

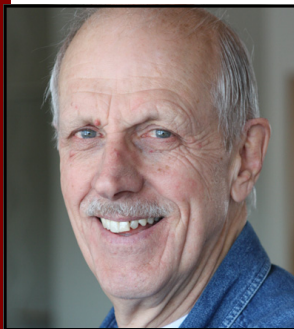


Cursillo

4th Day Flyer



Heart of Cursillo Still Beats Strongly Within Us



Stew Perram Lay Director

I begin by welcoming our new Cursillistas and thanking the respective teams for the doing His work on these weekends. It's an exciting time as always.

The full fruit of a labour of love lives in the harvest, and that always comes in its right season. This is clearly the season for our new Cursillistas, who have emerged on the Sunday evening ready to take on their 4th Day.

Recently I was asked to provide an updated job/role description for each of the nine chair positions on Secretariat. I was able to summarize what the other eight positions do in their roles but this thought-filled analysis gave me cause to ponder *my* current position of Lay Director for the movement, a role I've held for five years.

Some of the tasks were obvious, including chairing Secretariat meetings, liaising with the National Cursillo Secretariat (CACS), chairing the annual general meeting, attending the national triennial meetings as a representative of our Calgary movement, preparing reports and letters and keeping our bishop updated on the health of the Cursillo movement in Calgary. My musing deepened when I thought about the fundamental task I have.

That task is to uphold a spirit of unity

while promoting the movement throughout the Diocese, to be responsible for guarding the authenticity of the movement, and ensure that the activities of the Cursillo movement are aligned with the bishop's pastoral plan.

So, as a leader, how do I promote the movement, guard its authenticity and align the activities with the pastoral plan while maintaining humility in the service of our Lord? I reminded myself that the ultimate example Jesus modeled was one of humble servant leadership. He led, not by supervising, but by working alongside his 12 disciples, and He further set an example of humility by washing their feet.

This approach calls for altruism and is, in many ways, in direct opposition to the secular business world I just retired from. I thought about how I had to change the way I approached the scope of the requirements set forth, going from serving a corporate God to serving Jesus. I considered one rule of life that spoke to me more than anything else I've heard in a long time: how can I disadvantage myself in order to advantage others? This is not to say I should allow someone to take inappropriate advantage of me, but rather me living my life wherever possible to have integrity and to



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Pre-Cursillo "Season" Is Always Thrilling



Jack Goodall
Pre-Cursillo Chair

It's an exciting time that arrives like clockwork every spring and fall: the names of new participants start trickling in.

For the past year, these applications have been submitted online directly to me, the Pre-Cursillo Director. This is working out extremely well. There is no longer any confusion caused by unreadable handwriting or spelling issues, since the applications are all typed. They are also received in a timely manner.

Yes, weekend applications are still accepted by fax, although there is a possibility that the fax does not transmit properly and the sender doesn't notice, or a wrong phone number is used. None of this year's applications have been received by "snail mail," but of

course that's still is an option.

Finally, as a last resort, applications will be accepted over the phone for those folks unable to figure out or access the online process at www.cursillo.ab.ca.

When I review the applications, it's apparent that sponsors are not always filling in their part of the document. I pray that these sponsors are fully aware of their obligations and responsibilities toward their candidates.

Some people also aren't yet aware that the signature of a priest/pastor is no longer needed when submitting an application. However, clergy should always be informed that a member of their congregation is attending a Cursillo weekend, so they may uphold that parishioner in prayer.

Blessings to you all

Jack Goodall,
Pre-Cursillo Chair

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be selfless, generous, considerate and benevolent.

Hopefully, by living, praying, planning, overseeing and leading in this way the spirit of Cursillo unity will be maintained through example, and the Cursillo model

that was inspired by Jesus through Eduardo Bonnin will continue to be preserved and authentic.

Our latest Fall 2010 Cursillistas – and the servant hearts of the associated team members – present a profound confirmation that all is well with the soul of Cursillo in Calgary.



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*"Our value is not measured by what we do for God
but by what He has done in us."*



Stew

Stew Perram,
Lay Director

New Website For The Calgary Cursillo Movement



The Calgary Cursillo Movement's new website www.cursillo.ab.ca

The Calgary Cursillo Movement is very impressed with the new, improved and updated look with many added features and capabilities.

