Cluff brings 'crafty' designs to Fredonia

By Dixie Brunner

Fredonia native Jacob Cluff, is not only tenacious, but 'crafty!'

Everyone who meets the young businessman would agree he's a bright, motivated entrepreneur. Cluff has been building high end cabinets, as well as other projects like portable disaster housing, at his Wood Design, U.S.A., factory at 2479 N. Highway 89A, Fredonia, for the past 10 years.

Cluff, with his creative ideas and hard work ethic, has been successful in most woodworking ventures he has manufactured at his Fredonia factory. But he was also doggedly determined that he was only a heartbeat away from real success!

been good, we've finally gotten something to stick. This is going to be huge!"

Scrapbox, and already huge!

The Original Scrapbox is a basically looks like an armoire, built to store the many compoor stamping hobbyist. The attractive furniture opens in the middle similar to a side-by-side refrigerator, revealing a pull-out table in the center, with racks, carry totes and storage drawers lining the right and left wings of the cabinet. The units retail for \$1500-\$2300.

The successful business al-

box ... at his Fredonia, Arizona factory!

Confused yet? The Hubert brothers, who were born in South Africa, went to Brigham Young University in Provo, Utah, to attend college! It was there they met Glen and Doug Jakins, along with other important business contacts offering them the ability to participate in global networking.

"Glen and Doug Jakins had the originalidea," said Wayne Hubert. "We bought them out, and were having them made in China at the time."

Hubert said the crafting storage units made good sense, since most women he talked to said their hobbies were taking over their homes! "I refused to give up," admit- "Husbands were grateful to have ted Cluff, with a grin. "This has all the scrapbooking materials confined to a single, portable furniture unit."

To market the Scrapbox unit, The new product Cluff and com- they began attending scrapbook pany at Wood Design, U.S.A. are and hobby shows, with their patbuilding is called The Original ent being approved in 2009. The ability to do business overseas became more complicated, so portable storage unit, which manufacturing eventually was moved to Utah.

A 2015 YouTube video featurnents of an avid crafter and/ ing The Original Scrapbox went viral, with over 18.2 million views! The company was inundated with orders! "The ladies loved it," said Hubert. "We had such a great demand, we went into a back order situation.'

And that's where Cluff and Wood Designs, U.S.A., came into the picture!

"Jacob brought a whole new liance between Cluff and The way of building the units," Hubert Original Scrapbox owners Garth related with enthusiasm, citing and Wayne Hubert began in Cluff's engineering design and em-South Africa, no really China ployee work ethic. He said Cluff's ... uh Utah? That's where they company could build the units in connected with Cluff to better under half the time other factomanufacture The Original Scrap- ries could! "It takes them about



The Original ScrapBox is the perfect cabinet for scrapbookers, crafters, quilters card makers and those who like to sew. The table folds up, the sides close in and it looks like an armoire.

two to three hours to build one! We wanted to bring our business here, they can do more styles. One of the great things about Jacob is he's very creative. We wanted to work with him as a partner."

The product is ordered online and then shipped from the warehouse to the consumer directly. No shop or storefront. A video is included to help the customer assemble their Original Scrapbox. "Jacob was able to develop a new system that just basically snaps together," said Hubert.

Other products have been added to help the crafter/hobbyist, or people who have a home business. "We're all about helping people get organized," said Hubert. "We want to help them simplify their lives."

Cluff said teaming up with the Huberts in January 2016 has been building imminent! great for Wood Design U.S.A. I love solving problems," said Cluff, 65 per week to the warehouse in 60,000 square feet. American Fork!"

Garth Hubert checks out wood on the front doors of an Original ScrapBox.

ploys 17 full time, with an enor- the U.S. and Canada, to the UK, mous manufacturing warehouse Germany and even Australia! expansion south of the current They have been featured by Viral

units sold, with a big rush during explaining the Huberts had sought the Christmas season. The Origia more stream-lined manufactur- nal Scrapbox YouTube video now Design U.S.A. employees, and ing process for their product. "We has more than 100 million views, shipped out our first unit in July of and the expansion between the Church and computer engineer 2016," recalled Cluff. "Now we're current building and the Buckskin Doug Deardorf. "We work well shipping out a semi truckload of Tavern will be approximately together. We've always wanted

The bustling factory now em- has now expanded its reach from to be huge!"

