



# KNIGHT LIFE



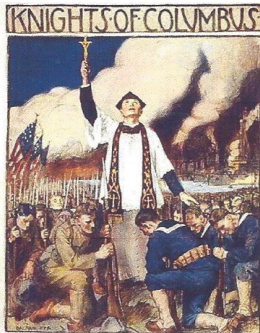
# St. Lawrence Council 2950

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## GRAND KNIGHT - A FEW WORDS FROM SCOTT.... Vivat Jesus



### Dear Brother Knights –

As 2020 is in full swing, I would like to thank everyone for a great January!

Here we are in February already and there is a lot to do as usual for our council. With the **Wild Game Dinner** coming up this weekend to the **St. Pat's Party** in March and the **MI-Drive** on Palm Sunday weekend, these major events are big contributions to not only our council, but to the charities that rely on the funds that are raised. I want to thank all Chairmen in advance for getting these events rolling along with all of the volunteers that get the job done!

From a programs perspective, we are in good shape for hitting all of the goals to achieve the Columbian Award again this year provided that we continue our path that we are on. Please remember to turn in costs and revenue from your events along with attendance data so I can fill out the **FORMS** that I love to do so much!

We are having a Delta Drive (Membership Drive) next weekend (Feb. 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>) at St. Lawrence Parish after all masses. We are only at 10% (3 members) and we need to have 26 new members by the end of June. I would like to thank all that signed up to help after all of the masses.

I am looking for **(1) brother knight to join Gary Lusk** for recruiting new members. I would like to thank **Steve Salter** for stepping up to help Gary with recruiting! Please reach out to Gary and I if you are willing to help us take on this initiative.

As always, I thank you for all that you and your families do to support our council! It is always a **TEAM EFFORT!**

**WE ARE MEN OF FAITH AND MEN OF ACTION!**

Thanks!  
Scott

## FAITH-IN-ACTION (Faith, Community, Family and Life)

As a reminder to all of those who volunteered for a **Faith-in-Action** program, please look into your calendars and **get those events booked!** Please email Joe, Francis and I with your event details and we can plug them into **OUR COUNCIL CALENDAR**. For all other council activities, I encourage all of you to do the same, just email us, with the details. It is just that easy!

## MEMBERSHIP GOALS 2019 – 20

Goal = 29 New Members

YTD = 3 Members(10%) + 4 members that we need to get through

Please get **FORM 100's** from our **Membership Director, Gary Lusk** @ [MD2950@mikofc.org](mailto:MD2950@mikofc.org). Keep up the great work for recruiting! It is up to all of us to help!

## INSURANCE GOALS 2019-20

Goal = 10

YTD = 8

Have you looked at your insurance needs lately? Do you have any questions regarding your current policies? Are you looking to get some additional coverage to further support our order? Please contact our **Worthy Field Agent** to schedule an appointment.

**Anthony Bliss**

(248) 224-4396

[Anthony.bliss@kofc.org](mailto:Anthony.bliss@kofc.org)

## WHEN ARE OUR MEETINGS?

Our meetings are the 2<sup>nd</sup> and last Thursday's of the month. The first meeting is our **council meeting** and the second meeting is our **planning meeting**. Both are open meetings and all membership is invited to attend. My goal is to have the meetings last no longer than an hour to be most effective. We continue to make changes to our content to save time each week, so if you have any suggestions to save time, I am always willing to listen and implement the changes. Keep up the great attendance!

## THANK YOU NOTES

- Consider +\$6 Sacred Heart Seminary Endowment . . . .
- +\$10 Campaigns for Michigan Take 10 Charities . . . .
- Support the STATE RAFFLE . . . WE NEED YOU!
- For all that attended Euchre Night this month.
- All that helped at the Monthly Breakfast! We raised \$1,400.

