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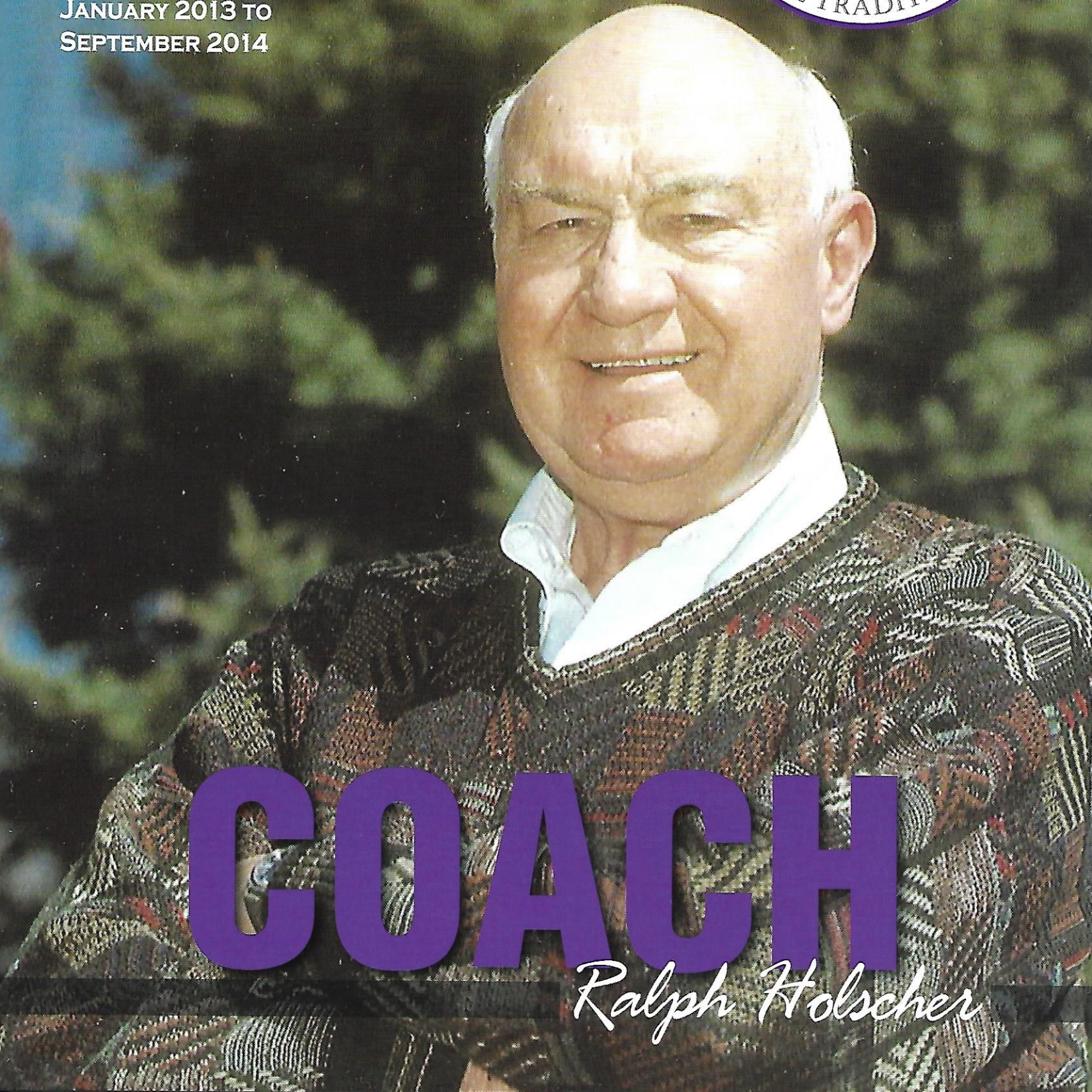
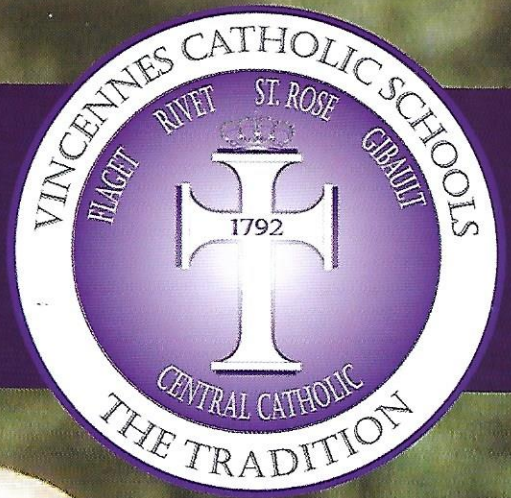
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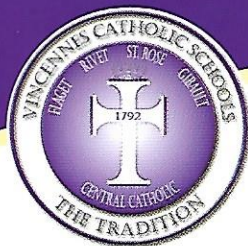
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COACH

Ralph Holscher



The Legacy of Coach Holscher

MR. RALPH HOLSCHER'S EULOGY

By: His Son, Brad Holscher

I think it goes without saying, Dad was very well known around Knox County. I can also say I knew my dad the best, maybe outside of my mom, but definitely in some ways better. Dad was born in 1926, a time far different than ours today. He grew up during the Depression, and it was reflective in small habits that he carried over from that time. For example, He would reuse his dental floss a couple three times, which I thought was disgusting. He also shared with me a Christmas in which none of the children received a gift. That time instilled in him a consciousness of not being wasteful. He recalled advancements of that time period, such as getting electricity through the Rural Electrification Act.

