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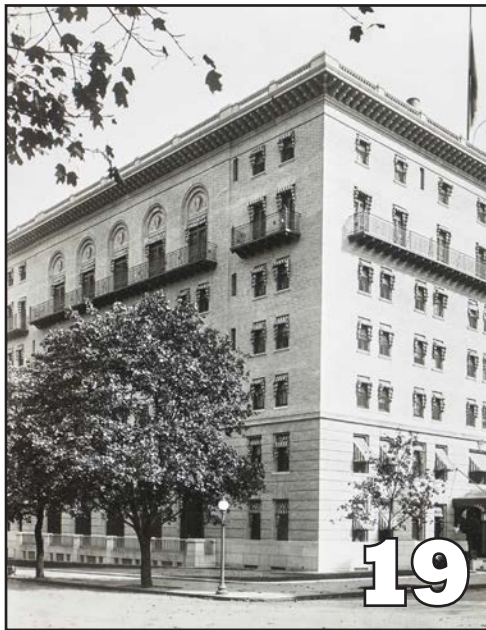
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A LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

COL Marc L. Warren, USA (Ret.)

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The arrival of Spring signals that our Annual Meeting is around the corner. The meeting will be held on Wednesday, 19 April. A complimentary buffet with open bar will follow the meeting. For those members unable to attend in-person, the meeting will also be streamed via Zoom. Members can register for both in-person and virtual attendance by visiting the Online Club Calendar.

The week of the Annual Meeting presents the opportunity to recognize our Golden Knights and to present the Club's Distinguished Service Award. The status of "Golden Knight" is conferred on persons who have been members of the Club for fifty years. New Golden Knights for 2023 are LT Walter R. Bateman, COL David B. Browning, Mr. Charles A. Buchanan, Major Stephen W. Comiskey, LTC Jack L. Conway, Mr. W. Thomas Fleming, Mr. J. Eric Greenwood, Mr. James H. Hall, MG James R. Harding, RADM Nelson O. Heyer, AMB J. William Middendorf, and CPT William H. Slattery.

The Distinguished Service Award is conferred on members who have made significant and sustained contributions through their selfless service to the Club. I will have the privilege to present the award to Major General Dan Wright and Judge Bill Colwell.

The Annual Meeting is a time to take stock of the governance, finances, and activities of the Club. Not to preempt the meeting, but, thanks to the loyalty of our members, we are in sound shape. The Club's performance exceeded projections in the first quarter of the Calendar Year and we look forward to the Club's performance continuing to improve over the remainder of 2023. As Club use increases, I encourage you to make reservations for popular events, particularly Easter Brunch.

This edition of *The Dispatch* reprises a Member Spotlight article on Lieutenant General Richard G. "Dick" Trefry, USA (Ret.), who passed away in late February. The article was written in 2020 in the incomparable style of our own Peter McCarthy and we reprint it without changes. Some of my fondest memories at the Club are General Trefry "holding court" in the Daiquiri Lounge with members clamoring to shake his hand and extend greetings, or sit and talk to him. It seemed that everyone attending whatever event at the time, wanted to be with him for at least a few moments. He was mentor to us all and we are all in his debt. God bless you, General Trefry.

I look forward to seeing you at the Annual Meeting, and wish you and your families a Happy Easter.

COL Marc L. Warren, USA (Ret.)
Club President

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A LETTER FROM THE GENERAL MANAGER

Ms. Sarah M. Ford, CHAE

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Among the multitudes of events and happenings in Washington, DC during the month of April, the most exciting for me is the Club's Annual Meeting. The Board of Governors has the opportunity to announce accomplishments of the recent past and share visions for the future. While I have the tremendous pleasure of meeting many of you in person, some for the first time. While discussing all things Army and Navy Club related is professionally rewarding, it is personally rewarding to shake hands with and greet so many of you face to face. With a largely diverse and globally distributed population, the annual meeting is a time for us all to come together and enjoy what makes this Club a success, YOU, our members. Whether virtually or in person, we invite you to share the evening with us on Wednesday, April 19th.

Speaking of meeting and greeting new faces, I'm pleased to introduce you to the most recent additions to Club staff. Please be sure to check out the employee article highlighting the greatest assets the Club has...the ANC Team!

And while I'm on the subject to ANC staff, I'd like to compliment them on their continued success in adapting and changing to whatever situation may arise. When we learned vendors were unable to host our annual "Fashion Show", there was no hesitation in immediately creating a new and equally incredible event. I am excited to announce that on Saturday, May 6th the Club will host, for the first time ever, a Kentucky Derby Day luncheon. For the gentlemen, we request you wear your finest Derby Day suits, and for the ladies' your best dress and a hat worthy of a formal Kentucky Derby affair are strongly encouraged.

Chef is creating a spectacular themed menu, and of course mint juleps will be the highlighted drink of the day! In addition to a spectacular lunch, there will be live music and derby themed games and prizes. The fun doesn't end after the luncheon is over. We invite attendees to dinner or drinks in the Eagle Grill in the evening where the race will be broadcast on all televisions. After a fun filled day of Derby events, we welcome you to rest and relax in one of our overnight rooms. Did your horse not win the race? Not to worry, joining us for Brunch on Sunday, May 7th will be the perfect remedy for any post-race blues.

I'll close by sharing a special tribute to long-time member and unwavering Club supporter, the late LTG Richard Trefry. I had the pleasure to meet General Trefry a number of years back. As I was a new General Manager, he offered words of advice and encouragement. Where others may have simply moved on from our initial discussion, he did not. He continued to follow-up with me from time to time and passed messages for me through other members. During some very trying times, I would receive a kind word or note from him and it would turn my entire day around. I truly appreciated his kindness and steadfast support. His presence will be missed, but his legacy will be honored at The Army and Navy Club forever.

Sarah M. Ford, CHAE
General Manager / COO

DO YOU HAVE AUTO-PAY SETUP ON THE CURRENT CLUB WEBSITE?

Beginning May 1, you will need to update your credit card information on the newly redesigned club website. Payment changes made before May 1 will not be saved.

Visit www.armynavyclub.org to re-establish your auto-pay with a credit card or your bank account information.

General Dennis J. Reimer USA (Ret.)