**ST. LAWRENCE COUNCIL  
KNIGHT LIFE**

St. Lawrence Council 2950

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Council Website: <http://www.uticakofc.com>

MEETINGS - 2<sup>nd</sup> and last Thursday of each month

**OFFICERS**

Chaplain.....Father Roman Pasieczny  
District Deputy.....Jason Meyers  
Grand Knight.....Scott A. Morgan  
Deputy Grand Knight.....Francis V. Elwart  
Warden.....Guy Anzell  
Chancellor.....Harry Kuk  
Trustee.....Dennis Seefried, Joe Lograsso, Kim Wiegand  
Recorder.....Antonio Quagliato  
Treasurer.....Don Heydens  
Advocate.....James Bokshan  
Financial Secretary.....Paul Burmeister  
Lecturer.....Robert Walz  
Inside Guard.....John Gasowski  
Outside Guard.....Carlos Pertusi, Dan Lekki  
Roundtable Coordinator.....Ed Braet

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Faith Director.....Paul Cone  
Membership Director.....Gary Lusk  
Church Activities Director.....Rick Lumetta  
Health Service Director.....Gary Lusk  
Public Relations Director.....Steven Salter  
Youth Activities Director.....Joe Lograsso  
Family Life Director.....Paul Cone  
Community Activities Director.....Francis Elwart  
Insurance Promotion.....Anthony Bliss

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Eyes for the Needy.....Tom Mueller  
Pro-Life.....Chris Gill (Sharon)  
Picnic Grounds.....Dale Niedzwiecki  
Retentions.....Ray Keller  
Hall Manager (Main).....Phil Kupser  
Hall Manager (Back).....Dennis Murray  
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Picnic Grounds.....(586) 739-9063

State Website Line - [www.mikofc.org](http://www.mikofc.org)

Supreme Website Link - [www.kofc.org](http://www.kofc.org)

Supreme Council Website for Career Opportunity -

<http://www.kofc.org/careers>

**COUNCIL ACTIVITIES FOR  
February 2020 - March 2020**

**February 13, 2020** - Council Meeting and Monthly Rosary -  
7:30 - 9:00 pm - Main Hall.

**February 14, 2020** - Valentine's Day.

**February 15, 2020** - Delta Drive - KofC Membership Drive at St.  
Lawrence 4:30 pm Mass - 4:30 - 5:30 pm.

**February 16, 2020** - Same as above except held at 8:00 am Mass.

**February 17, 2020** - President's Day

**February 17, 2020** - Random Acts of Kindness Day.

**February 19, 2020** - Monthly Rosary & Divine Mercy Chaplet at St.  
Lawrence Church - 6:00 - 7:00 pm.

**February 21, 2020** - Euchre Night - 6:30 pm - Main Hall

**February 23, 2020** - Monthly Breakfast - 8:00 am - 12:00 pm -  
Main Hall.

**February 26, 2020** - St. Lawrence Bible Study - 8:30 - 10:30 am -  
Knights Room.

**February 27, 2020** - 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting of the Month - 8:00 - 9:30 pm -  
Main Hall (Planning Meeting).

**March 2, 2020** - The Knights Corp (Building Corp) -  
7:00 - 9:00 pm - Club Room. (1<sup>st</sup> Monday of the Month)

**February 4, 2020** - Fellowship Meeting - 6:00 - 7:30 pm - Club  
Room.

**March 6 - 8, 2020** - St. Lawrence Men's Retreat - St. Paul of the  
Cross (Detroit)

**March 11, 2020** - St. Lawrence Bible Study - 8:30 - 10:30 pm -  
Knights Room.

**March 28, 2020** - Mass for People with Special Needs - 4:30 pm -  
St. Lawrence Church.



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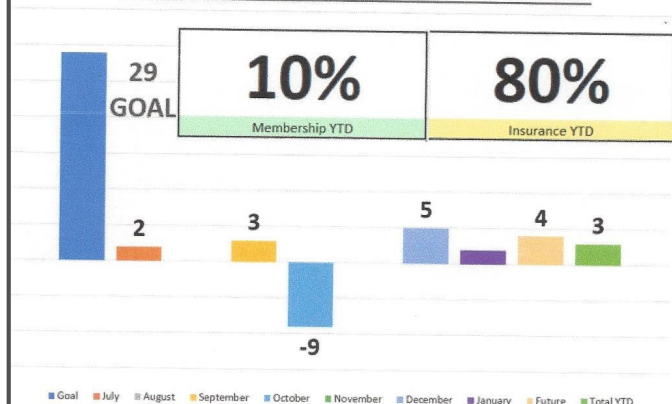
All articles for the KnightLife should be sent to my new email  
address which is - [lindanardecchia@gmail.com](mailto:lindanardecchia@gmail.com).  
Scott Morgan will now be using the following email address:  
[gk2950@mikofc.org](mailto:gk2950@mikofc.org) instead of Steve Salter. Joe Lograsso will be  
using the following email address: [pd2950@mikofc.org](mailto:pd2950@mikofc.org)

