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CHANNEL CHATTER

Health Care Forum at St. Timothy's Episcopal Church

If you need further explanation of the Affordable Care Act (Obamacare) and how to sign up for insurance, join St. Timothy's Episcopal Church THIS SUNDAY, March 16, 2014 at 13125 Indianapolis St. in Houston, TX. 77015. The forum is scheduled to start at 2:30 pm.

Come and receive expert assistance and information. The program is offered in both English and Spanish.

Call 713-451-2909 for more details.

Single Parent Family Picnic

You are invited to a picnic, for families with a single parent or other head of household.

The picnic will be at First Baptist Church of Sheldon, 10910 Sheldon Road in Channelview on Saturday, March 22nd from 1:30 to 4:30 p.m.

You can expect free ice cream, live music, games, vendors and the 2nd annual Single Parent of the Year contest.

Admission to the picnic is one canned food per person, and this will get you entered into a prize drawing. Items will be donated to the Emergency Food Pantry.

The event is sponsored by Mothers Raising Children Alone, or MRCA.

There will also be a "Best Salad Contest" and a "Best Dessert Contest." email tyra@mrca4u.com if interested in this contest. Vendors can also reserve booth space at: charlotte@mrca4u.com.

For more information, you can call MRCA at 281-724-0068.

UIL CLASS 5A BASKETBALL

North Shore Mustangs are STATE CHAMPIONS!

AUSTIN – Coach David Green's North Shore Mustangs easily defeated the Converse Judson team 57-45 in the final playoff game to take the State Title in Class 5A basketball. This is the first time North Shore has won the title, but they competed in 1991 and 1997.

The Mustangs won their two tournament games with defensive pressure and controlling the tempo of the game. Although they were outsize by the taller Judson team, they forced 18 turnovers and managed almost as many rebounds.

North Shore's season record is now 35-3. Outstanding play was spread among the team,

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GALENA PARK NORTH SHORE MUSTANG team members gather for a ceremonial photo, with their UIL Championship Trophies, after the 57-45 win over Converse Judson last Saturday, in the Final Playoff game of the series at Frank Erwin Center in Austin.

PHOTOS Courtesy of Jonathan Frey/GPISD

JARREY FOSTER NAMED MVP OF TOURNAMENT



Foster (#25) had 16 points and 10 rebounds to lead the Mustangs to their victory.

Three bodies found after house fire on Westmont

HOUSTON – A house fire took the lives of 3 people last Thursday, March 6, 2014 in east Houston.

Firefighters were dispatched around 4 pm to a house located in the 500 block of Westmont at Redondo. According to the Houston fire department, when firemen arrived, the flames had covered the house completely. It took firefighters about two hours to extinguish the flames; the damage to the house made it difficult for arson investigators and firefighters to go inside the house and search for any victims. After inspecting the scene, the bodies of 25-year-old Slade Feige, his mother, 63-year-old Gwen Feige and Slade's mother-in-law, Gina



Arson investigators and firefighters search through the debris of the house for two more bodies last Friday morning in the 500 block of Westmont. The house was once a two-story A-Frame. Now only the front staircase is intact.

North Channel Star Photo/Hoffman

Mims were found inside the house.

The body of 25-year-old Slade was found around midnight, a woman's body was found on Friday morning and the third was discovered during the afternoon. According to reports, discovery of the bodies was made with the help of Cy-Fair fire department "cadaver dogs."

Emily Mims, lost her fiancé, her mother, Gina Mims, and her mother-in-law on the fire, she said all lived in the home together. At the time of the fire, she was at work.

Investigators searching for a cause said the fire was not intentionally set and there are no signs of foul play. They are checking two cars parked under the house as a possible ignition source.

COMMUNITY PROFILE:

Local artist Abby Gough to sing at Houston Rodeo March 13

Houston Country Pop Singer-songwriter, Abby Gough, will be performing at Rodeo Houston on March 13 with her band, Southern Fire. The 2 hour show will kick off at 7:30pm on the Statoil Stars Over Texas Stage.

Abby, a native of the North Channel area, started performing at age nine. At 17 years old, she is already a veteran of country music. She has had well over 100 performances at over 75 different venues. She has performed at local venues such as Kemah Boardwalk, Warehouse Live and Moody Gardens to Hard Rock Café, Tootsies Orchid Lounge and Coyote Ugly in Nashville, Tn. She has performed on KHOU'S Great Day Houston twice and recorded several music television segments including her most recent filming in February, 2014, with her band, for Houston's Own Country Television Showcase.

Abby finished recording her first CD, Southern Fire Angel, at age 14.

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Abby Gough will perform at Houston Rodeo

SERVICE ABOVE SELF:

Mattress Mack talks about "service" at North Shore Rotary

Jim McIngvale often speaks at public functions, and tells the story about his early years starting a furniture business, and relating the concepts of customer service and hard work that have made his business so successful.

But last Thursday, March 6th he was speaking to the North Shore Rotary club about their motto, "Service Above Self." Expanding on this theme, McIngvale illustrated the concept with four stories from people in his own life experiences.

The first story he told was about two heart surgeons, Dr. Billie Combs, and noted heart surgeon Dr. Bud Frasier, chief of heart surgery at St. Luke's Hospital. Mack first met Combs when he was an intern

See **MATTRESS MACK**, p. 8



JIM McINGVALE, often known as "Mattress Mack" from Gallery Furniture, talks about people he has known that epitomize the Rotary idea of "Service Above Self." Looking on is North Shore Rotary president Matt Davis. The club is known throughout the district for its outstanding service to its community.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

Crosby Education Foundation hits the links for grants

The Crosby Education Foundation will host its annual golf tournament on Friday, March 21, 2014, at Newport Country Club. Cre8 Architects will serve as this year's title sponsor. Pevitivies begin with a 1pm afternoon flight and registration and lunch at 11:30am. As in years past, the tournament will benefit Crosby by ISD students and teachers through the classroom education grant program established by CEF.

