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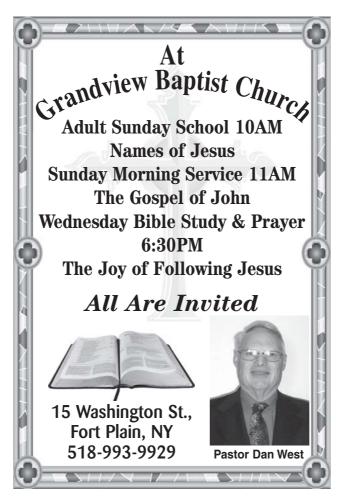
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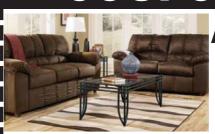
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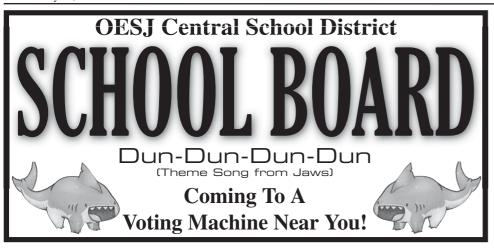
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Families celebrate Last Night of 2015 in Fort Plain

by Elizabeth A. Tomlin

Children and parents reveled in a New Year's Eve celebration with family friendly activities that highlighted Fort Plain's 2015 Last Night Celebration

Activities kicked off at the Fort Plain Free Library, where Director Whitney Hubbard and many volunteers led excited children through Last Night Button making, posing in a 'time machine' to have their photo taken by volunteer Linda Kellett, and then framing their keepsake photos with the help of other volunteers. Youngsters were also recorded in the 'Film Studio'- with their parent's permission- making New Year resolutions, which were then played back at Fort Plain's firehouse at the end of the evening.

"It's been a really successful night," said Hubbard. "We have a lot of volunteers; high school and adult." Hubbard said that due to the many "moving parts" of the event, including moving from the library on to the firehouse, where a D.J., Glow Dancers and the movie 'Back to the Future' entertained attendees, the volunteers played an essential part of the evening. "This event could not have happened without the volunteers!"

Families also attended activities at Victorious Life Church, where face painting, crafts, a magician and a petting zoo entertained, along with Country/Western/Religious singer Pete Rose.

Rose, who performed a variety of music, includ-

ing some he had composed, was joined at one point by vocalist/pianist Sue Smith. "Having been blessed to know Pastor Donnie and Pastor Charley over the last few years one knows and sees the importance of faith and family," Rose stated. "The example of both are truly evident at the Victorious Life Church."

Music was a major part of the event and while the mother and son duet 'The Moonlighters' entertained at the Ayres House, Stone Soup performed at Linda's Consignment store, Dick Solberg and the Sun Mountain Band drew a huge crowd at the Fort Plain Reformed Church and the Bill Brust Band played at the Senior Center. The Unity Hall provided the Cosby Gibson and Tom Staudle duet.

"The volunteers from the Community Activity Council, under the direction of CEO Jim Katovitch, have been meeting these past months since the 4th on the 3rd event," commented Bob Perry. "We contact the local non-profits, churches, businesses and any other interested organization who may want to be a venue for music, an act, or provide food and drink during the evening's activities. Some of the venues had our volunteers stationed at those venues to check buttons, provide information, and to sell buttons. Jim Katovitch was checking at the numerous venues to see if any volunteer needed assistance. Todd Smith and myself were in charge of lighting the fire barrels, keeping them full of

Last Night 11



Stone Soup entertained folks at 'Linda's Consignment Shop' on Main Street.

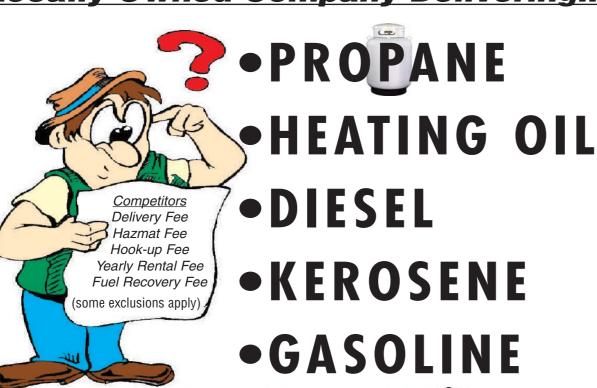
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wood, making sure everyone was safe around the four barrels and then putting out the fires."

Perry reported that St. Johnsville resident Bob Smith constructed the ball dropped at midnight. "That ball will be moved to St. Johnsville for their event next year and could possibly be used by Canajoharie as well."