33RD ARMY CHIEF OF STAFF

By COL Geoffrey Prosch, USA (Ret.), Club Historian

A proud member of The Army and Navy Club, General “Denny” Reimer has served at the highest levels of the Army and industry. He is a native of Medford, Oklahoma, a 1962 Graduate of the U.S. Military Academy (commissioned Artillery, B.S. Engineering), and a life-long distance runner (he recently completed the Army Ten-Miler race at age 83). General Reimer has always “marched to the sound of the guns,” serving two combat tours of duty in Vietnam as an assistant battalion advisor to Republic of South Vietnam infantry units and as executive officer and S-3 of the 2nd Battalion 4th Artillery.

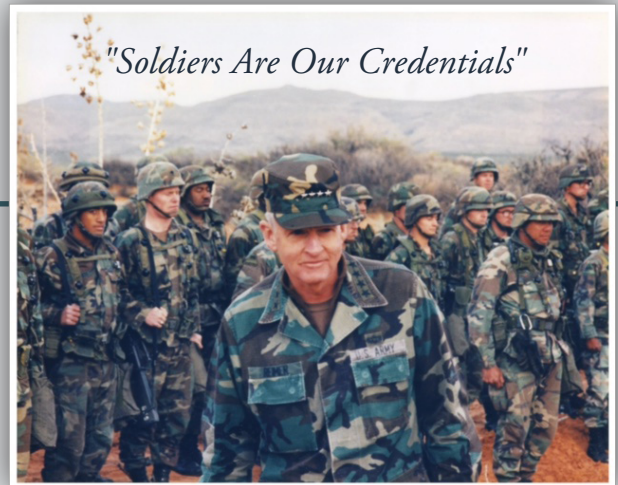
From 1962-1999, General Reimer’s career spanned the era between Vietnam and the military transformation that culminated in the end of the Cold War. In recognition of his dedication and foresight, he has been credited with transforming the Army during a period of high-tempo deployments including peacekeeping in Bosnia-Herzegovina and Kosovo and the first Gulf War/Desert Storm. During his distinguished career, he has commanded at all levels - from Company to Army - rounding out his leadership experience with staff assignments at various succeeding levels of Army and Joint operations. His commands include 1st Battalion 27th Field Artillery, Division Artillery 8th Infantry Division, III Corps Artillery, 4th Infantry Division, and U.S. Army Forces Command. He served as aide de camp to the late, great Army Chief of Staff Creighton Abrams.

His wife of 60 years, Mary Jo, has been a wonderful teammate and outstanding leader in the Army Family Support Community. During Reimer’s units’ frequent deployments, Mary Jo’s outstanding leadership of unit family support groups always contributed to the teamwork, support, and wellbeing of the military family and to the overall effectiveness of the organizations under Reimer’s command.

General Reimer’s awards include the Defense Distinguished Service Medal, Army Distinguished Service Medal, two Legions of Merit, Distinguished Flying Cross, six awards of the Bronze Star Medal (one with “V” Device for valor), Purple Heart, Combat Infantryman Badge, Parachutist Badge, Aircraft Crewman Badge, and Ranger Tab.

After retirement, General Reimer has continued to serve and lead in many important ways. He was Director of the Oklahoma City National Memorial Institute for the Prevention of Terrorism; he served on the Board of Directors for Detica, Virtual Agility, the Association of the U.S. Army, Global Food Exchange, and Integrated Nano Technology; he established the General Dennis J. Reimer Army Training and Doctrine Digital Library as the single repository of approved Army training and doctrine information, and he currently serves as President of the Army Emergency Relief Association, Chairman of the Armed Forces Mutual Aid Association; and as a mentor and instructor to top industry leaders at the West Point Thayer Leadership Institute.

He was inducted into the “Oklahoma Hall of Fame,” he received the “Distinguished Graduate Award” from West Point, and he had a room at the Thayer Hotel at West Point dedicated in his honor. During a recent interview, we asked General Reimer to share why he loves The Army and Navy Club and the U.S. Army.



GENERAL, HOW DID YOU HEAR ABOUT THE CLUB AND WHY DID YOU JOIN?

I have known about it for some time---it really is famous—and I joined up when I went to Oklahoma to help MIPT, an organization that came out of the Oklahoma City Murrah Building Bombing. The family members and survivors felt strongly about having an organization that helped First Responders prevent what happened from happening again and that was our mission. Unfortunately, we did not fully accomplish that mission (9-11 took place) but, with help from Congress, we were able to reach out to a good number of First Responders. Mary Jo and I came back to the D.C. area because we wanted to see our Grandkids.

WHAT PROGRAMS ATTRACT YOU TO THE CLUB?

There are many great programs, more than I have time, but their lectures and book reviews are at the top of my list. It also is a convenient place to grab lunch with friends. The reciprocal agreement we have with other clubs is a great benefit.

WHAT ARE YOU MOST PASSIONATE ABOUT?

My primary passion is to continue to help soldiers and their families, and I try to do that in every way I can. The Army has been good to me, they educated, trained, and gave me lots of great opportunities to do interesting things—I will never be able to pay them back but will continue to try.

WHAT IS YOUR PROUDEST ACCOMPLISHMENT SERVING IN THE ARMY?

There are lots of great memories, but I guess I am proudest of the fact that during my time as Chief we were able to come up with the current Army Values: Loyalty, Duty, Respect, Selfless Service, Honor, Integrity, and Personal Courage. That was important to me because I truly believe the Army is a Mission Focused-Value Based Organization.

ANY OTHER INFORMATION YOU'D LIKE TO SHARE WITH YOUR FELLOW CLUB MEMBERS?

I think the history of the ANC is a history which we can all be proud. Think of all the members who have made this Club special from Neil Armstrong to Presidents Theodore and Franklin Roosevelt and many more members have played key roles in making this Nation the greatest nation on earth—and the Daiquiris aren't bad either. So may it always be!



SOUNDING TAPS

Our heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of:

Mr. Jed C. Snyder – *Washington, DC*

Mr. Barry Scribner – *White Plains, NY*

Ms. Janet Watkins – *Alexandria, VA*

Mr. Robert R. Milam – *Naples, FL*

LTG Richard G. Trefry – *Clifton, VA*

NEWSWORTHY

Do you have something exciting that you would like to share with the Club?

