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# Desert Division

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## BACK FOR THE FALL TRAIN SEASON

Fall is in the air, well football is back on TV, but for those of us in the Phoenix area the fall temperatures are still a little elusive.

A lot has changed here in Desert Division and while we usually toast, out with the old and in with the new in January, new faces will be seen at the front table when we resume activities.

Both the September and October Meetings will be held in room H-1 at Paradise Valley United Methodist Church on Lincoln Dr. The November Train Auction will be held in the Fellowship Hall on November 12 and the November Train Show will be held on November 26 at the Shrine Auditorium in Phoenix.

We save the Division Treasury about \$800 a year by utilizing the smaller H-1 room for our monthly meetings rather than the larger Fellowship Hall which is the room that looks like an indoor basketball court. As long as we remain

at our current location, we will conduct all of our auctions, regardless of size, in the larger Fellowship Hall and our meetings, just down the walkway in Room H-1.

So let's get everyone caught up to date on all the Division happenings from our June Meet. Secretary Angelo Lautazi reported paid Division membership at 159 members.

That number hurts our eyes. Most of us remember membership numbers twice that high. While we can't slow the inevitable march of time, we do not need to accept this as fact or the new normal. At every train show we attend there are people interested in trains but not belonging to a "club". I always find this interesting because at most of our club meetings people aren't interested in buying or selling trains but spending time with their friends. We need to work on

### MARK YOUR CALENDAR – UPCOMING EVENTS

#### September 10 - Desert Division October Meet

8:30 AM – 10:00 AM member Only Swap, 10:00 – 11:00 AM Business Meeting  
Paradise Valley United Methodist Church Rm H-1, 4455 E Lincoln Dr, Paradise Valley, AZ 85253

#### September 17 - Rio Grande Chapter Meeting

9:30 AM meet at church then drive/carpool to Boyd Reasor's layout for running trains, lunch and fun  
Los Altos Church - Albuquerque, NM

#### October 1&2 – Rail Fair 2022

#### October 8 - Desert Division October Meet

8:30 AM member only swap – 10:00 AM Business Meeting - PVUMC, Rm H-1 Paradise Valley, AZ



establishing a more common ground on what we can do at club meetings to help bridge this gap.

Treasurer Mark Thompson gave the Treasurer report at the June meet as follows: Checking Account \$10,892, Savings \$7,133, PayPal \$3,514, and the CD is currently at \$20,129. Mark noted that the drop in checking was a result of paying the Lionel invoice and shipping for the 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Car.

Since this newsletter combines the Pizza Meet, the June Meet, along with the summer activities let's do a quick recap.

If you missed the Pizza Meet this year you missed out on some of the best Pizza we have ever had at the auction. The Pizza's this year came from Di Vito's Pizzeria at 52<sup>nd</sup> St and Thomas and the owner is a former patient of Dr. Paul's. The usual helping hands showed up to assist in the kitchen and it was nice to see Bev Locke stop by to ask some questions regarding Don's collection and to help in the kitchen. It was wonderful to hear that the majority of Don's collection was staying in the family.

The auction was an interesting mix of donation and railroadania items, including a Stoney Express ceramic model of the National Toy Train Museum which we do not see very often. A great time was had by all even if the great pizza lunch made for some sluggish bidding, but Peter Atonna worked his magic with renewed energy after winning the Hudson Hundred drawing.

The June Meet had several announcements including the results of the recently concluded Division elections. Your new Division Board of Directors are as follows; President Mike Dietrich, Vice-President John Craft, Secretary Angelo Lautazi, Treasurer Mark Thompson, With Directors Art Lies, Terry Haas, Paul Wassermann and John Zaval. The newly elected Board took office July 1<sup>st</sup>.

Chris Allen spoke of some issues with the recent 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary A-1 Beer Reefer. We ask anyone who purchased this car to take it out of the box and examine both sides of the car for paint defects and notify Chris or Peter Atonna with any issues you might see.