Dad did not like school when he started the first grade. He would hide and try and get out of going, and actually got out of going I believe once, till grandma whipped his butt. This is an ironic occurrence since he spent 69 years in a school as a student or teacher.

When Dad was young he plowed with a team of horses, he once shared that during one of these plowing sessions a short distance from the house in the early evening a freak occurrence happened, the Northern Lights appeared. He said to me "I didn't know what was going on, or if the world was going to end, or if I should drive the team back to the house. So I decided to keep plowing and figured someone would come get me." He was a simple country boy.

The first time he ate in a restaurant, he was 18 and playing for Oaktown in the Wabash Valley Invitational. He told me he didn't know how to read the menu so he just ordered what the person before him ordered. The team stayed in the Terre Haute House, and this is where dad's favorite past time of napping began, enjoying the plush chairs of the lobby while attending Indiana State University.

He didn't particularly like traveling far from home but would always go somewhere within driving distance to see family. Dad's aversion to travel started with his first real travel experience, when he was drafted in the Army. He was scheduled to be deployed in the Invasion of Japan. He was transported on a Liberty Ship and while crossing the Pacific, the ship went through a typhoon. He was sea sick for three days and upon entering the galley, he caught a whiff of the cooked cabbage they were serving and decided not to eat that day either. He never like cooked cabbage after that. While sailing over to Japan the war ended and Dad became part of the Occupation Force, which meant doing a lot of nothing or at least that's what it sounded like to me. He played in the Pacific Theatre Basketball Tournament where he had to take an unpressurized plane to play in the championships to which he remembered nearly freezing to death getting there. Another memorable experience Dad had while in Japan was skiing. He ran into a tree. Those three experiences shaped the rest of his life because he never again rode on a boat in the ocean, flew in a plane or skied again!

When we did travel, you couldn't get away from someone who knew him. Another one of my favorite experiences was going to the State fair with him, but you can guarantee when we walked in the cattle barn, someone in there would always come up and say hi. On the way home from a trip to Florida, we stopped at a gas station somewhere in Georgia, some guy on a motorcycle who was riding around the country recognized Dad, came up and said hi.

Dad had many friends, some I have never met. I am in the unique situation of knowing Dad only 38 years of his life. When I was born he was only 15 years away from being eligible for retirement, therefore, there was large generational gap between us. I had a pretty ideal childhood. Growing up, my Dad would take me to my Uncle Kon's farm on a regular basis. I went on sleigh rides and had my own ponies. He would take me to the rodeo in Palestine and when we would come home, he would get down on all fours, I would get on his back and he would try and buck me off, like a bronco. Mom would get mad and say the whole house was going to come apart. I am very fortunate to have the down to earth values I was taught, mostly through actions and not necessarily words.

There is no question Dad loved basketball. He was blessed to have a great coach, John Wooden, when he played at Indiana State. My Dad was very competitive, a characteristic he has definitely passed on to me. He loved all basketball men's and women's, high school and college; he didn't watch pro basketball too much, because it was too much of a business. The Lady Patriots really made him proud, he would attend their games and enjoyed the basketball atmosphere. While going through some of his belongings, the passion he had for basketball and history were easy to see. Memorabilia, including stats from Oaktown, Freelandville, and Rivet as well as many more years' worth of history were uncovered, a time period in which he did not coach but were important to him. There were some regrets Dad expressed to me about basketball and his career. He wished we would have been in the Inaugural Blue Chip Conference and also that he wouldn't have left Central to go to Freelandville. I don't know the reason he regretted the move, I assume he thought it made him look like he was skipping around jobs. Two other disappointments he had were not winning a sectional and not being inducted into the Indiana Basketball Hall of Fame. The small school is what he preferred, he liked the close nit feeling. Dad was the first lay teacher at Rivet, in his prime he had 5 titles, teacher, head basketball coach, athletic director, dean of students and director of transportation. Many times together we would pick trash up out of the parking lot. He wasn't too good for any job but was good enough to do at least 5 jobs.

I think Dad's best trait was persistence. Some may say stubborn. He persisted through disappointments and hard times and was eventually validated when in 2001 the State of Indiana declared him a recipient of the state's highest civic award, the Sagamore of the Wabash.

One of my favorite basketball experiences with him was going to a Washington Catholic VS. Evansville Harrison Game. It was 1991, Washington Catholic had their semi-state team and Evansville Harrison was ranked with their roster including future NBA'er Walter McCarty. The atmosphere was classic Hoosier Hysteria, we had seats on the stage because the gym was so packed. Honestly, I think we got in because Dad was who he was. We watched as Catholic blew them out of the gym that night.

I can remember being in the gym as a little kid, not yet big enough to make a basket. I spent more time in that school than I can remember. If there was any special event, like German Fest, I was a free pair of extra helping hands. Dad, as well as Uncle Kon volunteered a lot of their time, helping set up and tear down tables and chairs for the German Fest for probably 20 yrs. We didn't have a lot of money to donate, so he gave freely of his

Cover photo by Kevin J. Kilmer, 2001

time, adding a personal touch and was always more than willing to help a countless number of people. I believe this to be his testament to the power of volunteerism and the positive impact it can have on a community. I don't think anyone would accuse Dad of not being a hard worker, but I rarely saw him work on Sunday's. He went to church and rested the rest of the day. One of my favorite experiences was going to Midnight Mass with Dad on Christmas. One particular time, it started snowing before mass and we came out for a white Christmas.