Send your news and photos to the Membership & Marketing Department

membership@armynavyclub.org

THE ARMY AND NAVY CLUB WELCOMES THE FOLLOWING NEW MEMBERS

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CAPT Kathleen Ann Duignan, USCG

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CPT James M. Freeman, USA

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Dr. David J. Kern, USN (CDR, Ret.)

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MAJ Jason A. Perez, USA

MAJ Bertrand Alec Pourteau, USMC

Mr. Michael Rigas

COL Michael J. Sieber, USA

Ms. Sharon K. Stine

MAJ Alexander C. Weinstein, USMC

INTERNATIONAL

Mr. Gregory Robert Wright



Retired Army Colonel Paris D. Davis (left), one of the first Black officers to lead a Special Forces team in combat, was awarded the Medal of Honor on March 3, 2023. He is pictured above at the Club at a dinner honoring his outstanding achievement with Club member and Library Trust Chairman General John D. Altenburg, Jr.



Club member Mr. Ellis Craig volunteers his time as a Career Readiness Instructor with FourBlock, a non-profit organization dedicated to bridging the gap between capable transitioning veterans and the business community. He's the lead ambassador for the Career Readiness Program in the Washington, D.C. Region. The

program is designed to equip transitioning service members and veterans with the tools they need to develop professional knowledge and build the relationships necessary to successfully transition to meaningful civilian careers.

Author David Baldacci, who has given four sold out presentations at The Army Navy Club, dedicated his most recent book *Long Shadows* that reached #1 on *The New York Times* Best Seller list to Club members Ginny and Bill Colwell (pictured). The Colwells met David and Michelle



Baldacci when their son and daughter attended St. Paul VI Catholic High School where Ginny served as an English teacher, Academic Dean, Vice Principal, then Head of School for 16 years before retiring July 1, 2022.



Employee of the Quarter

STANLEY SIMMONS

Housekeeping Supervisor

What do you enjoy most about The Army and Navy Club?

It's like one happy family.

What are your hobbies and interests?

Spending time with my wife and grandkids.

What are your long-term professional goals?

To become a Director of Housekeeping.

What would you like other employees to know about you, which they don't know?

I love football and basketball.

Why do you deserve this award?

Because I am very hard-working and dependable!

“ Since returning to the Club for employment, Stanley has quietly become a staple in the housekeeping department. The Club and his teammates in the housekeeping and housemen area can always count on his help beyond what is asked of him. As a result, Stanley recently earned a promotion to Supervisor, and winning the employee of the quarter is an additional testament to his diligence and commitment. Stanley, we commend you for your efforts. ”

- Tibor Szabo, Director of House Operations

COCKTAIL OF THE MONTH

Spring Blossom



Sweet and delicate, the Spring Blossom is a seasonally inspired vodka cocktail featuring the floral flavors of hibiscus.

Ideal for spring and summer parties, this libation offers a light hibiscus flavor, making it perfect for brunch, showers, and any casual, yet elegant, occasion.

ingredients

1 oz Wheatley Vodka | 0.5 oz Campari | 0.5 oz Prosecco
1 oz Hibiscus Sake | Garnish with a sprig of mint



THE ARMY AND NAVY CLUB 2023 Annual Meeting



WEDNESDAY, APRIL 19, 2023

6:30 PM | BALLROOM

The Army and Navy Club's Annual Meeting will be held on Wednesday, April 19, on the second floor in the Ballroom. A quorum of regular members is required for the meeting. All members may attend, but only regular members may vote. At the conclusion of the meeting, those members attending in-person and their plus one (guest or spouse) are invited to enjoy a complimentary buffet, raw bar, and open bar until 9 pm.

In-Person Attendees:

Please inform the Club of your attendance by registering through the event page on the Online Club Calendar or by emailing Chandler Hadden at chadden@armynavyclub.org.

Virtual Attendees:

Please inform the Club of your participation by registering using the Zoom link on the event page on the Online Club Calendar. Once registered, you will receive a confirmation email from Zoom with the log-in information. The day of the Annual Meeting, you will receive an email reminder 1 hour prior to the meeting start time.



Club History

The Sloane Club is an exclusive private Club with a rich history spanning over 100 years situated just off Sloane Square in Chelsea, London. Founded in 1922 as the service Women's Club, our illustrious address welcomed the serving and former female officers of the Armed Forces in World War II. Following its transformation in 1976, The Sloane Club opened its doors to gentlemen also.

Today The Sloane Club provides a unique setting for our members and guests to enjoy. Celebrate with an exquisite cocktail, host a dinner with delicious seasonal dishes and enjoy a range of contemporary work spaces, flooded with natural light, combining comfort with everything you need for a productive day. Add to this a carefully considered, bespoke approach to service, and a choice of sumptuous rooms waiting at the end of the day, and you have found the perfect space to work, entertain, indulge and unwind in equal measure

Club Bedrooms & Suites

Affiliate members have exclusive access to The Clubs bedrooms, ranging from Cozy Doubles perfect for solo travelers and short trips to beautifully appointed and spacious Suites ideal for longer stays with an added touch of comfort. Equipped with all the necessities of modern life, Molton Brown amenities and room service menus, our Room & Suites complete The Sloane Club experience.

Our attentive Member Relations team provides impeccable and intuitive service while our Concierge Team will be on hand to organize any aspect of your stay from dinner bookings and reservations to hunting down sold-out concert tickets. All you need to do is relax, unwind, and enjoy your time in the heart of Chelsea.

The Garden Room

The Club's main restaurant, The Garden Roo, is a space flooded with neutral light, with comfortable arm chairs and beautiful sash windows overlooking stunning private gardens. Enjoy the all-day dining menu designed by a Michelin-trained Executive Chef, boasting classic British dishes with a contemporary twist.

The Chelsea Bar

Every day from 5 pm until midnight The Chelsea Room, The Club's coworking space, transforms into The Chelsea Bar, a hip spot ideal for nights out fueled by show-stopping cocktails, delicious snacks, and great music.