Rail Fair 2022 will be held at the Railroad Park on October 1 & 2 but there is a BIG BUT this year. The City of Scottsdale listed on the event agreement that there would be no overnight security. When we returned the agreement to the city, we wrote that if there was no overnight security to protect our investment of the module trailer, we would NOT participate. All the other Model Railroad Clubs have united on this single issue. Last year several layouts lost toolboxes, extension cords and other items overnight. We learned after the fact that the city was no longer providing security to cut costs. We are grateful with our fellowship with the Paradise & Pacific Club that allows us to secure our high value items overnight in their workshop, but we still have all our buildings and accessories on the layout protected only by a tablecloth, let alone the trailer itself. The city widely advertises this event that there will be model railroads on site and then does nothing to provide security when the park is closed. This is unacceptable to all the clubs who invest hundreds of volunteer manhours and their own equipment so the City of Scottsdale can have a successful event for their citizens.

Negotiations on this topic are ongoing as of this writing and might come down to the week before the event. This eerily reminds me of the time we went to the Chris Town Mall management to set the date for the modules to be part of the November kickoff to the Christmas season. There was a management change at the mall from the previous year and I was told we would be charged \$500 to use the space for the weekend. I sat there stunned saying they had the wrong idea; the Mall usually paid us \$300 to setup for the weekend. Why would we pay you to take away kiosk space during the holiday season, was the reply. As I explained that we had been invited guests for twenty years and part of the Christmas Holiday tradition at the mall and was told that nobody plays with trains at Christmas anymore. And that's how the Chris Town (newly renamed Spectrum Mall) Holiday Train Module run ended in 2002. Will the same be true for Rail Fair where we've been participating since 1979? Stay tuned.



Let's cover all the educational topics we have talked about in May and June. **Jonathan Peiffer** Talked about his recent 12-day rail trip across Canada with his wife. The trip started in the west as they boarded the Rocky Mountaineer and transferred to the VIA Rail Canadian for the remainder of the trip to Toronto. Jonathan spoke about comparing the tour guides from the two different era's and the longer times it takes to make a shorter journey; 71 hours in the 1950's to 120 hours today minus the last 350 miles to Montreal which could add another 10 hours to the trip. **Chris Allen** the Stoney Express TCA National Train Museum that was coming up in the afternoon auction. It was in perfect condition and something we don't see very often. At the June meeting. **John Zaval** spoke about the very unique postwar Lionel 6501 Jet Motor Boat that was only made for two years in the early 60's. This uncommon item is often found with a I=plugged up or missing rear nozzle where the baking soda tablets went. John's was in very good+ condition. **Angelo Lautazi** spoke about the thought process and production woes of the 2009 Fast Eddy's smoking salsa car. The planning for the car was several years before the convention and the brainstorming was right after Rio Grande Chapter was formed. Both Marty Wik and Angelo wanted to give a nod to the Chapter and tossed about either Green Chili's or a salsa Tank Car. They wanted to install a smoke unit in the tank car dome and Angelo had the correspondence from

MTH about the problems they were facing. Of course the production people at MTH overcame the problems and shortly after MTH began putting smoke units in not only Tank Cars but came out with the Coor's Silver Bullet Express. To wrap up the "Hot" theme for June **Chris Allen** had his Lionel Hot Rod GP-9 Series I diesel. Chris runs it on occasion and has it as one of his favorite shelf queens.

Raffle Prize winners for May in no particular order: Hudson ticket Peter Atonna, Lionel AT&SF Box Car Johnathan Peiffer, Lionel B&O Box Car Nick Schnakenberg, K Line Reading Box Car Sam McElwee, K Line NYC Caboose Angelo Lautazi, Rail King Semaphore Gordon Wilson, Rail King Sheriff's Bus Steve Bienstock. Making Desert Division History was Peter Atonna who has bought Hudson tickets for decades and never won, he came close this month by winning the Hudson Hundred something he has not done in since we moved from the Jaycees Hall.