Thread, Business Insider, YOO, There have been thousands of Bright Side, Unilaid and dozens of other media sources.

Cluff compliments his Wood specifically shop foreman Daniel to employ people here and be The Original Scrapbook product successful. This thing is going

Citizens tell Kanab City Council NO on resolution to shrink the Monument

weeks so he could consider revisions to his Resolution 3-1-17 areas within the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument (GSENM) that do not meet the criteria of the Antiquities Act of 1906, Mayor Robert Houston brought a slightly condensed version of his initial proposal to the Kanab City Council meeting on March 14.

At the February 28 meeting, a standing-room-only crowd, nearly all of whom supported the boundaries of the GSENM as it now exists, was invited to confer their opinions of the monument to the mayor directly. A few of them did that.

Over 30 citizens attended the March 14 meeting, although many thought that public comment on the issue would not be entertained. Those wishing to and all were done courteously. Mayor Houston prefaced the comments by stating, "Both with fears that may, in reality, those previous, that there was be non-issues."

Claudia Brescia felt the public

is not being informed about these After tabling the issue for two type of issues on a timely basis.

Richard Jenkinson remarked that there is really no market for R, a resolution declaring Kanab coal now, and that is what is at City's support for identifying the the center of this push by Representative Noel's resolution already adapted by the state legislators. His wife Lynn stated tourism could be negatively-affected. "There are cultural and scientific reasons to include the Kaiparowits within

the monument," she said.

Pete Cooper said, "You have already decided what you want to do with this resolution. There has been no open discussion or forum on the issues presented in this resolution, and no democratic process involved in it."

Rina Cooper felt it set up a domino effect, "The lands designated in the monument were already federal lands belonging to all Americans. If they were ever controlled by the state, they would eventually be auctioned off to the highest private entity bidder were allowed to voice an opinion and 'No Trespassing' signs could prevent the access to these lands we have today."

Latimer Smith said it was unfair sides of this debate are dealing to imply by this resolution, and



Jacob Cluff (r) checks out land next to his Wood Design, U.S.A. factory, where he plans to expand, bringing his plant See COUNCIL, Page 2 up to 60,000 square feet. A semi truckload of 65 units ships to a warehouse in American Fork every week.

Inside The SUN This Week:

KANAB WEATHER

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Wayne & Stacy Grosz



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Kanab City Police Beat

The fact that a defendant has been charged with a crime does not mean he is quilty. The defendant is presumed innocent, until and unless proven guilty. Name will be withheld if the defendant is a juvenile. The SUN is not able to alter or omit any names from the report as submitted by KCPD.

- a report of a lost wallet. investigation. A tourist reported that that the wallet was left in the store. The case is under investigation.
- dispatched to the Ranchos on a report of a car window being broken out while the driver was driving down the road. Nothing was caused the window to break. The case is under investigation.
- PATH Assistance. Officer assistance.
- was called to a local hostel the person to be okay. worked out between the owner and the guests. No charges were filed.
- was dispatched to a resi- advised of the charges.

·Lost Property. Officer co-worker stealing from her area. The case is under inwas dispatched to a lo-purse. A statement was col-vestigation. cal convenience store on lected and the case is under

- ·Criminal Mischief. Ofwhile inside the store his ficer was dispatched to the residence for a reported fire wallet had gone missing. thrift store on a report of A search of the store and a large window that had interviews with the clerks been shattered. The case on duty were conducted. is under investigation as to No evidence was obtained the cause of how the window was broken.
- •DUI. Kyle Bennett, 21, causing the disturbance Kaibeto, Arizona, was ar-· Damage. Officer was rested and booked into the orshe could be charged with Kane County Jail.
- · Auto Accident. Officer was dispatched to a two-car accident at 100 South and Main Street. Both drivers received found that would have minor injuries and were transported to the hospital for treatment. One driver was cited for failure to yield. ·Welfare Check. Officer a possible intoxicated driver assisted the county PATH received a request from a east of Kanab on Highway (Public assistance for the family member to conduct transient and the home- a welfare check on a sister less) program, with a man who had not answered her requesting assistance. telephone for a couple of The man was cleared and days. The sister did not ness to keep the peace, as found to be eligible for the answer the door, so a local well as to see if any laws · Citizens' Dispute. Officer to make contact. They found
- where it was reported that Curfew Violation. Officer some customers were re- made contact with three fusing to pay for some food local juveniles who were last two weeks, officers reitems. The problem was driving around town after curfew. All three were referred to Juvenile Court for the violation and their ·Theft/Assault. Officer parents were contacted and Officers handled seven ani-
- dence on a report of an . Theft. Officer received last two weeks. Three dogs assault that took place a report of some property were taken to the shelter for after a victim observed a stolen from a storage unit impound.

