

Our Mission: To interpret aviation, particularly that related to New York State, with exhibits and programs that educate, entertain and excite the public

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REASSEMBLY OF THE CONCORDE HAS BEGUN

ESAM has begun reassembling the “Largest Model Airplane in the World”! Now that we have received all parts of the plane from the **Cradle of Aviation Museum** on Long Island, ESAM restoration volunteers including **Rich Bievenue** and **Gary Davis** under the direction of **Dan Wilson** and **John Panoski** are putting it all back together starting with the fuselage, as shown in the photo below.

At the same time, work has begun to engineer the base and pedestal the model will sit on in front of the museum.

As progress continues, so does the need for funding. The museum appreciates the donations that have covered the moving costs. Please be aware that reassembly and mounting the plane also require significant funding support. Your donations made out to ‘ESAM-Concorde’ will help us to continue our work



SAVE THE DATES

Here are some of the upcoming major events at ESAM. We hope you can attend them.

Tuesday-Sunday 10AM to 4 PM: the museum is open for Summer Hours

Coming soon in July: Soft opening of the new World War II Exhibit for members and prospective members

October 17: ESAM Annual Dinner Meeting at the Water's Edge Lighthouse Restaurant

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PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

Dear Friends of ESAM,

Summer is already upon us, and your museum is already very busy. We opened recently full time, and our calendar has planned activities throughout the season. This is all the result of a lot of work by many volunteers here at ESAM.



Bud Matthews

Accomplished:

Organized for the future: Joyce Newkirk has done a great job as Chief Operating Officer in a few short months. She has been involved and provided leadership with a host of critical items to ESAM.

Getting the word out about ESAM: You have most likely seen the favorable news and media coverage during the past six months. This doesn't just happen, but is the result of good things going on here.

Financial status: ESAM continues to work very hard at raising funds for our future. Whether it's a grant, membership or that monthly breakfast, we are always looking at ways to raise money.

In Process for Completion:

Gallery II Projects: The World War 2 room is open for business and a wonderful addition to ESAM. Although it took a lot to bring this project over the finish line, we can thank **John Kolwaite** for his vision and hard work.

Concord Exhibit: Our newest exhibit is taking shape with plans to assemble, paint and locate in front of ESAM this fall. Please consider donating either your time or money to this very important part of our future.

C-130 "Credible Sport": ESAM has started receiving a historically significant aircraft and **John Kolwaite** is already thinking about its future...think classroom!

Adopt a Plane: This program is our answer to keeping our Airpark clean and inviting to visitors. ESAM has also welcomed several new members as a result!

Memorial Park: Please consider buying a brick in the Park's new location. **Lou Bach** has shown great leadership on this project.

Leadership Changes: I'm pleased to announce that **Peter Russo** has taken over the role of Acting President from me, effective June 30, 2018. Although it has been an honor and a privilege to serve in that role, the Board of Trustees was informed of my plans in November. We are very fortunate to have Peter whose experience and professional contacts at all levels of Government will do much for ESAM.

Thank you
Bud Matthews

ESAM SUMMER STEM PROGRAM: BECOMING A YOUNG AVIATOR

By Kevin Millington

ESAM will once again conduct its annual week-long “Becoming a Young Aviator” program from Monday, August 20 – Saturday August 25. The program, now in its fourth year, has been tremendously successful, and will again include a variety of hands-on learning experiences, including classes on the history of aviation, a tour of the museum, how planes fly, guest speakers, careers in aviation, development of a flight plan, and an actual flight!

Concurrent classes for two age groups, 8-12 years old, and 13-16 years old, will be conducted. The program is being undertaken in partnership with **Schenectady County Community College**. **Rachel Rourke** will again be our EXCELLENT coordinator and ESAM volunteers, together with the **Experimental Aircraft Association**, will serve as mentors and teachers.

Cost of the program is \$150, and you can register for the week with SCCC – go to the web site at: <http://sunysccc.edu/coursex/ncreg.html>, switch the semester to summer and use code CRN# 60365 for the 8-12 year old class and CRN#60366 for the 12-16 year class. Once again, we will be offering a limited number of scholarships for the program, thanks to the **Zonta Club** and ESAM. It’s going to be another busy and fun summer! (Late Note: The courses are filling up quickly!)

