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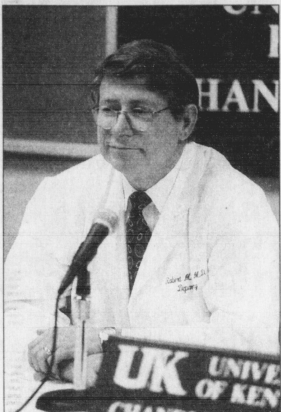
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Another chance to live

By Jennifer Fleming
Senior Staff Writer

First, it was the miracle birth of the septuplets in Iowa. Now, a medical miracle has hit closer to home.

On Oct. 30, UK surgeons performed a rare operation on a Lancaster, Ky., infant whose heart defect was discovered in utero.

Cardiothoracic surgeon Dr. Simon Abraham, an assistant professor of surgery at the UK College of Medicine, executed the procedure of the biventricular

repair of the aortic atresia on 4-day-old Austin Gullett.

The defect, located by a sonogram 33 weeks into the pregnancy, was first detected by a Danville, Ky., ultrasonographer.

At 36 weeks, Lexington perinatologist Dr. John O'Brien performed an additional sonogram on the mother, Kristin Gullett, which confirmed the heart defect.

"At that time, Gullett was referred to UK Hospital to work with Dr. Francis McCaffrey, director of fetal echocardiography

at UK Children's Hospital and an assistant professor of pediatrics.

McCaffrey agreed with the other doctors that the fetus could have the diagnosis of aortic atresia and ventricular septal defect.

"This is a life-threatening type of heart disease," McCaffrey said. "Some families would have liked not to pursue any type of correction after birth."

"Kristin, Derek (infant's father) and their families very bravely decided to push on and we outlined for them the difficulties with the

surgery and the potential mortality and the morbidity involved with the surgery. We then coordinated with Dr. Abraham to make everything to go as smoothly and as well as possible after the baby was born."

Austin was in his 39th week after induced labor. Doctors said they held off any type of surgery on the infant until he was strong enough to endure the procedure.

The 6-pound, 1-ounce baby was placed in UK Children's Hospital's neonatal intensive care unit until the surgery.

McCaffrey said Austin was born with no signs of any complications, "which is a typical sign of congenital heart disease."

The doctors agreed the prenatal detection of the heart defect was detrimental to the infant's survival.

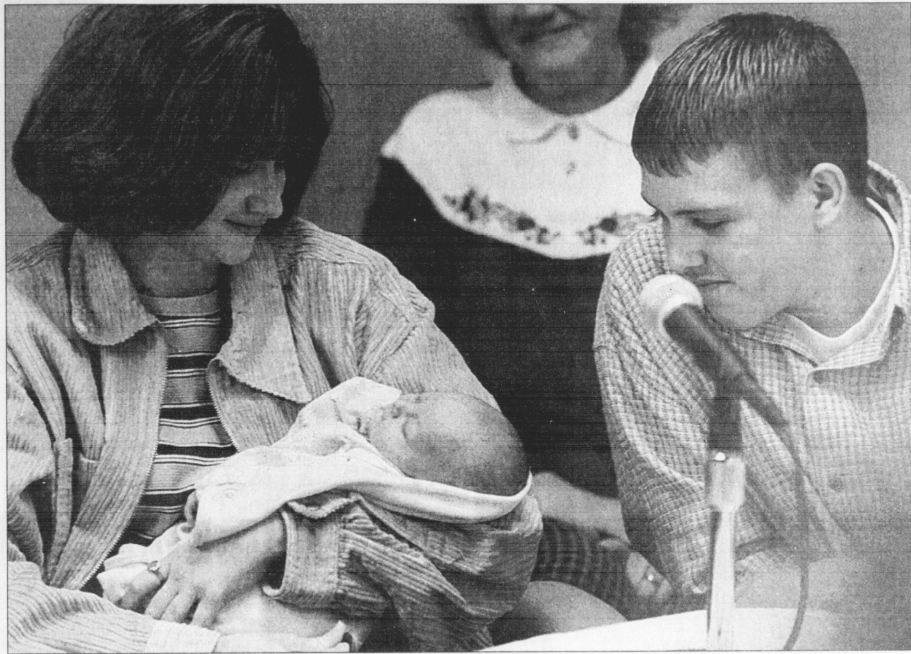
"It may have been a couple of days before the problem may have been picked up," O'Brien said. "By that time, Austin would have been critically ill and that may have made the surgery much more risky."

The six-hour surgery included the doctors enlarging the aorta,

main artery leading from the heart. Abraham said the infant's aorta looked like a piece of spaghetti, rather than the normal-sized aorta, which is closer to the size of a finger.

"The reason that (the aorta) is so small is that inside there is a valve which normally allows blood to be pushed out of the heart into it," Abraham said. "There is no valve here, so because there is very little flow during development it just doesn't grow at all."

"He could not have survived without this."



LOVE FOR A CHILD Kristin Gullett and Derek Johnson (above) look down at their son, Austin Gullett, during a news conference yesterday about the heart surgery that saved Austin's life. Dr. Robert Meuter, Jr., (top left) speaks about the intricacies of Austin's heart procedure. Austin was born in his 39th week of labor.

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Heading Home

As holiday nears, UK clearing out

By Matthew May
Staff Writer

Planes, trains and automobiles. Well, maybe not trains, but definitely planes and automobiles.

The last two words signify the forms of transportation that UK students eager to leave campus will be taking advantage of over the next several days as the rush to get home for Thanksgiving his full swing.

As we speak, most UK students are packing their bags and plotting their trips to every corner of the Bluegrass and beyond for a weekend of relaxing and stuffing their faces.

To most, the Thanksgiving holiday weekend allows families a chance to spend time together and catch up on their busy lives while chowing down on pounds upon pounds of turkey, stuffing, cranberries and pumpkin pie.

While this holds true for many UK students as well, most said they are also looking forward to rekindling their relationships with friends who chose to attend other schools.

Broadcast journalism freshman Shaun Knox, who hails from Mayfield, Ky., said he can't wait to catch up on old times with friends from back home.

"I'm leaving Wednesday at noon, but I still wish I could leave earlier," Knox said. "I plan to spend a lot of time with family and friends who I haven't seen in a while."

