

Atlanta Friends Meeting Newsletter

Atlanta Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers). All are welcome.

Meeting for Worship
Each First Day (Sunday)
10:00 -11:00 a.m.
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April 2009

Query: “Do you welcome the diversity of culture, language and expressions of faith in our yearly meeting and in the world community of Friends? Seek to increase your understanding and to gain from this rich heritage and wide range of spiritual insights. Uphold your own and other yearly meetings in your prayers.” The Yearly Meeting of Religious Society of Friends in Britain

Submitted by Carolyn Coburn-Allen, member of Ministry & Worship Committee

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Essay on Vision by Harry G. Lefever

Recently, as I was recovering from eye surgery and had little or no sight in my right eye, I found myself thinking a lot about vision, outlook, and light. As a starving person is preoccupied with thoughts of food I discovered that I frequently was thinking about the importance of sight. When people asked me how I was doing, I would answer “Things are looking up” or “I’m beginning to see the light at the end of the tunnel.” And then I would quickly add “At least metaphorically.”

As I thought about my answers I became aware of how often our conversations about vision, outlook and light are couched in figures of speech. Vision, outlook and light are visual images but we use them frequently to convey metaphorical rather than literal meanings. We say “my view has expanded” or “my outlook has brightened (or dimmed)” or “he/she has (or does not have) a vision” or “he/she has turned a blind eye” to convey meanings about degrees and qualities of insight and understanding rather than about literal viewing.

The singer Johnny Nash captured the metaphorical meaning of vision in his popular song “I Can See Clearly Now”:

I can see clearly now the rain is gone
I can see all obstacles in my way
Gone are the dark clouds that had me blind
It’s gonna be a bright, *bright*, bright, *bright*, sun shiny day.

For many Quakers, the central theological tenet of their faith is that “there is that of God in everyone.” And a corollary belief is that this divine presence is understood and expressed with the metaphor “the light within.” And, furthermore, Quakers believe that the “inner light” illuminates the contours of both our inward and outward journeys.

Early friends often referred to themselves as “children of light.” George Fox, the principal founder of the Society of Friends or Quakerism, wrote in his journal that he was glad that he “was commanded to turn people to the inner light.”

The Quaker peace testimony, another important Quaker principle, arises out of the belief in the in-dwelling divine light. Since “there is that of God in everyone” it would be denying, and in fact defying, the principle of the inner light if Quakers took up arms against others.

As I continued my ruminations, I thought of the words of a hymn by Clara H. Scott (1841-1897) who expressed her metaphorical understanding of vision in the form of a prayer:

Open my eyes, that I may see
glimpses of truth thou hast for me;
Place in my hands the wonderful key
that shall unclasp and set me free.
Silently now I wait for thee,
ready, my God, thy will to see.
Open my eyes, illumine me, Spirit divine!

Announcements

Adult Religious Education: April-May

On Sunday, **April 5**, Harriet Unfug will share her spiritual journey with us. During the rest of April and May (except for the first Sunday), the adult religious education class will read and discuss A Hidden Wholeness: The Journey Toward an Undivided Life by Parker Palmer. In his latest work, Parker Palmer explores issues of maintaining integrity, a life based on inner truth, in the face of a world of fragmentation. Copies of the book are available from Bill Holland, and the class meets every Sunday in the meeting library from 9:00-9:50 am.

ORAIARH: Fit for Freedom, Not for Friendship: Quakers, African Americans and the Myth of Racial Justice," by Donna McDaniel and Vanessa Juley, 4/9

Please join Our Role as Individuals in America's Racial History (ORAIARH) in reading and discussing this book at our Wednesday night meetings. We will discuss Chapter 2, "Addressing North American Enslavement," at 7:30 on **April 8** at the Meetinghouse. We will be hosting the authors here next fall, so we have bought 20 copies of the book to loan or sell between now and then. Look for the books at our table near the refreshments each Sunday.

While we have much to be proud of in Friends history, research by these authors shows that Friends were advanced in their requirement that no members could enslave another person but were unwilling to accept formerly enslaved people as social equals. The authors include both a summary of others' historical writings as well as original research on the 20th century forward. Cornel West says of the book, "The legendary status of Quakers in the struggle for Black freedom undergoes serious scrutiny and critique in this courageous and visionary book. This timely examination is a challenge to us all in the age of Obama."

