



# WEST WALKER WIRE

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## Filament Presents 'James and the Giant Peach' Through March 15

A stage adaptation of James and the Giant Peach comes to Filament Theatre. The story is about a young orphan boy who enters a gigantic, magical peach and has a wild and surreal cross-world adventure with six magically altered garden bugs. Tickets for the show are on sale at [www.filamenttheatre.org](http://www.filamenttheatre.org) or call 773-270-1660. Tickets are \$14-\$20. Filament Theatre is located at 4041 N. Milwaukee Ave.

## St. Viator School Recycle Rally

St. Viator School is participating in The Dream Machine Recycle Rally, which gives schools a chance to earn rewards and compete for contest prizes. Please help St. Viator by bringing your non-alcoholic aluminum cans and clear plastic bottles (marked with #1 PETE on the bottom; no milk gallons) to the west of St. Viator school on the **2nd and 4th Friday of each month through May 1**. Drop-off is located off at the parking lot between the school and playground, 4140 W. Addison. St. Viator is seeking the support of individual donors as well as business owners. If you have a business and would like to donate your non-alcoholic plastic and aluminum beverage recyclables, we can arrange a pick up. Contact Cindy Santos at 773-833-4871 or Heather Santillan 312-593-4189.

## COMMUNITY CALENDAR

### Sun., March 8 • 2:00 p.m. - *New Date!*

Classical Music Love Letters  
Irving Park Lutheran Church  
4100 N. Harding

### Tues., Mar. 10 • 6:30 p.m.

Adult Book Discussion Group  
Independence Branch Library  
3548 W. Irving Park Rd.

### Sat., March 14 • 7-11 p.m.

Benefit Concert for IPLC Gym  
Irving Park Lutheran Church Gym  
4057 N. Harding

### Wed., Mar. 18 • 6:30 - 8:00 p.m.

CAPS Meeting Beats 1722, 1723, 1724  
4650 N Pulaski, Community Room

### Sat.-Sun., Mar. 21-22 • 10 a.m.- 3 p.m.

Maple Syrup Festival - FREE  
North Park Village Nature Center  
5801 North Pulaski

### Tues., Mar. 24 • 7:00 p.m.

WWCA General Meeting  
Latvian Community Center  
4146 N. Elston

### Sat., Apr. 4 • 9:30 - 10:30 a.m.

Nia Spring Movement Event - FREE  
Independence Park Auditorium  
3945 N Springfield

### Tues., Apr. 7 • p.m.

RUN-OFF ELECTION

### Tues., Apr. 21 • 7:00 p.m.

WWCA General Meeting  
Latvian Community Center  
4146 N. Elston

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Community Calendar online at:  
<http://westwalker.org/calendar.html>



## News from Irving Park Lutheran Church

### Concert to Save the Gym

Enjoy an evening of great local music on Saturday, March 14th to benefit the IPLC gymnasium! Cover charge is \$10/adult and \$5/child ten and under. There will be cash bar and pizza.

Dance to the local music of **Holy Smokes, Glass Half Empty, Pin Drop Theater and FAITHCHICAGO!** The concert is from 7- 11 p.m. The IPLC gymnasium is home to many community organizations including Carlson Community Services' Magic After School Program, Boy Scouts, Girl Scouts, Basketball, Men's and Women's Volleyball, Jazzercise classes, and other special events. Our gym needs major restructuring after 80 years of use, and your help is needed...but what a fun way to help! So grab your friends and family, and come rock out with us on Saturday, March 14th! This is an ALL AGES show. The gym is located at 4057 N. Harding (diagonally across the street from the church).

**Girl Scouts Feed Shelter Guests** The Girl Scout Group that meets Wednesdays in the IPLC gym is beginning a new community service project, **preparing sack lunches for guests at the Lincoln Park Community Shelter.** You can help by donating brown paper lunch bags, zipped sandwich bags, juice boxes or bottled water, individual sized bags of chips, fruit/veggies (oranges, apples, bananas, pears, baby carrots, celery), snacks (chips, cookies, crackers, granola bars, fruit snacks, cheese stix), and/or gift cards to Aldi or other grocery stores. To help, contact Leaders Jonna Brodersen moose5054@comcast.net/773-777-0698 or Deb Wojtkiewicz dlamarca1@sbcglobal.net/773-842-2313.

