



What*s Happening

MAIN LINE UNITARIAN CHURCH

May 2010

MLUC MEMBER RECEIVES AWARD

Elected officials and top environmentalists from across the state attended a luncheon on Wednesday, April 14, to honor Charles Eugene Wilson Jr., 87, a former DuPont executive and pioneering environmentalist, and long-time MLUC member, with the Gene Wilson Award. The luncheon was organized by Chester County Citizens for Climate Protection (4CP), an environmental group Wilson helped found in 2007. His initiatives, commitment, and dedication to a healthy environment were recognized at the award luncheon. Congratulations, Gene!

NATIONALITIES SERVICE CENTER NEWS

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Join us for an outing to the zoo with refugee families from Nationalities Service Center (NSC) on Saturday, May 15. Bring your family and a picnic lunch and help host these families for a fun afternoon. All ages are welcome. For details contact Lorle Wolfson (wolfsonlb@comcast.com) or Mimi Collins.

The enthusiasm and hard work of MLUCers who have participated in the weekly service trips to organize donations is greatly appreciated at NSC. Generous donations have been made which have enabled two clients to start small business ventures, one with a pair of barber's scissors and another with a sewing machine. The family of a deceased Church member donated enough furniture from the estate to completely furnish an apartment for a newly arrived family. Wheeled walkers were donated to the Senior Center which has enabled residents there to have more mobility. Blankets were donated that kept folks warm in a very cold February.

All have had a major impact on the lives of the recipients. We are eager to do more. Expanded activities could include collecting donations on the Main Line and delivering them to Church, shopping for new arrivals and setting up their apartments, and organizing special events. Do good, feel good. If interested, contact us today!

WHO WE ARE

Main Line Unitarian Church is a diverse and caring religious community engaged in a liberating ministry of spiritual growth, human compassion, and universal justice.

At our church we:
embrace all people, regardless of age, race, ability, politics, financial situation, or sexual orientation; encourage and nurture every individual in his or her own search for meaning in life; and commit to serve local and world communities in promoting peace, social justice, and responsible stewardship of the earth.



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RUMINATIONS



Rev. Dr. Justin Osterman
Senior Minister

May is historically significant for Unitarian Universalists. Before the merger of the American Unitarian Association and the Universalist Church of America in 1961, Unitarians gathered annually for their "May Meetings." The union with the Universalists was discussed and, finally, approved at these May Meetings.

MLUC is a self-governing institution, but also a member congregation of the Unitarian Universalist Association (UUA), the body formed by the 1961 merger. The UUA's annual General Assembly (GA) is held each June (this year in Minneapolis, MN, June 23-27).

MLUC has a proud history of supporting the UUA. We pay annual dues to be a member congregation and are entitled to send delegates to represent our community at GA. Significant changes are being considered within the UUA, regarding the future of GA (both the frequency and substance of meetings) and also how the UUA governs itself. The coming years may bring major changes in our national Association's structure and relationship with its member congregations.

I recommend GA to you. The experience of spending five days with thousands of other Unitarian Universalists is quite special. You can learn more about GA by visiting the UUA website (www.uua.org). If you are interested in attending GA, then talk with me, Rev. Roshaven, or a member of our congregation's Board of Trustees. We will celebrate our Unitarian Universalist heritage and membership in the UUA during our "Association Sunday" service on May 2. Plan to attend our service and learn more about our larger faith and MLUC's place in it.

Yours in faith,
Rev. Justin Osterman

CRAIG'S COLUMN



Rev. Craig C. Roshaven
Associate
Minister

One of my sources of inspiration is Wendell Berry. Berry is an author who lives and writes on his farm in Kentucky and teaches at the University of Kentucky. His fiction is most often set in the fictional small town of Port William, Kentucky, which he has been writing about for more than 30 years.

It was through his non-fiction, though, that Berry first came to my attention. With titles such as *Sex, Economy, Freedom and Community*, his 11th collection of essays, it is easy to see he doesn't shy away from the big issues.

One of his central themes is that our global economy is destroying not only our local economies but our local communities. He writes, "The great, greedy, indifferent national and international economy is killing rural America, just as it is killing American cities . . . Experience has shown that there is no use in appealing to this economy for mercy toward the earth or toward any human community. All true patriots must find ways of opposing it."

