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SAINT MARY'S HIGH SCHOOL

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A Newsletter To Keep You Better Informed

"In the Tradition of the Franciscan Fathers and Sisters of the Precious Blood"



Calendar 2004/2005

May

- 3 SMPO "Postponing Sex Until Marriage"
- 9 Senior Awards Ceremony – Off Campus - 7pm
- 10 Senior Day of Recollection – Mt. Claret Center
- 12 Fine Arts Knight – Gymnasium – 7:00pm
- 13 Senior Farewell Ceremony – Gymnasium – 11:30am
Senior Luncheon – Matador Restaurant – 1:30pm
- 14 Sports Physicals Day – 8am-Noon
- 16-18 Senior Final Exams
- 19 Baccalaureate Mass – St. Mary's Basilica – 7pm
- 20 **Commencement Exercises – No School**
Commencement – Wells Fargo Arena – 7:30pm
- 25-27 Final Exams for Non-Seniors
- 30 **Memorial Day – No School**
- 31 Make-up Final Exams – End of School Year

Eligibility for Final Examinations

Parents are reminded that all financial obligations must be met for students to take final examinations. For seniors, the deadline is Friday, May 13, and for others the deadline is Friday, May 19.

Financial Aid Update

The deadline for applications for scholarships funded by CTODP was April 15, 2005. Applicants filing on or before that date will be eligible for CTODP need-based financial aid.

Families who missed the April 15 filing deadline should nevertheless file a complete CTODP application as soon as possible. This allows us to receive an evaluation of financial need and may permit us to use non-CTODP funding sources to provide some help to families with need. Financial aid from every source requires proof of financial need.

How to Lose Your CTODP Financial Aid

CTODP will award financial aid only to registered students. On May 13, CTODP will send to us a list of applicants from Saint Mary's. On May 20, we **MUST** inform CTODP of any applicant who is not registered for the upcoming school year. These unregistered applicants will not receive CTODP funding. Registration packets for returning students were mailed to parents in mid-March. Students wanting to return to Saint Mary's should reregister as soon as possible.

Graduation Night Guidelines

The graduation ceremonies should be a pleasant occasion for parents, who are justifiably proud of the achievements of their sons and daughters, often at significant sacrifice. They should also be a gratifying and memorable experience for students, who generally enjoy mixed emotions of joy and sadness, but who treasure the "one time" nature of the events. Finally, graduation is a rewarding and often invigorating experience for teachers and other school personnel who have shared the ups and downs of the development process with so many of these students.

The immediate purpose of the graduation program is to create a fitting setting for presenting evidence of achievement – a Saint Mary's diploma – to each graduate. Interruptions in the program take away from the dignity of the ceremony and may spoil a family's "one time" experience. Here are a few guidelines to help assure that the graduation ceremonies will be remembered pleasantly:

1. Spectators are asked to act with restraint during the announcement of the graduates' names. Hooting, whistling, or calling out to the graduates is very destructive to the spirit of the ceremony. Please show your excitement and joy with applause.

2. A professional photographer has been hired to take a photo of each graduate receiving his or her diploma. You may order these photos. Please do not attempt to come down the aisles to take pictures during the ceremony. Please do not interrupt the processions into and out of the arena attempting to take pictures.

Graduation Schedule of Events

- Senior Awards Ceremony at Phoenix Mountain Preserve
7:00 pm on Monday, May 9
- Farewell Assembly in the Gymnasium
11:30 a.m. on Friday, May 13
- Senior Luncheon at the Matador Restaurant
1:30 p.m. on Friday, May 13
- Baccalaureate Mass at Saint Mary's Basilica
7:00 p.m. on Thursday, May 19
- Graduation Ceremony at ASU Wells Fargo Arena
7:30 p.m. on Friday, May 20

NOTE: Due to the size of the graduating class and limited seating in the Basilica and Phoenix Mountain Preserve, two tickets to each event will be issued to each graduate. Admission is by ticket only. Families wanting extra tickets to either event are free to ask for tickets from seniors who may not use their tickets. Saint Mary's will not be involved in this process. Thank you for your understanding.

