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### 1. Frances Lewine: Trailblazer Dies

Frances Lewine, who covered the White House for The Associated Press during six presidential administrations and spent nearly three decades as a CNN editor and producer, died Saturday of an apparent stroke. She was 86.

Lewine was regarded as a trailblazer who battled for women's rights in journalism, fighting to open the National Press Club and the Gridiron Club -- a Washington journalists' organization -- to women.  
--From CNN

Read more about this remarkable woman at the link below.

Link: [http://www.cnn.com/2008/POLITICS/01/20/obit.lewine/index.html?eref=rss\\_topstories](http://www.cnn.com/2008/POLITICS/01/20/obit.lewine/index.html?eref=rss_topstories)

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### 2. Woman Artist Gets Death Threats

A female photographer and Iranian exile living in Holland was forced into hiding and her work removed from a museum exhibit when emails arrived with threats such as: 'We're going to burn you naked or put a bullet in your mouth.' The artist

goes by the pseudonym of Sooreh Hera. She recently exhibited her photographs of gay men wearing masks of the prophet Muhammad and a video featuring hard rock music and images of Iranian clerics interspersed with pictures of naked men, which brought a wave of death threats and intimidated the gallery into removing her work.

View two of her photographs [here](#).

Read the whole article at the link below.

Link: <http://www.timesonline.co.uk/tol/news/world/europe/article3137510.ece>

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### **3. An Appreciation: The Benazir I Knew**

Joe Pascal of U.S, New and World Report shares his personal memories of Benazir Bhutto. He begins:

Just four months ago, over tea at Barney's department store in Manhattan, my wife and I asked Benazir Bhutto if it was worth putting her life at risk by returning to her beloved country. In typical Benazir style, she said, "No, no, I can be killed by a taxi outside walking across the New York street. I cannot wait to lead my country to freedom." Today, not only do I feel the deep sorrow of losing a close and dear friend, but people around the world mourn the loss of an extraordinary woman.

Read the whole tribute at the link below.

Link: <http://tinyurl.com/284ze5>

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## 4. The White House Project

[The White House Project](#), a national, nonpartisan, not-for-profit organization, 501(c)(3), aims to advance women's leadership in all communities and sectors, up to the U. S. presidency. By filling the leadership pipeline with a richly diverse, critical mass of women, we make American institutions, businesses and government truly representative. Through multi-platform programs, The White House Project creates a culture where America's most valuable untapped resource—women—can succeed in all realms.

To advance this mission, The White House Project strives to support women and the issues that allow women to lead in their own lives and in the world. When women leaders bring their voices, vision and leadership to the table alongside men, the debate is more robust and the policy is more inclusive and sustainable. By supporting women and the values that allow women to succeed—the full range of health options, security platforms that utilize all our resources, economic stability for all—we work to create an equitable culture.

Learn more at the link below.

Link: <http://www.thewhitehouseproject.org/>

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## 5. January Site of the Month

[Tapestri, Inc.](#) is dedicated to ending violence and oppression in refugee and

immigrant communities, using culturally competent and appropriate methods. As advocates for refugee and immigrant families affected by domestic violence, sexual assault and exploitation, we are committed to using education, community organizing, direct services and advocacy to effect change in the lives of these families.

Tapestri evolved to work collaboratively with mainstream and ethnic organizations/communities to address multiple forms of gender based violence and oppression in refugee and immigrant communities. Created by a group of refugee and immigrant advocates it continues to be governed by ethnically diverse refugee and immigrant women.

We do not see domestic violence, sexual assault and exploitation as the problem of an individual woman or even as a couples' issue but rather as a human rights issue. It is a phenomenon that grows out of societies in which gender inequality and the use of violence are accepted as the normal behavior. Tapestri seeks to educate individuals and agencies so that these destructive norms will not be continued into the next generation.

Visit the Tapestri website at the link below.

Link: <http://www.tapestri.org/>

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