Request a Letter of Introduction through the Club website or email Roland Gonzales at rgonzales@armynavyclub.org



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BOOK FORUM



“Save Every Life You Can: A Reflection on Leadership and Saving Lives during the COVID-19 Pandemic” with Dr. Richard Stone

Tuesday, April 4, 2023
Reception: 6:30 pm | Speaker: 7:00 pm
\$10++ per person | Ballroom
Wine and cheese reception included

Save Every Life You Can is a reflection on leadership and saving lives during the COVID-19 pandemic. Richard A. Stone MD is the former Deputy Surgeon General of the United States Army. He returned to government service to lead the Veterans Health Administration at the Department of Veterans Affairs in 2018. Brought on as a proven changemaker and experienced leader in an inflection point for the agency, he had no idea his tenure would be defined by the public health challenge of our lifetime.

This memoir describes the extraordinary challenges the agency faced and the personal stories of his team as they worked against the clock in a pandemic unique in more than 100 years. It describes the principles of leadership that informed and guided Dr. Stone, and his thoughts on what we learned as a nation about health care delivery as we prepare for the next once-in-a-hundred-year crisis.

WEBINAR



**"55 Days at Peking" with Dr. Geoff Babb
Command and General Staff College
“History vs Hollywood” Virtual Presentation Series**

Thursday, April 20, 2023
6:30 pm | Virtual Webinar via Zoom
Reservations are required.

Dr. Geoff Babb will discuss the movie *55 Days at Peking* in terms of its historical accuracy and as a vehicle to discuss the Eight Nation Invasion of China, also called the Boxer Rebellion. This conflict is part of China's Century of Humiliation and a driver of its current foreign policy.

About the Speaker: Dr. Babb was commissioned from Bowdoin College in Brunswick, Maine. He served as a U.S. Army Military Intelligence Officer in Washington, DC and after completing education as a China Foreign Area Officer, was then assigned to Joint and Army Headquarters in Hawaii. He later was posted to the Command and General Staff College faculty at Fort Leavenworth. He earned a Masters in East Asian Languages and Cultures, and a Doctorate in History from the University of Kansas.

About the film: This historical epic, set in China in 1900, focuses on the infamous Boxer Rebellion. During these riots, a group of Chinese opposed to the presence of foreigners on their soil, attacked the embassies of countries they felt had exploited China by swallowing up and controlling its commercial markets. For 55 days, a few hundred officials from western countries like Great Britain, France, Germany, and the United States struggled against an onslaught of over 130,000 Chinese warriors.

EVENT REMINDERS

Dress Code: Traditional business attire (jackets and neckties for men, equally appropriate attire for women) is the dress code for special events in the Ballroom and Main Dining Room. The prescribed service uniform of the day is acceptable. No jeans permitted. Children should also adhere to the no jeans policy.

Special Event Cancellation Policy: Due to the popularity of our paid events, any cancellation made within 72 hours of the event date will result in the member's account being charged 50% of the event price. Cancellations made within 24 hours of the event, and no-shows, will result in the member's account being charged the full event price.

BOOK FORUM



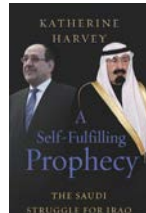
“The Queen and the U.S.A. Platinum Jubilee Edition” with author H. Edward "Chip" Mann and author and Club member Jacques J. Moore Jr.

Tuesday, April 25, 2023
Reception: 6:30 pm | Speaker: 7:00 pm
\$10++ per person | Ballroom
Tea reception included

In honor of Her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee, *The Queen and the U.S.A. Platinum Edition* chronicles the special relationship between Queen Elizabeth II of Great Britain and the people of the United States. This friendship manifested itself through the Queen's numerous visits to the U.S. and her meetings with 14 Presidents in both England and across America. She addressed Joint Sessions of Congress and the Virginia General Assembly, and attended events in multiple cities during the Bicentennial visit in 1976.

The book also includes essays on how World War II shaped her strong sense of duty, reviews the history between our two countries and Jubilees of the past, and contains mini biographies on the 19 sovereigns who ruled over the American Colonies, England and Great Britain before Queen Elizabeth II.

LUNCH SERIES



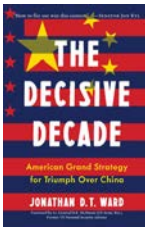
"A Self-Fulfilling Prophecy: The Saudi Struggle for Iraq" with Katherine Harvey

Friday, April 28, 2023
Check-in/Lunch: 11:30 am | Presentation: 12:00 pm
\$24++ per person (plus 20% gratuity and 15% tax)
Price includes lunch buffet

In recent years, the geopolitical rivalry between Saudi Arabia and Iran has dominated the headlines. Many have charted the polarization between a Saudi-led Sunni camp and an Iranian-led Shia one, assuming that a predominantly Shia state like Iraq would automatically ally with Iran. In this compelling account, Katherine Harvey tells a different story: Iraq's alignment with Iran was not a foregone conclusion. Rather, Saudi efforts to undermine Iran have paradoxically empowered it.

Harvey investigates why the Saudis refused to engage with Iraq's post-2003 Shia-led government, despite continual outreach by Iraq's new leaders and considerable pressure from the United States. She finds that certain deeply ingrained assumptions predisposed Saudi leaders to see a Shia-led Iraq as naturally beholden to Iran: the view that Iran is inherently expansionist, and the belief that Arab Shia tend to be loyal to it. This outlook was simplistic, even downright inaccurate; and, in refusing to engage, the Saudis created a self-fulfilling prophecy. As Harvey demonstrates, members of Iraq's new government initially sought to establish a positive relationship with Saudi Arabia, and to pursue a course independent from Iran. But, isolated and rejected by Saudi King Abdullah, Iraq ultimately had nowhere else to turn.

BOOK FORUM



“The Decisive Decade: American Grand Strategy for Triumph Over China” with Dr. Jonathan D.T. Ward

Tuesday, May 2, 2023
Reception: 6:30 pm | Speaker: 7:00 pm
\$10++ per person | Ballroom
Wine and cheese reception included

With a focus on the economic battlefront and in-depth analysis of the diplomatic, military, and ideological arenas, one of the foremost experts on U.S.-China competition offers a rousing, strategic call to action and playbook—harvesting all of our nation’s ingenuity, confidence, and will power to outcompete the long-term strategies of China’s Communist Party.