Tournament highlights include a \$10,000 putting contest and a \$500 hole-in-one contest. Slots are still available for individual golfers and teams. Early Registration is \$75 per Individual/\$300.00 per Team. The early registration deadline is March 17, 2014. Walk-ins are \$90 per

Individual/\$360 per Team. Registration fees include: green fees, _ cart, Lunch, 2 beverage tickets and awards.

This is the foundation's 3rd golf tournament and CEF is extremely excited to have cre8 Architects as it title sponsor. The tournament and the winter gala serve as CEF's primary fundraising vehicles. CEF has awarded over \$80,000 in grants to CISD teachers for the benefit of students and classrooms in the last year. These grants ranged from equipping classrooms with the latest technology to providing musical instruments for elementary students.

For more information, please contact Julie Gilbert at 281.381.0288 or Wilton Schexnayder at 281.328.6220. www.crosbyeducationfoundation.org

Sterling Stars win for Showmanship



The Ross S. Sterling Stars drill team members prepare to enjoy lunch before their rigorous dance competition at Texas State University. The drill team brought home numerous awards from the Showmakers of America competition.

The Stars were shining at the recent Showmakers of America competition at Texas State University, as the Ross S. Sterling High School drill team brought home numerous awards.

The team received awards

for Outstanding Showmanship Team Pom, 3rd place Team Pom, 3rd place Extra Large Team, Judges Award and runner-up Team Military. Officers were selected as State Championship Officers and won the Sweepstakes Award, Line of

Championship, Outstanding Showmanship, Outstanding Technique, Judges Award for Outstanding Officers, and Outstanding Choreography for Officer Jazz and Contemporary. Gaby Salas, Juliana Yolland and Caroline Lucke

received 2nd place for their small ensemble performance. Jovonne Ledet earned a spot as a semi-finalist.

The Sterling Stars are under the direction of Kelly Lumpkin and assisted by Emma Schaa.

Students enjoy "Donuts with Dad"



(l to r) Bryan, Jayel, and Camron Richard, dressed in their western wear, enjoy the recent Dads and Donuts Breakfast at De Zavala Elementary School with their dad Lennus Richard.

CROSBY – Facts of crime rates and probability of being victimized are looked after by news readers constantly to assess how best to avoid harm, a practical self defense course is offered at High Noon Gun Range that teaches what is easiest to do if one is attacked or falls victim to assault.

Overwhelmingly, the class has female students enrolling to cope with their situations but there is much practical knowledge to be gained by all, including how to handle the roadside carjacker and what not to do.

A Texas Krav Maga Essential Self Defense Course is being taught by Chief Instructor Larry D. Escher in the gun range in Crosby on a once per month basis that is nothing less than what Israeli Defense Ministers determined were practical solutions to dangerous situations.

The course begins with setting out to greet fellow students and determine what self-defense means.

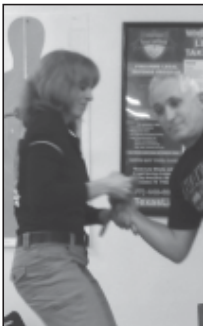
Next the class is guided by the instructors Escher, Ana Martin and Precinct 3 Constable Deputy Lonnie Hicks to look into the minds of predators to learn what predators are looking for and what they see in prospective victims.

The class looks at how to defuse that psychology of the predator with body language, arms, smiles, and voice. Offensive tools the class has, some of which they had with little awareness prior are pointed out.

The vulnerability of the prospective victim is changed into looking into the vital targets of the predators, where the aggressor is vulnerable.

Now the class has taken on the form of many disciplines of self defense in that maneuvers are taught. Topics would include 360degrees of defense, defending against hair grabs. Demonstratons and practice of handling weapons like knives and pistols is next in the course.

Escher is an expert level instructor with 20 years martial arts instruction, he has a school in Katy. The course is designed to be a short term practical self defense system and qualifies as a physical education coures for home schoolers. The enter system is considered excellent exercise and self-defense for practitioners. Call 281-328-2800 for clas times.



Instructor Ana Martin demonstrates techniques for the class to copy in practice for defending against a knife attack against the throat on Precinct 3 Constable's Deputy Lonnie Hicks at High Noon Gun Range on Saturday. Other classes are to follow.



Expert Larry Escher demonstrates taking away a pistol on Hicks.

Practical self defense taught locally



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Highlands awards beautification



Highlands-Lynchburg Chamber of Commerce awarded Olga Aylor with the Beautification Award for March 2014. Showing in the picture are Brandon Baird, Betty Michalsky, Olga Aylor and Jessica Woods.

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COMMUNITY, SCHOOL NEWS

LETTERS To The Editor

Dear Editor,
I like news about our community, the obituaries because some people cannot afford the other papers. Please add some news of the churches revivals and such.

I enjoy the local news. Please add "Beta Sigma Phi" news. They give scholarships to San Jacinto College.

It's great to have a local newspaper again. We look forward to every issue.

Brian Bernelle

COMMUNITY CALENDAR

MARCH

Galena Park

Library events

-Thursday, March 13, 11 am Baby Time; 4 pm Holiday Craft.
-Tuesday, March 18, 1 pm Typing basics; 4 pm Archivos y Carpetas.
-Wednesday, March 19, 11 am Children's Story Time.
-Thursday, March 20, 11 am Baby Time; 3:30 pm Family Movie Time.
1500 Keene St. Galena Park, TX. 77547. Call 713-450-0982 for more information on other programs.

MARCH

North Channel

Library events

-Thursday, March 13, 10:30am Baby Time; 12-4 pm AARP tax help; 2:30 pm Lego Play.
-Saturday, March 15, 10 am - 3 pm Scrapbooking with Mia; 3 pm Faithful Paws.
-Tuesday, March 18, 10:30 am Toddler Time; 1:30 pm Traveling Naturalist Preschool Program.
-Wednesday, March 20, 10:30 am Baby Time; 12-4 pm AARP Tax Help.

COMPUTER CLASSES:

-Introduction to Windows, Lecture, March 10, 10 am -12 pm
-Introduction to Windows, Practice, March 12, 10 am -12 pm.
*Registration is required.
15741 Wallisville Rd., Houston, TX. 77049. Call 281-457-1631 for more information on other programs/classes.