Despite Mayfield's relative proximity to UK, Knox hasn't been able to get home often, so like many others on campus, this is his first real opportunity to visit

his hometown. For others, such as Kristen Gedney, the wait to go home has been even longer.

"Being from Boston, it is not easy to get home often," said Gedney, a mechanical engineering freshman who will fly out of Lexington's Bluegrass Airport tonight. "I've only seen my family once since coming down here last August, so I'm really looking forward to it."

Still, for other students, such as athletes like freshman diver Carrie Knoeber, the break is a welcome opportunity to relax and get away from the rigors of Division I-A athletics and the demands it places on them.

"I can't wait to get home and just rest and reflect back on everything that has happened to me thus far this semester," said Knoeber, an English major who lives in Raleigh, N.C. "I plan to eat, sleep, shop and hang out with friends. It's just a great chance to get away



MATT BARTON/Kentucky Kernel staff

DON'T MISS THE FLIGHT Many students and faculty will be going to Lexington Airport (above) en route to their homes for the holiday.

from the everyday grind."

For those students who live around the state, Thanksgiving break will be more of an extended weekend where they can get away

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KPA to honor Ky. journalists

By Dave Gorman
Staff Writer

Diane Sawyer, Tom Hammond and Cawood Ledford.

Most people know these legendary names from watching television or listening to the radio.

Sawyer was a former Louisville meteorologist before she became the host of ABC's "20/20."

Hammond, a UK graduate, has been covering the Olympics and the NBA for NBC.

Ledford was the radio voice of the Wildcats.

What do they all have in common? They've all been inducted into the Kentucky Journalism Hall of Fame.

The time has come for people to make nominations for the annual induction of outstanding journalists into the Kentucky Journalism Hall of Fame.

The hall recognizes those people who have made significant contributions to journalism, and members have to be Kentucky natives or must have spent a substantial part of their journalism careers in Kentucky.

The hall was established in 1980, and since then, 96 journalists have been inducted. In the Grehan Journalism Building's conference room, affectionately called the "Maggie Room," hang plaques honoring the members.

"The inductions will not be made until April 6, 1998, but the deadline for nominations is Jan. 16, 1998. The announcement of the inductees will be in mid-February.

The Kentucky Press Association will hold its annual selection committee meeting during the third week of January.

Every year, between one and six members are inducted at a reception, followed by the Creason Lecture. Last year Michael Gartner, last year's Pulitzer Prize winner, gave the Creason Lecture. His lecture consisted of denouncing public/civic journalism.

"We really get lucky with our speakers," said Jack Guthrie, president of UK Alumni Association, who sponsors the lecture, and member of the board of trustees. "We bring prominent journalists to campus to reflect on issues in the news."

The Creason Lecture is funded by the Courier-Journal every year. The paper gave \$50,000 to get it started.

The Hall of Fame and Creason Lecture are sponsored by the School of Journalism and Telecommunications.

This year's Creason Lecture will be Holding Carter III. He was the state department's spokesperson during the Iran Hostage Crisis, and a professor of journalism at Maryland. It will be the 21st annual Creason Lecture.

"I think each year the Creason tries to bring individuals to discuss journalism issues and make students think about their careers," Guthrie said. "It also challenges the community as a whole. The person giving the speech we always want to be news maker."

Workshop centers on black relations

By Jill Erwin
Senior Staff Writer

Last night in the Martin Luther King, Jr., Cultural Center, Nashid Fakhrid-Deen spoke of the spiritual troubles plaguing African-American relationships today.

Fakhrid-Deen, the coordinator of Minority Affairs of the UK community college system, led a discussion titled, "Male and Female Relations: A Black Per-

spective on the Social and Political Implications."

"Male-female relationships, particularly African-American relationships, from a cultural standpoint, are very rich," Fakhrid-Deen said. "I'm trying to get individuals to look at the richness of it and get into the spiritual aspect of it as opposed to this physical attraction."

He started out the gathering by pouring libations and saying

thanks to the African, European and Native American ancestors of all present, as well as to God.

"Prayer is when you speak to God," Fakhrid-Deen said, "and meditation is when God speaks to you."

Fakhrid-Deen went on to say it is through cultural heritage that black people must regain the strength that has been taken from them. He quoted Amos Wilson in *The Falsification of African Con-*

sciousness, whose basic argument was that those who have little knowledge of history are "more gullible, more easily manipulated and more easily adapted to the capitalist machine."

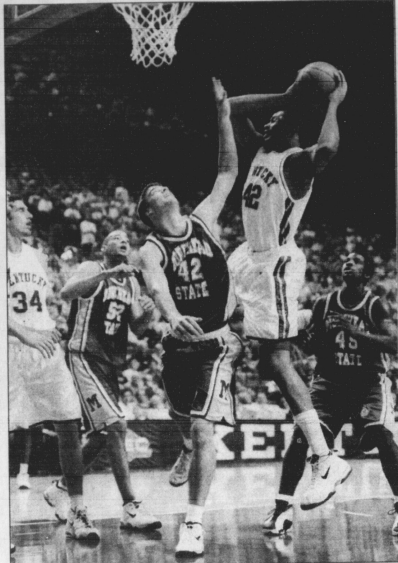
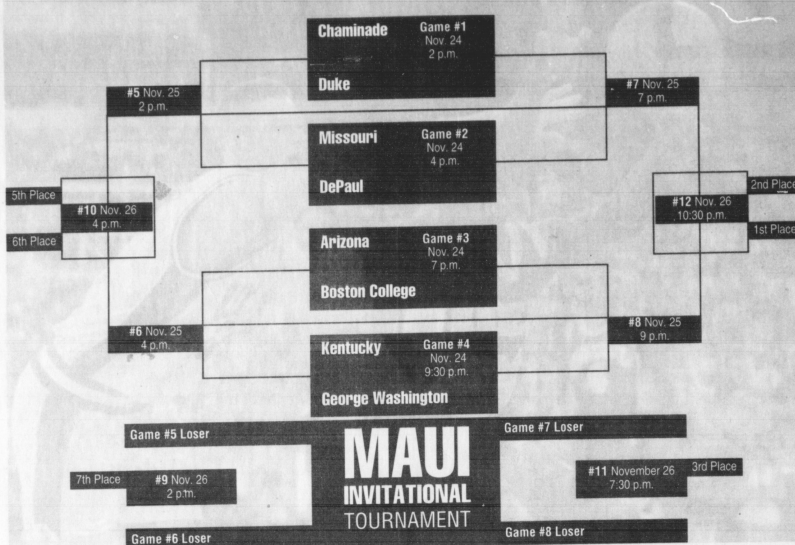
Fakhrid-Deen reiterated this point by sharing an anecdote. He said the largest budget in any company is in advertising. However, designers put their names on basic items, sell them for a large