Katovitch extends a huge "thank you" to everyone who attended and supported the event, including the Fort Plain Police Department, DPW, and the Fire Department, for their valuable help, and to all the volunteers who made the event happen.



The Sun Mountain Fiddler Dick Solberg & the Sun Mountain Band performed to a crowd of over 100 people at the Fort Plain Reformed Church.

Perry noted that the volunteer base in the

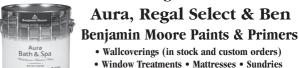
community is shrinking. "We are always looking

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Treasures in the Dirt by Nathan Weaver

One day we looked out the back window and saw our neighbor waving a funny stick-like thing neighbor what he was

over the ground. "What's that"? I asked my dad. "I think he's metal detecting," my dad said. Soon after that, we asked our

finding. He said "Oh, horseshoes and nails. Do you want to see?" Of course we did. So we went up to his house and he showed us some horseshoes and even an old Indian head penny that he had found. That really got us thinking.

A little while later my dad purchased a Bounty Hunter Gold Digger metal detector online. It came on a Saturday. We put it together, and then tried it. out inone of our field. We found alot of old fashioned square nails. It was a lot of fun swinging it over the ground and hearing it beep. One day I was using it in another field with my grandma and we found a horseshoe. Another time my

sister and I were using it. and we found a manure spreader chain.

Playgrounds, also known as 'tot lots' are very good places to go metal detecting. Here is a great example. One day my dad and I went metal detecting at a tot lot near our home. We were detecting under the swing set and found some dimes and pennies. Then we checked under a concrete park bench and found a quarter. After that we went along a gravel trail and found a dime. It was getting toward dusk and we couldn't see very well. I took one more try under the swings, and suddenly the detector beeped. We scratched around in the wood chips and I saw a bright gleam of silver. "It's a silver dime!" I hollered and held it up. "What?" said my dad and looked at it, "It really is silver." It was a 1952 Roosevelt silver dime that was shiny and clean and not tarnished at all. Who knows how it got there? Think of all the little children swinging high in the air with their pockets upside down.

Recently we got a metal detecting book that recommended hunting for buried treasure around old houses, near road construction projects,

Treasures 20



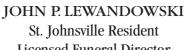




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-Whatchamacallits-

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dustry.

The chisel-like tool was used during the harvesting of the broomcorn to bend the stalks at a 90 degree angle about half way up the stalk to help make harvesting the tips easier. Once harvested, the tips w/tassels were bundled and hung to dry in a barn or shed. The comblike tool was used to strip out the seed heads leaving nice clean broom straw which was then bound into the common household

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presents itself in the form of nausea, vomiting, diarrhea, or fever. Because the symptoms are often flu-like, many people may not recognize that harmful microorganisms (germs) in food cause the illness. Everyone is at risk for getting a Foodborne Illness. However, some people are at greater risk for experienc-

ing a more serious illness or even death should they get a Foodborne Illness. Those at greater risk are infants, young children, pregnant women and their unborn babies, older adults, and people with weakened immune systems (such as those with HIV/AIDS, cancer, diabetes, kidney disease, and transplant patients.)

How do

bacteria get in food Germs may be present on food items when you buy them. For example, plastic wrapped chicken parts and ground meat came from live chickens or cattle. Raw meat, poultry, seafood and eggs are not free from germs, neither is fresh produce such as lettuce, tomatoes, sprouts and melons. Many germs are naturally present in our environment. Germs that cause disease are called pathogens. When certain pathogens enter the food supply, they can cause Foodborne Illness, Not all germs cause disease in humans. For example, some are used to create cheese and yogurt. Foods, including safely cooked and ready-to-eat foods, can become crosscontaminated. Germs can be transferred from raw egg products, raw meat, poultry, and seafood products and their juices, or from food handlers who do not practice safe hand washing, to the food you eat. Most cases of Foodborne Illness can be prevented with proper cooking or processing of food to destroy the germs.

The "Danger Zone"

Germs increase in numbers between temperatures of 40 degrees F and 140 degrees F. To keep food out of this "Danger Zone," keep cold food cold and hot food hot.

• Store food in the refrigerator (40 degrees F or below) or freezer (0 degrees F or below).