- ·Residential Fire Alarm. Officer, along with the fire chief, were dispatched to a alarm. It was discovered to be a false alarm.
- ·Disturbance. Officer was dispatched to a local motel on a report of an unruly customer. The customer was warned to settle down disorderly conduct.
- Intoxication/Disorderly Conduct. Yulia Baca, 29, Kanab, was arrested and booked into the Kane Countv Jail.
- · Agency Assist. Officer was dispatched to assist the Utah Highway Patrol with 89. The driver was arrested by the UHP
- · Citizens' Dispute. Officer was called to a local busifamily member was asked had been broken, when an employee was terminated from his job. The case is under investigation.
 - Medical Calls. During the sponded to 10 medical calls in the local area to assist the ambulance
 - ·Animal Control Calls. mal complaints during the

Grand Canyon Rangers recover body

Regional Communications the helicopter were able to a helicopter long line. Center received a call re- locate the body of 30 year porting a visitor had fallen from the rim of the canyon west of Mather Point.

to the incident and re- pended the operation until

old Gom Dang, of Ankeny, Iowa, approximately 280 feet below the rim. Due to conino County Medical Park rangers responded time of day, rangers sus-

On Tuesday, March 14, at quested the park helicopter Wednesday morning, when 4:17 p.m., the Grand Canyon to respond as well. Staff on they recovered the body via

An investigation is being conducted by the National Park Service and the Co-Examiner.

Council

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no public support for the GSENM. The feeling expressed by council member Michael East that the council must also represent the sentiment of the so-called 'silent majority,' who do not show up at these meetings, is confusing to many like Smith.

Rich Csengewasconcerned about outsiders' perception of Kanab as the resolution becomes more well known. 'Why make a public statement that could undermine our all important tourist industry," he questioned.

Doug McNair feared the decision on monument boundaries will lie with President Trump and will be unduly influenced by the extractiveindustriesandtaken in an atmosphere of greed.

Mindy McGuire, who has a ranching background, felt it was entirely appropriate to take a look at reducing the monument in the hope that it would reduce certain monument regulations she felt were adversely affecting ranchers.

Noel Poe quoted the renowned American poet Carl Sandberg, who wrote, "The roots of America have always been in the land. We take

pride in our monumental landscapes. Wilderness is the American antiquity."

With that, the council memberswereaskedfortheir comments on the resolution.

Byard Kershaw, a former BLM employee, stated that any land taken from the GSENM remains under the control of the BLM, albeit with less restrictions on the use of that land. He didn't feel that the resolution process was done in secret and there would be no change in the landscape itself. He felt the BLM would be its own worst enemy if they bucked the state takeover of these

Michael East said he had read Presidential Proclamation 6920, that describes some of the reasons for including certain lands in the Monument for flora and fauna reasons, which were not a part of the criteria outlined in the American Antiquities Act (AA) of 1906. "I feel it was a Federal government land grab, and this resolution sends a message that if this type of thing ever happens again, it will be met with resistance,' stated East. "I want the AA to be followed as it was intended and consideration of plants and animals is not part of it." [Note: The lands designated as the monument were already under federal control. State lands within the monument were traded for federal lands outside the monument.]

Jeff Yates recognized the positive impact the GSENM has on area tourism, but said 65 percent of the monument is inaccessible to tourists. "I am not in favor of Utah taking control of these Federal lands." Yates said.

Brent Chamberlain remains upset over how the Monument was designated. The president should not have the ability to designate a Monument before scientific study has been

designation under the AA criteria." he reiterated.

