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FRIDAY, APRIL 21, 2023

6:00-10:00 PM

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# ♥ Evening Highlights ♥

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## 6:00 PM COCKTAILS & HORS D'OEUVRES IN GRAND AERIES & FORBES THEATER

Passed chef's selection of hors d'oeuvres  
Wine, beer and liquor vendor sampling  
Bourbon expert Aaron Glauser  
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Ellicottville Brewing Co.  
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Additional beverages available at the bars  
AOH 30th Anniversary "The Pearl" shimmer  
signature cocktail  
Wine courtesy of Premier Group  
Beer and seltzer courtesy of Labatt  
Music by Common Love  
(featuring committee member, Catherine Whitehead)  
and daydreamthedj  
Photobooth wall by Splendid Event Rentals  
(near WXYZ Bar)  
Mystery heart gift cards  
Wine wall  
Spectacular basket raffle  
Grand raffle  
Online auction displays  
Kevin Guest House merchandise

## 6:45 PM FOOD STATIONS IN GRAND AERIES & FORBES THEATER

## 7:45 PM SEATING FOR THE PROGRAM AND COFFEE & DESSERT STATIONS IN FORBES THEATER

Basket raffle and grand raffle last chance until 8:30  
Enjoy desserts courtesy of Lake Life Café, Insomnia  
Cookies & Chrusciki Bakery

## 8:00 PM PROGRAM WITH LIVE FACEBOOK & YOUTUBE FEED

Welcome & introductions by Event Emcee, Heather Ly  
from WGRZ-TV and KGH Executive Director,  
Lynsey Weaver  
Remarks by Founding Family Member,  
Margaret Garvey Condon  
Kevin Garvey Award Presentation, honoring former KGH  
Board President, Jamie Scotland

## 8:45 PM RAFFLE WINNERS ANNOUNCED & LIVE MUSIC

Congratulations to the basket raffle and grand raffle winners

## 10:00PM EVENT CONCLUDES

Don't venture far, \$1 of each drink purchased post-event at  
500 Pearl from 10 PM - 12 AM will be donated back to KGH!

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Cyril Garvey once said, *"If you are lucky enough to have just one good idea and work really hard on it, it makes life all worthwhile."* The house at 782 Ellicott Street, Buffalo was just such an idea.



## THE *Kevin Guest House* STORY

We are fortunate to have state of the art health care right in our backyard. **Imagine if you had to travel many miles and stay away from home for days, weeks or even months to receive critical care for either yourself or a loved one.** Where would you stay? How would you afford it? That is the reality for the families who stay at Kevin Guest House.

It was January 1972 when 13-year-old Kevin Garvey passed away. He had spent the last 18 months fighting leukemia, spending much of that time at Roswell Park Memorial Hospital. While at the hospital, Kevin's parents, Claudia and Cyril, witnessed the hardships of other families, who slept in their cars and waiting rooms because they were unable to afford lodging.

The Garveys wanted to help those families, so they purchased the property at 782 Ellicott Street and opened their doors in July 1972, welcoming people to Kevin Guest House. More than 60,000 guests, coming from Western New York, 49 states, Canada and 11 other countries, have stayed with us since then.

Located on the Buffalo Niagara Medical Campus, Kevin Guest House was the first healthcare hospitality house in the United States. We provide a comfortable home away from home for patients and their families who are seeking critical medical treatment at Buffalo-area hospitals and medical centers.

In August 2018, our campus grew to four properties as we opened the **Russell J. Salvatore Hospitality House** on the Kevin Guest House Campus, making us fully accessible for the first time and allowing us to serve more families. Our two main houses combine to offer 10 guest rooms, four family suites, common living and dining areas along with amenities from free laundry service and breakfast to our beautiful garden. The Russell J. Salvatore Hospitality House also includes two apartments, giving our campus a total of eight units which allow bone marrow and other transplant patients an environmentally safe place to recover within the required distance to their medical facility. In 2022, the KGH50 Campaign began to bring the oldest three buildings on the Kevin Guest House campus to the same standard as this newest building, in order to maximize capacity and serve our guests in the best environment for healing.

