

THE ALLIANCE ALERT March-April 2023

The Women's Alliance of the Unitarian Church of All Souls, Inc.



MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

By Christine Goodwin

Spring may be in the air ... almost. Daylight savings time returns on Sunday, March 12, and days are getting warmer after an admittedly warm and snow-free winter (so far). Hope "springs" eternal, and we are again looking forward to monthly meetings in person starting in March, providing that the elevator in Wiggin House and the bathrooms on the Reidy Hall level are available. We hope to continue to provide a Zoom link even after we resume in-person meetings.



Upcoming dates:

- Monthly meetings will be March 15, April 19, and May 17 from 12 noon 2:00 p.m.
- The annual Angie Utt Lecture on Women in American Culture, featuring Donna Lieberman, executive director of the New York Civil Liberties Union, will be on Saturday, March 11 at 3:00 p.m., in person in the Sanctuary.

As construction is completed and more spaces are available for us to meet, we hope to resume and expand our activities, so stay tuned...

Congratulations also to our Women's Alliance members Dixie Goss and Judith Moldover, who have been newly elected to the All Souls Board of Trustees.

WHO WE ARE

Since All Souls' founding in 1819, women have played an active role in the congregation. Today the Women's Alliance (WA) is a community of more than 120 women who embody Unitarian Universalist values in their lives. We welcome members from the Unitarian Church of All Souls as well as non-church members.

The WA cultivates an environment in which women of all ages can participate in social, cultural, educational, and charitable activities designed to enrich their lives. Frequent small group outings, as well as monthly meetings, create an atmosphere where new friendships can be forged among members and visitors.

WOMEN'S ALLIANCE UPCOMING EVENTS

NOTE ON EVENT PARTICIPATION: The Executive Board encourages all members to participate in Women's Alliance activities. However, as some outings require the use of staircases, walking long distances or crossing uneven terrains, any member with physical limitations should use good judgment before registering. The Board asks that such members speak with the outing leader and consult the visit site to determine how able they will be to get around; further, it is strongly recommended that they bring a companion to help them. Because outing leaders are responsible to a group of attendees, they cannot assist an individual on an outing, unless, of course, an emergency arises. By participating in WA outings, attendees agree they have read this statement and will follow its recommendations.

Saturday, March 11, 3 p.m., The Sanctuary at All Souls and online Angie Utt Lecture on Women in American Culture — Donna Lieberman

The executive director of the New York Civil Liberties Union since 2001 and founder of its Reproductive Rights Project, Ms. Lieberman will talk about how "We Who Believe in Freedom

Cannot Rest." Among the NYCLU's accomplishments during her tenure are reforming stop & frisk; serving as co-counsel to Edie Windsor in the lawsuit that struck down the Defense of Marriage Act; and securing passage of Paid Family Leave. Her talk will be followed by a Q&A and refreshments.

Wednesday, March 15, 12-2 p.m. WA Membership Meeting, Reidy Friendship Hall and Zoom



"The doyenne of city walking guides" (New York Times), Joyce Gold will speak on "The Immigrant, Radical, Notorious Women of Washington Square." Much of the vitality of New York's political, creative, and intellectual movements has long been accounted for by the amazing female population of Washington Square — poor, working class and gentry women alike. Lunch (BYO) and business meeting, followed by the speaker and socializing. We'll provide coffee,

tea and a sweet.

Saturday, March 18, 11 a.m.

"The Sassoons," The Jewish Museum, 1109 Fifth Ave. at 92nd Street Four generations of a remarkable Jewish family are revealed through a rich selection of

120 works collected by family members over time, from Iraq to India, China and England. Highlights include magnificent portraits by John Singer Sargent of Sassoon family members. The exhibition highlights the family's pioneering role in trade, art collecting, architectural patronage, and civic engagement from the early 19th century through World War II. Free.



Leader: Maureen Marwick. Please contact her at <u>maureen31572@gmail.com</u> or 347-501-1098r to let her know you are coming and to join lunch at Island Restaurant, 1305 Madison Ave. (92nd & 93rd), by Thursday noon, March 9, so she can make reservations.