Joe B. Wright believes the Kanab area has benefited from the GSENM and believes in it, but had to ask himself if he would have voted for it 20 years ago. "Why are we so upset over these Federal lands? he asked. When the sawmill shut down in Fredonia and Energy Fuels uranium mines closed, the bottom fell out of our economy. The Federal government owns 94 percent of Kane County. What are we get ting out of it?"

Resolution 3-1-17 R was then stated as follows: The Kanab City Council urges the Utah State Legislature and the Utah federal legislative delegation to support a public input process and possible legislative action that will inventory and perhaps modify the GSENM boundaries to the appropriate area necessary to protect the antiquities and the objects identified in the Presidential Proclamation 6920, September 23, 1996, which are in accordance with the American Antiquities Act of 1906.

The resolution was unanimously passed by the council.

Mike Reynolds, Kanab City Land Use Coordinator, outlined a proposal that the city's Planning and Zoning Commission has been working on the past three months regarding the density of short-term rental housing in Kanab's neighborhoods. The proposal specifies that no more than 25 percent of homes on a city block, that are not owner occupied, can be utilized as a short term rental. Presently, homes in a planned development, governed by a Home Owners Association, are exempt from this proposed resolution, which will be debated in the next council meeting

Shootout screenings at Crescent Moon on Saturday, March 25

The 7th annual "Lit- ers at the beginning of the ate a culture of filmmaking cent Moon Theater. tle Hollywood Shootout," challenge which started at in the Kanab area and this After premiering the challenge submissions Parry Lodge. will be premiered at a free the Crescent Moon The-5:30 p.m.

quick turnaround film high noon at the historic is a great opportunity for toutfilms, screening attend-

community screening on utilize locations and incor- the community.' Saturday, March 25, at porate the theme "Stay a ater in Kanab, starting at five-minute film in two days. Business, and the Arts, The screenings are the intense production schedule ism, Kane County Film culminating event of the for the filmmakers and we guerrilla filming competi- are excited to watch their tion happening in Utah's films at this community Little Hollywood. The event," said Kelly Stowell,

Teams were required to skills and display talents to

Little Longer" in making a by Center for Education, "The screenings cap off an Kane County Office of Tour-nity members and shootout Commission, Kane County Economic Development, Kanab City, Parry Lodge, Utah Office of Tourism, Utah

After premiering the shoofilmmakers to develop their ees will have the chance to vote for their favorite film, including the Audience The shootout is sponsored Choice Award, to be given out on Saturday at the Crescent Moon Theater. Commuparticipants are encouraged to attend. The Crescent Moon Theater is located at 150 S 100 E in Kanab.

For more information event started on March Kane County Film Commis- Film Commission, the Little about the Little Hollywood 22, where requirements sioner, the event's primary Hollywood Movie Museum, Shootout or to view a schedand assignments were organizer. "The shootout is Mormon Pioneer National ule of events, visit www. revealed to the filmmak-part of a larger effort to cre-Heritage Area, and the Cres-<u>littlehollywoodshootout.org</u>. undertaken to justify a on March 28.









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Happy Birthday Mom!

Dear Editor:

What can you say to the this world? Well, first of all, thank you!

for. Countless rides to practices and games. Crazy through bullies and middle tune (which was rare). school, on to high school been there for us.

kids are so spoiled (but not giving. too spoiled...) on every visit to Grandma's house.

award-winning journalist, she has spent tons of hours over the years volunteering for one thing or another. homeless folk on skid-row in Madison, to serving with the Kane County Search and Rescue and becoming a Bereavement Specialist (not for everyone). Nobody is better at feeling when somebody just needs someone to talk to than my mom. She truly is the sweetest lady you'll ever meet, unless of course you cross one of her children or grandchildren, then God help you!

We love you and won't tell anyone how old you're turning this year.

> Your favorite son, Jeremy

Happy Birthday Dixie!

Dear Editor:

First off, I would like to say what an awesome individual Dixie Brunner is. Dixie accepted me into her family when I was a sophomore in high school. Dixie was an important figure in my life. She would push me to do things I might not be comfortable doing to make me a better person. Dixie is a great person who is always willing to help others and give advice when needed.

I would like to thank you Dixie for all you have done for me to make me who I am today. Happy Birthday Dixie!