In *The Decisive Decade*, Dr. Jonathan D.T. Ward offers a comprehensive framework for how the United States can, and must, defeat the Chinese Communist Party on the world stage economically, diplomatically, militarily, and ideologically. International security, global human rights, and the future of American power are all at stake—and now is the time for the US to take action.

Ward provides novel and practical strategies that our government, as well as our businesses and our citizens, can utilize to undermine our adversary. Exhaustive campaigns in the economic, diplomatic, military, and ideological arenas, he argues, must be taken to achieve victory.

With expert analysis of the history of US-China relations, as well as insight into how the Russia-Ukrainian war can inform our strategic thinking, *The Decisive Decade* presents a unique toolkit for our triumph over China. We can succeed, but it won’t be easy; it will take all of our nation’s ingenuity, confidence, and willpower to win.

BOOK FORUM



“At the Helm: My Journey with Family, Faith, and Friends to Calm the Storms of Life” with John H. Dalton

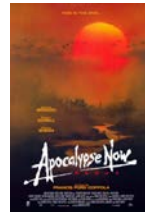
Tuesday, May 16, 2023
Reception: 6:30 pm | Speaker: 7:00 pm
\$10++ per person | Ballroom
Wine and cheese reception included

From modest beginnings to Secretary of the Navy, John Dalton’s life is an inspirational story filled with successes and failures in both the public and private sectors and how he navigated through them. John Dalton's life is an inspirational American success story. *At the Helm* traces his journey from modest beginnings in Louisiana to traveling the world and working across private and public sectors and four presidential appointments all culminating in his appointment as the 70th Secretary of the Navy.

As Secretary of the Department of the Navy, including both Navy and Marine Corps, Dalton had to weather the storm of the Tailhook controversy, navigate through the Naval Academy cheating scandal, manage the new policies of Don’t Ask, Don’t Tell and women serving in combat. His record with these situations shines as a model of ethical leadership during crises. John Dalton has created an account of his life for posterity, and to encourage others at this challenging juncture in American history. His memoir recounts his experiences and the bedrock values which shaped him and the hard lessons he received from them... including the essence of principled leadership.

At the Helm is a portrait of a man who has lived life ethically and to the fullest, doing his utmost to leave the world better than he found it.

WEBINAR



“Apocalypse Now” with Dr. Martin G. Clemis
Command and General Staff College
“History vs Hollywood” Virtual Presentation Series

Thursday, May 18, 2023
6:30 pm | Virtual Webinar via Zoom
Reservations are required.

Released in 1979, *Apocalypse Now* tells the story of a U.S. Army captain sent on a mission to terminate a rogue American officer who has taken the war into his own hands by waging a brutal and unauthorized counterinsurgency campaign in Cambodia. *Apocalypse Now* is rooted in mythology and allegory rather than historical fact. Nonetheless, it remains the most enduring vision that most Americans and filmgoers around the world have of the Vietnam War. More importantly, the film continues to provide a thoughtful meditation on human nature, war, and the fragile and often subjective boundaries that separate ethical from unethical behavior, sanctioned from unsanctioned killing, and military necessity from atrocity.

About the Speaker: Martin G. Clemis is an associate professor in the Department of Military History at the Command and General Staff College, Fort Leavenworth, Kansas. Martin earned a PhD at Temple University in 2015. He is the author of *The Control War: The Struggle for South Vietnam, 1968-1975*. He is also a contributing author in *Beyond the Quagmire: New Interpretations of the Vietnam Conflict*, *Drawdowns: The American Way of Postwar*, and *War and Geography: The Spatiality of Organized Mass Violence*. Currently, he is working on his second book titled *Agrowar: Rice and Revolutionary Warfare in South Vietnam* that explores the intersection of war and agriculture during the Second Indochina War.

ORIENTATION



New Member Orientation

Tuesday, May 24, 2023 | 6:00 to 7:00 pm
Ballroom | Reservations are required

Orientations are a great way for new members to meet Club Staff, other new members, and become familiar with all of the programming the ANC has to offer. The reception begins at 6pm and includes heavy hors d’oeuvres, optional tours, and all of the information you’ll need to get the most out of your Army and Navy Club membership.

BOOK FORUM REMINDERS

Dinner service in The Main Dining Room begins at 5:30 pm.

Please note, when you attend the Tuesday Night Seafood Buffet on the night of a book forum, your \$10++ forum fee is waived.

Additionally, members who attend the forum can stay at the Club for 20% off the room rate that evening.

For reservations, please call the Front Desk at 202-628-8400.

MAY 2023

SPECIAL EVENTS SNAPSHOT		SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
5/2	6:30 pm Dr. Jonathan D.T. Ward Book Forum		1	2 Seafood Buffet Dr. Jonathan D.T. Ward Book Forum	3	4 Ballroom Dance Lessons - Day 1	5 Cinco de Mayo Happy Hour - Sponsored by the Young Members Sub-Committee	6 Chess Club Kentucky Derby Luncheon
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5/5	6:00 pm Cinco de Mayo Happy Hour - Sponsored by the Young Members Sub- Committee							
5/6	12:00 pm Kentucky Derby Luncheon	7 Sunday Brunch	8	9 Seafood Buffet	10	11 Ballroom Dance Lessons - Day 2	12 Bourbon Tasting	13
5/11	6:30 pm Ballroom Dance Lessons							
5/12	6:00 pm Bourbon Tasting							
5/14	11:00 am - 3:30 pm Mother's Day Brunch	14	15	16 Seafood Buffet John H. Dalton Book Forum	17	18 Ballroom Dance Lessons - Day 3 Dr. Martin G. Clemis Webinar	19	20 Chess Club
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5/24	6:00 pm New Member Orientation	21 Sunday Brunch	22	23 Seafood Buffet	24 New Member Orientation	25 Ballroom Dance Lessons - Day 4	26	27
5/25	6:30 pm Ballroom Dance Lessons							
		28 Sunday Brunch	29 Memorial Day - Club Closed, Hotel Open	30 Seafood Buffet	31	1 Ballroom Dance Lessons - Day 5	2	3 Military Heritage Mess Night



Fox Conner Society

Are you a junior officer or seasoned member with an interest in history and national security? Are you looking to expand your professional network and join a group of like-minded members? If so, the Fox Conner Society is looking for members like you!