Sunday, March 19, after the 11:15 a.m. service Spring Awakening Brunch in Reidy Friendship Hall

The service (WA Member Pamela Patton preaching) will be followed by a churchwide potluck brunch.

Wednesdays, March 22-April 26, 12:45 p.m.

Music Special Interest Group (SIG) at Alice Tully Hall, Lincoln Center

Juilliard's Wednesdays at One concerts are free with open seating. No ticket is required. WA member Mary Geissman plans to attend all the concerts listed below. If you wish to join her, meet in the lobby of Alice Tully Hall at 12:45 p.m. Lunch following the one-hour concert at a nearby restaurant, if you wish. For more information, contact Mary at 646-238-7280,

mjgeissman@gmail.com

March 22 — Music for Brass March 29 — Honors Chamber Music April 5 — Vocal Arts April 12 — Percussion Ensemble April 26 — Honors Chamber Music

Sunday, March 26, after the 11:15 a.m. service WA members serve at Coffee Hour in Reidy Friendship Hall

Thursday, April 13, 11 a.m.

"Comparative Hell: Art of Asian Underworlds," Asia Society, 725 Park Ave. at 70th



Ingrid Krinke, WA member and Asia Society docent, will lead us to Hell... and back! Join us for the first comprehensive exhibition in the United States to explore the portrayals of hell across the Asian religions of Buddhism, Hinduism, Jainism, and Islam. Visually stunning paintings, sculptures, and sacred objects introduce the notions of cosmology as well as ideas about judgment, punishment, and salvation

after death. Exhibition artworks portray religious threats of fiery torture as a means to shape values and beliefs, to instill virtuous behavior, and to encourage atonement for sins. "It should be a very interesting exhibit" says Ingrid, "and having seen it, it is quite a beautiful presentation of Hell." Check reviews in the NYT.

Ingrid's tour is limited to 20. Buy a ticket in advance. \$12; \$7 Senior.

Registrar: Sandra Fisher. Please let her know you are coming on the tour, and if you are joining us for lunch at the Museum restaurant around 12:45 p.m. RSVP for lunch by Tuesday 6pm. <u>sfisher535@aol.com</u> or 646-675-3608.

Wednesday, April 19, 12-2 p.m.

WA Membership Meeting, Reidy Friendship Hall and Zoom

"Medical Aid in Dying" — a discussion with Corinne A. Carey, Esq, **s**enior state director for New York & New Jersey Compassion & Choices; and Nancy Willie-Schiff, PhD, co-chair of End of Life Choices New York and coordinator of New York UU Network for Medical Aid in Dying. Moderated by Arelis Torres, educator, writer, and advocate for the Hispanic community on health, LGBTQ, government policy and human rights.

Lunch (BYO) and business meeting, followed by the panel discussion and socializing. We'll provide coffee, tea and a sweet.

Women's Reading Group (SIG)

Second Tuesday of each month, 7:00 p.m. on Zoom

March 14: *Tangled up in Blue*, by Rosa Brooks April 11: *A Woman is no Man*, by Etaf Rum May 9: *The Rose Code*, by Kate Quinn For more information, contact: <u>christina.black50@gmail.com</u>

THE WOMEN'S ALLIANCE AWARD The inaugural presentation took place in February



"The Women's Alliance Award was developed," explained WA President Christine Goodwin to those in attendance at All Souls' Annual Meeting in February, "in order to recognize the achievements of women in the fields of social justice, human rights and Unitarian-Universalist values." Carol Kirkman, chair of the Women's Alliance Award Committee (Jane Colvin, Winnie Olsen, Mary Dugan, and Mary Gundermann, members) introduced the award's previously unannounced first recipient.

"It is my incredible honor," said Carol, "to present this award to a candidate who could not be better in fulfilling all the criteria of the award. ... The recipient of our award today is Nancy Northup."

Nancy is a former director at the Brennan Center for Justice at the NYU School of Law; a former Assistant U. S. Attorney for the U.S. Attorney's Office for the Southern District of New York; and the current president and CEO of the Center for Reproductive Rights, which uses the power of law to advance reproductive rights as human rights around the world. Since its founding in 1992, the Center has participated in every major U.S. Supreme Court abortion case. In accepting the award, Nancy noted that she has led the Center for 20 years, "through some real highs ... and of course the low that we had this year in the reversal of Roe v. Wade, which the Center for Reproductive Rights argued before the U.S. Supreme Court."