MARCH 22, SATURDAY

Single Parent Family Picnic

Picnic to take place at First Baptist Church of Sheldon, 10910 Sheldon Rd., Houston, TX 77044 from 1:30 to 4:30 pm. One canned food per person will be donated to the Church's Emergency Food Pantry. Live music, free games and ice cream, contests and much more. For more details, please call 281-724-0068.

FEBRUARY- APRIL

Free tax help for seniors

The Tax-Aide program sponsored by the IRS and AARP Foundation. The program is designed to assist taxpayers age 60 and over but will also assist low and moderate income filers.

-North Channel Branch of Harris, County Public Library, Thursdays noon to 4 p.m. Services are ongoing until Tuesday, April 15th. Taxpayers should bring the following items with them:
-Social Security cards for yourself and all dependents
-A copy of last year's tax return
-W-2 forms from each employer
-Unemployment compensation statements
-All 1099 forms (1099-INT, 1099-DIV, etc.)
-Child care provider information
-Receipts or cancelled checks if itemizing deductions
-Some type of picture ID
For more information, call 1-888-227-7669 or visit www.arp.org/taxaide.

Channelview ISD Feburary students of the month



Channelview ISD recently honored its February Students of the Month by hosting a recognition luncheon in the top level of the press box at the Ray Maddy Memorial Stadium. The Students of the Month include, top row, from left, Top row, from left, Mauricio Moncada (Joe Frank Campbell Learning Center), John Cassell (Alice Johnson Junior High), Aaron Moore (Kolarik Ninth Grade Campus), Hector Estrella (Aguirre Junior High) and David Giang (Channelview High School). Pictured in front are, from left, Christopher Byrd II (Hamblen Elementary), Jesus "Rico" Gonzalez (Schochler Elementary), Angel Cabrera (Cobb Elementary), Kenet Ramos (McMullan Elementary), Alexis Vargas (Crenshaw Elementary) and Xavier Palmer (Brown Elementary). Not pictured is Christian Suarez (De Zavala Elementary).

"Created Equal" film series at San Jac chronicles civil rights milestones

HOUSTON - As America marks the 150th anniversary of the Emancipation Proclamation, San Jacinto College will host documentary films that chronicle significant civil rights milestones in the nation. Each film will be followed by faculty-led discussions that will enable audience participation. The film screenings and discussions are free and open to the public.

The film series, "Created Equal: America's Civil Rights Struggle," will be shown at the Dr. Charles Grant Fine Arts Center auditorium, located at the San Jacinto College North Campus, 5800 Uvalde Road in Houston.

"Freedom Riders" will be

shown on Tuesday, March 18 at 6:30 p.m. It documents the turbulent "rides" of a group of volunteers who traveled through the South in 1961 in a quest for equality.

"Slavery by Another Name" will be shown on Tuesday, April 8 at 6:30 p.m. The film documents injustices many African American males experienced in the South during the first half of the 20th century.

"These films chronicle the long and sometimes violent effort to achieve the rights enumerated in the Declaration of Independence for all Americans - life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness," commented San Jacinto College

philosophy professor Edwin Aiman, who will serve as master of ceremonies during the film screenings. "The true stories showcase efforts of everyday Americans to provide a better and more promising future for all citizens. We hope these presentations will engender ongoing discussions about civil rights."

The "Created Equal" film set is made possible through a grant from the National Endowment for the Humanities as part of its "Bridging Cultures" initiative, in partnership with the Gilder Lehrman Institute of American History. For more information, please visit www.neh.gov/created-equal.

San Jacinto college joins ExxonMobil petrochemical initiative at Houston Rodeo

HOUSTON - The nine community colleges of the upper Texas Gulf Coast will have a major presence at the 2014 Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo running now through March 23 at Reliant Park.

Representatives from each college will be located at the ExxonMobil Community College Petrochemical Initiative (CCPI) exhibit in the foyer of Reliant Center, between Halls A and B, ready to discuss job and career opportunities in the petrochemical and construction trades fields - and how to prepare for them.

The nine community colleges include Alvin Community College, Brazosport College, College of the Mainland, Galveston College, Houston Community College, Lee College, Lone Star College, San Jacinto College, and Wharton

County Junior College. Each is a member of the initiative, created through a grant from the ExxonMobil Foundation to help colleges find and train the next generation of skilled workers for the petrochemical industry.

"We are excited about this opportunity at the Houston Livestock Show and Rodeo," said Dr. Sallie Kay Janes, vice president of the San Jacinto College Continuing and Professional Development division, and member of the ExxonMobil CCPI Steering Committee. "Rodeo officials are telling us that all attendance indicators predict a record attendance at this year's rodeo. Our hope is to have thousands of meaningful conversations with individuals interested in stable, well-paying and challenging jobs in

the petrochemical industry."

According to industry sources, petrochemical plants along the Texas Gulf Coast are spending more than \$35 billion to expand facilities over the next decade. Those expansions, along with the retirement of existing workers, are expected to provide jobs for more than 50,000 skilled workers.

Visitors to the rodeo are encouraged to stop by the ExxonMobil CCPI booth to discuss jobs and job training, and view a "hands-on" demonstration from an in-demand career field. As an added incentive, ExxonMobil CCPI will be giving away an Apple iPad each day of the rodeo.

Gates open at 10 a.m. San Jacinto College will participate on March 5 and 19.

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In 2014 she released a new version of her original song "Tennessee" and is now working on a music video for it. Abby is also currently recording a new CD, at Houston's Sugarhill Recording Studio, with producer Andy Bradley, to be released later this year.

Coming up In April, Abby will be performing at Pearland Crawfish Festival on the 5th and on the 27th Texas Hot Country Magazine's 25th Anniversary of the Closing of Gilley's Club Tribute. She will be at the Redneck Country Club to benefit Kinsley's Kure on

May 18th and in June you can catch Abby at the 2014 Springboard South Music Festival at Warehouse Live.

For more information and to hear Abby's music check out www.reverbnation.com/abbygough or check out her website www.abbygough.com.