Happy Birthday Mom!

Dear Editor:

What could I possibly say lady who brought you into to convey my appreciation to the one and only Dixie Brunner. You are without a doubt Thanks for being there the most thoughtful, caring, newspaper, the community for me for: learning to read generous, kind, sincere perand write. Thousands upon son I've ever known. You are thousands of lunches and always on standby for a well dinners, you were always needed hug or smile or chat a much better cook than on the phone. You have been you gave yourself credit my pillar of strength when tough times hit.

I can proudly say that summer vacations every you've never missed out on year that made all of our singing me a birthday song friends jealous. Being a every May 3rd. The sentibest friend always there for ment was always felt, even me to listen to my whining, if the tone wasn't quite in

From the jerk lobster at and college. Whether it's a Three Dives in Jamaica, to random funny Valentine or the bacon-wrapped shrimp Easter card with \$10 in it in Akumal, to the fantasto cheer me up, or a phone tic seafood in Cape Town, call when it was badly we've shared some amazing needed, you have always adventures and I'm looking forward to many more with And then we had kids, you. You will never be able and you made the seam- to imagine how much you less transition from the mean to all of your family all of your hard work at the best mother in the world and friends. All these years to the best grandma. Our I kept asking and you kept

Now I think it's time I Not only is my mom an all begins with two simple words-Thank You. Thanks for always being there for

Happy Birthday Mom, rowdy boys. From feeding soup to the this town is lucky to have you, and so are we.

> Your favorite son, Kyle

Happy Birthday Madre!

Dear Editor:

21st birthday right? That to plip it along here. Thanks for all that you do for the and of course your family.

You have such a generous nature, warm heart and love for life. I feel very fortunate to have grown up in such a loving home with so much happiness, encouragement and support.

Madison to road trips across in Kanab, you were always there for us, and always our biggest cheerleader.

It's fun to see the same when Oscar, Zara and Monday visit Grandma. They enjoy hamper shooting, bath time, racing cars and cuddling with Grandma Dixie, and they love you beans and beans and rutabaggies.

Thanks for being a great paper and at home, and for instilling in all of us an open mind, a joy for life, a love of travel, and acceptance started giving back and it of others. I'm very glad you quit your job as a professional wrestler/basketball player/astronaut/famous movie star to raise four

Love you tons!

Your favorite son, Rory and family

Mombe!

Dear Editor:

Your thoughtfulness is unparalleled; I mean, who takes the time to hand write letters anymore? Or send their 31-year-old son a

From the summer road example growing up with trips when I was young, to the Mexico jaunts when I was in my teens, to the Africa trip where we had to fend off ravenous lions and at least one wild Younker, I've had a blast globetrotting with you and pops. You always manage to show us how to have a good time.

> Happy B-Day to Kanab's favorite redhead. You're the best mom anybody could

P.S. Even though I'm sure all of my brothers will try to say they love you the most, you know the truth.

Happy Birthday

This newspaper section sure is a special one! I'll try isn't long enough to truly express how much we all love and appreciate you Mom. I honestly don't know how

you've done it all these years, taking care of five spoiledrotten boys while writing and editing the paper (not to mention all those athletic feats). You've always been a rock for us, somebody we could all lean on when we From hospital beds in needed an honest opinion, a reality check, or a good the country to ball games pick-me-up. (I think I can actually see you smiling through the phone when you deliver those 6 a.m. birthday calls every year-so charming.)

Valentine's Day card?

ever ask for.

Your favorite son, Cody



Happy Birthday Dixie!

Dear cutest Editor ever:

birthday you celebrated on up, nylons, high heels! March 22. But I do want to you exit the 50's.

mother, grandmother, edi-Your favorite son, tor, and friend that I could Andy Cook ever have married!

leave the house wearing or even a meal. I, like the rest of our the most beautiful outfit. boys, won't mention what dressed to the nines ... make- always looking out for me

Then the next moment, wish you the very best as you are on the floor in your sweats rolling around with You are the best ... wife, your grandkids, making all birthdays ... because you them giggle non-stop!