At All Souls, Nancy has served as president of the Board of Trustees, served on a ministerial search committee, and taught Coming of Age in R.E.

Facing those attending the meeting in the All Souls sanctuary, she declared, "I do my work because of, not in spite of my faith." Referring to the 20 years she has travelled throughout the country for her work with the Center, spending time in "places where the legislatures are incredibly hostile to reproductive rights," she said, "I don't think I could have done the work that I've been doing if my home congregation at All Souls had not been a place to come back to, to get refreshed, to feed my soul. ... I've been a member for over 40 years ... and I'm just so honored by today's award."

The award includes a \$500 donation to the charity of Nancy's choice, which will be the Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice (RCRC), a national interfaith movement that brings the moral force of religion to protect and advance reproductive health, choice, rights and justice.

OUR NEWEST 'SISTER' Sandra Lotz Fisher is honored by the Clara Barton Sisterhood

Since it was created in 1979, fewer than 800 women throughout the United States, Canada, and the world have been honored with enrollment in the Clara Barton Sisterhood of the Unitarian Universalist Women's Federation. The award recognizes UU women aged 80 and over who have made significant contributions to their congregations and communities. This year the Women's Alliance of the Unitarian Church of All



Souls chose to enroll Sandra Lotz Fisher in the Clara Barton Sisterhood in honor of her extraordinary contributions to women and girls and to All Souls. Because WA's Annual Meeting on February 15th was held virtually this year, Sandra was presented with her award certificate in person earlier in the month by Pamela Patton, All Soul's director of pastoral ministries. At the WA Annual Meeting, her citation was read aloud by the Rev. Audette Fulbright:

For 20 years, Sandra managed the extensive Girl Scout program (comprised of Brownie, Junior, Cadet and Senior troops) for girls and families potentially at risk in the underserved community of East Harlem. The program is supported by the Unitarian Church of All Souls and its partner, Heart and Soul Charitable Trust. In addition, Sandra is chair of the Women's Alliance Outings Committee, for which she plans excursions — with dining at a local restaurant — to museums, galleries, and places of historical, cultural, and recreational interest in Manhattan and the New York Metro area. She is also a member of the Alliance's Nominating Committee and Executive Board.

For All Souls Church, which she joined in 1983, Sandra is a Deacon and a recipient of its Deacon's Award. ... Sandra was a member of the planning committee of All Souls' recent capital campaign and is a longtime member of UUWF.

"I have been deeply impressed," added Audette, "by the *fierceness* of Sandra's commitment both to All Souls proper and its success and health, but also to women's issues writ large." After a round of applause from Audette and members of the Alliance, Sandra thanked everyone, thanked Heart & Soul and All Souls for funding her Girl Scout troop, and almost became overcome with emotion as she described how her former scouts have reaped "countless" benefits from the program. "One gal in particular," she said.

Ever vigilant to the extraordinary opportunities that Girl Scouts offers, Sandra encouraged the girl to join the Girl Scouts of NYC's Leadership Institute, a comprehensive four-year teen leadership program. "The girl's troop leader took the girls to Philly for a weekend, including a visit to the Penn, the leader's alma mater. Once home, the girl declared to her mom, 'Penn is where I want to go to college. Period.' She was accepted early decision to the renowned Wharton Business School and is now a sophomore at the University of Pennsylvania," also Sandra's alma mater.

Sandra is inviting CB Sisters from All Souls for lunch and a friendly schmooze on Monday, March 6 at 12:30 p.m. at her home at 535 E 86th.

MEET GRETCHEN GABRIELSON All Souls' New Membership and Engagement Coordinator



Those who have attended Sunday services in the All Souls sanctuary in recent weeks have run into a new energy in the vestibule. That would be the very friendly Gretchen Gabrielson, whose primary focus as All Souls' new Membership & Engagement Coordinator is to be a welcoming presence to newcomers. But there is more in her portfolio, including Adult

Education, a subject of great interest to many members of the WA.