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TOUCH OF LIFE

By Don Springer



A visit to the Bible Museum

Several days ago, while traveling in southwest Houston, David and I did some visiting at the Houston Baptist University, near Sugarland. This was a new place for me and while there we came upon the Dunham Bible Museum. We entered a campus building and found ourselves in the presents of three museums sponsored by HBU. All were relatively small and free to inexpensive to visit. The Bible Museum was free and the other two \$3 each per person.

Being cheap we chose the free one and thoroughly enjoyed a visit of 90 minutes or so. There we saw Bibles that go back to the 10th to 15th century—stories that go back even further. I have been exposed to the Bible in my home, church and elsewhere all of my life and felt I knew something of its development. Don't believe it! I learned a lot about the Bible, its writers and its translators (more the latter) in that 90 minutes.

We saw some of the early translations that were hand written by Monks and others during early centuries of the dark ages. I was amazed at the beauty and neatness of the work these people did in poor work areas, poor lighting and long hours. Some of these with their decorated lettering and drawings at the beginning of chapters or books and the neat and steady hand writing are almost unbelievable. Of course I couldn't read those translations as they were in Latin or other languages of that day and I'm left out.

There are examples of the papyrus/parchment on which Bibles were written in those early years, samples of several of them and video stories of those exhibits and others.

Three of the Bibles intrigued me most. First, the Tyndale Bible, which was the

first Bible translated into English from Hebrew and Greek by William Tyndale at a time (1525) when English translations were illegal. He did his work in Europe, smuggled his manuscripts into England, was betrayed for his efforts, captured, strangled and burned at the stake. His work has been built upon by many since his time.

Another specialty was the "Wicked Bible," a later English translation, commissioned by English Royalty that proved to be the undoing of its publishers. Most Bibles have uncaught typos I guess but this one had at least one that was an unforgivable mistake. In writing about the commandments, the seventh says, "Thou shall commit adultery." Unfortunately the all-important "not" was left out making it useless for its purpose. The publishers were fined a year's salary and the 1,800 Bibles recalled. Unfortunately some were not caught and two of those are in the United States. One in the New York City library and the other at HBU highlighting the grievous error.

Of course I was interested in a display of the Gutenberg press and its influence in later Biblical printings. You should go by HBU, visit the Dunham Bible Museum for yourself, if you have such an interest.

Other Bibles on display include: hand written Bibles, medieval manuscripts, Salisbury Cathedral carvings, Erasmus's Greek New Testament, Martin Luther's German Bible, Coverdale and Matthews Bibles, Douay-Rheims Bible, The Geneva Bible and Bishop's Bible, among other items. Most are from the 14th to 16th centuries.

Such are the people, places and things that have touched my life in my home!



Abbott, Davis win party primaries for governor

AUSTIN — Texas' March 4 primary night returns confirmed Greg Abbott and Wendy R. Davis as nominees for governor.

Abbott, current state attorney general, got 91.5 percent of the statewide vote in the GOP primary. Davis, a state senator from Fort Worth, got 79 percent in the Democratic primary. "Ray" Madrigal of Corpus Christi got 21 percent.

In the race for lieutenant governor, state Sen. Leticia Van de Putte of San Antonio ran unopposed and is the Texas Democratic Party's nominee. Her legislative resume includes eight years as a state representative and 13 years as a state senator.

In November, Van de Putte's opponent will be the winner of a May 27 runoff between incumbent Lt. Gov. David Dewhurst and state Sen. Dan Patrick, R-Houston. Dewhurst has presided over the Senate since January 2003. Patrick was first elected to the Senate in November 2006. Dewhurst, who presides over the Senate, appointed Patrick as chair of the Senate Committee on Education in the 2013 regular session of the Legislature. Patrick received 41.5 percent of the Republican primary vote to Dewhurst's 28.3 percent. Incumbent U.S. Sen. John Cornyn won the right to seek reelection in November. In a field of eight Republican candidates, Cornyn received 60 percent of the vote. Coming in second was U.S. Rep. Steve Stockman of Clear Lake, with 19 percent.

The top two vote getters in the Democratic primary for U.S. Senate were David Alameel, a Dallas dentist, businessman and U.S. Army veteran, and political activist Kesha Rogers of Houston. A May 27 runoff will decide which of the two will face

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STATE CAPITAL HIGHLIGHTS

By Ed Sterling



Cornyn in November.

In the Republican Party race for attorney general, state Sen. Ken Paxton of McKinney got 44 percent of the vote, state Rep. Dan Branch of Dallas got 33 percent and current Texas Railroad Commissioner Dan Smitherman got 22 percent. Paxton and Branch will be in a May 27 runoff, and the winner will face Sam Houston, a Houston attorney, who ran unopposed in the Democratic Party primary.

In the race to succeed Susan Combs as comptroller of public accounts, state Sen. Glenn Hegar, R-Katy, received just under 50 percent of the vote — not enough to avoid a runoff. State House Ways and Means Chair Harvey Hilderbran, R-Kerrville, got 26 percent of the vote. Hilderbran's second place finish in a field of four candidates earned Hilderbran the right to a runoff but announced he would forego the contest and support

Hegar's candidacy.

Mike Collier, a Houston businessman, ran unopposed in the Democratic primary and will face Hegar in the November general election.

George P. Bush, a Fort Worth attorney and son of former Florida Gov. Jeb Bush, grandson of 41st President George H.W. Bush and nephew of 43rd President George W. Bush, won 73 percent of the vote over David Watts (27 percent) in the GOP primary for Land Commissioner. In November, Bush will face John Cook, who ran unopposed in the Democratic Party primary. Cook, a former mayor of El Paso, is a military veteran and a former Southwestern Bell executive.

Former state representatives Tommy Merritt of Longview and Sid Miller of Stephenville were the top vote getters in the Republican Party primary for agriculture commissioner. They will face each other in a May 27 runoff. The winner will run against the winner of a May 27 runoff between Democrats: dairy farmer Jim Hogan of Cleburne and musician-novelist Richard "Kinky" Friedman of Medina.

