

Border Banter

By Mike Pomper

Red Ribbon Week is important

Drugs. The topic just doesn't seem to go away.

What a society we have. What a mess. I saw a statistic the other day that there are now more than 100,000 gang members in Los Angeles.

And folks want to live there?

You put the word out about how drugs destroy lives and the lives of the addict's family, yet folks still flock to it. Why is that?

But we can't stay silent. Because if we keep educating folks about it, that will keep the numbers down.

In this issue of the Tribune are several ads from concerned groups. They put these notices into the paper because they feel it's necessary.

No, these ads won't end the problem. But they will help in keeping some off drugs. Education does work.

So I don't kid myself that our nation's emphasis on Red Ribbon Week will end the drug problem. It certainly won't. But it's educational emphasis will help many of our youths and adults.

All I ask is for you, and your children (or if a youth is reading this, holler at your parent) to browse through the paper and read those ads and the information they contain.

Please. It's one of the ironies of life. We get all wrapped up in all sorts of minor topics. But when we are faced with a major problem, like drugs, we have a tendency to bury our heads in the sand.

Case in point: when we ran several stories last summer about the huge number of drug dealers in our area and implored folks to contact the police, only one person called the sheriff.

But when the Farwell city council makes a change in the ordinance involving RVs, we get people coming to the council meeting to complain, a petition drive is started, etc.

Sorry, folks. But I consider drugs a far more serious problem than a change in RV parking.

Again, I am in the minority. But I will not quit. Red Ribbon Week is vital. It places emphasis on a problem area

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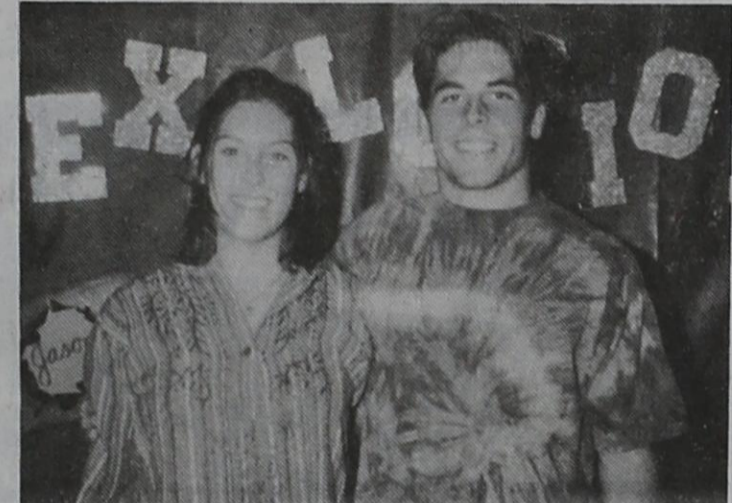
Lazbuddie Homecoming King & Queen candidates



Jill Hodges and Jason Thomas



Shena Seaton and Chris Smith



Roxann Warren and Brice Foster



Rachel Rodriguez and Brice Redwine

Boo!

Some important Halloween news for local folks:

-- Trick or treating in the Twin Cities will be held Friday, Oct. 31.

-- A Halloween costume party scheduled by San Jose Catholic Church this weekend has been cancelled.

-- The Texico Junior High Class Parents have scheduled an all age costume dance for Saturday, Nov. 1, from 8 to 11:30 p.m. at the Farwell Community Center.

The cost is \$3 per person; \$5 for a couple; or \$1.50 for youths under 12.

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Richard Luscombe wins 7th contest

Of the hundreds of entrants in last week's Area Merchants Football Contest, only one managed to get 11 games picked correctly.

For that outstanding feat, Richard Luscombe received the first place cash prize of \$15.

Several participants had 10 games picked correctly and two tied for second place by being 3 off the tie breaker (Lazbuddie 50, Silverton 21) -- Jeff Actkinson and Joe Garcia. Both received checks for \$7.50.