THIERS MEMORIAL FLY IN AND CAR SHOW HELD AGAIN AT ESAM

On Saturday, April 21st, ESAM hosted the annual Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute Memorial Fly In and Car Show. The event was well attended and included many vintage cars, some privately owned aircraft, helicopter rides, a fire truck demonstration by the Stratton Air National Guard Base Fire Department, tours of the Air Park and an Open House by the Research Center.



ESAM VOLUNTEER IDENTIFIES A MISSING B-24 FROM WORLD WAR II

At the May 19th ESAM Breakfast, **ESAM volunteer Donna Esposito** gave a presentation about her recent trip to the South Pacific to research lost aircraft from World War II.

After orienting the audience to the geography of the South Pacific Theater, Donna focused her presentation largely on a US Army Air Force B-24 that went down after sustaining damage during a bombing raid over Rabaul. While in the South Pacific, she and **Justin Taylan** from the not-for-profit organization **Pacific Wrecks** surveyed the remains of a B-24 which had been located by locals in the jungle of the island of New Ireland. As it turns out, Donna was the individual who personally found the airplane's Construction Number that allowed the research group to positively identify which B-24 it was.

The plane was B-24 41-24186. It was assigned to the 13th Air Force, 5th Bomb Group, HQ Squadron. It was nicknamed "Pretty Prairie Special". On its last mission on December 30, 1943, it was flown by **Colonel Marian D. Unruh**, Commanding Officer of the 5th Bomb Group. On the mission it was intercepted by enemy fighters, sustained damage to its bomb bay doors, suffered at least two explosions and was reported to have ditched in the ocean. On December 31, five B-24s from the squadron went in search of the missing crew. They found and photographed eight survivors on a New Ireland beach, and dropped emergency supplies to them. However, when a PBY Catalina landed to rescue them on January 3, 1944, the downed crew was gone. As it turned out, the crew bailed out over the water before the aircraft crashed on New Ireland, so no human remains were found at the site of the crash. After the war it was found that nine crewmen survived the bailout but were captured by the Japanese. Six were executed, two died as Prisoners of War, and only Colonel Unruh survived to come home. The other two crewmen apparently didn't survive the bailout and are still listed as missing in action.

Donna continued her presentation by mentioning two other missing World War II pilots including a local man, **Lt. John A. Mancini** from Ballston Lake, NY. Lt Mancini took off from Guadalcanal on April 22, 1943 in an F-5 photo reconnaissance version of the P-38 and was never seen again.

She concluded her presentation by acknowledging the people and organizations that supported her trip, and by providing references for further research. Thanks, Donna for an outstanding presentation.



Above: B-24 41-24186 was nicknamed Pretty Prairie Special

Left: Donna Esposito displays a part of B-24 41-24186 that crashed in the South Pacific on December 30, 1943



1. Kevin Millington teaching a class on Forces of Flight to a General Electric Global Research Tour for Science Club students from Zoller Elementary School.
2. ESAM hosts a fireman's carnival sponsored by the Thomas Corners/Beukendaal Fire Companies.
3. The Guilderland Wrestling team visits ESAM.
4. Recently-retired ESAM Office Manager Vina Kaczmarczyk give a thumbs up in the F-4 simulator cockpit. Vina continues to volunteer at the monthly breakfasts.
5. ESAM supports the New York Air National Guard 109th Air Lift Wing Family Day.

ESAM PARTICIPATES IN MEMORIAL DAY CELEBRATIONS

On May 23rd, ESAM participated in the **Scotia Memorial Day Parade** with one of its parade airplanes. Volunteers **Gary Davis, Ryan Macherone, Gary Gershon** and **Isaiah Gershon** represented the museum.

ESAM also helped celebrate Memorial Day at the Town of Florida's Veteran's Park. **Trustee Dan Wilson** led the museum's participation.

In addition the museum participated in the **Charlton Memorial Day Parade**. Thanks to ESAM

President Bud Matthews and **First Vice-President Peter Russo** for marching, and to **Trustee Dan Wilson** and **Gary Davis** for providing support.