Saint Mary's Summer School Course Offerings - 2005

The Saint Mary's Summer School program is conducted in two sessions. Each session represents one semester of study. The tuition fee for each session is \$150. Tuition is due with the summer school registration form. Textbooks are extra. Students will be allocated to sessions on a first-come-first-served basis, with a preference for students required to take the course. When sessions reach their maximum size, enrollment in that session will end. Registration forms are available in the Main Office and the Business Office and should be returned to Mr. Chris Rideau at the school's address by May 13, 2005.

First Session

Tuesday, May 31, through Friday, June 17

Second Session

Monday, June 20, through Friday, July 8

Each session runs Monday through Friday except for the July 4 holiday.

Art 1-2: We will offer two separate sessions of Art 1-2 this summer. Students may enroll in one or two of these sessions. Session One is not a prerequisite for Session Two.

Geometry: We will offer two semesters of Geometry on our campus this summer. This course is available to students who have completed Algebra 1-2 with a grade of C or better and who have not yet taken Geometry; these students must take both sessions and will earn one full credit.

Language Arts/Reading: We will offer two separate sessions of Language Arts/Reading. Students may enroll in only one of these sessions. This course is required for some incoming freshman but open to any incoming freshman who wishes to improve and enhance their language arts/reading skills.

Pre-Algebra: We will offer two separate sessions of Pre-algebra this summer. Students may enroll in only one of these sessions. This course is required for some incoming freshman and is optional for others.

Study Skills—Becoming a Master Student: This course is open to all students but is specifically designed for students who will take AP and honors courses next year.

SM Band Notes

Saint Mary's High School Beginning Band and Advanced Band will perform a Spring Concert at the Xavier Performing Arts Center on May 10, 2005 at 7:00pm. Awards for outstanding band students will be announced during the concert.

The Marching Band and Pom Line performed in the annual Saint Patrick's Day Parade in Phoenix. They did a great job of displaying school spirit. The Knights received marching awards for the second year in a row.



"A Midsummer's Night Dream"

The Saint Mary's drama program took front stage with a challenging and enjoyable presentation of "A Midsummer's Night Dream." The three performances at the Phoenix Center for the Performing Arts were a great success. Old Bill (William Shakespeare) would have been proud of this interpretation of his work. Once again, the Drama Club provided a great example of a school activity open to students at every grade level. Congratulations to the cast and crew for their hard work and inspired contribution to the vitality of the arts at Saint Mary's, and a special thanks to Mr. D'Arcangelo for his direction of their efforts.



Tara Russell (12) - Student Producer
Alisa Davis (12) - Student Director
Tim Hintze (9) - Theseus
Alicia Lozier (12) - Hippolyta
Vince Yearack (10) - Egeus
Ryne Vyles (12) - Lysander
Tommy Cunningham (9) - Demetrius
Tiffany Gonzalez (11) - Hermia
Michela Ricci (11) - Helena
Jenelle Rodriguez (12) - Philostrate
Stephanie Martinez (10) - Robin Goodfellow (Puck)
Richard Pena (10) - Oberon
Alisa Davis (12) - Titiana
Patrick Morrison (12) - Bottom (Pyramus)
Cody Leake (12) - Quince
Daniel Rodriguez (12) - Snug (Lion)
Chaz Nuanez (11) - Flute (Thisbe)
Rey Servin (12) - Snout (Wall)
Mark McAllister (10) - Starveling (Moon)
Nikki Baker (12) - Peaseblossom
Rebekah DiBianco (10) - Cobweb
Danielle Lensing (11) - Moth
Maggie Tucker (10) - Mustardseed
Shannon Speshock (9) - First Fairy
Samantha Stocker (12) - Second Fairy

A Knight of Fine Arts May 12, 2005 -- 6:30 - 8:00 pm In Our Gymnasium

The Fine Arts Department will have presentations and performances from the band, choir, drama, and art classes. This fun-filled night of entertainment will be Thursday, May 12, from 6:30 to 8:00 in the evening. We are pleased to showcase the talents and skills of so many of our students in so many different art forms. Please join us and bring your friends. Admission is free!!!