Former state representative Wayne Christian of Center and Ryan Sitton, an oil and gas engineer and businessman from Pasadena, were the top two GOP vote getters for Railroad Commissioner. They will vie in a May 27 runoff and the winner will face Steve Brown in the general election in November. Brown, with 64 percent, won the Democratic Party primary over Dale Henry, who tallied 36 percent.

In the GOP race for chief justice of the Texas Supreme Court, incumbent Nathan Hecht won with 60.5 percent over former state representative Robert Talton's 39.5 percent.

Hecht will face William Moody, who ran unopposed in the Democratic primary.

More details and results of all other primary races can be found at www.sos.state.tx.us.

Jobless rate is lowest in years

Texas Workforce Commission on March 7 announced the state's seasonally adjusted unemployment rate fell to 5.7 percent in January, the lowest since November 2008.

It was down from 6.0 percent in December and remained below the nation's January unemployment rate of 6.6 percent.

Texas employers expanded their payrolls in January with the addition of 33,900 seasonally adjusted total nonfarm jobs, for a total of 322,400 jobs added over the year.

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The Pig Explosion - Part 4
How a species went from obscure to a nuisance in a quarter century

The Hog Out program is just part of the solution for controlling wild pigs and hunters like Brian Strickland of Colorado Springs, Colorado are eager to do their part. Each year, Brian, who is originally from Texas and has family property in East Texas, comes to the Lone Star State each year to kill pigs.

"I know I am just making a dent but I still feel like I am doing my part," says Strickland on a recent hunt near Childress, Texas. During the hunt, Strickland takes a pigs with a bow. While the pig is maybe 130 pounds in size, it is a sow and with her out of the herd, the local population is set back at least for a bit.

"She had four babies following her when I shot her," Strickland says. They were about half grown so I'm sure they'll make it to adulthood." Chances are that the sow (who was maybe a couple of years old) had already had a dozen or more babies spread out over two or three litters and according to research, probably spent her entire life with her home range of 1,000 acres or so.

With few natural enemies



and a reproductive explosiveness that is unprecedented in large mammals, pigs are made to multiply. A female wild pig reaches sexual maturity at six to eight months old and typically have 1.5 litters a year that average between five and six pigs per litter. Therefore, their capacity for populating an area is tremendous. In fact, biologist estimate that just to keep their numbers in check, two-thirds of the pigs in Texas should be thinned annually. That's a total harvest of 1.7 million pigs harvested annually just to keep populations stagnant.

It's a tall order.

Luke Boedeker understands the numbers game well. Before Texas made hunting hogs from helicopter legal he was often hired to pilot his Robinson helicopter and fly the badlands of northwest Texas to eradicate pigs from ranchers who reserved his services.

"From the ground, you can see where the hogs root," explains pilot Luke Boedeker as he checks the integrated GPS unit in helicopter to make sure that we're within the ranch boundaries. "But once you get in the air, you can actually see how much area they actually tear up."

On a warm February day, I joined Luke on an attempt to eliminate some pigs on an expansive ranch northeast of Lubbock. Boedeker is licensed to perform animal damage management and in the big country of northwest Texas, a helicopter and a shotgunner is an efficient means of putting a small dent in a hog population that is problematic.

"Control is the key word," Luke tells me. "We can't eradicate them because they breed too fast. This is the third time in the past couple of years that I've flown this ranch and by the number of pigs I see each time I come here, you wouldn't know that we've done anything. All we can do is hope to control them to the point that we can slow down the damage they cause."

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Ryan David Dunlop

Ryan David Dunlop 24, of Mont Belvieu, Texas went to be with the Lord on March 7, 2014.

Ryan was born on June 23, 1989 in Houston, Texas to David and Kathryn (Robbins) Dunlop. Ryan worked on the pipeline for Chevron Pipeline for the last two years and in his spare time he enjoyed golfing, duck hunting, fishing and most of all spending time with his family and friends. Ryan was a very outgoing and happy young man who never met a stranger, and he will be deeply missed by all who knew him.

He is preceded in death by his Memaw, Jennie Robbins; great grandmother, Gladys Campbell; grandfather, John Dunlop; uncle, Kenneth Robbins and grandfather-in-law, Lip Collins.

Ryan is survived by his wife, Rachel Dunlop of Mont Belvieu; parents, David and Kathryn Dunlop of Highlands; brother, Zachary Dunlop of Highlands; grandfather, Maurice Robbins of Highlands; grandmother, Jean Dunlop of Channelview; brother and sister-in-law, Jeremy and Kasey Damiata of Lake Charles; father and mother-in-law, Lonnie and Karen Collins of Baytown; brother-in-law, Ruston Collins of Lake Charles; grandmother-in-law Martha Collins of Highlands; grandparents-in-law, Dot and Francis Duplacin; dog, Sarge and many other relatives and friends.



A visitation for family and friends will be held on Tuesday, March 11, 2014 from 5pm-8pm at First Baptist Church in Highlands. A Celebration of Ryan's Life will be held on Wednesday, March 12, 2014 11am at First Baptist Church in Highlands, Texas with burial following at Sterling-White Cemetery.

In lieu of flowers the family asks that donations be made in Ryan's memory to the Angel Tree at Second Baptist Church 6227 North Main Baytown, Texas or the Food Pantry and Back Pack Buddies at Highlands First Baptist Church 201 North Magnolia Highlands, Texas.

Services have been entrusted to Sterling-White Funeral Home 11011 Crosby-Lynchburg Rd. Highlands, Texas 77562. To send the family condolences please visit www.sterlingwhite.com

Woodrow W. Folsom, Jr.

Woodrow W. Folsom, Jr. 78, of Highlands went peacefully to be with The Lord on Friday, March 7, 2014 with his family present.

Woodie was born September 1, 1935 to Woodrow Folsom, Sr. and Flora Bell Cobb. In August 1953 he married his wife Bettie and in 2013 they celebrated their 60th wedding anniversary.

He is preceded in death by his parents and grandson John Keith Folsom, Jr.