For more information contact Bert Skellie at bertskellieATgmailDOTcom or 404-378-5883.

Harry Lefever At Charis Books 4/9

On Thursday, **April 9**, 7:30-9:00 pm, please join Charis in welcoming Harry Lefever and Michael Page, co-authors of Sacred Places: A Guide to Civil Rights Sites in Atlanta. The book is organized around four walking and driving tours of the

important civil rights sites in Atlanta from the 1940s to the present. Full of photographs, history, and directions to the sites, Sacred Places provides a snapshot of the important civil rights events that happened in Atlanta. Come catch up with the authors at Charis as they talk about their experiences compiling this book.

Easter Egg Hunt!! 4/12

For the children's Annual Easter Egg Hunt, **please bring plastic eggs filled with goodies on Sunday April 12** for the younger children, to be hidden by the older kids. Plastic eggs with a candy or non-candy treat (stickers? trinkets?), traditional colored hard boiled eggs, or water-resistant hide-ables are welcomed. Be creative! If your items are too small for the under-3 crowd, mark container with the age-appropriateness. The Hunt will happen immediately after the rise of meeting --- JOIN US! (You may bring items a week earlier if that works better for you, too!)

Mt. Arabia Hike Sat. 4/18

Please join East End Neighbors for a three-mile hike at Mt. Arabia in South DeKalb on Saturday, **April 18** at 9 AM. We will meet to carpool at Bethel Baptist Church at 1890 Second Avenue Decatur 30032, next to the funeral home & near East Lake Commons, about three miles south of the Meetinghouse. (Please park behind the church.) Contact Bert Skelile at bertskellieATgmailDOTcom or 404-378-5883 for more information.

Volunteer Appreciation Brunch 4/19

Care & Counsel will be dishing out a pancake brunch at the rise of Meeting (just before Business Meeting) on **April 19**. Come for pancakes, syrup; and fruit compote—all free **if** you are a volunteer on Sundays or on a committee or help in other ways. If not, it'll cost you \$2.00. Sign up to volunteer NOW!

AFM Parent Forum – 4/26

On Sunday, **April 26** at 11:45 a.m., parents and other interested Friends will meet to consider the needs of our children and families at Atlanta Friends Meeting. As part of the discussion, we will look at some planned changes to our Summer Program and Religious Education Program and, as a group, identify other ways to support the needs of our children and families at Atlanta Friends Meeting. Childcare will be provided. If you feel so led, please bring a snack to share. Questions? Please contact Mary Jahntz at (404) 627-7699.



5/23

Invitation postcards are on the Greeting Table; you are invited to take one.

Please also check your family's picture; some of the pictures are eight years old, and some of our younger Friends have changed quite a lot. You can email digital pictures to Nina Gooch or talk to Nina Gooch or David Jarvis about having a picture taken. If you have a picture you want scanned, please bring it to Nina or leave it in the folder outside the office.

If you won't be able to get to the meeting house or if you need a new picture or have questions, please contact Nina Gooch at 404-451-5974 or ninagooch AT gmail DOT com. (a new email address.)

2009 Directory Information and Pictures

The directory draft is ready to check in the greeting room on the table by the windows by the patio or Greeting Table.

Please check your address, etc., carefully even if none of your information has changed, in case there are typos or computer glitches leftover from Nina switching computers last summer. If you're not in the draft, you can fill out a data base form and put it back in the pocket of the binder to be added.

Share Home with Nita Hinely

Female roommate wanted to share 4 bed/2 bath home. Friendly, non-party household. Must be NON-SMOKER. No pets. \$450 rent includes basic utilities. Phone, cable/internet is your expense. Hardwood floors, ceiling fans, central heat, W/D. available now. \$200 security deposit. MARTA accessible. Call Lisa (Nita Hinely's daughter) 7 days, 10am-6pm at 404/881-0224 for appt.

A Little Romance Goes a Long Way

Submitted by Harry G. Lefever.

