Thanks for understanding.

October Notable Dates

October Birth dates	Robert Gorin.....	Oct.4
	Bernice (Torre) Cutrone.....	Oct. 7
	Robert Fischler	Oct. 8
	Lil (Schwartz) Castens	Oct. 8
	Zac Holland	Oct. 17
	Michael Kaufman.....	Oct. 18
	Don McVey.....	Oct. 22
	Denis Zacker	Oct. 24
	Helen (Seegers) Gamarsh	Oct. 29
	Mary (Toto) Mondello.....	Oct. 29
October Anniversaries	Jim Ball & wife Marja	Oct. 6
	Virginia (Nocerra)	
	& husband Phillip Caporusso	Oct. 23

October News Articles & Recent Letters to the Editor

Evelyn (Weisinger) (LHS'59) Friscia
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 (8/24/17)

Hi Evelyn;

I just received a phone call from Paul Nehrich (LHS'55), He is looking to get in touch with your brother Albert Weisinger (LHS'61). Is Albert still with us, could you let us know how to contact him? We appreciate any help you can give us.

We hope that you are well and I hope you finally received the WOO. My daughter is still working to come up with a method to ensure that all that want WOO can receive it. She just set up a web site, www.candothat.com/woo.html if you click on this web site then on "WOO Aug 2017 " you will open WOO in pdf format and can print it out on your computer. A couple of alumni have been able to use this system. Patti will add each WOO as I complete it so there will be a WOO Sept 2017, etc. We hope this works for everyone having a problem opening WOO.

Take care, stay happy & healthy..... Jim Ball

(8/24/17)

Hi Jim -

I did let you and/or Rita know that my brother passed away this year on April 2nd. It was a shock to all of us. Anyone interested can contact me in Boca Raton via e-mail: cookie159@aol.com. Al & I were born on the same day a year apart. My other brother, Bill who also graduated from LHS passed away at the age of 61. I'm the oldest & only one left. Guess I'm doing something right to still be alive at 76.

Be well.

Best regards.

Paul Nehrich(LHS'55)

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(8/24/17)

Sad.....Thanks Jim

Joe Cotie (LHS'53) & wife Robin

Palm Coast, FL

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(8/26/17)

Greetings,

This note is to catch up on the Cotie news.

My wife, Robin and I moved from Palm Coast FL to John Knox Village of Central Florida. It is a beautiful continuing care retirement community in Orange City. Right now we live in a temporary unit until our permanent cottage has been completely refurbished inside and out. We expect to be moved in by the end of September.

I am grateful that we are both well and able to participate in many activities in our new community.

I have kept in phone touch with John Glynn and Paul Ringenbach over the years, catching up on their lives. I appreciate that WOO has provided so much news about our '53 class as well as others we knew during our LHS years. Thank you and keep up the good work!

Regards,

Joe Cotie '53

Walter Ebmeyer (LHS'52)

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Walter's wife Mary deceased 8/4/13

(8/27/17)

Did I ever tell you I moved last year to Silver Spring, MD? My number is 301-202-7990.

Walter Ebmeyer

Betty (Woglom)(LHS'55) Bastian

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(8/27/17)

Thought I would send you video of my family reunion. Betty Woglom Bastian (class of 1955)

Ed Levine (LHS'56)

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(8/27/17)

Jim,

Just want to tell you how much I look forward to your monthly letter. My wife Judy and I had a very unusual trip this summer to Havana. We were on a cruise and spent 12 hours there. When I walked the streets I felt like I dropped back to my high school days. There were only 50's autos on the street. Not one car past 1960 The buildings were all from the 50's with many not in good shape.

Quickly, I want to tell you that I live in Indio, CA, which is 10 miles from Palm Springs. Judy and I have been in the desert for 12 years. My 2 kids and 4 grandchildren still live on east coast. My daughter being in Fairfield, CT and my son being in Boston. When I got married in 1965, Judy and I moved to Norwalk, CT, where we stayed for 40 years. Keep the letters coming.

Edward A Levine LHS 56

Charlie (Howie) Meier (LHS'51) & wife Betsy

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(8/27/17)

Jim, I get the gobbly-gook, initially, as classmate Clare Judson does also, but like Clare, I proceed o the end of it and there is this: [Message clipped] View entire message

The "View entire message" is a link, and when I click on it, the entire message (newsletter) appears; although this last time your personal info entry remained clipped.