## KOFC #2950 – NEW FOOD FOR FAMILIES – BRING CANNED GOODS TO THE NEXT MEETING!



- We have implemented a canned goods drive at all of our council meetings moving forward. All collections will go to St. Lawrence Parish to continually support their food pantry.
- We will have a bin in the club room for donations.

### 2019-20 Membership GOALS & RESULTS



## OUR SICK MEMBERS

Our prayers are required for the Brother Knights and family members who are sick and recovering:

Joan Shekoski	Beverly Bebee	Jim Langeveld
Stan Singer	Tracey Valledunga	Jeremy Yorke
Kenneth Mulka	Kim Wiegand	Paula Bliss
Nancy Campbell	Linda Nardecchia	Derrick Orban
Suzanne Langeveld	Clara Mueller	Carol Poma
Carly Debiel	Kelly Gill	Joe Lograsso
Baby John Venterini	Rick Montone	Roy Ansell
Joann Wiegand	Sandy Ososkie	Frank Singer
Sue Stepiniak	Paul Rybicki	Matt Gumbel
Jennifer Chandler	Lana Kowalski	Rene Battani
Robert Rogensee	Phyllis Papuga	Della Mulka
Ken Gruenwald	Megan Singer	Mike Hoste
Maria Lograsso	Sandy Papuga	Ron Ternes
Vince Mallia	Peggy Sue Higgins	Jack Peake
Yousif Denha	Larry Campbell	Linda Braet
Marion Lelito	Mary Quaine	Allen Rooks
Thomas Daneron	Susie Langeveld	Fr. Tim Mazur
David Deradoorian Jr.	Anne Chandler	Maria Gatt

Also please remember in your prayers our deceased members and their families:

If you know of anyone who should be on the list please call us at (586) 978-0579 or email us at: [lindanardeccchia@gmail.com](mailto:lindanardeccchia@gmail.com). Any names that are underlined and typed in blue will come off the list next month unless we hear from you.





### **Knights of Columbus "BENEFITS NEWS"**

April 15 – tax day- is right around the corner. It's become popular this time of year to encourage the opening of an IRA or similar retirement annuity, or the depositing of additional funds into an existing account, as a tax savings vehicle. A secondary approach is to tout the rate of interest that money in one of these accounts can earn. Let me join the chorus of folks encouraging you to open or add funds to an annuity, but for a different reason.

Certainly, contributing money to a Knights of Columbus annuity will allow you to save some money on your income tax return. And our annuities do pay a very competitive interest rate, consistent with our primary goal of absolute safety of principal. Opening or adding to an annuity for these reasons, however, strikes me as taking a short-term view of a product that is designed to provide long-term security. How much security?

#### **How does a retirement income that you cannot outlive – guaranteed – sound to you?**

Here at the Knights of Columbus, you can open a retirement annuity for as little as \$300. Consistent and disciplined savings placed into that annuity over time can guarantee you an income at retirement that you cannot outlive. That guarantee – along with the fact that no one has ever lost money left in a Knights of Columbus annuity (remember – **absolute safety of principal**), really will provide you with peace of mind.

I am happy to meet with you – at your convenience and in your home – to explain in detail the benefits of opening a Knights of Columbus annuity, along with the benefits of our top-rated life insurance and long term care insurance plans.

As you ponder all the things that may not work out as you proceed toward retirement, think about one thing you can do to help yourself – opening a Knights of Columbus annuity. It's reasonably priced (\$300 to start), guaranteed, and controlled by someone you trust – you!