Gretchen, who has roots in New England and a formative history in the Carolinas, where she received her bachelor and master's degrees and where she thinks about retiring someday, will run monthly "All Souls in 20 Minutes" workshops; introduce pathways to membership; and help walk interested individuals through the process of becoming virtual and in-person members. She will also coordinate friendship circles, where new and old members alike can get to know each other better.

Her work with Adult Ed is still in the planning stages, with programming expected to begin in late spring. And while she expects to explore new directions, Gretchen is also exploring the past of the program, which she has been hearing about from the Rev. Audette Fulbright and Pamela Patton. "Pamela let me know about David's great work," she says in reference to the Rev. David Robb, the former director of Adult Ed and All Souls' Scholar in Residence.

Rounding out Gretchen's portfolio will be her work with the Sunday service — she'll be coordinating the ushers and the speakers for "Opening Words" — and with Young Adults.

A warm welcome to Gretchen! She can be reached at gretchen@allsoulsnyc.org.

WHAT'S UP WITH THE UUWF? At 154, It Is Not Too Old to Change **By Sally Turner**

What is the Unitarian Universalist Women's Federation (UUWF)?

UUWF is a national membership organization that was formed in 1963 through the consolidation of the Association of Universalist Women, founded in 1869, and the Alliance of Unitarian Women founded in 1890. Like the Women's Alliance of the Unitarian Church of All Souls, it's an independent 501(c)(3) nonprofit corporation.

The UUWF's focus is on public policy issues including reproductive justice, immigration reform, and economic justice as they relate to women and girls; but UUWF also works to foster the spiritual growth of women and girls. In particular, it provides and administers grants and scholarships to foster BIPOC (Black, Indigenous, and People of Color) women who are pursuing training in ministerial, religious education and music education roles within the UU association. It also maintains award programs to honor the contributions of individuals and organizations that have made significant contributions to women, church and community life; in fact, one of our congregation, Sandra Fisher, has recently been enrolled in the Clara Barton Sisterhood, which honors UU women over 80 who have made significant contributions to their community.

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The UUWF has evolved over the past 60 years and its focus on and involvement with public policy issues has evolved as well. However, it continues to be primarily concerned with social justice for women and girls, and training women for leadership roles. Ann Wiesner, the director of UUWF, explained on the phone that "over the past two years UUWF has undertaken a process of reflection on who we are and who we want to become." One of the outcomes of this discernment was a new vision statement: *The UUFW builds covenantal relationships amongst UU women that equip us all to be better co-conspirators and allies in the movement for collective liberation.*

Again, quoting Ann, "this vision represents a greater emphasis on relationships, community building and capacity-building, all with an anti-racist lens. It also continues our long-standing commitment to activism and advocacy." She specifically addressed the intentional use of words that have raised some eyebrows. "Co-conspirator" is used to indicate that we do not only act as allies to other people's interests, but we explicitly recognize that we are *all* harmed by racial, economic and immigration injustice, and that we are acting *together* to dismantle them. She described UUWA's hiring of additional staff to realize its intention to become more engaging, relevant and impactful and to strengthen connection to local UU groups such as our Women's Alliance.

Interestingly, WA member Mary Geissman attended a UUWF event at UUA's 2022 General Assembly in Portland, Oregon, and was delighted to encounter more young people than she has seen at previous UUWF events.

So how is the Women's Alliance of the Unitarian Church of All Souls involved in the UUWF? While there is no hierarchical or codified relationship between our organizations, the All Souls WA provides a stipend to send one of its members to attend the UUA's annual General Assembly and, in particular, to attend the UUWF meetings at GA and report back to the Women's Alliance. The WA also contributes financially to the UUWF in support of its funding and grant programs mentioned above. But both organizations are unique and independent 501(c)(3) corporations.



WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST MEMBERS

<u>2022</u>:

Karen Bruno Marilyn Collins Ellen Gabriel Patricia Glennon Carol Magai Judith Moldover Roberta Renard Gail Rodney Suzanne Salomon Brigitte Seidel Helen Tandler Sally Turner

2023 (as of February 27):

Kim Calder Annette Cohen Elizabeth (Betsy) Meehan Melanie Niemiec Judy Samuelson

The Women's Alliance - supporting values of friendship, equality and justice

LYNDL THORSEN MARSHALL An Appreciation by Mary Ann Van Osdol

Lyndl Thorsen Marshall died peacefully at her New York City home on December 22, 2022. She had been bedridden for several months after complications from a fall.