He is survived by his loving wife of 60 years, Bettie Jane Folsom; sons: sons Kenneth Folsom and wife Shannon and Keith Folsom and wife Doris; grandchildren Krystal and Byron McBride, Brett Folsom, Kayla Folsom and her fiancé Jordan May, Natasha and James Jacks; great grandchildren Tristan and Coby Hinshaw, Ryland, Madelynne and Morgan McBride; sisters: Joy Smith and Dorothy Williams; brothers: Jimmy Folsom and Jerry Folsom, along with numerous nieces and nephews.

Woodie was a man of The Lord and loved to preach the gospel any chance he got and to anyone who would listen. He was a mechanic and a carpenter for his entire life. He could fix anything out of nothing and would never ask or expect a thing in return along



with being a Millwright by trade. If anyone ever asked for a small repair or something to be made, Pappy was the first word that came to mind.

A visitation with the family was held on Wednesday, March 12, 2014 from 11:00 AM until 1:00 PM in the Chapel of Sterling Funeral Home, 602 N. Main St., where funeral services were conducted at 1:00 PM, with Pastor Charles Foshee officiating.

Interment will follow in Magnolia Cemetery.

Services are under the direction of Sterling Funeral Home in Dayton, Texas.

Lavora Jackson Choate

Lavora Jackson Choate, 84, passed away from cancer on March 8, 2014. She was born on March 20, 1929, in Goose Creek, TX, the daughter of Lillie Epley and Henry Livingston Jackson. After graduating from Robert E. Lee High School in Baytown, Lavora, ever the adventurer, moved to Colorado and worked as an office manager for Pittsburgh Glass and Wright Glass Co. She was a career woman and feminist ahead of her time. Lavora returned to Texas for the wedding of, her younger sister, Lois, to Luther Choate. At the wedding rehearsal, Lavora met Luther's younger brother, Walter. She was immediately taken by the athletic, handsome man and it was love at first sight for him as well. They were married March 15, 1958. Thus, Lavora and her sister were married to two Choate brothers, making holiday gatherings very easy to plan. Walter and Lavora were deeply in love and devoted to one another throughout their 39 year marriage. Everyone who knew Lavora and Walter said they were true soul mates. The couple had 7 children together and, although money was sometimes tight, they gave all for their children that they could. The family made many camping trips together, including several pilgrimages to Colorado. No one ever lacked for hugs, kisses and laughter in their home. Of all her life's accomplishments, Lavora was proudest of raising seven children who still remain close.

They returned her devotion to them by caring for her throughout her illness so that she could remain in her own home until she died. The family would like to thank Ave Maria Hospice, especially DeLores Grubb, in helping us shepherd Lavora into the arms of our Lord.

She is preceded in death by her parents; and husband , Walter L. Choate. Lavora is



survived by her daughter, Diane Denham of Austin; son, Duane Choate and wife Betsy of the Woodlands; daughter, Denise Choate of Baytown; daughter, Donna Choate and partner Renea Rodgers of Channelview; son, David Choate and wife Terri of Dayton; son, Doug Choate and wife Elizabeth of Austin; daughter, Delisa Smith and husband Charles of Tarkington Prairie; sister and brother-in-law Lois and Luther Choate of Baytown; niece, De De Kellam and husband Jack of Fredericksburg; grandchildren, Sarah Choate, Mark Choate, Matthew Choate, Dustin Meadows, Kylee Choate, Kody Choate, Alexandra Choate, Nicholas Choate, Alicia Smith, William Smith and wife Erica, Krystal Smith; great grandchildren, Zeth Castillo, Charles Smith, and many other relatives and fiends.

A visitation for family and friends will be held at Sterling-White Funeral Home in Highlands, TX, on Tuesday, March 11, 2014 from 6:00-8:00 PM. A mass of Christian Burial will be held at 10:00 AM on Wednesday, March 12, 2014 at Sterling-White Funeral Home in Highlands, TX, with burial following at Sterling-White Cemetery. To send the family condolences, please visit www.sterlingwhite.com.

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Annie "Po" LaVoice Shuptrine

Annie "Po" LaVoice Shuptrine, 76, loving mother and grandmother, passed away Sunday, March 9, 2014 in Houston, Texas. Annie was born August 30, 1937 in Texarkana, Arkansas to Roy and Elsie Walston. She is preceded in death by her husband, Willard Shuptrine, Sr.; sons, Robert and David Shuptrine; sister, Betty Pate. She is survived by her son, Willard Shuptrine, Jr. and wife, Sharon; daughter, Lisa Gibbs; brother, Roy Douglas Walston; daughters-in-law, Lisa, Kelly, Tracy; sister-in-law, Pat; grandchildren, Ashley, Matthew, Jason, Meshia, Kyle, Michael, Miranda, Aaron, Jessica, Michelle; great-grandchildren, Hunter, Triston, Adalyn, Kayson; as well as numerous extended family members and friends. Funeral services will be held at 1:00



p.m. Thursday, March 13, 2014 at First Baptist Church of Jacinto City, 10701 Wiggins, Jacinto City, Texas 77029, with Pastor Rick Blount to officiate. Friends are welcome to join Annie's family after 10 a.m. Thursday at the church for visitation before the funeral service.

Pauline Griffith



Pauline Griffith 73, of Crosby, Texas went to be with the Lord on March 3, 2014.

Pauline was born on December 23, 1940 in Etna,

Pennsylvania to Paul and Vincenza (Messiano) Iriti. Pauline worked as a Federal Court clerk for many years and in her spare time she enjoyed crafts, resale shopping, volunteering at the Crosby Community Center and Churches United in Caring, and most of all spending time with her family.

Pauline was a very strong, loving and caring woman who always had good advice to give and she will be deeply missed by all who knew her.

She is preceded in death by her parents; brother, Nino Iriti; sisters, Catherine DeBone, Fran Strain, Mamie Ambrosi and Mary Ellen Ambrosi.

Pauline is survived by her daughter, Jennifer Griffith;

son, Jeff Griffith ; ex daughter-in-law, Becky Griffith; brother, Fred Iriti; sister, Terry Ford; sister, Elaine Potochnik; brother, Anthony Iriti; her children's father, Bruce Griffith and wife Teresa; granddaughter, Lindsey Griffith; granddaughter, Lexey Griffith; granddaughter, Bella Griffith; and many other relatives and friends. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on Thursday, March 6, 2014 1pm at Sacred Heart Catholic Church in Crosby.