*\*Receive a complete Family Needs Analysis at my expense.*

**Ask about our GUARANTEED LIFE INSURANCE, ANNUITIES,  
LONG-TERM CARE & DISABILITY INSURANCE**

In Christ,

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### **BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**

We would like to wish all those people who are celebrating birthdays and/or anniversaries during the month of February a Happy Birthday or a Happy Anniversary.

### **KNIGHT OF THE MONTH**

The Knight of the Month for February is Frank Singer. He and his wife Ann have lived on Mair Drive in Sterling Heights for 45 years. They will be celebrating their 61<sup>st</sup> wedding anniversary on May 9<sup>th</sup>. They have five grown, adult children – Jeffrey (59), Martha Wisheart (58), Dianne Kolpacke (57), Jeanne Schoenjahn (54) and Francine Flowers (47). They are the proud grandparents of 12 grandchildren.

Frank and Ann attend St. Lawrence Parish where Frank is a Eucharistic Minister and Ann bakes for the bereavement dinners.

Frank is retired from Pat Moran Olds in Rochester and Ann retired from Hudsons at Lakeside Mall.

Frank joined Fr. James Cotter Council #1844 on April 30, 1961. He was part of the James Burdick Class. He has held the offices of Outside and Inside Guard. He was the chairman for a Valentine dinner fundraiser to raise enough funds to help a little girl who had Cerebral palsy so that the family could get a wheelchair ramp for their new car.

In their spare time Frank loves carving wood decoys and loons placks. He loves to go deer hunting, fishing, golfing, playing euchre and just putzing around the house. Ann loves playing Words with Friends, playing euchre and going to casinos.

Congratulations Frank on being chosen Knight of the month for the month of February by your Brother Knights.

### **FAMILY OF THE MONTH**

The Family of the month for February is Harry Kuk and his wife, Bernadette. They have lived in Sterling Heights for the last 41 years. They have one daughter – Candace Laferle (41). They have been married for 49 wonderful years.

Harry and Bernadette attend St. Lawrence Church where Harry participates by ushering, EMC training, and sexton while Bernadette works with the wedding worship commission.

Both Harry and Bernadette are retired from their jobs.

Harry joined St. Lawrence Knights of Columbus in 1994. Offices that he has held include Guard and Chancellor.

In their spare time the family enjoys bowling and movies.

Congratulations Harry and Bernadette on being chosen Family of the Month for the month of February by your Brother Knights.



**Line Dancing**

### **DANCE LESSONS FUNDRAISER**

Ever wonder how people learn the line dances at weddings? Interested in learning a few dances? The St. Lawrence KofC is offering group dance lessons Tuesday nights for six weeks at the Hall starting February 4<sup>th</sup>. A professional dance instructor will guide participants through basic dance moves in a fun and relaxed way. Classes start at 7:00 pm and will last 1 ½ hours and you can come to one or all six. Everyone is welcome and refreshments will be served. Cost is \$25.00 per person per class with the proceeds going to fund projects at the Hall. Class size will be limited to a maximum of 30 and to register contact Jim at (586) 739-8382 or [jbok99@gmail.com](mailto:jbok99@gmail.com).

Jim Bokshan

## GRAND KNIGHT – A FEW WORDS FROM SCOTT CONTINUED....

- All that are sponsoring & supporting the WGD – Ticket Sales.
- All that bought Super Bowl squares from Jim Bokshan! \$1,500 to Council and \$1,500 to Knights Corporation!
- All that attended the Retreat at Austin Academy this past weekend!
- All that attended and helped at the Detroit Diocesan Meeting at our Hall!
- Thank you to George for approaching the Municipalities for MI-Drive permission!
- Thank you to all that helped and attended the Trivia Night!
- Thank you to Joe for donating a new Keurig coffee maker to the Club Room!
- Thank you to Steve Salter for getting the Square Dance published in the Columbia!

As a reminder, please visit some of the following websites for Catholic related content:

<http://www.newadvent.org/> <http://www.aod.org/> <http://vatican.com/>

Viva Jesus!  
Scott

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Canned Food Drive – Support St. Lawrence Pantry!

