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Dear BSTC Member

What do I love about Beth Shalom Temple Center? That's easy, it's about the people, the programs, Sisterhood, Men's Club, and so on. The opportunities to learn and expand my mind, as well as my heart. Shabbat Services, Torah learning, Bagel Breakfasts, yearly Seders, Hanukkah Parties, and I can go on and on. Most important I love to be with my BSTC Family.

During the recent High Holiday Services, I was asked by many of our members, "Why do we have an armed Sheriff Deputy at our front door this year?"

I would like to share a fellow Jewish Temple President's story. This blog post has already appeared in a recent edition of the Shofar. As continued references to what took place there, as well as all that is happening around the world in relation to anti-Semitism, I believe it bears repeating.

Alan Zimmerman, the President of Congregation Beth Israel in Charlottesville, VA. This blog post was published on Monday evening following the violent scenes on Saturday that resulted in a car-ramming attack that took place just 200 feet from the place of worship.

On Saturday morning, I stood outside our synagogue with the armed security guard we hired after the police department refused to provide us with an officer during our morning services. (Even the police department's limited promise of an observer near our building was not kept- and note, we did not ask for protection of our property, only our people as they worshipped).

Forty congregants were inside. Here's what I witnessed during that time.

For half an hour, three men dressed in fatigues and armed with semi-automatic rifles stood across the street from the temple. Had they tried to enter, I don't know what I could have done to stop them. But I couldn't take my eyes off them, either. Perhaps the presence of our armed

guard deterred them. Perhaps their presence was just a coincidence, and I'm paranoid, I don't know.

We experienced wonderful turnout for services, both Friday night and Saturday morning to observe Shabbat.

A frail, elderly woman approached me Saturday morning, crying, to tell me that while she was Roman Catholic, she wanted to stay and watch over the synagogue with us. At that point she asked, "Why do they hate you?" I had no answer to the question we've been asking ourselves for thousands of years.

At least a dozen complete strangers stopped by as we stood in front of the synagogue Saturday to ask if we wanted them to stand with us.

And our wonderful Rabbi stood on the front lines with other Charlottesville clergy, opposing hate.

Zimmerman described the fear he felt in the presence of white supremacists who rallied around anti-Semitic slogans, as people prayed in the synagogue. Noting that the threat was not only outside but online as well as, he learned that the Nazi website had posted a call to burn the synagogue after which the community leaders took "the precautionary step of removing our Torahs, from the premises."

This is 2017 in the United States of America.

After re-reading President's Alan Zimmermann's blog, I realized we had an amazing connection. We both have a special love for our synagogue and our synagogue families, wanting to protect them in the best way we can. That is the reason that this year, for our Beth Shalom Temple family, I didn't feel the SAV Officers were sufficient security. I felt my family should have the best protection we can provide and thus we had an armed Sheriff Deputy at our front door.

Let's all pray, play, and take care of each other.
Merle Sobol, BSTC President

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contact Amy Storer.

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If you are sending in a check to BSTC and not using our
website to pay, either by PayPal or credit card, make
sure your check as well as the envelope indicates the
program/event for which you are paying.

TEMPLE USAGE SCHEDULING

Before scheduling a program, please contact Amy
Storer. This will avoid scheduling conflicts. If you wish to
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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Torah Study: Saturdays, 9:30 a.m.

Friday, Nov. 3, 8 a.m., Mitzvah Day

Friday, Nov. 3, 7 p.m., Friday Night Shabbat Services, Oneq sponsored by Lenore Mills in honor of her great grandson

Sunday, Nov. 5, 9:30 to 10 a.m., Michael G at the piano (Before Bagel Breakfast)

Sunday, Nov. 5, 10 a.m. (doors open at 9:30 a.m.), Bagel Breakfast, followed by Yiddish Club

Tuesday, Nov. 14, 11:30 a.m., Sisterhood Mah Jongg Tournament Fun Raiser,

Friday, Nov. 17, 5 p.m., Congregational Friday Night Sit down dinner. Cost: \$10 per person, **RSVP** by **Nov. 14**

Friday, Nov. 17, 7 p.m., Friday Night Shabbat Services

Sunday, Nov. 19, 10:30 a.m., Discovering Your Jewish Roots, **RSVP** by Nov. 12. Cost: \$10 and includes lunch.

