



The Flying Eagle

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It's Conclave Time in Tennessee!

By Matt Brown

What are your plans for April 18-20, 2008? Your plans should include competing in the Quest for the Golden Arrow, meeting with fellow Arrowmen from the southeast, eating great food, and trading patches! Where can you do this? The 2008 SR-6N Conclave will be at Ittawamba Lodge's Camp Mack Morris along the Tennessee River near Camden, Tennessee (a very convenient and easy drive for us). A Section Conclave is a fun and memorable OA experience. Conclave gives the nine lodges in the section an opportunity to get together for fun, fellowship, and great training classes. The Quest for the

Golden Arrow is a competition between the lodges in the Section. Our lodge won the Quest Trophy last year, and we need as many Arrowmen as we can to help bring it back

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Wa-Hi-Nasa proudly hoists the Quest Trophy at the 2007 Section Conclave.

ArrowCorps¹¹¹: Cheerful Service at Latimer

By Colin Klaus

No doubt countless of our Arrowmen have heard of the exciting new Latimer High Adventure Reservation that was just purchased by the Middle Tennessee Council. As members of the Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge, we have been given both the special privilege of developing this camp's hiking trails into a world class Scouting destination. Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge will be nothing less than true pioneers in bringing the new camp to life. The Lodge's efforts will be

headed by the newly-formed ArrowCorps¹¹¹ committee. Starting early in March and continuing throughout the summer and into the fall, the council will enlist our help. We will conduct a number of service projects on site at Latimer pertaining to building Development, ground clearing, trail construction, and sign placement. Additionally, the lodge is planning a very unique recognition item for participants who contribute 12 hours of

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Arrowmen Development Corps Learning Hard With The Guard

By Michael Moore

This year we are totally overhauling the classical training event. I can assure you that your time on base with the Tennessee Army National Guard will be worthwhile.

Kicking it all off on Friday night, there is a Cracker Barrel, hosted by Lodge Vice Chief Michael Murphy. After a good-night's sleep in the barracks, you will wake up to a hot breakfast and the beginning of a long, fun-filled day. Between you the classes of your choice, you will experience all the guard has to offer. Not only are they supplying us with state of the art facilities, but the Guard has agreed to have static displays of Tanks, Hummers, and other awesome equipment. After dinner kick back and relax while watching a movie, eating popcorn, and hanging out with your fellow brothers.

Arrowmen will have an exclusive opportunity to shoot on Smyrna's high-tech, electronic rifle range. In this facility you will shoot real military firearms that have been modified with lasers to be used with targets, digitally projected down range. Compete with your friends to see who the best shot is. Be sure to also check

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Chiefly Speaking

I hope everyone had a wonderful New Year. Looking back on Winter Camp, I can safely say that it was the best one I have

attended. The reviews and evaluations for all areas of Winter Camp were both very positive and encouraging to the way we are running this event. Thanks to all who served on staff. Our lodge is privileged to operate Winter Camp with a volunteer staff of Arrowmen. Without your participation, our council would have no staff for this important event. Thanks to all who participated and served in the 2007 Winter Camp.

Why is participation important? Without it, the lodge will not be successful. This year we will have many events that give our Arrowmen opportunities to participate. Soon, our Arrowman Development event is scheduled for March 14-16. Arrowmen will be trained in new skills and ideas while experiencing fun and exciting activities at the Smyrna National Guard Armory. Not long after the training, Arrowmen can enjoy the wonders and excitement of Conclave on April 18-20. We need all the participants we can to increase our chances of winning the Golden Arrow. This year, Section SR-6N Conclave will be hosted by the West TN

Arrowmen Development Corps

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out our climbing wall. There will be plenty of exciting activities.

The training program this year is very simple. At registration choose one of three courses provided: High-Adventure (ArrowCorps⁵, Arrow-Corp¹¹), AIE/Ceremonies, and Leadership. Classes will be determined by your course choice but everyone gets to participate in the activities mentioned above.

This is definitely a "can't miss" event. We look forward to seeing you there. Fill out the registration form on page 6 and mail it in to the council office.