Others with 10 right and their totals off the tie breaker were:

Kirk Gober, 40; Joe Servin, 58; Don Staveness, 38; Rick Sikes, 23; Kevin Owen, 9; Roy King, 21; Coach King's 2nd period Junior High history class, 27; Steve Foster, 19; Cristy Cochran, 39; Lance Castleberry, 26; Amy Castleberry, 25; James Castleberry, 14; Courtney Carthel, 19; Don Carthel, 25; Leslie Cargile, 23, and Scottie Brown, 25.

Results of last week's games were:

Farwell over Valley, Kress over Happy, Nazareth over Springlake-Earth, Lockney over Bovina, Michigan over Iowa, Tennessee over Alabama, Kansas State over Texas A&M, Oklahoma over Baylor, Dallas over Jacksonville, NY Jets over New England, Seattle over St. Louis and Philadelphia over Arizona.

The 39th annual football contest is now 7 weeks old -- with 5 weeks to go.

The overall winner receives the Dallas Cowboys package - two tickets to the N.Y. Giants game in Texas Stadium on Dec. 21, overnight lodging for two at the Radisson Hotel, brunch, transportation to and from the game, \$50 in cash



Richard Luscombe, left, receives his check for winning last week's Area Merchants Football Contest from Mike Camp, manager of the Town & Country Insurance Agency in Farwell, one of the contest sponsors.

and other goodies.

If Steve Foster, of Lazbuddie, wins this year's contest, he probably will always remember Week No. 7. That's because he scored a "10" to open up a lead.

But the Tribune cautions that with several weeks left, anything can happen. That's been proven in the past!

Here's a look at the leader board after 7 weeks:

61 points -- Steve Foster.

58 -- Larry Gregory, Coach King's 5th period Texico Junior High history class, and Coach King's 2nd period Texico Junior High history class.

57 -- Rhonda Kirkland.
56 -- Colby Carthel, Don Carthel, Clint Corn, Ralph Franse, Art Smith, Gage Gregory, Dardanella Helton, Connie James and Jourdan Nichols.

Farwell City Council receives RV petitions

The Farwell City Council on Tuesday were presented with petitions opposing the new ordinance that curtailed the parking of RVs on the street and in front yards.

No action was taken because the topic was not on the agenda. Councilman John Carlson asked that it be placed on the November agenda so official action can be taken. He would like to see the ordinance rescinded.

Petitions opposing the ordinance were presented by R.T. Langston. They were overwhelmingly in favor of rescinding it.

But it was pointed out that some of those who signed it didn't live in Farwell. Also, the petition stated at the top that RV parking was banned on folks' property, which is incorrect. It's outlawed in front yards.

Carlson said the petitions show its clear to him that Farwell folks want the ordinance thrown out. He said it boils down to a question of property rights and that safety is not a factor

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Texico Schools

Red Ribbon Week will be held October 27-31 at Texico Schools. Several activities for all campuses have been scheduled.

A "Say No to Drugs" poster contest will award three winners in both high school and junior high. In addition, a video commercial contest and a radio commercial contest will be held in all three buildings. The 1st place video winners will have their commercial filmed to be aired on cable television and the top 3 radio commercial winners from each building will be aired on KSMX.

Competition continues Wednesday with a "Wear Red Contest" in all three schools. Red ribbons will be handed out also for students to wear all week. Classes with the most participation will receive a coke/popcorn party.

Student Council will tie red ribbons on all vehicles on campus on Monday and "Say No to Drugs" footballs will be thrown during the Ft. Sumner/Texico football game.

Students will also be treated to some special speakers during the week. The Clovis K-9 police dogs and Deputy Larry Garrison will speak to the elementary students Wednesday at 9:30 a.m. in the education complex.

Rick Burke and Kelly Casselman (former linebacker for the Kansas City Chiefs) will speak to the junior high and high school students Thursday at 9:30 a.m. in the education complex.

Farwell Schools

The Farwell Schools, "Red Ribbon Week" activities for Oc-

tober 24 - 31 have been announced.

Friday, Oct. 24th (Sports Day) -- Begin working on sack posters. Sacks will be available in the office of each campus.

Red Ribbon footballs will be thrown at the pep rally and the football game.

