## January 2011 Calendar

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# Happy New Year Welcome Back CLAS Students and Faculty!!

## **Graduating Students – Very Important Notice**

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In order to have the Latin American Studies certificate/related concentration recorded on the transcripts of students who finish the program, the University requires each student to complete a Certificate Graduation Application. <u>This application is separate from the form that you will complete for your degree</u>.

### DEADLINE:

• Those of you who will be graduating in **May 2011** have a **deadline of Friday**, January 21, 2011 to complete a Certificate Graduation Application.

Late applications are accepted after the deadline but the *University will impose a late fee!* The amount of the fee increases with the delay in submission.

Please see Devon Taliaferro or Julian Asenjo (4200 Posvar Hall) for an application or call 412-648-7392.

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## Amigos del Cine Latinoamericano Spring 2011 Film Series *"Globalization and Power through Latin America Cinema"* FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Films will be presented on **Thursdays at 6:30 p.m.** at the **Frick Fine Arts Auditorium** As usual, we will give a short introduction of the film and after the presentation you are welcome to stay for a discussion.

*Some films are adult in nature and may not be appropriate for young audiences.* Film Schedule:

### Thursday, January 13, 2011

*Film:* La ley de Herodes / Herod's Law (Directed by Luis Estrada)

Juan Vargas is an unassuming government subordinate in the PRI party with political aspirations far out of step with his influence and abilities. But his dream becomes a

reality when he is inexplicably appointed mayor of a sleepy little pueblo. He starts out with lofty ideas for a new Mexican modernity, but with a corrupt clergy, a non-Spanish-speaking constituency, a zero-peso operating budget, and a marked lack of imagination, Vargas's idealistic intentions only last so long. Instead, the well-intentioned functionary becomes a psychopathic despot.

### Thursday, January 27, 2011

*Film:* Choropampa: The Price of Gold – Andean Documentary (Directed by Ernesto Cabellos and Stephanie Boyd)

### Thursday, February 10, 2011

*Film:* **Stage of Siege** (Directed by Costa-Gavras; written by Franco Solinas) **For more information:** <u>amigoscinelatinoamericano@gmail.com</u> **Sponsored by:** the Center for Latin American Studies, Department of Hispanic Languages & Literatures, and Eduardo Lozano Latin American Library Collection

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## Exhibit of Cuban Cinema at the Lobby of Hillman Library

Amigos del Cine Latinoamericano invites you to see the exhibit of Cuban Cinema located in the Lobby of Hillman Library. The exhibit contains information related to the Fall Film Series **CUBAN EYES/ CUBANIZE: Fifty Years of Cinema Since the Cuban Revolution** with special emphasis on the works of Tomás Gutiérrez Alea and Juan Padrón.

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## Huellas Latinas Concert Series

#### "Spanish Poetry in German Lied" The Huellas Latinas Concert Series is pleased to a

The Huellas Latinas Concert Series is pleased to announce the third concert of its season. This concert strays a bit from the usual music of our series, generally from Spain or Latin America. The title is "Spanish Poetry in German Lied", which comprises a large selection, as the title suggests, of German lied with Spanish poetry as the basis for the lyrics. This concert will include many beautiful works by composers such as Schubert, Schumann, Wolf and Brahms performed by a wonderful group of many talented musicians, including Carlos A. Feliciano, Barbara Benvin, Alaine Fink, Raquel Winnica, Lara Cottrill and Joshua Mulkey.

Date: Saturday, January 15, 2011

### Time: 7:30 p.m.

**Location:** Smithfield United Church, 620 Smithfield Street, Downtown Pittsburgh **Cost:** \$8 (Students & Seniors), \$12 in advance (order online), or \$10, \$15 at the door. **For more information**, **please visit:** www.huellaslatinasconcertseries.com

Sponsored by the Center for Latin American Studies, University of Pittsburgh and Pittsburgh Concert Society, the Smithfield United Church of Christ, and the Sprout Fund

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## **Upcoming CLAS Lecture Series**

### "USAID Party Development Program" a lecture by Scott Morganstern

(Associate Professor, Political Sciences, University of Pittsburgh)

The United States Agency for International Development (USAID) offers non-partisan aid to political parties throughout the developing world. Is such non-partisan aid viable? Where should the aid be targeted? How can we evaluate the effectiveness of the aid? This talk addresses these questions based on experience evaluating non-partisan aid programs in Peru and Indonesia.