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SPORTS

Cats face trying draw in Maui tourney



UP STRONG UK's Jamaal Magloire is one of several Cats who have emerged as a powerful defensive presence. But the team's schedule could include a slew of top 10 opponents over the next few weeks. "We know we have a tough schedule ahead," point guard Wayne Turner said. "When we go to Maui, we need to have everyone step up — we're not going for a free vacation."

All games Eastern Standard Time. Game times subject to change due to television coverage. Games 1, 4, 7, 8, 12 will appear on ESPN. Game 3 will be on ESPN2.

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Defense becoming UK priority

Efficient 'O' keeps Cats' future bright

By Price Atkinson
Senior Staff Writer

It's safe to say the Wildcats saved their best for last in the 1997 curtain call during Saturday's 59-31 loss to Tennessee.

Senior Kio Sanford tallied a career-high 147 yards receiving on

nine catches while freshman Derek Homer rushed for 137 yards on 18 carries.

Homer's 63-yard tote in the second quarter was the longest run from scrimmage this year for the Cats.

Punter Jimmy Carter kicked the pigskin twice, including a 64-yard boomer for a personal best 55-yard punting average.

Sanford and quarterback Tim Couch teamed for an 87-yard touchdown pass and catch, the second-longest pass play from scrimmage in school history.

Wide receiver "X" Craig Yeast is now UK's all-time leading

receiver with 1,588 receiving yards, breaking Felix Wilson's career mark of 1,508 set from 1977-79. Yeast can build on the record when he returns for his senior season next fall.

Directing the show, Couch passed for 476 yards to break Danny Wuertfel's Southeastern Conference record for most passing yards in a season with 3,884 yards (Wuertfel's old mark was 3,625).

Couch, who ended his sophomore campaign with 3,759 total yards, also eclipsed the SEC record for total offense in a season. The old mark was 3,525.

Teamwork

The "Air Raid '97" offense amassed 634 yards of total offense Saturday, the second-highest single-game total in school history (646 yards versus Tennessee Tech in 1951).

The 476 yards passing by Couch broke the single-game school record of 460 he set on Oct. 18 against Northeast Louisiana, and the 83 offensive snaps against UT gave the Cats 876 on the year to break the old mark of 850.

The Cats and Vols combined for 1,329 total offensive yards on the day, which reflected UT head coach Phillip Fulmer's knack for pointing out the obvious. "I didn't see anybody contained out on that field today," Fulmer said.

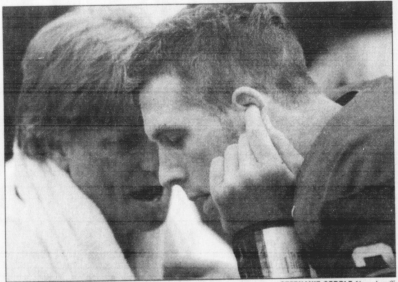
The Aftermath

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1997 Individual Records

The Cats broke or tied a whopping 51 school records, 15 Southeastern Conference records and one NCAA season record during the 1997 season. The following is a partial list of those accomplishments:

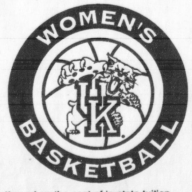
- ▼ **Tim Couch, QB:**
Single season: SEC passing yardage, 3,884; SEC most offensive plays, 613; SEC total offense, 3,759 yards; SEC pass attempts, 547; SEC completions, 363.
Single game: UK TD passes, seven; UK pass yards, 476; UK consecutive completions, 13.
- ▼ **Brian Johnson, K:**
Single season: UK extra-point conversion percentage, 100 (15-15).
Career: UK extra-point conversion percentage, 100 (40-40).
- ▼ **Craig Yeast, WR:**
Career: UK receiving yardage, 1,588.



MUMME IN MONO Despite a rough season-ending loss to rival Tennessee over the weekend, the Cats finished the season breaking or tying 67 records and provided fans a taste of the success Mumme (above) promised upon his arrival.

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Women seeking 1st victory

Early-season jitters providing little worry to confident Mattox

By Aaron Yellon
Staff Writer

The women's basketball team is looking to get in the win column tomorrow night as it takes on Michigan State. This marks the third straight road game for the Cats, and they are hoping it proves to be more fruitful than the first two.

Last Tuesday night, the Indiana Hoosiers nipped the Cats 84-71 behind a lopsided game at the free-throw line. Indiana notched 15 more attempts than Big Blue. Senior center Kim Denkins led UK's scoring effort with 21 points, including an 8-for-11 performance from the field. Freshman Laura Meadows continued to establish her presence by adding 20 points.

Despite the loss, UK did have a high note — the return of senior guard Nikki Hay, who played her

first game of the 1997 season after recovering from a knee injury. Hay played 13 minutes and scored two points.

The Cats then traveled to Springfield, Mo., and took a 20-point loss at the hands of Southwest Missouri State. UK shot only 37 percent from the field, and yielded to the Lady Bears' defense, coughing up a whopping 30 turnovers.

Junior guard Tiffany Wait was the high scorer for UK with 18 points. Hay made her first start and played 17 minutes, scoring four points and grabbing three rebounds.

Head coach Bernadette Mattox says it's good to have Hay back with the team, and is satisfied with her team's maturation.

right now." Hay's return gives the Cats a scoring boost on the court and now that nearly all of UK's wounds are healed, the Cats can finally play with a full deck. Mattox hasn't been upset with the team's play in the two losses, pointing out the season is just starting.

"I'm not disappointed, it's just the beginning of the season," Mattox said. "Our players now understand what they've got to do in order for the team to be successful. We've got some weaknesses that we have to turn into strength."