Monday, Nov. 27, 10. a.m., Board Meeting

Friday, Dec. 1, 7 p.m., Friday Night Shabbat Services

Sunday, Dec. 3, 9:30 a.m., New Members Bagel Breakfast. Cost: \$7 members, \$10 non-members (excluding invited new members and their guests)

Sunday, Dec. 3, 11:30, Gallery Walk and Talk with Amy Pozer, curator of present exhibit from the Tucson Hebrew Academy "The Art of Jewish Youth"

Tuesday, Dec. 5, 9:30 a.m., Ritual Committee Meeting

Wednesday, Dec. 6, 9:45 a.m., **Men's Club** Romeo Meeting at El Patio

Wednesday, Dec. 12, 10 a.m., Sisterhood Meeting

Wednesday, Dec. 12, sunset, Chanukah Begins

Friday, Dec. 15, **No Friday Night Services**

Saturday, Dec. 16, 10 a.m., Shabbat Services with Kiddush Brunch to follow

Sunday, December 17, BSTC Annual Chanukah Party

Monday, Dec. 25, 10 a.m., Board Meeting

Member News and Update

A hearty BSTC welcome to the following new (and returning) members. Please update your directory.

Claire Westerman (who was gifted a BSTC membership by her children)

Genie and David Morrison

Agi (Agnes) Klieger

Cliff and Jean Shekter

Karen Rautenberg

And a welcome back to returning members Faigee and Clarence Niebow. It is a pleasure to have you back with us.

Shalom *L'Hitraot* (goodbye - until we see you again) and kol tov (be well) to Barry and Sara Weissman as well as Barry and Ellen Savitz who are all moving away from Green Valley

BIRTHDAYS: Happy Birthday to:

Nov. 2	Jerry Belenker
Nov. 15	Sonya Foigelman
Nov. 16	Arlene Hammond
Nov. 16	Fran Licciardiello
Nov. 21	Barbara Solin
Nov 26	Danielle Wernick
Nov. 30	Serene Rein
Dec. 1	Richard Wernick
Dec. 3	Dusty Friedman
Dec. 4	Kay Grask
Dec. 7	Sherry Hoffman-Blum
Dec. 8	Roberta Rabin
Dec. 10	Harriet Belenker
Dec. 12	Denis Nathan
Dec. 15	Martin Cohen
Dec. 20	Michael Tannenbaum
Dec. 26	Tom Clancy
Dec. 31	Lisa Israel
Jan. 1	Trish Sandstrom

Have a great day and year.

ANNIVERSARIES: Mazal Tov to:

Nov. 26	Merle & Kay Sobol
Nov. 20	Dan & Marjorie Galitz
Nov. 27	Stephen & Myrna Feldman
Dec. 3	Madelyn & Steve Weig

May you continue to celebrate in good health, happiness and joy.

Meet Our New Members

David and Kathi Roth

New BSTC member David Roth grew up in a modern orthodox home where his mother was Slovakian, and his father was German/Russian. He attended Yeshiva headed by the late Rabbi Tuviya Kolbrit where he maintained a 4.0 GPA. He briefly taught in an Orthodox synagogue on Shabbos and mentored youth at risk.

As a child “my dream was to dance with the Chassids with Chabad in the streets of New York City. However, my past love for hot rods and racing and friendship with different cultures seemed to clash with the orthodox lifestyle. Saturday night racing was a problem with my former rabbi and, so we parted ways. I now enjoy the Reform lifestyle.

My wife Kathi and I have 7 grown children and 11 grandchildren and moved to Green Valley early this year. I have worked in 42 different states, travel extensively. Both Kathi and I have family from San Diego to NYC.

Currently, I work as a railroad contractor.”

Kathi

My name is Kathi Roth. I was born to a Sephardic mother and Native American father and was raised secularly. My father was an orthopedic surgeon. My brothers are engineers and I am a nurse with two nursing degrees.

Years ago, I heard of a crazy Orthodox Jew who was always in trouble with rabbis. He loved racing and broke a speed record at an illegal country raceway at triple the speed limit. Of course, he was airborne and crashed into a field and totaled his car and was hospitalized where I worked. We sold our last race car last year.