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Diamond Jim... What is the meaning of a birthstone?



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rent list dates back to 1912 with only one addition since then - the tanzanite was added to December. There are numerous legends and myths about birthstone healing powers and their therapeutic influence. According to these legends, wearing a gemstone during its assigned month heightened its healing powers. For the full effect, individuals

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A critical healthcare program in rural America

By Alan Morgan

Rural hospitals are the front line of care for millions of Americans who can't travel to big cities for medical treatment. Most are small, less than 25 beds, and many struggle to keep their doors open in the face of rising costs. A little-known prescription drug program called 340B helps these providers stay in business and extend vital services to needy patients.

More than 20 years ago, Congress created the 340B drug discount program with bipartisan support to help hospitals serving high numbers of economically vulnerable people. In 2010, Congress expanded the program to rural hospitals to help them in their efforts to treat uninsured, underinsured and other patients who have difficulty getting access to care. Under the program, eligible hospitals receive pharmaceuticals at discounted prices from drug companies. These savings are often passed on directly to outpatients. Healthcare providers also use the savings to fund dialysis, cancer and AIDS clinics as well as other services.

The positive impact of the 340B program is tangible in small towns and rural communities across America.

•In Centerville, TN, St. Thomas Hickman Hospital reaches out to patients without cars, picks them up from home and brings them in for lunch and medical treatment. The hospital also provides free medications on a regular basis to outpatients who can't afford them.

•Cass County Hospital in Atlantic, Iowa, provides qualified outpatients a full year of medications for free. And it gives its Emergency Room doctors vouchers to supply medicines at no cost to patients, based on need.

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Alan Morgan

tem in the Black Hills of South Dakota, 340B savings fund patient treatment in a local detoxification clinic and a short-term crisis center.

The benefits of 340B flow far beyond the needy patients treated at America's rural hospitals. Because savings are often passed on in low-cost or free prescriptions, people take their medications and return less to the hospital emergen-

cy room. That translates into lower costs for Medicare and Medicaid-saving a bundle of taxpayer dollars.

Millions of Americans receive care thanks to the 340B program, but it has powerful enemies in Washington. The pharmaceutical industry wants to restrict the program and some would like to kill it outright. Why? Because it cuts into drug company profits. Fact: The pharmaceutical industry turns a \$7.5 billion per year profit on sales through the 340B program to hospitals and related providers. We think that's plenty.

If Big Pharma wins, hard-working Americans in the heartland of the country will lose as hospitals cut back on prescription discounts, treatment and services. Many of our hospitals and clinics would have to close altogether.

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Alan Morgan is Chief Executive Officer of the National Rural Health Association based in Leawood, KS.

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GALENA PARK ISD NEWS

Galena Park High School welding team advances to state competition



Galena Park High School students designed and built an award winning table. Pictured (L/R): Ricardo Valerio; Jesus Guerrero; Eduardo Rojas; Joe Gaul, Welding Teacher; Adrian Yado; Aldo Cortez; and Luis Macias.

On February 21, 2014, Joe Gaul, welding instructor at Galena Park High School, and six junior and senior Galena Park High School welding students attended the Skills USA competition held at San Jacinto College Central. The team's entry consisted of a massive table the students meticulously designed and built. Scoring 95 out of 100 points, the team earned a blue ribbon. The judges reviewed the team's design plans, uniqueness, the final product, and the overall craftsmanship of the work. This score qualified them to participate in the state competition, which will be held in Corpus Christi March 27-29. This is the first year for Mr.

Gaul to teach welding. However, he beams with pride at what his students, many first year welding students themselves, have accomplished with such careful planning and team work. "These guys worked their hearts out. They put everything they had into it and made a great product. This early success bodes well for these students," stated Gaul.

With this validation of recognition, the students see what their skills can create, and several will now pursue welding certification so they are highly marketable in the workforce after high school. One student in particular, Luis Macias, plans to finish up

his senior year by earning a certification in welding and then attending San Jacinto College for additional training. He will have many lucrative employment options when he begins his welding career. "I had always thought of welding as a career, but this class gave me the opportunity to experience it first hand. Now I have no doubts about it. I want to be a welder," Macias said.

GPISD is extremely proud of the dedication and skills of these young men who are expanding their knowledge and building their professional qualifications for future success after high school graduation.

CHANNELVIEW ISD NEWS

CHS Academic Team enjoys success at New Caney contest

The Channelview High School UIL Academic Team captured top finishes in three categories at the New Caney UIL Academic Competition.

In the Calculator Applications team competition, Dave Giang, Anakaren Alonso, Jose Quintero, Andre Adams and Mayra Marin Benitez earned first place. Giang also finished

second in the individual Computer Applications event, while Quintero took third and Andre Adams took sixth place.

The Mathematics team of Giang, Christian Meza, Quintero, Elizabeth Tenorio, Benitez and Adams captured first place honors. Giang took second place individually, Benitez finished fourth and Meza

took fifth place.

Second place in the Number Sense category went to the team of Adams, Christopher Lyall, Meza and Quintero. Quintero also earned a third place individual award.

The CHS Academic Team's next competition will be March 21-22 at La Porte High School.

Falcon band earns medals, students qualify for state

Channelview High School band students enjoyed the sweet sounds of success at the University Interscholastic League Region 19 Solo and Ensemble Contest recently.

Members of the Falcon Band captured 180 total medals, with 51 individuals qualifying for the UIL State

Competition in May.

"Our students were judged by well-respected judges throughout the Houston area and performed brilliantly," said Aaron Allison, CHS band director. "They truly represented Channelview well. I am very proud of them."

The solo and ensemble per-

formances continue a successful trend for this year's CHS band. In October, the CHS Marching Band earned all first division ratings at the UIL Area Contest. The band was also awarded top ratings at the annual Galena Park Marching Festival.

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Weekly SUDOKU

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by Linda Thistle

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Place a number in the empty boxes in such a way that each row across, each column down and each small 9-box square contains all of the numbers from one to nine.