The Fox Conner Society is focused on building relationships within the Club. Discussion topics include history, national security, strategy, leadership and current geopolitical and military events. The oldest Society within the Club meets once a month for mixers with guided discussions and formal presentations, followed by dinner.

For more information on how to become a part of the Fox Conner Society, please contact COL Thomas Woloszyn, USA (Ret.) at foxconnersociety@gmail.com.

Travel Club

✉ travelclubanc@gmail.com

📘 www.facebook.com/groups/anctravelclub

National Arboretum Trip Saturday, April 29, 2023

Walk to the Old Capitol building columns and point back to the Grove of State Trees. Find your state(s) tree and then meet up for a snack picnic (BYOP) at the picnic tables at 3:00 pm. Get to know other members and let the children run during this great family trip!

TRIP DETAILS

WHO: ANC Travel Club and Families

WHAT: Our 1st 2023 local outing!

WHERE: Members to meet at 3501 New York Ave NE, DC 20002

WHEN: 1:30 pm followed by a 3:00 pm picnic

PARKING: Parking lot M, the Grove. Transportation will not be provided by the Club.

RSVP Via email or join the private Facebook group. Members are to meet at the National Arboretum



Trivia Night

Wednesday, April 26, 2023

6:00 pm - 8:30 pm

Eagle Grill | \$15++ per person

A minimum reservation of 2 people are required and the maximum is 6 people.

Trivia begins at 6:30 pm

Grab your friends and join us for a fun and competitive evening of trivia hosted by Trivia Kings! The cost is \$15++ per person and includes a drink ticket and of course Trivia Prizes for the winners! À la carte snacks will also be available for purchase. If you plan to attend with other members to create a team, please include their names in your reservation.

Please contact the Events Department at (202) 355-0525 for reservations.

Easter Brunch

SUNDAY, APRIL 9, 2023

Seatings from 11:00 am - 3:30 pm

\$60++ PER ADULT | \$20++ PER CHILD AGES 5-12

COMPLIMENTARY FOR CHILDREN 4 AND UNDER

FOR RESERVATIONS PLEASE CALL (202) 628 - 8400

Celebrate Easter at The Army and Navy Club! Enjoy a fabulous buffet spread full of the traditional Easter favorites, and of course the opportunity to take a photo with the Easter Bunny!

DINNER & A SHOW AT THE KENNEDY CENTER

Les Misérables

FRIDAY, APRIL 14, 2023

DINNER: 5:30 PM | SHOW: 7:30 PM

To join the wait list for this sold out event, contact the Events Department at (202) 355-0525.



SOLD OUT

JAPANESE WHISKY TASTING

Friday, April 21, 2023

6:00 pm - 7:30 pm

Eagle Grill

\$41++ per person

Enjoy an evening of camaraderie and insight into Japanese whiskies featuring WAI Tradition, Tsunuki 2022, Akashi Whisky, and Akashi Single Malt.

To join the wait list for this sold out event, please contact the Events Department at (202) 355-0525.



SOLD OUT

NEW FACES AT THE ANC!



JOY CORBETT

Front Desk Manager
Joined February, 2023

Joy's hobbies include interior design, fashion, and personal styling. She is also a self-proclaimed foodie!



NATHAN GREGORY

Houseman
Joined February, 2023

Nathan enjoys roller-skating. He is also an Air Force veteran and served from 1988-2000.



ANTHONY PIERCE

Housekeeping Manager
Joined February, 2023

A fun fact about Anthony is that he loves the Dallas Cowboys!



MARQUIA WHITE

Housekeeper
Joined February, 2023

Marquia enjoys spending her free time with her 4 kids – ages 3, 4, 5, and 10.



BENSON ASAMOA

Front Desk Agent
Joined February, 2023

Benson is a part-time DJ and loves jazz music. He also loves helping people.

BALLROOM DANCE LESSONS

Thursday, May 4, May 11, May 18, May 25, and June 1

\$125++ per person | 6:30 pm - 7:30 pm

Pricing for individual classes not available.

Call the Events Department at (202) 355-0525 for reservations.

Prepare for events and weddings with this 5-week beginners course in ballroom dance! Learn the basics of Foxtrot, Swing, Waltz, Tango and Rumba. No partner required. This is a 5-part packaged event series – attendance is highly recommended for all sessions as material is continuous.

About the Instructor: Catherine Butterworth is a professional dance instructor who has been teaching in the DC area for over a decade.

She was trained at Arthur Murray Dance Studio in Silver Spring, MD and has taught independently since 2010. She is a member of the National Dance Council of America and competes in the Latin dances. Plan ahead and stop in the Daiquiri for happy hour ahead of time!



CINCO DE MAYO HAPPY HOUR

SPONSORED BY THE YOUNG
MEMBERS SUB-COMMITTEE

Friday, May 5, 2023 | 6:00 - 8:00 pm | Eagle Grill
\$25++ per person



You are invited to celebrate Cinco de Mayo at the ANC! The fiesta will include 2 drink tickets as well as fresh guacamole, pico de gallo, and other Mexican-inspired eats! Additional drinks will be available by chit.

Please contact the Events Department at (202) 355-0525 for reservations.

Mother's Day Brunch

Sunday, May 14, 2023 | Seatings from 11:00 am to 3:30 pm

\$60++ per adult | \$20++ per child ages 5-12 | Ages 4 & under are complimentary

Please call the Front Desk at (202) 628-8400 for reservations.



KENTUCKY DERBY

Luncheon

Saturday, May 6, 2023

12:00 - 3:00 PM

YOU'RE INVITED TO A
PRE-CELEBRATION OF
"THE GREATEST
TWO MINUTES
IN SPORTS"!

MAIN DINING ROOM
\$50++ PER PERSON

FOR RESERVATIONS,
PLEASE CONTACT THE
EVENTS DEPARTMENT AT
(202) 355-0525.

It's time to talk Derby!

Celebrating all things southern tradition, we'll have themed cocktails, a southern-fare inspired plated lunch prepared by Chef Deloach and his culinary team as well as live music.

Ladies, don't forget your hats and Gents, grab your bow ties!