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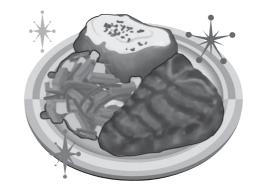
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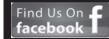
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by Christine Lalonde Meade, Supervisor, Bassett Healthcare Network, HealthWorks Occupational Health Services

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But today you've come in from the field with a sudden severe headache. The walk to the house was difficult, your balance unsteady, your foot numb. As your vision begins to fade in and out, one side of your face starts to feel numb. It droops. You want to rub it but find your arm too weak to reach up to your cheek. You make it to the phone to call 911, but the operator doesn't seem to understand you; you wonder why you can't understand her. It's because your speech is

slurred, maybe even incoherent, and your language processing skills are greatly diminished. You are confused and scared. You are having a stroke.

Stroke is the result of a clot or rupture in the blood vessels that feed the brain. Without the delivery of life-sustaining oxygen and nutrients, brain cells beyond the cut-off point begin to die. The mental and/or physical functions controlled by that particular area of the brain deteriorate and will eventually cease altogether if emergency medical care is not delivered. Because time is critical and timely medical care often not available, stroke has become the leading cause of adult disability worldwide and is currently the fifth leading cause of death in the U.S. (129,000 deaths per

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year).

Strokes can be divided into two categories based on their initial cause - blockages that prevent blood from moving beyond a certain point, and ruptures that spill blood into surrounding brain tissue and the brain cavity, also preventing blood from travelling further. Ischemic strokes, those accounting for close to 90 percent of all strokes, belong to the first category. The occurring clot or blockage is most commonly caused by plaque (fat, cholesterol and mineral deposits) inside the blood vessel — the very same plaque that can cause heart disease. Somewhat related are TIAs or Transient Ischemic Attacks. Also caused by blockages, TIAs, known also as "mini-strokes," or "warning strokes," can only be differentiated from Ischemic Stroke by their temporary, or transient, nature. Most last less than five minutes. Since there is no way for a sufferer or witness to distinguish between a TIA and an ischemic stroke, it's important to treat them in the same way-call 9-1-1 immediately.

There is only one FDA-approved treatment for Ischemic Stroke-tissue plasminogen activator, or tPA. Often considered the "gold standard" in ischemic stroke care, tPA, acting as a clot buster, restores blood flow to the cut off brain cells. Every minute that goes by without tPA results in more cell deaths, leading the ischemic stroke sufferer that much closer to permanent disability or death. But even this miracle drug has its limits; by most estimates tPA needs to be administered by IV within three hours of the first symptoms of stroke to be effective in preventing further damage.

Those strokes caused by a ruptured blood vessel in the brain are called hemorrhagic strokes. Hemorrhagic strokes, less likely but often more fatal, find their common cause in weakened, rigid vessels, and uncontrolled high blood pressure. Currently there is no drug intervention after the fact for hemorrhagic stroke. Emergency surgery is the only remedy.

If there is good news in here somewhere, it is that approximately 80 percent of all strokes are preventable simply by managing key risk factors. High blood pressure, high cholesterol, undiagnosed or uncontrolled diabetes, cigarette smoking, physical inactivity, and an irregular heartbeat known as atrial defibrillation, or a-fib, all increase one's risk of having a stroke.

The scenario described at the opening of this article is not just a hypothetical situation. Every 40 seconds, somewhere in the United States, a real person, just like you, experiences a stroke. Every four minutes someone dies as a result. On the night of July 25 of this year, my brother was one of the former. My 40-year-old, slim, athletic, active, father-of-two-teenagers, volunteer firefighter, former National Guard soldier, avid fisherman, funny-as-all-get-out brother had a stroke. A long-time smoker and lover of cheese-burgers, his blood pressure and cholesterol levels were extremely elevated.

Turns out, though, he is one of the lucky ones. Due to his EMT & military training he recognized the signs; he asked for help, he reached the nearest medical facility, and tPA was administered all within the first hour after initial symptoms. He claims that training for war didn't scare him nearly as much as that hour did.

You don't have to be one of the 795,000 Americans who will experience something like the events in the opening paragraph. When was the last time you had a physical? Take time today to schedule an appointment. Get your blood pressure, blood sugar and cholesterol levels checked. Eat a more balanced diet by adding more fruits and vegetables and fish. Maintain a healthy weight. Are you a smoker? Quit. Write your own story for a long and healthy life... because, if you are anything like my brother, you, too, have a lot more moments to look forward to with your family-and a lot more fish to catch.