Please visit our site located at: www.cursillo.ab.ca. Feedback and comments are always welcome and the website interactivity available now lets you do that easily.

Our previous website turned into a difficult process to perform the regular updates and maintenance, managed by Karen Orman of Focus One Design in Victoria. An error was returned which prevented any

by Stew Perram

By now, many of you will have visited our new website, and if you haven't done so already, please take some time to check it out.

The Calgary Cursillo Movement

new updates or work on the site. With Focus One Design's diligent research and the design and development of the website into a much more advanced - newer system, Karen performed this upgrade quickly since the website functionality is critical to our process, with online application forms, news, notices, events and general information. Also included now are questions and answers as well as directly linking Cursillista's need for information about upcoming weekends, sponsorship and a myriad of other topics.

Everyone is encouraged to visit our new site.

Not only did Focus One Design meet this request time-wise, but many valuable features were added, with additional enhancements which improved the site tremendously.

We will continue to ensure that the website is enhanced in the future as the need arises and technology improves.

The Calgary Cursillo Movement recommends Focus One Design for any web or print media needs. You can contact Karen to offer your feedback at: ksorman@shaw.ca. Focus One Design's website is: www.focusonedesign.ca.

Joy = Jesus... Others... Yourself

As Cursillistas, the word JOY is part of our lives-our aim is to be JOY to the world. It is something that we cannot do with our own abilities or strength. We need to start with **Jesus**, by loving Him with all our hearts, souls, and minds (Matthew 22:37).

We need to be willing to live for Him in all we do (and many times die) and what we would choose to do and say. After loving Jesus, **Others** need to be our focus: to honor one another above ourselves (Romans 12:10). That includes everyone we meet each day of our lives: our co-worker, neighbor, friend

or family.

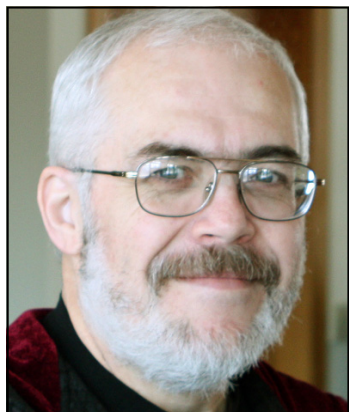
Having Christ's love flow through us to others is our mission. And as we reach out to share Jesus, then we **ourselves** are fulfilled and we can rejoice. He who refreshes others will himself be refreshed (Proverbs 11:25).



Marilyn Salisbury
4th Day Chair

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Prayer Requests - Think Happy Thoughts



Paul Deleske
Communication Chair

To say that it's been a quiet summer Cursillo-wise would be an understatement – everybody except me must have gassed up the RV and disappeared over the horizon. The absence of email bulletins since the spring is the result of a near-total lack of announcements, prayer requests and such like springing forth from our Cursillo family. While the power of heartfelt prayer is truly amazing, I choose to believe that the unexpected dearth of requests for prayers means that God was easing our collective burdens for just a little while.

Of course, prayer requests issued via e-mail to our entire Calgary Cursillo community, which is actually a pretty far-flung bunch, don't just need to be about grief, illness or personal calamity. I've yet to receive a request for prayers of thanks or praise because someone has experienced God's blessing or witnessed the Holy Spirit at work in their world.

God keeps making wondrous things like babies (kids or grandkids), weddings, healing and new jobs happen in our lives. He challenges us to strive and struggle, but He also inspires us to overcome, achieve and succeed. Why do we seem to wait for dark days

to support each other in prayer, when we can collectively celebrate one another's God-given blessings in exactly the same way? And isn't that exactly what we do whenever we're grouping?

So keep those electronic cards 'n letters coming in, folks: requests for prayers in times of pain or sorrow AND in times of praise, thanks and joy. I'll be sure to pass them all along; just keep checking your inbox.

PLEASE TAKE NOTE:

Every Cursillo e-mail bulletin issued seems to generate a new flurry of "sorry, your message can't be delivered" responses.

