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PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

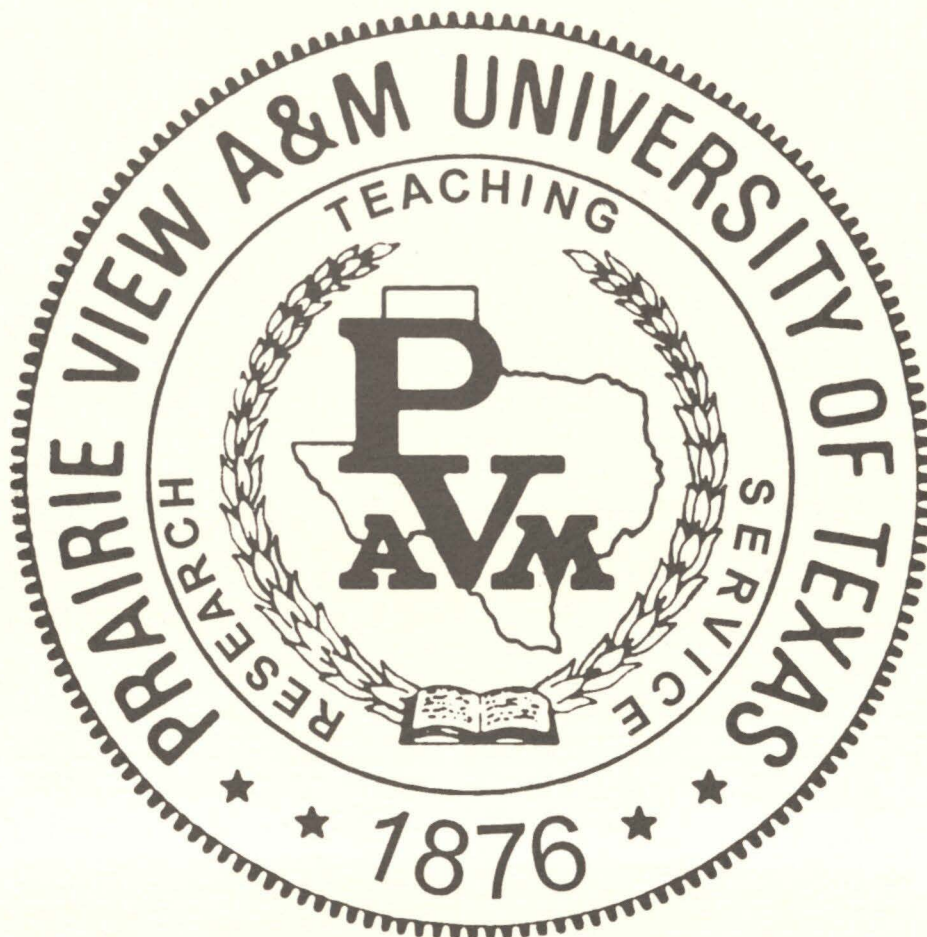
THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

PRAIRIE VIEW, TEXAS

ONE HUNDRED TWENTIETH YEAR

COMMENCEMENT CONVOCATION

(THE EIGHTY-SIXTH SUMMER COMMENCEMENT)



WILLIAM "BILLY" J. NICKS BUILDING
SATURDAY MORNING, AUGUST TENTH
NINETEEN HUNDRED AND NINETY SIX
TEN-THIRTY O'CLOCK

TO OUR GUESTS

Commencement is a significant and solemn event, recognizing years of study and sacrifice. To make this ceremony more meaningful, we ask all guests and participants to avoid unnecessary conversation and movement during the exercises.

Please withhold your applause during the presentation of degrees until each degree group is acknowledged and the candidates have returned to their seats.

Following the singing of the Alma Mater, there is a Recessional for the platform party and all degree recipients. We ask the audience to remain seated during this period.

For your assistance, an Emergency Medical Services station is available in the Field House. Please ask an usher for assistance.

THE COMMENCEMENT PROGRAM

Presiding: Dr. Charles A. Hines
President, Prairie View A&M University

ORGAN PRELUDE Dr. Danny R. Kelley

THE CONVOCAATION PROCESSION

COMMENTATOR FOR THE PROCESSION Dr. E. Joahanne Thomas-Smith
Provost and Vice President for Academic Affairs

ACADEMIC PROCESSIONAL: "War March of the Priests" (Athalia) *Felix Mendelssohn*
Dr. Danny R. Kelley, Organist
Dr. Marion Henry, Marshal

Marshal

The Dean of Benjamin Banneker Honors College

Faculty

Candidates for Degrees in the Graduate School

Candidates for Degrees in the College of Agriculture and Human Sciences

Candidates for Degrees in the College of Arts and Sciences

Candidates for Degrees in the College of Business

Candidates for Degrees in the College of Education

Candidates for Degrees in the College of Engineering and Architecture

Candidates for Degrees in the College of Nursing

President's Party

INVOCATION The Reverend Charles H. Lewter, Jr.
Dean, University Chapel

NATIONAL ANTHEM *Frances Scott Key*

GREETINGS FROM THE BOARD OF REGENTS

AND AUTHORIZATION FOR CONFERRAL OF DEGREES Mr. Don Powell
Member, TAMUS Board of Regents

GREETINGS FROM THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM Dr. J. Charles Lee
Vice Chancellor for Research, Planning and Continuing Education

INTRODUCTION OF THE COMMENCEMENT ORATOR President Charles A. Hines

COMMENCEMENT ADDRESS The Honorable Sylvester Turner
Texas House of Representatives
District 139, Harris County