**Please visit us at [kevinguesthouse.org](http://kevinguesthouse.org)  
to learn more about how you can help.**

## DEAR FRIENDS OF KEVIN GUEST HOUSE,

As we are nearing the close of our golden *golden 50th anniversary year* of opening our doors at Kevin Guest House by this summer, we want to take the opportunity to celebrate our history together at our **30th Annual Affaire of the Heart**, our signature event that has kept the light on each year for our guests. **Our co-chairs, Dr. Christina Tobin and Rosanne Braxton** along with their committee has put together a fabulous evening and we are so grateful to longstanding partners **Ellicott Development** for hosting us at **500 Pearl**, but also thanks to **Southtown Audio Video** for allowing KGH friends to be a part of the celebration virtually from home and still make an impact for our patients & caregivers.

The chef at 500 Pearl have selected a delectable array of food stations paired with a variety of wines from **Premier Wine & Spirits** while listening to the musical stylings of **daydreamthedj, Common Love (featuring committee member Catherine Whitehead) and The Voice semi-finalist, Cami Clune** throughout the night. Don't forget to take a chance at winning some of the fabulous prizes, each highlighted in different rooms including our themed baskets, wine wall, mystery hearts, and online silent auction you can continue to bid on until 8pm on Sunday, April 23rd. You won't want to miss the opportunity to win one of several prizes in our grand raffle including a \$500 Airbnb gift card, a pearl necklace, bracelet & earring set and a Bison's tickets & dinner package.

In our 50-year history, there are not many individuals that have continued to make an impact for Kevin Guest House as much as **Jamie Scotland and his lovely wife, Gail**, and we are honored they've accepted our **2023 Kevin Garvey Award**. They are one of the kindest, most steadfast volunteers our organization has had the pleasure to call part of our family for the last decade and why we created a brand new 10 Year Club with Jamie as our first official inductee as board members who have served.



**50th Anniversary - The Garveys helped to start the healthcare hospitality movement that continues to directly impact guests today...**

Our namesake, Kevin Garvey was nicknamed "heart" by his family, which inspired our logo and that of hundreds of homes across the world. Before Kevin sadly succumbed to his illness, he was able to see the houses that would be named after him, but passed away on January 14, 1972. His parents Cyril & Claudia continued their work to honor Kevin's legacy and opened the house to its first guest on July 26, 1972, with the support from then Roswell Park Memorial Hospital, so that future generations of patients & caregivers could focus on

their health and worry less about the financial burdens that accompany life threatening illnesses away from home.

As brother Denis said, over the last 50 years, "Kevin Guest House has become a beacon of hope providing shelter, comfort, and understanding to those in times of incredible need!" Now there are more than over 600 similar organizations worldwide and that small idea of the Garvey family has impacted millions along with over 60,000 families traveling to Buffalo for life-saving care. A treasure in the heart of the Buffalo Niagara Medical Campus and one of the very best examples of the City of Good Neighbors, the work we do, directly provides the dignity, compassion and the "family" our guests need in some of the hardest days.

As brother Hugh said "Kevin was only with us here on Earth for 13 short years but he has left a good and kind and everlasting footprint on our world."

"Kevin's house is filled with his spirit. It shines through all of you who open his doors to all those in need. May God continue to bless you and all those who keep Kevin's memory alive", said sister Mary.

As we remember our history, reflecting on the impact our small house with a big heart that represents a young boy from Pennsylvania who lived a life full of strength, courage and a lot of heart, we hope you will continue to open your hearts to our mission in this next year.

**Affaire of the Heart**, as our signature event, helps support a significant portion of our annual operating budget to maintain our four-building campus and provide quality service to our guests. If you do not find that perfect item tonight, we ask that you consider supporting our **Pay It Forward Campaign in honor of extended Scotland families' contributions**. Your gift can literally help pay it forward for a guest who otherwise couldn't afford a place to stay during one of the most difficult times in their lives. We hope you enjoy tonight's festivities and will celebrate with us throughout our 50th year and honor all those moments that made a difference for our guests. You are the reason that Kevin's legacy lives on for our families and will continue for the next 50 years.