For June the raffle prize winners were: Hudson Ticket Christie Wilson, Lionel B&O Hopper Jim McDonald, Rail King Sawmill John Upshur, tinsplate tunnel Ralph Treichel, K-Line Tank Car, Intermodal Truck and trailer Christie Wilson. Somebody who got up thinking they won a hopper only to find they had the numbers wrong was surprised when instead they won the Hudson Hundie. Bill Lazenby couldn't wait to call his friends and spread the news of his fortune



The Volunteers who make it happen Kay Vokac, Barbara Lautazi, Eva Upshur, and special helper Bev Locke



Sam McElwee agrees that this is some of the best pizza we've ever served at the Meet



## **TCA Desert Division BOD Meeting – June 11, 2022**

Before the Meeting was called to order the votes for the Division Board of Directors election were tabulated in the presence of all interested parties at the Paradise Valley United Methodist Church. The election results will be recorded in the minutes and reported to the membership during the business meeting to follow.

The meeting was called to order at 8:35 AM at Paradise Valley United Methodist Church

In Attendance; Chris Allen, Mike Dietrich, Angelo Lautazi, Mark Thompson, and Steve Bienstock

**Approval of Previous Meetings Minutes** – The minutes from the previous meeting were approved.

**Secretary's Report** - Angelo reported that membership stands at 159 paid members.

**Treasurers Report** - Treasurer Mark Thompson reported that the Savings Account is \$7,133.92 and Checking is \$10,892.66, CD Account 20,129.83 and PayPal with \$3,514.49.

### **Old Business:**

**50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Car Update** - There has been a few reports of some paint defects on the A-1 Beer Car. All instances should be reported to Lionel so they can refund money back to the Club. At a buyer's request we will either replace or refund their money. There is a limited amount to cars that are available for replacement.

**Pizza Meet Results** - There were no additional lots provided by club members. Attendance was only about 30 people. Auction results were pretty good considering the poor attendance.

### **New Business:**

**Desert Division Election Results** - Division Elections Results – President- Mike Dietrich, VicePres- John Craft, Treasurer- Mark Thompson, Secretary- Angelo Lautazi, Directors- Paul Wassermann, Terry Haas and John Zaval. The new board takes office July 1<sup>st</sup>.

**Christmas Party:** – The date for the Christmas Party will be Sunday December 11. Several options remain to be worked out but we hope to return to the Elks Lodge and possibly cater the event since they no longer employ a full time chef.

**Division Bylaws** - We need to start the process of amending the By-laws to have the Club's election cycle go back to the calendar year.

**Rail Fair 2022** – will be held October 1 & 2 at McCormick-Stillman Railroad Park. The club will only participate if the City of Scottsdale provides overnight security Friday and Saturday evening.

**Desert Division Train Show 2022:** – We need to begin registration for the November Train Show at the Shrine Hall. Tables will be \$30. Chris will act as Meet Chairman for this year since his term is over July 1<sup>st</sup>. We need to find a new location for the 2023 show as the Shrine Hall rental has become too expensive.

**Spring Picnic 2023** - Mike will need to confirm with Bill Lazenby for him reserving the ramada for the 2023 spring picnic. The date will be April 1, 2023

**Board Appreciation Dinner** – The Board decided to return to the no-host Board Dinner next February. We will need to find a location and date for the dinner.

**Adjournment:** Meeting was adjourned at 9:25 AM. The next Board meeting is scheduled to be on September 7, 2022, at the home of Angelo Lautazi

Minutes submitted by: Secretary, Angelo Lautazi



## Presidents Message

Friends,

Happy new year. Yes, it's a new year for the Desert Division as the new Board of Directors and approach our first meeting. We have a mix of new and familiar faces to the board: Mike Dietrich - President, John Craft - Vice President, Mark Thompson - Treasurer, Angelo Lautazi - Secretary, Paul Wasserman, Terry Haas, and John Zaval - Directors, and Art Lites, President Rio Grande Chapter.

As your President, I'm both humbled and honored to help guide such a passionate and dedicated group of colleagues and friends. No message would be complete without the sincerest thank you to Chris Allen. He is a colleague, mentor, and friend and without his leadership over the past eight years (as president) we would not be as successful as we are today. He remains deeply active with the club (despite his protests) as your Newsletter Editor, and he works closely with Paul on the auctions and the train show. He also helps remind me of what the heck I should be doing next. I think he's learned that once you're in you can never get out...and we are all the better for it!