I find myself inspired, challenged, and discomfited by his ideas. I deeply enjoyed reading *Fidelity*, a collection of five short stories set in Port William and expect to read it again. He has also written seven novels and ten books of poetry. Apparently the hymnbook commission shared my appreciation for Berry as four of the readings in the back of the hymnal are from him.

The next time you are in church, you might want to look them up under the index of authors in the back of the hymnal.

Yours in a shared faith,
Rev. Craig Roshaven

REFLECTIONS FROM "DR. DRE"



Sandra Greenfield
Interim Director of
Religious Education

As your interim, my job is to ask questions. During the first part of my tenure, I've asked the "why" and "what" questions. "Why do you provide coming of age at 7th grade?" "Why do you offer OWL during church school time?" "Why are the children divided into two age groups for worship?" "Why are you offering Popcorn Theology for the senior youth?" "What did family ministry mean to you?" "Why is the adult program called 'Faith Development' and the children/youth program called 'Education'?"

Now I am asking the "what if" or the "what would it look like" questions. "What if all the children and youth start their morning with the adults in worship?" "What if the curriculum is set aside for another way to experience religious growth?" "What if new parents spend time learning Unitarian Universalism instead of teaching in RE?" "What would it look like if we could 'do' church all together instead of separately?"

Contemporary educational theory looks to outcomes. So what would an 18-year-old who grows up at MLUC look like? What experiences as a member of this community would he or she need? What would have prepared him or her to be a young UU adult?

Any change starts with imagination. It starts with imagining how the change will FEEL. What will it feel like when what you hope for as a multigenerational community is realized?

In faith,
Sandra Greenfield

SUNDAY SERVICES

MAY 2: "THE FUTURE OF OUR FAITH"

Rev. Dr. Justin Osterman

Music: Justin Solonyka, piano

This morning we will celebrate our Unitarian Universalist heritage and focus on its promise for the future. This is our annual "Association Sunday" in support of the Unitarian Universalist Association, of which our congregation is a member.

MAY 9: "COMING OF AGE"

Sandra Greenfield, Interim Director of Religious Education

Music: Members of the Coming of Age Class

Our 7th grade Coming of Age class will present their thoughtful answers to life's big questions in their credo statements and Sandra Greenfield will reflect on this rite of passage for our youth, their families, and this congregation.

MAY 16: "MUSIC SUNDAY"

Rev. Craig C. Roshaven

Music: Dr. Vincent Craig, MLUC Choir

The Adult Choir will perform the Mass in G Major, by Franz Schubert. Our Music Director, Dr. Vincent Craig, will speak about Schubert as a composer of sacred music.

MAY 23: "THE TEMPTATION TO TRUST"

Rev. Dr. Justin Osterman

Music: Robin Hegvik, flute

The past 40 years in America have seen the gradual erosion of trust, among the citizenry, in institutions. Religious institutions, particularly of late, have done little to counteract that trend. Yet, at heart, most people want to be trusting of others. This morning we will consider "trust," given, received, earned, and lost.

MAY 30: "WHAT HAVE YOU HEARD LATELY?"

Rev. Dr. Justin Osterman

Music: Dr. Vincent Craig, piano

The world is full of sounds and voices, some of which we notice and attend to and others of which we try to block out. Even when we do hear something, we do not always listen. It's worth reflecting on the difference between hearing and really listening.

MEDIA SERVICES SUPPORT

If you are organizing an event at MLUC that requires a microphone, complete sound system, or the digital projector system, please do not assume that it will automatically be taken care of by church staff. Therefore, after making the room reservation with the church office, please contact Media Services by completing and faxing a Media Services Support Request Form found by the church office door or e-mailing Peter McDowell (peter.mcdowell@verizon.net) and providing details of your request. This is very important, particularly if you were accustomed to having the McGinness Room or Main Meeting Room set up for you.