Apparently, Clare and I experience the same effect in reception. Hope that can help you get past whatever the glitch seems to be.

Howard Caplan (LHS'52)

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(8/27/17)

Hello to all those of the class of 52 who are still alive and well. I am long retired from practicing internal medicine and psychiatry in southern Cal, specifically, the greater LA area. Recently visited family members of my significant other, one Anne Jensen, who I met on Match.com in 2014, and who is a retired speech pathologist, who was born in Canada, spoke French as her mother tongue, and who has lived with me since I returned from Florida after my wife of 32 yrs expired from stage 4 lung cancer back in October, 2009, after 32 yrs living in Manhattan Beach, CA.. I am in pretty good health at age 82, and I take lots of medication for my degenerative arthritis, particularly in my hands. I have four grown daughters, the oldest in her late 50s, the youngest in her early 40s, all raised in southern Cal but all now living up north, the oldest, born in Meadowbrook Hospital on Long Island, next born at Chanute AFB during my two yrs of service at that AFB during the Vietnam conflict, married and moved from southern Cal to Washington Utah, next two born in Los Angeles, the older one has one son born in Bali, the youngest with my two grandchildren born in Northern California in Richmond, near Berkeley U. I know there are people now living as centenarians, and I hope to make it to 2035, when I shall have lived a full century, followed, presumably by the Big Sleep of oblivion. Howie Caplan, M.D., retired since January 2009.

Joseph Fischer (LHS'48)&wife Pamela

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(8/28/17)

Jim:

An update on myself for anyone who might still be alive. I am still working at geotechnical engineering. I recently delivered a technical paper at the Geohazards Impacting Transportation in Appalachia conference with my son Joseph J. My wife appears to be returning to her FEMA days in seeing all of damage caused by Hurricane Harvey and the Houston flooding.

Best regards,

Joseph A. Fischer

Joan (Ajosa)(LHS'55) Hines

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(8/28/17)

Hi Jim. Can't open you newsletter again. Is it my Kindle?

Joan Ajosa Hines '55

(8/28/17)

Hi Joan; Try the following.....

Daughter Patti has set up a web site where anyone that can't open the monthly WOO can go to to open WOO in a pdf format, it seems to work great, thanks Patti from all the LHS Alumni. The way it works, you go to this web site "www.candothat.com/woo.html " then click on WOO Aug 2017 or WOO Sept 2017 etc. She will keep adding the new WOOS to the web site as I complete them. I hope this works for you..... Jim

Grace (Farrell)(LHS'57) Burns

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(8/28/17)

Hi Jim,

I thank you for getting my message into the August edition; however I did not receive my copy – only my own email (below). I only know it got in because I have already gotten a response. Please resend when you have a moment. Thanks again.

(8/28/17)

Hi Grace; I never did get your note into the Sept. issue of WOO, it was finalized on the 26th. I noticed how quickly you needed responses so I just forwarded your email to your classmates (72 addresses). I hope you all have a great reunion..... Jim

PS: I'm still sending out the Sept. issue but need to wait until 2:30 pm so I don't exceed my daily limit on out going emails.

(8/28/17)

Well now I really need to THANK YOU BIG TIME!!! You really went the extra mile for me...

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(8/28/17)

Maggi

Evie (Kammer)(LHS'49) & husband Woody Brewster

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(8/28/17)

Thank you so much for today's WOO.

Lots of good reading esp the ones about how people met.

Neat,

Evie

Bob Keenan (LHS'57) & wife Pat (Muro)(LHS'58)

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(8/28/17)

Catching up on past issues of Your wonderful Owl Jim. Sad about your emergency brake mishap. It brought back memories of my working days on LI.

A sweet old timer co-worker, such as yourself, was 'dressed down' by our boss in our Hempsted office. He was so upset and drove to his home way out in Suffolk Cty on Southern State pkwy in second gear all the way- and blew his engine. We all chipped in...

As for you, what would a trip be without a mishap?? Can't imagine.