Dr. Morgenstern's areas of expertise include comparative politics, political institutions, political parties, legislatures, and Latin American politics. He is the author of *Patterns of Legislative Politics: Roll Call Voting in the Latin America and the United States* (Cambridge University Press, 2004). He has also co-edited the following books: *Pathways to Power: Political Recruitment and Candidate Selection in Latin America* (with Peter M. Siavelis; Pennsylvania State University Press, 2008), and *Legislative Politics in Latin America* (with Benito Nacif; Cambridge University Press, 2002).

Date: Wednesday, February 2, 2011 Time: 12:00 p.m. Location: 4130 Wesley W. Posvar Hall, University of Pittsburgh For more information: please contact <u>clas@pitt.edu</u> *Pizza and refreshments will be served* 

## **CLAS Conference**

### 2011 Student Conference on Latin American Social and Public Policy

The purpose of this conference is to provide an opportunity for graduate and undergraduate students to present papers, works-in-progress (including term papers, dissertations, and conference papers, etc.), and other academic work with relevance to Latin American social and public policy.

**Conference dates:** February 18-19, 2011 **For more information**, **please visit:** http://www.ucis.pitt.edu/clas/events/laspp.html

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### University of Pittsburgh Publishes New E-journal on Bolivian Studies

New research on the history and culture of Bolivia is being solicited for the *Bolivian Studies Journal/Revista de Estudios Bolivianos*—an e-journal published by the University of Pittsburgh's University Library System (ULS), a national leader in Open Access digital publishing.

The *Bolivian Studies Journal* (http://bsj.pitt.edu) is an international, peer-reviewed journal, published by the ULS with the support of the University's Center for Latin American Studies and Department of Hispanic Languages and Literature and edited by Elizabeth Monasterios and Martha E. Mantilla. The journal's editorial board comprises well-known scholars, intellectuals, and writers working in Bolivia, the United States, and Europe. It publishes once a year and accepts material in Spanish, English, or indigenous languages.

Editors are seeking innovative interdisciplinary research that critically discusses Bolivia's challenges in the new millennium. The journal is especially interested in disseminating research

produced in Bolivia to a worldwide audience. It welcomes articles, case studies, discussions and interviews in a wide range of areas, including Andean studies, Amazonian studies, history, law, philosophy, visual arts, and many others. For information on submitting to the journal, visit <a href="http://bsj.pitt.edu">http://bsj.pitt.edu</a>. For any other inquiries e-mail bsj@mail.pitt.edu.

The University of Pittsburgh's E-Journal Publishing Program is part of ULS' D-Scribe Digital Publishing Program. For more information about the ULS' E-journal Publishing Program, see http://www.library.pitt.edu/e-journals/. The ULS is the 23rd-largest academic library system within the United States. Under the administration of the Hillman University Librarian and ULS director, it includes 21 libraries and holds more than 6.2 million volumes and world-class specialized collections, among them the Archive of Scientific Philosophy and the Archives of Industrial Society, as well as major foreign-language materials from around the world totaling 1.4 million volumes. The ULS offers state-of-the-art facilities and services, with innovative digital library collections and capabilities.