When I told him I was moving to Utah, He asked why. I told him that I want to live in the mountains. He replied "there just big rocks." He wasn't an adventurous person but he was steady and dependable. He liked routine. I don't know this to be true but I think he took great pride in being able to teach his youngest brother and his son, not too many people get that experience. I enjoy health and fitness, along with lifting weights, dad just said that was all macho crap. Jack LaLanne lived to be 92 and if anyone remembers, he drank all kinds of vegetable drinks and exercises all the time. Dad just stayed active and worked on the farm. He would have said Jack did all the macho crap and it didn't get him much better off than me.

It's funny how things come full circle, I switched my career to becoming a teacher and coach. I expressed my thoughts to dad about my career change and he thought it was a good idea. For all of you sitting there wondering about my hair; No dad did not approve of it. But I told him it was

his fault for giving me a complex about losing my hair. He loved reading and history. He read the evening paper front to back and was always reading something about history. Dad was not an academic. He was a B-C student his entire student career. The things he enjoyed reading were down to earth and not overly technical or theoretical. One thing I was able to share with him about Knox County history was the Locks, where the White and Wabash meet and the Cypress Pond. It was a cool experience driving him down there to see them, and he climbed on top of them, and looked at the river. An interesting fact about my Dad, you would never see him wearing jeans.

Dad was very proud of his family heritage and his family owning a farm in Knox County. He was proud of his sister and brothers and always enjoyed a chance to visit with them, many times on Thanksgiving, Easter, or New Year's Day. Dad thought family was very important. Mom was always by his side, never wavering in her support for him.

I want to express to everyone who knew my Dad, that we are very appreciative of the love and support we have received. Finally, Dad may no longer be with us in person, but will remain forever a part of our lives through what he taught us and the examples that he set. Life is changed but not ended.

**P.S. this eulogy was edited by Bessie Connor and without her help organizing thoughts and memories, I don't know what I would have done.

REMEMBERING A FAITHFUL SERVANT

By: Mary Zoe Cannon

In 1971, when I was a freshman at Rivet High School, I had a History teacher I timidly called, Mr. Holscher. As a cheerleader for the varsity basketball team, I politely called him, Coach Holscher. As a member of one of the first official girl's high school basketball teams, I respectfully called him, "COACH". Later, as an adult and a fellow member of Sacred Heart Parish, I comfortably called him Ralph. I participated in his funeral on Wednesday, March 5, 2014, and was honored to be an Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion for the celebration of Mass. Ralph was 87 years old when he passed, and I happily call him friend!

There are some people that simply command, very humbly, a sense of respect and appreciation. It may be their physical stature, or the tone of their voice, or a firm, but gentle presence. I will remember Coach Ralph Holscher with all these qualities. His influence and dedication were very instrumental in guiding me through education and athletics at an impressionable age. His teaching and coaching career spanned over 50 years and many of my family members and friends benefitted from his commitment. Between Central Catholic High School and Rivet Junior and Senior High School, I, my husband, and our 4 children, collectively spent 32 years learning from Mr. Holscher. Of course these years provide great stories to share. When our kids would complain about his classroom challenges or rigid practices on the gym floor, we would smile, and secretly commiserated with them.

Like most things in life, education has changed tremendously since Ralph began his teaching career in Oaktown, Indiana, in 1951. There are dedicated people today who are educating our children with the rigors of growing up in a competitive world. But few spend the amount of time Mr. Holscher did, wearing so many hats, with so little compensation. He was the athletic director, coach, teacher, dean of students, class sponsor, bus driver, all at the same time, to name a few titles. He was on call at the school 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. During the Mr. Holscher era, there was never trash found on the property, grass left uncut, dust on the gym floor, or discipline problems in the classroom. He did most of these things himself. The only lights that were left on after hours were in his office, finishing up the rounds.

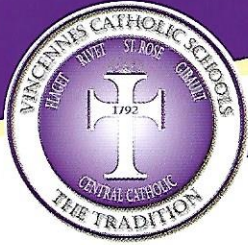
Ralph was the first lay person hired to teach among the Christian Brothers and the Sisters of Providence at the Catholic high schools in Vincennes. The spiritual and moral values necessary for the task were no stranger to Ralph, being raised on a Knox County farm. I will always remember the start of a new school year, and with pencil and paper, and a regimented method, watching Mr. Holscher assign and pass out hundreds of locker combinations.

In 2001, with great privilege, I helped organized a reception at Green Auditorium on the Vincennes University Campus for Mr. Holscher. He humbly accepted the Honorary Sagamore of the Wabash Award from Governor Frank O'Bannon for his 50 years of dedication to education and athletics.

Teachers have a great influence on their students, but we may not understand the significance until they are just a memory. I had the pleasure of sharing my appreciation with Mr. Holscher over coffee and donuts in the parish hall many times, as I shared stories that would have required great discipline in the Dean's office years earlier. Not too long ago I received a thank you card in the mail, it was from Ralph. It simply said, "No one knows what all you do". I wrote back and simply said, "I had a great teacher and I think God knows about both of us." Take time to thank the people who have influenced your life and taught you morals and values by their actions, more so than their words. A hand written note in the mailbox can become the greatest treasure. Rest peacefully, Coach Holscher. May we never forget who we serve, and praise the Lord for people like Ralph! Amen!