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Saint Mary's High School Summer Reading Requirement - 2005

Saint Mary's students are required to participate in a summer reading program. This program is designed to broaden the scope and depth of student reading, writing, and thinking. Students should be prepared to write an essay and/or take a comprehensive test on the required reading as soon as school begins. The instructor's preferred edition is indicated by the ISBN number listed after the title.

Why do we require Summer Reading at St. Mary's High School?

The summer reading assignments for the individual English courses are the first reading assignment of the semester. Beginning the school year with the first reading assignment completed allows for the best use of class time for the students. Normally, the first two weeks are spent doing "busy work" while students read the first major work. An optimal learning environment is provided when the students are ready to begin responding to the literature immediately upon entering the classroom.

For AP English classes, the national AP curriculum requires summer reading of anywhere from one to three volumes to be studied during the year. Some AP English classes even require students to write essays on the summer reading during the summer, to be turned in on the first day of class. At Saint Mary's, we plan to wait until school starts for the students to write their responsorial essays.

The required reading for the ENG 101/102 dual enrollment class is a humorous approach to punctuation review. Unfortunately, the requirements of this college level class do not allow for in-depth punctuation and grammar review as part of the curriculum. The summer reading provides the students with this in-depth punctuation and grammar review, which they will find very beneficial when they immediately start the intense writing assignments required in the course.

Every year, Saint Mary's faculty chooses one book for the entire school to read. This shared experience is incorporated in many classes, in addition to providing all students, faculty, and staff an opportunity to read a great classic work. This year's choice will be used not only in English classes, but also in Theology and History classes. Willa Cather's classic American novel, *Death Comes for the Archbishop*, provides an opportunity for discussion about the Catholic faith, the history of the United States and the West in particular, the struggles of immigrants in the United States, along with theological and philosophical discussions of faith, morality, and ethics.

In general, Summer Reading provides a strong foundation for the fostering of learning from the moment students walk into their classrooms.

Required Reading

Entire School:

Cather, *Death Comes for the Archbishop* (ISBN 0679728899 – Vintage Edition)

Freshman English 1-2:

Bradbury, *Fahrenheit 451* (ISBN 0345342968)

Freshman Honors English 1-2:

Zindel, *The Pigman* (ISBN 0553263218)

Sophomore English 3-4:

Doyle, *Hound of the Baskervilles* (ISBN 0451528018)

Sophomore Honors English 3-4:

Anonymous, *Beowulf* (ISBN 0451627954)

Junior English 5-6:

Twain, *The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn* (ISBN 0553210793)

Junior Honors English 5-6:

Hawthorne, *The Scarlet Letter* (ISBN 0553210092)

Junior AP English:

Hawthorne, *The Scarlet Letter* (ISBN 0553210092)

Senior English 7-8:

Orwell, *1984* (ISBN 0451524934)

Senior AP English:

Joyce, *The Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man* (ISBN 0142437344)

Senior English 101-102 Dual Enrollment:

Truss, *Eats, Shoots and Leaves* (ISBN 1592400876)

Other Reading

The following books are not required summer reading. However, these books will be read during the academic year. The information is provided for those who would like to begin reading the material.

AP US History:

Stowe, *Uncle Tom's Cabin* (ISBN 0393963039 – Norton Critical Edition)

Remarch, *All Quiet on the Western Front* (ISBN 0449213943 – Ballantine Books)

AP Spanish:

Anonymous, *La vida de Lazarillo de Tormes, y de sus fortunas y adversidades* (ISBN 8489163413)

Anonymous, *Poema de Mio Cid* (ISBN 8497590678 – Clasicas Universales Edicion Integra)



The Greatest Leadership Principle

Submitted by Darlene Trzepkowski on behalf of the Parent Organization Spirituality Committee

There are thousands of books and classes on how to become a leader -- how to lead, how to manage, how to inspire, and how to climb the corporate ladder. Most of us would rather be the chief than the Indian. And yet, the greatest leadership principle is found in the Bible from the greatest leader of all.

One of the last things Jesus said to his followers was "Those who are the greatest should take the lowest rank and the leader should be like a servant." (Luke 22:26) If you want to lead, you have to serve. If you want to be the leader of many people, you must serve many people.