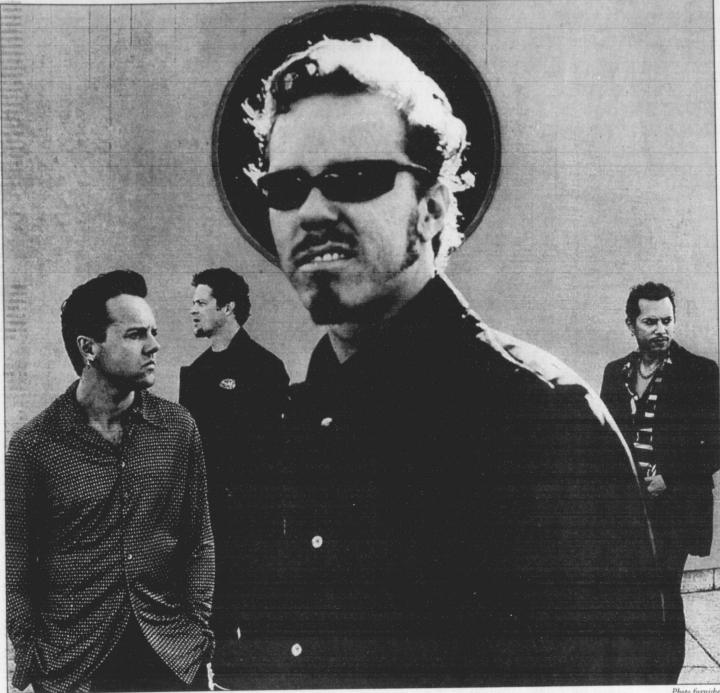
The road stretch doesn't give UK much time to strengthen. The Wildcats travel to East Lansing, Mich., to face last year's Big Ten champions Michigan State tonight. The Spartans drubbed UK last year 76-50 at Memorial Coliseum. Even though MSU doesn't return all five starters from last year, it still has a championship mentality.



BACK FOR MORE UK guard Nikki Hay (above) has returned to the Cats' lineup after a knee injury. She averaged 8.3 points per game last season.

defending champion, that's what they're made of. A very good basketball program." After taking on the Spartans, UK makes a weekend getaway to Nebraska to play in the Huskers' two day tournament.

DiVersions



AIN'T MY BITCH (From left to right) Lars Ulrich, Jason Newsted, James Hetfield and Kirk Hammett make up the metal band of 16 years, Metallica. The band plans a full U.S. tour in the summer of 1998.

RELOADED

Metallica's 'Re-Load' falls short

By Dan O'Neill
Entertainment Editor

In the age of sequels and remakes, the art of following success with equal success is a rare commodity. Metallica, who attempts to match last year's prosperity with another album of similar size and sound, supports this idea with a less successful follow-up.

The metal mavens and owners of hard rock's most distinct sound have again set out to set new standards of creative vision and longevity. Metallica's career reached its pinnacle with *Load*, the band's most musically adept accomplishment, a culmination of the band's maturation into more lyrically conscience musicians.

After a year of touring in support of the album, Metallica now releases its decidedly darker seventh studio LP, aptly-titled *Re-Load*, a companion piece to *Load*.

It is not, however, a regurgitation of old material or b-sides, but rather a 13-track album of all-new, all-original material.

If the two albums bear cognate sounds, that is, in part, by design. Much of the similarity comes from the story behind its making. Metallica originally scheduled a 27-song double album release last summer and due to headlining Lollapalooza and burnout factors, the band decided to split the albums into "equal strength siblings."

The result, as with most sequels, carries some equal weight but on the whole lacks the ingenuity of the original.

Opening with the up-tempo "Fuel," an embodiment of its title and the best true jam song on the album. With James Hetfield's voice ripping the lyrics "Gimme fuel / Gimme fire / Gimme that which I desire" and a subsequent mean guitar riff, Metallica seems well on its way to repeating the adrenaline level of *Load*.

Next comes the first single, "The Memory Remains." The near operatic elegy to decadent stardom contains the chorus "Ash to ash / dust to dust / fade to black / the memory remains." With stirring vocal contributions from Marianne Faithfull, "The Memory Remains" comes closest to repeating the epic metal songs that have defined albums of past.

The sequel album also contains a sequel song with "The Unforgiven II," a less successful attempt to capitalize on the popularity of the *Black* album hit.

Unfortunately after the first four songs the tempo evens out, guitar riffs become eerily reminiscent of the previous song and monotony sets in. A few creative dissenters do exist, however, as "Where the Wild Things Roam" and the seven-and-a-half minute ballad "Low Man's Lyric" give a momentary break to the lull.

At 76 minutes, *Re-Load* once again goes a little too far with drawn-out length, choosing repetitive rhythm sections to unnecessarily extend songs.

Fans of *Load*, however, will undoubtedly value *Re-Load* as another achievement in a stellar 16-year career, but will hold it in a



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'Re-Load'

Metallica

(Elektra)

A3 preaches musical funk

By O. Jason Stapleton
Entertainment Editor

Look out Billy Graham, The Very Reverend Dr. D. Wayne Love is building a brand-new religion.

It's based on his very popular and fun 12-step plan with a generous helping of the King in heaven... the King being Elvis, of course.

The good Reverend recruited various music lovers and itinerants and put together a band of sorts; he looked at it and saw it was good and he called it The First Presleyterian Church of Elvis the Divine (U.K.). Like any self-respecting religion they put together a hymnal of sorts, as well as a complete choir.

The choir took on the name Alabama 3, later shortened to A3 during its exhaustive trip across the Atlantic.

The hymnal somehow (perhaps by divine providence) fell into the

hands of various higher-ups at Geffen Records.

Never one to worry about the evils of earthly possessions, The Very Reverend Dr. D. Wayne Love decided to sign on with Geffen in order to help spread his Presleyterian beliefs.

He does it by way of A3's funk-filled, trip hop music. The tunes on *Exile on Coldbarbour Lane*, the band's first album, demonstrate this.

Imagine the likes of John Coltrane, John Prince and, of course, Elvis Presley playing alongside the likes of Prodigy and the Crystal Method. Now throw in some tribal rhythms and you can come up with some general idea of A3's soulful harmonies.