DIFFICULTY THIS WEEK: ★

★ Moderate ★★ Challenging
★★★ HOO BOY!

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King Crossword

ACROSS

- 1 "Wow!"
- 5 Sphere
- 8 Auto pioneer
- 12 Pinnacle
- 13 Fish eggs
- 14 Great Lake
- 15 Ocean-going vessel
- 16 CBS crime-solving series
- 18 Easily angered person
- 20 Swiss mathematician
- 21 "Of course"
- 22 Fellow
- 23 Harsh
- 26 Ideological conflict
- 30 Move like
- 38-Across
- 31 Author Umberto
- 32 Historic period
- 33 Franks
- 36 Starsky's partner
- 38 Kanga's kid
- 39 Chance
- 40 Spotless
- 43 Rarity in Hell?
- 47 Trouble
- 49 Jason's ship

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- 50 Teen's facial woe
- 51 Peculiar
- 52 Go
- 53 sightseeing
- 54 Golf ball holder
- 55 Fencing sword

DOWN

- 1 Long cut
- 2 Reverberate
- 3 Send forth
- 4 Gentle breeze
- 5 Killer whales
- 6 Crucifix
- 7 — canto

- 8 Fruitful
- 9 Verbal
- 10 Get up
- 11 Antelope's playmate
- 17 Transaction
- 19 "A mouse!"
- 22 Cattle call?
- 23 "Be quiet!"
- 24 Excessively
- 25 Suitable
- 26 IV measures
- 27 Drench
- 28 Curved line
- 29 "Hurray!"
- 31 Id counter-part
- 34 Bureau compartment
- 35 Chaplin's

- 36 O'Neill
- 37 "2001" computer
- 37 Latest news
- 39 Teeming throng
- 40 Burn somewhat
- 41 Crazy
- 42 Sicilian spouter
- 43 Relinquish
- 44 Let fall
- 45 Chills and fever
- 46 Bygone times
- 48 Youngster

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COMMUNITY NEWS

SCOUT ACHIEVEMENT

Eagle Scout awarded by Representative Wayne Smith

By Contributing Writer

The newest Eagle Scout, Charles John Haydon Gonzalez-Dyer received his Eagle Award on February 16, 2014. As he moved through the Scout Ranks from Tenderfoot to Eagle, Haydon completed 51 merit badges, including archery, oceanography, finger printing, fishing, chess, first aid, personal fitness, citizenship of the nation, and emergency preparedness. Haydon has served in various troop leadership positions for a total of sixteen months and spent at least thirteen hours on troop service projects. His Eagle Service Project was Coastal Prai-rie Restoration at Lake Sheldon State Park and Environmental Center.

During his Eagle Award Ceremony, Reverend Thomas Spath gave the invocation and benediction. State Representative Wayne Smith, from District 128, presented Haydon with a certificate and a flag flown over the Texas State Capitol. Harris County Deputy J.A Blendermann also named Haydon as an honorary Sheriff's Deputy. The North Shore Rotary Club was represented by Dr. Donald Nino. Haydon's fourth grade teacher, Adrienne Raible of Pasadena ISD, was there to support him, and the BSA Raven District Commissioner, Greg Carr, convened the court of honor.

Congratulations, Haydon - and well done!



Haydon, left, receives recognition from Rep. Wayne Smith.



Harris County Deputy Blenderman pins honorary badge on Haydon.

MATTRESS MACK, CHAMPIONS!

Continued from page 1

and needed some furniture for an overworked and under-equipped staff. He came to Gallery Furniture, and asked for mattresses and chairs, which Mack donated. The next time Mack saw Combs was almost 30 years later, when his brother was in St. Luke's with heart problems. Frasier and Combs were his physicians, and Mack said he saw how hard Frasier worked, and how dedicated he was to his patients, giving all his time and attention to their care. "Why do you work so hard?" queried McIngvale, and Frasier answered "We work for the Patient." Frasier is 74 years old, and has not slowed down.

Mack sees this as a great example of the Rotary motto, "A Life Built for Others - Service Above Self."

Mack also said his daughter Elizabeth, who has overcome a severe case of OCD, or Obsessive Compulsive Disorder, is an example of "Work is Life's greatest therapy." After treatment at the Miniker Clinic in Kansas, she now devotes her time to working for a Mental Health Agency in Houston, sharing her story and showing her concern for others with

with Jarrey Foster with 16 points, Kerwin Roach 15 points, and the coach's son Brandon Green with 11 points.

Scoring for the Judson Rockets was led by 6'-9 David Wacker with 13 points, the son of their coach.

North Shore led through the whole game, and at half-time the score was 26-20. They opened up the lead in the second half, usually 10 or 12 points ahead of the Judson Rockets.

MVP Jarrey Foster said of the game, "we had to buy into what the coaches said, and use that pressure defense. It worked out - we won the state championship."

Coach Green was not only

celebrating his first state championship, but also reaching the 500th win in his career this week. Green had taken three other high schools to the state finals in previous positions: Kountze (1997), Beaumont Central (1999) and High tower (2011). But this was the first time he won the state championship.

Commenting on the game on Legacy Sports Network, GPISD trustee and former Houston Rockets player Joe Stephens said "Judson was outmatched athletically."

North Shore's previous two games had been close, defeating Bush 60-58, and DeSoto 48-45, so this margin of victory was so-ooooo sweet.

similar diseases.

Another example he cited is Yvonne Streit, the 86 year old head of the Brookwood Community. She built up the Brookshire institution from scratch, and now serves over 100 residents with learning disabilities, mentally impaired, or otherwise having special needs. She manages to get everyone in her care a job, a life skill and a life purpose, and has done this for 30 years. One of her residents that went on to greater things is the ac-

tor Woody Harrelson, Mack said.

Finally, McIngvale told the story about his own father, George McIngvale Sr. who founded a high school in the Dallas area for kids that otherwise might not have the opportunity for a good education. McIngvale has often told the story about his mother and father's life lessons that taught him the value of work, and adding value to the lives of others around him.

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