Dunn will use past experiences, connections as new president

SARA BERGISCH
Editor-In-Chief

To an overflowing room of faculty, staff, students and community members, the South Dakota Board of Regents appointed Barry Dunn as the 20th president of South Dakota State University on Monday, April 25.

Regent Kathryn Johnson barely finished announcing Dunn’s name before the crowded room exploded into applause. Johnson led the presidential search committee.

“We know that a high performing president needs a network that extends all the way from the Campanile to across the state and across the country,” Johnson said during the announcement. “And as demonstrated by the incredible outpouring of support for Dr. Dunn’s candidacy, we know that he’s already got in place, starting today, that strong team committed to a common purpose of forwarding SDSU.”

Dunn is the current dean of the College of Agriculture and Biological Sciences at SDSU. He holds a bachelor’s degree in animal science, all from SDSU.

He was one of four finalists for the presidency at SDSU who interviewed on campus last week with different campus entities, including a student forum. Dunn was the only candidate with ties to SDSU. This was demonstrated with his continuous praises and compliments for his alma mater during the announcement.

“In this, I’m not an outsider looking in, but an insider looking out,” Dunn said during his interview. “I know this place.”

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Out of the 12,399 students at SDSU, 63 percent of students are white, 6.4 percent non-resident aliens, 2 percent Hispanic, 2 percent African American, 1.9 percent multi-racial, 1.1 percent Asian and 1 percent American Indian.

When comparing South Dakota’s numbers to SDSU, the state contains more people of minorities than the university. In 2014, 7.8 percent of the state was white, 13.2 percent African American, 1.3 percent American Indian and Alaska Native, 5.4 percent Asian, 0.2 percent Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander, 2.5 percent two or more races and 7.7 percent Hispanic or Latino, according to the Census Bureau.

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Diversity and expansion are key

KATHERINE CLAYTON
Managing Editor

Kevin Ingram feels “included” in the South Dakota State University community about half the time on campus. Judy Vega and Alex Alfke feel accepted “at times.”

Their perceptions of life for minority students at SDSU isn’t uncommon. As the university grows more diverse, some students of color don’t believe there is a strong enough emphasis on inclusion.

SDSU isn’t alone in struggling with this issue. Topics about race, such as diversity and inclusion, are asked.

“We know that enrollment in higher education has been dedicated to this area through events, hours and policies, including SDSU’s strategic plan, Impact 2019. The effectiveness of these efforts depends on who is asked,” Johnson said.

Ingram, an African American sophomore political science major, spends his free time in the Multicultural Center.

“Exclusion, in my opinion, would be the university and the student body making a deliberate effort in excluding students as an activity and making students feel that they are just students and they’re not what people would recognize as a minority,” Ingram said.

He said he wants to be involved in many community organizations so that he can provide his assistance if he desires.

“I feel that hinders me as a person and student here,” Ingram said.

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INCLUSION
‘We have a long ways to go’
Blue Dasher Farm: putting science behind sustainable farming practices

ELISE HUGHES BERHEIM

Research at the Blue Dasher Farm will focus on pollination, conservation and other aspects of sustainability. The farm is meant to educate students, beekeepers and farmers about the importance of sustainable farming practices.

John Lundgren started the Blue Dasher Farm near Brookings, South Dakota, with his wife Jenna and three graduate students. Lundgren said he eventually wants the farm to be a national network.

“Blue Dasher Farm served to educate students, beekeepers and farmers about the importance of sustainable farming practices,” said Elise Hughes Berg. “We had a lot of public support and a lot of funding came from groups like American Honey Producers Association and American Beekeepers.”

In the next five years, the farm hopes to have an educational curriculum up and running, and the farm is already expecting enough to sustain itself. They’d also like to make an impact on the local community and the United States.
Students say thanks with Chicoine’s Mustache Day

By Makenzie Huber, News Editor

President David Chicoine let out a quick but forceful laugh, making him lean back in his seat.

“About the mustache? I have no idea,” he said, referring to students’ peculiar obsession with his facial hair. “I guess people have to have some sense of connectivity—and I’m not real tall, I’m not real round, so it must be my facial hair.”