She is survived by her four daughters, Alice, Katharine, Claire and Jamie; five grandsons; three greatgrandchildren, and her sister, Flora Higgins.

Her daughters held a memorial service at All Souls on January 11, 2023. It would have been Lyndl's 92nd birthday. Although she was born and lived most of her life in New York City, Lyndl joined the Unitarian Church community when she lived briefly in Tulsa, Oklahoma, early in her marriage. At our church, she was in our Community Choir and the Women's Alliance, and brought several people into All Souls, including the writer of this article. She was passionately political and read every book by Obama.

Lyndl went to Vassar College, where she graduated with a degree in American Studies. A working mother, she held various NYC-based jobs including positions at Council of the Americas and the allwomen advertising agency JMPM. Sally Ménard, who owned JMPM, was Lyndl's dear friend and political ally, and she spoke movingly at her memorial service. Before Lyndl retired, she worked for her daughter's company, Alice Marshall Public Relations.

THE REV. RICHARD "DICK" DAVIS LEONARD An Appreciation by Sandra Ekberg

Dick Leonard was to have been the speaker at WA's November 2022 monthly luncheon, where I would have conducted an interview with him. A few days prior to the program date, his daughter Elizabeth called me, saying that Dick was to be hospitalized with Covid. When he did return to 305 West End Ave., an assisted living facility that was his home for the last years of his life, he began receiving hospice care and died shortly thereafter at age

95. His memorial service will be held at All Souls on Saturday, April 22 at 11 a.m., and followed by a reception in Reidy Friendship Hall.

The Planned Interview:

Had Dick lived long enough to be interviewed, we would have discussed everything from what led him to become a minister to the significant role of music in his life; from his lifelong interest in civil rights to his role in the 1965 Selma march; from his extensive travels with his wife, Polly, to the many weddings he performed. I also planned to ask him about the five books he authored:

- Call to Selma: Eighteen Days of Witness, his powerful description of the 300 marchers who accompanied Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. in the 1965, 54-mile journey. While marchers included many clergy from all around the country, Dick was one of a very few white clergy accompanying Dr. King. (This book is available on Amazon.)
- Wet Cement, a 3-volume memoir consisting of vignettes from his personal and professional life. (These will be available at the memorial service.)
- *Ports of Call: Journeys in Ministry (2004),* a collection of Dick's sermons and other writings from his years at All Souls. (Depending on supply, copies may also be available at the memorial service.)

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Music and Chess:

During his childhood In Detroit, Dick Leonard became interested in classical music, studied the violin, and became so accomplished he won a scholarship to the Eastman School of Music in Rochester, New York. Subsequently, he also learned how to play the piano and, eventually, ten different musical instruments! In addition, Dick was an ardent chess player, his skills advanced enough by 1979 to allow him to play the world chess champion Anatoli Karpov. In his later life he taught chess aboard cruise ships — and even to his fellow residents at the assisted living facility where he spent his final years.

My relationship with Dick:

My relationship with Dick began shortly after I joined All Souls in 1986. He quickly became the minister with whom I most frequently interacted. One of the first things he asked me to do was manage the Annual All Souls Fair, a major weekend-long event at the time that included a live auction. (The auction was eventually spun off into a separate event known as Heart & Soul, which is now a 501(c)(3) organization in its own right.) In those early years, Dick also asked me to join a small committee that interfaced with a Harlem church that had set up a discounted food distribution program for its congregants and neighbors; for several months, on Saturday mornings, we and a few other hearty All Souls congregants would head north to that church to help pack bags. We also offered the discounted food bags at All Souls for a short period.

As part of his ministerial responsibilities, Dick was in charge of the publication of an annual Church membership directory that included color photos of each member. The publishing companies in this field were happy to provide churches with free copies of these directories, as many individuals would purchase packages of their photos; that's where the companies made their profit. After Sunday services, Dick and I spent many weeks scheduling and lining up All Souls members for their photo ops. It was after the strong bond that Dick and I formed from these joint projects and many personal discussions over the years that, when my daughter made plans to marry 20 years ago, we asked Dick to officiate.