**Wednesdays in Lent: Suppers & Worship** We continue the tradition of hosting Wednesday suppers and worship through March 25. Lenten meal is served at 6:30-7:30 p.m. in Victory Hall, followed by a 30-minute worship service of sung evening prayer, and member testimonies. Join us!

**Holy Week Schedule: Palm/Passion Sunday (3/29)** Chapel Worship, bake sale, 9 a.m. Palm Procession from the Gym to Worship, 10:30 a.m. **Maundy Thursday (4/2)**, 6:30 p.m. Seder, 8 p.m. Communion & Stripping the Altar. (Seder RSVP at 773-267-1666). **Good Friday (4/3)** 7:30 p.m. Worship. **Easter Sunday (4/5)**, 9 a.m. Continental Breakfast, 10 a.m. Easter Egg Hunt, Worship 10:30 a.m.



## REAL ESTATE NEWS



By Dorie Westmeyer  
Realtor®, MBA, ADPR

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**Thinking of selling your home this Spring or Summer?**

### Part II: Be Prepared

Last month we discussed tips to prepare your home. So now you're ready to sell. After location, **what's the 2nd most important factor in selling your home?** Pricing your home right. Research shows pricing your home correctly from the start, versus price drops, will get you the highest sale price.

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— *Pastor Erin Bouman, Irving Park Lutheran Church*

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## News from Irving Park United Methodist Church

Thank you to all in our supportive community for the many ways that you have helped us! We enjoyed our Save the North Wall Celebration of Hope event on January 25! Thank you to all who shared their stories about the work they do in the community: Mision Hispana, Irving Park Food Pantry, Irving Park Historical Society, Reconciling Ministries Network (RMN), Martha AA Groups, Girl Scouts Troop #23148, Apogee Academy, United Methodist Foundation, Chair and Gentle Yoga and North River Expanded Mental Health Services. Donations have added toward the much-needed funds to repair our north wall this Spring. At this point, we have \$46,135 towards the wall repair, all which will be matched! To learn more about what we do, or to make a donation, please contact us at 773-283-6262 or visit: [irvingparkumc.com/give/capital-campaign/](http://irvingparkumc.com/give/capital-campaign/). Gifts of \$250 or more are recognized on the east wall of the sanctuary.

**Sunday Lenten Worship:** We focus on The Lord’s Prayer at Worship on Sundays, 10 a.m. Everyone is welcome!  
**Faith-Filled Family Lenten Fellowship** These events are open to the community and designed to help families to work together in faith formation. **Pizza & Movie Night:**

Saturday, 3/14, 5 p.m. in the sanctuary. Watch and discuss “Homeward Bound,” \$5/adult. Kids are free. Includes take-home discussion guide. **Walking with Jesus through Holy Week:** Saturday, 3/28, 5 p.m. This family event includes interactive experiences with five of the significant places or events leading up to Easter. We will assemble Easter baskets for the Irving Park Food Pantry to distribute. (Bring a dish to share and something to include in the Easter baskets.) **Lenten Light:** Receive a daily scripture and thoughts to grow your faith during Lent. Email [irvingparkumc@comcast.net](mailto:irvingparkumc@comcast.net), or message us through our Facebook Page: Irving Park United Methodist Church.

**Broadway Kids SPRING!** Neighborhood kids (K-8th grade) are invited to learn songs and dances based on the spring/caring for creation theme! Participation is free! Students are asked to attend one of two 90-minute rehearsals each week. (no rehearsal week of April 6th). Rehearsal days are set according to participants’ availability, so let us know! Directed by Jonathan Braun and Katherine Paisley. Performances are April 17-18 at IPUMC and will benefit the Neighborhood Arts Initiative of IPUMC and the Irving Park Food Pantry. Call 773-283-6262 to register!