There are many Cursillistas who have changed e-mail addresses at home or work or switched service providers, and are no longer reachable electronically unless they feel the urge to visit www.cursillo.ab.ca and browse the website for news.

Your help is needed to maintain a reasonably accurate e-mailing list. If nothing has appeared in your inbox lately, it's likely that you generated a "returned message" notice sometime in 2010 and had to be dropped from the list. This can be remedied by sending fresh e-mail contact information to me at calgarycursillo@shaw.ca or use the website to enter your new contact information under 'Mailing List' on the home page.

Ultreya!
Paul Deleske,
Communications Chair



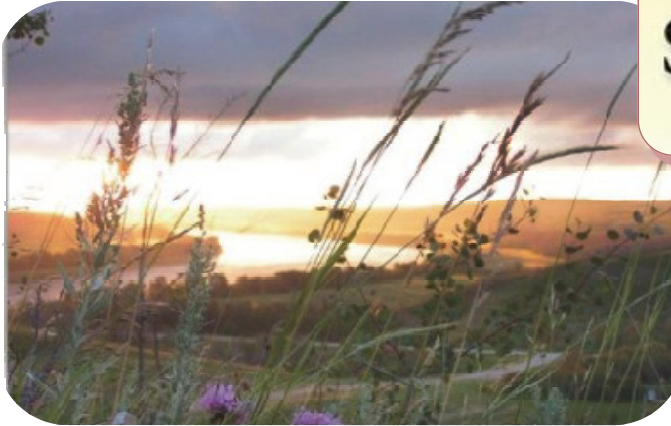
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My prayer for all of us is that during our individual fourth days we will truly focus our lives on living with this in our hearts. Jesus, Others, Yourself!

Ultreya!
Marilyn Salisbury, 4th Day Chair

Goin' to Saskatchewan




Saskatchewan

Land of Living Skies

“Goin’ to Saskatchewan” is a happy holler heard from one of the chosen volunteers. The call to go one province further east is not because Saskatchewan has a great football team, or potash or a golden harvest or even a wonderful university, although these are all honorable and valid reasons to go there. No my friends, the reason is more spiritually profound, kind of like planting seeds, metaphorically speaking, but I’m getting ahead of myself.

So, here’s the deal. Sometime last May, 2010, I received a call from Carol Marz who is the Lay Director for the Diocese of Qu’Appelle (Southern Saskatchewan) Anglican Cursillo Movement, asking if we (Calgary Anglican Cursillo Movement) would consider helping them start a Cursillo Movement in their diocese.

Carol is a Cursillo Lay Director with very few lay people who are Cursillistas to direct, and those few are imports. Yes, people have actually moved *back* to Saskatchewan, including lay and clergy Cursillistas.

Under the encouraging guidance of the Anglican Bishop of Qu’Appelle, Greg Kerr-Wilson, Carol needed help to form teams to run the first set of weekends in their diocese. The idea is that once a cadre of men and women experience a weekend they could then carry the torch to form a Cursillo community and become autonomous. They just needed a kick start

from the Anglican Cursillo group in Calgary.

I put out a call to our community and (not surprisingly) a number of volunteers came forward to say they would work on teams to help plant the Cursillo seeds. This activity is not simple by any means. There has been lots of travel to team meetings and ultimately working the weekends near Regina, planning, time commitments, costs, etc. Meetings in Medicine Hat and Swift Current have been successfully completed at this writing and God has graced His plan in a bountiful way.

The Diocese of Calgary Anglican Cursillo started much the same way in the 1980s when the Calgary Roman Catholic Cursillo and an Episcopalian Team from south of the border helped to get our Cursillo Movement started. Calgary Anglican Cursillo continues to thrive nearly 30 years later.

That is the hope for Cursillo in Qu’Appelle: to bear fruit, to bloom where it’s planted. Essentially, four teams were formed this fall to serve both the Calgary and Saskatchewan weekends. That is a tribute to the strength of our movement.

The team lists are on our website (www.cursillo.ab.ca) as well as the corresponding prayer vigils. Have an online visit and see who has been called, and consider signing up to pray. The weekend dates are November 18-21 for men and November 25-28 for the women.