Isaiah Gershon on ESAM's Scotia Memorial Day Parade float



A drone's eye view of the Town of Florida Veterans Park in Montgomery County, New York. The helicopter in the foreground was donated to the Park by ESAM. ESAM board Member Dan Wilson is a Member of the Montgomery County Legislature.

OUR VOLUNTEERS

F-14 RELOCATED

On Saturday May 5 a crew from ESAM and the **F-14 Tomcat Association** relocated the museum's F-14. In its new position in the Airpark, we have opened up the wings.



Above: The crew that recently moved ESAM's F-14 pose in front of the Tomcat. Standing from left to right: Chris Rhoden, Gary Davis, Fonz DiBlasio, Bob Place, Brian Davis and Dave Tripp. Kneeling from left to right: Tim Green and Rich Bievenue. Chris Rhoden, Tim Green, and Bob Place are from the F-14 Tomcat Association. The rest are members of ESAM.
Below: The move in progress.



BOEING F/A-18 SUPER HORNET

by Kevin Millington

The F/A-18 Super Hornet is a supersonic, carrier-based strike fighter currently in service with the U.S. Navy, and widely regarded as one of the very best multi-role fighters in the world. The Super Hornet is a larger, more sophisticated derivative of the F/A-18 Hornet, which has been in service with the U.S. Navy and Marine Corps since the mid-1980's.

While the original Hornet has been a very capable fighter, it has range and all-weather avionics limitations. Building on the success of the Hornet, Boeing (formerly McDonnell Douglas) developed a larger version during the mid 90's, being 25% larger, with 33% more internal fuel. In 1999, the Super Hornet entered operational service with the U.S. Navy, and by 2006 had replaced the F-14 Tomcat, supplementing and gradually replacing the "legacy" F/A-18 C and D Hornet within carrier air wings. The Super Hornet is equipped with an array of avionics, which allow it to perform a variety of missions, and both single-seat and two-seat versions are in service. In addition, the larger Super Hornet is able to carry more ordinance over a significantly greater range.

Although expensive, with a \$55 million price tag, the Super Hornet is truly a multi-role fighter able to perform numerous missions previously undertaken by separate aircraft types, including air supremacy, long-range all-weather ground attack, close air support, suppression of enemy air defenses, maritime strike, and aerial refueling. As a result, it has produced significant cost savings in terms of spare part and maintenance needs, and carrier air wings are now largely comprised of F/A-18 E and F Super Hornets and the "legacy" F/A-18 C and D Hornet. (More recently, another version, the EA-18G Growler has entered Navy service replacing the long-serving EA-6B Prowler in the electronic warfare role.) The Super Hornet is also one of the stealthiest fighters in the world, with a greatly reduced radar cross-section.

The Super Hornet is powered by two General Electric F-414 turbofan engines, which provide it with a maximum speed of 1,200 mph (Mach 1.8). With respect to armament, it is equipped with an internally-mounted 20 mm Vulcan cannon, and can carry up to 17,000 lbs. of ordinance on eleven under-wing and fuselage pylons, including the latest air-to-air and air-to ground munitions. To date, over 500 Super Hornets have been delivered to the U.S. Navy, equipping 34 squadrons.



F/A-18 Super Hornet

PS – the Hornet and Super Hornet evolved from the Northrup YF-17 prototype of the 1970's, and its lineage with the Northrup F-5 is notable, including the distinctive leading edge wing-root extensions, as well as the trapezoidal wing. You can check it out, since ESAM prominently displays an F-5E in the Airpark!

ALEX AWARD NOMINATIONS DUE BY SEPTEMBER 12TH

Each year, one or more ESAM volunteers are presented with the Alex Award for their sustained and outstanding volunteerism. Named in memory of a truly great ESAM volunteer, **Roland "Alex" Alexander**, the award recognizes the volunteer's service, cooperation, teamwork and a dedicated pursuit of excellence.

The ESAM Board of Trustees is actively seeking applications for this year's nominees for the Alex Award. The Board of Trustees welcomes applications, which may be sent to the ESAM office. Applications must be received no later than September 12, 2018.