The temperature as I write this is hovering around 110, so the heat is on once again and the activities for the Desert Division are heating up too! We have a lot of business to attend to this fall including a vote on our proposed bylaws to move the election cycle *back* to the old date of January 1<sup>st</sup> as this makes more sense for our division as we take the summer off just as we transition officers.

The first event, well *maybe* event, is Railfair at the McCormick-Stillman Railroad

Park on Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup>. We are working with the City of Scottsdale regarding venue security for the event to see if we are going to run the module. We will keep you posted regarding the details as soon as we are able to confirm our participation. Regardless of module activity, it's a great event for everyone. and as it was moved earlier in October. With the move from the second weekend in October to the first, it doesn't conflict with our October meeting! The Board is actively planning the year, in addition to Railfair we have our November auction on November 12<sup>th</sup>. Be sure to pick up your catalog for this great auction at the meeting in September or October! We are also gearing up for the Turkey Meet Train Show (11/26) at the Shrine Hall in Phoenix. We had a great public turn out last year and anticipate even more as we put the pandemic in the rear view. Flyers will be available soon, so watch the newsletter and website for table sales and other details. Finally, be on the lookout for details regarding the Christmas Party (12/11) as Angelo and Barbara and their planning committee promise another memorable event.

September/Labor Day meeting theme: Let's celebrate the train or train related activity you worked the hardest to acquire or do. Give us your best "up hill both ways in the snow for this train" stories, trains, and/or pictures.

I hope to see you at the meeting and at our outstanding event.



### DESERT DIVISION BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2022-2024

President:	Mike Dietrich	623-572-3538	Directors:	Art Lites	505-463-1951
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Treasurer:	Mark Thompson	307-631-4474		John Zaval	602-843-4909



## RIO GRANDE CHAPTER'S LAST MEETING



**Jim Trevor with a Scooby Doo Train set from 1996**



**Greg Palmer had several items on display including this M10000 add-on car**



**John Trevor had two variations of the Lionel Minuteman Operating Box Cars**



**Everett Hagan had several Menards Flat Cars with loads including this one with a Delivery Truck**



**Chris Wieclaw won the latest raffle for the gift card**



**Scott Eckstein invited everyone to join him for the 2926 Steam-Up following the meeting**





## **TCA Rio Grande Chapter News**

**By Art Lites TCA 97-44623**



We have not had a chapter meeting since May; but your board has been busy. As you remember, we decided to do our yearly raffle because it has been at least three years since we updated our e-mail list. To explain to our new members. We get an e-mail address on every entry. With this list, we can publicize our Pumpkin meet. This also gives us a way to interact with the public and add new members.

This year we are giving away a new Lionel Polar Express set. We purchased this set in July when prices are low, and we have started selling raffle tickets. At the same time, we are handing out flyers for the Pumpkin Meet. The drawing will be at the Pumpkin Meet October 29<sup>th</sup> located at the Netherwood Park Church 5101 Indian School Rd NE, Albuquerque, NM 87110. This year we are doing something different that is we are donating the profits to the Wheels Museum. At this point people seem more anxious to donate knowing that this benefits the community.

In partnering with the Wheels, we will be gaining access to their extensive e-mail list which further promotes our club. We will be handing out flyers at the State Fair HO train display. We will be selling raffle tickets at the 2926 Open House, and we will be at Wheels and the adjacent Rail Yard Market one Sunday in September and one Sunday in October. This brings me to what I need from all members. You should have my e-mail about needing help in selling raffle tickets and running trains at the Wheels Museum. Your board cannot do it all. We have spent many hours on the planning and preparation. All I am asking is a couple of hours on your part. If we are to

move the club forward, we need your help. If you need flyers, please let me know.

Let me give you a little more information about the Pumpkin Meet. We get the church at a bargain price which allows us to pass the savings on to the vendors. However, the space is limited. So, if you are a vendor, get your application in NOW. By the way, I am expecting the attendance, to be at least twice what we have seen in the past because we are reaching 10x the number of people.