Monday, Oct. 27th (Reach Out Day) -- Red ribbons will be passed out to students with a number on the back of each one. Numbers will be announced each morning and the persons who have the same numbers on the back of their ribbon will win a free candy bar and soft drink.

Red ribbons will be passed out to: 1. The staff by members of Fellowship of Christian Athletes 2. Residents of the nursing home by the junior high student council. 3. Local businesses by high school National Honor Society.

Elementary students will decorate fences, car antennas, and school grounds with red ribbons.

Tuesday, Oct. 28th (Wear Red and Rally Day) -- Everyone will wear red ribbons.

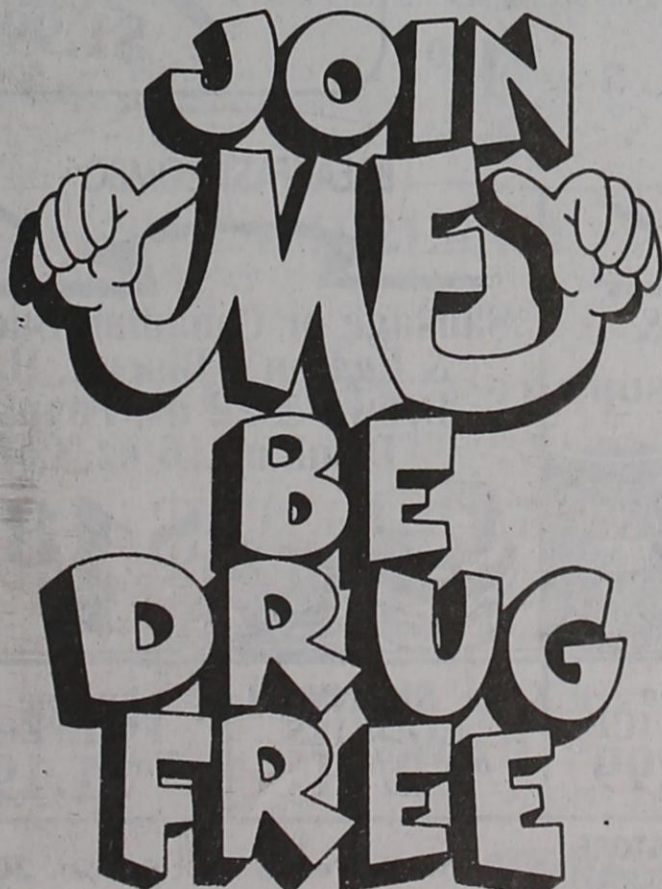
Crazy Red Ribbon hat contest. Extra red ribbons will be given to all participating students for an extra chance in the drawing each day -- 6 students from elementary, 4 students from junior high, and 2 students from high school will receive a basketball for the best Red Ribbon hats.

Winners will be announced for the Red Ribbon drawing.

Red Ribbon Fun Run for all elementary students and families will begin at 5:30 p.m. Red Ribbons will be handed out by Coach Scott's cross country track team.

Wednesday, October 29th (Pledge Day) -- Everyone wears

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Charla Corn to vie for Miss Amarillo crown

By Rachel Embry

In an effort to continue her success outside of the Texico-Farwell area, 1997 Border Town Days Queen Charla Corn is taking her talents to the next level while using the opportunity to speak out about a very important issue.

Charla, a senior at Farwell High School and the daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Corn, will be competing in the Miss Amarillo Area Scholarship Pageant Nov. 8, vying with 14 other girls from across the Panhandle for the crown and the distinction

of entering the Miss Texas pageant next July.

"I've always wanted to be in a pageant," Charla said. "You know, when you're a little girl and watch Miss America on TV and say, 'Oh, I want to be like that someday.'"

This dream will soon become a reality and Charla is already preparing for the big competition, because a pageant requires much more than merely getting dressed up and walking across a stage.

The competition includes a talent portion, evening gown and swimsuit modeling, on-stage question, and an interview with a panel of judges.

"The interview is really one of the most important parts," Charla said. "This is when the judges determine why you should be queen."

During the interview and on-stage question portions, Charla will be quizzed on current events and issues and will present her platform on an issue she feels strongly about. Charla's platform is teen suicide.