The application should clearly describe why the individual deserves the award, and must be from ESAM members who have worked with the individual. Therefore, the application is based on personal experience, rather than second-hand information. The application can be hand-written or typed and must provide the following information:

- The name of the nominee and a statement that he or she is an ESAM member in good standing
- The dates of the volunteer's service (must have been an active volunteer for a minimum of five years)
- A description of the personal qualities of the individual that demonstrate the characteristics of his or her pursuit of excellence
- A list of the activities in which the individual has been a participant
- A list of the individual's accomplishments supporting the development, operation and enhancement of ESAM and its mission
- The names of at least two ESAM members in good standing who have worked with the individual in an ESAM volunteer setting and who are making the nomination. The application must be signed and dated by the two members making the nomination.

The final choice of the recipient is a difficult one as there always are a number of outstanding representatives of Alex's qualities. We look forward to the challenge and the reward of recognizing another outstanding volunteer at the annual meeting in October.

ROGER HANNAY, IN MEMORIAM

The Empire State Aerosciences Museum regrets to announce the passing of **Roger Hannay**, the long-time CEO of Hannay Reels and Life Member of ESAM. His quiet, unassuming demeanor masked the huge impact he made during his lifetime. We all benefit from the United Military Council that he helped found. It made a big difference in the effort to maintain the 109th and its mission at the Schenectady Airport. As a veteran himself, Roger had a great concern for veterans and their services and took actions to help them whenever he could. He also loved planes and was a generous sponsor of ESAM's Air Shows and its Hangar dances. The hangar he rented from our FBO was orderly, impeccably clean and a model for how hangars should look. Many times he would provide ESAM with materials and financial assistance. As always, his help came without fanfare and many times even without being asked. He saw needs where they existed and tried to provide help.

Those of us who were counted among his friends were comforted by his notes of sympathy in times of sorrow, were assisted by his wise counsel for our problems and encouraged by his shared joy in our accomplishments. Roger Hannay was a remarkable man and will be sorely missed. ESAM send condolences to his family.

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ESAM RECEIVES \$750 FROM STEWART'S HOLIDAY MATCH		
The Empire State Aerosciences Museum is pleased to announce that it has received a grant of \$750 from the Stewart's Holiday Match program. The grant is to help defray the costs of this summer's Becoming a Young Aviator STEM Programs that will be held at ESAM. The museum thanks Stewart's for their grant that will help fund and enrich the museum's programs for children. Thanks also to Kevin Millington and Larry McArthur for their efforts in applying for the grant.		

LETTERS LIKE THESE WE LIKE TO RECEIVE

June 3, 2018

Dear Larry,

I can't begin to tell you how happy I am that my father's Army/Air Corps uniform will finish out its life in the Empire State Aerosciences Museum.

It occurred to me, on my way home that day we met, that my father worked in the mail-room while stationed in the Philippines. Eventually, he would retire from the US Postal Service after thirty-eight years.

My father was the oldest of nine children, born to Italian immigrants. He led a hard, but storied life. It seems a fitting end that part of his story would be memorialized in a museum.

I will be eternally grateful for your time and assistance to make that happen.

Most sincerely,
Kathy Pelton

YOU OUTDID YOURSELF

Dear Kevin,

Thank you so much for the great, informative tour you gave our grandsons and us on the recent freezing windy Thursday. Sorry we did not make it back to the flight simulator room. The boys wanted to dash right to the truck from the helicopter....then they remembered the gift shop. They selected from your used book boxes. Great idea for a museum gift shop.

We all enjoyed our time at the museum. We will be back! Please accept the enclosed donation.

With much appreciation,
Noreen Baker

6/12/18

Dear Bob & Larry,

Thank you very much for the loan of the propeller, nose cone & goggles for our production of Aleda at CLYNK. Larry, I think you came to see it & I hope you saw how we used the parts-right on the stage. I also thanked ESAM verbally in my pre-performance speech.

Getting to know this intrepid aviatrix Leda Richberg-Hornsby was a fascinating journey. I am glad we had a chance to share a little piece of aviation history through music with Scotia.