MUSIC: "Ev-rytime I Feel the Spirit"	<i>H. T. Burleigh</i> Antonia Adams, Contralto
PRESENTATION OF THE DEAN OF THE GRADUATE SCHOOL	Dr. E. Joahanne Thomas-Smith
PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FROM THE GRADUATE SCHOOL	Dean Willie Trotty, Ph.D.
PRESENTATION OF THE DEANS OF THE UNDERGRADUATE COLLEGE	Dr. E. Joahanne Thomas-Smith
PRESENTATION OF CANDIDATES FROM:	
THE COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND HUMAN SCIENCES	Dean Elizabeth Noel, Ph.D.
THE COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES	Dean Edward W. Martin, Ph.D.
THE COLLEGE OF BUSINESS	Dean Barbara P. Jones, Ph.D.
THE COLLEGE OF EDUCATION	Dean M. Paul Mehta, Ed.D.
THE COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURE	Interim Dean John Fuller, Ph.D.
THE COLLEGE OF NURSING	Dean Dollie Brathwaite, Ph.D.
THE CONFERRING OF DEGREES	President Charles A. Hines
ALMA MATER: "Dear Prairie View"	<i>Fuller-Sibelius</i>
RECESSIONAL: "Pomp and Circumstance"	<i>Edward Elgar</i> (Audience Seated)

THE TEXAS A&M UNIVERSITY SYSTEM

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PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

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DOLLIE BRATHWAITE	Dean, College of Nursing
JOHN FULLER	Interim Dean, College of Engineering and Architecture
BARBARA A. P. JONES	Dean, College of Business
EDWARD W. MARTIN	Dean, College of Arts and Sciences
M. PAUL MEHTA	Dean, College of Education
ELIZABETH NOEL	Dean, College of Agriculture and Human Sciences
JEWEL PRESTAGE	Dean, Benjamin Banneker Honors College
WILLIE TROTTY	Dean, Graduate School

CANDIDATES FOR DEGREES¹

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND HUMAN SCIENCES

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS

Sociology Curriculum

ADAMS, SHARON E.. Midway

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS IN SOCIAL WORK

BARNETT, HOLLY C.	Fort Worth	SCOTT, BARBARA A.	Dallas
DICKEY, NIKITA L.	Houston	SIMON, DANIELLE M.	Atlanta, GA
FREDERICK, CYNTHIA L.	Waller	THOMPSON, AMY L.	Houston
COLLINS, LENA R.	China	WALLACE, PATRICIA Y.	San Antonio
PETERSON, PAULETTE	Bryan	WEST, SHEREE F.	Conroe
RICHARD-JOHNSON, CHAUNTAE	Missouri City		

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN AGRICULTURE

Agricultural Economics Curriculum

CLARKE, LUTHFY A.	Jamaica, W.I.	TAYLOR, HOWARD L.	Hempstead
RICHARDSON, ANGELA M.	Lancaster		

Agriculture and Human Resources Curriculum

DONAHUE, GENE C.	Houston	SMITH, LORNA D.	El Paso
ONGUDU, PETER D.	Prairie View	SMITH, THOMAS E.	Wharton

Agronomy Curriculum

CAMPBELL, EDWARD J.	Jamaica, W.I.	STEWART, SEYMOUR F.	Prairie View
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Animal Science Curriculum

GRIMES, LASHAUNDA A.	Balch Springs	STEWART, PHYLISS	Orange
HARRIS, TANDOLYN Y.	San Antonio	WILLIAMS, KILEY L.	Houston

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN DIETETICS

Human Nutrition and Food Curriculum

ABANATHY, REGINA C. Brookshire

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN HUMAN SCIENCES

Human Development and the Family Curriculum

DANIELS, ALEECE Prairie View

Merchandising and Design Curriculum

OFFORD, KATRICE N. Houston

¹ As final action cannot always be taken by the time the program is printed, the list of candidates given here is tentative only. The University reserves the right to withdraw or add names.

[†] The golden-colored cord represents undergraduate candidates graduating with academic honors.

[‡] The burgundy and gray cord represents undergraduate candidates graduating from the Benjamin Banneker Honors College.

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS

Communications Curriculum

DAVIS, DORIAN C.	Houston	SPILLMAN, GEORGE S., JR.	Houston
ROSE-WALLS, DEREK G.	Houston	WINTERS, VALKEITH D.	Houston

Communications — Journalism Curriculum

BANKS, STEPHANIE D.	Houston	JOHNSTON, NICOLE N.	Jamaica, W.I.
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Communications — Radio/Television Curriculum

BRONSON, WILLIAM N.	San Jose, CA	PHEARSE, RAQUEL A.	Garland
MCKEEVER, JILLIAN S.	Houston	SIMMONS, KENYATTA D.	Houston
PENRIGHT, VANESSA L.	Houston		

English Curriculum

HOWARD, SETH R.	Houston
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Music Curriculum

FLANNIGAN, EDWIN A.	Houston
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Political Science Curriculum

ARMSTRONG, HAROLD V., II	Houston	MILLER, TERRI P.	Waller
HORNSBY, SHONTAVIA S.	Taylor	SHEPHERD, CHARLES E., JR.	Houston

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF MUSIC

Applied Music Curriculum

ADAMS, ANTONIA L.	Houston	THOMAS, HENRY, JR.	Houston
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CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Biology Curriculum

BROWN, ROXANNE E.	Houston	TAYLOR, SHEDRICK C.	Houston
COLLINS, ANGELA G.	Fort Worth	THAYER, NICK L.	Guide Rock, NE
HOWARDS, SHOMONA R.	Fort Worth	WELLS, REANEA M.	Houston
JEFFERSON, REGINALD G.	Angleton	WHITE, CANDACE Y.	Prairie View
LOPEZ, HIRAM D., JR.	Visalia, CA	WILSON, DERWIN L.	Houston
RUNNELS, ERIKA L.	Houston	YAKOB, SENAIT	Houston