On May 6, Dinner Service will be in the Eagle Grill and race will be shown on the TV's!

A “Certificate of Incorporation” for our original Club (The United Service Club) was signed on 28 December 1885 by our seven founders (all veterans of the Mexican and Civil Wars): two Army, two Navy, one Marine and two representatives of the Loyal Legion. They gathered in an upstairs room of the popular Washington, D.C. Klotz’ Hofbräuhaus at 1708-1710 G Street, N.W. only a block from the White House and the War and Navy Building (later the Old Executive Office Building). Klotz’ was the favorite watering hole of the officers in the War and Navy Building.



Membership grew and in 1891, our members built a five-story clubhouse of brick and stone trimming on the Corner of 17th and I Streets directly across Farragut Square and across the street from the present location of the Club. President Benjamin Harrison dedicated the first Club building.



The new clubhouse and expanded membership prompted the decision to change the name of our Club, and on 17 August 1891 the Club was incorporated as The Army and Navy Club. The letter of incorporation reads: “The object of the Club shall be the discussion of subjects relating to the military and naval services, the cultivation of social relations among the members, and the establishment and maintenance of a library and reading room for the use of the members of the Club.” Our first Club President Lieutenant General John Schofield was elected in 1891 while serving as the Commanding General of the U.S. Army (1888-1895).

In less than a decade, membership grew, and members were complaining that the clubhouse building was too small. Following the purchase of the home and land of former Chief of the Army Signal Corps MG Albert Myer (at our current location 1901 17th Street, Farragut Square), construction began on the second clubhouse. The new clubhouse was dedicated 10 August 1912 by President William Taft. A bugler from the 15th Cavalry stood on the steps of the old clubhouse and sounded “Taps.” Then he crossed the street to the new building and blew “Reveille.” About 300 members of the Club stood with barred heads as the call sounded, then walked from the old home of the Club to the new one and took possession. The march from the old to the new was enlivened by music by the 15th Cavalry band. The procession was further invigorated by the Club’s wine steward who refreshed the members with pitchers of Daiquiri’s to quench their thirsts. The last person bringing up the rear of the march was MG Charles Humphrey (Medal of Honor recipient, Indian Wars, and past Club President) astride his horse, which he rode through the open doors of the new clubhouse.

From the roof-top terrace of the new clubhouse members could dance and dine with an unobstructed view of the Washington Monument. (Note: the old clubhouse was demolished in 1963 to make way for a high-rise office building).

In 1984, the Club began an extensive renovation and locked our clubhouse doors for 41 months. The eight story Italian Palacio structure was gutted. Only the classic tan brick exteriors along Seventeenth and I Streets were preserved. Inside the shell rose a new Club building twelve stores above street level and four stories deep into the ground. The Board of Governors anticipated that our members would feel as if they were set adrift during the renovation and devised a retention program (including access to other local D.C. city clubs and reduced dues) that maintained and eventually increased membership. On 12 January, 1988 President Ronald Reagan rekindled a tradition born in 1891 with President Benjamin Harrison and in 1912 with President William Taft when he dedicated the Club’s new renovated building. After a tour of the new clubhouse (which included his visit to the library and the Daiquiri Lounge), Reagan, during his dedication remarks said “Well the word for today is congratulations, you’ve put together a beautiful building and a historic treasure. I’m amazed at your outstanding collection of art, particularly the portraits. I always wondered where old generals and admirals went when they ‘just faded away’, now I know.” In the words of the late, great Club Historian Col. Jim Bracken USMC “Our Club continues to flourish. Our leadership makes every effort to ensure our membership has the programs, facilities, ambiance, and service required and expected of a top-flight city club.”

So, there you have it – a short history of our Club. Next time you visit the clubhouse, take a look around, drink in the history, the tradition and feel that you’re a part of it. And while you’re at it, raise a glass and as they did from those first days at Klotz’, offer a toast. Join the many who have belonged in saying, “Here’s to the Club!”



A HISTORY OF THE ARMY AND NAVY CLUB CLUBHOUSE

1885 - PRESENT

By COL Geoffrey G. Prosch, *Club Historian*

Member Spotlight

Lieutenant General Richard Greenleaf "Dick" Trefry, USA (Ret.)

By: LtCol Peter R. McCarthy, USMC (Ret.)

Recipient of the Army and Navy Club Distinguished Service Award; Former Chair, Special Events Committee



The man

Last August our friend and fellow Club member, General Dick Trefry, celebrated his ninety-fifth birthday and what a celebration it was! As many know, this Club favorite is an extraordinary gentleman of New England whose life began in the beautiful Massachusetts coastal towns of Newburyport and Marblehead. He has accomplished much in his decades of Service to our great Country, and to his beloved - The United States Army.

His service transcends what you might expect of a member of "the Greatest Generation." He answered the clarion call of his Country to fight the Axis during WWII, and ultimately "stayed for the long-ride." He joined the Army as a private, and finally "hung up" his uniform after completing thirty-three years of active duty. His uniform contained three stars – that of a lieutenant general. The young man from Marblehead came a long way!

Along that road, he also had graduated from West Point as a proud member of the Class of 1950. In 2006, he was selected as a Distinguished Graduate of the U.S. Military Academy. When one looks at his lifetime of accomplishments, one might note that he has served his Country as a skilled statesman and warrior. For here is a man who has a record containing decades of history of "hands-on" experience, all highly recognized for his exceptional expertise in both leadership and management. These Skills have caused him to be a much sought-after mentor and source of great counsel. Here are but a few examples of his extraordinary and frequently colorful accomplishments.

The warrior....

While in Vietnam, Trefry was loved by many Marines. More specifically, his 175 "long-guns" which he brought to "the party" in Northern I Corps. Their accuracy and responsiveness were cherished by the "grunts." On this note, Club Member Al Gray, the former iconic Marine Commandant and good friend going back to those days, was present at Dick's spectacular 95th birthday party.

The leader and statesman....

While serving in Thailand and Laos in the early 70s as Deputy Chief, Joint U.S. Military Advisory Group, Thailand and Defense Attaché to Laos, he materially aided the Royal Lao Government in defeating an attempted coup d'état by Laotian Air Force officers in exile in Thailand.