## *Bolivian Studies Journal* Conference: "*Bolivia hoy: rupturas, inercias y desafíos*"

Date: Friday, February 25, 2011

**Time:** 1:00 – 5:00 p.m. (conference); 6:00 p.m. (reception)

**Location:** Conference Room, Latin American Reading Room, Hillman Library; reception location will be Frick Fine Arts Cloisters, Frick Fine Arts Building, University of Pittsburgh

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## Save the Date

## 31<sup>st</sup> Annual Latin American and Caribbean Festival

Date: Saturday, March 26, 2011 Time: 12:00 p.m. - Midnight Location: William Pitt Union, 3959 Fifth Avenue, University of Pittsburgh For more information: contact Luz Amanda Hank, 412-648-7394, <u>lavst12@pitt.edu</u> Sponsored by the Center for Latin American Studies, the Latin American Cultural Union, and Med Health Services & Pittsburgh Cardiovascular Institute

## CLAS 18<sup>th</sup> Annual Honors Day

Join CLAS students, faculty, and staff to recognize honors received and goals achieved. Reception to follow **Date:** Tuesday, April 5, 2011 **Time:** 4:00 - 6:00 p.m. **Location:** Lower Lounge, William Pitt Union, University of Pittsburgh **For more information:** contact the Center for Latin American Studies, 412-648-7392, <u>clas@pitt.edu</u>

# ALAS Conference: Reframing Gender, Power, and Resistance in Latin America and Asia

**Dates:** Friday, April 8, 2011 **Location:** 8425 Public Health, University of Pittsburgh

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### "International Connections: The Path to Your Global Future"

An outreach educational program designed to inform students from minority and underrepresented populations in grades 10-12 of opportunities to pursue international studies and study abroad experiences during their college years. **Date:** Thursday, February 10, 2011 **Time:** 8:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. **Location:** William Pitt Union, University of Pittsburgh *Organized by UCIS and the World Affairs Council* 

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## **Call for Papers**

## International Congress: "Arguedas and the Dynamics of Cultural Encounters" Dates: June 20-24, 2011

Location: Catholic University, Lima Peru

The Pontifical Catholic University of Peru (Pontificia Universidad Católica del Perú) is pleased to invite the academic community to present papers at an upcoming international congress to commemorate the Centennial of Peruvian writer José María Arguedas. In light of the Arguedian legacy, this event seeks to explore the dynamics of cultural encounters in contemporary society from an interdisciplinary perspective, while promoting a reflection on the contributions of Andean culture to the global community.

The organizing committee of the Congress will be collecting proposals (350-word abstracts) for individual presentations, as well as for panel presentations (3-4 papers).

The summary of the paper or panel presentation should be sent via email to the following address: <u>congreso.arguedas@pucp.edu.pe</u>. For the key themes proposed for the Congress please go to: <u>http://congreso.pucp.edu.pe/expoarguedas/convocatoria.php?id=6</u> **Submission deadline: January 31, 2011** 

## **Conferences**

# 2011 Mid-Atlantic Council on Latin American Studies (MACLAS) Annual Conference: *Globalization and Well Being in Latin America*

Brazil is booming—soon to host the World Cup of Football in 2014 and the Olympics two years later, the country boasts some 30 million people added to the ranks of the middle class over the past decade. That statistic is often linked to what middle classes have long tied to notions of well-being in wealthy nations—the ability to buy consumer goods, to own a home, and to hold down a well-paying job with benefits. A globalized Brazil, whose economy is expected by many to grow by as much as 7% in 2010 (while equivalent North American and European numbers remain in the doldrums), has been touted as the leading edge of a modernizing, consuming, even wealthy new Latin America—"nobody's backyard" anymore according to a September 2010 cover piece in *The Economist* magazine.

At the same time, there is ongoing evidence of globalization's ills and the persistent crises in health, poverty, and governance. Journalists under threat warn of the danger of a failed state in Mexico as a violent drug economy grows exponentially. El Alto, Bolivia is one of many sprawling new cities in the Americas that reflects both new and old problems associated

with rapid urbanization. And extreme crisis in Haiti often seems without end. Has globalization brought well-being to the region? **Dates:** March 18-19, 2011 **Location:** University of Pittsburgh, Pittsburgh PA **For more information, please visit** <u>www.maclas.org</u>

# The Ohio State University Congress on Hispanic and Lusophone Linguistics (OSUCHILL 2011)

Keynote Speakers: Patricia Lunn, Michigan State University, whose talk will address "Simplicity Revisited", Don Winford, The Ohio State University, who will discuss "Hispanic Linguistics in the Context of Contact Linguistics" and Rebeka Campos-Astorkiza, The Ohio State University, who will focus on "Voicing Assimilation and Prosodic Structure in Spanish"

