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Knox-Galesburg Symphony to Perform Free,

Family Friendly Event on Local Farm

GALESBURG, III. (July 12, 2018) The award winning Knox-Galesburg Symphony will perform The Sounds of Summer on a local, family farm near Oneida, III. on Sunday, August 26. The event, hosted by Swanson Family Farms will be held just north of Oneida at 2553 Knox Highway 3, Oneida. This free, family-friendly event will begin at 2:00 pm and feature musical instrument crafts

grown farm products including corn, beans, popcorn and more. Also during this time, kids can meet with members of the Knox-Galesburg Symphony to experience an instrument petting zoo, which allows them to tryout an array of orchestral instruments. Beginning at 3:00, Knox-Galesburg Symphony will perform a free concert, allowing kids to play along with their newly made instruments. Attendees are encouraged to bring lawn chairs

or blankets as limited seating will be available. ROWVA Band Boosters will offer a concession stand.

Lucas Wood, executive director of the Knox-Galesburg Symphony said, "We are very excited to bring the symphony to a local farm. We often talk about Knox-Galesburg Symphony as being your orchestra, meaning it is an orchestra for all of our community to enjoy. We hope that by bringing the symphony to

the farm that many new members of our community will come out to enjoy our music, learn more about our local symphony and more about our agriculture community."

Symphony on the Farm was born during a conversation over coffee that included idea sharing and two local leaders looking to connect their passions one of which is exposing more members of our community to our local symphony, and the other to engage more community members about local agriculture.

Hailey Weyhrich, executive director of the Knox County Farm Bureau said, "This is a great opportunity for local collaboration and will provide an exciting on-farm experience to many members of our community who may not regularly get to do so. Farm Bureau always enjoys the opportunity to introduce our local neighbors to our local farm familia."

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS

for kids to make with locally

The Knox County Farm Bureau would like to welcome the following to our organization:

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Drew DeSutter (second from left), Knox County Farm Bureau Board Director and Illinois Farm Bureau District 8 State Young Leader Representative, paused for a picture after a self-leveling combine demonstration outside of Spokane, Washington. Drew was among 20 Young Leaders from across Illinois who attended the 2018 Young Leader Ag Industry Tour in Washington State. Pictured with Drew are other IFB State Young Leader Committee members Mark Ruschhaupt, Heath Houck, and Krista Lottinville.



The Knox County Farm Bureau Foundation sponsored the Grand Champion Breeding Doe at the 2018 Knox County Fair. Rob Link, a KCFB Foundation Director, is pictured with winning junior exhibitor Mackenzie Pruett



The Knox County Farm Bureau Foundation sponsored the Grand Champion Wether at the 2018 Knox County Fair. Rob Link, a KCFB Foundation Director, is pictured with winning junior exhibitor Kyle Hofer.



The KCFB Young Farmers hosted the Tractor Driving Contest again this year. Dylan West, pictured far right, won the senior contest and qualifies to participate in the state driving competition. Seated is Luke Nelson, won the junior division contest, and Dalton Engel, far left, earned second place in the senior division.



These 4-hers participated in the 2018 lawn mower driving competition held by the KCFB Young Farmers and did a great job!



Shown above are the winners for the lawn mower driving competition, from left to right: Trent Stiers, 1st place recipient, and Matthew Maher, 2nd place recipient.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<u>August</u>

- 9 Young Farmers Meeting, 6:30, KAC
- 10 Saturated Buffer Field Day
- 14 Ag Day at State Fair16 KCFB Board Meeting,
- 8 PM Meeting, KAC 22 Marketing Club,
- 12:30 PM, Pizza Ranch 26 Sounds of Summer, 2-4 PM, Krista & Brett Swanson Farm
- 28 Knox Agri CenterBoard, 6:30 PM, KAC28 KCFB Foundation,
- 7:30 PM, KAC
 31 Office Closed- Floating
 Holiday

<u>September</u>

- 3 Office Closed- Labor Day
- 20 KCFB Board Meeting, 8 PM Meeting, KAC



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are held the third Thursday of

each month. Please call for times.