"One of the main reasons I'm entering the pageant, besides it being a good experience in dealing with other people and the scholarship and all, is that I want to reach out to other people outside of Farwell about teen suicide and its impact on lives," Charla said. Because this topic has a special interest to her, she has spent a lot of time preparing her platform in a desire to make a strong point to the public and her peers.

If Charla wins, the organization will sponsor her entrance in the Miss Texas pageant next summer and she will receive a scholarship. However, she also eligible for scholarships in the various categories of the contest. For example, if she wins the talent portion (in which she plans to sing "How Great Thou Art") or the evening gown portion, she would earn a scholarship as well.



Charla Corn

Charla welcomes the support of the community in her endeavor and invites anyone to purchase tickets for the competition which will be held at the Amarillo Civic Center.

Winning the local Border Town Days contest was only the first step in what Charla hopes will be a victorious run to the top, but even if she shouldn't, the experience will be a valuable one to remember and learn from as she continues her success in life both on and off the stage.

Longhorns blast Silverton

The Lazbuddie Longhorns keep piling on big numbers. Last Friday, they whipped Silverton, another highly-ranked team, 50-21.

Lazbuddie is now 2-0 in district and 6-1 on the season. They host Cotton Center at 7:30 tonight (Friday) for Homecoming.

Silverton's loss put them at 1-1 in district and 5-2 overall.

Longhorn QB Josh Morris, back in action, didn't appear to be very rusty. He threw for 257 yards.

Lazbuddie jumped out to a 15-0 first quarter lead on a pair of TDs: Morris hit Dustin Weir with a 27-yard pass and then threw to Deon Gallman for a 16-yard score.

Extra points were added on a Jason Thomas kick and a Thomas pass to Chris Smith.

Both teams scored twice in the second quarter. Lazbuddie's came when Smith caught a 4-yard pass from Morris, and Adam St. Clair tallied on a 23-yard pass play.

At the half, Lazbuddie was ahead, 28-15.

Silverton closed the gap in the third quarter to 28-21, before Lazbuddie's offense put the game away.

First, Brice Foster scored on a 14-yard run, followed by a Thomas kick. And in the 4th quarter, Thomas tallied on a 3-yard pass from Morris, and Jeffery Seaton ran one in from 63 yards out, followed by a Thomas kick.

On defense, Blas Martinez and St. Clair recovered fumbles.

For the game, Lazbuddie gained 474 yards, while allowing 242 yards. Silverton had been averaging 382 yards a game.

Coach Mark Scisson was happy with his team's effort, noting that they played very well defensively.

Lazbuddie's game plan was to throw the ball and they kept to it, successfully. Seven different players scored.

Longhorns of the Week



Coach Scisson named Jason Thomas as his Longhorn of the Week. He scored a TD against Silverton and contributed several extra points.

Pals to paint poles at firehall

The Pleasant Hill Pals 4-H Club decided Sept. 22 to paint the poles surrounding the new addition to the fire department.

The club will also serve lunch for hunters at the Pleasant Hill pheasant hunt on Dec. 20.

The Pals participated in the Adopt-A-Highway program which was a success. Eighteen members and eight parents were able to go on the 4-H trip to Albuquerque. The club received the Swine and Beef Herdsman awards along with the 3rd place prize for their 4-H booth at the New Mexico State Fair.

Phil Peabody delivered a speech on card collecting. Krysta Morris gave a demonstration on showing lambs. Skylla Cockermham gave a demonstration on the history of braiding, and Tim Peabody gave a demonstration on braiding a 4-plait braid.

Refreshments were served by the hostess family -- Allen.

PROFILE OF THE CHILD LEAST LIKELY TO USE DRUGS

1. Comes from a strong family.
2. Family has a clearly stated policy toward drug use.
3. Child has strong religious convictions.
4. Child is an independent thinker, not easily swayed by peer pressure.
5. Parents know the child's friends and the friends' parents.
6. Child often invites friends into the house and their behavior is open, not secretive.
7. Child has a good secure feeling of self.
8. Child is busy, productive and pursues many interests.
9. Parents set a good example in handling crisis situations.