Chemistry Curriculum

BELL, MAUREEN A.	Houston	LIASE, PHILIP A.	Longview
CHADWICK, EDWARD T., II	Hockley		

Mathematics Curriculum

CORNISH, DAVID J.	Lufkin	SMITH, BRIDGET N.	Duncanville
LEWIS, LEONARD K.	Prairie View	WATTS, DERRICK	Houston
NOLAND, KENA L.	Country Club Hills, IL		

Physics Curriculum

STORR, KEVIN A.	Tallahassee, FL
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**CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
IN CRIMINAL JUSTICE**

ARNOLD, DAVALE Y.	Grand Prairie	MOSLEY, HENRY L.	Kempner
BENFORD, D'ARCY	Houston	NAGY, CARL W.	Hempstead
FINLEY, SHANIQUEWA L.	Dallas	PERSON, MARC A.	Fort Worth
HINES, GERALD G.	Dallas	SINGLETON, JOHN M.	Houston
JOHNSON, BYRON K.	Las Vegas, NV	SMITH, DAVID E.	Missouri City
MCCOWIN, CHARLES E., JR.	Houston	STEVENS, YVETTE D.	Lamesa, CA
MORRIS, HOUSTON A.	Dallas	WRIGHTSIL, MELVIN E.	Houston

COLLEGE OF BUSINESS

**CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF BUSINESS ADMINISTRATION**

Accounting Curriculum

BAKER, DANITA M.	Clarksville	KNOTTS, ERIKA N.	Houston
FRY, KELLY M.	Kansas City, MO	PARKER, GENELL M.	Houston
HOOD, NATASHA	Houston	SAMUELS, ROSALIND A.	Paris
HOUSTON, LETRICIA	Austin	SIMINGTON, CAROLYN C.	Jennings, LA
JACKSON, ANDREA D.	Tyler	TURNER, PATRICK L.	Dallas
KARANJA, CHARLES K.	Houston	WASHINGTON, SONYA L.	Houston

Administrative Information Systems Curriculum

FERGUSON, FERIAS E., JR.	Dallas	HOLLOWAY, DEMETRIA L.	Lithonia, GA
GREER, TYNETTE L.	Houston	NIXON, MICHELLE P.	Irving
HENDERSON, CHER A.	Houston	WILLIAMS, KRISTIE M.	Houston

Finance Curriculum

DOUGLAS, DERRICK	Fort Worth	HALE, ANDRE M.	Spring
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Management Curriculum

CARROLL, KEVIN	Hempstead	TAULTON, ANDREW, JR.	Mexia
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Marketing Curriculum

JEFFERSON, GERALD A., III	Fort Worth	SAMUELS, CAMILLE R.	Hockley
JOHNSON, CIMBERLI C.	Texarkana	THOMAS, MARC E.	Houston
MASS, DEMETRIC Q.	Converse	THOMAS, SHARON L.	Houston
MERGERSON, TIFFINAY	Fort Worth	WILFORD, HILARY M.	Fort Worth

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Health Curriculum

DAVIES, BERTHA R.	Waller
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Human Performance Curriculum

COLLINS, NICHOLAS L.	Texarkana	TAYLOR, ROBERT P., IV	Port Arthur
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Psychology Curriculum

ARRINGTON, ERIKA M.	Houston	NEULS, DANIEL J.	San Antonio
BROMLEY, DARTANIA N.	Port Arthur	NOEL, ROSENA E.	Prairie View
FORBES, TONYIKA A.	Houston	POPE, VERLICIA M.	Houston
GREEN, LARRY C.	Houston	POWELL, LAKISHA L.	Austin

TURNER, SHANDELL L.

Dickinson

TYNES, SEAN M.

Hempstead

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
IN INTERDISCIPLINARY STUDIES

CLOUSER, SHAWNA M.

Houston

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURE

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARCHITECTURE

BEDMINSTER, JOHN

Virgin Islands, W.I.

TWITTY, DELVIN D.

Houston

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF ARTS

Advertising Arts Curriculum

MCCALL, MEREDITH F.

Houston

THOMAS, NAKIA D.

Houston

PERKINS, CHRISTOPHER J.

Houston

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

Computer Science Curriculum

BOARDINGHAM, MICHELLE R.

Corpus Christi

SEALS-REED, REGINA Y.

Waller

NARCISSE, KENRIC W.

Port Arthur

STORR, KEVIN

Tallahassee, FL

SCOTT, SONYA L.

Galveston

WEBB, ERIC B.

Prairie View

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
IN CHEMICAL ENGINEERING

DRAYTON, LYNETTE T.

Prairie View

STEGALL, PATRICK S.

Richmond

JOBS, GARVIN N.

Hockley

TAYLOR, TIFFANY D.

Port Arthur

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
IN CIVIL ENGINEERING

EBOT, TANYI P.

Houston

O'NEAL, MONIFA A.

Chicago, IL

ENCARNACION, ANA S.

Beaumont

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
IN COMPUTER ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY

JACKSON, TARIK J.

Dallas

MATHIS, JAMES E.

Crosby

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING

BARBER, TANJI R.

New Boston

MCCA W, JOSHUA

Waller

BELL, GRAYLANE

Dallas

ROBINSON, KEVIN D.

Oak Brook, IL

DOUGLAS, LESLIE E.

Hamlin

SMITH, RANDY C.

Houston

KEETON, JAMES C.