Lodge Chief Jake Jones keeps a good belay on a Cub Scout climber at the Climb Nashville appreciation event for top popcorn sellers.

Council at Camp Mack Morris on the Tennessee River.

It doesn't matter how you participate, the important thing is that you are involved with an event. You are sure to have fun while doing it. I challenge every Arrowman of our lodge to participate in two events this year if not all of them. It is going to be a great year for everyone, and I hope that the Arrowmen of our lodge will participate and enjoy our events as much as I do.

Yours in service,
Jake Jones
2008 Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge Chief

Winter Camp a Great Success

By Matt Brown

The 2007 Winter Camp went off with a bang. This year, 502 campers came to Boxwell during the winter holiday to the theme of *Scouting Around the World*. 138 Arrowmen helped to staff the event. Winter Camp Chairman Trey McClain would like to thank all the Arrowmen who came to provide cheerful service. Without their help, their would have been no Winter Camp.

Campers enjoyed their merit badge classes, a variety of unique badges that aren't typically offered during the summer. Winter Camp's unique variety of merit badges included Pulp and Paper, Horsemanship, Metalwork, Traffic Safety, and many more. Michael Murphy was the Afternoon Activities Chairman and put together the afternoon recreational program.

Troops competed to earn puzzle pieces in fun games such as Double Soccer, Peru Bowling, Olympic Ball, and Steal the Bratwurst. At night, campers could enjoy the program put on by the Evening Activities staff. On Friday night the Stahlman Dining Hall was transformed into the Boxwell Cinema and *Follow Me Boys* was the feature film.

On Saturday night the dance team from Ittawamba Lodge #235 came and put on an exciting pow-wow. Campers and staff were invited to come participate in tribal dances as well as watch different styles of



Phillip Driscoll and Lodge Vice-Chief Michael Moore tend the popcorn machine at the 2007 Winter Camp.

American Indian Dance. On both the opening and closing nights campfires, participants enjoyed skits, songs, and even a guest appearance by Baden Powell himself. Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge looks forward to continuing the great tradition of supporting Winter Camp and the great program that it provides to the Council and scouts of Middle Tennessee.



Adviser's Corner

In May of this year, we will celebrate our 70th anniversary as an Order of the Arrow Lodge. Since May 20, 1938, the Wa-

Hi-Nasa Lodge has provided service to the scouting program in the Middle Tennessee Council and beyond. Through the years, our members have continually provided their time and effort into shaping a Lodge that today is rich in history and provides us with a huge legacy to uphold.

The foundation of our legacy is built on strong leadership and a strong commitment to serve. We continue to provide servant leadership locally as well as nationally. Some of last years highlights are that our Lodge competed at the Section Conclave and won the Quest for the Golden Arrow. We provided service to the Council through our 2 Ordeals and Winter Camp. Our Winter Camp was attended by 650 campers, staffers, and merit badge counselors. We participated at the National Con-

servation and Leadership Seminar and drafted our 5 year Strategic Plan. Our crowning jewel was that we achieved Quality Lodge status.

As we start this new year, we start again to build upon our past legacy. The officers and chairmen have met during several Lodge Officer Training meetings and set milestones for this years programs. This year, like every year, we will face challenges that we must overcome to reach our goals. At the end of the year, if we are successful in attaining our goals, we will add positive history to our continued legacy.

Our year has already started as we provided a service corps at the Council Summer Camp kick off event last month. Also, we served at the Climb Nashville event that honored the 600 top popcorn sellers in the Cub Scout program.

We are committed to our core programs throughout this year. Currently, our Chapters are busy conducting camp promotions, unit elections, and performing Arrow of Light and Crossover Ceremonies. In March, we will return to (after 5 years away) the Smyrna National Guard facility to conduct our Spring Arrowmen Development Corps program. In April, we will travel to Camp Mack Morris for Section Conclave to de-

pend our Quest for the Golden Arrow trophy. Ordeals will be conducted in May and August. During Summer Camp, OA Cracker Barrels will be provided on Wednesday evenings. We will have Fall Fellowship in September, and Winter Banquet and Winter Camp in December.