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October 23 - 31**

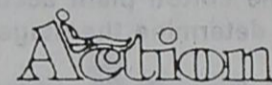
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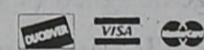
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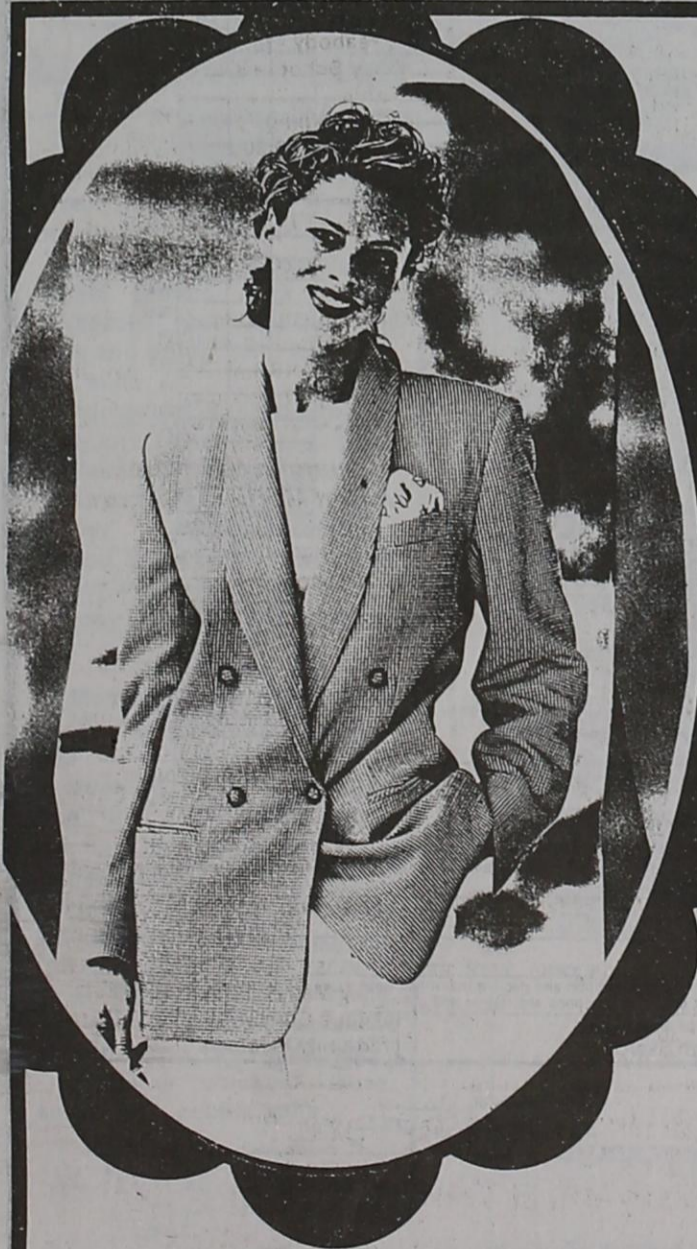
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when an RV is parked on someone's property. Others disagreed, noting problems with RVs backing out onto streets or blocking drivers' views.

Mayor Jimmie Mace asked Langston if the ordinance had caused a major problem for anyone. Langston replied, "Not that I know of."

Mace stressed that it's okay for folks to park RVs on their property but they need to keep them back for safety reasons.

In other business, the council:

-- Agreed to have Jeff Actkinson replace Charles Aycock as the attorney whose advice is sought when needed. Farwell has no city attorney. The council, over recent years, has asked Aycock for advice when a legal matter rears up. Now Actkinson will be used. For example, someone recently has requested a jury trial in city magistrate's court. Actkinson will act as prosecutor in such a case.

-- Heard Farwell Fire Chief Henry Garcia and firemen Lee Hutchins and Jimmy Franse say it was time for a new fire truck to be purchased. The cost is estimated about \$115,000. The council gave them the go-ahead to write specifications and seek bids. Farwell must finance the entire sum -- the state gives no aid.

-- Signed the paperwork necessary to receive a state grant for a new water storage tank.