For more information on Stroke call 1-888-4-STROKE (1-888-478-7653) or visit StrokeAssociation org

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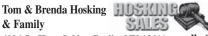
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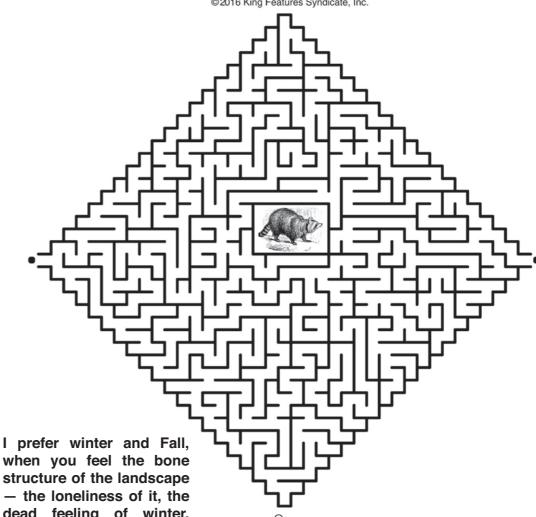
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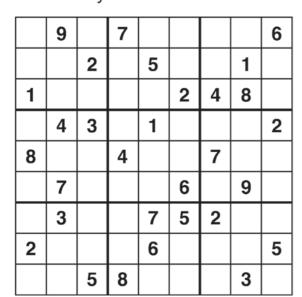


dead feeling of winter. Something waits beneath it, the whole story doesn't show. ~ American Artist,

Andrew Wyeth

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by Linda Thistle



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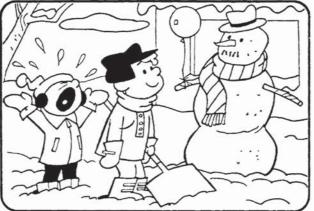
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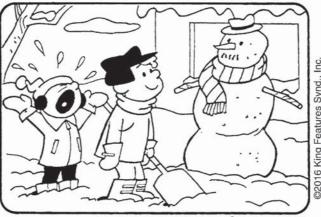
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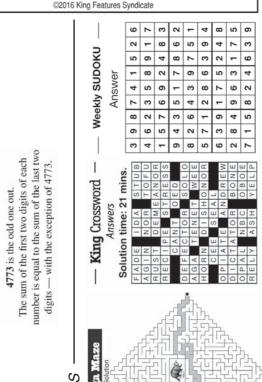
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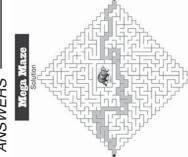
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Saturday, Jan. 16

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Sunday, Jan. 17^t

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 - ♦ Goulash
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Tuesday, Jan. 19th

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Wednesday, Jan. 20

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and around old demolished buildings. Of course you need to ask permission first, but many people say yes. The book said another good place to hunt is under old trees. Think of all the people that could have sat under that tree for shade.

One thing that you must learn if you go metal detecting in other people's lawns is how to dig a neat hole called a plug. This is very important because people don't want big messy holes in their nicely manicured lawn. A good way to keep the dirt from making someone's grass messy is to put down an old rag shirt or towel. Then put all the dirt you dig out of the

hole on the rag. When you're done, pour the dirt back in the hole, put the plug back on top, step it in with your foot, and no one will be able to tell that you were there.

Another thing that is good to learn is how to do something called "pinpointing" because it's very annoying to dig hole after hole and find nothing because you aren't digging the right spot. A good pinpointing method called "wiggle back". The way to do this is when you hear the beep, you slowly back up, still swinging the metal detector. When the beep fades away, the target should be right in front of the search coil! Then you dig it up.

Once you find them, you will need to clean up the coins. One good coin cleaning method for modern coins is to use salt and lemon juice. You should add about 1½ teaspoon salt to about 1/3 cup lemon juice. Then put it all in a container and shake it for about 2 minutes. A good cleaning method for older coins is this to get a wet piece of foil and rub the coin on it.

Metal detecting is a great hobby. Another nice thing about metal detecting is, the more you do it, and the more you learn, the closer you are to becoming an expert.

All things automotive



Did you know?

Drivers who travel between the United States and Canada or plan on renting a car for an international business trip or vacation should understand that driving rules vary from country to country. One noticeable difference is the side of the road vehicles travel on, as well as the measurement system used for calculating speed and

distance. Although speedometers will often feature both mph (miles per hour) and kmh (kilometers per hour), it helps to have a rough idea of the conversion between the two speed measurements. Every mile per hour in speed translates to roughly 1.7 kilometers per hour. Therefore, if the posted speed limit is 55 mph in the United States,

expect to travel at 88.5 kph in Canada. Always heed speed limit postings and regularly check your vehicle's speedometer to ensure you are driving at or below the legal limit. Traffic offenses that might be tolerated in one country may not be tolerated across the border, so always obey the local laws when behind the wheel.