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# 39th Ward Report



Although it still is frigid outside, a sure sign that spring is around the corner is the change to Daylight Savings Time. On March 8, remember to turn your clocks forward one hour at 2:00 a.m. Another spring tradition is the return of street sweeping. It will resume in early April, from 9:00 a.m. to 3:00

p.m. on weekdays. Watch for the "No Parking" signs on light poles and trees.

North Park Village Nature Center (5801 North Pulaski Road) is hosting their annual Maple Syrup Festival on Saturday, March 21 and Sunday, March 22 from 10:00 a.m. until 3:00 p.m. This free event is open to everyone, no registration is required. You can see the Maple syrup-making process, make a maple craft, take a walk through the sugar bush, enjoy storytelling, warm yourself by the fire and taste real maple syrup that is fresh from a boil-down. This sweet and warm event is a wonderfully educational tradition for all ages. Call 312-744-5472 for more information.

I am honored and humbled to have won re-election as the Alderman of the 39th Ward on February 24. I appreciate the support I received from the West Walker community. Moving forward, I am eager to continue working with West Walker neighbors on projects both in the 39th Ward, such as a development at the former Labe Bank at Pulaski and Elston, and those outside the ward, such as a new Independence Park Library.

As always, please contact my public service office at 773-736-5594 or at Ward39@cityofchicago.org with any questions and concerns.

*Sincerely, Margaret Laurino, Alderman, 39th Ward*



## Stay Current with West Walker Blasts!

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## Northwest Side Housing Center Celebrates New Location

Eleven years ago, Rev. Christine Schrey opened the Northwest Side Housing Center (NWSHC) with a simple premise, 'to serve the community.' Today we are excited to announce the grand opening of the NWSHC's new location in the heart of Belmont-Cragin. We invite you to share in the celebration and join us Thursday, March 19th at 4:00 p.m. for a ribbon-cutting, short ceremony, and open house. The new NWSHC office is located at 5233 W. Diversey in Chicago. Light refreshments will be served from 4:30-5:30 p.m., following the ribbon cutting. Please RSVP to Jerome via email or by calling 773-283-3888.

## Free Nia Spring Event April 4th

Tune out the winter blahs and tune in to Nia—the joy of movement. Nia blends dance, martial arts and yoga. Connect with your body through the sensations of mindful, expressive movement. Experience the pleasure and healing power of moving your body, your way, to the beats of fabulous music. More than a great way to get and stay fit, Nia is a great opportunity for mental and emotional wellbeing. You'll feel uplifted, energized, relaxed—and more positive about your body. All fitness levels welcome, no experience necessary. This is a free event and open to community residents. Come to Independence Park auditorium, **Saturday, April 4, 9:30 – 10:30 a.m.** For more information about this event or to register for ongoing Nia classes at Independence Park, contact Joyce Winer at [jwiner@sbcglobal.net](mailto:jwiner@sbcglobal.net) or 773-297-8218.

## Independence Library News

**Teacher in the Library** is available to provide free homework help to students Monday through Thursday from 3:00 to 6:00 p.m.

**Pre-School Story Time** is held on Mondays at 10:30 a.m. This program is appropriate for babies and children up to 5 years old accompanied by parents or caregivers. Please note there will not be a Story Time on April 6.

**The Adult Book Discussion Group** meets on the 2nd Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. Our March 10th discussion will cover *Major Pettigrew's Last Stand* by Helen Simonson. This is a novel about the blossoming friendship between retired and opinionated Englishman Major Pettigrew and Mrs. Jasmina Ali, the Pakistani shopkeeper from the village. This story delves into the question of whether or not a relationship can survive in the face of culture and tradition.