President Chicoine’s mustache has long been lauded as an exemplary display of facial plumage and has been a fixture at South Dakota State. Students feel by wearing their own adhesive mustaches on April 28, 2016. Festivities will begin at 4 p.m. on the north patio of Nichols’ work and dedication to SDSU.

“When I created this event, I thought ‘President Chicoine mustache has long been lauded as an exemplary display of facial plumage and has been a fixture at South Dakota State. People love it, and so we should celebrate it,’” said Matt Dahle, former SA vice president and one of the most influential presidents at SDSU. “I’ve been the head of the ‘abso-fricking-lute growth and rebirth’ movement for local foods, and watching it grow has been rewarding experience.”

Owens has years of local foods production experience and has a ‘huge passion for local foods,’ Chicoine said. He has also worked with local foods producers in the area who are part of the local foods movement to grow the market. Local foods production is not the same as backyard gardening; a more formal definition of local foods is land on or 20 acres that distributes within a 50-mile radius, Wright said.

“The movement to local foods and consumption is wrapped around people wanting to know where their food is coming from and the belief that local food is safer to eat … there’s a vastly growing demand from and the belief that local food is more hands on, more structured than something like backyard gardening; a more formal definition of local foods is land on or 20 acres that distributes within a 50-mile radius,” said Owens.

According to Owens, exposing students to these types of growing techniques will offer learning opportunities not every university can offer, and this will also be a way for researchers to experiment with these technologies.

“Students will have the opportunity to experience how Chicoine foods by wearing their own adhesives mustaches on April 26, 2016, in honor of Chicoine. Matt Dahle, former SA vice president, said students should celebrate Chicoine’s mustache because he will “go down in history as one of the most influential presidents at SDSU” because he’s been the head of the ‘absolutely growth and rebirth’ movement for local foods, and watching it grow has been rewarding experience.”

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Don’t believe everything that is said about the food industry

KENDRA DAVIS
Columnist

I’ve been reading articles lately about things that are “safe” and “not safe”. For humans to eat. As an agricultural major as well as someone who grows up on a farm that raises beef cattle, I am always interested in consumers’ viewpoints. I think it is very important to read articles from different sources to make sure that you are getting factual and reliable information. I also think that as a producer, it is important for myself to know what “good trends” consumers are following so that you can use that information to better educate and inform people.

It amazes me how many people do not read articles about a certain topic before they immediately jump on the bandwagon. A lot of food topics and trends are simply trends that are not backed by scientific evidence or anything at all, they are simply opinions. I found an article today by the Food Babe about why you should never eat Girl Scout Thin Mints because of the ingredients in them. She went on to say that it was mostly because they contain sugar from sugar beets (where a lot of sugar comes from) that are fertilized with Roundup Ready fertilizers when they are growing.

Many farmers use fertilizers on their crops to keep the bugs away, to help the crops grow and to keep the weeds from growing. People use these same products on their gardens at home to grow fresh produce for their own consumption or to sell. I would not want to consume apples filled with worms or corn that was full of bugs. These types of practices help get rid of these pests, but people need to make sure that they are reading the best sources for finding information or someone who is involved in the agriculture industry. I also appreciate her touting or antibiotic residue in the meat means there will be no antibiotic residues in the meat.

Farmers and ranchers care about their crops and animals and farmers want to make sure that the animals and produce are healthy. I hope that people are looking to reputable sources rather than websites like the USDA and the Wall Street Journal that the things you are doing are actually benefiting your health. I would be happy to answer any questions you might have about farming or where your food comes from. I am not a nutritionist or a dietitian, but I can answer any questions about farming because that is what I know.

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Striving for diversity and inclusion

Racial relations and inclusion issues have captured national headlines in recent months. From events in Ferguson, Missouri to the protests at the University of Missouri over racial inequality have spurred even more conversations nationwide. South Dakota State University officials have worked to increase diversity on campus and to make everyone feel welcome. Everyone has an opinion on how SDSU is doing with these issues. In that spirit, we talked to eight students and faculty on campus about their experiences at SDSU.

