Subject: Ping: Fred/The post is on Gedlee.com/downloads Posted by Manualblock on Wed, 05 Oct 2005 23:56:35 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

It's in the Observations area; I think he titled it RMAF. Hope this helps.

Subject: Re: Ping: Fred/The post is on Gedlee.com/downloads Posted by Duke on Thu, 06 Oct 2005 04:11:01 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

I think this is the address:http://www.gedlee.com/downloads/Observations%20and%20Thoughts.pdf

Subject: Re: Ping: Fred/The post is on Gedlee.com/downloads Posted by Wayne Parham on Thu, 06 Oct 2005 04:29:25 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Did Lori bring the vapor lamp? The one I bought from her at GPAF is on right now.Earl Geddes, Duke LeJeune, Summa loudspeaker and really groovy vapor lamp that I bought

Subject: Re: Ping: Fred/The post is on Gedlee.com/downloads Posted by Duke on Thu, 06 Oct 2005 05:51:27 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Hi Wayne, Yup Lori had the vapor fountains there. We even sold a few. I think they just may be the perfect system tweak. By raising the ambient humidity, they will give your system a more wet, lush presentation. The shape is precisely engineered for optimal diffusion. And finally, their light can be adjusted to compensate for any residual system colorations. And I suppose you could fill them up with snake oil instead of water...Duke

Subject: Re: Ping: Fred/The post is on Gedlee.com/downloads Posted by Wayne Parham on Thu, 06 Oct 2005 06:45:44 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message Be sure and ask Lori to bring some of those lamps back to GPAF next May. Your room is always one of the most popular, both because of the great people and sound and also because of those groovy lamps!

## Subject: Re: Can't trust those "Mechanists" Posted by Bill Epstein on Thu, 06 Oct 2005 09:00:00 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

From the Wikipedia (no copyright folderol intended):"Universal mechanism has come and gone, but the debate over anthropic mechanism seems here to stay. The thesis in anthropic mechanism is not that the everything can be completely explained in mechanical terms (although some anthropic mechanists may also believe that), but rather that everything about human beings can be completely explained in mechanical terms, as surely as can everything about clockwork or gasoline engines. One of the chief obstacles that all mechanistic theories have faced is providing a mechanistic explanation of the human mind; Descartes, for one, endorsed dualism in spite of endorsing a completely mechanistic conception of the material world because he argued that mechanism and the notion of a mind were logically incompatible. Hobbes, on the other hand, conceived of the mind and the will as purely mechanistic, completely explicable in terms of the effects of perception and the pursuit of desire, which in turn he held to be completely explicable in terms of the materialistic operations of the nervous system. Following Hobbes, other mechanists argued for a thoroughly mechanistic explanation of the mind, with one of the most influential and controversial expositions of the doctrine being offered by Julien Offray de La Mettrie in his Man a Machine (1748)." I suppose if we didn't have those that believe " everything about human beings can be completely explained in mechanical terms, as surely as can everything about clockwork or gasoline engines..." there'd be no engineers and thus no electric can-openers or compression drivers. I can hear significant differences between main amplifiers, pre-amplifiers and phono stages. Likewise, my hearing discrimination encompasses capacitors, volume controls and power supply configurations. I didn't need to be "taught" to listen for differences, they simply presented themselves. To say that the electronics chain accounts for only 5% of the listening experience might be disingenuous except when coming from a mechanist. I'm sure Dr. Geddes is being truthful in regard to what he hears. But to propose that his perception of sound is the "objective reality" of the Universe is a bit too dogmatic for my tastes. Try this on for size: Comparatively small changes, less than 5% of listening perceptions significantly change our attitude toward an entire system of sound reproduction. In other words, even if Dr. Geddes offered proof of the minor role he says electronics play, does that really contain the corollary that we ahould like or dislike this or that system in a direct ratio to that percentage? I think that at some point the clock-work winds down and causes listeners to make value judgements that result in the hypothetical 5% influencing up to 100% of the listening experience.

Subject: Re: Can't trust those "Mechanists" Posted by Wayne Parham on Thu, 06 Oct 2005 09:29:37 GMT Maybe even 10% if you're using Royal Cable.

Subject: Re: Ping: Fred/The post is on Gedlee.com/downloads Posted by FredT on Thu, 06 Oct 2005 12:22:12 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

Thanks for the link. Interesting article.

Subject: Re: Ping: My Pleasure/Stirred the pot a little,nt Posted by Manualblock on Thu, 06 Oct 2005 15:06:24 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

NT

Subject: Re: Ping: My Pleasure/Stirred the pot a little,nt Posted by FredT on Fri, 07 Oct 2005 10:44:55 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message

I do disagree with Earl about one issue. He says the speakers account for 95% of the sound quality and the other components account for the other 5%. I believe the speakers account for only 90%. The other components accout for 5%, and the quality of the wine you're drinking accounts for the other 5%. Unless you had a bad day at the office, in which case the speakers account for 5% and the wine accounts for 90%.

Subject: Re: Ping: My Pleasure/Stirred the pot a little,nt Posted by Wayne Parham on Sat, 08 Oct 2005 22:19:10 GMT View Forum Message <> Reply to Message