Best wishes,

bob k '57

Nance (Hill)(LHS'53) Ross

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(8/30/17)

Thank you for supporting RuthWelch's reputation! She was one of my favorite teachers at Marion Street, and she was the uplift of the "underdogs". My mother was a tyrant who hated me and abused me for years...emotionally and physically, and Miss Welch somehow knew about it. She was kind, strict, but supportive because she knew I was "damaged goods". My father was gone a lot on community business....probably because my mother, who seemed so "saintly" outside of the home, was a constant complainer and nagger with him. He did his best to be kind to me, but took a lot of complaining from her when he did. Miss Welch and Miss Mercer (who taught science, my favorite subject other than art) did a lot to get me through the last couple of years I was at that school. Going to prep school was my father's and my idea to get away from the misery at home...and it worked. I had and still have a happy life among good friends, and have healthy and productive children and grandchildren. Leaving "home" saved my life, as I was already thinking about how to distribute my books and horse statue collection to friends after I was dead...at the age of 13.

I know you all had wonderful memories of Lynbrook. Mine were not so good, but I think of Northampton, Massachusetts as my home town, because that was the first place (other than summer camp) where I was ever a happy person.

I remember many of the people who contribute here, because I lived next to (until my grandparents built their house next door) the football field at Marion St. School, where many of you came to play and interact. Lois Hennig (who sadly passed away from cancer quite a few years ago) and her brother Richard (who is thriving in a Southern state now), lived across the street. Afternoons during the school year, there were kids from all over town there.

I spent my adult years in California and moved here to Oklahoma to be between my grandchildren (in California) and my daughter, who now lives in Alabama on the lovely pecan farm they inherited from his parents....with a nice 19 acre lake on it....which I hop Harvey misses making bigger!!!!

To any of you alumni of LHS, living in Texas, I hope you all come through this mess with loved ones and property spared...the thoughts of the nation are with you.

Nance (Hill) Ross

Sydelle (Goldman)(LHS'53) Richard

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(8/31/17)

I had a very hard time receiving this months world I finally managed to get it but it took a long time and some doing I still don't know how I got it but it was more difficult than the past maybe you did something different it came as an attachment Sigale Richard class of 53

Zac Holland (LHS'56)

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(9/2/17)

I regret to inform you that Norman Mack, LHS '56 passed in August at the age of 79 in Miami, Florida from complications of a blood clot in his lungs. Her is survived by his Russian wife.,
Zac Holland LHS '56

Norman Mack (LHS'56)Pat

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Norman Mack Deceased August 2017

Fred Cantwell (LHS'59) & wife Patsy (Petterson) (LHS'59)

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(9/3/17)

Jim, we read the monthly notes and enjoy looking for things from our class of '59. I have finally gotten around to sending a note about ourselves. Fred Cantwell '59 and I, Patsy (Petterson) Cantwell '59, have been married for 53 years. We started "going out" in our senior at LHS. We moved to Edmonton, Alberta Canada in 1975 when Fred got a teaching job in analytical chemistry at the University of Alberta. I went back to nursing in 1980 and became a palliative consultant nurse. We retired in 2001 and have done a lot of travelling. We have 3 adult children - John (52) who just RETIRED! from the US army after 25 years of service, married and lives in North Carolina; Jordan, a United church minister, married and lives with her family in Saskatoon; and Julianna, who lives in Edmonton and has her own Human Resources consulting and training business. We have 2 adult granddaughters – John's daughter is in 3rd year pharmacy program at Houston Medical Centre, and Jordan's daughter is in 2nd year University of Saskatchewan, taking science. So, thank you for enabling us LHSers to keep in touch over the years and miles.

Ann (Ryan)(LHS'58) Nesbitt

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(9/3/17) (sent through Facebook)

Hi Jim. While I have your attention, did we do a WOO for July and one for August? Hope you didn't send my copy to the old email address. Ann Ryan Nesbitt - 1958

(9/4/17)

Got it Thanks

Bob Lessne (LHS'54)

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(9/4/17)

Beware of the Bully

I have been contacted by several classmates regarding my last article and a thread that I have discerned was how our formative years have shaped our lives.

One classmate who proved to be a very successful industrialist said that the most pivotal thing in his life was winning the 8th grade bicycle safety contest where he received a green sticker for this bicycle and a lot of adulation from his peers.