## News and Events from Carlson Community Services



**Carlson  
Community  
Services**

*Carlson Community Services is a 501(c)(3) non-profit connecting*

*the Irving Park community with programs that enrich lives through education, culture and service.*

### Irving Park Fine Arts Concert Rescheduled for Sunday, March 8th

“Classical Music Love Letters,” the concert featuring cellist Dorothy Deen and flutist Marie Bennett has been rescheduled for March 8th at 2:00 p.m. at Irving Park Lutheran Church, 4100 N. Harding Ave. Originally planned for February 1, the concert was cancelled due to the blizzard that day. Bennett and Deen will perform lively and romantic favorites including works from Efrain Amay, a living American composer, burlesque pieces by Friedrich Wanek, a Beethoven duo and Gary Schocker’s Pas a Deux. Familiar opera pieces will conclude the concert.

Dorothy Deen has been a freelance cellist in the area for 25 years. She received a Master’s degree in cello performance and pedagogy from Northern Illinois University. Currently, she performs with the New

Philharmonic and is the principal cellist with Light Opera Works. She is known to Fine Arts audiences for several prior appearances.

Marie Bennett holds a Bachelor of Music degree from Northwestern University and a Master of Music degree from DePaul University, both in flute performance. She has performed with many regional and international orchestras. Bennett is Adjunct Professor of Flute at North Central College in Naperville, IL where she teaches private lessons, musicianship and music theory classes and directs the flute ensembles.

Admission to the concert is free, though donations are greatly appreciated. A reception with the artists follows the concert. The Irving Park Fine Arts Committee is celebrating its 20th season of providing high-quality, professional music and theatrical events to the Irving Park community at a price everyone can afford. The Irving Park Fine Arts Concert Series is sponsored by Carlson Community Services, a 501(c)(3) non-profit connecting the Irving Park community with programs that enrich lives through education, culture and service. For more information, contact Liz Mills at [lizmills@carlsoncommunityservices.org](mailto:lizmills@carlsoncommunityservices.org).



*The winner of the Heads or Tails game at Soup & Bread held on Sunday, March 1st.*

### Soup & Bread Warms Northwest Side Neighbors

A standing-room-only crowd filled the Irving Park Lutheran Church gym on a frosty March night for Soup & Bread for Carlson Community Services. Friends from all over the northwest side enjoyed soup from Community Tavern, Café Urbano, Tre Kronor, Fishguy, Whole Foods Market Sauganash, Chef Ed Gardner, Sarah Steedman, Susan Ford & Holly Lundquist, Ruth Olech & Rebecca Haneberg and volunteers from Carlson Committees. Over 225 people were served 46 gallons of savory soups and chili, plus delicious bread from Le Cordon Bleu Culinary College. Carlson Community Services would like to thank our cooks and Eli’s Cheesecake, the Independence Park Bluegrass Jammers and event sponsor Edward Nelson, Financial Advisor with Thrivent Financial.

Raffle prizes were donated by Lettuce Entertain You Restaurants, The Miller/Tweedy Family and Farmers Market Garden Center. Volunteers who organized the

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# News from Irving Park Community Food Pantry

By Craig Shutt

## Be a Bunny for the Irving Park Food Pantry

The Irving Park Community Food Pantry once again will be distributing Easter baskets to its clients for their children on four Wednesdays starting March 4th (Easter is April 5th). We are collecting goodies (candy, snacks, small toys, etc.) for children in the age categories of under 2, 2 to 5, and 6 to 8 years old. We will need donations throughout the month, as we often run out before the fourth week arrives.

Please drop off any donations at the Irving Park United Methodist Church (corner of Grace and Keeler - Grace Street entrance). Financial donations are extremely helpful and are used to purchase necessary supplies, especially to fill in depleted items late in the month. This can be done by mail or through PayPal at the Pantry's website ([www.irvingparkfoodpantry.org](http://www.irvingparkfoodpantry.org)). Questions can be sent to Vicci Rodgers at [viccirodgers@gmail.com](mailto:viccirodgers@gmail.com).

Thanks to the congregations at Irving Park United Methodist Church and Irving Park Lutheran Church for their continued support of this tradition through donations and time to create the baskets for children.