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Post-vacation transition accentuates needs of farm and home

"It's hot here," our son said. He declared his the hardest part about returning from a vacation in the refreshing cool mountain air of the Pacific Northwest. I disagreed, as I ind 81 degrees a welcome July temperature n Illinois. Rather, I'm pooped. My body uns on Pacific Time and my mind spins, overwhelmed by the mountainous to-do list. Weeds grew in the garden and gravel drive during our absence. Bills arrived in he stack of accumulated mail. The yard needs string trimmed, the chicken house scooped, and my daughter just harvested 13 zucchinis and an armful of cucumbers from the garden. Shortly after we left on vacation, a racoon ravaged three flower pots over several nights for my substitute waterers to handle. On our first night back home, we set the live trap and the sly bandit rolled it over to safely consume the cat food we placed as bait. The next day, it trapped both of our farm cats at once.

"That's why I never take vacations," a friend and fellow volunteer leader told me. called him to catch up on the status of the community playground project that we manage. The fantastic trip to the Olympic National Park and other sites left me exhausted, overwhelmed and, for a day, emotionally as cold as a mountain stream ... with the 4-H Fair eight days away.

While preparation is my style, my kids must make or assemble a bulk of their projects within 48 hours of show time: fresh vegetable displays, a decorated cake, food treats and an advanced floral arrangement. On the way home from the airport, $\check{\mathsf{I}}$ picked up some milk, bread, and fresh produce, as well as rice cereal and marshmallows for our son to practice a couple rounds of cereal bars before the final batch for his Cooking 101 project.

The day after we returned, our household

awoke at a time appropriate for residents of Washington State. Outside, yellow airplanes already buzzed overhead to spray nearby corn fields, which fully tasseled in our absences. Thankfully, our farm employs reliable local men who handled feeding steers, hauling grain, mowing farm yards and watering flowers in the absence of our entire farm family for a family wedding in Seattle. Ironically, my daughter and I read The Pioneer Woman Magazine on the flight home, and Ree talked about someone helping on their ranch when they take trips,

Despite the weather withdrawals and mounting workload, we don't regret the trip. Our family viewed stunning natural sites, played in waterfalls, enjoyed visits to fruit farms of the Columbia River Valley, and unplugged from life's hectic pace for days. I cherish the memories from the annual summer trips of my childhood. I learned then that the workload upon our return meant that our farm and home needed us while we were gone. It's just that it usually feels better than this to be needed.

About the author: Joanie Stiers, a wife and mother of two farm kids, writes from westcentral Illinois, where her family grows corn, soybeans and hay and raises beef cattle.

Legislative Update

For the first time in several years, the Illinois General Assembly met its May 31st budget deadline. Most importantly, we passed a balanced, bipartisan budget. The budget came together after months of negotiations and compromises from all 4 caucuses and the Governor. The goal was to agree on a balanced full year budget with no new taxes.

Some of the key items in the budget include fully funding the Evidence Based Funding Formula for elementary education and changes to the state pension program and Medicaid. The Department of Agriculture, as well as agriculture related line items, received funding level to last year. Ag Education, Ag Extension 4-H, County Fairs, and Soil and Water Conservation operations will all receive much needed funds in this budget.

Several bills were passed this year pertaining to agriculture with the help of the Illinois Farm Bureau Legislative Team. Among them, is the agricultural Commodity Overweight Permits. The permits will

be the same as the permits that were issued last year during the Harvest Season Emergency, but no harvest emergency will

need to be declared in the future. Another bill establishes an Ag Impact Agreement for Commercial Solar Energy Systems (AIMA). It requires commercial solar facilities to sign an agreement that puts for the statewide standards for restoring land impacted by the construction and deconstruction of a solar farm.

As a write this, I am preparing for the Midwest Legislative Conference in Winnipeg, Manitoba. I serve as the Vice-President for the Agriculture and Natural Resources Committee. Committee Co-Chairs Senator Kevin Kinney (IA), Representative Paul Anderson (MN) and I will join colleagues from 8 Midwest States and 4 Canadian Provinces and agribusiness representatives for a number of tours, presentations and discussions related to agriculture.