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Unitarian Universalist Service Committee's JustWorks camps are short-term intergenerational projects that help volunteers examine and understand the root causes and damaging effects of injustice. Following are the two camps slated for this year. Minimum age to participate is 16:

Building Justice: A week-long (June 12-20) work camp in Minneapolis, MN. Pick up a hammer and help renovate a home for one family while learning and reflecting about the causes of poverty and homelessness. For details, go to http://www.uusc.org/content/building_justice_2010.

2010 Freedom Summer: A Civil Rights journey; an inspiring intergenerational trip (July 10-17) that will take you to sites of significance in the U.S. civil rights movement. For details, visit http://www.uusc.org/content/freedom_summer_civil_rights_journey_2010.

Or we can plan our own. Are we ready for that?

RACIAL JUSTICE TASK FORCE

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Cinema 2 Make U Think, the new film series co-sponsored with Adult RE presents *First Person Plural*, on Friday, May 21, at 7:30 p.m. in the McGinness Room. Hiro Nishikawa will facilitate the post viewing discussion. This film involves Deann Borshay Liem, a trans-racial adoptee from Korea, who came to California as Cha Jung Hee and grew up American. Her life in California almost obliterated her memory of her birth family, but recurring dreams led Deann to rediscover her birth mother and bravely reunite her Korean and California families.

Her heartfelt journey is a poignant essay on family, loss, and the reconciling of two identities. This film is not rated and will be of special interest to multi-racial families. For information contact Hiro Nishikawa.

Racial Task Force meetings are calendared for the third Sunday of the month. The next meeting will be on Sunday, May 16, at 12:30 p.m. All are invited. Please contact John Juzbasich for information.

NEWS FROM VÁRFALVA

The Partner Church Committee has learned that Reverends Mónika and László Sipos, the ministers of our partner church in Várfalva, have resigned from the leadership of that congregation. We are saddened by this news because we have had a productive partnership with them for the last two years. All of the members of the MLUC 2008 Pilgrimage to Transylvania have been very impressed with the dedication of these two pastors to the Unitarian community in Várfalva. However, now they feel it is necessary to leave that congregation in order to further their pastoral growth.

Here's an excerpt from their letter: "In the congregation's behalf we thank you for your support for the Sunday School, the support sent for the students and the congregation. And we are praying you for further support for these people, because most of them really need it. Me and my family, we thank you for your support, but mostly for the dearest memories and friendships, we certainly won't forget you."

We will miss them and wish them the best for their future. We also hope that our relationships with future ministers in Várfalva will be as warm and effective as we had with the Siposes.

SPIRITS AND SPIRITUALITY

Have you ever had what you believe was a psychic experience? Have you ever thought that you have a Guardian Angel or Spirit Guide? Have you felt or seen a non-physical presence or had what you think was an out-of-body experience? If so, you'd like to talk with others about it because many of these experiences are fascinating, fun, exciting, and sometimes profound enough to be life-altering. Even though you know that there is growing interest in these phenomena, odds are you haven't discussed your experience for fear of being labeled a bit strange, if not outright loony!

There is another reason why the subject of Human and Ethereal Spirits may intrigue you. Some of us have the feeling that there is much more to life than what we are told and we sense that looking to spiritual fulfillment leads us down this path.

The stigma attached with this genre has been waning slowly. However, our society is now more accepting and open to conversation about it. A gathering is being planned, perhaps in late spring, for those interested in sharing their experiences, learning about "the veil" between the physical and non-physical realms, and exchanging views about the connection between spirits and spirituality. This will be a relaxed, confidential, informative, and entertaining get-together. (Please note that this will *not* be a forum for expressing skepticism regarding the validity of such experiences.) If you would like to attend, please contact Peter McDowell (peter.mcdowell@verizon.net; 610-525-5991). MLUC adult members only, please.

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General Assembly (GA), the annual meeting of our Unitarian Universalist Association, will be held this year in Minneapolis, MN, June 23-27. This event is definitely not to be missed!

In our church on Sunday morning, we come together with a few hundred congregants at a time. At GA, thousands of UU's gather in one place, to worship together, sing the uplifting songs we know so well, and hear the deeply inspiring words of some of our denomination's most gifted ministers.