The theme for both weekends is ‘Open your eyes and look at the fields! They are ripe for harvest.’ How appropriate.

Goin’ to Saskatchewan...and loving it!

Stew Perram, Lay Director

Seek To Serve Christ Using The Gifts We've Been Given



Marc Herrel
Servant Community Chair

As the Bible tells us, each of us have been given certain gifts and talents. We are called upon to use these gifts in service to others. When we made our Cursillo, practically all of us

said we wanted to give back what we had so warmly received. Many have done this by working a weekend.

To keep the Cursillo movement going strong, however, it will take more than that from each and every one of us. Christ never stops working for us; how can we do less?

Help at Cursillo events is so highly regarded that we have a special Secretariat position for a Servant Community Chair, and it is my honour to represent the Servant community in the Diocese of Calgary. Over the last year, I have spent the time studying, "what is the function of the Servant community?" and I am including some of my research of CACS literature and on the Internet.

The Servant Community is:

- A place to form a Christian Community among the leaders of the movement
- A place for leadership development, both spiritually and in the methodology of the movement
- A place to do the work of the Cursillo movement
- Studying together, working together, praying together and supporting each other in our work
- United through a common Rule of Life In a climate of Group Reunion

This group includes members of the Secretariat, but doesn't supplant the Secretariat. The Servant Community is the "heart and hands of the local movement," and the Secretariat functions as the "head of the local movement." The Servant Community "brainstorms ideas," but it is the Secretariat's responsibility and authority to make all decisions regarding the local movement.

In other words, the "servant" responsibility of this community is to carry out the actions and implement the policies as directed by the Secretariat. The "community" side of this group allows those tasked with running the operations of the local Cursillo movement to meet and work together.

The Servant Community in Cursillo is comprised of all of us who seek to serve Christ using the gifts we've been given. Maybe you'll serve on the Secretariat (the governing body of Cursillo in a diocese, similar to a parish's Vestry). If not, you can serve on Team for a Cursillo weekend, or coordinate an Ultreya, or give a witness talk. There are many other possibilities, and each one of us can pray about the gifts and talents that God has blessed us with, and how we might give back in service through one of the Servant Communities. Of course, you can serve in as many communities as you wish!

What are your gifts, your skills, your talents?
What is your passion?

"Whoever wants to become great among you must be your servant, and whoever wants to be first must be slave of all. For even the Son of Man did not come to be served, but to serve, and to give his life as a ransom for many."

Mark 10:43-45

Marc Herrel,
Servant Community Chair

Calgary Secretariat - Job Descriptions

LAY DIRECTOR

- ◆ Responsible for chairing Diocese of Calgary Secretariat meetings.
- ◆ Responsible for upholding a spirit of unity and promoting the movement throughout the Diocese.
- ◆ Responsible for guarding the authenticity of the movement, and ensuring that the activities of the Cursillo Movement are aligned with the Bishop's pastoral plan.
- ◆ Liaises with CACS as well as the Diocesan Bishop regularly to report status.
- ◆ Provides bi-annual report to Communications Chair for the Fourth-Day Flyer Newsletter.
- ◆ Sends thank-you letters to clergy members who have worked on recent weekends.
- ◆ Attends triennial meetings as a representative of the Calgary Diocese Cursillo Movement.
- ◆ Coordinates and identifies the venue and schedule for the Secretariat meetings.
- ◆ Represents and reports on these activities at monthly Secretariat meetings.
- ◆ Provides a report to the Secretariat Secretary for the Annual General Meeting.
- ◆ Chairs the Annual General Meeting.

SPIRITUAL DIRECTOR

- ◆ Responsible for advising the Cursillo movement on spiritual and pastoral matters, ensuring that the direction of the movement is in keeping with the bishop's pastoral plan.
- ◆ Promotes Cursillo among the clergy.
- ◆ Chairs meetings and act on behalf of Lay Director when he/she is absent.
- ◆ Provides bi-annual report to Communications Chair for the Fourth-Day Flyer Newsletter.
- ◆ Represents and reports on these activities at monthly Secretariat meetings.
- ◆ Provides a report to the Secretariat Secretary for the Annual General Meeting.

