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December 2016
Newsletter

From our families to you, we wish you and yours a very happy and safe holiday season. We look forward to another year of good times and great memories here at Johns Creek



December 13 - Painting With a Twist

December 16th - Winter Festival



Johns Creek

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CDD Board of Supervisors

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*The next scheduled meeting of the
CDD Board of Supervisors will be
Wednesday, January 11, 2017
at 6:30 p.m. at Phase 2*

**there are no POA Board meetings
scheduled in December*



With some 27 holidays celebrated in the month of December, we would like to take this opportunity to wish ALL of our neighbors at Johns Creek a very safe and happy holiday season this year!



JOHNS CREEK

INTEREST GROUPS

Book Club

The book club meets once a month either at a member's home or at the amenity center. All the details are posted on our Facebook page. Feel free to join us even if you haven't read the book.

For more information, contact Cindy Dicey at cmdicey@gmail.com

Running Club

Interested in joining a running club in Johns Creek? Contact Jennifer Stoner or the Facebook page: Johns Creek Running Club

Bible Study

Johns Creek Bible Study - All are invited. You can begin attending at any time. Every Monday from 7:30-8:30
Call or Text Brandon
904-962-7600

Johns Creek Outreach

Interested in joining a group of neighbors working with local charities to serve the local community? Please "Like" our Facebook page (Johns Creek Outreach) and get involved!

Senior Coffee

Senior Coffee meets every Friday at the Phase 2 Room at 10am. Ages 55 and older

Aqua Zumba

Aqua Zumba meets every Tuesday and Thursday at the Phase 1 pool from 9-10AM. The cost is only \$5 per class for residents

Zumba

Zumba meets every Monday and Thursday at Phase 2 at 6:30pm The cost of each class is ONLY \$5.00.
or 4 classes for \$18.

Yoga

Yoga meets every Monday evening at 7:40PM at Phase 2. All skill levels are welcome.
The cost is \$5 per class residents and \$7 for resident guests

Aqua Zumba

Aqua Zumba is finished for the season. Join us in the spring for more Aqua Fitness FUN!!

Johns Creek Playgroup

Please contact Lindsay Neuner for more information on upcoming events and schedules: cinderellaloveshersailor

OR

Check the Johns Creek Community Facebook page for locations and times.

Mom's Club of St. Augustine N

We're looking for stay-at-home moms or part time working moms to join our club. We also have associate memberships for working moms. The club has events almost daily that include in home play-dates, parks, community events, tours, and more. Make new friends for mommy and the kids! This chapter is limited to zip codes 32092 and 32095. Go to www.sanmomsclub.weebly.com

***If you are interested in starting an interest group, please email the Amenity Staff at brandycreekmanager.com. We look forward to hearing from you. This list is for informational purposes only and in no way construes an endorsement of any meeting or club.*



Pearl Harbor Day is to recognize to commemorate the attack on Pearl Harbor, a surprise military strike by the Imperial Japanese Navy against the United States naval base at Pearl Harbor, Hawaii Territory, on the morning of December 7, 1941. President Franklin D. Roosevelt proclaimed the day, "a date which will live in infamy". The attack led to the United States' entry into World War II.

The attack on the base at Pearl Harbor commenced at 7:48 a.m. Hawaiian Time. The base was attacked by 353 Imperial Japanese fighter planes, bombers, and torpedo planes in two waves, launched from six aircraft carriers. All eight U.S. Navy battleships were damaged, with four sunk. All but the USS Arizona (BB-39) were later raised, and six were returned to service and went on to fight in the war. The Japanese also sank or damaged three cruisers, three destroyers, an anti-aircraft training ship, and one minelayer. 188 U.S. aircraft were destroyed; 2,403 Americans were killed and 1,178 others were wounded. Important base installations such as the power station, shipyard, maintenance, and fuel and torpedo storage facilities, as well as the submarine piers and headquarters building (also home of the intelligence section) were not attacked. Japanese losses were light: 29 aircraft and five midget submarines lost, and 64 servicemen killed. One Japanese sailor, Kazuo Sakamaki, was captured.