We will send members to participate at several locations this summer at the National ArrowCorps⁵ event. A new long term program at the new Latimer High Adventure Reservation called ArrowCorps¹¹¹ will be inaugurated this year too. This program is a once in a lifetime opportunity for our Lodge to assist in developing trails and program areas to enable the new Latimer Reservation to open to Council units later this fall.

Every Arrowman has the opportunity to participate and serve throughout the year. It's a great year to celebrate the 70th year of the Wa-Hi-Nasa Lodge and also to help continue our rich legacy of strong leadership and service to scouting.

I look forward to an exciting year.

Robert Guisinger
2008 Lodge Adviser



Conclave

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home again.

Everyone will also enjoy the great food at the Cracker Barrels. You can meet new people from around the section. There is also plenty of patch trading. Sunday's activities at Conclave include election of the new SR-6N officers for the 2008 year. Attending the 2008 Conclave promises to be a great and memorable experience for all Arrowmen.

Jermay Fair, one of the Host Lodge Coordinators, said, "Ittawamba Lodge 235 is very excited to host the 2008 SR-6N Conclave and hopes this proves to be the best Conclave to date. Our camp, Camp Mack Morris, has wonderful facilities to host a Conclave. Please consider attending Conclave this year...you won't be disappointed. Make sure you are at Camp Mack Morris in April for the best Conclave in SR-6N history!"



2008 AIE Chairman Trey McClain prepares to belay a Cub Scout in support of the Lodge's service project at Climb Nashville for top popcorn sellers.

The Flying Eagle Interviews New Scout Executive

Shortly before arriving in Nashville, Wa-Hi-Nasa's new "Supreme Chief of the Fire," Hugh Travis, sat down with Lodge Secretary Matt Brown.

FE: Tell me about your time as a scout in Middle Tennessee. What troop were you a member of?

HT: I joined in the Cub Scout ranks in east Nashville where we grew up. My mom and dad were both involved in the Cub Scout pack. I joined the first year I could join. In that case I was in the third grade and I would have probably been eight years old. Then I went through the Cub Scout program and attained the Arrow of Light award. I moved over into our Boy Scout troop that was associated with the pack, Troop 252, and went through the ranks there. I was able to serve as the senior patrol leader of the troop, and was able to attain the rank of Eagle there. During that period of time we had summer camp at Boxwell at Camp Parnell. I worked staff at Boxwell for many years and even had the opportunity when I first became a professional Scouter to serve as the camp director of Camp Craig back in 1977.

FE: What was your favorite Scouting memory as a boy?

HT: We thoroughly enjoyed going to Boxwell and camping. Old Hickory Lake; it was just a special place. I remember to this day a number of our scout leaders. The ones that I could list would be Gene Perry and Smokey Davis. They were two leaders that were very involved in my opportunity to attain the rank of Eagle.

FE: Where did you attend high school and college?

How did you choose Scouting as a career?

HT: I graduated from high school at Stratford High School. I had an opportunity to play basketball there and play baseball. Then went from Stratford High School to college at Tennessee Technological University. I was fortunate enough to be able to go there on a baseball scholarship as a pitcher. When I graduated from college I applied for a job at Tennessee Wildlife Resources Agency – at the time it was called Tennessee State Game and Fish.

FE: Is there a reason that you chose the Boy Scouts over the Tennessee State Game and Fish?

HT: I had an opportunity to interview at the Tennessee State Game and Fish, and did. But at the time I just felt I wanted to pursue scouting and it was a great program for me as a youth. I took the Eagle Charge and promised to give back more to scouting than it gave to me. I felt maybe by more focusing my career to scouting maybe I could give back a little bit. So as a result I had the privilege to

interview for the Boy Scouts and started my career in Scouting as a District Executive for the Davy Crockett District.

FE: After you were a district executive for Davy Crockett District, where did you go from there?