-- Changed the November meeting date to Nov. 11.

-- Revised the holiday scheduled to give city employees an extra day off at Christmas.

-- Nominated Mark Schwertner as the city's candidate for

the Parmer County Appraisal District Board.

-- Approved two building applications:

Allsup's is ready to move ahead on a new building for the property it purchased a few years ago at the corner of Avenue A and 3rd Street. The 3,700 sq. ft. building will cost an estimated \$300,000. Two buildings at the property now will be torn down.

Councilman Jerry Stover questioned why Allsup's would go ahead because an overpass is being talked about in that area. But Mayor Jimmie Mace said the overpass won't happen because Texico is opposed.

David Cochran is building a brick home and storage building at 407 5th St.

-- Heard a report that letters regarding junked vehicles, weeds and trash were sent out to about a dozen property owners for cleanup.

-- Moved ahead on plans to place a new roof at the Farwell Community Center. The Rotary Club has agreed to do the labor on the project, Mace reported.

-- Accepted bids on city surplus equipment. Ward's Equipment, Texico, and Billy McWilliams, Quitaque, were the high bidders for tractors and loaders. No one bid on the old police vehicle.

-- Heard Stover suggest more lights for the city park to cut down on graffiti problems. But Farwell Police Chief Roy McGaa said that isn't the answer. Carlson suggested a surveillance camera be purchased. No actions were taken.

Bennett to perform at football classic

Ramsey Bennett, a junior at Farwell High School, will be part of the NSG Performance Team which will perform in the Jeep Aloha Bowl Football Classic.

The 16th Annual Jeep Aloha Bowl will be played on Dec. 25 at 2:30 p.m. The NSG Performance Team will be performing during the half-time show. The team consists of junior high, high school All-American cheerleaders, dancers and auxiliary members from throughout the United States.

The Farwell High School cheerleaders participated in the NCA camp at Portales in July. All-American nominations included Charla Corn, Valerie Mace, Megan Miller, Marni Lunsford and Ramsey. Megan Miller and Ramsey received All-American awards in the competition. The award entitles them to participate in one NSG performances across the United States from Nov. 29, 1997 to Jan. 18, 1998.

The Farwell High School cheerleaders are promoting Ramsey's competition/performance with two fundraisers. "Game Face" transfers are .75¢ each and "Peelers," merchant discount cards, are \$10 each. These may be purchased from any FHS cheerleader or sponsor.

Monetary donations may also be made for Ramsey's trip. These can be sent to: Farwell Cheerleaders, c/o Tanya Chadwick, Box F, Farwell, Texas 79325.



New hygienist

Dayna Pitcock, of Muleshoe, is the new dental hygienist at Dr. J.R. Ivins' office in Farwell. She also had worked at the Farwell Medical Clinic about 6 years ago.

Marriage Licenses

The Parmer County clerk's office last week issued a marriage license to Arturo Mascorro and Angelica Carrillo.

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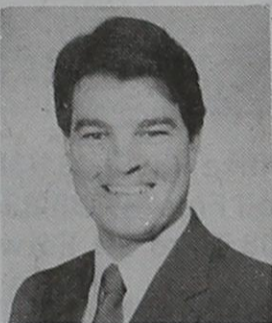
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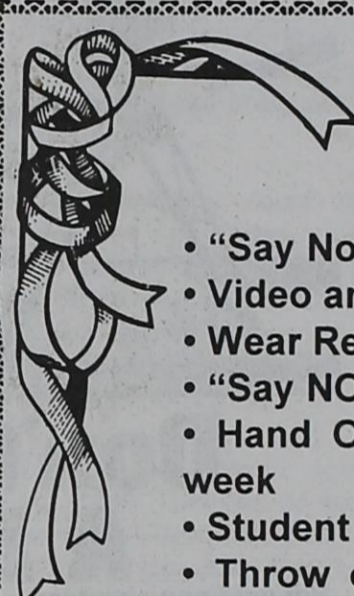
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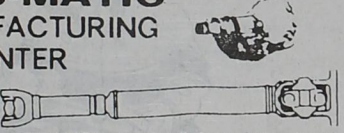
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