As we mourn the loss of Pope John Paul II, we see Jesus' leadership principle in action. Pope John Paul was a humble servant to all people. He bowed down to every person he met, especially those that were suffering. He knew the true meaning of suffering and often meditated and prayed about suffering. As a young boy, he lost his mother at age 9. His brother died when he was 12, and his father died when he was 20. He had two near misses with mortality in his youth. He was hit by a streetcar and struck by a truck. The injuries left the Pope with a slight stoop to his shoulders that was particularly noticeable when he was tired.

As an adult, the Pope dislocated his shoulder, broke his thigh, had a precancerous tumor in his colon, and a gunman shot two bullets wounding his abdomen, right arm and left hand. He suffered with Parkinson's Disease for many of his later years.

One could say that the Pope was a broken man, yet he gave his life to God, who used his afflictions to refine and purify his life. "When He has tested me, I shall come forth as gold." (Job 23:10) The Pope traveled to 115 countries touching and serving the poor, the ill, the hungry, and the broken. The Pope was an emotional man and was often brought to tears, especially by children. TIME noted him as the "Man of the Year" in 1994 because "he generates an electricity unmatched by anyone on earth."

Pope John Paul said: "This world is not capable of making man happy. Prayer and faith can make man happy." In this regard he led by example. He was so often in prayer that he made his decisions on his knees. He was not a Pope that looked at public opinion polls but he said what he thought was right and wrong with conviction. He was a man of integrity and prayer even if people did not agree with him.

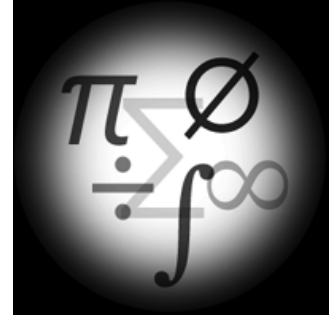
Pope John Paul II was one of the greatest leaders in history using the greatest leadership principle of all—the leader should be like a servant. Truly, he was the "servant of the servants of God."



**As You Read This,
Pray For Peace**

Math Department News

On February 1, over 200 students participated in the American Mathematics Competition. Geometry students took the AMC 10 test and students in upper level classes took the AMC 12 test. The highest score on the AMC 10 at Saint Mary's went to Zachary Prather and the highest AMC 12 score went to Joseph Baldassarre.



On March 2, over 200 students participated in the State Math Competition sponsored by the Arizona Association of Teachers of Mathematics. Students were scored against students enrolled in their current Math class across the State. One of our students, Jae-Seon Hwang, scored in the top 10% in the State at Level 4 (Precalculus). The following students scored in the top 10% of Saint Mary's students at their respective level: Level 5 (Calculus) Michael Ryan and Daniel Rangel; Level 4 (Precalculus) Jae-Seon Hwang, Derek Sanchez, Danny Gibson, Ryan Kelley, Jacob Miller, Christopher Downey, and Kristen Barlish; Level 3 (Algebra 3-4) Eunjoo Byeon, Jihoon Han, Jorge Morales, Amelia Venezia, David Olszewski, Marissa Maupin, and Melissa Ramirez; and Level 2 (Geometry) Zachary Prather and Kevin Finley.

Congratulations to these students and their teachers.

Spring Blood Drive Success

Once again the National Honor Society fulfilled its commitment to service to our community by sponsoring its Spring Blood Drive. This year the event had a focus: to help satisfy the needs of senior Sal Martinez. The turnout was terrific, with donations exceeding 140% of the goal. Many thanks to all who responded to this call for help, and thanks also to the members of NHS for continuing this semi-annual tradition of community service.

Summer Bus Bargains "Your feet can only take you so far"

This summer, \$46 gets you a Summer Youth Pass on the Valley Metro bus system, which is good all summer long, from June 1 to August 31, and provides unlimited rides on all local routes. So why stay home this summer when you can make good use of your time traveling to fun places around the Valley, including Saint Mary's, where summer school and summer sports camps provide a positive outlet for youthful energy. Contact Mr. Rideau in the Business Office.

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Personal Memories of Pope John Paul

By: Barbara Lisiecka Walker, Cafeteria Manager

I grew up in a small village on the outskirts of Krakow. After receiving First Communion in the third grade, the pastor began preparing us for Confirmation. I was only in fourth grade when I learned that Karol Wojtyla, the bishop of Krakow, was coming to our village to confirm the members of our community.