Two delegates described their experience last year as: "Totally worth the investment of our time and money ... We were intensely engaged in small and large groups, on diverse topics with wonderful presenters ranging from the practical, to the highly intellectual and spiritually grounded; from theology and worship to social justice and action, to religious education ... you name it ... we're UU's!"

There are special activities for children, youth, and young adults. And of course, informal socializing with folks from near and far, who share our faith and our values. To get inspired, visit www.uua.org/ga.

Registration and housing are available online. Contact Dave VanOcker (cvmvan@comcast.net) to learn more about being a delegate, and join our MLUC contingent heading to Minneapolis in June.

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

Please extend a warm welcome to our new members:

Daniel DiLucchio, Joyce Alexander, Deirdre Gordon, Rebecca Polss, Shannon Rutberg, Matthew Rutberg, Gary Crowe, Marie-Pierre Crowe, Andrea Groppe, Chris Groppe, Kathy Antaki, Rick Rickert, Willetta Silva, Lisa Citron Taglang, Matthew Taglang, Tara Eames, Rob Eames, Eric Zajac, Jennifer Zajac, Rachel Canterino, Christopher Canterino, and Rachel Warner.

PROPHETIC RE RADICALS: GENERATING A COMMUNITY OF FAITH-FILLED UUs

Imagine inspiring and progressive lifelong learning that spans the generations at MLUC! On Saturday, May 1, a summit of religious education leaders and cutting-edge thinkers from the denomination will help us to do just that! Together we will become "Prophetic RE Radicals."

ALL YOUTH AND ADULTS are invited to take the first steps on the pathway to a generation of lifelong UUs who live in an awe-inspiring way. Mark May 1 on your calendars! More details on this half-day event at MLUC will follow.

BUILDING TOUR FOR NEW MEMBERS

Have you joined the church in the last several years? Are you still not sure which room is the Wonder Room, the McGinness Room, or the Greeley Library? Then this tour is for you. The Membership Committee will be offering a building tour on Sunday, May 23, following the 11:00 a.m. service. Grab your coffee and meet your guide in front of the Visitor's Table. Come and learn how we bought this property for \$45,000 in 1961, and what happened when the church was destroyed by fire in 1990. Child care will be provided. Older children are welcome on the tour if they are interested.

NEWS FROM THE VISUAL ARTS COMMITTEE

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Antique Map Exhibit

MLUC member John Smith's collection of antique maps will be in Fireside Room through Sunday, May 2.

All Church Members Art Show and Gala - May 2010

The Gala will include music, food, and drink, a raffle of "artsy" items, and the excitement of sharing and seeing the wonderful art that members of our congregation are so capable of producing. So get your art ready to share with all of us. Whatever you create – photography, painting, fabric art, ceramics, found object art, jewelry, printmaking, or any other visual art form – is welcome. Take in is on Sunday, May 2, and the Gala is on **Friday, May 7 (please note change in date)**.

ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Listed below are the Adult Religious Education offerings for May. For a full description, please pick up a brochure at the Welcome Table, or download it from the church Web site at: <http://www.mluc.org>, and click Adult Religious Education:

Becoming a Healthier Congregation

Thursday, May 6, 7:30 p.m.

Health is a process. It is an ongoing process that is dynamic and ever changing. Healthy congregations have the wisdom to handle the tensions and stresses that are present in every organization. Join Rev. Craig Roshaven, Adele Cox, and the Committee on Ministry as we study how leaders in another church responded to stress and conflict in ways that promoted health and in ways that did not.

The Story of Meaning and the Meaning of Story

Monday, May 17, 7:30 p.m.

Rev. Craig C. Roshaven

In his book, *Congregation: Stories and Structures*, using Frye's settings, James F. Hopewell categorized Western religion into four basic types: the canonic, the gnostic, the romantic, and the empiric. Where do Unitarian Universalists fit in this schema?

Topical Conversations With the Senior Minister

Tuesday, May 18, 7:30 to 9:00 p.m.

"Making Peace With Our Religious Past and Our Families in the Present"

One of the difficulties of embracing a new faith can be explaining our decision to our families. Whether we are explaining how our new "church" honors Passover or how our new congregation celebrates Easter without believing that Jesus was "the Christ," religious conversations with our families can be challenging. Very often, family gatherings can be difficult occasions as we are forced to confront religious differences that we have with our families of origin. We will discuss this subject and how we can love our families, even as we embrace a new faith for ourselves.