"He is the most literate engineer I'd ever met, said Nan Pendergrast with a laugh. "He has the most beautiful voice, and those two things are a great attraction." Thus she describes her husband, Britt. They've been married for over sixty-eight years and have seven children, twenty grandchildren, and twenty great-grandchildren.



In addition to a very full family life, the Pendergrasts have shared common interests in peace, justice, and just making the world a better place. They are active members of the Atlanta Friends Meeting, although both came to Quakerism from other traditions. Britt was raised Presbyterian, but when he wanted to declare his conscientious objector status during World War II, found little support from the denomination and little sympathy from his local Georgia draft board. He ultimately agreed to serve as a non-combatant, but was found ineligible due to a history of allergies.

Britt's engineering skills took him first into manufacturing useful items such as mattresses, automobile cushions and point of purchase display equipment. Meanwhile, Nan was raising their children and finding time for her love of the outdoors and plants – putting to work her degree in botany from Vassar College. She wrote articles for the Atlanta Constitution and other publications and spoke to many garden clubs across the state about native plants and ecology.

Nan and Britt have always been active in the civil rights and peace movements, with Nan having served as a board member of the Urban League and the NAACP, while Britt was a draft counselor and a member of the steering committee of Americans for Amnesty. In these actions, they were encouraged and supported by the American Friends Service Committee.

After early retirement, Britt joined the Georgia Department of Natural Resources when Jimmy Carter was Governor. As Manager of Carter's Georgia Heritage Trust program, he was involved in taking an inventory of the sites and natural lands that were worth saving. Areas preserved for the State include mountains, islands, and historic plantations. The only complaint came from a kayaking son who plaintively asked his father to "buy me a river."

Excerpted from the AFSC newsletter, "Sharing Principles," Fall 2008.



KEEP THE “CYCLE” IN RECYCLE



Dan May

Not too many years ago, I thought of recycling as the easy environmental thing to do, but also as sort of a copout – I could pat myself on the back and feel that I’d done my part for the environment. But now, with awareness of all the important things we need to do to bring our collective behavior into proper balance with the world –such as making deep reductions in our burning of fossil fuels and in our use of water, preserving ecological habitats and species diversity, and so many more – recycling seems to be a superficial drop in the bucket.

We truly do have to bring all those things into balance, and recycling by itself is hardly up to the task. Yet recycling, done sufficiently and properly, can do a big part in addressing many of these problems.

Here are some of the ways that recycling can help reduce our fossil fuel use or in the other actions mentioned above. Making something – an aluminum can, a roll of toilet paper, a glass bottle – out of recycled material requires much less energy than that needed to mine, extract, or grow the raw material, to transport it, and to manufacture it into usable virgin starting material. Furthermore, in all of these examples, manufacturing from recycled material consumes much less water than manufacturing from virgin material. (Compared to manufacturing paper from virgin wood, recycling 1 ton of paper saves

17 mature trees, 7,000 gallons of water, 3 cubic yards of landfill space, 2 barrels of oil, and 4,100 kilowatt-hours of electricity — enough energy to power the average American home for five months) Recycling spares native forests, hillsides, and other areas that are often seriously harmed by mining or cutting of trees. Obviously, recycling also keeps stuff out of landfills, pretty much the only advantage that used to be mentioned.

Doing recycling sufficiently means increasing considerably the fair degree of recycling done now in U.S. (ranging from 28% for plastic milk and water bottles up to 64% for steel cans). Recycling properly entails more than just putting stuff – even a lot of stuff – into recycling bins. It also means closing the loop, by purchasing items made from recycled rather than virgin material, thereby growing the recycling enterprise and placing it on a sounder economic footing. We are obliged to not only send our used materials to recycling so that they can be manufactured into new goods, but also to use these new goods to complete the cycle. Keep the “cycle” in “recycle”!

On April 26, after meeting for worship, Green Friends will have a display on paper and other recycling, with particular emphasis on how we can close the loop by purchasing recycled products.