I found that LHS had its share of bullies and those who are bullied. These bullies came in all ages, sizes, colors and shapes. They were parents, siblings, teachers, principals, and a random assortment of other primates.

Some were Napoleon type persons who were attracted to bullyhood to prove their dominance. Large people have presence and usually picked on the vulnerable.

When the bully was a mean gene sperm, he intimidated the other sperms and probably stole their lunch money on the way to the egg. These zygotes became bullies and enjoyed a host of negative developmental outcomes. Their incarnation came from disastrous childhood where they were deprived of self esteem and were weaned on the Elizabethan Revenge dramas.

Bullies did not realize the damage they did to their victim, especially in later life. There were two episodes of bullying that showed up in later life with revenge as their theme. Captain Kirk met his nemesis and soundly defeated him even though he was much younger. In the Big Bang theory, the bully was a brutish person who got his justifiably comeuppance.

I don't believe that I have ever bullied anyone. If in fact that I was perceived to have been a bully, I sincerely apologize. I have tried to help the bullies' targets who seemed not to fit-in. In reality, it is the bully predator that does not belong as their lack of emotional literacy is ubiquitous. The bully gleefully shatters serenity with verbal insults. Some bullies attack their prey physically and psychologically. They never give up their early childhood aggression. They are constantly looking for an excuse to escalate violence. They can be political sociopaths and have little feelings of empathy, compassion or remorse. They think they are hot stuff and have the God-mandated right to shove people around. They prefer conflict over cooperation and are at risk as their modus operandi is pusillanimous omnipotent violence which often backfires.

Bob Lessne 1954 305 271 0012

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(9/4/17)

HI EVERYONE, I REMEMBER ABOUT 60 YEARS AGO MARCHING DOWN ATLANTIC AVE GOING TO MARION ST. SCHOOL TO WATCH THE OWLS FOOTBALL TEAM PLAY. I'M STILL WATCHING FOOTBALL EVERY WEEKEND IN THE FALL BETWEEN EDDIE PLAYING, COACHING, REFEREEING COLLEGE FOOTBALL, AND NOW DOING INSTANT REPLAY FOR THE AMERICAN ATHLETIC CONFERENCE, AND MY SONS PLAYED HIGH SCHOOL FOOTBALL. MARK ALSO PLAYED QB AT ST. LAWRENCE UNIVERSITY AND HE HAS COACHED COLLEGE FOOTBALL FOR OVER 30 YEARS.. NOW, HE IS THE HEAD COACH OF VILLANOVA UNIVERSITY.

MY FIRST CHOICE OF THE GAME OF THE WEEK IS VILLANOVA , TRAVELING THE HIGHWAY, IF I CAN,T GET THERE THEN I FLY THE FRIENDLY SKIES GOING WITH EDDIE. . I HAVE BEEN TO SOME GREAT PLACES, ROSE BOWL FOR THE CHAMPIONSHIP GAME BETWEEN ALAB. TEXAS, ARMY- NAVY NEW ORLEANS, ALBEQRQUE, NEW MEXICO. ATLANTA, GA. ETC. I PICK AND CHOOSE WHERE AND WHEN, SO AS I SAID FOOTBALL IS STILL A BIG PART OF MY LIFE.

OPE ALL IS WELL WITH THE LYNBROOK ALUM, WE ALL HAVE SLOWED DOWN BUT AS I ALWAYS SAY, 'AS LONG AS THE DR,S CAN FIX IT LIFE IS GOOD.

IT,S GREAT TO READ THE WOO, BRINGS BACK ALOT OF GREAT MEMORIES. THANKS JIM FOR ALL THE TIME AND EFFORT YOU PUT IN TO KEEP US ALL INFORMED.

Betty (Toto) Class of '55

Sue (Fessler)(LHS'52) & husband Don Sullivan

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(9/18/17)

Jim,

Don and I lived in seven different states the first ten years we were married. Don was from Woodhaven, Queens, NY, and I was from Lynbrook. We met at Long Island Agricultural and Technical Institute in Farmingdale which is now called Farmingdale College.