Texarkana

WALLACE, BRANDON D.

Dallas

KING, SEAN E.

Jasper

WARA, JOHN T.

Houston

KIRKLAND, KRIEESNA J.

Joliet, IL

WATSON, JESSE RAY, JR.

Houston

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
IN ELECTRICAL ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY

MAYBERRY, JOHN A.

Houston

MCLAURIN, ROBBY M.

San Antonio

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
IN INDUSTRIAL TECHNOLOGY

Computer Aided Drafting and Design Curriculum

SOLIMANI, SOHEILA S.

Houston

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING

BALDWIN, ARNOLD B.

Houston

PRADSAD, CHANDRAMUKHI

Houston

BOYD, BRYAN P.

Dallas

PRICE, ANGELE R.

Houston

BURNEY, KOFI S.

Detroit, MI

SIBIYA, FIKA C.

Hockley

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
IN MECHANICAL ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY

RHODES, SEAN A.

Dallas

COLLEGE OF NURSING

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

EVANS, LORI A.

Houston

WILLIAMS, GWENDOLYN M.

Houston

GRADUATE SCHOOL

COLLEGE OF AGRICULTURE AND HUMAN SCIENCES

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS

Sociology

ALLEN-JOHNSON, BERNADETTE

Dallas

ROSS, DERRICK D.

Dallas

BBA, Prairie View A&M University, 1994

BBA, Prairie View A&M University, 1994

HARDIN, B. C., JR.

Conroe

SIPPIO, JUANEL O.

Prairie View

BS, Sam Houston State University, 1991

BA, Prairie View A&M University, 1995

LENTON-GARY, CYNTHIA E.

Sugar Land

THOMAS, SHANNA M.

Lufkin

BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1981

BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1995

RICHARDSON, RUTHIE J.

Prairie View

BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1995

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE

Agricultural Economics

FFRENCH, DENNIS

Jamaica, W.I.

OMUTITI, ELIZABETH

College Station

BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1992

BS, Texas A&M University, 1991

LEWISON, ELEANER D.

Prairie View

BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1989

Home Economics

MCCUBBIN, KAREN G.

Hempstead

BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1994

COLLEGE OF ARTS AND SCIENCES

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF SCIENCE

Biology

BAGBY, BETHANYE BRANCH BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1994	Fort Worth	LANE, CLEVELAND O., JR. BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1994	La Marque
CARROLL, BRUCE BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1988	Houston		

Chemistry

ASHLEY, ANDREA D. M. BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1993	Hartford, CT	GRADY, TONY L. BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1991	Dallas
BULLOCK, TROY L. BS, Jarvis Christian College, 1991	Arlington	KARANJA, ANDREW K. BS, Jackson State University, 1991	Houston
GARDNER, PHILIPENE D. BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1990	Jamaica, W.I.	MINIX, ROXANNE M. BS, Texas A&M University, 1991	Beaumont

Mathematics

ALI, KHADIJA HASSAN BS, Somali National University, 1981	Houston	MOGHADASSI, MOHAMAD S. BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1995	Austin
CARTER, JOSEPH L. BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1993	Dallas	THOMAS, VANESSA GREEN BS, Texas Southern University, 1992	Houston
HARRISON, TIFFANY A. BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1993	Dallas		

COLLEGE OF EDUCATION

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF ARTS

Counseling

ALLEN, BETTY VINCENT BS, Texas Southern University, 1976	Houston	DOAKES, SHEILA GIBSON BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1980	Houston
ALLEN, TIFFANY D. BA, Sam Houston State University, 1993	Houston	ENOCKSEN, JAMES RICHARD BA, University of Texas at Arlington, 1986	Spring
BENNETT-BRIGHAM, PAMELA A. BA, Texas Southern University, 1990	Missouri City	ERVIN, MARIE PERSON BA, Texas Southern University, 1969	Houston
BRIGGS-FELIX, VANESSA E. BSW, Texas Southern University, 1993	Houston	HART, SUSAN KAY BS, Sam Houston State University, 1990	Houston
BROWN, SANDRA JONES BS, Texas Southern University, 1991	Houston	JOHNSON, TWIANA BS, University of Texas-Austin, 1992	Houston
BUFFALO, FREDA FAYE BBA, Our Lady of the Lake, 1991	Houston	JONES, CAROL L. BS, Texas Southern University, 1992	Houston
BUTLER, ROSIE ANDERSON BS, Texas Southern University, 1978	Houston	LADSON, PATRICE ELLEN BS, Cheyney State College, 1982	Houston
CARRINGTON, FELECIA ANN BBA, Prairie View A&M University, 1995	Hempstead	LEDÉ, PAUL BS, Texas Southern University, 1992	Houston
CHAMBERS, CAROL JOHNSON BA, California State University, 1972	Austin	LEWIS, BRONSON DEMILLE BSCJ, Prairie View A&M University, 1994	Bryan
CLAY, TRELIS MICHELE BS, Texas Southern University, 1995	Missouri City	LINDSEY, LAURA PEARSON BA, Texas Southern University, 1976	Houston
COLEMAN, DIANN BS, Texas Southern University, 1980	Sugar Land	LYDE, ELLA M. BA, Huston Tillotson College, 1985	Austin
CONNER, DETRA ROJEANA BS, Stephen F. Austin State University, 1990	Tyler	MACON, LINDA C. BS, Stephen F. Austin State University, 1973	Austin
COOK, BRIDGET PERRYMAN BSW, University of Florida, 1980	Houston	MCCAOW, SONYA M. YOUNG BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1992	Prairie View
COOPER, JUAN ORBERGHETTE BS, Sam Houston State University, 1993	Houston	OPPERMANN, KIMBERLY ABATE BSCJ, Southwest Texas State University, 1988	Giddings
DEMBY, LATONIA MYLES BA, Grambling State University, 1991	Houston	PERRY, DORIS ANN BS, Southern University and A&M College, 1983	Houston