Ralph Holscher and Bob Kluesner



CHRISTIAN EDUCATIONAL FOUNDATION

MR. RALPH HOLSCHER SCHOLARSHIP FUND

By: *Debbie Thomas, CEF President*

It is with great pleasure we honor and dedicate this edition of the Legacy to a very special person, Mr. Ralph Holscher and the "Mr. Ralph Holscher Scholarship Fund". During his years in the Catholic Schools, he touched countless lives and guided hundreds of students on the path to adulthood.

The fund is established to provide two yearly scholarships, the Mr. Ralph Holscher "Up & Beyond" Freshman Scholarship, and the Mr. Ralph Holscher "Up & Beyond" Teacher Award. Both scholarships named the Mr. Ralph Holscher Up & Beyond but serving two different individuals.

1. The first scholarship is a student award. It will be awarded to a Rivet eighth-grade student as he/she enters Rivet as a freshman. The student is considered to not only try very hard in the classroom, but also in everything he/she participates in with school activities. The student goes up & beyond what is needed to get the job done. The student is preferably from our rural area and helps continue the importance of our farming community. The student receiving this scholarship is a continuous example of the work ethics of Mr. Ralph Holscher.
2. The second scholarship is a teacher award. This award will go to a teacher that has shown many years of dedication to our Vincennes Catholic School System in teaching our children and going up & beyond his/her call of duties. The recipient of this award has been a continuous example of the work ethics of Mr. Ralph Holscher. Not only does the recipient teach in the classroom, but he/she also takes on extra duties that occur on a daily basis. The recipient is involved in at least one extracurricular activity with the students.

In May of 2014, the awards were presented by Mr. Mike Bahr to: incoming freshman Caleb Mouzin and teacher Mr. Matt Keller. Congratulations to both of these deserving winners. These awards will be presented each May at the annual awards ceremony.

To fund these scholarships annually, we need your help. A generous benefactor has agreed to match all donations up to a total of \$50,000. Please consider a gift to this matching funds effort. No gift is too large or too small; all will be appreciated! Mr. Holscher gave a lot to our schools, surely we can give a little to keep his spirit alive in the Vincennes Catholic Schools.

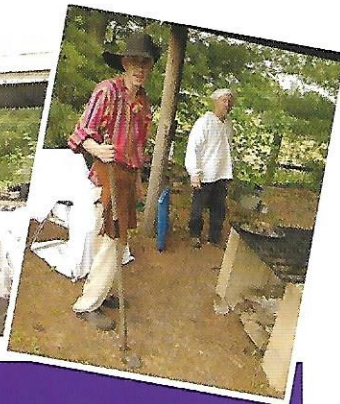
Thanks to Mrs. Linda Holscher and Mr. Brad Holscher for sharing Mr. Holscher's eulogy and thanks to Mrs. Mary Zoe Cannon for her article "Remembering a Faithful Servant."

The CEF Board thanks you in advance for helping us continue these scholarships and memories of Mr. Ralph Holscher. Everyone has special memories of a special teacher. Mr. Ralph Holscher was surely one of those very special teachers.



VOLUNTEERS KEY TO CEF SUCCESS

Through the generous stewardship of their time, many volunteers ensured the success of the Christian Educational Foundation booths at the Spirit of Vincennes Rendezvous in May and the Knox County Fair in July, 2014.



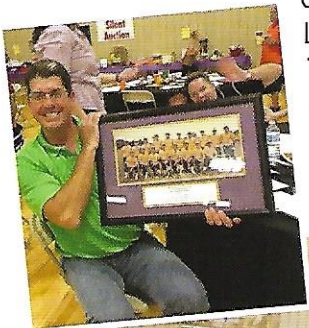
Save the Dates

- **Mega Bingo**
Sunday, November 9, 2014
Highland Woods Comm Ctr
- **Mega Bingo**
Sunday, March 8, 2015
Highland Woods Comm Ctr
- **Casino Night**
Date to be determined for
February or March 2015
- **Golf Scramble**
Friday, May 8, 2015
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1971 – 2014*Supporting the Vincennes Catholic Schools for over 40 years***16TH ANNUAL FALL GATHERING****FEATURING HERMAN FAMILY BBQ AND LIVE AUCTION WITH CHIP SPARKS**

On September 20th, the Christian Educational Foundation (CEF) held their 16th Annual Fall Gathering at The Highland Woods Community Center. We would like to thank everyone for making this event such a great success and for their support!! Thank you to everyone who helped out at the event and for donating the beautiful items for the live auction, silent auctions, bidding frenzy, heads or tails raffle and bucket raffle. A special thank you goes to the Flaget & Rivet students and staff for all of their great donations and to Dave Hunckler for the beautiful Handcrafted Wooden Rocking Chair.

The Reverse Raffle winners were John Luking, Margaret Snider, Susie Land, Lynn Stine, and Susan Yochum. Special Raffle-Rocking Chair winner was Jhan Kocher. Gift Card/Scrip Raffle winner was Doug Yochum. 50/50 winner was Lawrence DeLisle. Heads or Tails Raffle winners were Molly Weiss and John Herman. Congratulations to all our winners!

*Donations to CEF
In Memory of*

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GIFT CARDS FOR CHRISTMAS

CEF sells gift cards through our Gift Card/Scrip program. Available are gift cards and certificates from a variety of national and local vendors. Vendors sell CEF these cards at a discount, allowing CEF and participating families & teachers to reap the rewards! As the Christmas season rapidly approaches, please consider doing your Christmas shopping, gift giving and everyday shopping with CEF Gift Cards! For more information on how this program works, what's available or how to purchase, call CEF at 882-5889 or email Kari at office@vincennescef.org.