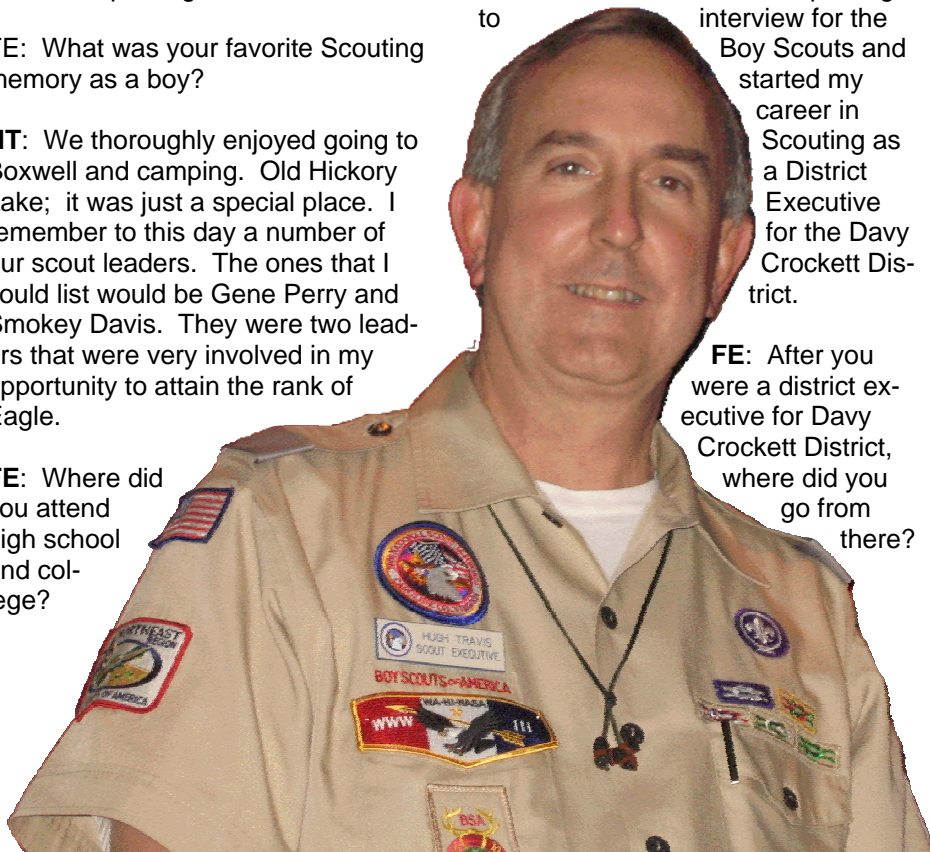
HT: I went from there to being a Field Director. Then from there I became the council Finance Director and then the Director of Field Services. In 1986 I had the opportunity to become the Scout Executive in Johnson City, Tennessee. I've also been the Scout Executive in Orlando, Los Angeles, and most recently in Baltimore.

FE: Have you set any goals yet that you want to accomplish as Scout Executive in Middle Tennessee?

HT: One of my first things that I hope to do when I arrive in the council is spending the first couple of days visiting with each member of the staff in the Middle Tennessee Council and gaining insight as to their desires for the council, what they do and try to spend a little time getting to know the staff in the council that make the program work. And then from that we'll develop a vision. But I can tell you that the Middle Tennessee Council has a rich history and tradition of delivering quality program. And I wish to continue that tradition, and continue to develop the camping opportunity such as Boxwell, Grimes, Parish and the Latimer property.

FE: What do you see in the future of Boxwell and Latimer?

HT: I see a major commitment by the council and the resources in the council to continue to develop the camping programs and make the programs quality. That was my first gateway into the Boy Scouts. Boxwell. And I love that place. It was a place that I learned a love for the outdoors. In a small way it gave me an opportunity to be a professional Scouter. Latimer is a marvelous piece of property. I've had the privilege of going over there and seeing it. I actually walked on the property and observed it prior to my coming to Middle Tennessee. It's a lovely piece of land that is going to be a tremendous program facility for troops and units to come over there and have a chance to hike it, and to experience the programs, not unlike



Philmont or some of the places like that.

FE: Moving on to the Order of the Arrow. What can Wa-Hi-Nasa do to help you in your administration?