Cheers!  
*Lynsey Zimdahl Weaver*  
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# KEVIN GARVEY *Award*



Kevin Garvey was nicknamed "heart," given after a family vacation because of his kindhearted nature. His mother Claudia said, "in the eighteen months that Kevin lived with his illness, that finally conquered even his stout heart, he served constantly as a model and an example for all of us." Reflecting on the past 50 years, much has changed on campus, but the heart of our mission has always remained. As brother Hugh said, "Kevin was only with us here on Earth for 13 short years, but he has left a good and kind and everlasting footprint on our world. May Kevin Guest House continue to serve those, like Kevin, at their

most needed time, with a place of comfort, love, and life. As sister Mary said, Kevin Guest House "shines through all of you who open his doors to all those in need".

As the inspiration for the Kevin Guest House, he was known of his open heart and loving spirit. In that tradition, the Kevin Garvey Award is given to a unique individual or organization that opens their heart to our home, showing their support and devotion to our guests and to the mission of Kevin Guest House. Kevin's siblings and family are asked to consider some of the most influential supporters of the house in recent history to honor with such an award.

***This year, we're honored to celebrate the first inductee into a new 10 year club, Jamie Scotland, former board president who alongside his wife Gail provided unwavering volunteer support over the last decade.***

## *Tribute to Jamie Scotland* "THE KINDEST VOLUNTEER"



### ***Jamie's Leadership Guided KGH through the Pandemic...***

When Jamie Scotland was introduced to Kevin Guest House by former board member, Geanne Zanatta, he was working as a senior financial planner and vice president for Key Private Bank. He told us he was hooked on day one, when he could see the direct impact even one person's efforts could have on our guests.

We are so fortunate that Jamie's love and commitment to KGH ultimately led him to the role of board president. With his financial planning prowess, and 20 years of service as a career missile launch officer for the United States Air Force, Jamie brought discipline to our budgets and our meetings. Now firmly rooted, that discipline helps us plan our strategic annual mission, making it easier for our staff and our committee to achieve mission goals together.

Jamie oversaw some of the brightest financial years in KGH history helping us grow from less than \$400,000 in 2013 to over \$1,000,000 in operating revenue planned for 2023 alongside two multi-million capital campaigns launched during his tenure. He guided the creating of our investment and gift policy plans, including the move of our endowment to the Community Foundation of

Greater Buffalo. That move helped set KGH up for long-term sustainability to be able to weather the next unexpected financial crisis. More recently, Jamie led our organization through one of the most difficult financial times of the COVID-19 pandemic.





He worked tirelessly throughout those early pandemic years, searching for ways to keep our doors open including the payment protection plan keeping our staff working and other government & foundation support only available to organizations consider part of the front-line workers. Without his tireless detail over our budgets, we may not have remained an essential service & kept our doors open to the most immune compromised patients who needed us most through the pandemic.



Jamie believed in our ability to take on another capital expansion, in the height of the pandemic & it's critical necessity to undertake now. As this was one that would renovate the KGH original homes to the same standard as the Salvatore House that was the best environment for the weakest patients to be close to their life saving care. He encouraged the board to take that step now, so that we could continue to serve as many guests as possible for the next 50 years.



In retirement, his strong ties to KeyBank and the First Niagara Foundation encouraged our first ever gift of over \$175,000 to launch the KGH50 campaign. Without that initial commitment, our confidence in this campaign could not be realized. Considered one of our largest long term contributors, Jamie's relationships has kept the Keybank Foundation as an important partner as annual donors and bringing groups of volunteers to the house. Jamie and Gail were also one of our first donors to our 2015 expansion campaign by lovingly naming one of our transplant recovery apartments in memory of Gail's sister Betty Granger and even donated her dining room table that served as the meeting place each night for guest gatherings that served as one of the most memorable parts for both families & volunteers. Lastly, the Scotland's were one of the first to become members of the Cyril & Claudia Garvey Society members by leaving Kevin Guest House in their will.