The Reverend and his trusty right-hand, Larry Love, supply the vocals and are backed by a consortium of able-bodied and quick-witted musicians.

The Mountain of Love lays down harmonica tracks reminiscent of the early days of Greg "Fingers" Taylor, Sir Real "Congamam" Love takes care of the acoustic guitar and percussions, Mississippi Guitar Man plays a mean electric guitar, Little Boy Dope beats the drums and the keyboards are supplied by The Spirit.

Exile on Coldbarbour Lane kicks off with "Converted," a straight-up old-fashioned gospel hymn rewired with a heavy techno core to make it infinitely danceable.

Hank Williams, Sr., would be doing the two-step if only he were still around to hear it.

"U Don't Dans 2 Tekno Any-more" departs from any sort of electric instrumentation A3 uses and just uses acoustic guitars, drums and harmonicas to produce a saucy country swing.

The Presleyterian socialist beliefs are highlighted in "Bourgeois Blues." The Very Reverend shoots straight from the hip when he sings, "What a society we're living in selling Third World Drugs at First World prices/They say Lenin was wrong. Who says?/It's enough to give me the fucking blues."

The song has a pretty standard techno beat with a cool electronic voice warning about the evils of temptation in the background.

Exile on Coldbarbour Lane contains a bonus disc which contains dance remixes of some songs from the album.



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'Exile on Coldbarbour Lane'

A3

(Geffen)



SON OF A PREACHER MAN The Very Reverend Dr. D. Wayne Love and his band A3 make their soulful major label debut with 'Exile on Coldbarbour Lane,' on Geffen Records.

Eastwood talks on life, career

Associated Press

NEW YORK — The nanny pushes a stroller into Clint Eastwood's hotel suite, and the toddler lights up. "Daddy's little girl," the tough-guy screen legend says, endearingly.

Little Morgan, barely 11 months, is loving it. So is he.

This is not your father's Clint Eastwood. This is Clint Eastwood, father. (Actually, he's a father seven times by five different women, but more on that later).

This is not your father's Clint Eastwood in other ways, too: Dirty Harry and the Man With No Name — lonely, violent, enigmatic, retributive, scary macho men — have long been supplanted by the director of films rife with intelligence and nuance.

That's why the 67-year-old director-actor dismisses the notion that many critics who once dismissed him have pulled a "180" by fawning over much of his recent work.

"Maybe I pulled a 180, and they saw that," he says in that quiet rasp that sounds hoarse after talking all day. "Or else, maybe — I've always thought it was proba-

bly 'cause they just grew up with me. ... Or I can answer it by saying I've just outlived everyone, or we've all just changed; we've all mellowed with the times."

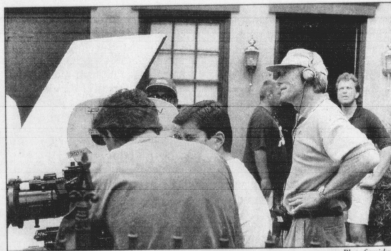
It's a little like what the central character in his latest directorial effort, *Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil*, says: "Truth, like art, is in the eye of the beholder."

"There's certainly been a lot of different views expressed on my work," he says.

And much of it has entailed misconceptions about him, he says. "In the early '70s, it was he feels like a rogue cop. Or a cynical cowboy (in the '60s)," he says. "Who knows? And because I've always had a little touch of ambiguity in some of the films, even dating back to the *Fistful of Dollars* characters, there's always been that thing where people have been drawn in by their own interpretation."

While his action-adventure image seems long ago and far away, Eastwood doesn't preclude a modified return to such a role.

"Nowadays there are so many younger guys doing that sort of stuff. And I kind of drifted away from it in my own quest to diversify a little bit over the years. I



FEEL LUCKY PUNK? Clint Eastwood gives directions on the set of his new film 'Midnight in the Garden of Good and Evil.'

wouldn't say that I wouldn't drift back to that sort of thing, to something that had an action-adventure feel about it, but the story would have to mean something," he says.

He cites *Unforgiven* and *In the Line of Fire* as examples, saying they had action sequences but were more about men with a lot of miles on them, some damage, a little vulnerability — and a desire for redemption.

Those characters were more interesting to play than some of his younger characters who "might have been seeking some redemption but not a lot," he laughs.

Both characters, too, find they have to make some concessions to advancing years — something that Eastwood seems to be thinking

about when he uses the words "maturity" and "age" in talking about his sustained success in Hollywood.

Eastwood doesn't see his work as having "a considered progress, particularly thought-out. It just kind of happened. I think it just happened with life, with maturity ... It seems like at this stage right now there's quite a few elements you can throw into it to make the characters more interesting."

As for his longevity, he takes a long pause.

"I can't put my finger on it," he says, pausing again. "Luck, maybe. Maybe I've matured the right things. Maybe I've matured ahead and just done some projects that have worked — and started up with the aging process. It's all a crapshoot."

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A particularly funny scene from *Raising Arizona* finds Ed racing home to her husband with her police siren screaming and the Arizona dust swirling above as the tires screech across the earth. She jumps from her car and through exasperated sobs declares, "I'm barren!" Apparently, that was the end of the issue; she had no hope for having her own children.

Ironically enough, the baby she and H.I. eventually stole was one of a set of quintuplets. Perhaps they were the product of fertility drugs of the kind that blessed the McCaugheys in Iowa with seven brand new bouncing bundles of sheer, unadulterated joy.

Fertility drugs and treatments step in when nature rules possibilities out, leaving women with renewed hope to have children "naturally."

Unfortunately, before technology perfects itself, women will continue to have veritable litters of children, thus turning the human body into a factory of mass baby production.

Having so many children at once increases the risk of death not only to the mother but to the babies.

They are more likely to be premature and underweight with an increased risk of birth defects that could carry through a lifetime. In addition to the obvious health risks, the economic side hurts like labor.

Cost estimates of saving these tiny babies once they are born reaches the millions, and taxpayers necessarily foot the bill.

All of this because fertility drugs give couples the opportunity to procreate, but make it double (or triple or quadruple...) or nothing in the delivery room.

Given the precariousness of fertility drugs and their effects, the industry needs regulation to ensure health and safety.