PIERRE, CHANDA S. BS, McNeese State University, 1992	Houston	THOMAS, GINA MICHELLE BA, Texas Southern University, 1993	Houston
SANDERS-SMITH, LIZZIE BERNICE BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1980	Houston	THURMAN, VIRGINIA PEEL BS, University of Texas at Austin, 1973	Lexington
SHEPHERD, SONYA LEAAH BS, University of North Texas, 1991	Houston	WATKINS, JOHN M. BS, Virginia State University, 1988	Baltimore, MD
SMITH, THURMAN MICHAEL BS, Arkansas State University, 1972	Houston	WILLIS, DEBORAH ANNETTE BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1981	Houston
STRAUSS, MARK ANTHONY BS, Southwest Texas State University, 1989	Somerville		

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER OF EDUCATION

Counseling

ABDOU, SANDRA L. BS, University of Texas at El Paso, 1973	Katy	THOMAS, EARNESTINE KIRKENDOLL BS, Texas College, 1976	Humble
BEECH, DEBORAH S. BS, Drake University, 1973	Katy	WALKER, CARLO P. BA, Prairie View A&M University, 1994	Houston

Curriculum and Instruction (Agricultural Education)

SCOTT, KENYATTA D. BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1995	Jefferson
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Curriculum and Instruction (Early Childhood Education)

JOHNSON, PATERSA ANN HOLLOWAY BS, Alabama State University, 1981	Cypress	PRICE, GRETTA L. BS, Prairie View A. and M. College, 1969	Houston
KEYS, WANDA SYRIE BS, Lamar University-Port Arthur, 1986	Beaumont		

Curriculum and Instruction (Educational Media and Technology)

HAMILTON, JANE LEE KASHI BA, Monmouth College, 1970	Katy	HICKS, CATHERINE BS, University of Texas, 1980	Cypress
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Curriculum and Instruction (Mathematics Education)

ELLIOTT, SHERMAN C. BA, McMurry College, 1973	Houston
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Curriculum and Instruction (Reading Education)

SMITH, JOHARI GISA BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1995	Waco
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Educational Administration

ALEXANDER, EARLINE COMEAUX BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1967	Houston	BROOKS, MARK WAYNE BS, University of Texas at Austin, 1979	Spring
ALLEN, LEWIS DEWAYNE BS, Stephen F. Austin State University, 1977	Montgomery	BROWN, ROBERT G. BS, Eastern New Mexico University, 1987	Spring
ALLEN, WAYN E BS, Stephen F. Austin State University, 1977	Houston	BUTLER, WANDA FAYE BS, Texas Southern University, 1993	Katy
ALLISON, LOLA BRIDGET BS, Texas A&M University, 1990	Houston	CHARLES, ARTHUR ETAS BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1980	Indianapolis, IN
BARRETT, CEDRIC LAJUAN BA, Paul Quinn College, 1991	Dallas	COLVIN, MERRILL CHARMION BBA, Lamar University, 1988	Houston
BRADLEY, SHERRI S. BS, University of Houston at Clear Lake, 1995	Houston	COTTON, JACKIE LEE BA, Prairie View A&M University, 1974	Beaumont

DEGARMO, DANA ALBERT BA, University of Montevallo, 1986	Waller	NORTON, KERRY MONDRA BM, Prairie View A&M University, 1991	Houston
DIETERICH, MICHAEL L. BBA, Sam Houston State University, 1973	Brenham	OWENS, MARTHA PETER BA, Prairie View A&M University, 1973	Houston
DONNELL, PATRICIA ANN BA, Sam Houston State University, 1983	Brenham	PETER, JULIA M. BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1975	Houston
FULTON, DOLORES BS, Lamar University, 1987	Beaumont	PETERSON, MEARLEAN BA, Prairie View A&M University, 1984	Houston
GERTMAN, ROSE MADISON BS, Prairie View A. and M. College, 1971	Bellville	PRICE, WILLIAM R. BA, Texas A&M University, 1991	Houston
HART, PERTRICIA A. BS, Texas Southern University, 1991	Houston	REECE, BRENDEL E. BA, Wiley College, 1982	Houston
HELM, RONNIE JAMES BA, Sam Houston State University, 1982	Bryan	RIDER, ALEX BS, North Texas State University, 1982	Houston
HICKEY, DENNIS BA, University of Tulsa, 1994	Brenham	SADLER, ANNE GRAHAM BS, Elmira College, 1982	Magnolia
HULL, ROBERT MICHAEL BS, Oswego State University, 1978	Houston	SINGLETON, JESSICA D. BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1989	Houston
JACKSON, NATHAN ALAN BS, Lamar University, 1990	Galveston	SMITH, CHANELL RENEE BS, University of Houston, 1990	Houston
JANZARLI, BENSON BS, Universidad Central, 1984	Houston	STEPHENS, MICHAEL E. BS, McMurry University, 1972	Spring
LEWIS, MELBA CALHOUN BS, Prairie View A. and M. College, 1971	Galena Park	SWIK, GAIL E. BS, University of Wisconsin, 1984	Humble
LOUIS, RODNEY TRAVOY BS, Texas Southern University, 1992	Houston	TARGAC, DAVID ALAN BBA, Sam Houston State University, 1986	Baytown
LOUIS, SHANTELE YVETTE BS, Texas Southern University, 1993	Houston	TRIAL, JOSEPH R. BA, Texas Lutheran University, 1979	Houston
MCQUITTER, GREGORY HUGH BS, University of Nebraska, 1979	Prairie View	WASHINGTON, RAYMOND L. BS, Southwest Texas State University, 1978	Sweeny
MABRY, LARRY JAMES BS, Texas A&I University, 1975	Houston	WHITESIDE, WILLIAM BARRY BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1976	Cameron
MENDIETTA, MELISSA BS, Texas A&I University, 1990	Houston	WILLIAMS, DOVIE L. BS, Lamar University, 1990	Baytown
NICHOLSON, CANDACE RENEE BS, Midwestern State University, 1987	Brenham	WORKMAN, LOLA BS, Texas A&M University, 1990	Houston