The attack came as a profound shock to the American people and led directly to the American entry into World War II in both the Pacific and European theaters. The following day, December 8, the United States declared war on Japan. Domestic support for non-interventionism, which had been fading since the Fall of France in 1940, disappeared. Clandestine support of the United Kingdom (e.g., the Neutrality Patrol) was replaced by active alliance. Subsequent operations by the U.S. prompted Nazi Germany and Fascist Italy to declare war on the U.S. on December 11, which was reciprocated by the U.S. the same day.



Decorating Safety Tips

1. **Merry and Bright:** Carefully inspect holiday light strings each year and discard any with frayed cords, cracked lamp holders, or loose connections. When replacing bulbs, unplug the light string and be sure to match voltage and wattage to the original bulb.
2. **Lights Out:** Always turn off holiday lights when you leave the house unattended or when going to bed.
3. **Fresh Is Best:** Try to purchase a freshly cut tree, as they are more resistant to ignition. Keep your Christmas tree watered and away from open candles.
4. **Timing Is Everything:** Use an outdoor timer certified by CSA International to switch lights on and off. Lights should be turned on after 7 p.m. to avoid the electricity rush hour.
5. **Check for the Certification Mark:** When purchasing light strings, extension cords, spotlights, electrical decorations, gas appliances, or carbon monoxide alarms, look for the certification mark of an accredited certification organization such as CSA International, UL, or ELT to ensure that the products comply with applicable standards for safety and performance.
6. **One and Done:** Never connect more than one extension cord together; instead use a single cord that is long enough to reach the outlet without stretching, but not so long that it can get easily tangled.
7. **The Great Outdoors:** When hanging outdoor lights, keep electrical connectors off the ground and away from metal rain gutters. Use insulated tape or plastic clips instead of metal nails or tacks to hold them in place.
8. **Climbing Up:** Using a ladder when you put up lights? Choose the correct ladder for the job and double check for a certification mark to ensure your portable ladder complies with applicable standards.
9. **Keep the Gas Behind Glass:** Do not use your gas fireplace if the glass panel is removed, cracked, or broken, and only allow a qualified service person to replace fireplace parts.
10. **Sound the Alarm:** Test your smoke alarms monthly to make sure they work, and be sure to install smoke and carbon monoxide (CO) alarms on every level of your home -- especially near sleeping areas.
11. **Filter-Friendly Furnace:** To help prevent CO hazards in your home, have a qualified heating contractor perform a yearly maintenance check of your furnace and venting system, and clean or replace your furnace filter frequently during the heating seasons.
12. **Clean the Clutter:** Do not store combustible materials such as gasoline, propane, paper, chemicals, paint, rags, and cleaning products near your gas furnace. Gasoline or propane cylinders should be stored outside the home.

**Got this from parents.com*



Senior Coffee

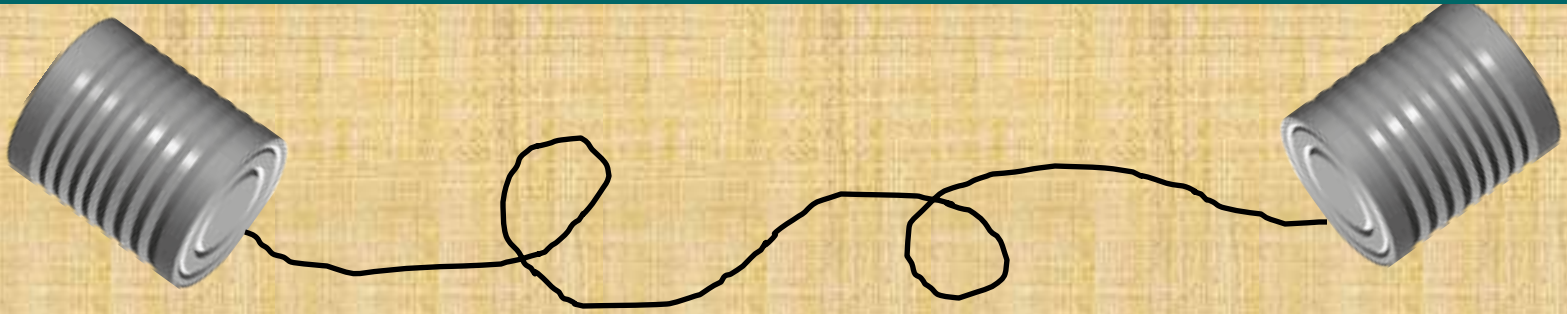
**Every Friday
10 am
Phase 2
Ages 55 and up**



**Beginning Wednesday, January 4th
9:30am at Phase 1**

Meet up and take a nice walk for fitness and fun with your neighbors.
Get to know a few new friends in a relaxing setting.