Pantry President Belma Torres and Office Manager Sandra Schwarzbeck took part in the IPUMC's "Save the Wall" fund-raising program held in January. The wall in question houses the church's magnificent stained-glass window and was added during a renovation in the 1960s. The church now is raising funds to complete needed repairs this spring. As the home to the Pantry for 30 years, we feel especially attached to helping the church maintain its facilities, especially as it often allows us to use its sanctuary during winter months to keep our clients out of the elements while they wait to get into the limited space we have to serve them. To learn more about the wall's history, the needed repairs and how to donate, call the church office at 773-283-6262 or visit [www.irvingparkumc.com](http://www.irvingparkumc.com) and click on the Help Save the North Wall link in the Capital Campaign section on the right.

The Pantry is again in need of men's white crew socks. The socks help many of our clients, especially in the cold winter, and they receive one pair per request. We are grateful for the many donations we receive, but the demand continues to outstrip our supply. If you can donate any, please bring them to the Pantry on Wednesday morning or leave them at the bottom of the stairs at the Grace Street entrance to the IPUMC during

church hours, as with regular food donations.

Mark your calendars now for June 20th, the date of the 29th Annual Hunger Walk, sponsored by the Greater Chicago Food Depository. The 3.1-mile (5k) walk at Soldier Field along the lakefront raises awareness and funds to help food pantries, shelters and soup kitchens throughout Chicago.

Last year, the Irving Park Food Pantry raised nearly \$18,000 from the Walk, our highest total yet, and we hope to continue to grow that number, as the number of neighbors we are serving also continues to grow.

In February, the Pantry served 1,529 people in 597 households, including 131 new clients in 50 households and 187 people in 68 families who came during our Tuesday night hours. We also provided pet food to 219 clients. That total doesn't include the 70+ households who received food in the first week of the month, when the high snow and low temperatures made it difficult for deliveries, volunteers and clients to arrive. Our small band of volunteers gave those clients who braved conditions an emergency supply of on-hand food and allowed them to return later in the month for a regular distribution, making the remaining three weeks very busy!

We appreciate all of our volunteers who walked, drove and took the bus to open and work at the Pantry in brutal temperatures and deep snow, marking two months in a row the first week has been challenging. Their efforts, and yours in supporting us, ensured our clients received food to help their families make it through the month. It shows that we truly are Neighbors Helping Neighbors!



*Pantry volunteers gave out Easter baskets to clients' children in 2014 and will continue the tradition this year.*



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### CICS-Irving Park School

**Pasta-tively Delicious**  
CICS-IP wishes to thank the Olive Garden for hosting a Dine & Donate event. Over 200 people

enjoyed a wonderful full-course meal, and Olive Garden donated half of the profits to our school. Grazie!

**Fighting Blood Diseases** CICS-IP is participating in Olive Garden's Pasta for Pennies national fundraising program. Our students hope to raise more than \$4,000 to support The Leukemia & Lymphoma Society's fight against blood-related cancer. The students also had classroom activities to learn more about how teamwork can make a difference in this fight.

**Un-BEE-lievable!** Seth Karall won an exciting elimination round to become the 2015 spelling champion of CICS-IP school. He advances to compete in the Chicago Collaborative Spelling Bee on March 6th. Good Luck!

**Distinctive Music Festival** Distinctive Schools is hosting a music festival at CICS-IP on March 2nd. The Music teachers have been spending time in a professional learning community to strengthen the music programs at our campuses. One aspect of our efforts in music is providing students with more opportunities to perform and showcase talents. Our music teachers have worked really hard to plan a concert series, and three of our campuses will be hosting concerts. Each concert will feature students from two of our schools

### St. Viator School

**School Celebrations** At St. Viator we are all 100 days smarter! There were many '100th day of school' celebrations around the school this past month! Pre-k classes made necklaces with 100 fruit loops, kindergarten made hats, did counting activities and drew pictures of them-selves 100 years old and first grade explored where 100 steps would take them around the school.