David taught me how to keep a kosher household. Life is challenging with him, but I love him much.

TRIBUTES

Do you need to send a greeting card? Do you want to support your Temple? Here's a great way to do both. Amy Storer will mail a lovely, personalized card to whomever you choose. Here's how you can do it:

Send your Tribute request and free-will offerings to:

1. Beth Shalom Temple Center, P.O. Box 884, Green Valley, AZ 85622 (mark “Tributes” on the envelope and check)

If ordering several Tributes at the same time, print the birthday/anniversary page of the Shofar, check off the names of those you'd like to designate for Tribute(s), and mail it in with your check. Tributes may be sent with your own personal greeting for birthdays, anniversaries, get well, condolences, best wishes for the new home, in appreciation, mazel tov, and sympathy upon loss of a pet, etc.

COMMEMORATIVE ITEMS

The following memorial plaques, leaves for the Tree of Life, and other commemorative items are available for purchase:

Memorial plaques, \$300

Sanctuary Chair, \$125

Leaf for the Tree of Life, \$100

Garden Bench, \$225

Garden Brick, \$100

Send specific wording for the plaque, brick, etc. together with your check (made out to Beth Shalom Temple Center) to BSTC, Attention “Memorial Board” or “Tree of Life,” etc. Order forms can be found in the Temple foyer.

Yahrzeits

Beth Shalom Temple Center will provide reminders of yahrzeits, and the name(s) of your loved ones will automatically be recited for Kaddish at the appropriate Sabbath Services according to the Hebrew calendar. To add your Yahrzeit to the list, fill out the form that can be found at the temple or at the end of the Shofar which asks for the deceased's name, relationship and date of death in either Hebrew or English and send to Joyce Finkelstein.

Tributes Received

To Sonny Foigelman in memory of Gerald Foigelman from Linda Stein, Steve and Suenette Maron, Amy Storer and Ed and Esther Brill

To David Rabb in memory of Helene Rabb from Ted Walden

To Marty and Sue Cohen in memory of Irving Schiffman from Linda Stein; Steve, Suenette, Debbie and Jeremy Maron; Mike and Joyce Finkelstein, Ed and Esther Brill and Donna and David Wyte

To Richard and Danielle Wernick in memory of Richard's mother.

To Barry and Ellen Savitz on the death of Ellen's mother.

A refuah sh'lemah (speedy recovery) to Jerry Belenker (who has recently returned home), Dorrie and Mel Roman, Joyce Palm, Karen Rautenburg and Ted Walden from Ed and Esther Brill

A belated Mazal Tov to Ruth and Jim Barwick on the Bat Mitzvah of their granddaughter.

Belated best wishes to Donna and David Wyte from Renee Marcus for the Wyte's 46th wedding anniversary on April 18.

To Ed and Esther Brill in honor of their son's wedding from David and Donna Wyte.

Mazal Tov to Shuviel and Esther Ma'aravi on the birth of their daughter on October 26.

TEMPLE TIDINGS

Jim Click Raffle

Don't miss your **last chance** to participate in the Jim Click Raffle. Not only do you have a chance to win a great prize, but also help the temple as 100% of the proceeds stays with BSTC!

The grand prize is a brand new \$54,000. Second-place prize is third-place prize is \$5000.



2017 Ford Explorer Platinum with a minimum MSRP of two first class round-trip tickets to anywhere and the

Deadline for ticket purchase is **November 30**. Please contact Marilyn Forstot to purchase your ticket(s). Donation is \$25 for 1 or \$100 for 5.

Book of Remembrance

Thank you to everyone who supported this year's Book of Remembrance and made it a great success. - Suenette Maron

Torah Study Is Now Meeting at 9:30 a.m.

Since ancient times, a weekly portion (Parashah) from the Torah (first five books of Moses) and an ending (Haftarah) from the Prophets are read on Shabbat in synagogues around the world. This portion is given a Hebrew name drawn from the opening words of the Torah passage.

The Torah Study Group and the Ritual Committee have now started to include looking at both the weekly Parshah and the Haftarah. We invite you to join us at 9:30 a.m. for the Haftarah portion and then to stay from 10 a.m. to noon for the Torah portion of our study. No prior knowledge of Hebrew or Torah is necessary, and all opinions are respected.