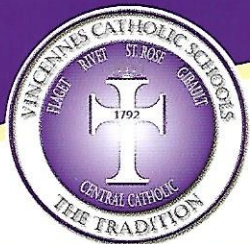
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Meetings held the 1st Monday of the month at 7 pm in the CEF office.



ALUMNI *Review*



Central Catholic - St. Rose Class of 1964 celebrate their 50th during Homecoming Weekend September 26-27, 2014.



St. Rose Alumnae Reunion Committee members: back left Gayle Martin Bledsoe, Sister Rose Ann Eaton, SP; front left Beverly Grannan McMullen, Jane Halter Cupp, Mary Ellen Primus Hall, Mary Ann Werker Thacker, Rita Ruppel Doll, Judy Halter Vieke, Janice Thais Selby. Missing from the picture are Mary Teising and Rita Muller.

MISSING ALUMNAE

ST. ROSE ACADEMY

Freida Rafferty Rogers – 1956

CENTRAL CATHOLIC

Mike Ryan – 1960

Stephen Bohnert – 1965

William Worden – 1965

RIVET HIGH SCHOOL

Don Hoffman – 1971

Elizabeth (Beth) Harris – 1998

Julia Feltt Payne – 1999

Kevin Lopez – 2000

Please send any info on missing alumni or address changes to:

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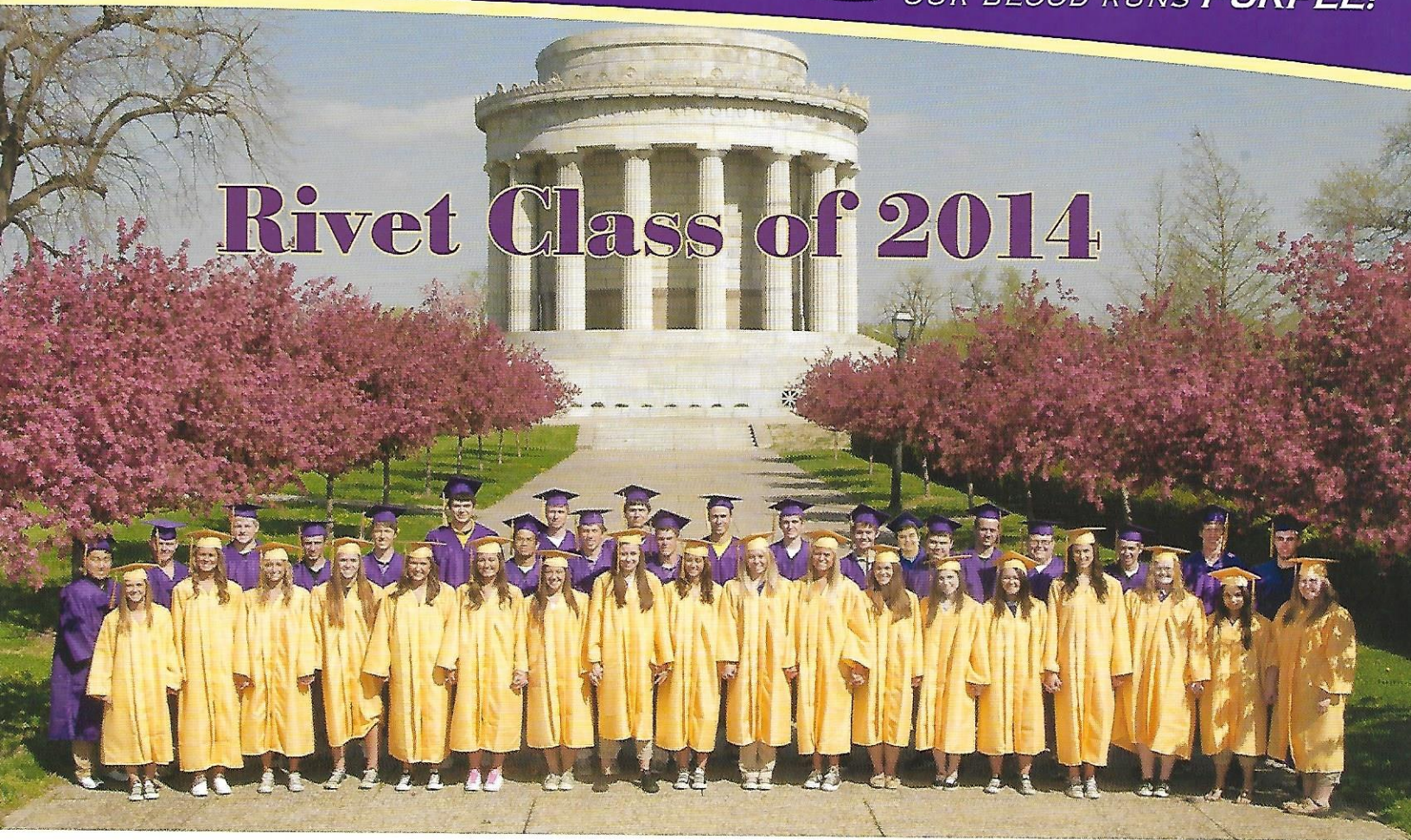
RECENTLY DECEASED

Dorothy Lang Hoffman - 1930
 Martha Anne Bierhaus Lacy – 1939
 Clara Rusch Moore - 1939
 Dorothy Thieman Ruyechan – 1939
 Ruth Morgan Lee – 1941
 Dorothy Bailey Andrews – 1943
 Rita Casey Flood – 1943
 Norma Jacqmain Hauser – 1943
 Freda Wolfe – 1943
 Sister Joanna Brown SP – 1946
 Jeanne Feagans Dauby – 1947
 Margaret Lacy Kapps – 1947
 Jean Ann Tislow Brown - 1950
 Robert Boeckman - 1953
 Louis Bouchie – 1953
 Barbara Cunningham Elam – 1955