Our tours include modern food production from research to retail sales, a secondgeneration farm family that farm 14,000 acres focused on sustainable agriculture methods and producer of the T-Rex Ditcher, and Richardson International, Canada's largest agribusiness that operates a 700-acre research and crop development center. Our committee sessions will cover a variety of subjects such as; Canada's Supply Management, cover

crops, water quality and quantity, the challenges of hemp production, suicide prevention, and rural broadband. Perhaps of greatest importance will be the discussions on trade and the future trade agreements and Representative the Farm Bill. There Norine Hammond are great speakers



presenting at this year's conference including; Mr. Gary Doer who served as Canada's Ambassador to the US and Dr. Roberta Bondar, a Canadian neurologist that joined the team on the Space Shuttle Discovery 1992 mission. I always look forward to these discussions and sharing points of view from across the Midwest. We certainly don't always agree on issues, but we disagree respectfully.

As I travel throughout the 93rd District, the corn is tasseled, and it is apparent that we will certainly have an early harvest this year. I hope that you all enjoy a safe and a bountiful

Rep. Norine Hammond

Getting to Know Your Farm Bureau Policy

How well do you know Farm Bureau policy? In order to better understand it, KCFB will run monthly excerpts from the 2018 policy book. Interested in learning more about how our policy system works? It all starts with you! For more info contact the office!

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- 5. Allowing self-employed persons to deduct their Social Security taxes as a business expense.
- 6. Repeal of the Social Security offset law. The complete list can be found on ilfb.org.

KCFB Foundation Golf Outing a Success!

The Knox County Farm Bureau Foundation's 3-Club Golf Scramble was a success on July 20, 2018. The rain delay in the morning did not keep our golfers off the course having a great time raising money for the Knox County Ag in the Classroom Program. Last school Central FS. Seed Sower Sponsors (\$100):

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Start the School Year Off Right By Putting Safety First

Summer days grow shorter and communities across America prepare for an annual ritual: the first day of school. It's a time when parents breathe a sigh of relief, students anticipate new challenges, and when all of us need to put safety first.

The start of school is among the most dangerous times of the year for children. This is when our children are at an increased risk of injuries from pedestrian, bicycle, school bus and motor vehicle crashes.

At the beginning of the school year more children are on the road each morning and afternoon and many drivers' patterns change. Shorter daylight hours make it especially difficult to see young pedestrians and bicyclists.

The following tips can help make this a safe and happy school year for the whole community.

Motorists: Be Alert

- Slow down and obey traffic laws and speed limits, especially around schools.
- •Stop for school buses that have stopped to load or unload passengers. It's the law.

•Watch for children walking in the street, playing and gathering near bus stops and those arriving late for the bus.

•Watch for young people who may be in a hurry to get to school and may not be watching out for cars.

Parents: Teach Safety

- •Help children learn the safety rules for walking, bicycling, or riding in a passenger car, school bus or transit bus.
- •Supervise children while they walk or bike to school or as they wait at the bus stop.
- •Buckle up when you're riding in a car and ensure all children and passengers are buckled up also.
- Place children in the back seat when riding in the car. It's the safest place.
- •Be a good role model. Practice the safety rules you teach to children.

Students: Be Smart

- •Wear a helmet and follow traffic safety rules when riding your bike.
- •Use available sidewalks or stay to the far left of the street when walking to school, or to the bus stop.
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 - •Be a good role model. Help other

students learn and practice the safety rules.

Start the school year off safely and you'll start it off right.

For more information on school safety, visit the Keeping Your Family Safe at www.countryfinancial.com under the Tools and Resources tab.

BOARD HIGHLIGHTS

The regular meeting of the Board of Directors of the Knox County Farm Bureau was held on July 19, 2018

Education & Outreach Hailey Weyhrich

Members of the E & O Task Force met on June 28 to discuss upcoming preparations for the Symphony on the Farm, now known as the Sounds of Summer. A Prep, Freeze, Cook program is also being scheduled.