The medical community establishes standards of care in all areas of health care, so surely it can institute guidelines and preferred practices for fertility doctors and treatment centers.

The most important change involves limiting the number of babies carried to term. The "magic number" varies with each woman, but she should only have as many children as she can care for properly and afford. Enough with the litters.

IN OUR OPINION

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Joseph Buschmann
physics junior

Insecurity might be why we are so afraid of religion

To the editor:

I just want to take some time to write about something that has been on my mind. I am a Resident Assistant at Haggin Hall and last September I invited Campus Crusade for Christ (CCC) to do a program on dating at my hall. At the end of the program, the speakers spoke briefly about religion and their views on God and Jesus Christ. This only lasted about 10 minutes. The program was great and very informative.

Afterward, I overheard a few people complain about how CCC had mentioned religion and its views on religion. They felt like they were being recruited into CCC, even though there was no aggressive attempt to recruit anybody. CCC did ask people to fill out cards and indicate if they

were interested in knowing more, but they didn't pressure anybody. I wondered to myself: Why would anybody complain about others sharing their views?

This is the question I have been contemplating and I may have an answer. When someone shares their religious ideas with me, I feel like they are sharing something personal that brings joy and satisfaction into their lives. By sharing this with me, they are showing that they respect me and want to expose me to something that may make me happy. Therefore, my reaction is positive and mutually respectful. I may not share the same ideas, but I am glad that person took the time to express his or her views.

Most people, however, do not have the same reaction as I do and that puzzles me. So, again, why do some of us react in a negative, offending and, at times, disrespectful manner?

After a little thought, I have come to the conclusion they react this way because they are insecure about their own spirituality. They

may have doubts about their own religion or they may feel guilty. In some cases, these people are afraid the other person may be right.

I believe most people who are insecure about their spirituality do not want to hear about any religious ideas because they are afraid that they might start to believe. With this new belief will come a new lifestyle which will require major change and sacrifice. Change and sacrifice are difficult and the majority of us have a tendency to avoid it at all costs.

My advice to those of you who react to a personal expression of religious beliefs in a negative manner is this: If someone expresses to you a message of faith, receive it with kindness even though you may not agree with it. Keep in mind that they are sharing with you something that brings them happiness and satisfaction, and they only want others to have that same joy.

READERS' forum

Domestic problems often dictate our foreign policies

The news media have been screaming alarmist headlines about the latest U.S.-Iraq squabble. The cause-bell is well known: Iraqi interference with United Nations' monitors of its arms facilities since its defeat in 1991's Gulf War. But very little has been said about just why this should lead to military conflict and why this crisis should appear right now.

I have no doubt Saddam Hussein has a reason for this encounter. He is not "mad," "crazed" or "foolish," no matter how many times the news has tried to portray him as such. For one, Hussein has been in control of Iraq for more than two decades, a shrewd achievement no matter how he accomplished it. He is managed to wage a full-scale war against the last remaining superpower and a number of its allies. Yes, the nation of

Iraq was defeated, but he stayed in power. At the time of the Gulf War, Saddam Hussein made a bid to move from a large player in the world's oil markets to a gargantuan one; he failed and faced the wrath of much of the world's non-nuclear firepower. To back down would have insured the survival of his armed forces and civilians. It would have also meant a potentially fatal loss of credibility while facing several domestic rivals eager for his presidency. In the end Hussein was forced to choose between foreign invasion and domestic civil war; he chose the former and it appears it was the correct choice.

In 1991, Saddam Hussein created a situation that rapidly grew dangerous beyond his expectations. It is possible he faces the same predicament today. But it is a major underestimation to assume

him mad simply because we do not know his motivations.

On the allied side, things are complex as well. To start, there is no "allied side," at least in Gulf War terms. Most friends of the U.S. have publicly stepped away from this confrontation, preferring a solution through the United Nations. Most of the Arab nations who sided with the U.N. forces six years ago also are much less interested, if not openly hostile, to a military confrontation with Iraq. This is basically a U.S. operation.

Russia has also stated its intention to make a deal with Iraq. This is very important: Agreement amongst the five veto powers of the United Nations Security Council is a game of give and take. For approval of our goals we will need to approve something on Russia's agenda. During the last Gulf Crisis, Russia moved violently against the breakthrough Baltic Republics with muted foreign response. I

don't believe that was coincidence.

Given that so many obstacles stand in the way of an armed response by the United States, why do we seem headed down that road anyway? The Clinton administration, which had never seemed particularly jingoistic before, has been waving the bloody shirt at every opportunity to show its lawfulness. Maybe the answer to this question, like the answer to Hussein's motives, lies at home.

Since the crisis' inception, there has been little reporting on the ugly scandal of Democratic Party election shenanigans. And implications of President Clinton's further involvement in fund-raising no-no's, as well as discovery of more videotaped White House meetings with donors, is playing second fiddle to the threat of war with Iraq. Could much of this speedily escalating crisis be an attempt by Clinton to keep the dogs of scandal away from his heels?

As a registered Democrat I have no interest in defacing a president I've voted for; however, I think the circumstances support critical judgment. A relatively minor issue (U.S. representation on inspection teams) has led to a potential military showdown in only a matter of weeks. The United States has taken an intransigent position in negotiation, damaging chances for a peaceful resolution, all at a time when major inquiries into the sitting president's election and conduct are reaching critical junctures.

I do not believe President Clinton would start a major war just to avoid facing difficult questions at home. But as of yet all he has done is a lot of troop moving and noise-making which has drowned out many of the questions being posed about his administration's legitimacy.

Kernel Columnist Charles Powell is a political science graduate student.

Pull up a chair and have a beer with Wethington

An approachable presence would improve relations

The headline read "President's house stormed." I first thought of a struggling Third-World democracy. As it turns out, I wasn't too far off, because Michigan has sometimes been described that way. But what happened in Ann Arbor at the home of the University of Michigan's President, Lee Bollinger, on Nov. 8 was more shocking than any coup d'état in recent memory.

Get this: One thousand Michigan students just wanted to have a beer with their school's president. You know, just an ordinary, peaceful celebration of the Michigan football team's 34-8 shellacking of Penn State.

But even better, the president wanted to have a beer with the students. Yes, the university's highest-ranking official wanted to have a beer with them. I said it twice in case you didn't quite believe it the first time. I didn't.