KySean Gregory
Major: Advertising
Hometown: Windsor, Virginia

SHAHEED M. MORRIS
Reporter
With his style, colored hair and fashion, KySean Gregory stands out on the South Dakota State University campus.

“My personality overwhelms a lot of people before they overwhelm me,” Gregory said.

Gregory, a native of Virginia, said he became aware of SDSU through friends and via the inexpensive tuition as the national graphs with also existing tuition.

“I picked SDSU because it was inex- pensive and also the different people,” Gregory said. “SDSU has done a pretty good job at giving me a well-rounded educa-

Gregory, who was adopted by a white family, said he always felt comfortable around white people.

“I didn’t experience a cultural shock at all by coming to a predominantly white university,” Gregory said. He attends the Gay Straight Alliance and the Black Student Alliance meetings weekly. Gregory is a member of the Pride of Dakota Marching Band and the Uni-

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Tevin King
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Hometown: Chicago, Illinois

NICK GOEYMAN
Reporter
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Adair Chase
Major: Consumer Affairs
Hometown: Volga, South Dakota

SARA BERTSCH
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Amanda John
Major: Political Science & Sociology
Hometown: Abuja, Nigeria

SHANEL PETERSON
Reporter

Amanda John has always been very passionate about diversity issues. John came to South Dakota last year to further her education. From her perspective, South Dakota State University is making great strides to promote diversity but there are areas that need improvement.

"I would definitely ask that people be more open-minded," John said. "If you’re going to believe something, you should believe it despite what anyone else says. If you can’t open yourself to a little bit of [discussion] here and there, you aren’t really building and growing in that belief, are you?"

One stride that John wishes SDSU would take is to require the Students’ Association to attend more minority events.

"You want the people who represent you to fully understand you," John said. "The SDSU should be way more involved with their minority programs and very helpful." John said. "They need to make more efforts getting people to attend their events."

John realizes that people can tend to isolate themselves, but you can’t make a difference in the world if you don’t want to open up yourself to diverse experiences, won’t—and no one can force them to.

"I think ignorance is something you can’t change," John said. "It’s college, not preschool."

Ziegler said that a way for SDSU to improve its outlook on diversity is by having better collaboration from the students. Even though there are clubs and diversity programs that are being put together are aiming for that inclusivity.”

"There is always room for improvement," Ziegler said. "We never want to plateau, but I feel that we are moving in the right direction.”

TRISTEN FLYINGHORSE
Major: Entrepreneurial Studies
Hometown: McLaughlin, South Dakota

KATHERINE CLAYTON
Reporter

Tristen FlyingHorse came to South Dakota State University from a small high school where he knew everyone and most everyone was the same race.

He was struck by how different the university environment was compared to what he was used to at his high school.

"I try to push myself to go to these out of the mainstream and try to diversity needs essentially and meet other people from other backgrounds, other places," said FlyingHorse, from McLaughlin, South Dakota on the Standing Rock Indian Reservation.

He is involved in organizations related to his American Indian culture, including American Indian Student Association (AISA) and American Indian Science and Engineering Society (AISES).

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Anonymity of social media increases discrimination

Keyboards, either a weapon or a tool

KELLI GARRY
Reporter

Social media has given people social influence, but others using hateful words without even turning their faces. Recently, a study conducted at Humboldt State University revealed that Brooking students are using social media to share derogatory comments and populist social media posts.

"If you have a word you don't want to use, you know who's who, you can use someone else's who's who," said Hartzler, who leads your senior youth ministry at Church. "Then your basic behavior is, 'I want to speak to these people and you realize you're talking to people, too.'"

Hartzler is part of the Gay Straight Alliance, which has been the target of negative social media. Students who identify as being members of the LGBT+ community have also been subject to the negative effects of social media.

"When Wemmel, inter vice president for student affairs, has seen discrimination change vastly in his time at South Dakota State University.

"The Internet really provides a bigger opportunity to spread derogatory comments, but it also has the reach of the comments."