HT: I think it should continue to serve as one of the pillars that help the council that I remember from day one when I joined the ranks as a professional Scouter. One man from the lodge had a great impact on my career. A man by the name of Howard Olson. Howard is a good friend, and someone who I've had the opportunity of working alongside of for a number of years. And he's pretty special. One of the first calls that I had the opportunity to place indicating of the opportunity that I had to come back to the Middle Tennessee Council was to Howard Olson. He's very special. But I think the biggest thing that the lodge can do is to continue to promote Scout camping, continue to provide the service to our facilities and the community, and continue to be an example to the younger Scouts.

FE: Do you have a favorite OA moment from your many years in Scouting?

HT: Yes I do. I remember dancing around the campfire many, many years ago. And being a part of a ceremonial team.

FE: Thank you for talking with me. Is there anything else that you'd like to add:

HT: Oh, I would tell you that, as I have told many, that it is very special to be able to come back home and to give back to your council that helped raise you as a young person and put you on the scouting trail and be able to give back to scouting as a Scout Executive. It's a very special place. I have some fond memories of Scouting in Middle Tennessee. My hope and desire is that we can create those fond memories in the lives of the young people that are in generations to come. That's my challenge. That's something that I hope I'm up to the task.



Where Is He Now?



Ryan Belew

By Matt Brown

An Eagle Scout and Vigil member from Troop 514 in Clarksville, TN, Ryan Belew served as the 2003 Vice Chief of Service. After graduating from Clarksville High School he joined the Pararescue division of the United States Air Force. Their purpose is to perform search and rescue missions, provide emergency medical treatment, and recover downed aircrews and aerospace hardware. As part of his Pararescue training he received an Associates Degree in Paramedics from Eastern New Mexico State University. Ryan is currently living in Kentucky.

In his Order of the Arrow career Ryan served as the Anawaha Chapter Vice Chief, OA Representative Chair, training staff at NOAC, the first Evening Activities Chairman at Winter Camp, and Elangomat Chair in addition to being the Vice-Chief of Service. He also worked at Grimes Canoe Base and as a Boxwell Aquatics instructor for many years.

The Flying Eagle got a chance talk with Ryan about his Scouting memories.

FE: What is your favorite memory from the Order of the Arrow?

Ryan: My favorite memory is from when I was Ordeal Master. I got to work with my friends and it made me realize the difference that a small group of people can make.

FE: What did you learn from being a Lodge officer and chairman that you use today as a Pararescueman?

Ryan: Being a Para-rescueman is a lot like the OA. It is a small group of motivated people getting together to make a difference for others. The skills that I received from working with others and planning events have helped me during my time in the Air Force.

FE: What do you see yourself doing in the future?

Ryan: I will be going to college in the next semester in Louisville, Kentucky. Then after about two or three more years of college I will be working on my masters. I really want to be qualified as a Physicians assistant and that is where I see myself.

FE: Do you have any advice that you want to tell the Lodge members?

Ryan: Find a goal and shoot for it. You can accomplish almost anything that way.



New MTC Scout Executive Hugh Travis (left) as a youth presents a commendation to former Nashville Mayor Beverly Briley.

Arrowmen Development Corps
March 14th-16th
Smyrna National Guard Armory
Registration Form

Name (as it appears on your OA card): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Date of Birth: _____ Youth: _____ Adult: _____

District: _____ Troop: _____

Email: _____

Please mark for which event you are registering and the amount you are sending:

_____ Arrowmen Development Corps. (CC #481) **\$25* / \$35**

_____ Gold Card (*all events except Conclave*) (CC #471) **\$85**

***Early fee if registration is postmarked two weeks before the event**
Regular Fee applies if postmarked after that date

Please make all checks out to Boy Scouts of America

Mail this form to:

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Winter Banquet Recap

The Lodge held its annual banquet in December 2007 to celebrate another successful year serving Scouting in Middle Tennessee. The following individual and chapter awards were first announced at the Winter Banquet.