Instructional Supervision

GETWOOD, MYRON LAVERNE BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1979	Port Arthur	MORRISON-FFRENCH, ICILDA BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1994	Jamaica, W.I.
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Physical Education

LEATHERWOOD, JOYCELYN E. BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1995	Knoxville, TN	REED, RHEA F. BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1994	Marshall
NEWMAN, JERRY L. BS, Angelo State University, 1982	Brenham	ROBINSON, AGNES LORENE BS, University of Houston, 1990	Houston

Special Education

ALEXANDER, CARL L. BA, Texas Southern University, 1985	Houston	KING, DEBORAH CONE BS, Tuskegee University, 1977	Friendswood
DAVIS, KATHRYN DENISE BA, Prairie View A&M University, 1995	Prairie View	PATRICK-SIMS, REGINA LASHUNE BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1990	Houston
KHATIBI, HOUSHANG B. BS, Iranian Naval Academy, 1974	Houston		

COLLEGE OF ENGINEERING AND ARCHITECTURE

CANDIDATES FOR THE DEGREE OF MASTER SCIENCE IN ENGINEERING

AZAD, G. M. SALAM BS, Bangladesh University, 1991	Prairie View	PERRY, CHUKWUDI BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1993	Austin
CACERES, ADRIANA C. BS, Escuela Colombiana de Ingenieria, 1989	Houston	PINGALI, SATYANARAYANA REDDY BS, Prairie view A&M University, 1990	Houston
CALLOWAY, LISA RENE BSEE, Tennessee State University, 1984	The Woodlands	REYNOLDS, WILLIAM P. BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1991	Indianapolis, IN
CUI, JUDY TONG BS, Beijing Polytechnic University, 1993	Houston	SARNUDRALA, SURENDER RAO BS, Amravati University, 1990	Houston
LI, HENGYUN BS, Hohai University, 1985	Prairie View	UZUAFA, OLORUFEMI I. BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1995	Austin
LIN, DANZHI BS, Beijing University, 1992	Houston	WANG, JIREW JERRY BS, Jiao-Tong University, 1992	Houston
MADDOX, MONIQUE TRUSCLAIR BS, Prairie View A&M University, 1992	Houston	WANG, TIMING BS, Nanjing University, 1982	Prairie View
NWOYE, CAROLINE OBIANUJU BS, Enugu State University, 1990	Houston	WASHINGTON, KENNETH WAYNE BS, Southern University, 1975	Katy
PEATIWALA, QUAID J. BS, Arizona State University, 1993	New York City	YU, XINYA BS, University of Electronic Science and Technology-China, 1992	Prairie View

BENJAMIN BANNEKER HONORS COLLEGE GRADUATES

The following students have attained their degrees by completing Banneker Honors College Program requirements:

BELL, GRAYLANE	Electrical Engineering Curriculum	Dallas
BELL, MAUREEN A.	Chemistry Curriculum	Houston
BURNEY, KOFI S.	Mechanical Engineering Curriculum	Detroit, MI
JOBS, GARVIN N.	Chemical Engineering Curriculum	Hockley
SAMUELS, CAMILLE R.	Marketing Curriculum	Hockley
STORR, KEVIN A.	Computer Science Curriculum and Physics Curriculum	Tallahassee, FL
WELLS, RENE A M.	Biology Curriculum	Houston

GRADUATING WITH ACADEMIC HONORS

Honor recognition at graduation is based on consistent high scholarship and cumulative grade point averages earned. To be eligible for graduation with honors, a student must have received no failing grades (transfer or residence) and must complete the last 60 semester hours in residence at Prairie View A&M University. A student may graduate with honors in one of the three categories:

MAGNA CUM LAUDE

BELL, MAUREEN A.
SIMON, DANIELLE M.

Cumulative Grade Point Average of 3.70 – 3.89

THOMPSON, AMY L.

CUM LAUDE

BEDMINSTER, JOHN
BROWN, ROXANNE E.
CAMPBELL, EDWARD J.

Cumulative Grade Point Average of 3.33 – 3.69

LOPEZ, HIRAM C.
TAYLOR, TIFFANY D.
WELLS, REANEA M.

COMMISSIONS IN THE ARMY OF THE UNITED STATES

FORBES, TONYIKA A., Second Lieutenant
United States Army Reserve, Houston
MCCAW, JOSHUA, JR., Second Lieutenant
Signal Corps, Regular Army, Sharon, SC

WRIGHTSIL, MELVIN F., Second Lieutenant
Field Artillery, Regular Army, Houston

THE COMMENCEMENT PROCESSION

An appropriate costume is a necessary part of Commencement. The costume includes a cap, a gown, and a hood. Each part of the costume has special significance. The most common head-piece (or cap) for the ceremony is the black square, flat-topped, or "mortar board" type with gold or black tassel. It is called a "mortar board" because it is shaped like the board of the mason which holds mortar. Recently we are seeing large velvet Tam-O-Shanter style of head pieces replacing the mortar board. Some of the velvet tams are brilliantly colored such as orange or bright blue.