Dates: April 8-9, 2011

Location: The Ohio State University, Columbus OH

For more information, please visit: <u>http://sppo.osu.edu/newsOutreach/yr2010-</u>11/symposium/default.cfm

# American Ethnological Society (AES) and the Society for Urban, National and Transnational/Global Anthropology (SUNTA) Spring Conference

After more than three decades of neoliberal policies that largely redistributed wealth from poor to rich, and from south to north, the current Great Global Recession is both reinforcing existing social, cultural, and political inequalities, such as those of race, class and gender, and creating new forms of marginality and domains of power. These fault lines have been thrown into sharp relief by a string of environmental disasters (so-called natural disasters, and more purely technological disasters), each with catastrophic human, ecological, and social consequences, just as they have been intensified by warfare and state responses to and discourses about "security." Increasingly, close relationships between governments and corporations lead to privatized, militarized and corporatized responses, which often produce a "second disaster." These processes create new forms of difference—fragmentation, inequality, marginality, identity, cultural particularism. At the same time, they create the conditions for new forms of connection--solidarity, alliance, and political engagement--that may bridge lines of demarcation and imagine alternative political, economic, and cultural futures.

Dates: April 17-21, 2011

Location: San Juan, Puerto Rico

### For more information, please visit:

http://www.aesonline.org/index.php?option=com\_content&view=category&layout=blog&id=20 &Itemid=14

## Scholarship/Fellowship/Grant Opportunities

# 2011 Summer Study Abroad Scholarships for South America and Latin America

The Nationality Rooms Summer Study Abroad Scholarship Program was established to provide University of Pittsburgh graduate and undergraduate students with the opportunity to add an international dimension to their education. The purpose of these awards is to give an in-depth immersion experience of another culture for at least five weeks. The scholarships are the result of the committees' fund-raising throughout the year. Scholarships are sometimes given in memory of an individual, or by a donor whose belief in the benefits of study abroad remains constant.

For a complete scholarship listing, go to <u>www.ucis.pitt.edu/natrooms</u>

Information Sessions will be conducted November 29 - December 14, 2010 and resume January 5 - January 14, 2011.

#### Deadlines:

References – January 18, 2011 Undergraduates – 12 noon, January 19, 2011 Graduates – 12 noon, January 20, 2011

For more information: contact the Nationality Rooms Program office, 1209 Cathedral of Learning or email questions can be addressed to Eileen Kiley (Scholarship Advisor), kiley@pitt.edu, 412-624-6150

#### Zemurray-Stone Post-Doctoral Teaching Fellows in Latin American Studies

The Stone Center for Latin American Studies invites applications for a two-year post-doctoral fellowship for the 2011-2012 and 2012-2013 academic years. Applications from social scientists, especially working in the areas of environmental studies, urban studies, communication/media studies, and policy studies, are encouraged. All applicants must, however, be able to teach a semester-long course that can introduce students to the fundamentals of qualitative and quantitative social science research methods in multidisciplinary applications. Experience with Community Based Research or Service-Learning instruction a plus. Fellows will be selected following two criteria: (1) intellectual merit and (2) the potential impact that their research, teaching, and experience would have on the strategic advancement of Latin American Studies at Tulane.

The fellowship carries a stipend of \$47,500 plus benefits and requires teaching two courses per semester, with at least one course for each Spring Semester designated as a Service-Learning course. Fellows will also be expected to assume responsibility for leading at least one new Center initiative and/or will participate in mentoring the Center's undergraduate and graduate students. Applicants who are ABD must complete their Ph.D. by June 2011 and absolutely must have the Ph.D. in hand by the start of the Fall 2011 semester. Preference will be given to those who have not had recent access to Tulane University's resources and whose research would benefit from such access.