Individual Awards

Founder's Award

Rob Guisinger

Howard B. Olson Lifetime Achievement Award

Chris Snoddy

James E. West Fellowship

Franklin Curtis, David Williams

Josh Sain Memorial Award

Terry Reeder, Dan Rule, Scott Bryan Cory Barry, Steve Probst, Jeff Finley, Trey McClain

Unsung Arrowman Award

Shawn Bowmen

Tom Parker Memorial Award for Excellence in Camp Promotions

B.J. Matheney

Excellence in Ceremonies

Taylor Fox

Flying Eagle Awards

Ashley Durham, Ian Romaine



Caleb Wilson is a Life Scout of Troop 72 in Rickman, Tennessee. Caleb is also in the 8th grade at Rickman Elementary School. At

school he enjoys playing trombone in the school band. He is also a member of the Speech Club, Yearbook Staff, and he enjoys participating in the school's plays each year. In his spare time, Caleb spends time with friends, enjoys outdoor activities, and watches movies.

Caleb has been involved in Scouting since the first grade. He earned his Arrow of Light from Pack 133 before becoming a scout of Troop 72. As well as being a Life Scout, Caleb has shown great leadership skills in his time as a Patrol Leader, Den Chief, Assistant Senior Patrol Leader, Scribe, and Quartermaster. Caleb has also earned his religious

Chapter Awards

Awards are listed as Chapter / District

Excellence in Ceremonies

Cherokee / Cherokee

Outstanding Service to Scouting

Atohuna / Walton Trail

Highest Brotherhood Percentage

Wewoapisak / Hermitage

Most Improved Chapter

Elk River / Elk River

Honor Chapters

Wewoapisak / Hermitage
Cherokee / Cherokee
Atohuna / Walton Trail
Wdee Chapter / Trail of Tears

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Standard Chapters

Wulihan / Nashboro
Elk River / Elk River



Arrowman Spotlight

emblem, the Good Servant during his scouting career.

One of Caleb's favorite scouting events was this past summer when he had the opportunity to join forty thousand Scouts from around the world at the 21st World Scout Jamboree in England. Caleb says that it was a very fun and memorable experience where he made lots of good memories. In the Order of the Arrow

Caleb went through the Ordeal in the Spring of 2006 and became a Brotherhood member in the Spring of 2007. This year Caleb is the Summer Camp Kick-off chairman and he is the Strategic Plan Chairman for 2008.

When asked what he likes most about the Order Caleb said "I always have fun going to events and meeting new people." We look forward to see Caleb become a better leader in the future.

By Matt Brown

ArrowCorps¹¹¹

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service and awarded at the 2008 Winter Banquet. To perform the jobs successfully, we need volunteers. Approximately fourteen crews of fourteen members, lead by a youth leader and guided by an adult adviser will be assigned separate weekends and separate projects on yet to be determined dates. If you are interested in serving as a youth crew leader, adult adviser, or a general crew member, send an email to arrowcorps111@wa-hi-nasa.org.



2007 Lodge Chief Tyler Stein administers the oath of office to 2008 Lodge Chief Jake Jones at the Winter Banquet last December.



No one submitted entries for the November 2007 *Flying Eagle* caption contest. We will however continue to accept suggestions for the picture above. Be sure to check out this issue's caption contest on the back page.



One Last Look...

Caption Contest:

Lodge Vice Chief Michael 'Smurf' Murphy and Mac Edmonson enjoy the American Indian dancing at the 2007 Winter Camp. Send in your suggestion for an appropriate caption to this picture and you could win a 70th Anniversary Lodge Collector Flap. Email submissions to: flyingeagle@wa-hi-nasa.org.



HELP WA-HI-NASA TAKE HOME THE QUEST TROPHY

Section SR-6N Conclave - April 18-20

REGISTER TODAY WITH THE ENCLOSED FORM!

Arrowmen Development Corps

March 14-16 - Smyrna National Guard Armory

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2008 Lodge Calendar

Arrowmen Development Course	March 14-16
Section SR-6N Conclave	April 18-20
Spring Ordeal	May 30-June 1
ArrowCorps ⁵ (Lodge Contingent)	June 7-14
Fall Ordeal	August 8-10
Fall Fellowship	September 19-21
Winter Banquet	December 6
Winter Camp	December 27-31

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