Cinema 2 Make U Think

First Person Plural

Friday, May 21, 7:30 p.m.

Facilitator: Hiro Nishikawa

The story of a girl adopted from Korea in 1966 at the age of nine by the Borshays, a family in California.

Stories, Truthfulness, and Tragedy

Monday, May 24, 7:30 p.m.

Rev. Craig C. Roshaven

Come join us as we consider the basic types of story and the tragic inevitability of self-deception when recounting one's own story.

CHURCH SCHOOL NEWS:

TEACHER SPOTLIGHT

Gail Burgess, Chair

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Teacher spotlight: Pat Jordan.

Fondest memory: Seeing my daughter for the first time.

Why I teach Church School: As an actor and independent contractor, the most valuable contribution I can make to my Church is through my abilities, so I say "Yes" whenever I can.

Number of years teaching at MLUC:

In 1981, when Bianca was three years old, I participated in the Church School as a teacher. Since then, I have organized many youth drama workshops, shows, presentations, and most recently, directed the drama portion of MLUC's four rotation projects.

Best teaching moment: One holiday season I directed "The Second Shepherd's Play" with several youth members. The actors were great fun and so was Musical Director, Ron Hockenberry.

How long have you been a UU: Since 1980.

Biggest teaching challenge: Keeping the balance between having fun and being disciplined.

What I do when not teaching: I have been writing for many years and it gives me great pleasure. Three anthologies of my plays have been published by Players Press and a book of monologues for elementary to high school students will be out soon. I've written four introductions to new releases of classic plays for college-level students for D'Arts Pubs and to my great delight, *If Walls Could Talk: The Story of Laurel Hill Mansion*, which I wrote and directed, has just premiered and been aired.

Favorite musician: Puccini.

Advice for potential teachers: Don't lose your passion.



PHILLY GAY PRIDE DAY PARADE: SUNDAY, JUNE 13

Let's show our MLUC rainbow colors! Sign-up to participate on Sundays, May 23 and June 6, or at the poster in the Atrium any time until Wednesday, June 9. The Parade (1.3 miles, about 1 hour) starts at noon in the Philadelphia "Gayborhood."

The Gay Pride festival, following the parade, will be at Penn's Landing until 6:00 p.m. MLUC will need volunteers to supervise the tables and hand out literature, but you won't miss the Parade which is free to walk or watch. Tickets for the festival are \$10 at the gate or \$6.75 if ordered by Sunday, May 30. We will arrange carpools to Philadelphia and there will be a shuttle between the Gayborhood and Penn's Landing. Guaranteed to be fun! Contact Ann Hiller (annie2sail@comcast.net; 610-644-5452) for details.

GET TO KNOW JAN CAUFFMAN, MLUC PARISH NURSE



Tell us about your family: I live in Malvern with my husband, George, and two sons, George (18) and Will (16). Both boys attend Westtown School. George (son) is heading to Washington and Lee University at the end of the summer and Will is going to begin boarding at Westtown this fall. So, the house will be quiet! Anticipating this, (plus tuition costs) it was apparent that the time had come for me to return to my beloved profession of nursing.

What do you like to do for fun? I've been a beekeeper for 15 years and care for 20-25 colonies of honeybees. I enjoy tending the bees, our garden, and our flock of 22 pastured laying hens. I love to hike, bike, read, and nap! I also play the Celtic harp, piano, bowed psaltery and hope to learn the mountain dulcimer. Our family began a project four years ago of restoring an old farm in Berks County near Hawk Mountain Sanctuary. Together, we have enjoyed bringing the old homestead back to life and dream of having a diversified farm that produces lots of wholesome, tasty, growing things. For now, we like to sit on the front porch and recover from our labors!

What do you enjoy about being a nurse? As a nurse, it is a privilege when someone trusts you enough to invite you into their lives when they are feeling vulnerable and maybe a bit frightened. To be able to provide helpful information, encouragement, and support during a time of need is immensely fulfilling.