A word about membership, I have been asked about where to recruit new members. I have found that car guys and those interested in antiques are often train collectors. The real key is to talk about your hobby with friends and other organizations. If there is interest, invite them to a meeting. Better yet, get them to fill out an application.

Next year we have some exciting plans. Starting next year, we will be meeting at the Wheels. This will give you a chance to operate your trains on the large layout. Also planned, will be meeting at some multi-generation centers. Additionally, we will take some field trips. Did you know there was a once railroad running out of Bernalillo? What do you know about the Belen Yards? I just found out there is a toy train museum in Hurley NM. All of these are potential trips.

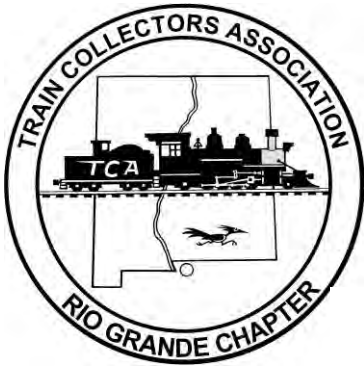
Speaking of meetings, our next meeting will be September 17<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 AM. The location is The Los Altos Christian Church, 11900 Haines NE, Albuquerque, NM. Somebody attending will be getting \$100 in gift cards for local dining. You will be able to dine out for free. So be there or be left out.

Happy railroading - *Art*

### **RIO GRANDE CHAPTER BOARD OF DIRECTORS 2022-2023**

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## DIVISION MEET PHOTOS



**You can tell it's June, Where's the buyers?**



**As Nick Schnakenberg found out, things were quiet on both sides of the hall**



**John Zaval talking about the Lionel postwar 6501 Jet Motor Boat from his collection**



**Angelo Lautazi talking about the 2009 Hot Eddy's Smoking Tank Car and how it all came about**



**Chris Allen with his Hot Rod GP-9**



**Everyone was all smiles, especially Bill Lazenby who pocketed the Hudson Hundred. Two more drawings remain. Will you be next?**



## 50<sup>th</sup> ANNIVERSARY A-1 BEER CAR SPECIAL RAFFLE

So, you didn't buy the Desert Division 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Beer Reefer because they were too expensive. How would you like to get one for \$5.00? That's not a typo, you can own your Made in USA Lionel A-1 Beer Reefer for only \$5, but (and you knew there was going to be a but) your ticket will need to be drawn. BUT, (there's always a bigger BUT), you will have a one in ten chance of winning since we are only selling ten tickets. Not bad odds,

and when the 10<sup>th</sup> ticket is sold we will do the raffle. No waiting until the end of the meet. One last caveat, we want this to be fun and we do not want somebody walking in buying all the tickets and getting the car for \$50 so we are limiting a maximum of two tickets per person. We'll try this in September and if it is successful, we'll bring it back for October. Who knows, you just might get a \$85 dollar Anniversary Car for \$5.00.



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## MORE PIZZA MEETZA PHOTOS



So, who was the happiest person at the Pizza Meet? It was probably this guy. No, not the guy on the left who had to play Treasurer since Mark Thompson was away, but Auctioneer Peter Atonna who won the Hudson Hundred.



Some of the Railroadania items including many beautiful drawings and artwork went under the hammer at the Pizza Auction and found new homes



## I T'S BEEN A BLAST

By Chris Allen HE95-40580

What do you say after spending almost eight years as President of Desert Division? Thank you, thank you all!

It goes without saying that without any of your support this would have been a very difficult journey and I would not have had all the fun I have had.

During both of my terms as **Division President I've had the** privilege of working with many dedicated Officers, Committee Chairs and of course just regular members who step up to the plate and pitch hit whenever we need them.

Many of these members go unnoticed in their commitment to serving **you and quite often it's the President that get's the credit when it's all the** behind-the-scenes players that did all the work.

When you think of Division Secretary many of us automatically think of the long term that Christie Wilson filled that position. Do you realize that with his election last month, Angelo Lautazi will surpass Christie as the longest serving Secretary in Desert Division history?