Alongside these years-long efforts, Jamie and his lovely wife Gail volunteered at the house in countless ways: delivering flowers and homemade pies to donors, prepping for events, cleaning at the house, entering data during busy weeks, and attending nearly every event with a crew of new KGH friends. While we know he has moved on from the board to spend more time with family, Jamie and Gail will always have a special place in our hearts and homes.

**THE 10 YEAR CLUB** Jamie's genuine nature, his ability to motivate a group and his sincere belief in our mission encouraged fellow board members to create a "10 Year Club" in his honor. This special designation will be featured on a new donor wall planned for house installation during our renovations.

**2023 KEVIN GARVEY AWARD WINNER** Jamie was a natural choice for the 2023 Kevin Garvey Award, which is being presented to him by Kevin Garvey's sister, Margaret Garvey Condon. This award is our highest honor, bestowed annually to one person who has gone above and beyond by opening their hearts to our guests, and reflecting the nickname of our namesake Kevin "Heart" Garvey. We hope you will join Kevin's siblings in honoring Jamie Scotland throughout this year as one of our kindest, patient, detailed & fiscally minded volunteers our Kevin Guest House family has ever had the pleasure to call a lifelong friend.

# Online Bidding!

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Kevin Guest House is going high-tech by going mobile with our silent auction bidding. You can now place bids online with your smartphone or mobile device.

Register online at [AOH23.givesmart.com](http://AOH23.givesmart.com) or text **AOH23** to **76278**.

You'll receive a text message with a link to your own personal bidding center.

## LET'S GET STARTED!

How to bid

Once you have completed a registration on the campaign, you will receive the welcome text message, linking you to the items to browse, bid or buy.

- ♥ **Click on the Blue link in the Welcome text to be directed to the Items page.**
- ♥ **View Items by category or search by Item number or name.**
- ♥ **Click the item of interest to view the description as well as the current bid and or price.**
- ♥ **The system will auto-populate the bid amount based on the set increment for the item.**  
Choose to bid at the set amount or higher.
- ♥ **Click Bid.**

## HOW TO PLACE AN AUTO BID

Allow the system to automatically bid up to a designated amount for you. The system will bid incrementally up to the amount designated as long as someone else places a bid against you. If no one bids against your auto bid, the price remains the same.

- ♥ **Click the item of interest**
- ♥ **Click the Auto Bid tab**
- ♥ **Enter in the maximum amount you would like to bid**
- ♥ **Click Bid**

Note: When two bids are placed for the same amount, the bid placed first based on the timestamp wins. Timestamps are set when the initial bid is placed, for auto bids this is when a maximum was set not when the system prompted the bid to win. This is a preventative measure for auction sniping.

## HOW TO TEXT TO BID

As a user, you have the ability to send texts to place bids on silent auction items.

- ♥ **Text the keyword to 76278 to register**
- ♥ **Text the ITEM NUMBER and AMOUNT**  
Example: To place a \$1000 bid on Item 101, text "101 1000"
- ♥ **Receive a leading bidder confirmation text message**

**You can also purchase tickets for the grand raffle, wine wall & mystery hearts.**

Winning items can be picked up at  
782 Ellicott Street, Buffalo, NY 14203 starting on April 26, 2023

Items won that need to be shipped  
outside of WNY will be charged the shipping costs.

Contact **Rebecca Nason** at [RNason@kevinguesthouse.org](mailto:RNason@kevinguesthouse.org) or  
call **716-882-1818** to coordinate receiving your winning item.

# About Giving Hearts



Giving Hearts is engaging young, entrepreneurial and philanthropic individuals who are on the rise in the Buffalo-Niagara community.

Together we will ensure that every patient and family member traveling to Buffalo for medical care will be welcomed through our doors, regardless of their ability to pay for their stay.