Ages 55 and up



Johns Creek Connections

Make sure you stay tuned to all of our resources for the
LATEST JOHNS CREEK INFORMATION!

Website

Please visit our
website at

Johnscreekfl.com



**** Also, while on the website's homepage make sure to register your email address to receive our email blasts and our monthly newsletters. Please note, you might have to check your spam file and allow our special deliveries.**



Lastly, we are now on Twitter! Follow us
@JohnsCreek2.

We will post important event and pool
information so you will know if the
current weather conditions have temporarily closed the
pools, postponed an event or other important news etc.

This account is for outgoing posts only.

If you have questions or concerns, please call us at 904.230.4208
during business hours and we will be glad to assist you.



Holiday Hours

*The Phase 1 Amenity Office will be **closed** on
December 24th and December 25th
The Gym will remain open normal hours.*



Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
					1	2
				Zumba 6:30 PM at Phase 2	Senior Coffee 10AM at Phase 2	3
4	5	6	7	8	9	10
	Zumba 6:30 PM at Phase 2 Yoga 7:40PM at Phase 2		PEARL HARBOR REMEMBRANCE DAY	Zumba 6:30 PM at Phase 2	Senior Coffee 10AM at Phase 2	
11	12	13	14	15	16	17
	Zumba 6:30 PM at Phase 2 Yoga 7:40PM at Phase 2	Painting with a Twist 7-9PM \$35 Phase 2		Zumba 6:30 PM at Phase 2	Senior Coffee 10AM at Phase 2 Winter Festival 5-9 PM Phase 2	
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
	Zumba 6:30 PM at Phase 2 Yoga 7:40PM at Phase 2			Zumba 6:30 PM at Phase 2	Senior Coffee 10AM at Phase 2	Happy Hanukkah
25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Merry Christmas	Happy Kwanzaa			Zumba 6:30 PM at Phase 2	Senior Coffee 10AM at Phase 2	happy new year



Painting with a Twist®

Price
Reduced!

Tuesday,
December 13th | 7-9 PM
at Phase 2 | \$35 per person.

Show someone you care this holiday season with a gift from your heart made with your hands. Painting with a Twist will be coming to Johns Creek in time to make your own holiday gift and have a great time doing it! This event is open to Johns Creek residents and their guests. You must be 12 and over to paint, 21 and over to "Twist."

Price includes the canvas, paints and light refreshments. You are welcome to bring a beverage of your choice.

*Now you can register
and pay online
CODE: JCREEK*

Minimum 20 sign ups.

<http://www.paintingwithatwist.com/events/viewEvent.aspx?eventID=939012>





December 16th

5 - 9PM

Phase 2

Food Trucks

Santa! (4-9)

DJ

Hayrides

Face painting

Movie on the Green

Bounce House

See following pages...

Food Trucks

We have 6 food trucks lined up for our festival!

Tikiz Shaved Ice

Front Porch Kettle Corn

What's Smokin' BBQ

Son of a Butcher

Mother Truckin' Pizza

The Loving Cup



Front Porch Kettle Corn





**Santa is coming to
Johns Creek!
Friday, December
16th
4-9PM**



**Sign ups are available for Santa Visits!
Sign-ups are not mandatory to see Santa.
This is kind of like a “Fast Pass” at Disney.
If you want to line up at the event, you may
do so. We will work you into the line as
space permits. Everyone got in last year.**

**Santa is being sponsored again
this year by Lisa Menton of
Watson Realty.
Please thank her for
supporting our neighborhood!
lisamenton@watsonrealtycorp.com**



To sign up for Santa Visits, please visit our website johnscreekfl.com or click here :
<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/20f044ea9a623a6f85-santa>



**Face painting
by
Heather's Living Art
In the social hall**



Don't miss Elf on our GIANT 32 foot movie screen. The movie will begin at approximately 6 pm.