Thanks for being a part of it.

Ann-Marie Barker-Schwartz (Musicians of Ma'alwyck)

OUR SUPPORTERS

ADOPT AN AIRPLANE PROGRAM IS FLYING HIGH

In the last issue of Aeronotes, we reported the creation of ESAM's new Adopt an Airplane Program. At that time, one person had signed up to Adopt an Airplane. Now, some three months later, we are up to twelve adoptions! Thanks to **Gary Davis** for managing the program and to all of our adopters!

Our adopters and their adopted planes are:

Adopted by Alfonso DiBlasio: F-105G

Adopted by Ben Lazarus & family: UH-1

Adopted by Brian Davis and F-14 Tomcat Association: F-14

Adopted by Civil Air Patrol - Schenectady Composite Squadron: A-10

Adopted by Gary Davis: F-84

Adopted by Jeff Smith: F-4

Adopted by Kevin Millington: T-2

Adopted by Marisa Dreibelbis: A-4

Adopted by Paul Quantock: OH-6

Adopted by the Macherone Family: F3-D:

Adopted by Stored Technology Solutions: F-5E

Adopted by Isaiah Gershon: S-2

By adopting an airplane you, your business or your group are committing yourselves to (1) wash the airplane at least once a year and (2) do some painting on the airplane. You will do the work in the museum's Air Park under the direction of an ESAM Restoration Crew member sometime when the weather is warm. You will be given free admission to the museum when you work on the adopted airplane and ESAM will post a sign indicating that you have adopted the airplane. If you or your group are interested in adopting an airplane at ESAM, please contact the office at 518-377-2191, extension 10.

Here are some of the details. Work will be performed under the direction of a member of the ESAM Restoration Crew. Museum liability insurance will cover you while working on the airplane. ESAM will provide all needed supplies. Volunteers will not be allowed to climb on the airplanes. Annual fees are \$50 for individuals and non-profit groups, and \$200 for businesses.

**The Lazarus family
pressure washes their
adopted UH-1**



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RECENT ACQUISITIONS

- **Janet Roe** donated four books, various uniform items, and an aircross airbase pillowcase.
- **Stanley Sharling III** donated the military effects of **Lt. Col. Stanley V. Scharling Jr.** from his service as a bomber pilot in World War II, Korea and Vietnam. The donation included his flight helmet, flight suit, calculator, gloves, Bronze Star certificate and photos.
- **Bonnie Kerr** donated framed prints and posters, model bases and built models.
- **The Cradle of Aviation Museum** donated a 1/2 scale model of the SST Concorde.
- **Stuart Keenan** donated a JARDUR Air Navigation Protractor with attachments and ruler.
- **Gary Gershon** donated maintenance manuals for a UH-1 helicopter.
- **Thelma Coman** donated 11 photos of US Navy missiles, a flight suit, a survival vest, 2 flight harnesses, an oxygen mask, an anti-exposure suit, anti-exposure trousers and a flight bag.
- **Kathleen Pelton** donated her father's Army/Air Corps World War II uniform, an Army/Air Corp Squadron photo and a World War II Museum print.
- **Robert Flynn** donated four Air Show programs from 1977, 1979, 1987 and 1989.
- **William Smith** donated "A Century of Flight" DVDs and informational pamphlet.
- **Ralph McBride** donated the military flight gear of **Major R. Ellis** including helmets, checklists, a clipboard, flight suits, gloves and earplugs.
- **Donald Lansing** donated a print of the Enola Gay on its Hiroshima mission, signed by **Pilot Paul Tibbets**, **Bombardier Thomas Ferebee** and **Navigator Theodore Van Kirk** (see below).



Thomas W. Ferebee, Bombardier *Paul W. Tibbets* *Theodore Van Kirk*
 Atomic Warplane is Born
 Enola Gay, the B-29 bomber, is shown in flight over the Japanese city of Hiroshima, August 6, 1945. The aircraft is marked with the number 44-7282. The illustration is signed by the three crew members: Pilot Paul Tibbets, Bombardier Thomas Ferebee, and Navigator Theodore Van Kirk.