Wemmel said, "In the old days, you would have to hunt someone down physically to spread your comments."

Hartzler said criticism on social media posts on the anonymous mobile app, Vik Yak, are almost immediately downvoted so that it doesn't stay up as long.

"It's really hard to do anything to prevent them. Once you have no demographic information about the people other than the fact that they're posting a comment," said Senior Seemee Ghebrekidan, one of many students who have been the victim of several death threats through social media as well as the target of discrimination through anonymous social media.

"Most of the time the discrimination has been passive and it's just outright wrong," Ghebrekidan said.

For consequences of these actions range from let- ters of no contact to the victim, moving classes, changing courses or even ex- crimination at SDSU, Wemmel said.

"The punishment depends on the severity of the behav- iors," Wemmel said. "Our goal is for the punishment to align with the education and learning process that someone's behaviors warrant.

"We try to identify anonymous reporting systems to do what it does: enlighten the help of the Information Technology De- partment and law enforc- ment officers.

"The opportunity to spread negative comments has grown, the system is also true," Wemmel said. "We can't reverse this derogato- ry comments just as fast. Our sys- tem of colleges that are open to change their name and gen- der inclusivity clauses, find- ing a more supportive commu- nities.

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“We will be using the facility campus wide and experiment new methods of growing, such as the high tunnel that will help in extended growing season and be able to help students to bring them into this high value added food system. “Unlike other types of horticulture courses will be able to use the facility, and it is free to the future almost every type of course in the university could use the site for something or another.”

In the summer months, students will be able to apply for and maintain the local foods education center as a job, as well as enroll in these classes for summer credits.

The building of this facility is currently in phase two of a three-phase implementation, which Wright said has so far cost around $330,000. Phase three is still to be determined, and will feature a full preparation kitchen to show the half-process of food from dirt to table.

“The local foods course has kind of evolved to where it is today and that is a formal part of the plant science and horticulture curriculum. It’s a minimal loss-dollar industry around the United States, and when you think of a food desert, which is when someone is more than 10 miles away from fresh food, South Dakota is documented to have several food deserts in it.”

While there are still some uncertain future problems that will occur with this facility, the department is confident it will be a successful addition to campus.

“We have a tremendous faculty here at SDSU, and I think that you will see some great things happen here in the near future,” Owens said.
Le Vent Du Nord shares musical heritage with Brookings residents

ALLISON CHRISTENSON
Lifestyles Reporter

Harmonised voices schooled through the building while strings were played, keys were pressed and ears were filled with the tradition of another country.

Le Vent Du Nord, meaning The North Wind, is a band specializing in folk music from Quebec, Canada. Band members Nicolas Boulerice, Olivier Demers, Simon Beaudry and Réjean Brunet held a presentation in the museum, sharing information about the instruments they were using. They made slight changes to the music, they explained the history of traditional Quebec folk music. Demers said after the Irish immigrated to Canada, it was tradition for the fiddler to be on top of a sail, usually in the kitchen, while people danced around him. This was sometimes called ‘kitchen music.’

Their main goal, however, is to keep the tradition of another country. They made slight changes to the music. “They give a whole other life to this place,” Demers said, “and keep it alive.”

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**Healthy Banana Cream Pie Smoothie**

**Ingredients:**
- 2 bananas, sliced and frozen
- 1/3 cup low-fat vanilla Greek yogurt
- 1/2 teaspoon ground cinnamon
- 1/4 teaspoon nutmeg
- 1 1/2 tablespoons honey
- 2 teaspoons vanilla extract
- 1/3 cup 2% milk
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- 2 bananas, sliced and frozen

**Instructions:**
1. Place all ingredients in the body of a blender. Pulse until smooth and creamy. Serve at once.


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**Horoscopes**

**Aries**
- You may experience an attraction to a special jackrabbit friend today. If you have been thinking about them, now is the time to act! Wear something that is meaningful to them and ask them on a date. If they say yes, you will be happy for the rest of the month.