George Tromley - 1956
 Suzanne Hunckler Eggers - 1957
 Don Ruppel – 1957
 Barbara Greubel Layman - 1958
 Jerry Sievers - 1958
 Kathleen Memering Brown - 1959
 Robert Gott – 1960
 Joe Hess – 1960
 Ernest G. Telfer – 1960
 Shirley Thomas Ray – 1961
 Judith Ernst Erny – 1962
 Pat Fredrick – 1969
 Mary Ann Haag Carbonell – 1971
 Ginny Gibbons Linn – 1973
 Darren Edwards - 1983
 Ralph Holscher - Faculty

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

Rivet Class of 2014

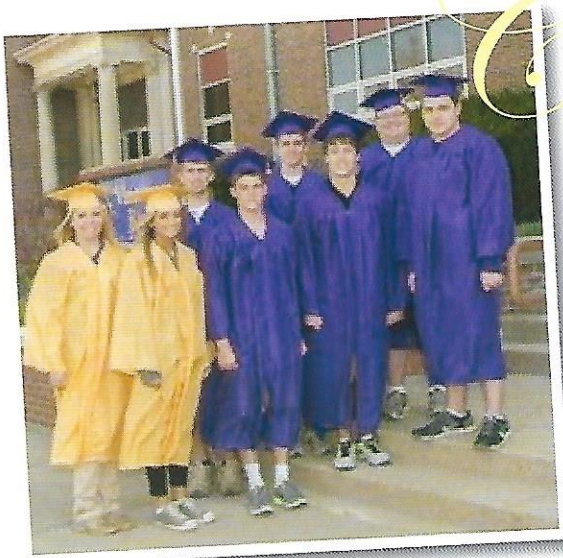


Front Row: Kaylee Quinett, Bailey Niehaus, Makala Emmons, Bailey Dreiman, Janelle Gartner, Emily Niehaus, Allison Johnson, Molly Webster, Vanessa Heinz, Bonnie Hinkle, Alyce Perry, Brittney Weber, Tyla Decker, Christie Perkins, Lauren Herman, Mattie Morris, Shiviika Balal, Maggie Westfall. Back Row: Coleton Emmel, Gavin Benock, Chase Allen, Blake Mouzin, Alex Stenger, Zach Templin, Tyler Kitchell, Daniel Welage, Alex Halter, Brandon Brian, Aaron Pea, Tom Webster, Josh Welage, David Black, Alec Coatney, Bryant Ostendorf, Nick Niehaus, Nathan Sterling, Jordan Primus, Collin Wirth, Tyler Mayles.

Congratulations

GRADUATION IS A FAMILY AFFAIR FOR RUPPEL DESCENDANTS

Pictured at left are eight graduating cousins who are descendants of Anthony Joseph Ruppel. From kindergarten through senior year the cousins enjoyed many classes, masses, field trips, sporting events, dances, retreats and Ruppel reunions together. The cousins, parents and grandparents represent proud Alumni of Rivet, Central Catholic, and St. Rose Academy. It is now up to these graduates to continue the Catholic education legacy for the next generation of Ruppel descendants.

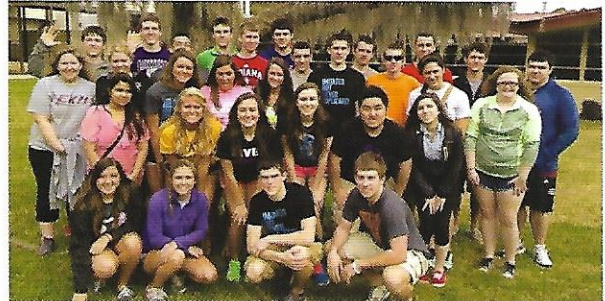
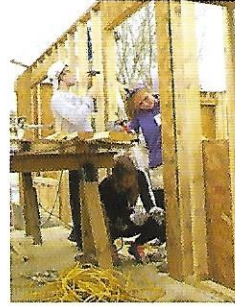
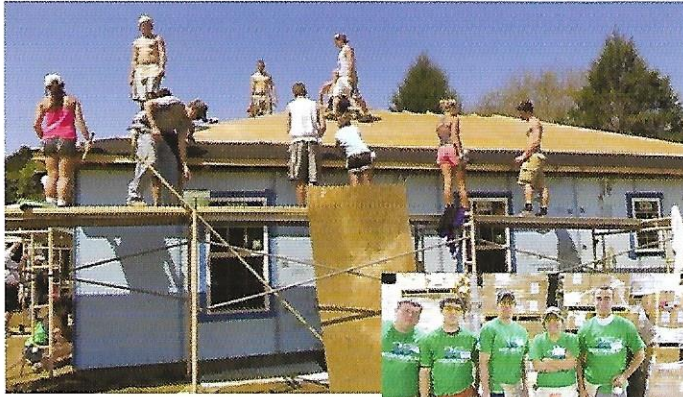


Back row left to right: Bonnie Hinkle, Daniel Welage, Joshua Welage, Nathan Sterling.
Front row: Makala Emmons, Aaron Pea, Alex Stenger, Bryant Ostendorf



SENIORS MAKING A DIFFERENCE

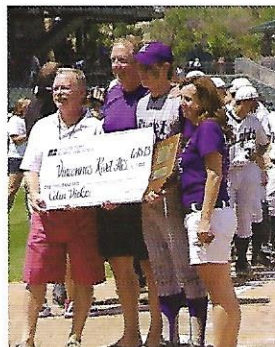
On spring break, 30 seniors traveled to Valdosta, Georgia and built a house for the Habitat for Humanity.