You are the nicest, kindest person I know ... always

You are absolutely the going the extra mile for whobest-dressed woman in all ever needs a little pick-meof Kane County. You always up, phone call, note, letter,

> You are my best friend, and the fam! I am so proud of you and all

that you have accomplished! I hope you have the best of

deserve it!

Your favorite husband, **Dennis**

They just want the coal

Dear Editor:

after 20 years.

economy?

Alton Coal owes Kane So, those in our legis- County over \$575,000 in sioners wrote a letter to the lature are trying hard to property taxes, published convince usit will be a good in the SUN the last three termountain Power Project thing to reduce the size of weeks. They are more than (Alton Coal's only customer) the Grand Staircase-Escal- three years behind in reclaante National Monument, mation. They have made a Carbon Tax (California's huge mess in Alton. I have It seems they want to been volunteering with the have to convert to natural get to a coal seam un- Grand 2 Grand Ultra race gas or shut down because coming from, putting us property, with the coal of Utah to file action to on an international map extraction going on right enjoin SB 1368 and AB 32 of discoveries! Are we sup- next to the camp site with "to protect Utah residents,

posed to believe that coal the incessantly annoying industry and the state's is a "good thing" for our and stressful noise of those pounding machines 24/7.

Then, the county commisgovernor stating that if Inhas to pay the California war on coal) they would

sovereignty!" Utah wants to keep their 12.5 percent per ton coal royalty intact!

I am convinced your true motive is for the solicitation of extractive industries on the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument. Please convince me if otherwise!

I SUPPORT the ranching community using the Monuder the Kaiparowits! The for the last five years and it would cause the coal to ment, NOT EXTRACTIVE Kaiparowits is where all have seen it get worse each be too expensive to make a INDUSTRIES! I am against the Paleo discoveries are year! We camp on private profit. They want the State any downsizing of the Monu-

JoAnne Rando-Moon Kanab

Stop wasting time and money

Dear Editor:

Since the new president has taken office, our mayor, city council members and county commissioners have wasted untold hours and our tax dollars on resolutions that attempt to downsize the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument. This despite their having stated that the resolutions are not legally binding, that the State of Utah has already passed a similar resolution, and that they don't actually believe that the size of the Monument will change.

Not only are their actions vasteful, but they ignore the enormous value Grand Staircase has brought to our community: the world class science it produces, the toursm dollars it generates, and the many ways that we who live here are able use it, from hiking to grazing cattle to hunting to riding ATVs.

The current national monument designation alows for these uses, and without it, the land could be sold off for any number of private uses, including mining and development. upporting downsizing the Grand Staircase-Escalante National Monument means supporting the potential that the land will no longer belong to any of us.

Emily Schrepf

Know the laws, please

Dear Editor:

My concern is that the public, especially people or organizations that rent out places to live, that they need to know the laws on companion, comfort, emotional, therapy and service animals. Recently, we got a hold

of someone there that had a place for rent that we could afford. I e-mailed the prescription I have for my emotional support dog and two letters: one concerning the demeanor of my dog and

one from my eye specialist. I was e-mailed back with the reason they couldn't rent to me was my dog was too big and wasn't a regis-

tered service animal. According to the laws I read online at a dog registry site, the dog can be any breed, allowed in all housing regardless of pet policy, protected in all 50 states, etc. and so on. They can find this information out on that site.

I was disappointed because I have been searching for a place to live in Kanab or Fredonia, as I have macular degeneration in one of my eyes and my eye specialist is in St. George. I wanted to live in Kanab or Fredonia since it is so close. St. George is too big for me to live there.

Regards, M.D. Ruth-Clark Eagar, Ariz.

Would appreciate your help

Dear Editor:

Hello! I am a fourth grade student in North Carolina. In fourth grade, we do state reports and I have chosen your state! I am very excited to learn more about the great state of Utah as I work on my report.

Most information that we get for our reports will be from books and websites. We also like to get information from people who live in the state, too.

This is why I am writing you. I was hoping that you would be willing to send me some items to help me learn more about the best things in your state. It could be things like postcards, maps, pictures, souvenirs, general information, this newspaper article, or other items that would be useful. You can mail items to the address below. I really appreciate your help!

Sincerely, Kelly Sampson Mrs. Smith's Class **Charlotte Latin School** 9502 Providence Road Charlotte, NC 28277





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