**Taurus**
- There will be a new job opportunity that you have been waiting for. Be sure to prepare for your interview and make sure you are ready for the possibility of a new job.

**Gemini**
- If you think it's time to explore any chemistry you share with another jackrabbit, think again. Some jackrabbits just belong in the friendzone. Don't force it; if it's meant to be, it will be.

**Cancer**
- You will be busy with finals week coming up, and it may have you thinking about ending your college career. Remember, the early jack gets the coyote.

**Lego**
- Your energetic jackrabbit spirit makes you want to hop on every opportunity you get. However, you need to make sure you are not taking on more than you can handle.

**Scorpio**
- You won't have too much to worry about. You won't even have to see certain people ever again if you choose—and you don't have to. If you want to be left alone, you will be.

**Libra**
- Things may be heating up with a certain jackrabbit this week. However, you need to make sure your intentions are genuine so your little jackrabbit heart stays whole.

**Sagittarius**
- You will be happy with finals week coming up, and it may have you running around in a quiet place of tutorials. You probably won't find much time for yourself, so go. Step into your power and end up with your notes.

**Capricorn**
- You will need to be extra careful about your studies this week. You may find that you are not particularly excited about the topics before summer are of the semester. School is not all fun and games. Make sure your memories are of the most recent and fresh in your mind.

**Aquarius**
- It's not in your best interest to hop off in pursuit of play to the exclusion of your studies. Make sure you are responsible for every student to be fulfilled and complete. Your notes and notes are the most complete, it is easy to wish for the completion of your class. Without a pen, paper, and class never seems ideal. Staying on top of your school career is equally as important. Take your class notes and make sure to get anything out of the class. It's essential to come prepared.
The South Dakota State football team wound up their spring practices with the annual Jackrabbit spring football game April 23 at the Sanford-Jackrabbit Athletic Complex.

SDSU Head Coach John Stiegelmeier was impressed with his team’s work in the 14 spring practices they had leading into the game. “We’ve had a great three weeks,” Stiegelmeier said when talking to First and Goal, a video series produced by the SDSU athletic department to give updates on Spring football. “Great effort and intensity, considering we started at 6:40 a.m. every day.”

Freshman quarterback Kanin Nelson threw for two touchdowns and ran for another to spark the offense to a 62-47 win over the defense in the spring game. Nelson saw extra action with senior Zach Lu jan sitting out as he recovers from injuries. A Mitchell, South Dakota native, Nelson completed a 6-yard touchdown pass to Alex Wilde in the first quarter and ran for a 23-yard score in the second quarter. On the first play from scrimmage in the second half, Nelson hooked up with Marquise Lewis on a 45-yard touchdown.

Using a scoring system that rewarded big plays on both sides of the ball, the Jackrabbit offense took an early lead during the second series of the game. Sophomore running back Isaac Wallace broke through the line for a 50-yard touchdown for a 2-0 lead. The first-team offense got into the scoring column late in the second quarter as Taryn Christion found Dallas Goedert in the end zone for a 13-yard touchdown. Christion and Goedert were two players whose improvement throughout the spring caught Stiegelmeier’s attention, although he admitted spring performances tend to fluctuate. “It is so hard in football to say one guy excelled,” Steigelmeier said. “You’ll have a guy shine one day, and the next you’ll hardly notice him.”

Mikey Daniel capped the touchdown scoring for the offense with a 2-yard run late in the third quarter. The Jackrabbit defense was able to force only one turnover as defensive end Jared Blum sacked Christion and stripped the football loose midway through the third quarter. Christian Banasiak recorded a pair of sacks, with Eric Kleinschmit and Cole Langer each tallying one sack.