Let's think about this for a second. Pretend you are Lee Bollinger. You just click off the tube after watching your boys get one of their biggest, most impressive wins this decade. (Games vs. Ohio State don't count because it's given that Michigan beats OSU, as was evidenced by this past Saturday's game.) You kiss the wife and get ready to turn in. Then out of the corner of your eye you just happen to see a few hundred students on your lawn, in your trees and on your porch.

Then you hear them chanting "We want Lee! We want Lee!" If I were a university president I would think 1,000 students screaming for me from my front porch would want to have a not-so-nice discussion with me about something that angered them, perhaps a tuition hike.

But Lee Bollinger, in his wisdom, determined the students only wanted to hang with him. So he did what any good neighbor would do in such circumstances: He saw a beer. Students stuffed every room of the Bollinger house, even the bedroom where he and the wife had been watching football minutes before.

But the story gets better. Students stole nothing and broke nothing. Bollinger even told them to stay as long as they wanted.

The University of Michigan must have a different sense of community than UK.

The last time UK had a highly publicized on-campus victory cel-

ebration was after the national championship in 1996.

UK was represented well in "school spirit," too. If I recall correctly, a couple of things got stolen. A couple of things got broken... like a TV truck. Hey, a couple of people got naked, too.

Granted, UK's winning the NCAA tournament was more special than Michigan's beating PSU in football. But it were to say that Michigan students' celebration experience was special.

This doesn't mean the University of Michigan has a greater sense of community than UK. Just different.

For instance, could you imagine yourself racing tip to 471 Rose St. after the next monumental UK victory? What about the spiked iron fence and brick walls that surround President Wethington's place? "We want Charles... er, Chuck! Yeah, that's it. We want Chuck!"

Maybe you can imagine yourself doing this. But try finding 999 others who want to do this too peacefully, that is.

I'm not yet an acquaintance of Dr. Wethington's, so I can't say for sure if he'd welcome a frenzied throng into his home. But I hypothesize that he probably wouldn't. I don't know any students who have seen the inside of his house, much less legally paraded in his bedroom.

But I'm not entirely blaming Chuck — which is what you'd have to call him if he let you drink beer with him. Recalling the post-game celebration after the 1996 national championship, I'd too be hesitant to let UK kids party in my house, especially with raised tuition on their minds.

On the other hand, Dr. Wethington does seem distant. With all due respect, he seems rather... well, presidential. I can't picture him hugging students in celebration like Lee Bollinger did. And I haven't heard students describe him, like Michigan students describe Bollinger, as "a great guy" and someone who "said he loved us all." But maybe he is, and maybe he does.

However, I, along with the majority of the rest of the student body, will probably never know the answer to that. And I will assuredly never party with Dr. Wethington. The sense of community at this University isn't the type that permits such action. That fact doesn't upset me. But it sure makes me consider with amazement the University of Michigan's party with their president.

Contributing Columnist Jeff Zurcher is an English and advertising senior.

INFORMED SOURCES "HOW MANY of you think of Bambi when you think of deer hunting? I'm here to tell you that Bambi isn't real. Deer don't sing and dance in the woods."

Susan Morris, on deer hunting at a Georgia program that teaches women to hunt, fish and camp outdoors.

CAMPUS

More men get facelifts

By Malcolm Rittler
Associated Press

Steve Sweetin took a break from selling cinnamon rolls and cookies at a livestock show the other day and explained why he spent about \$13,000 on his face.

Why the facelift, the browlift, the chin liposuction, the lip work, laser treatment to erase spider veins and the implants to smooth what he called "the bulldog things," the creases from his nose to the corners of his mouth? "You know," he said, "you get tired of looking tired when you're not tired."

Sweetin, 59, of Springfield, Mo., had his first face surgery about a year ago. "I've always felt like if you can do anything to make yourself look better, you should do it," he said.

More and more men agree. Facelifts and other "rejuvenation" surgery to the face — once associated with aging starlets and society matrons — is becoming increasingly popular among men, even guys still in their 40s.

The American Society of Plastic and Reconstructive Surgeons says its members did 5,000 facelifts on men last year, up 80 percent from 1992. Much more common is work on the eyelids, either to remove bags under the eyes or shore up sagging tissue under the eyebrow. The society counted about 11,200 male patients for eyelid procedures last year, up about 25 percent.

Then there's the browlift. While a facelift works below the cheekbones, removing jowls and sagging skin on the neck, the browlift smooths forehead wrinkles and raises drooping eyebrows. The surgical society said its members did about 1,900 of these on men last year, up 42 percent from 1992.

Kansas plastic surgeon Dr. Robert G. Clark figures he is seeing twice as many men for rejuvenating procedures as he did five years ago.

"We're seeing a lot more men having eyelids done now than we used to," said Clark, who practices in Wichita. And "I've done facelifts on these guys, they're like 65 years old, they've been a rancher all their lives, whereas you didn't just used to see that."

Still, men rank far behind women. They accounted for just 14 percent of the nation's facelifts, less than a tenth of browlifts and about a quarter of the eyelid surgeries last year, according to estimates by the American Academy of Cosmetic Surgery.

What drives a man to a plastic surgeon? Well, take those turkey waffles... please.

Many of these guys can over-

look crow's feet, but sagging skin on the neck "makes them crazy," said Dr. Wayne Larrabee, a facial plastic surgeon in Seattle. He said he mullied his "turkey gobbler look" for two years before getting a facelift last summer. "I'd thought only big shots and movie stars do this stuff," he said. "But then I looked in the mirror and I thought, 'You know, this looks really ugly and I can fix it.'"

Some men have professional reasons. Dr. William Beeson of suburban Indianapolis tells of a banker who came in for a browlift after overhearing a commercial loan customer say, "I don't want to have that grouchy-looking guy."

And a salesman told Beeson, "I would never think about making a sales call in a wrinkled suit, so I don't want to make it with a wrinkled face."

Those reasons are certainly not new. But in recent years, men are saying they want an edge in a competitive workplace. Baby boomers are getting old enough and financially secure enough for touch-up surgery. What's more, they've been working out and they want to look as good as they feel. "The body was holding its own, but the face wasn't keeping up with everything else," said a 54-year-old Kentucky businessman who lifts weights and got a facelift last year. The man, who like most other patients interviewed for this story asked not to be identified, reckons he now looks 42.