Buddy was accidentally transported to the North Pole as a toddler and raised to adulthood among Santa's elves. Unable to shake the feeling that he doesn't fit in, the adult Buddy travels to New York in full elf uniform, in search of his father with increasingly chaotic results.

Bring your blankets and lawn chairs to stay cozy and enjoy the show!

***Parents need to know that although Elf has some potty language and mild swearing ("pi**ed," "hell," "damn," etc.) and a few references to bodily functions, it's family friendly at its core. Even young kids will appreciate the humor inherent in this fish-out-of-water tale. The movie's overall message of the value derived from honesty, acceptance, and affection for all humanity is clear and positive.*

A BIG Thanks to our Sponsors!



Our Movie on the Green is made possible through the generous sponsorship of Anna Decker and Vince Fattizzi of Coldwell Banker Premier Properties
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New Year's Traditions

Many **New Year's customs** that we take for granted actually date from ancient times. This year, ring out the old and ring in the new with a New Year's tradition - or two! Here is an excerpt from the Farmer's Almanac:

“EAT LUCKY FOOD

Many New Year's traditions surround food. Here are a few:

- In the southern US, black-eyed peas and pork foretell good fortune. *See the recipe for Good Luck Hoppin John!*
- Eating any ring-shaped treat (such as a donut) symbolize “coming full circle” and leads to good fortune. In Dutch homes, fritters called *olie bollen* are served.
- The Irish enjoy pastries called bannocks.
- The tradition of eating 12 grapes at midnight comes from Spain.
- In India and Pakistan, rice promises prosperity.
- Apples dipped in honey are a Rosh Hashanah tradition.
- In Swiss homes, dollops of whipped cream, symbolizing the richness of the year to come, are dropped on the floors (and allowed to remain there!)

DRINK A BEVERAGE

Although the pop of a champagne cork signals the arrival of the New Year around the world, some countries have their own traditions.

Wassail, the Gaelic term for “good health” is served in some parts of England.

Spiced “hot pint” is the Scottish version of Wassail. Traditionally, the Scots drank to each other's prosperity and also offered this warm drink to neighbors along with a small gift.



GIVE A GIFT

New Year's Day was once the time to swap presents. Gifts of gilded nuts or coins marked the start of the New Year in Rome. Eggs, the symbol of fertility, were exchanged by the Persians. Early Egyptians traded earthenware flasks. In Scotland, coal, shortbread and silverware were traditionally exchanged for good luck.

PUT YOUR BEST FOOT FORWARD

In Scotland, the custom of first-footing is an important part of the celebration of Hogmanay, or New Year's Eve Day. This practice holds that the first foot to cross a threshold after midnight will predict the next year's fortune. Although the tradition varies, those deemed especially fortunate as "first footers" are new brides, new mothers, those who are tall and dark (and handsome?) or anyone born on January 1.

TURN OVER A NEW LEAF

The dawn of a new year is an opportune time to take stock of your life. Jews who observe Rosh Hashanah make time for personal introspection and prayer, as well as visiting graves. Christian churches hold "watch-night" services, a custom that began in 1770 at Old St. Georges Methodist Church in Philadelphia. The practice of making New Year's resolutions, said to have begun with the Babylonians as early as 2600 B.C., is another way to reflect on the past and plan ahead.

NEW YEAR'S FOLKLORE

Some customs and beliefs are simply passed down through the ages. Here are some of our favorite age-old sayings and proverbs.

On New Year's Eve, kiss the person you hope to keep kissing.

If New Year's Eve night wind blow south, it betokeneth warmth and growth.

For abundance in the New Year, fill your pockets and cupboards today.

If the old year goes out like a lion, the New Year will come in like a lamb.

Begin the New Year square with every man. (i.e., pay your debts!) –Robert B. Thomas, founder of The Old Farmer's Almanac

So, whether we resolve to return borrowed farm equipment (as did the Babylonians) or drop a few pounds, we're tapping into an ancient and powerful longing for a fresh start!"

Doudera, @almanac Victoria. "New Year Traditions From Around the World." *Old Farmer's Almanac*. Old Farmer's Almanac, 21 Nov. 2016. Web. 21 Nov. 2016.