For the months of November and December the weekly portions come from Bereishit or Genesis.

You Spoke, We Listened

Beth Shalom Temple Center is here to meet the needs and wants of its members. Many of our members have shared that they would love to come to a Shabbat service but for a variety of reasons are unable to come on Friday nights. In an attempt to meet the needs and wants of these members, BSTC for December and January, will have a trial run of holding services that are usually held on the 3rd Friday of the month on Shabbat morning instead. The first service will be Saturday, December 16 at 10 a.m. and will run approximately an hour and a half to two hours.

Michael and Sarah Mussman will conduct the service which will primarily be in English including an English Torah and Haftarah reading so those with limited Hebrew knowledge will be able to fully participate. Following the service, we will have a free kiddish luncheon. A session of Torah Studies will then be conducted.

The second Saturday morning service will be Saturday, January 20, again following the same format.

PLEASE NOTE, THERE WILL BE NO FRIDAY NIGHT SERVICE DECEMBER 15 OR JANUARY 19.

For further information or questions contact Ruthann Shapiro or Jo Legat.

Sponsoring Onegs with Home Made Challah and other Baked Goods

In last month's E-Shofar we announced that Onegs would be costing less (was \$80 and is now \$50) and that people wishing to sponsor an Oneg didn't really have to do much as it was done by the committee. We also noted that special requests are accommodated.

What we didn't say (and I didn't know until recently) that Oneg Co-Chair, Ruthann Shapiro bakes the challah's (making them diabetic friendly) as well as the cake, cookies or other nashrai members request to be served.

Take my word for it, she's a great baker. I'm still marveling that she made the delicious honey cake served at a recent Oneg). To sponsor an Oneg, please contact Sid or Ruthann Shapiro. It is not too early to reserve your 2018 date.

Caring Committee

BSTC prides itself on being a caring community. To that end we regularly send out cards to people we know are experiencing some “tzorris” (distress, hurt or suffering) the committee sends out appropriate cards expressing BSTC’s support. If you know of a member who is experiencing some distress and would appreciate a little cheering up, please email Jo Legat, Chair of the Caring Committee (at azladijo@aol.com) to let her know and she will send out a card.

Mishpucha* Club

Do you know about our Mishpucha Club? If not just read the certificate accompanying this blurb. It’s not too late to get in your hours for 2017.



The Mishpucha Club was restarted last year to support each other in the community. All you need to do is to promise to volunteer at least five hours helping at the Temple or working with our members. You might assist at a Bagel Breakfast, visit a sick member, as well as a myriad of acts of “loving kindness within our Temple family. (*Mishpucha – the family unit including close

and distant relatives and even close friends, e.g. I invited the whole mishpucha. Several other spellings include mishpachah, mishpochah, etc. It is a Yiddish word that has become part of American vernacular and can even be found in dictionaries, e.g. Merriam Webster.)

For further information about the Mishpucha Club contact Jo Legat.

ART GALLERY

Starting on October 27 and running through December 21, the gallery will present “The Art of Jewish Youth – A Visual Exploration of Jewish Values”. Curated by Amy Pozer, Art Teacher at the Tucson Hebrew Academy, works by students from kindergarten to eighth grade are showcased.

Through art, Ms. Pozer has helped the students develop an understanding of the role of Judaism in their lives with a special focus on values and living a Jewish life. Various mediums and materials are used to identify the values of positivity, kindness, joy, health, gratitude, compassion, Torah, faith, love and teamwork.

A gallery walk and talk is being held at 11:30 a.m. on Sunday, December 3, 2017 following the New Members Bagel Breakfast. Ms. Pozer will be discussing the art presented at the Gallery and answering questions.

All members of the community are welcome. Please call 520-648-6690 to RSVP

PROGRAMS

Mitzvah / Good Deed Day – November 3

By now you’ve registered for Mitzvah Day, gotten your T-Shirt and assignment. All that’s left is to meet 8 a.m. on November 3 (in your t-shirt perhaps?) at Fellowship Hall at St. Francis in the Valley Episcopal Church.