Please send a current curriculum vitae, a cover letter describing your research interests and teaching philosophy, a graduate transcript, a writing sample, detailed proposals for at least one content course or seminar, one detailed social science research methods course, and three letters of recommendation to: *Zemurray-Stone Post-Doctoral Teaching Fellows Search, Stone Center for Latin American Studies, 100 Jones Hall, Tulane University, New Orleans, LA 70118-5698.* 

Applications will be reviewed on a rolling basis beginning on **January 15, 2011**, until the position is filled.

**For more information** on the Post-Doctoral Teaching Fellowship program, please contact James D. Huck, Jr., Assistant Director and Graduate Advisor, Stone Center for Latin American Studies at 504-865-5164 or <u>jhuck@tulane.edu</u> or visit <u>http://stonecenter.tulane.edu</u>.

## 2011 GW-CIBER Summer Doctoral Institute Research and Study on Institutions, the State and Development in International Business

The George Washington University's Center for International Business Education & Research (GW-CIBER) is pleased to announce the 2011 Summer Doctoral Institute (SDI) for research and study on Institutions, the State & Development in International Business. Now in its fourth year, the program is open to doctoral students in any discipline, enrolled in U.S. universities, with an interest in this underlying theme.

The seven to ten doctoral students selected to participate in this program will spend two summer months, from June 1 - July 27, 2011, conducting research in the nation's capital, home to many of the world's most influential institutions. This cross-disciplinary program will facilitate research related to Institutions, the State & Development in International Business from the perspective of a broad range of social sciences.

### Students selected for the 2011 SDI program will:

- Work with a specialist in their chosen field.
- Form a community of scholars with intersecting interests.
- Receive free housing on the GW campus and a \$2,000 stipend to defray travel and other living expenses.
- Gain access to resources found only in Washington, DC.
- Participate in research seminars.
- Submit their work to be published in a top journal in their field.

The application deadline is **January 15, 2011**. For more information, please visit: <u>http://business.gwu.edu/CIBER/doctoral/2011.htm</u>

## Library Travel Grants

The University of Florida Center for Latin American Studies will sponsor Library Travel Research Grants for summer 2011. Their purpose is to enable faculty researchers from other U.S. colleges and universities to use the extensive resources of the Latin American Collection in the University of Florida Libraries, thereby enhancing its value as a national resource. The grants are funded by a Title VI National Resource Center grant from the U.S. Department of Education.

Six or more travel grants of up to \$1250 each will be made to cover travel and lodging expenses. Grantees are expected to remain in Gainesville for at least one week and, following their stay, submit a brief (2-3 pp.) report on how their work at UF Libraries enriched their research project and offer suggestions for possible improvements of the Latin American Collection. Researchers' work at the Latin American Collection may be undertaken at any time during the summer, starting May 15, 2011. All travel must be completed by August 14, 2011. At least one grant will be made to a scholar from a Florida college or university.

Applicants must be US citizens or permanent residents.

Application Deadline: March 2, 2011

For more information, please visit: <u>http://www.latam.ufl.edu/Funding/travel.stm</u>

## Study Abroad

## Heritage Ethnography Field School

7 Week Program in Yucatán, Mexico: May 22 – July 9, 2011 OSEA is pleased to announce two programs offered in addition to the Heritage Ethnography Field School.

• In 2010, OSEA initiated the *Teaching English Service Learning Program* for students who seek on-site, field practicum experience in second language teaching, bi-lingual education, and educational ethnography. By teaching English and documenting the educational process, students participate in a collaborative Community Action Research Project.

For more information, please visit <u>www.osea-cite.org/program/selt\_overview.php</u>

• The Summer Intensive Maya Language Immersion Program is now in its third year. This program is developed for students seeking communicative proficiency in Yucatec Maya. This program is ideal for those whose areas of study require fieldwork in and with Maya speaking communities. The program is entirely conducted in a rural Maya community and based on total linguistic and cultural immersion. OSEA provides highly individuated learning with trained native speakers as language trainers who work oneon-one with students.

For more information, please visit <a href="http://www.osea-cite.org/program/">www.osea-cite.org/program/</a>

OSEA Field School Programs are based in Pisté and Maya Communities surrounding Chichén Itzá, One of the New Seven Wondersof the World.