MENTAL ATTITUDE AWARD WINNERS



*Allyson Wehrheim
2013 Patricia L. Roy
Mental Attitude Award*



*Colin Vieke
2013 L.V. Phillips
Mental Attitude Award*



*Lauren Herman
2014 Patricia L. Roy
Mental Attitude Award*

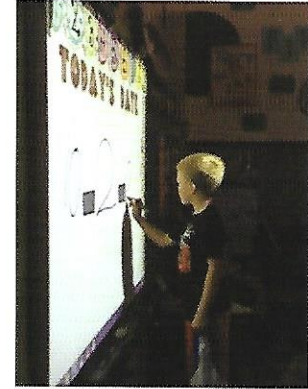
INTERACTIVE WHITEBOARDS

Flaget now has interactive whiteboards in all classrooms Pre School – 5th grade. The whiteboard combines a dry erase board with an LCD projector. The whiteboard becomes a computer screen that is viewable by an entire classroom.

Anything that can be done on a computer monitor can be duplicated. Teachers create engaging lessons and students can use their fingers or pen to interact with the board. Imagine being able to take a whole class on a safari or through a rain forest.

First graders were using the whiteboard to study patterns and count money. They also view the daily calendar and count the number of school days.

Research has shown that students learn better when they are fully engaged and the multisensory, hands-on approach is the best way to reach all students. All students at Flaget are benefitting from this technology. Through the efforts of Flaget PTO and the CEF all classrooms now are utilizing these whiteboards.



Paxton Smith shows the class the current date.

FLAGET GETS STATEWIDE NOTICE

Flaget Elementary has received statewide recognition as a result of its students' success on the ISTEP test. Students in grades 3-5 all passed both the math and language portions of the test. An article in the Indianapolis Star reported that Flaget was one of the top ten performers in the state.

The credit for this success goes to the parents, teachers, and students. The parents send their students to school with good fundamentals. They also support the administration, faculty, and staff. The teachers worked many hours to make sure that all students were mastering the standards set forth by the Indiana Department of Education.



Fifth grade students using Achieve 3000.

ACHIEVE 3000

A new internet based program is being used at Flaget. The program is called Achieve 3000. It is individualized curriculum delivery. The program allows students to access information on an individual basis. Teachers choose a lesson topic. Each student logs in and is given an article on that topic. The articles are generated based on the level of the reader. The students are able to track their progress and see growth every time they log in. This technology does what is impossible to do in the classroom which is individualizing everyone's lesson.

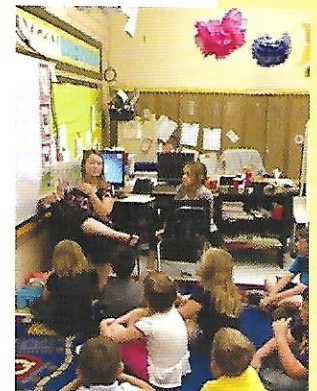
THE BENEFITS OF WELCOMING VOLUNTEERS

Flaget recognizes that volunteers contribute to their school in countless ways. Their value is undeniable. Flaget has parents, grandparents, retired teachers and community members that volunteer their time and effort.

Volunteers enrich students' learning experiences in so many ways. They become a part of our school. Their presence is welcomed and the school is better because they are here. Many use the time to help beginning readers. Last year our Kindergarten classes were able to read over 1000 books last year due to the volunteers that came in to sit one on one with the kindergarten students.

They help our schools run more effectively and they help our faculty and staff in numerous ways. They get messages to classroom teachers, perform errands and sometimes provide extra supervision. They are even used as substitute teachers. Our annual events such as field day are all planned by our volunteers.

Maybe the biggest benefit of all is that students see that their parents and grandparents value their education. Flaget wants to thank all of our volunteers!



Andrea Hostetler reads to first grade class.



DEDICATED TEAM OF LADY PATRIOTS

By: Jessica Welage

The Rivet High School girl's tennis team had an impressive 2014 season. We started off pretty rocky; trying to find a coach, trying to find a place to practice every day, and working practices around bad weather were always just a few of the obstacles in the road. The team of girls we had this season were dedicated, enthusiastic, and committed to say the least. As a first time coach I was nervous for what the season had to offer, but I played with many of the girls myself and went to school with them so I knew from the start that it was going to be a good year. We started off the season with a 0-5 loss against Gibson Southern. It was a tough loss but the girls knew we could only get better from there. After that game we only lost two games the rest of the season, one of them being the regional championship against Jasper. To get past sectionals, we beat South Knox, Washington Catholic, and Washington.