- ◆ Preside at Team Commissioning Services and Clausuras at the end of Cursillo Weekends when the Bishop is unavailable to do so.
- ◆ Contact the Bishop to see if he is available to preside at these events.

PRE-CURSILLO CHAIR

- ◆ Responsible for processing weekend participant applications and the associated sponsor forms (online, mail-in, fax and phone submissions).
- ◆ Provides updated participant/sponsor lists to the weekend lay directors for their planning, and to the Communications Chair for posting on the website.
- ◆ Provides bi-annual report to Communications Chair for the Fourth-Day Flyer newsletter.
- ◆ Sends welcome letters to the participants/sponsors with information related to attending the weekends.
- ◆ Represents and reports on these activities at monthly Secretariat meetings.
- ◆ Provides a report to the Secretariat Secretary for the Annual General Meeting.

SERVANT COMMUNITY CHAIR

- ◆ Responsible for developing and planning "continuing education" events, thereby providing opportunities and training for Cursillistas to gain a broader understanding of Cursillo in keeping with the guidelines of the movement.
- ◆ Plans and manages the bi-annual Cursillo Information Night, including venue, music, snacks, greeters, content, schedule, etc.
- ◆ Provides bi-annual report to Communications Chair for the Fourth-Day Flyer newsletter.
- ◆ Represents and reports on these activities at monthly Secretariat meetings.
- ◆ Provides a report to the Secretariat Secretary for the Annual General Meeting.

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THREE-DAY COMMITTEE CHAIR

- ◆ Responsible for all aspects of the Three-Day Weekend.
- ◆ Prepares a list of potential future weekend lay directors based on a scoring system and prayerful assessment, usually to cover requirements one year in advance.
- ◆ In collaboration with the Communications Chair, maintains a current list of active Cursillistas to support team selection activities by the weekend lay directors.
- ◆ Maintains the supplies to ensure storage and replenishment.
- ◆ Conducts detailed briefing and debriefings of incoming and outgoing lay directors.
- ◆ Plans and manages all team commissioning services.
- ◆ Chairs regular independent meetings as a sub-team for planning.
- ◆ Reviews all aspects of the Three - Day Weekend to ensure the Cursillo method is being followed.
- ◆ Updates manuals, guides and related documentation as required.
- ◆ Provides bi-annual report to Communications Chair for the Fourth-Day Flyer newsletter.
- ◆ Represents and reports on these activities at monthly Secretariat meetings.
- ◆ Provides a report to the Secretariat Secretary for the Annual General Meeting.

FOURTH-DAY COMMITTEE CHAIR

- ◆ Responsible for promoting and planning all aspects of the regional Ultreyas and encouraging/reporting on other diocesan Ultreyas.
- ◆ Maintains a list of Ultreya attendees and provides it to the Three-Day team and

Communications Chair.

- ◆ Chooses witness speakers and music teams for Ultreyas.
- ◆ Leads and provides duty rosters for an active sub-team membership to cover greeting at the door and snack preparation during Ultreyas.
- ◆ Leads Ultreya services.
- ◆ Coordinates and identifies the venue for Ultreyas.
- ◆ Liaises with the Communications Chair to ensure Ultreya current activities are reported to the community.
- ◆ Provides bi-annual report to Communication Chair for the Fourth-Day Flyer newsletter.
- ◆ Represents and reports on these activities at monthly Secretariat meetings.
- ◆ Provides a report to the Secretariat Secretary for the Annual General Meeting.

COMMUNICATIONS CHAIR

- ◆ Responsible for the coordination (in collaboration with the webmaster) of information and functionality of the Cursillo website.
- ◆ Gathers material and publishes the Fourth-Day Flyer newsletter featuring coming events and other communications.
- ◆ Promotes and raises the profile of Cursillo through the Sower Anglican newspaper.
- ◆ Maintains a current list of active Cursillistas and provides frequent communications as necessary to the Cursillo community via email, Facebook and other media for prayer requests, events and status reports.
- ◆ With support from other Secretariat members, identifies and liaises with all parish representatives to encourage sponsorship and ensure there is a Cursillo link at the parish level.