All things automotive

Snow tires a worthy investment

Automotive experts say that snow tires are a worthy investment that improve maneuverability and stopping power on winter roads. Many people leave all-season tires on their vehicles throughout the year, but snow tires may help decrease snow-related accidents and may even help drivers save money on their auto insurance.

Consumer Reports says

that autumn is the best time to buy snow tires. As drivers prepare their vehicles for winter, the following snow tire tutorial can shed some light on why driving in winter is safer with snow tires.

• Snow tires are particularly helpful for people who cannot wait for roads to be cleared before they begin their days. Snow tires provide greater traction in wet, snowy or slushy conditions. Snow tires provide ample grip and make it easier for cars to turn corners and

stop on slick roads.

- As the mercury falls, the rubber used to make traditional tires can become hard and less pliable, compromising its ability to grip the road. However, many snow tires are made with a specialized rubber that remains supple even in very cold temperatures, making it easier for the tire to hug the roadways even when those roads are in poor condition.
- People who live in very cold climates and areas where snow and ice

dominate the landscape for several months per year often find all-season tires are inadequate and likely to slip. Snow tires make for safer alternatives in such regions.

- Snow tires are typically manufacturered the previous summer, meaning inventory is finite, according to Consumer Reports. Drivers who wait until the first snowstorm to purchase their snow tires may encounter limited inventory and find it difficult to locate the right size tire for their vehicles. That's why it's important to shop early.
- Retire snow tires earlier than you would all-season tires. Snow tires lose almost all of their effectiveness once they reach 6/32-inch deep tread.

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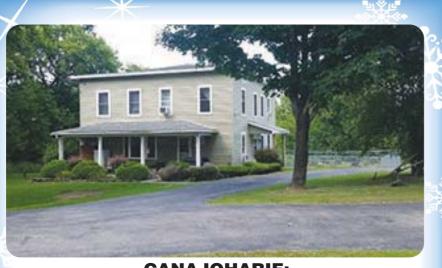
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Arkell Center Events for January

Arkell Center Programs for ALL AREA Seniors during January are as follows:

Monday-Friday: 11:45 am. The OFA Meals of Montgomery Program serves hot meals, suggested \$3 donation for 60 and older. Call 673-2000 for reservations.

Monday-Friday: 9 am -Noon. Arkell Center's Indoor Walking Program will be open to the local Senior Citizens. Please join us through the winter months.

Tuesdays: Starting Jan. 12. 10 am - 11 am. Our 6th Tai Chi Workshop with Earl O'Bryn. This 6 week workshop is sponsored by St. Mary's Healthcare, free of charge to all seniors who wish to participate.

New* Wednesdays: 10 am - 11 am. Harold Rolls will be coordinating a 6 week Meditation workshop beginning on Jan. 13. All are welcome to attend, there is no charge. Mon., Wed. & Fri.: 10 -10:30 am. Senior Exercise Program is in the basement. Open to all area Seniors. Coffee after. **Wednesdays:** 2:30 - 3:30 pm. Gentle Yoga with instructor Patty Pietrowicz in the basement. Open to all Area Seniors. \$5 donation.

All programs subject to closure when Canajoharie School is closed due to bad weather.

SPECIAL EVENTS

Jan. 20 & 27: 12:30 - 4 pm. Senior Citizens Pinochle Card Party, donation \$2, prizes & refreshments. If you would like to sub, call Terry-673-5635

Jan. 20: 10 am. In the Gallery, join us for a Water Color Class with instructor Joanne Resch. \$10 fee – includes all supplies needed to complete a painting same day. Call 673-4408 to reserve a spot.

Jan. 22: 12:30 pm. Gary VanSlyke will be performing "Winter Songs." Join us for a meal of BBQ Ribs w/ onions, red potatoes, corn, wheat bread and mandarin oranges. Call 673-2000 to sign up.

Jan. 26: 11:15 am -12:15 pm. Blood Pressure Clinic. Home Health Care Partner's Corp. (Co-Sponsored by St. Mary's & Nathan Littauer Hospital). Home Health Care Partners Corp. also provides health and wellness information.

MEETINGS

Jan. 15 & 29: 1 pm. Canajoharie Senior Citizens Club Meeting.

Jan. 21 & 28: 10:15 - 11 am. The Diet Club meets in the Gallery at Arkell Center. The goal is to be accountable while losing or maintaining your weight. Call 673-2112.

Jan. 26: 10 - 11 am. Alzheimers Caregiver Support Group. Please join us.

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