RECIPE CORNER

GOOD LUCK HOPPIN' JOHN

Try this recipe to bring you good luck in the coming year!

INGREDIENTS

- 4 strips bacon, diced
- 1/2 cup chopped onion
- 2 cups cooked black-eyed peas, or 2 packages (10 ounces each) frozen
- 1/2 cup uncooked rice
- 2 cups water
- 1/4 teaspoon dried red-pepper flakes
- 1/4 teaspoon salt
- 1/8 teaspoon black pepper

INSTRUCTIONS

Partially cook bacon in a Dutch oven, add onion, and cook until bacon is crisp and onion is soft. Add black-eyed peas, rice, water, and pepper flakes. Cover and simmer over low heat until rice is done, about 20 to 25 minutes. Toss with salt and pepper and serve immediately.





Johns Creek Tennis

Tennis Lessons

**All ages and skill levels welcome!
USTA certified tennis instructor, Estela De Paula.
New group lessons will be forming soon.
For more information or to schedule a lesson,**

**contact Estela at
904.718.2480**

Or

Tennis.yoga2all@gmail.com

Private and small group lessons are available.



December Pool Hour Listing

Phase 1 Pool CLOSED
on Mondays

As per the Florida Department of Health
Rule# 64E-9.008

Phase 2 Pool CLOSED
on Tuesdays

Saint Augustine, Florida, USA | 122012 Lat:
29.9583 Lon: -81.3383 Time zone: GMT-5

We are not permitted for night swimming. There is NO swimming allowed outside of the posted time.

Day	Date	Sunrise AM	Pools Open	Sunset PM	Pools Close
Thursday	1-Dec-16	7:03 AM	7:33 AM	5:25 PM	4:55 PM
Friday	2-Dec-16	7:04 AM	7:34 AM	5:25 PM	4:55 PM
Saturday	3-Dec-16	7:05 AM	7:35 AM	5:25 PM	4:55 PM
Sunday	4-Dec-16	7:06 AM	7:36 AM	5:25 PM	4:55 PM
Monday	5-Dec-16	7:06 AM	7:36 AM	5:25 PM	4:55 PM
Tuesday	6-Dec-16	7:07 AM	7:37 AM	5:25 PM	4:55 PM
Wednesday	7-Dec-16	7:08 AM	7:38 AM	5:26 PM	4:56 PM
Thursday	8-Dec-16	7:09 AM	7:39 AM	5:26 PM	4:56 PM
Friday	9-Dec-16	7:09 AM	7:39 AM	5:26 PM	4:56 PM
Saturday	10-Dec-16	7:10 AM	7:40 AM	5:26 PM	4:56 PM
Sunday	11-Dec-16	7:11 AM	7:41 AM	5:26 PM	4:56 PM
Monday	12-Dec-16	7:11 AM	7:41 AM	5:26 PM	4:56 PM
Tuesday	13-Dec-16	7:12 AM	7:42 AM	5:27 PM	4:57 PM
Wednesday	14-Dec-16	7:13 AM	7:43 AM	5:27 PM	4:57 PM
Thursday	15-Dec-16	7:13 AM	7:43 AM	5:27 PM	4:57 PM
Friday	16-Dec-16	7:14 AM	7:44 AM	5:28 PM	4:58 PM
Saturday	17-Dec-16	7:15 AM	7:45 AM	5:28 PM	4:58 PM
Sunday	18-Dec-16	7:15 AM	7:45 AM	5:29 PM	4:59 PM
Monday	19-Dec-16	7:16 AM	7:46 AM	5:29 PM	4:59 PM
Tuesday	20-Dec-16	7:16 AM	7:46 AM	5:29 PM	4:59 PM
Wednesday	21-Dec-16	7:17 AM	7:47 AM	5:30 PM	5:00 PM
Thursday	22-Dec-16	7:17 AM	7:47 AM	5:30 PM	5:00 PM
Friday	23-Dec-16	7:18 AM	7:48 AM	5:31 PM	5:01 PM
Saturday	24-Dec-16	7:18 AM	7:48 AM	5:31 PM	5:01 PM
Sunday	25-Dec-16	7:19 AM	7:49 AM	5:32 PM	5:02 PM
Monday	26-Dec-16	7:19 AM	7:49 AM	5:33 PM	5:03 PM
Tuesday	27-Dec-16	7:19 AM	7:49 AM	5:33 PM	5:03 PM
Wednesday	28-Dec-16	7:20 AM	7:50 AM	5:34 PM	5:04 PM
Thursday	29-Dec-16	7:20 AM	7:50 AM	5:34 PM	5:04 PM
Friday	30-Dec-16	7:20 AM	7:50 AM	5:35 PM	5:05 PM
Saturday	31-Dec-16	7:21 AM	7:51 AM	5:36 PM	5:06 PM