The task force hosted an ice cream social after the Ag Olympics at the 4-H Fair.

Farm Business Taskforce Jarid Cain

Some 2016 Knox Co. Plat Books are still available.

The 2018 Plat Book is available and is \$30 for members and \$35 for non-

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Government and Policy Taskforce – Joe Webel

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Member Relations – Matt Hennenfent

The Knox County Farm Bureau History Video interviews are all available on DVD in the office for \$10.

The committee met on July 18 to walkthrough the Centennial Celebration event set-up.

Foundation Hailey Weyhrich

Blake Hennenfent will serve as this year's Intern.

The next Foundation meeting will be August 28 at the Knox Agri-Center.

PrimeTimers Hailey Weyhrich

At the July meeting, members learned about Monarch butterflies.

Young Farmer's Tyler Main

The July meeting was held at the fairgrounds during the county fair.

The 3rd Annual Young Farmer's Trap Shoot will be held on July 21 at 9AM.

The district discussion meet is August 7. Krista and Brett Swanson have been selected as one of the finalists for the 2018 Young Leader Excellence in Agriculture Award Program.

The Leadership Bootcamp will happen again in the fall.

KAC - Terry Boydstun

The next KAC meeting will be August 28 at the Knox Agri-Center.

100th Anniversary Matt Hennenfent

The Centennial Committee continues to work on the 100th Celebration.

OLD BUSINESS

The Farm Income and Innovations Conference is August 1st in Normal, IL. RSVP by July 25.

The COUNTRY Financial Agent Appreciation Golf Outing is August 17.

Tim Main has accepted the Knox Agri-Center nomination.

A Night Off the Farm/Centennial Celebration plans are to hang the lights July 26, set-up tables etc. July 27, party July 28.

NEW BUSINESS

Summer Intern Blake Hennenfent gave an events update. The Ag Olympics at the 4-H Fair was well attended, the Snapchat filter sponsored by KCFB had 30,000 views, and the KCFB Foundation Golf Outing is July 20.

The Leaders to Washington trip is set for September 2018.

The IFB Mission Statement was discussed per email from Chris Magnuson. The IFB Mission Statement is appropriate for membership, but may make more inclusive changing the second half of the statement to "to enrich the quality of family life"

As of the meeting, KCFB is 47 voting members short of making voting quota.

Board Meeting Attendance

May June July

NAME

Beard, Jennifer	Р	Р	Р
Bewley, Beau	Р	Р	Р
Bohnert Yoder, Tara	Р	Α	Α
Boydstun, Terry	Р	Р	Р
Cain, Jarid	Р	Р	Р
DeSutter, Drew	Α	Р	Α
Engel, Lori	Р	Р	Р
Erickson, David S	Р	Р	Р
Goedeke, Phil	Α	Р	Р
Grady, Jeff	Α	Α	Р
Hennenfent, Matt	Р	Р	Р
Hulsizer, Matt	Р	Р	Р
King, Becky	Α	Р	Α
Link, Jeff	Α	Р	Р
Link, Nathan	Р	Р	Α
O'Connor, Tom	Р	Р	Р

Stevens, Monica

Strom, Grant

Webel, Joe

West, Todd

Swanson, Brett

Hailey's Manager Update

The end of July wrapped up a project I have been a part of since I got to Knox County last August. The 100th Celebration, A Night Off the Farm, went off with a bang-literally! What an honor to help plan this event for the members who have made the Knox County Farm Bureau what it is today. From working every month with the committee and my Board, I am a little sad it is all over! It has been so great to work with everyone on this event. A big thanks to Blake, Jackie, Teresa, Roxanne, and Mary Beth for all their help during these planning stages and for

holding down the office! August will still not be any slower. Before our farmers gear up for harvest, we have our Saturated Buffer Field Day, State Fair, and the



Sounds of Summer event. Thank you for all your continued support of the programs we