Another Way to Hurt White Supremacy by Bert Skellie

There may be good reasons to use race or nationality labels, such as describing how a Black friend reacted differently from me to a racist remark, and how I learned from that. But to mention that my friend is Black while telling you that I had lunch with him yesterday serves no purpose other than to reinforce the assumption that “White” is the norm, implying that “White” is better. Sometimes I hear a white person describe someone as “Black” or “Chinese” or “Asian,” and I experience a jarring sensation. Because I don’t understand why they are using that description, and it seems like they are assuming that everyone is “White” unless otherwise his or her race is mentioned. And, to me, this assumption helps support the concept of White Supremacy. I don’t always say anything to people when this happens, and this bothers me, because I care deeply about doing everything I can to end white supremacy and racism. I know most other white people also want to end white supremacy and racism. I ask them to join me in not using race labels for African, Asian, or indigenous people unless there is a purpose other than making it clear the person is not white.

Atlanta Friends Meeting Roster of Positions as of April, 2009

Appointed Positions

Clerk	Steve Collins
Assistant Clerk	Georgia Lord
Recording Clerk	Elizabeth Tolmach
Treasurer	Meredith Reynolds
Assistant Treasurer	Judith Greenberg
Database Manager	Nina Gooch
Directory Editor	Nina Gooch
Listserv Manager	Nina Gooch
Membership Recorder	Tom McGuigan
Newsletter Editor (temporary)	Renda McCaughan
Newspaper Distributor	Karen Skellie
Archivist	Renda McCaughan

Committee Clerks

Administration	Georgia Lord
Advancement	Tom Kenworthy
Atlanta Central American	Bert Skellie
Care & Counsel	Dwight Harriman (clerk); Muireann Brennan, Gwen Davies, Jenny Foster, Meg Harper, Freer Jarvis, Renda McCaughan; Nan O'Connor, Denny Webster
CUR-AFM	Susan Firestone
Educational Scholarship	Harry Lefever
Ferguson Cabin	Joan Thompson
Finance	Paul Mangelsdorf
Fundraising	Folami Adams
Gathered Mtg. Retreat	Hannah MacDermott
Green Friends	Dan May
Hospitality	Carol Gray; Isabelle Werber
Landscape	Myrna Trapp
Library	Cal Gough
Meetinghouse	Dan May
Ministry & Worship	Suzan Kenworthy(clerk); Cindy Berg; Joel Bowman; Carolyn Coburn-Allen; Heather Jeziorowski; Tom Kenworthy; Georgia Lord; Beth Martinson; Steve McLaughlin; Lissa Place; Ceal Wutka; Mark Wutka
Nominating	Sally MacEwen; Folami Adams
ORAIARH	To be named
Religious Education	Mary Jahntz
Social Concerns	Julia Ewen
Young Friends Support	Dana Goldman

Religious Education Teachers

Pre-K	Elizabeth Valera
Lower Elementary	Betsy Eggers; Gina Bailey-Herring
Upper Elementary	Terri O'Neil
Junior High	Jennifer Dickie
Senior High	Maggie Hasbrouck
Dedicated Nursery Volunteer	Dee DeBra
Dedicated Nursery Volunteer	Karen Morris
Dedicated Nursery Volunteer	Karen Gold

Groups that Meet Regularly

Bible Study	Julia Ewen
Meeting for Healing	Mark Wutka
Meeting for Peace	Mark Wutka; Dwight Harriman
Silent Meditation	Mimi Kiser
Spiritual Nurture Group #1	Daphne Clement
Spiritual Nurture Group #2	Bette Turlington

Representatives to other Organizations

AFSC Rep	Susan Cozzens
Decatur Cooperative Ministries	Alison Mawle
Decatur Emergency Assistance	
FCNL Rep	Michael Allison
FWCC Reps	Bill Holland; Christina Repoley
Regional Council of Churches Rep	Julia Ewen
SAYMA M&N Members	Beth Ensign; Perry Treadwell
SAYMA Reps	

Employees

Custodian	Joe Clay
Friend in Residence	Valerie Barlow
Office Coordinator	Jonah McDonald
Young Friends Coordinator	Laura Norlin

Atlanta Friends Meeting
Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business
Third Month 15, 2009
As Recorded Pending Approval

Steve McLaughlin presented the query: “How can my life have simplicity in the midst of complicated times?”