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A Message From Your Secretary



Deb Gauld, Secretary

Hi to all.
With my first year of participation on Secretariat slowly winding down, I'm happy to report that I still like being the secretary and am enjoying the job of taking and transcribing the Secretariat meeting minutes.

I'm also happy to say that I'm blessed to be participating on the music team for the Fall 2010 Women's Weekend. That is where I feel my strength truly lies.

We should always be open to the direction and leading of the Holy Spirit, and that's what has brought me to serve the Lord in these totally different ways. Christ is relying on me, and I on Him!

Utreya!

Deb Gauld, Secretary



Utreya's—Did you know...

Utreya is a spanish word - meaning "Onward".

Utreya's are meetings of larger groups of people who have either participated in a weekend or who might be interested in doing so. Here they share and witness to others in order to reinforce the Church and their own faith.

Cursillistas from throughout the Diocese, as well as their guests, are invited and encouraged to attend these great evenings.

Recalling Cursillo

A poem by Jonathan Legg

May 2010



The storm of life and weather.
The concentric circles of the sculpture of Christ.
The giving up of time and control.
The rumble and power of men's song.
The dappling of sunlight through pines.
The gentle beauty of deer.
The Spirit's selection of table groups.
The meeting of people from all walks and talks.
Brotherhood shared in bread and candles, wine and song, words and hugs.
The dipping of cups into the wells of each other's souls.
The time measured in ringers, clanging bells and clashing cymbals.
The pauses gathered in coffee cups, questions, cookies and qualities.
The varied sound and styles of worship.
The holy sacredness of prayers and scripture.
The rock and meat of liturgy.
The night meditations and evening vespers.
God become known in each other's words, witnesses,
love, laughter,
silence, noise,
crosses, costumes,
palanca, prayers,
Spanish, stories,
beads, bag lunches,
nature, nurture,
ideals, three-legged stools, sacraments, disciplines,
music, drama, and posters.
God, the Son, and His Holy Spirit meeting with His children.

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there is a Cursillo link at the parish level.

- ◆ Sets up the on - line prayer vigils for weekends.
- ◆ Provides bi-annual report for the Fourth-Day Flyer newsletter.
- ◆ Represents and reports on these activities at

monthly Secretariat meetings.

- ◆ Provides a report to the Secretariat Secretary for the Annual General Meeting.

TREASURER

- ◆ Responsible for all financial transactions, maintenance of financial records and preparation of financial statements relating to the Cursillo movement in the Calgary diocese.
- ◆ Promotes and encourage donations and financial support for the operation of the Calgary Cursillo movement.
- ◆ Provides bi-annual report to Communications Chair for the Fourth-Day Flyer newsletter.
- ◆ Represents and reports on these activities at

the monthly Secretariat meetings.

- ◆ Provides a report to the Secretary for the Annual General Meeting.
- ◆ Presents a financial status report at the Annual General Meeting.

SECRETARY

- ◆ Attends Secretariat meetings and records official minutes.
- ◆ Ensures all correct meeting procedures are followed.
- ◆ Issues official minutes to all Secretariat members, copied to the Bishop of the Diocese of Calgary.
- ◆ Assists the Lay Director with Annual General Meeting planning and coordination, including preparation of past minutes, taking of current minutes and gathering of reports from the various Secretariat chairs.
- ◆ Provides bi-annual report to Communications Chair for the Fourth-Day Flyer newsletter.
- ◆ Represents and reports on these activities at monthly Secretariat meetings.
- ◆ Provides a Secretary's report for the Annual General Meeting.

Group Reunions

The Group Reunion is a small group of Cursillistas that meet on a regular basis for mutual encouragement and support.

The Group Reunion is a vital part of the Cursillo Movement as it provides new and old

Cursillistas with an opportunity to come together weekly or bi-weekly with others in a small group format.

Here you have an opportunity to encourage one another in putting into practice Piety, Study and Action into your lives. This also is where some of those

lifelong friendships are formed by sharing your experiences and encouraging and supporting each other through laughter, tears, hugs and prayer.

Please visit our website to learn more: www.cursillo.ab.ca.

Karen Orman, owner of Focus One Design has designed & developed our new website, and is preparing the design for our 4th Day Flyers.

Please send any feedback or comments to

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