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The true foundation of every Museum, is built on its volunteers and members. Fortunately, at Empire State Aerosciences Museum, many fit into both categories. The Board of Trustees can not meet the objectives without you.

We have embarked on a 2018 Membership Drive and we need your help.

First, we want to make sure you renew your membership, when the occasion arises.

Next, we need your assistance in finding more new members. If you have a person or a firm, which you could recommend, as a prospect for a new membership, please email or call us with the contact information. We will take it from there! It works best, if you let the prospective member know you are willing to suggest them for membership. In addition, when you are struggling, to find just the right gift for a relative or a friend, consider purchasing a Gift membership for them. You can also celebrate your appreciation for a person, a family or a company by investing in a membership, as well.

This year, we will be inviting you to some important "Members Only" events, as well as events open the general public. These events and celebrations, will serve to bring out some new exciting exhibits and spaces at ESAM. For example, our new World War II room, will feature interactive exhibits, highlighting the contribution of New York Aviators, to the battle to save the Free World. We will soon have announcements, on the progress of installing the World's Largest Model of the famous "Concorde" supersonic airline, which once flew from Europe to JFK Airport. You can tell your friends, that for a small investment, you can help capture New York State's contribution to Aviation History. There is no more fitting place, than right here in the Capital Region. Whether Grumman or Fairchild on Long Island or Curtiss or Bell or Calspan, in Western New York, or right here in Schenectady, our General Electric, and these companies, with their workers, have changed the History of Human Flight and Space Exploration, for the entire World. The list is enormous!

We have some great plans for ESAM for the 21st Century, to help educate and inspire the minds of young and old alike. We can not make the journey without your help. On June 1, we changed membership categories and incentives for membership. Please review them and see what category fits your needs. We are looking forward to this journey with you.

"Things are looking up! At ESAM.

Frederic Lee
Trustee, Membership Chair

ESAM RECEIVES \$24,000 FROM THE WILLIAM GUNDRY BROUGHTON CHARITABLE PRIVATE FOUNDATION, INC.

ESAM is pleased to announce that the museum has received a \$24,000 grant from the **William Gundry Broughton Charitable Foundation** for the purpose of repairing the roof and replacing a furnace in Gallery II. Not only has the money been received but the work has now been done with only the final report to the foundation to be submitted. More to come in the next issue of Aeronotes.

The Broughton Foundation has been very supportive of the museum in the past and we are pleased to have it continue its support.

Thanks to **Mardy Moore** and **Joyce Newkirk** for obtaining and managing this grant.

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Pat Barrot

ESAM Membership Application

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☐ Student \$35
☐ Individual \$45
☐ Family \$60

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- ☐ Contributing \$80
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☐ Friend of ESAM \$1,000

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Winter Hours: Friday through Sunday 10 AM to 4 PM

General Museum Admission – \$8 per adult; \$6 per senior and military; \$5 age 6-16; under 6 free when accompanied by an adult

ESAM is a **Blue Star Museum** offering free admission to all active duty military personnel and their families from Memorial Day to Labor Day.

Simulated Reality Vehicle (SRV) – Ride: \$5

Jansz Vander Veer Research Center/Library Hours – Friday 9 AM to 12 noon & Saturday 10 AM to 12 noon

July, TBD: Soft opening of the new World War II Exhibit

July 16, Monday - Board of Trustees Meeting: 7 PM. ESAM Community Room

July 21, Saturday - Pancake Breakfast: 8:30-10:30 AM. All you can eat: \$8 (\$4 for kids under 12). Menu varies with pancakes or French toast, sausage, eggs, applesauce, juice and coffee. The public is invited to attend.

Pilots: Tower Frequency 121.30; Ground 121.90. Land at Schenectady County Airport and taxi to Richmor Aviation North.

August 18, Saturday - No Pancake Breakfast in August

August 20, Monday - Board of Trustees Meeting: 7 PM. ESAM Community Room

August 20-25, Monday-Saturday - Summer STEM Camp: Becoming a Young Aviator: Register with Schenectady County Community College. Use code CRN# 60365 for the 8-12 year old class and CRN#60366 for the 12-16 year old class.

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