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oh my the new laptop

The story I have to tell, can be humorous to some, and not funny to others. Now that the worst of it is over, I choose to see the humorous side.

My dear spouse had to be taken off to the hospital. He's a heavy guy, so I knew that when I called for an ambulance, the people they sent out had to be able to deal with him. In addition to the ambulance, there was a fire truck, and a few extra guys to get him on the gurney. I didn't think they would pull it off. But the tried this, and that, and they got him on the gurney. It was painful to watch.

That wasn't the worst of it. "Well...we don't know what's wrong with him." Then, "Oh, we found the problem." Then it's back to, "We don't know what's wrong with him." I think they finally found it, cause he's a lot better.

I'm stuck at home with the new laptop. His name is Boots, and he is not getting any attention from his normal peeps. I cannot pick up my laptop, it seems that he will come along and say, "Hey! That's not a laptop, I'm your laptop. Focus on



me." So I concede and let him spend time with me, cause he's a needy cat.

so now what? more art

We came into a bargain on some PLA for running through the 3D Printer, and—it seemed like a bust when it came to a multi color model. I had even heard someone say it online, but I didn't want to believe it. So I created some Post-It/ sticky note tray, and because there's so much filament in the house, been trying to use up the filament. I made a model for 1.875 inch square notes and another for 3 inch square notes. Showed them to a friend, and she thought they fab. I jest needed to print a few more, some for her, some for me. No big deal, loads of colors. I loaded up the print bed and hit go. and ran out of the purple Creality silk

I had been using. I decided to finish up with the new Creality brand Soleyin. Mistake? On the surface yes, I told the slicer I was using a Generic filament. That was the mistake. Within 3 hours, aka, after it had cooled off, I picked up the model and to use a phrase from one



of my high school teacher, the model just "politely parted," right on the seam between the CR-silk and the Soleyin. It wasn't right, I looked over at the stack of 12 spools we had gotten of the Soleyin, and shook my head slowly. First thought, Soleyin did not appear to be stable for use in multicolor prints.

BUT WAIT...before you send me an email that tells my how wrong I am. I was going to print something else, then I noticed there were several parameter updates for the slicer. One of them was a filament profile for the Soleyin brand filament.



Load up the 2ish inch sticky note caddy, and print with the correct profiles. So far the colors have not parted ways. I will give it more time to see what happens. Until then, trust the process and don't forget to update the parameter settings within the slicer.

It has been 24 hours since the slicers settings using the Soleyin profile, the two colors are still welded together.

Time to close out this newsletter.

I leave you with Psalm 23.

'The Lord is my shepherd; I shall not want. ²He maketh me to lie down in green pastures: he leadeth me beside the still waters. ³He restoreth my soul: he leadeth me in the paths of righteousness for his name's sake. ⁴Yea, though I walk through the valley of the shadow of death, I will fear no evil: for thou art with me; thy rod and thy staff they comfort me. ⁵Thou preparest a table before me in the presence of mine enemies: thou anointest my head with oil; my cup runneth over. ⁶Surely goodness and mercy shall follow me all the days of my life: and I will dwell in the house of the Lord for ever.

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