Knox County Farm Safety Day A HUGE Success

Knox County Farm Safety Day held on Saturday, June 23, 2018 at the Knox County Fairgrounds was a huge success with almost 80 kids in attendance. The kids gained valuable knowledge on preventing dangerous situations, but know how to handle themselves if an emergency should occur. The day kicked off with a live power line demonstration given by Steve Hancock with Corn Belt Energy. The kids then continued to participate in many hands on activities that reinforced fire safety, first aid, grain safety, machine/power take off safety, chemical/poison safety, animal safety, ATV safety and emergency preparedness. The day ended with a mock accident scene involving a sprayer hitting a live power line that fell on a passing vehicle. The highlight of the scene for many kids was the landing of the Life Flight helicopter. The kids were able to talk with the pilots and sit in the helicopter. Many thanks are given to the Knoxville Fire Department, Galesburg Hospital Ambulance Service, AO & W Ambulance, Mark Brown with Ameren, the Knox County Coroner and Life Flight for all their assistance with the mock accident scene.

The program was organized by the Knox County Farm Safety Day Committee. This event was partially funded by a generous donation from the Bill Nelson Memorial, along with many local businesses, agencies, organizations, and community members who donated and/or volunteered time. A big thank you goes out to anyone who helped make this day so successful!





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Summer Intern Enjoys Experience

The month of July certainly was one that kept me busy! July is the month of fairs. First off, we had the County Fair where I helped work the Cattlemen's food stand. Once the County Fair was over, we moved right into the 4-H Fair. Farm Bureau puts on various activities during the 4-H Fair. The Foundation sponsors an ice cream social during the rocket launch and 4-H Federation meeting where I helped serve ice cream and the Young Farmers hosted their annual tractor and lawn mower driving contest and Ag Olympics where I helped organize the events and led the activities. This year we had over sixty kids participate in the Ag Olympics and after the olympics, all of the kids and some adults too enjoyed a huge water fight! Throughout the fairs we had several different Snapchat filters running which promoted the Knox County Farm Bureau logo and was viewed by nearly 30,000 people! Once the fairs wrapped up, we moved right into the Foundation golf outing. The outing was held at Oak Run Golf Course and seven teams

competed to help support Ag in the Classroom. We also hosted a Trap Shoot. The last weekend in July, Knox County Bureau Farm celebrated years of existence. Í enjoyed helping



organize the event and learning about the history of Knox County Farm Bureau.

This will be my last update since school will be starting up soon! Being the Farm Bureau Intern has allowed me to work in an office environment and see and understand how all of the different committees within the Farm Bureau work together to educate youth and the general public about agriculture, develop policy and promote the agriculture industry. Through these two short months I've made many new friends through Farm Bureau and have had the opportunity to work with the best office staff!

Young Farmers Trap Shoot Fundraiser a Success!

The Young Farmers hosted a trap shoot fundraiser on July 21, 2018 at the Knox County Sportsman's Club in St. Augustine. A successful trap shoot fundraiser and an Annie Oakley competition took place. A special thank you goes out to Representatives

Norine Hammond and Dan Swanson for sponsoring the raffle of a Remington 870 12 Gauge Shotgun. Thank you to the Knox County Sportsman's Club for hosting the event! All proceeds will benefit the Young Farmers program of work.





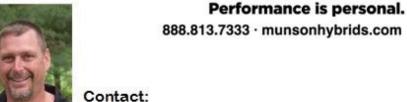


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Health on the Farm

By the Knox County Health Department



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everyone, Awareness month! As the 'Back to School' rush is upon us, August is the perfect time to check the CDC vaccination schedule to see if you or your children are due for any vaccines. Vaccines are a vital protection against many fatal illnesses and are crucial in helping these diseases become eradicated. In a study published in 2014, authors Zhou et al. reported that for children born in 2009 and living in the U.S., vaccinations have prevented 42,000 deaths and 20 million cases of

If your child is between the ages of 4-6, they should be getting DTaP, Chicken Pox, MMR, Flu shot, and Inactivated Polio vaccines. Children, age 11-12 should be receiving their HPV, Flu, Tdap, and Meningitis vaccines while teenagers age 16 are due to receive their Flu shot, 2nd dose of Meningitis Vaccine and any catch-up vaccines.