A Seasoned Wedding Officiant:

My daughter's wedding was only one of the more than 4,400 ceremonies that Dick performed — an impressive number! Besides All Souls congregants as well as local non-church members, a significant number of couples were from Japan, where many young people chose a New York destination wedding that was videotaped to share with family and friends when they returned home. From the Japanese couple's viewpoint, it was less expensive to come to New York for their wedding than to underwrite the cost of a ceremony back home, where custom dictates that the couple provide gifts to each person in attendance. WA Member Sumi Kubota, who is from Japan, worked as a translator for Dick. As she explains, "I live near the church and decided to ask about volunteering for Monday Night Hospitality. When I knocked on the church door to inquire, Dick answered. Before long, he asked me to help him by translating for the Japanese couples to be married at All Souls." Sumi's special friendship that developed during the years she worked with Dick is something she will always treasure.

It is impossible to sum up all the facets of Dick Leonard's life that made him the exemplar that he was. But we should always remember him for the essential qualities he displayed. Dick was not only a humanitarian and a leader in the fight for social justice, but also a man who displayed an abundance of love for life, something he shared with family, friends and all of those with whom he came into contact.

2023 WOMEN'S ALLIANCE OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE MEMBERS Beginning February 15, 2023

The Executive Board consists of all WA officers plus chairs of all standing committees. The slate is presented to membership in October, voted on in November, and it takes office in February. Officers are elected to two-year terms and may serve for two terms. Per the bylaws, officers must be members of The Unitarian Church of All Souls.

President — Christine Goodwin; first year of second term
Vice President — Winnie Olsen; second year of first term
Recording Secretary — Linda Floyd; second year of first term
Corresponding Secretary — Carol Schneider; first year of first term
Treasurer — Mary Geissman; first year of first term
Assistant Treasurer (also Chair of the Investment Committee) — Karen Steele (appointed to fill vacancy); second year of first term

Chair of the Finance Committee — Jane Colvin Chair of the Membership Committee — Barbara Reed Co-Chair of the Program Committee / Outings — Sandra Fisher Co-Chair of the Program Committee / Luncheons — Heli Blum Chair of the Communications Committee — Lois Coleman

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Finance Committee — Jane Colvin, Chair; Carol Kirkman and Peggy Montgomery, members; Chris Goodwin (*ex officio*); Mary Geissman (*ex officio*).

Investment Committee — Karen Steele, Chair; Marsha Wineburgh, Jane Colvin and Anne Bradley, members. Chris Goodwin (*ex officio*); Mary Geissman (*ex officio*)

Membership Committee — Barbara Reed, Chair; Linda Becker and Anne Brewer, members.

Outings Committee — Sandra Fisher, Chair; Alix-Marie Hall, Susan Hoehn, Maureen Marwick, and Carol Magai, members.

Luncheons Program Committee — Heli Blum, Chair; Shellie Bailkin, Sumi Kubota and Maureen Marwick, members. Seeking new members.

Fundraising Ad Hoc Committee — Chris Goodwin, Sandra Fisher, Sandra Ekberg, Joan Flesch, Anne Brewer, Michelle Boston and Rita Frank, members.

WA Award Committee (formed December 2021) — Carol Kirkman, Chair; Jane Colvin, Winnie Olsen, Mary Dugan and Mary Gundermann, members

Communications Committee — Lois Coleman, Chair; Alynne Wesson, editor of *The Alliance Alert;* Peggy Montgomery and Christina Black, members.

Nominating Committee 2023 - TBD

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Special Interest Groups (SIGs): Bridge — Judith Kozloff Cinema — Maureen Marwick Play Readings — Sandra Ekberg Music — Mary Geissman Women's Reading Group — Christina Black Annual WA Events: Welcome Back Party — September 20, 2022 Holiday Party (members only) — December 14, 2022 Angie Utt Lecture — March 11, 2023 Spring Event — May 20, 2023

The Women's Alliance was well represented at Musica Viva's vivacious, back to in-person "Come (Back) to the Cabaret" night on February 4.



Sandra Lotz Fisher



(I to r) Susan Hoehn, Linda Rousseau, Alix-Marie Hall, and Mary Geissman

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