In attendance were: Mike Aland, Mark Bryans, Muireann Brennan, Sallie Carpentier, Beth Ensign, Julia Ewen, Sally Ferguson, Susan Firestone, Judith Greenberg, Roland Heath, Bill Holland, Kathy Johnson, Suzan Kenworthy, Tom Kenworthy, Steve McLaughlin, Paul Mangelsdorf, Beth Martinson, Susan May, Caroline Morris, Duduzile Mtshazo, Ronald Nuse, Meredith Reynolds, Fred Stevens, Joan Thompson, Jim Tolmach, Perry Treadwell, Denny Webster, Isabelle Werber, Pat Williams, Steve (Woody) Woodall, Ceal Wutka, Mark Wutka, Steve Collins (Clerk), Elizabeth Tolmach (Recording Clerk). (34 friends)

1. Approval of Minutes of Second Month Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business.

Minute 09-03-01: Atlanta Friends Meeting approves the minutes of Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business of Second Month 2009 with corrections.

2. Visiting Friend from South Africa. A visiting friend from South Africa, Duduzile Mtshazo, Clerk of Friends World Committee for Consultation (FWCC) spoke of her first experiences with Quakers in South Africa. She was struck that black and white people worshiped together, and she felt a powerful feeling of acceptance with the Quakers. She is eager to get to know other Quakers and take concerns back to Africa. Friends asked that we write a minute of thanks to be sent to FWCC and her Meeting in South Africa.

Minute 09-03-02: Atlanta Friends Meeting thanks Duduzile Mtshazo of the Johannesburg (South Africa) Monthly Meeting for her time and attention in our Meeting, and is grateful for her considerable experience with friends.

3. Treasurer. Meredith Reynolds reported that we are in the red again this year but have been receiving contributions at a normal rate.

4. Ministry and Worship. Susan Kenworthy presented the first request for approval of the marriage of Caroline Morris and Mike Aland under the care of the Meeting. Approval will be sought in 4th month. Their clearness committee is comprised of Cindy Berg, Susan Kenworthy and Steve McLaughlin.

Since Ministry and Worship is still in discussion with Annamarie Harmon about her request for membership, they would like to postpone the second request until a later time.

Ministry and Worship would like to maintain a quiet greeting room as people are arriving for Meeting each First Day. The committee has asked the Office Coordinator to remind each week’s greeters to keep noise in the greeting room to a minimum. Ministry and Worship has also discussed having a

sign at the front door saying, "Please keep quiet; Meeting has begun." Ministry and Worship welcomes other suggestions.

5. Ferguson Cabin. Kathy Johnson reported that the Cabin Committee has received a check for \$5,000 for the new building project, which raises the total of pledges and in-hand contributions to \$14,750. The Ferguson Cabin Committee will meet with Finance Committee in April, and can meet with Administration Committee again if necessary. A friend was led to say that the cabin, woods and lake are a spiritual retreat. It is a place of rejuvenation, and as we make new decisions around the cabin she wants the place to be respected. The Finance Committee would like to help put together a more detailed financial plan and timeline for the new building project.

6. Naming. Perry Treadwell reviewed the recommendation of Lili Crymes for Nominating Committee from Second Month and asked for the Meeting's approval.

Minute 09-03-03: On the recommendation of Naming Committee, the Atlanta Friends Meeting approves Lili Crymes as a member of Nominating Committee.

Perry brought forth Folami Adams' name as co-clerk of Nominating Committee. Folami serves on Nominating Committee and Religious Education Committee and is the liaison between the two committees. She has also been approved as clerk of the Fundraising Committee, about which she was reported to have second thoughts. Growing out of a concern that these multiple roles may overburden her, the meeting decided to postpone a decision on approving Folami as co-clerk of Nominating until she can be consulted further.

7. Nominating. Roland Heath brought forth Perry Treadwell's name for newsletter editor. Perry said he would only be able to accept if the Meeting created an Editorial Support Committee to assist him. Although this committee doesn't exist yet, Nominating reported that they have been in contact with several individuals who think they would be willing to serve. Tentative approval was planned for Fourth Month, pending the creation of an Editorial Support Committee.

8. Social Concerns. Julia Ewen reported that 40 people attended the forum on human trafficking and that it was very successful. She thanked the Meeting for its support.

9. Clerk's Items. Steve Collins asked for corrections to the 2008 State of the Meeting report and received approval on the report.