Adults should get a Flu shot every year and a TD booster every 10 years. In addition, women should get the Tdap vaccine each time they are pregnant, preferably at 27 through 36 weeks, but should always consult a doctor beforehand. If you are 50+, it is important that you get your Shingles vaccine taken care of as soon as possible. There are currently 2 different vaccines against shingles. Zostavax is a live vaccine that is covered by many private insurance companies and Medicare D plans; however, protection only lasts approximately 5 years, so revaccination is recommended. Shingrix is a newer vaccine that is safer for people with weaker immune systems, as it is not a live vaccine, and it is effective for much longer than Zostavax. The downsides are that it requires 2 doses a couple months apart and often is not covered by Medicare or other state health plans. You also should get the Pneumococcal

Vaccine if you are over the age of 65, or meet certain criteria, such as having any chronic illnesses targeting your lungs, heart, liver, or immune system.

An easy way to see which vaccines that you should be getting as an adult is to go to the website http://www. adultvaccination.org/adult-tracker

It is very important to keep your family vaccination records in a safe place, especially for immunizations pre-I-CARE, which is the state system for recording immunizations. If you can't find the paper or electronic vaccination records for you, or your children, you may need to get some of the vaccines again. While this is not ideal, due to cost, it is safe to repeat vaccines. You can also talk to your doctor about getting blood tests to see if you are immune to certain vaccinepreventable diseases so that you don't have to revaccinate.

Tell your doctor if you, or your family, have any severe allergies that you know of (especially severe allergies to eggs, latex, yeast, chicken proteins, or gelatin) before getting vaccinated. You should delay getting a vaccine if you are sick at the time of your appointment or have received a live vaccine less than 4 weeks before. Check with your doctor before vaccination for special instructions if you are pregnant, nursing, immunesuppressed, chronically ill, or planning to travel out of the country.

Zhou, F. et al. (February 2014) Economic Evaluation of the Routine Childhood Immunization Program in the United States 2009. Retrieved 07/22/18 from http:// pediatrics.aappublications.org/content/ early/2014/02/25/peds.2013-0698

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Jason Lumberry

Primetimers News

The PrimeTimers committee met July 17 at the Knox Agri-Center. Twenty-two members enjoyed a potluck lunch and a Monarch Butterfly presentation given by Teresa Sanford-Shipplett and Roxanne Green. The committee will not meet in

August and the next meeting is September 18 at the Knox Agri-Center and the potluck lunch will start at 12 pm; followed by a program by Stacey Rucker of Carl Sandburg College. PrimeTimers invite all members 55+ to attend.







RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Grilled Sausages with Summer Vegetables

Yield 12 servings

Ingredients3/4 cup peach preserves

½ cup reduced-sodium soy sauce

3 Tbl minced fresh gingerroot

3 Tbl water

3 garlic cloves, minced

Dash hot pepper sauce, optional

4 medium sweet red peppers

1 medium eggplant 3 small zucchini

2 small yellow summer squash

12 four oz hot Italian sausage links

Directions

- 1. 1. Place the first five ingredients in a blender with pepper sauce. Cover and process until blended.
- 2. Cut peppers lengthwise in half; remove seeds. Cut eggplant lengthwise into $\frac{1}{2}$ in thick slices. Cut zucchini and yellow squash lengthwise into quarters.



Place all vegetables in a large bowl; drizzle with ½ cup of the sauce and toss to coat

- 3. Place vegetables on a greased grill rack. Grill, covered, over medium heat 8-10 minutes or until tender and lightly charred, turning once. Cool slightly. Reduce grill temperature to medium-low heat.
- 4. Cut vegetables into bite-size pieces. Toss with additional ¼ cup sauce; keep warm.
- 5. Grill sausages, covered, over medlow heat 15-20 minutes or until 160 F for pork and (165 F for turkey), turning occasionally. Remove from gill and toss with remaining sauce. Serve with vegetables.

Recipe from tasteofhome.com

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~ CLASSIFIED ADS ~

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