Then it’s on to the assignments you signed up for – maybe its card making, painting a classroom, yard work or even cleaning and inventorying hummingbird feeders. There were lots of things for participants to do when we came to St. Francis Episcopal on October 26 with Ruthann Shapiro signing us in and Marcia Wiener assisting with general spirit raising as well as problem solving. Several other BSTC members were helping as well, including Sid Shapiro and Linda Stein. Of course, there might have been more of us as I signed in, so if I omitted you please forgive me. I did see Jo and Fred Legat signing in as well as the Finkelsteins and Amy Storer.

Volunteers will be working on the project they selected and then at 12:30 people will gather once again at in Fellowship Hall for a “gratitude luncheon.

For further information go online at www.gvsmitzvahday.org or for questions at gvsmitzvahday@gmail.com.

Want a Haimishe Friday Night Meal with No Rushing to Get to Services?

Come join us on November 17 at 5 p.m. as we sit down for a Congregational Shabbat Dinner prior to services. The cost is \$10, and RSVPs are needed by November 14. To reserve your place, send your check to BSTC (note on check and envelope it's for the Friday night dinner), PO Box 884, Green Valley AZ 85622, and indicate if a vegetarian option is desired. Looking forward to seeing you there. Ruth Barwick

Discover Your Jewish Roots

BSTC is proud to welcome genealogy expert Joel Alpert to help us search for our Jewish ancestors. Mr. Alpert will be using the computer program “JewishGen” for this sure to be exciting talk. While seating is limited there is still time to register for this learn and lunch program being held on November 19. From 10:30 a.m. to 12 noon Mr. Alpert will be presenting with a lunch to follow.

Admission is \$10 per person and registration, which is required must be in by **November 12**. Mail your check made out to BSTC (but put Jewish Roots or some other identifying word on the check and envelope) and BSTC, PO Box 884, Green Valley Arizona.

Mr. Alpert is a frequent speaker at the Jewish Historical Society in Tucson. A yasher koach to Eric Rautenberg for arranging for this program.

Membership News: December Bagel Breakfast to Be Devoted to Honoring New (and by now not so new) and Returning Members

Thank you to the hard work of Mike Finkelstein and his membership committee, as well as our yearlong grant supported staff person Steve Levine.

We are proud to announce that since a membership initiative started September last year, over 30 new or returning members have joined our temple, as of this writing. A yasher koach to Mike and his committee.

(Note: yasher koach literally means “May you have strength” but is also used to people on a job well done. It is often used after an Aliyah, but on any occasion where recognize people and their efforts.)



congratulate
you want to

We want to recognize the wonderful people who have joined or rejoined during this time. To that end, on December 3 our usual monthly Bagel Breakfast will be devoted to welcoming and introducing these members.

Doors will open for this special bagel breakfast at 9:30 a.m. New members will be seated at tables with more experienced members. As the Bagel Breakfast begins, we will ask each new member to briefly introduce him/herself to the congregation. Around the table you will also have a chance to interact with longer term members of the temple. This way we can become more familiar with each other and become a supportive, friendly community that our president Merle Sobol, talks and writes about.

Of course, non-members and other friends are welcome to come and participate in our usual bagel breakfast fare, including our 50/50 raffle. Admission, as always, will be \$7 for members and \$10 for non-members, but new and returning members will be our guests at this bagel breakfast.

New Members Bagel Breakfast Continued....

Following the Bagel Breakfast, starting around 11:30 a.m., all attendees are invited to the Art Gallery to hear about our latest exhibit "The Art of Jewish Youth – a Visual Exploration of Jewish Values" that Marcia Wiener, Chair of our Gallery has arranged. For further details about this exhibit see the article under ART GALLERY. Members of the community are invited to this free exhibit and gallery talk as well.

Hope to see you there.



CHANUKAH PARTY

While plans are being made don't forget to reserve the date Sunday December 17 for BSTC's Annual Chanukah party. You can be sure that there will be menorahs to light, dreidels to spin and latkes to eat.

In the meantime, send in any suggestions you have to make this the usual fun time BSTC has had in past.

Calling All Thespians, Comedians, Orators, Musicians, Dancers, Singers And Such In a "Tribute to Temple Talent" Beth Shalom Temple Center is planning a way for members to showcase their talents. We are planning to give our members the stage on Sunday afternoon, January 28, 2018.