09-03-04: The Atlanta Friends Meeting approves the 2008 State of the Meeting report.

The meeting closed with silent worship.

Respectfully submitted,
Steve Collins (Clerk)
Elizabeth Tolmach (Recording Clerk)

Calendar for Fourth Month, 2009

Area Meetings for Worship

Every First Day, 10:00 a.m.— In the Meeting Room and a small meeting in the Library.

Every First Day, 3 p.m. — Carrollton Friends Worship Group, St. Andrew United Methodist Youth Center, 1106 Maple St, Carrollton, lessell.bray@gmail.com or 770-830-8705.

Every 2nd and 4th First Day, 10:00 a.m. — Canton Friends Worship Group, 360 E. Marietta St, Canton, 770-720-4669 or wrldeas@mindspring.com.

Every Fifth Day, 12:10 p.m.— First Thursdays at AFSC office, 92 Piedmont Ave., Atlanta 30303,

Every other Thursday at East Lake Commons, 404-378-5883 or bertskellie@gmail.com.

Every Sixth Day, 8:45 a.m.— Friends School of Atlanta, 862 Columbia Drive, Decatur, GA 30030, 404-373-8746.

Weekly Events

Every First Day (Sunday)

9:00 Adult Religious Education

9:15 Singing, Classroom A/B

10:00 Meetings for Worship

Every Week Day (Monday – Friday)

8:30-9:00 Morning Silent Worship, Library

Every Second-Fifth Day (Monday-Thursday)

8:30-12:30 Smart Toddlers, Nursery/playground

Every Third Day (Tuesday)

7:30pm Silent Meditation, Meeting Room

7:30pm Bible Study, Library

Other Events

04/1, Fourth Day (Wednesday)

7:30-10:00 Administration Committee, Library

04/2, Fifth Day (Thursday)

7:30-8:30 Meeting for Peace, Library

04/5, First Day (Sunday)

11:15-1:30 Green Friends, A/B

11:15- Potluck

04/8, Fourth Day (Wednesday)

7:30-9:30 ORAIARH, Library & Nursery

04/9, Fifth Day (Thursday)

7:30-9:30 Social Concerns Committee, Library

04/12, First Day (Sunday) (Easter)

11:15 Easter Egg Hunt

11:30-12:30 Listening Ear, Atrium

11:30-1:30 Ministry and Worship, A/B

11:30-2:00 Care and Counsel, Jr. Teen Room

11:45-1:30 Finance Committee, Library

6:30-8:30 Spiritual Nurture Group #2, Library

04/13, Second Day (Monday)

7:30-9:00 Meeting for Healing, Teen Jr. High Room

7:30 Spiritual Nurture Group #1, Library

04/18, Seventh Day (Saturday)

~6:00 Newcomer's Welcome dinner

04/19, First Day (Sunday)

11:15 Volunteer Appreciation Pancake Brunch

11:45 Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business, Meeting Room (childcare available)

04/20, Second Day (Monday)

7:30-10:00 Spiritual Nurture Group, Mtg Rm.

4/24 Sixth Day (Friday)

Newsletter Deadline –To Renda McCaughan

4/25 Seventh Day (Saturday)

4:00 Memorial for Meg McDonough

04/26, First Day (Sunday)

11:15 Green Friends Recycling Display

11:15 Kirundi-English Singing

11:30 Listening Ear, Atrium

11:45 RE Parent Forum, Meeting Room

6:30-8:30 Spiritual Nurture Group #2, Library

7:00 pm Friends Book Club,

04/27, Second Day (Monday)

7:30 Spiritual Nurture Group #1, Library

Please confirm unique events by checking the announcements sheets and or contacting the Meeting.

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NAMETAGS: If you would like to have a permanent nametag made, leave a request in one of the baskets on the front table. Indicate whether you prefer one that hangs around the neck or that pins. When Carol Gray has made one for you, it will be placed in the black file box on the greeting table.

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DEADLINE FOR 5TH MONTH NEWSLETTER: 4RD MONTH 22

Readers are encouraged to submit letters, articles, poetry, calendar notices and anything else of interest to Friends.

Items should be sent directly to:

Renda McCaughan

Rendaandpete@yahoo.com

770-730-0872

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