And before his surgery? "Let me put it this way," he said. "They were beginning to serve me senior citizen's coffee at McDonald's."

Men have also come to see cosmetic surgery as more acceptable as they read more about it in men's magazines and other publications, surgeons said.

"They're walking into the offices without pulling the jacket up over their head," said Manhattan surgeon Dr. Steven Pearlman.

The surgery isn't cheap. A facelift in Kentucky can cost about \$5,000 with operating and anesthesiology fees included. Clark often does a facelift, browlift and eyelid surgery at the same time for a total cost of about \$15,000.

In Seattle, Richard LaPlant, 65, paid about \$9,000 a couple months ago for a facelift and surgery on his upper and lower eyelids. The retired chemical salesman says it was worth it.

"I'm really pleased... that this bow jowly thing isn't hanging down on my neck," LaPlant said.

Group pushes 'no turkey' holiday

Associated Press

LOUISVILLE, Ky. — There were slices of acorn squash stuffed with couscous, lima beans, fresh asparagus, peppers, portobello mushrooms and roasted carrots.

There just wasn't any turkey. The turkeyless Thanksgiving dinner was held Sunday night so those attending could spend time with their families on Thursday, said Heather Falmen, banquet co-chairwoman and a member of EarthSave Louisville.

Falmen said the organization believes in reducing the amount of meat, poultry and dairy products consumed by Americans.

If that happened, she said, it would be better for the earth because there would be less pollution, better for everybody's health, and "ethical" because animals wouldn't be killed so people could eat them.

"In a way," she said, "this is a celebration of the fall harvest, and a chance for us to gather as a group."

The more than 200 people who attended the dinner at the Hyatt Regency heard an address by Terry Gips, a vegan and co-founder of the International Alliance for Sustainable Agriculture.

He contended that pollution of rivers by runoff containing animal

waste is one of the consequences of mass meat eating. If meat consumption were reduced, there would be less pollution, Gips said.

Some dietitians, including Nancy Tullis, a member of the Louisville Dietetic Association, have criticized vegan diets as providing too little vitamin B-12.



IFC retooling approach to rush

By Joshua McCollister
Contributing Writer

After a drop in rush numbers from last fall, the Interfraternity Council will take a new approach to improve its relations with prospective Greeks for the spring rush.

IFC, the governing body for the men's social fraternities affiliated with the National Interfraternity Conference, will send two representatives from all 18 campus chapters to various residence halls like Kirwan Tower and Holmes Hall.

The representatives will discuss the various aspects of the Greek system.

"We want to get feedback from

new students about what they want from the Greek community," said Clay Suter, head of recruitment for IFC.

The representatives from each chapter will be part of a question and answer session, the first of its kind, and "will discuss the positive aspects they have felt while being members of the Greek community," Suter said.

The representatives will also talk about what the Greek community represents and "reaffirm any expectations and clear up any negative vibes," Suter said.

"This is not the first time IFC has tried to change its rush policies, although this will be the first time it has actively gone out to

discuss rush with non-Greeks. Last fall the IFC had the first day of rush in the White Hall Classroom Building, giving each chapter its own room. They had trouble supplying everyone with adequately sized rooms, causing some fraternities to feel short-changed.

"It really didn't pan out," Suter said.

The new approach to recruitment came after a 20 percent drop in rushers from the fall of 1996 to the fall of '97.

"I wanted the fraternities to be more aggressive than passive and stop sitting around and waiting for people to just walk in," said Tony Blanton, assistant dean of students. Blanton sees part of the recruit-

ing drop as being caused by the higher standards of UK's admission policy. Blanton expressed that higher admission standards bring students with higher standards who are not as interested in the partying side of fraternity life. The fraternities are hoping this new approach will show students the other activities they are involved in and erase negative feelings toward the Greek system.

Both Blanton and Suter agreed that earlier incidents, such as the death of an LSU pledge, have had no effect on recent recruitment.

The question and answer ses-

Speech

Fakhridd-Deen tells audience there is not just one perfect person

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profit and gain free advertising from those who purchase the items.

"While Versace lived in a mansion, here you are coming out of a

damn dorm room in a \$1,500 Versace shirt," Fakhridd-Deen said.

He said people must come to see they are being used and become strong individually. His basic tenet continued to be that strength within is the only way to strength in a relationship.

"You become true to yourself and you can liberate yourself," Fakhridd-Deen said. "Until then, you just lie to yourself."

He went on to state that between 1970 and 1987, the average duration of marriages was seven years, according to The

Afrocentric Guide to a Spiritual Union by Ra Un Nefer Amen I.

The word "marriage" comes from the word Mars, the planet ruling over wars. He said once marriages begin, so do the confrontations, because the comfort is gone, and the work begins.

Fakhridd-Deen dispelled some myths for both men and women, including the ideas that there is only one perfect person for each other and that love can be evoked from a woman if the man works hard enough at it.

Shortly after, the group began

discussions on the importance of sex in the establishment of relationships. Some in the crowd felt that sex should be a secondary consideration, while others argued it is the most spiritual part of the relationship.

Last night's meeting was a continuation of one held last Thursday, and Associate Assistant Director Maurice Morrison said he thought it was a good addition.

"The information was much more detailed, in the sense that it was actually laying out solutions," Morrison said.

Travel

Airports, roadways will see a lot of action over Thanksgiving

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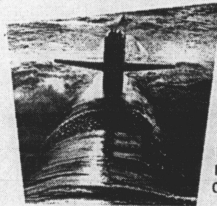
from school and have no deadlines or responsibilities hanging over their heads.

"Being from Louisville, I am able to go home more than others," pre-veterinary sophomore Nathan Paine said. "But I will probably do the same thing as everyone else, just relax, eat and spend time with family and friends."

With the large number of students leaving Lexington this week for cities all around the country, Kentucky's three major airports, Bluegrass Airport, Louisville International Airport and the Cincinnati-Northern Kentucky International Airport in Boone County, will likely see a sharp increase in departing flights, while UK classrooms will resemble ghost towns as Thursday draws nearer.

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