RETIRED MEN'S GROUP LUNCHEON

The next luncheon will be held on Wednesday, May 12, at noon in the Fireside Room. Our speaker will be our own Dr. Vincent Craig who will liven our day with a talk on ragtime music, with emphasis on the contribution of Scott Joplin as well as excerpts from some tunes. It will be great fun! Please let Martin Stevens (mhstevens1@verizon.net; 610-240-8671, daytime, please) know as soon as you can if you will be there.

FOLK SING

The May folk sing will be held in the Fireside Room on Saturday, May 15, 8:00 p.m. Everyone who enjoys singing is welcome!

THOUGHTS AND PRAYERS

Please offer your healing prayers for Marcus Naples, as he continues to convalesce in Jefferson Hospital after a long, serious illness and also for his parents, Suzanne and Ron, as they tend to their beloved son.

WORKSHOPS FOR THE CAREER-MINDED WOMAN

MLUC will be hosting a new series of career workshops for women, sponsored by the Women's Resource Center (WRC) in Wayne and the Philadelphia Human Resources Planning Society (PHRPS), designed to offer career preparation and re-entry guidance for women in the larger community.

MLUC members are welcome to participate and are asked to call WRC (610-687-6391) to register. The first workshops will be held on Wednesdays, May 5 and June 9, from 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. at MLUC. Workshops will continue in the fall and will focus on the needs and interests of those attending.

The workshop on Wednesday, May 5 will address the following questions:

- What is so intimidating about finding a job/career?
- What, besides money, do I need from a job?
(Work values)
- How do I figure out where I fit in the work world?
(Who am I and what's out there?)
- What am I good at and what do I enjoy doing?
(Skills, strengths, and interests)

Bobbie Potsic, a seasoned career counselor and member of MLUC, will begin the series and will invite other professionals from WRC and PHRPS to bring in their expertise. Mark your calendars and call WRC.

GET TO KNOW ALONZO HUGHES, MLUC FACILITIES COORDINATOR



Bio: Married to Cassandra for 11 years. We have three children, Jermaine (18), Marquise (16), and Kayla (14). We're expecting our first grandchild in June and are very happy about that. We live in Norristown, PA.

What do you do for fun? I enjoy spending time with my family and friends. I love fishing, gardening, cooking (especially BBQ), playing cards (Spades), taking a walk, or bike riding on the Norristown trail.

Favorite sport: I enjoy watching football and basketball. The Dallas Cowboys and the LA Lakers are my favorite teams.

Hidden talent: I think I should have been a counselor for adults and children.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENINGS

Parish Nurse Jan Cauffman will check your blood pressure after services on Sunday, May 2.

PROPHETIC RE RADICALS

Saturday, May 1. (See page 5).

RETIRED MEN'S GROUP LUNCHEON

Wednesday, May 12, noon. (See page 7).

FOLK SING

Saturday, May 15, 8:00 p.m. (See page 7).

ON THE WEB

The complete MLUC calendar of events is online at www.mluc.org. Members can simply click to request a room for their meeting or event. While you're there, you can listen to past sermons and learn more about MLUC.

VOLUNTEER OF THE MONTH

Carrie Nielson is the May, 2010, Volunteer of the Month.

Although somewhat new to MLUC, Carrie Nielson has jumped into supporting the congregation in ways large and small. Carrie is an assistant professor of biology at Cabrini College. Her professional focus is the ecology of terrestrial ecosystems. She studies the interactions between plants, animals, and their environments on land. When Rev. Osterman envisioned an all church social action project, Carrie had the solution — April's tree planting!

Carrie has served on the ECO Task Force, the Holiday Workshop, the Membership Committee, and as an usher. She and her husband Bill D'Agostino see a lot of theater together as he is finishing up his masters degree in theater. In her spare time, she reads, gardens, and knits.

Carrie finds MLUC to be a community that supports her and allows her to support others. It also offers her a much needed opportunity to take a break from every day matters and contemplate the spiritual aspects of life.

"A powerful force in the world" is how she describes the ability of MLUC members to rally around a cause and go out to make the world a better place.

Thank you Carrie for helping mobilize that powerful force.



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