- \$5.00 per person -\$1.00 Drinks, Dish to Pass
- Will be every 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month
- Doors open – 6:30 pm, Cards start at 7:15 pm
- Next Date – FEBRUARY 21<sup>ST</sup> – CLUB ROOM – Need Host!

## LOOKING FOR FUTURE HALL MANAGERS

As another year begins we are looking into the future care and maintenance of the Knights Banquet Hall and Conference Center. With all the recent repairs and updates, the hall is becoming more desirable for renters. We are asking if anyone will consider being hall managers in the future. Now is a great time to shadow and learn the aspects of the hall from our experienced hall managers. The work comes with many rewards and benefits both religiously and from a stipend to the hall managers in the main banquet hall. The money made from the events at the hall allows the Knights to do many charitable projects throughout our area as well as state wide.

Hall managers handle phone and internet inquiries, bookings, cleaning, set up the hall, make repairs, and attend many of the events. The goal for an event at the hall is to ensure the event is memorable and runs smoothly. Many events are booked through word of mouth and many renters book multiple times.

If any couple or person is interested in learning more about the positions, please contact any of the managers listed below.

Phil Kupser	(734) 718-1572	Main Banquet Hall
Roy Attard	(586) 295-9387	Knight's Room
Dennis Murray	(248) 650-5895	Knight's Room



KNIGHTS  
OF COLUMBUS

### DO YOU HAVE TIME TO BE A KNIGHT?

1. Can you put a coat on a child whose parents can't afford a new coat?
2. Can you help for just 2 hours collecting money for the mentally impaired drive? (Tootsie Roll Drive)
3. Can you help with our youth activities while your children are participating?

**YOU** are born a **MAN**  
**YOU** become a **KNIGHT**  
**VISIT KOFC.ORG/JoinUs**



Random Acts of Kindness Week starts off on February 11<sup>th</sup> and comes to an end on February 17<sup>th</sup>.

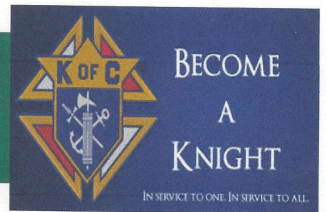


## ST. PAT'S PARTY



## PHEASANT HUNT

St. Lawrence Council #2950 - Officers Meeting



### ❖ Need (2) Membership Recruiters – 2020!!

Membership Drive – Delta Drive

St. Lawrence Church

February 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>!!



## IMPORTANT INFORMATION REGARDING ST. LAWRENCE SCHOOL

If you need to be at our hall during school pick-up or drop-off times, please note the following information:

St. Lawrence School uses our Back lot and driveway (exit side) as a means of routing traffic before and after school.

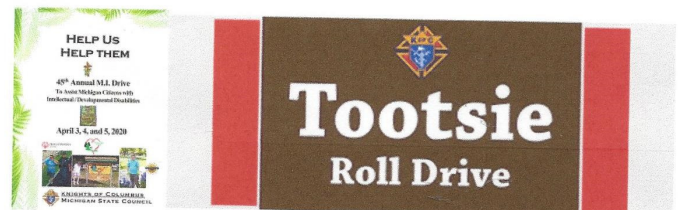
The following are the approximate times that the school uses our lot. Parking behind the hall will **NOT** be available during these times.

**DROP OFF – 8:15 AM – 9:15 AM**

**PICK UP – 3:00 PM – 4:30 PM**

**\*\*MOST IMPORTANT** - please note that there are **NO LEFT TURNS** out of our parking lot during the afternoon pickup.