Whether it is singing, acting, playing an instrument, telling stories, reading your creations, etc., let us know if you would like to be a part of the fun

Just send your name and a description of your offering to Mike Finkelstein at mfinkel2@cox.net as we start planning this cavalcade.

SISTERHOOD

Mah Jongg Fun Tournament November 14

A few Mah Jongg tables may be available for 7th annual tournament being held from 11:30 a.m. to 4 p.m. To find out call Joyce Palm. Cost: \$25

Sisterhood to Welcome "The Hat Lady"

Marie Pritchert, an escapee from the cold, heat, and humidity of Osceola, Iowa since 2015, will be our featured program speaker at BSTC on Tuesday January 16, 2018. You will enjoy Marie's stories and poems about not only her love of hats and the collection she has, but about each vintage hat that she has selected to wear for us. .

This special event is for all BSTC paid-up Sisterhood members. Save the date and join us on January 16. If you wish, please wear a chapeau of your choice and don't forget to bring your cameras! Any questions, contact me between November 10 through New Year's Day. Shalom, Donna Wytte

MEN'S CLUB

Our October meeting was well attended but we are hoping for more men to attend our next meetings. The November meeting is on Wednesday the 8th and our December meeting will be held on Wednesday the 6th. Both are at 9:45 a.m. at El Patio.

At our next meetings we will review the commitments we have made and plan for upcoming events such as the Chanukah Party, New Year's Day Brunch and programming for the coming year. We would like your presence and input. Any questions or suggestions, please call Ed Brill.

SORRY YOU MISSED IT

On Sunday October 15, BSTC was host to a musical tribute to Irving Berlin. Our own Mike Finkelstein organized the presentation as well as playing the trumpet on various songs. He provided musical and biographical information as program notes to go along with the performances. Joining Mike were Regina Ford, Nancy Karsh and Joey Lessa singing and Ken Barratt on piano.

The vocals and playing were great as was the audience singing along from song sheets Mike Finkelstein and Jim Barwick prepared. We might have needed the words but we all knew the melodies to the old standards that are part of the Great American Songbook. Unfortunately, the musicians and singers had to contend with microphones that frequently failed, until Sig Friedman and Michael Benisch stepped in. They did a great job though, despite it.

The show ended with "God Bless America" which we all stood up for. Many people feel that this song should be our national anthem as it expresses our feelings for this country as well as being easier to sing. Ed Brill

Committees and Their Chair

Committee	Chair(s)
Aesthetics	Tobey Gittle
Art Gallery	Marcia Wiener
Bagel Breakfast Coordinator	Werner Lawson
Book of Remembrance	Suenette Maron
BSTC Shopper	Michael Benisch
Building Reservations	Amy Storer
Caring / Mishpuchah	Jo Legat
Cemetery	Ingeborg McDonald
Data Base/Business Manager	Margaret Bierd
Event Updates	Jane Gold
Facilities	Michael Benisch
Finance	Jo Legat, Ed Brill
Fundraising Projects	OPEN
Historian	OPEN
Hospitality	Michel Kouhana
Library	Sonny Foigelman, Linda Stein
Memorial Board/Yahrzeits	Joyce Finkelstein
Membership Initiative	Mike Finkelstein
Men's Club	Ed Brill
Nominations	Ruth Barwick
Oneg Shabbats	Ruthann and Sid Shapiro
Phone Messages	Joyce Finkelstein
Mishaberachs	Jo Legat
Programs	Ruth Barwick
Public Relations	Mike Finkelstein
Ritual	Jo Legat, Ruthann Shapiro
Social Action	Jerry Belenker
Shofar / E-Shofar	Esther Levine Brill
Sisterhood	Sue Cohen, Gail Norton
Tributes	Amy Storer
Website	Mike Finkelstein

Please contact Merle Sobol if you would like to volunteer for any of the open committees, either as chair or just committee member.

Yahrzeit Information (to be sent to Joyce Finkelstein-Memorial Board and Yahrzeit Chair)

Name of Deceased _____

Relationship _____

Date of Death (Hebrew or English) _____

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Relationship _____

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