Redshirt freshman Brandon Thomas led all players with 10 tackles, followed by right from Dalton Cox. Cox finished the game 5-of-10 passing for 39 yards, with Christion completing 7-of-15 attempts for 44 yards. Marquise Lewis led the receiving corps with six catches for 73 yards. Wallace led the ground game with 67 yards on eight carries. Nelson earned nine times for 27 yards, with Clark Wieneke adding 47 yards on 10 carries. The Jackrabbits will open fall practices in early August, with the 2016 season opener set for Sept. 3 at Texas Christian. TCU has been one of the top ranked teams in the FBS since they moved to the Big XII, so the Jacks will be giving up size and strength at many positions in their season opener. But Stiegelmeier knows his team has been putting in the work and that they will be ready to lay it on the line in Fort Worth in August. “Prior to spring ball, the strength coach said the effort in the weight room had been the best it’s ever been,” Steigelmeier told First and Goal. “And that’s really the prerequisite, that’s the start of all this. So I think effort is really in our makeup.”
In brief

**Women’s Golf**

A final-day charge helped the South Dakota State women’s golf team finish second at the 2016 Summit League Championship at the Arbor Links Golf Course Wednesday.

The Jacks had been in fourth after the first round and sat in third heading into the final. SDSU finished second for the third time (2008, 2010) since joining the Summit League conference. The Jackrabbits shot 902 over the par-72, 6,179-yard course.

Two-time defending champ Denver won the title shooting an 878. Place Oral Roberts.

Senior Lovro Curcija had three match victories, senior Sydney Mac for the Jackrabbits with a 6-4, 6-1 victory at No. 3. Davies won 6-4, 6-1 at No. 2 and Haws-Wilson won 6-2, 7-5 at No. 4.

With the win, the Jackrabbits will be the No. 2 seed in this weekend’s championship, playing No. 2 South Dakota State Friday at 10 a.m. at the Koch Family Tennis Center in Omaha. SDSU enters the league championship with a 1-0 overall record and 4-2 mark in league play.
From Wolters to Zenner, the last four years have been some of the best for SDSU athletics

AUSTIN HAMM
Sports Editor

I like sports. I always have. So when it came time for me to pick a college out of high school, it wasn’t surprising that every school I visited or talked to. I was interested in how their athletic departments were faring.

Full disclosure, my selection of schools was not of that typical student. I’ve been on the track team at South Dakota State University for all four years I’ve attended the school, and I was recruited for that sport coming out of high school. Naturally, my first thought about sports was where I fit in on the track and cross-country teams I had the opportunity to join. But as a sports fan, I did have a real interest in the other teams, particularly basketball and football, and SDSU had a real draw for me in the former.

Nate Wolters and the Jackrabbits men were fresh off an NCAA tournament appearance and a close loss to Baylor. Wolters was coming back for his final season and there was real hype surrounding the team. So, having the Wolves train with a full head of steam and a football team that had playoff experience, I figured I would be coming to a campus with a solid, up and coming athletic department. I didn’t realize that I was actually about to see one of the most historic periods in Jackrabbit sports.

Brothers Gary and Randy Moen took EdgeBrook Golf Course to offer student discounts for $5 during the week and $7 on the weekends. For $19 for nine holes or $31 for 18 holes, students can golf at EdgeBrook last winter after the city accepted their plans to improve the course. The Moen brothers have worked to improve the golf course by addressing a few necessary fixes that prohibited golf maintenance staff, clubhouse manager and volunteers to play here at the price of a cart fee, Randy Moen said.

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Former South Dakota State University baseball player Layne Somsen was drafted by the New York Mets in the 22nd round of the 2013 Major League Baseball Draft and was expected to be in uniform Monday night when the Mets opened the season against San Diego. Somsen is the third former Jackrabbit player to reach the Major Leagues, joining fellow former South Dakota State University baseball player Caleb Thielbar pitched for the Minnesota Twins in 2013-15, while Justin Miller is expected to be in the rotation of the Washington Nationals since 2014.

NDSU’s Wentz makes a name for himself in the NFL


defaulted sixth year eligibility with Jacks

...but we’re bigger than just one part of our season, our offense, our defense, our special teams. We have a lot of depth, a lot of experience. We’ve played a lot of football. If you show too much defensive back Nick Mears said. “He’s able to make a lot of line checks,” SDSU head coach Tim Polasek said. “Carson is the epitome of our pro style offense that the Jacks new head coach T.J. Otzelberger runs. King will most likely play the other guard position.”

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