In 1967 Don was offered a job in Salisbury, Maryland with an independent company and we moved from Middletown, NY. We were tired of being transferred all over the East by large retail companies.

Salisbury is on the Eastern Shore of Maryland which is totally different than the other side of the Chesapeake Bay which is near Baltimore and Washington, DC. Salisbury reminded me of the way Lynbrook was when we were growing up. In some ways it is still the same. Everyone knows everyone else from the time they were kids, when who they married, and where there grandchildren are now, etc., etc.

Don and I really aren't able to travel much any more, but each Saturday we try to get out to lunch at our favorite eatery and pub, Goin'Nuts, where we meet our friends. Almost every Saturday this eatery has a gang of people who are celebrating either their high school anniversaries or some other event. Last week there was a crowd celebrating their 65th high school reunion. We got to yakking and I told them how lucky they were to be able to get together. I told them about our last reunion on Long Island and how someone special started a newsletter from our high school year 1952, and emails it every single month.

Even though our graduating class from 1952 is scattered all over the country, you Jim, our favorite guy from Zanetti's and our Lynbrook High School class of 1952, keeps us together every month.

Thanks so much. I hope you know how much you mean to all of us. Take care dear friend,
Sue

(9/18/17)

(editors note;

Hi Sue;

Thank you so much for the great note for WOO and thanks for the complements about my involvement with the WOO. I must tell you though..... I really, really enjoy it and as all can see from the notes I receive, many of our alumni love receiving and look forward to the WOO.

I plan on keeping it going as long as I can (I guess that's until Patti gets tired of struggling with me).

Thanks again Sue!)

Jim Ball (LHS'52) & wife Marja

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(9/18/17)

I hope you all have had another great month.

I've been having mucho problems with my computer again and it's like having teeth pulled to get these corrected. It seems harder & harder to learn something new and yet how easily what

you just learned is FORGOTTEN! Patti & her boyfriend Donnie keep trying to help me through all

these problems and look for ways around my computer limitations (and there are many of them). I just

had my modem changed from 7 megabite to a high speed 200 megabite. It took 3 days and visits by 4

Century-link technicians to finally get it installed.

Today is 9/18, I'm working on WOO early because Marja & I (with Crystal) are going camping with daughter Lorie & son-in-law Jim to Angel Fire, NM. We'll be gone from 9/21 'til 9/24. I want to have

WOO as complete as possible and hope for no unforeseen problems.

We had 23 alumni submit notes for WOO last month and over 20 so far this month, that's a great

response from our alumni that are all in their 80's & 90's!!! Thank you all!!!

(9/25/17)

Returned from Angel Fire yesterday, was a great trip. Marja struggled to keep up but really enjoyed the trip. It was great spending some time with Lorie & Jim (he's such a great cook!). I've got loads of work to do now, finish cleaning out RV, wash it, dump tanks and winterize it, do bills & mail, and most important, start sending out Oct. WOO.

I hope you all have another great month. Take care..... Jim Ball

Help Locate Missing Alumni !!!

While we have reconnected with 40 to 90 classmates from several LHS classes, some classes are lacking in representation in the newsletter. The numbers contacted to date are: LHS'48, 10; LHS'49, 16; LHS'50, 19; LHS'51, 46; LHS'52, 42; LHS'53, 42; LHS'54, 24; LHS'55, 53; LHS'56, 38; LHS'57, 73; LHS'58, 88; LHS'59, 106. If anyone knows if any of these classes have had reunions & who the contacts were, let me know and I will contact them and attempt to obtain addresses for others., Here are the numbers from misc. years that have requested they be added to the distribution list for WOO: LHS'45, 3; LHS'46, 3; LHS'47, 5; LHS'60, 4; LHS'62, 3; LHS'64, 2; LHS'66, 1; LHS'68, 1; LHS'74, 1; LHS?, 7. Total distribution now 587.

In Conclusion

So long for now, send us news about your life to be included in the next issue.

If you are in contact with any classmates or LHS alumni (LHS'48-'59) with email addresses which I don't have let me know and I'll add them to the distribution list. Thanks to everyone that submitted news articles and to all that sent suggestions concerning this publication.

If you change email addresses or servers please let me know so we can keep in touch with you.

Please send some news so we can keep in touch.



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