Join a dynamic group of individuals who have committed for one year to:

- **LEARN** about non-profits, the medical campus and how to fundraise for a cause.
- **SUPPORT** the patients and families who call KGH their “home away from home” with hands-on volunteering and fundraising.
- **NETWORK** with other young professionals who are looking to contribute to a cause, as well as KGH board members and other community supporters.
- **SHARE** your knowledge with friends, family and co-workers as we look to increase awareness of KGH and grow our network.

Do you, or someone you know, want to support KGH and gain non-profit experience?

Visit [kevinguesthouse.org/give/givinghearts](http://kevinguesthouse.org/give/givinghearts) for more information to join Giving Hearts!



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# ♥ Giving Hearts ♥



## Thank you

Thank you to the 2022 Class for raising more than \$25,000 for Kevin Guest House! This dedicated group not only raised critical funds to support our operations but help spread awareness for KGH in our community.

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# The KGH50 Campaign

During the pandemic, shared common spaces & bathrooms in the aging original properties revealed greater risks to immunocompromised guests, with old HVAC systems and decades old materials being difficult to thoroughly clean. This campaign will allow the KGH to add private bathrooms in the main house, make durable upgrades in structure & safety and meet healthcare standards now re-requested to serve the most compromised patients & caregivers. The goal is to upgrade the original 3 buildings to the standard of the 2018 expansion for long-term health, safety & comfort of guests.

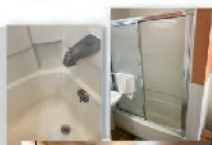


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## 5 ENHANCE SECURITY



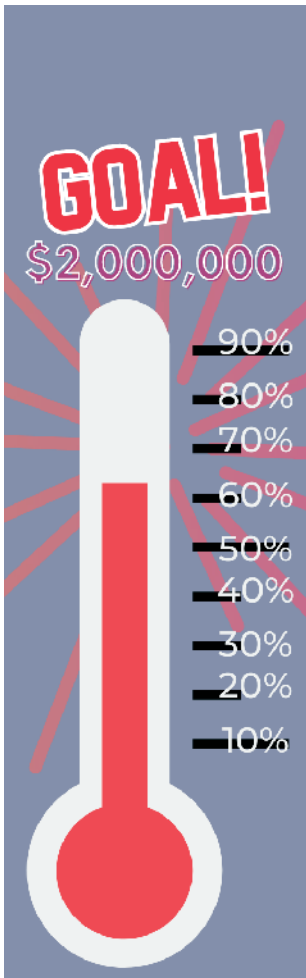
ENHANCE OUR SECURITY SYSTEMS & TECHNOLOGIES THAT EASE ABILITY TO VACATE OUR BUILDING FOR EMERGENCY NEEDS

## 6 EXTERIOR CAMPUS



REFRESH OUR EXTERIOR CAMPUS TO ITS ORIGINAL GLORY INCLUDING PAINTING THE ORIGINAL HOMES.

This campaign is critical now so that we are able to return our occupancy to pre-pandemic levels & serve the most amount of guests by providing the dignity of private spaces critical to help them recover & stay safe.



"KeyBank is proud to support Kevin Guest House. We have long been fans of your great work in providing loving care and support to patients and families at a time when they need it most. We are pleased to have supported you for many years

both financially and through volunteer service. We congratulate you on this recent campaign which has allowed you to enhance and improve your facilities enabling you to continue to provide compassionate service for years to come."

-Elizabeth Gurney, Director Corporate Philanthropy



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"This past summer, I began my journey to fight a leukemia diagnosis which involved several weeks of chemotherapy at Roswell Park Comprehensive Cancer Center. Not living in Buffalo, there were times my wife and I needed to stay nearby to avoid the added stress of excessive travel. We couldn't have been more fortunate and blessed for an introduction to Kevin Guest House and its outstanding team. Following my stem cell transplant this past fall, it became more critical to stay close to Roswell, as I required regular follow-up visits. It was apparent right away that the excellent housing accommodations, the many food donations and the dedication and compassion of the staff was overwhelmingly heartfelt.