### **OSEA Ethnography Field School Program Fees include:**

Direct Enrollment with Accredited University Transcript; Food & Lodging; Homestays with Maya families in Pisté; Local Field Trips to Chichén Itzá, Ek Balam, Yaxuna, Cenote Dzitnup; & jungle caves; Mid-Program Break (4-night/5 day) to allow participants free-time to explore Yucatán on their own (not included in program fees).

### **Program Requirements**

Open to Undergraduates in sophomore year and higher, with any social science & humanities major; Open to Graduate Students in any social science and humanities fields (send us an email to ask about grad rates) ~Minimum 1-year college-level Spanish or equivalent ~GPA of 2.5 or higher

For more information, please visit: <u>www.osea-cite.org</u>

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#### NOTICE

The following list of events is provided as a service to the community by the Center for Latin American Studies (CLAS), University of Pittsburgh. CLAS neither recommends nor endorses these events and activities. Please address questions or comments about the events to the contact provided and not to the Center.

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#### Salud para Niños - Birmingham Clinic Free Pediatric & Flu Immunization Clinics

Children's Hospital of Pittsburgh Care Mobile **Date:** Saturday, January 8 & February 12, 2011 **Time:** 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. **Location:** Salvation Army, 54 S. 9<sup>th</sup> Street, Southside **For more information:** <u>http://www.chp.edu/spanishclinic</u>, 412-692-6000 (option 8), <u>http://www.chp.edu/saludparaninos</u> (Appointment and health insurance are NOT required)

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## **Student Club Activities**

### **Spanish Club**

#### Conversation Tables/Mesas de Conversación

Spanish Conversation Tables for all levels It's a great way to practice Spanish with native speakers and students alike - and you can have a coffee or tea on us! **Dates & Times:** Every Monday at 4:00 p.m. & Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. **Location:** Panera Bread, 3800 Forbes Avenue, Oakland

### **Brazil Nuts Portuguese Club**

#### **Bate-Papo**

Bate-Papo is our "Conversation Tables" where you can speak about various topics and meet people who are interested in the same things as you, everyone learning to or just enjoying speaking in Portuguese. And the most important thing to remember is that people of any level can come to talk—the only requirement is that you want to have fun and chat! You can speak about anything you wish! See you at Bate-Papo!

**Date & Times:** Every Tuesday at 5:00 p.m. & Wednesday at 4:00 p.m. **Location:** Lower Lounge couch area, William Pitt Union, University of Pittsburgh

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### Weekly Language Classes/Practice Sessions

### Language Classes at Tango Café

All classes are held at **Tango Cafe**, 5806 Forward Ave, Squirrel Hill \*Please ask about monthly prices all level classes **For more information**: call 412-421-1390, <u>www.TangoCafePgh.com</u> **Spanish Level I** Spanish instruction for beginners **Dates & Times:** Every Friday, 5:45 p.m.

Spanish Level II Basic grammar, vocabulary and conversation Dates & Times: Every Thursday, 6:00 p.m. Spanish Level III Intermediate grammar, reading and conversation Dates & Times: Every Tuesday, 10:30 a.m. Spanish Level IV Conversation, reading, writing and expressions Dates & Times: Every Wednesday, 7:30 p.m. English Practice (for non-native speakers) Practice English with native speakers \*Minimum purchase of \$3.00 from the menu Dates & Times: Every Friday, 7:00 p.m. Spanish Conversation "Tertulia" Open Spanish conversation group \*Minimum purchase of \$3.00 from the menu Dates & Times: Every Saturday, 3:30 p.m.  \*\*\*Deadline\*\*\*

If you have an announcement related to a Latin American/Caribbean activity taking place during February 2011 that you would like to share with others interested in the region, please send details by January 24<sup>th</sup> to: Center for Latin American Studies, University of Pittsburgh, 4200 W.W. Posvar Hall, Pittsburgh, PA 15260; Fax: 412 648 2199; E-mail: <u>clas@pitt.edu</u> Sorry, information will not be accepted over the phone



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