Of course it will take quite some **feat to surpass Bob Herman's tenure**. Bob served as treasurer during both my stints as Division President.

Interestingly, Steve Bienstock also served during both my tenures as Division President as a Director back during my first term **in the early 2000's** and again most recently. Besides serving as Director and Election Chair on numerous occasions, Steve helped get our Bylaws in order so that we could become incorporated and become a 501c3 Non-profit.

Our annual Christmas Party has been handled by so many dedicated members and spouse for decades, it has

almost become its own machine. The list of names is endless as some fall off others join in. As a President, I can only tell you, year after year, how truly blessed I am to have these wonderful people work so hard all year long for our enjoyment at a single afternoon event.

Of course any mention of long-term volunteer commitment to the Division would not be complete with out acknowledging Mr. Desert Division himself, Peter Atonna.

How many hats has Peter worn **over the years? I couldn't even begin to** count. I abuse our friendship continually asking him to come up with another fundraiser to help the bottom line, bounce ideas off him, or open an email **and here's a suggestion from him. While** he is synonymous with Desert Division auctions going back to their very beginning, his willingness to share information has broadened my knowledge and my enjoyment of this hobby.

The problem with writing a note like this is all the unsung heroes that I do not have space for or easily overlook because you are always there when duty calls.

You have all been my teachers, friends and inspiration. To me this hobby has always been more than just the trains themselves but all the stories and experiences we have shared together. I have been welcomed in your home, shared meals and drinks and come to know each other along the way.

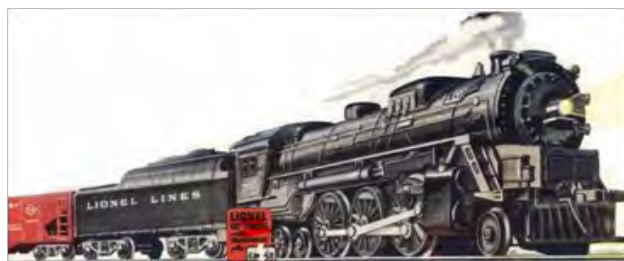
I look forward to remaining active within the Division helping out wherever I can. I consider myself so blessed to have all of **you as part of my life's journey.**

*Chris*





**TCA DESERT DIVISION ANNUAL  
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**\*\*DEADLINE FOR AD's – THIRD SATURDAY OF THE MONTH \*\***



## THE BACK PAGE – MORE FROM THE PIZZA MEET



No matter how you slice it, if you missed the Meet, you missed a treat



The owner of De Vito's Pizzeria, Amin Kahlil, helping load up the pies. What a find for our future Pizzas!



Beverly Locke showed up as a guest and rolled up her sleeves and helped serve the members



Some of the members enjoying the free Pizza before the afternoon auction



### DIVISION MEET LOCATION

Paradise Valley United Methodist Church  
**FELLOWSHIP HALL FOR THE PIZZA MEET**

4455 E Lincoln Dr, Paradise Valley, AZ 85253

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# **Tucson Toy Train and Collectible Show**

**Sunday November 13, 2022 9am-2pm**



**This show will be at the Gadsden Pacific Toy Train Museum**

***3975 N. Miller Ave, Tucson***

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# Tucson Arizona-Toy Train Show

Gadsden-Pacific Fall Meet **Sunday November 13, 2022**  
[www.gpdtoytrainmuseum.com](http://www.gpdtoytrainmuseum.com)

**Pre-Registration Tables:** \$20.00

**Location:** Tucson, AZ-Gadsden Pacific Toy Train Museum Parking Lot-3975 N. Miller, Tucson, AZ 85705

**Set-Up Time:** Set up: 7:00 am Tables are 6 feet long. Vendor areas will be set up so that 10'x10' tents can be used. We encourage you to bring your own chair. Very limited electrical drops are available= \$5.00

**Doors open for the public:**

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*Please contact Jeff Swanson @ 520-310-1392 with any questions.*

Tucson AZ-Toy Train Show	<b>November 13, 2022</b>
Name:	Mailing Address:
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Phone:	Check Number: Enclosed \$: # of Tables:
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