The pastor of our parish gave me the honor of receiving Bishop Wojtyla. My mother had written a poem to welcome the young bishop to our church and I was asked to recite the poem to him. I wore my First Communion dress that my mother made for me and I presented him with white peony flowers. I practiced reciting the poem several times with my oldest sister, Zosia, who had already been confirmed by Bishop Wojtyla.

I was extremely nervous on the day of my Confirmation. I wanted to recite the poem perfectly. After I recited the poem and gave him the flowers, he smiled and told me that the poem was very nice, but I needed to learn how to slow down when speaking. Looking back on it, I realize that only a once aspiring actor would comment on how fast I was speaking.

In 1965 my family moved to the city of Nowa Huta, a new suburb of Krakow. The town was composed of Communist block housing. We soon learned that the Communist government refused to build a church in this area. Our community only had a small chapel that provided services for thousands of parishioners in the area. Mass was celebrated outside, rain or shine.

Members of the community drafted plans to build a new church in Nowa Huta, but the government would not give us funding to even rent the necessary equipment. The faith of the Polish citizens of my neighborhood prevailed and we decided to build a church without the assistance of the government. Karol Wojtyla, by then Archbishop of Krakow, headed the movement to obtain donations for the construction effort.

With the donations, our community managed to purchase the necessary supplies. Wojtyla recruited the young people--many teenagers--in our community to help build the church. I immediately volunteered. Although we did not have all of the supplies we needed, we still managed to build the church. I remember that we worked with our bare hands.

Our archbishop was a great inspiration to us as we built the church. He frequented our chapel and performed services outdoors while we worked diligently. One of my fondest memories was when Archbishop Wojtyla joined us for midnight Mass on Christmas Eve. Despite the cold weather, he would smile and join us in singing Christmas carols as loud as possible so that every last Communist in Poland would hear how strong our faith was.

As a young student working on building the church, I had several opportunities to speak with Archbishop Wojtyla. In one of our conversations, I reminded him that I had recited my mother's poem to him at my Confirmation. He remembered that I spoke too fast when I recited the poem and said you are still a "little one." (Ms. Walker is approximately 5 feet tall.)

I left Poland in 1974 and arrived in the United States on the Fourth of July. Before I left Poland, I visited then Cardinal Wojtyla to obtain his blessing. After he imparted his blessing, he asked where I was going. When I told him I was going to America he said, "When you get there, send me a few bucks." He had a great sense of humor.

When I learned that Karol Wojtyla was elected our Pope, my heart was pounding and I cried from happiness. I feel blessed to have known such a wonderful, holy person. He has been an inspiration in my life and has directed me in my spirituality in more ways than I can number.

Girls' Tennis Update



Congratulations to the 2005 girls' tennis team on a positive year. Special thanks to seniors Mackenzie Longwell and Megan Deakin for their leadership and for playing four years of varsity tennis. In the regional tennis tournament, freshman Alyssa Silva placed third in singles and qualified to represent Saint Mary's in the State Tournament. Nice going Alyssa!!!

Boys' Basketball Highlight Video

Coach Dave Lopez is offering a 28-minute basketball highlight video for \$15. This professionally done piece includes highlights of the championship game and the exciting overtime wins against Brophy and defending State Champion Mesa. Call Coach Lopez at 602-254-6371, ext. 223.

Hall of Fame Dinner A Success

On April 23, the Saint Mary's Scholarship & Benefit Board held its biannual Hall of Fame Dinner at the Wyndham Phoenix Resort. The event enjoyed a large turnout to honor this year's new members of the "Knights of the Round Table." The honorees were: Ray ('75) & Ernestine ('74) Arvizu, Outstanding Alumni; Michael Tiffany ('57), Outstanding Alumnus; Sr. Maria (AnnaRita) DeLand, Outstanding Administrator; Tom Reilly (Honorary '89), Outstanding Knight In Service; and Herb ('50) & Betty Bool, Outstanding Philanthropists.