KGH understands the special needs of cancer and transplant patients like me, continually raising donor funds to make the improvements and upgrades necessary for guest safety — even more so today, because of the pandemic. The KGH properties not only provide a well maintained and home-like atmosphere, but have the added benefit of the many intangible benefits that the staff and team extended to us through their personal service. They made us feel like family members and not merely guests. As cancer patients, the anxiety, fears and stress associated with treatment is often more than enough to handle. Feeling welcome and cared for by everyone at KGH eased our burdens dramatically. I couldn't express enough how much we highly commend the KGH for those in need. We need more such 'safe havens and sanctuaries' in Buffalo."  
– Jack Alonge

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# Carrie Secondo & Robert & Linda Boyce

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Carrie Secondo (pictured to the left) stayed with us mid-June through early July 2022 from Littleton, CO. Her father, Robert Boyce also stayed at the house, away from his hometown of Hornell, NY (Steuben County) to care for his wife, Linda. As a result of circulation issues, along with blockage in her pelvis, Linda had her leg amputated at Buffalo General Medical Center.

Carrie said, "Staying at Kevin Guest House brought such comfort to me and my dad. We were so tired driving from Rochester daily, and this close proximity to Buffalo General helped relieve stress visiting my mom. The staff was so caring and helpful. I would highly recommend anyone needing a place to stay, during medical circumstances stay here."

It was a long two weeks, but Carrie and Robert stayed busy after visiting hours by reading at the house. They loved the set up of the Victorian house and thought the flowers outside were beautiful, providing comfort during a time they needed it the most. The atmosphere alleviated stress, allowing them to be there for Linda as she transitioned to a new way of living.

**They were "beyond grateful for the Kevin Guest House and to be so close to the hospital. We truly thank KGH for the hospitality and friendly staff."**



[Carrie, Linda, Robert & the family dog, Becca]

When asked for advice for future guests, Carrie said:

**"Keep your face always toward the sunshine, and shadows will fall behind you."**

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## 50 inspirational pavers



"In the 1990s, a friend introduced me to the 'house with a heart'. I brought my husband David and later he, along with an Eagle Scout and others, had the privilege of creating and implementing a plan for what is now the beautiful Healing Garden at Kevin Guest House. An integral part of the garden design was its planned installation of inscribed pavers, meant to honor loved ones or memorialize a stay. Now there are many pavers throughout the garden — each engraved with a loved one's name, heart or phrase — providing hope and peace to all who walk through."

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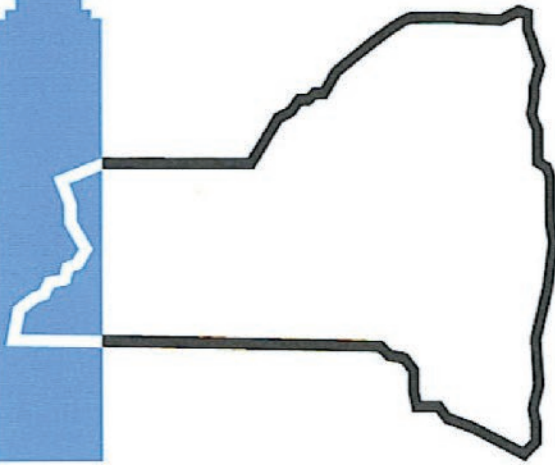
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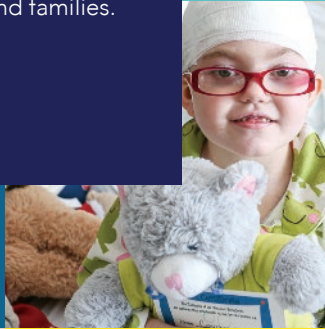
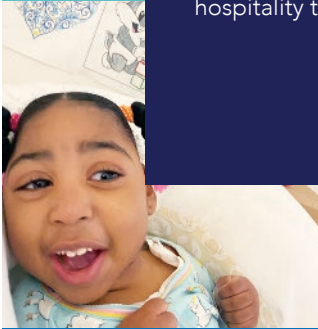
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