The tassel on the doctor's cap is usually gold, and permanently fastened on the left side. The master's cap has a black tassel worn on the left. The bachelor's cap has a black tassel worn on the right prior to graduation then moved to the left during the ceremony.

The hood can be the most colorful part of the entire costume. The colors inside the hood are those of the college or university which is awarding the degree. The colors of the outside rim of the hood symbolizes one of the following departments of learning:

Agriculture	Maize	Medicine	Green
Arts, Letters, Humanities	White	Music	Pink
Commerce, Accountancy, Business	Drab	Nursing	Apricot
Dentistry	Lilac	Oratory (Speech)	Silver Gray
Economics	Copper	Pharmacy	Olive Green
Education	Light Blue	Philosophy	Dark Blue
Engineering	Orange	Physical Education	Sage Green
Fine Arts, including Architecture	Brown	Public Administration, including	
Forestry	Russett	Foreign Service	Peacock Blue
Geography	Blue and Green	Public Health	Salmon Pink
Home Economics	Golden Yellow	Science	Golden Yellow
Journalism	Crimson	Social Work	Citron
Industrial Education	Light Blue	Technology	Golden Yellow
Law	Purple	Theology	Scarlet
Library Science	Lemon	Veterinary Science	Gray

The gown is usually black. The traditional doctor's gown has velvet panels down the front and three velvet bars on the regular sleeves. The master's gown has no velvet, but does have unusually long sleeves. The bachelor's gown is similar to the master's gown but has regular long sleeves which tend to be pointed.

Some gowns may be in the color of the department granting the degree, such as "Education Blue." Others may be "Yale Blue" or "Harvard Crimson" for the graduates of these universities.

THE MACE

The mace is an ancient symbol of authority which is carried by the marshal ahead of the academic procession. The mace for Prairie View A&M University is four feet long and contains four bronze figures atop a Honduras mahogany base which tapers to fit into its stand. The four figures are symbolic of the four undergraduate academic years. Within the hollow area beneath the figures, and shared equally, is a flame which denotes knowledge and excellence. The base which serves as a grip and is carried by a faculty member, symbolizes the entire faculty; the stand which supports the mace characterizes the administration. The visual impact of the mace as a whole is "torch-like." The eight tassels represent the academic organization of the University.

THE MEDALLION

The President's Medallion, the official symbol of the Office of the President at Prairie View A&M University, was created especially to commemorate the lineage of the Presidency by the late Mr. Frank Hayden, nationally famous sculptor and Professor of Fine Arts at Southern University, Baton Rouge, Louisiana.

The first medallion was presented to Dr. Percy A. Pierre, fourth president of Prairie View A&M University, on March 21, 1985.

The medallion is designed to be worn with academic regalia at all official University programs. Abstract figures, representing the ten academic disciplines in an attitude of celebration, encircle the outer rim. The inner circle symbolizes the pursuit of excellence throughout four years of teaching and learning. The weave of the chain is the facsimile of that used by the ancient Greeks.

A replica will be presented to each subsequent President during his inauguration. The medallion will ultimately reflect the history of the presidency, revealing names and dates of inauguration.

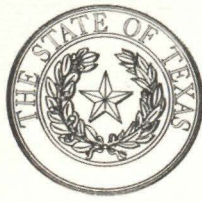
CHARLES ALFONSO HINES, Ph.D.
PRESIDENT, PRAIRIE VIEW A&M UNIVERSITY

Dr. Charles A. Hines is the sixth President of Prairie View A&M University located in Prairie View, Texas. He has held this position since November 21, 1994. Born and raised in our Nations capitol, Washington, D.C., Dr. Hines joined the United States Army after graduating from Washington D.C.'s Dunbar High School. After serving in infantry and artillery units as an enlisted man, he was honorably discharged as a Sergeant in 1957 and immediately entered Howard University in Washington, D.C. Upon graduation from Howard University with a Bachelor of Science degree and a Regular Army commission, Dr. Hines embarked on a 30 year career as a commissioned officer, retiring in 1992 with the rank of Major General. Dr. Hines served as an adjunct professor with the University of Maryland for 22 years.

Dr. Hines holds a Ph.D. from The Johns Hopkins University, a Master of Science from Michigan State University, and a Master of Military Arts and Science from the Commanding General Staff College. He has completed management development programs at the John F. Kennedy School of Government at Harvard University, as well as the University of Maryland. He is also a graduate of the FBI National Academy.

During his career as an Army officer, Dr. Hines has held many important command and staff assignments. As a Colonel, he served as Director, Women in the Army Policy Review Group. In that capacity, he was instrumental in exponentially expanding opportunities for women in the Army. As a general officer, he served as Director, Officer Personnel Management Division at the Pentagon; Director of Manpower, Budget and Force Integration; and finally as Commanding General, United States Army Military Police and Chemical Schools and Fort McClellan, Fort McClellan, Alabama.

Dr. Hines has dedicated much of his personal, professional and academic life to equal opportunity, education and training, advancement of rights for women, race relations, and the development of youth. He has received numerous honors and awards. In 1992, he was inducted into the National Boys and Girls Club Hall of Fame. Most recently he was selected by the Southern Christian Leadership Conference as an Outstanding Black Man for 1994. He served as Director of Protection and Health Service for the Smithsonian Institution from August 1992 until he assumed his duties as the sixth President of Prairie View A&M University.