GENERAL FITNESS CENTER POLICIES:

Fitness Room hours are 4:00am to Midnight, or as posted at the Facility.

1. Usage of the Fitness Facility is restricted to Patrons 16 years of age and older.
2. Children 14 & 15 years of age may use the fitness facilities only when accompanied by an adult Patron. Children under 14 years of age are prohibited from the fitness facility entirely.
3. You may have a maximum (2) guests per household at all times. All guests must be accompanied by a Patron at all times.
4. Patrons and Guests exercise at their own risk. Each individual is responsible for his or her own safety.
5. Appropriate clothing is required at all times (shirts, shorts, leotards, and/or sweat suits – no denim). For the comfort of others, shirts and bottoms must be kept on at all times.
6. Athletic footwear covering the entire foot is required to be worn at all times.
7. Loud, profane, and/or abusive language will not be tolerated.
8. Disorderly conduct and horseplay will not be tolerated.
9. Food and chewing gum is prohibited in the fitness center.
10. Beverages are permitted but must be in a covered and sealed container.
11. Glass and other breakable items are prohibited in the fitness center.
12. Smoking and tobacco products are prohibited in the fitness center.
13. Audio devices are prohibited unless they are personal units equipped with headphones.
14. Every individual is responsible for spraying and wiping down the equipment after use.
15. Weights or equipment may not be removed from the fitness center for any reason.
16. Hand chalk is not permitted.
17. Weights and dumbbells must be placed down gently, not dropped.
18. Benches and machines may not be stepped on or climbed over.
19. Use of the cardio equipment must be limited to 30 minutes if others are waiting.
20. Personal Training or solicitation of training for fees is prohibited.
21. All emergencies, injuries, and / or broken equipment must be reported to the Facility Manager.
22. The Facility Manager reserves the rights to discontinue any such programs and / or activities due to safety concerns or other conflicts with the operation of the facility.
23. Fitness Center may be closed due to maintenance needs.
24. Disregard for any fitness center rule or policy may result in expulsion from the Amenity Center and suspension of Amenity Center privileges.
25. All Patrons and Guests of the fitness center are expected to conduct themselves in a responsible, courteous, and safe manner in compliance with fitness center rules and regulations.



ZUMBA®

*Evening Classes with Nancy
Monday and Thursday @ 6:30PM
Phase 2 Community Room
\$5 per class Or \$18 for 4 classes*

Call 687-5270 or E-Mail Nancy at ZumbaForce@Yahoo.com
for Registration Times (for evening classes)

ZUMBA FITNESS is a fusion of Latin and International music – dance themes that create a dynamic, exciting, and effective fitness system! The routines feature aerobic/fitness interval training with a combination of fast and slow rhythms that tone and sculpt the body.



JOHNS CREEK YOGA

Life is all about BALANCE!

Monday 7:40-8:40PM

Location: Phase 2 Room

Residents \$5 | Resident guests \$7

Yoga practice for all levels where the focus is on safe alignment, breath awareness, muscle lengthening and stress relief.

Beginners and all levels are welcome.

This class is great for all ages and skill levels. There will be modifications to suit all ability and fitness levels.

Dress comfortably & bring a yoga mat, water and a towel.

Certified Yoga Instructor

Marcia Sarpi

e-mail: marciasarpi@hotmail.com





Individual Training

Buddy Training

Small Groups

Certified Personal Trainer: Lindsay Severance

**Focusing on form, fitness, strength,
health & safety.**

**Lindsay will tailor a fitness program
to fit your individual needs.**

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