On Friday, February 13th, a group of 4th grade girls from St. Viator's Junior Girl Scout troop 20278 made their annual visit to the residents of the Autumn Green retirement community and delivered handmade Valentines. While there, the girls participated in a birthday celebration with all the residents born in February and even taught one of the ladies how to finger knit. This annual visit is very special to both the residents and the troop.





**Loyola Academy Service Days** St. Viator teachers and students welcomed thirteen freshmen from Loyola Academy who volunteered in the preschool through 2nd grade classrooms in the month of February. St Viator was selected as one of many service sites around the city. The volunteers are a part of Loyola's Campus Ministry Arrupe Service Program. The students at Loyola are encouraged to live out the school's mission to be "men and women for others" through a "faith that does justice." The goal is through these experiences, reflections and relationships built, the students will be inspired to have a lifelong love of community, service, and justice. Our first grade students have enjoyed buddy reading, completing math activities, and doing centers with the Loyola students.

St. Viator is now accepting applications for the 2015-2016 school year. The Viator community is thrilled to see such strong interest in our school. Applications submitted after February 27, 2015 will be accepted on a rolling basis and Early Childhood programs (PK3, PK4 and K) fill up quickly. For information on enrollment, contact Marge Tiritilli at the school office at 773-545-2173 or email MTiritilli@stviatorchicago.org or visit the school website at www.stviatorchicago.org.

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John 12:24

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## Submissions Accepted for Congressman Quigley's Annual Student Art Competition

The office of Congressman Mike Quigley is now accepting art work for the 2015 Congressional Art Work Competition.

Each spring, a nation-wide high school arts competition is sponsored by the Members of the U.S. House of Representatives and is an opportunity to recognize and encourage the artistic talent in the nation, as well as in our congressional district. The competition is open to all high school students in the fifth congressional district (to find out if you live in the 5th district, go to: [www.quigley.house.gov/our-district](http://www.quigley.house.gov/our-district)). The over-all winner of our district's competition will be displayed for one year in the U.S. Capitol. The exhibit in Washington will also include artwork from other contest winners nation-wide.

The art work must be delivered to Quigley's office by early April (specific deadline date to be determined). Judging will take place in mid-April 2015 and will conclude with a gallery show and announcement of the winner in late April 2015.

For more information about submission guidelines, and to register to compete, visit [www.quigley.house.gov/services/art-competition](http://www.quigley.house.gov/services/art-competition), or you may contact Karolina Zaczek at 773-267-5926. Office of Congressmen Quigley is located at 3742 W. Irving Park Rd.

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**April 6-10 – Safe Haven Spring Break** Once again, Irving Park United Methodist Church has been selected to be a safe haven for students during CPS Spring Break. The program runs from 10 a.m. - 2 p.m. at the church April 6-10. This year, we'll focus on the environment and ways that people can make a difference, with art, activities and community service projects. The program is free to all CPS students. Call 773-283-6262 for more information or to register. The church is located at 3801 N. Keeler.

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event were Rebecca Haneberg, Ruth Olech, Yaz Ebeid and Tracey Banta. Carlson Community Services is grateful to them and the dozens of volunteers who helped. And of course to everyone who came!

Proceeds will benefit Carlson's neighborhood programs: The Magic After-School Place, Three Brothers Community Garden and Irving Park Fine Arts Series.

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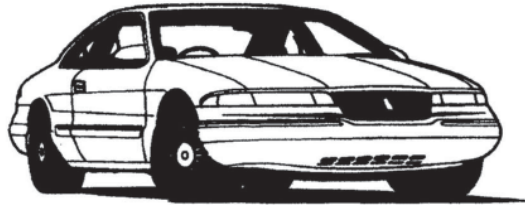
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- The annual community garage sale.
- Area non-profit groups like the Irving Park Community Food Pantry, Independence Park, and Independence Library.

- Free e-mail updates on neighborhood events and area crime.
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- The Art In My Back Yard artistic series.

Bring your 2015-2016 dues to our next WWCA meeting on March 24! Or you can mail in the application below.

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Check one:            FAMILY \$15             BUSINESS \$20             SENIOR \$5

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