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August 10, 1996

Greetings to:

*Prairie View A&M University
Summer Graduates*

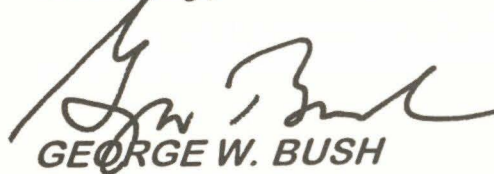
Congratulations on your graduation.

*The knowledge you have gained will serve you well
throughout life.*

*Texans are dreamers and doers. I encourage you to
continue to set high goals and to work hard to achieve
them.*

Best wishes for a great future.

Sincerely,


GEORGE W. BUSH





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July 24, 1996

Dear Summer 1996 Graduates:

It is my privilege to extend sincere congratulations to each of you for reaching a very important goal in your life today.

Your achievement marks the beginning of many great things. A degree from one of the state's oldest and finest universities is the key that soon will open doors and provide opportunities for you that would otherwise not have existed.

As you move on, I encourage you to take the knowledge and leadership skills you have gained here at Prairie View A&M University and use them to make a difference in society. You now have the chance to use your education for the betterment of not only yourself and your family, but your community, your state and your world.

The Texas A&M University System is about service and excellence. I am proud to say that each of you today represents the very best this university system has to offer.

Congratulations and best wishes.

Warmest regards,

Barry B. Thompson, Ph.D.
Chancellor

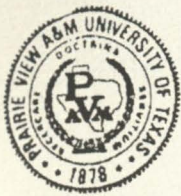
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Texas Engineering Extension Service
Texas Forest Service
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FACULTY SENATE

GREETINGS FROM THE FACULTY SENATE

" If we could first know where we are, and whither we are tending, we could then better judge what to do, and how to do". We are here today to express our feelings of joy as we celebrate the graduation of these graduates. They are truly qualified and stand ready to accept the challenges of today. To them we say congratulations on a job well done.

To the parents, guardians, families and friends, we welcome you here today. Our welcome is warm and heart felt. We hope that your stay is very enjoyable.

You are always welcome to share in events here at Prairie View A&M University. It is always a pleasure having you here on the hill. Please come again soon.

Sincerely,

Seab A. Smith, President
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Congratulations! You are now members of that long proud line of Purple and Gold - - - **A PVAMU Alumnus.**

I have chosen the theme "**Prairie View A&M: A Treasure Worth Preserving**" to serve as a working concept during my tenure as your president of the National Alumni Association. During my inaugural address, I presented a vision for the future that mirrors the interests of the PVAMU Alumni. As the merging of corporate America and the downsizing of the federal government continues nationwide, it is conceivable that this trend will trickle-down to the nation's **educational delivery systems**. Thus, it is highly probable that the decrease in funding for secondary education in the inner cities and the streamlining and merging of colleges and universities will be pervasive during the first quarter of the 21st century.

We are indeed fortunate to have a president who is a visionary. He believes, as I do, that during times of diminishing funding for **institutions of higher learning**, we are going to have to begin running PVAMU as a business that treats its faculty as employees and its students as customers. This would suggest that the efficacy of PVAMU, in terms of productivity vs. cost and indeed its survival, will be measured in terms of its profit margins as well as its service to its students and the well-being of its faculty.

We can assuage the impact of diminishing resources on our alma mater: **first**, by joining the National Alumni Association for the introductory membership fee of \$25 for new graduates, such as yourselves, and Life-time membership fee of \$500. I think you will agree that PVAMU/NAA membership dues pale in comparison to what we pay to become members of fraternities, sororities and other social, political and professional organizations.

Second, by applying for the PVAMU/NAA *Visa Affinity credit card* which benefits you and the university. For example, each time you use your Affinity card, a percentage of your purchase will accrue to the PVAMU/NAA. In addition, the NAA will receive \$5 for each annual membership renewal. I think you will be pleased to know that because of the positive NAA response during the Initial offering of the *Affinity Visa* card, I have recently been informed that the annual renewal fee for the PVAMU Alumni, students, staff and faculty will be waived indefinitely. The uniqueness of all of this is that you begin giving back to your alma mater **now**, by using your Affinity card.

Finally, get involved. Involve others. I think our Bahamian graduates will be pleased to know that our 1996 annual convention was held in Nassau. PVAMU will continue this trend as we reach out to our international constituency. The Honorable Sidney Williams, American ambassador to the Commonwealth of the Bahamas, was our keynote speaker at the PVAMU President's Luncheon. Our awards banquet guest speaker was Mr. Tommy Dortch, president of the **Historical Black Colleges and University's Hall of Fame**.

Again, congratulations. I feel certain that as the years go by, your *hearts will not grow cold* and you too will come to realize as I have that **much of what you are or ever hope to become you owe to Prairie View A&M**. Let's support our president, Dr. Charles Hines as he continues to build a sound infrastructure to insure the survival of PVAMU during the 21st century and beyond. Clearly, **PVAMU** is a "**National Treasure Worth Preserving**."

As you begin your respective careers and the exciting search for your contribution to the meaning of life, I wish you success and Godspeed.

Respectfully yours,

Dr. Samuel Metters
President, PVAMU/NAA

Alma Mater

“Dear Prairie View”

Dear Prairie View, our song to thee we raise,
In gratitude we sing our Hymn of praise,
For mem'ries dear, for friends and recollections
For lessons learned while here we've lived with thee.
For these we pledge our hearts full of devotion,
To serve thee now, and through eternity.

As days go by, our hearts will not grow cold,
We'll love thy purple royal and thy gold
We'll through our lives exemplify thy teachings,
We'll always strive a blessing to be.
Thy children we our love and pride confessing,
We'll love thee now, and through eternity.

Words by O. Anderson Fuller

Music from “Finlandia” by *Sibelius*

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