The man for all seasons.....

He provided his Alma Mater, West Point, great service while Director of Management in the Army Chief of Staff's office during a six-year tour. During this time, he also completely reorganized and reenergized the Army's Inspector General organization.

He was Founder and Program Manager of the Army Force Management School at Ft. Belvoir, VA. Here he was instrumental in developing the Army Force Management Model and Army Organizational Life Cycle Model and directed several General Officer/Senior Service, Force Integration Courses.

He served in the White House during President George H. W. Bush's administration. President Bush appointed him to Military Assistant to the President and Director of the White House Military Office during the challenging time, which included Operation Desert Shield/Desert Storm.

The Army and Navy Club...

In his 35 years of membership, many members of our great club have benefitted from General Trefry's good counsel and extraordinary kindness, be they young or old. He has always been the formidable presence whose advice would always be sought, whether relating to sensitive matters, strategic planning, succession planning or governance.

His responsibilities at Ft. Belvoir precluded his responding to the call to be a candidate for the Presidency of our great Club on several occasions. However, he has always provided timely counsel when needed.

Wonderful partner and "bookend"....

Jacque Trefry has been the wonderful partner in this great story of Service to our Nation, the United States Army, and The Army and Navy Club. Many know her as a smart business woman; others know her as a very accomplished, award winning equestrienne. She is truly a wonderful partner to our hero of this story and the perfect bookend.

Thank you General Trefry, thank you Jacque. ◀



Photo of General Trefry and Jacque at his 95th birthday party.

A LETTER

By General John D. Altenburg, Jr.
Library Trust Chairman

Lieutenant General Richard G. Trefry 1924-2023

We have lost one of the Library Trust's champions. General Richard Trefry was a friend and mentor to all he met. He is, in my opinion, the most iconic Club member in the history of the ANC.

No one did more than he to support the Club and—as in every institution he served, including the Army, the Staff Management College, the Army War College, American Military University, and the White House—he always looked far into the future in planning ways to enhance and diversify every aspect of Club activities. Many, if not most, Club improvements in this new century are the products of General Trefry initiatives, energy, and enthusiasm in the 1980s and 1990s.

Elsewhere in this issue of *The Dispatch*, the beautiful, incisive McCarthy Spotlight article and comments by our Club President and General Manager reflect the broad gauged interests, talents, and accomplishments of this singular American. He remains A Man for All Seasons like no other. God speed, General Trefry.

Smithsonian Exhibition to Feature Club Artwork

One of our Club's paintings will soon be on view at the Smithsonian National Portrait Gallery. "1898: U.S. Imperial Visions and Revisions" will open on 28 April, almost precisely the 125th anniversary of the start of the Spanish-American-Cuban-Philippine War. It is the first exhibition to examine this pivotal period in world history through the lens of portraiture and visual culture. The exhibition features the painting "The Battle of Manila Bay" by Afonso Sanz, which has been on view in the Daiquiri Lounge for 14 years alongside its companion piece, "The Battle of Santiago de Cuba."

The year 1898 was a transformative year for the United States—a year that set the stage for a new global order of American dominance. This exhibition revisits this important period of history through multifaceted viewpoints, placing portraits of U.S. expansionists in dialogue with portraits of those who dissented. With more than 90 artworks from collections in Puerto Rico, the Philippines, Guam, Spain, and the United States, "1898: U.S. Imperial Visions and Revisions" illuminates the complications and consequences of the Spanish-American War (1898), the Congressional Joint Resolution to annex Hawai'i (July 1898), and the Philippine-American War (1899–1913), which redefined America's place in the world.

Support for "Ms. Shirley" Portrait

We continue to seek support to secure funding for a portrait to honor Ms. Shirley's many years of service and hospitality. The response so far has been heartwarming.

Ms. Shirley Norris has been a member of The Army and Navy Club staff for more than 65 years. We will honor Ms. Shirley's decades of service to our Club with a portrait. This painting will be in the tradition of our portrait of Homer Saunders, whose 73 years of dedicated service is memorialized by his portrait on level B-1, adjacent to the Golden Knights display.

We are grateful for your support, and for your interest in preserving the history of not just the American military, but of our storied Club and its beloved staff. Please contact me directly (information below) if you would like to help bring this project to fruition.



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ART AND LIBRARY COLLECTIONS

Save the Date

Military Heritage Mess Night: Operation Husky

The Army and Navy Club invites you to carry on the Military Mess tradition at the upcoming Military Heritage Mess Night commemorating Operation Husky: The Invasion of Sicily (July – August 1943).

June 3, 2023
Reservations open April 4

Cocktails: 6:00 pm
Dinner: 7:00 pm

Main Dining Room
\$100++ per person

Mess Dress
or Black Tie

Operation Husky: On the night of 9–10 July 1943, an Allied armada of more than 3,200 vessels launched one of the largest combined operations of World War II—the invasion of Sicily. Fresh from victory in North Africa over a combined Italian and German force, the Allied armies hoped to trap substantial enemy units on Sicily and then move quickly to invade the mainland of Italy to knock that junior member of the Axis out of the war. Over the next thirty-eight days, half a million Allied soldiers, sailors, and airmen grappled with their German and Italian counterparts for control of this rocky outwork of Hitler’s “Fortress Europe.” It was a major test of the American Army and Navy as it sought to integrate its relatively untested soldiers and sailors with the battle-hardened British forces in a massive combined operation. When the struggle was over, Sicily became the first piece of the Axis homeland to fall to Allied forces during World War II. More important, it served as both a base for the invasion of Italy and as a training ground for many of the officers and enlisted men who eleven months later landed on the beaches of Normandy.

Reservations open April 4. Please contact the Events Department at (202) 355-0525 for reservations.

Rooftop Happy Hour

SAVE THE DATE
6:00–8:00 PM
\$30++ PER PERSON

W E D N E S D A Y
JUNE 21

Registration opens April 22

W E D N E S D A Y
JULY 19

Registration opens May 20

W E D N E S D A Y
SEPTEMBER 20

Registration opens July 22

T H U R S D A Y
OCTOBER 5

Registration opens August 6

To make a reservation for this highly-anticipated series, contact the Events Department at (202) 355-0525 starting on the appropriate opening date listed above.



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