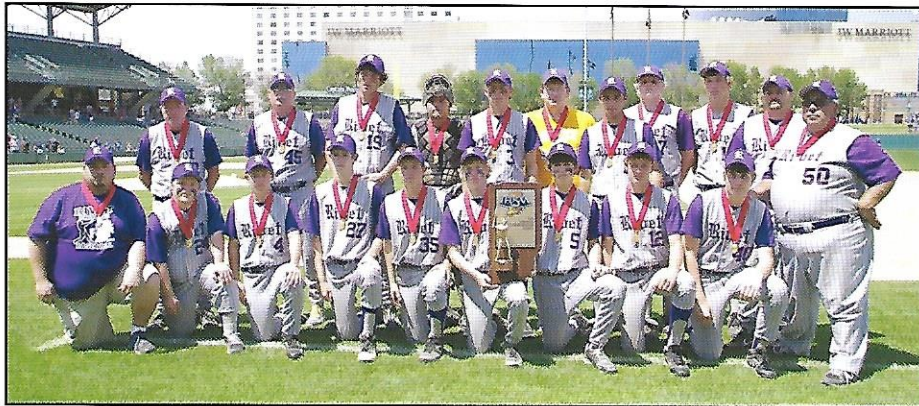


Back row: Coach Jessica Welage, Britney Weber, Molly Webster, Alyce Perry, Bonnie Hinkle, Janelle Gartner, Asst Coach Katlyn Hinkle.
Front row: Abby Fowler, Izzy Finch, Katie Donovan, Lauren Carie, Gabby Hancock, Jessica Primus, Taylor Buck.

Winning sectionals had been the team goal since the start. We moved on to regionals and beat Linton and had a tough loss against Jasper for the championship. No matter how hot, cold, or tired the girls were in their games, they pushed through and played their best. We not only ended the season 13-3, sectional champions, and regional runner-ups, we also came in first in the Blue Chip Conference. My assistant coach, Katlyn Hinkle, and I could not have asked for a better, more dedicated team than the one we had. I know the 2015 team of girls will be more than ready to begin another great season and fill the shoes of their past teammates.

TWO EXCITING BASEBALL SEASONS

By: Coach Beard



2013 Baseball State Runner Up Team

Front Row: Assistant Coach Rodney Lopez, Bat Boy Will Sievers, Austin Woodruff, Lance Lane, Tanner Thomas, Tanner Allen, Andrew Lehman, Jackson Niehaus, & Peyton Cummins. Back Row: Head Coach Bill Beard, Assistant Coach Mack Wirth, Zack Templin, Gavin Benock, Colin Vieke, Statistician Doug Carroll, Blake Mouzin, Chase Allen, Collin Wirth, Assistant Coaches Steve Holka, and Hank Lopez

2013 baseball season

19-13 record; Won sectional, regional and semi-state; Lost state championship game to Lafayette Catholic 4-3 in 9 innings; Colin Vieke was named mental attitude winner at the state finals; Collin Wirth, Chase Allen and Gavin Benock were named to the Blue Chip conference team; Chase Allen was named the all area player of the year.

2014 baseball season

21-8 record; Won sectional and regional; Lost in semi-state to Shakamak 1-0 in 8 innings; Collin Wirth, Gavin Benock, Chase Allen, Zach Templin were named to the Blue Chip all conference team; Peyton Cummins was named honorable mention to the Blue Chip all conference team; Chase Allen was named all area player of the year for the second time; Collin Wirth was named 1A all State as a 3rd baseman.

Chase Allen is now playing college baseball at Olney Central College; Gavin Benock is now playing college baseball at Lakeland College; Collin Wirth and Zach Templin are playing college baseball at Vincennes University.

HARD WORK PAYS OFF FOR SOCCER TEAM

"Winning soccer sectionals is my favorite memory of high school. When you put so much time and effort into a sport, it is the most amazing feeling when you win the sectional title, especially when it is the first one in school history. My freshman year, we won one game all season. From starting out winning one game to becoming sectional champions, it gives me a real sense of how hard work can improve your capabilities and pay off in the end."

Daniel Welage, Class 2014, Goalie



2013 Soccer Sectional Champs

Front row: Tanner Thomas, John Anderson, Robbie Waggoner, Cody Lowe, Caleigh Coatney, 2nd Row: Coach Jon Whitehead, Peyton Cummins, Ben Niehaus, Jacob Anderson, & Ben Herman. Back Row: David Black, Alex Halter, Emily Niehaus, Daniel Welage, Alec Coatney, & Tyler Kitchell.



2014 Golf Sectional Champs

Coach Vern Houchins, Aaron Pea, Alex Halter, Jackson Smith, Tom Webster, Robbie Waggoner, Ben Herman, Alex Stenger, Coach Kristi Waggoner, Coach Charlie Waggoner

Other Team Highlights

2013 & 2014 Girls Basketball
State Runner Ups

2013 Track
Hanna Wise ran at State in the 400

2013 Girls Golf
Sectional Champs and Payton Meeks advanced to State

2014 Girls Golf
Sectional Champs, Payton Meeks advanced to State and team ranked 8th in State in Open Class

2014 Environthon Team
Placed 7th in State Competition at Purdue University

ACADEMIC SUPER BOWL COMPETITION

By: Beverly Adams

Rivet High School's Academic teams competed at North Knox on Tuesday, April 22, 2014 in the State Qualifying Academic Super Bowl Competition. Numerous Academic Competitions were held across the state and the top schools in each Class move on to the State Competition. Rivet competed in Class 4 with 9 other schools. Rivet's math team consisting of Hunter Ingram, Allison Johnson, Nathan Sterling and Daniel Welage finished third in Class 4. They were only 2 points behind the 1st place team in Class 4. The team, coached by Beverly Adams, also beat some other schools from other Classes. The English team consisting of Allyse Emmel, Cody Lowe, and Brittney Weber finished second in Class 4. The English team was coached by Jon Whitehead. Other Rivet students competing were Shivika Bajaj, Katie Donovan, David Evans, and Owen Zalesak in Fine Arts, Social Studies, and Science.



Math Team



English Team

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