## TOOTSIE ROLL DRIVE



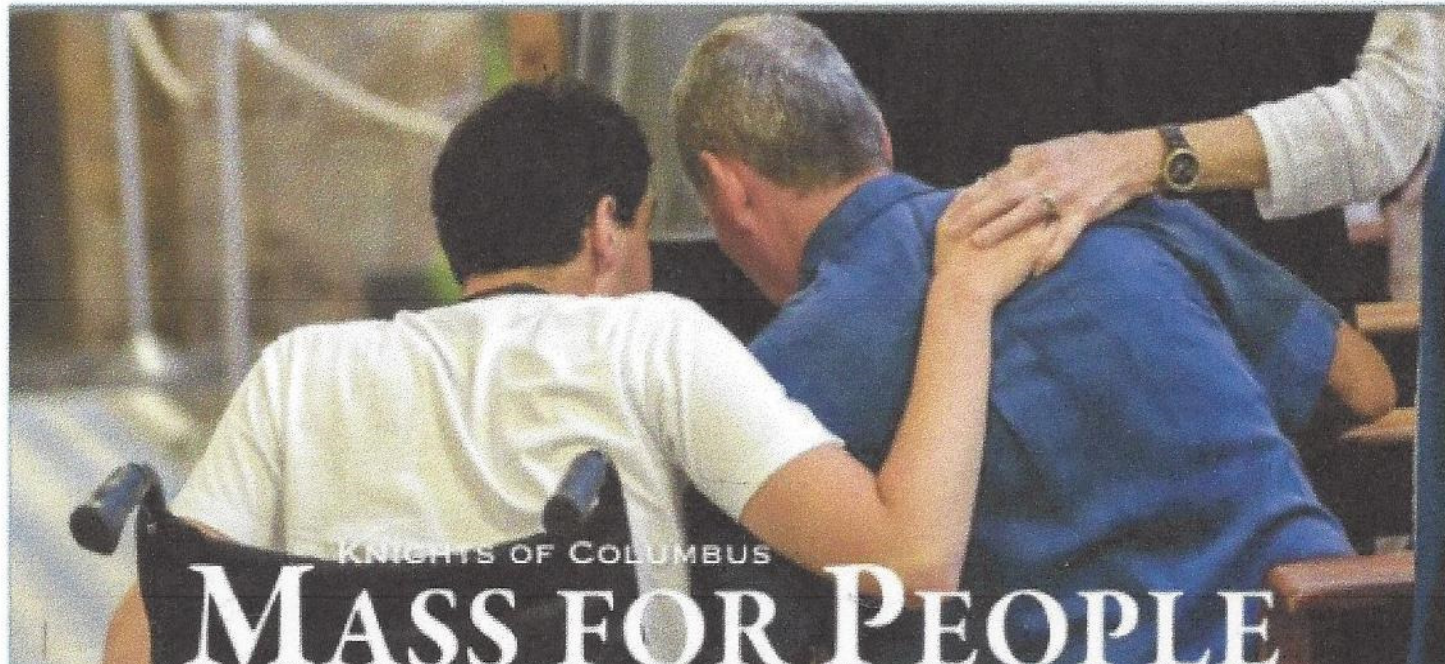
- **SIGN UP SHEETS HAVE STARTED!!**  
Email Paul, George or Joe to get signed up for this year!

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# MASS FOR PEOPLE WITH SPECIAL NEEDS



- \* St. Lawrence Church parishioners and the Knights of Columbus Council # 2950 welcome those with special needs, their family, caregivers, and friends for a mass in recognition of their gifts and compassion. All are welcome

**Saturday, March 28th, 2020 , 4:30 pm**

**St. Lawrence Church**

Reception of light refreshments in the Social Hall immediately following

## **John 9:2-3**

*"His disciples asked him, 'Rabbi, who sinned, this man or his parents, that he was born blind?'  
'Neither this man nor his parents sinned', said Jesus, 'but this happened so that the works of God may be displayed in him'".*



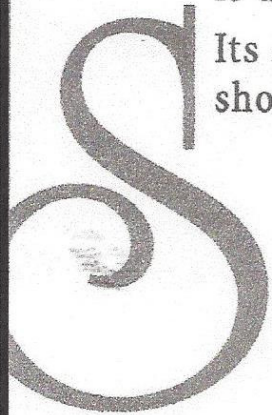
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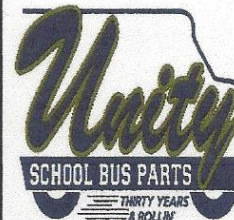
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