The event raised more than \$60,000 for the school's endowment fund. Many thanks to all who supported this event, a special thanks to Co-Chairs Tom Ryan and Aleta Speier for heading up the effort, and a hip-hip-hooray for Bridgett Costello, Jean Fisher, and a host of volunteers for their efforts to make the evening a memorable one.

SM Summer Sports Opportunities

Upcoming Football Dates

May 9 – May 19

Spring football for all current freshmen, sophomores, and juniors intending to play football next year.

June 4 – June 10

Passing League for selected participants

July 18 – August 5

Preseason conditioning at Monterey Park for all non-freshmen, each Monday, Wednesday, and Friday.

July 25 – August 5

Incoming freshmen will join the Monterey Park preseason conditioning program on Monday, July 25.

August 8

Fall practice begins for all students.

August 25

Preseason scrimmage versus Sandra Day O'Connor High School at 7:00 pm

September 2

Season opener versus Yuma High School in Yuma.



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Head Coach, Lady Knight Basketball

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Session One: June 6-10, 2005

For Incoming & Current Freshmen,
J.V. and Varsity Players

Session Two: June 13-17, 2005

For Girls Grade 6 thru 8

Session Three: June 20-24, 2005

For Boys and Girls Grade 3 thru 5

Cost: \$125 per camper

Time: 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm each camp day

Place: Saint Mary's Gymnasium

SUMMER GIRLS' VOLLEYBALL CAMP

Saint Mary's Gymnasium

This camp will provide a child with volleyball skills from all aspects of the game. Setting, hitting, serving, passing, defense, and offense will be covered at appropriate levels. Each athlete will be given individual attention throughout the camp. Your child will have fun and leave camp feeling confident about her abilities. [Grades listed are for the 2005/2006 school year.]

July 18-21

Session 1: Fifth and Sixth Graders

1pm to 3pm -- \$65

Session 2: Seventh and Eighth Graders

3:30pm to 5:30pm -- \$65

July 25-28

Session 3: Ninth Graders

1pm to 3pm -- \$65

Session 4: Tenth to Twelfth Graders

3:30pm to 6pm -- \$65

Non-refundable \$40 deposit is due by July 1. Deposit will be deducted from total amount due on or before start of camp.

Checks payable to "Saint Mary's High School"

Send to: Coach Melinda Espinoza,

2408 North 107th Lane, Avondale, AZ 85323

For more info, call Coach Espinoza at 623-764-5688

SUMMER BOYS BASKETBALL CAMP



Coach Dave Lopez

Head Coach, Saint Mary's Knights

For information, call

602-254-6371, ext 223

Session 1 and Session 6 are specialty camps for shooting and one-on-one moves.

Session	Grade	Dates	Time
1	6-11	June 1-3	9:00 – 11:00 am
2	6-11	June 6-9	9:00 – 11:30 am
3	6-11	June 13-16	9:00 – 11:30 am
4	6-11	June 20-23	9:00 – 11:30 am
5	6-11	June 27-30	9:00 – 11:30 am
6	6-11	July 5-7	9:00 – 11:00 am

The gymnasium will be open one-half hour before and after the camps

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**Sports Physicals for 2005-2006
May 14, 2005 (Saturday) --- 8 am to Noon
APPOINTMENT NEEDED
Cost: \$20 (Cash/Check, Cash Preferred)**

Saint Mary's is proud to announce spring physicals in our gymnasium at the date and times indicated above. Physicals will be conducted by our team orthopedic surgeon and the staff of Rehab Plus. Included will be an examination by the doctor and a thorough orthopedic screening. All students are eligible for a physical, which will satisfy the athletic requirements for the 2005-2006 season in all sports including pom and cheer.

To schedule an appointment time, please contact Linda Schmaltz at 602-254-6371, extension 125. Payment will be due immediately prior to the athlete's scheduled time.

**Attention Incoming Freshmen:
Summer Baseball Program**

Incoming freshmen are invited to join the Saint Mary's summer baseball team, which will compete in an American Legion league against similar teams from high schools across the Valley. Practice begins May 16 and the season runs from May 31 to July 25. Cost is \$125 (plus a fundraiser). Boys interested in joining this team should contact Coach Keith Merkel at 602-541-3671.

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