# **Council News**

The College is always grateful to those parents who give their time, knowledge and expertise to the College Council, Executive and sub-committees. Their input and commitment is truly appreciated.

Following the recent Annual Members Meeting, the College welcomes new Council members Gary Hershan, Barry Lewin, Steven Lambert, Ronnie Ptasznik and Selwyn Cohen, and new Executive members Gary Hershan and Lisa Kennett. We are confident that each will make a valuable contribution to the development of the College. We also sincerely thank retiring Council members Janette Lewis, Prof John Rosenberg and Mark Saltzman and retiring Executive member Anton Grodeck for their dedication and commitment to the College.

The process of selecting a new Principal is progressing according to schedule, with interest from international and local candidates. We believe that our search process and our investigation of potential candidates have been painstaking and thorough. As you would expect, we have set the bar very high and are determined to appoint a person of the highest calibre. With these exacting standards firmly in place, the first round of interviews has commenced.

I look forward to keeping you updated with our progress.

Chazak Ve'ematz

Ann Wollner College President

#### **Seussical**



JOEL GORY AS CAT IN THE HAT AND SAM MELTZER AS MAYZIE LA BIRD WITH MEMBERS OF THE CAST

It was a non-stop journey of imagination.

Seussical – the Musical, presented by the Eva and Marc Besen School of Music and Susie and Eric Stock School of Drama, showcased the works of Dr Seuss in a whole new story. Through song and dance, the cast of over 100 students weaved together the author's most famous tales and characters in unexpected ways.



SCOTT SAME AS THE GRINCH WITH THE CITIZENS OF WHO

The audience delighted in meeting Cat in the Hat, Yertle the Turtle and the Grinch, as well as Horton the Elephant, Jo Jo and Mayzie La Bird.

Secondary students were involved in all areas of the production, and we also thank a number of Old Collegians who lent a hand.

# **Shoah pebbles**

Students paid a very personal and unique tribute to child victims of the Holocaust through the 'Child to Child' or 'Shoah: MeYeled LeYeled' project.

In preparation for Yom HaShoah, students in Years 6-9 researched the name and some information about a child who died in the Shoah. They then painted individual butterfly designs, their own name and the name of a child who died onto white pebbles, to dedicate as a memory.

The butterfly motif was chosen from the poem 'I Never Saw Another Butterfly', written by Pavel Friedman in Theresiendstadt camp, and because the butterfly symbolises freedom.

The students painted on pebbles as it is a pebble that Jews place on a grave as a symbol of remembrance.

Year 8 bilingual students also wrote essays in Hebrew about their chosen child's life, so they felt a special link to the child who died.

The project culminated with the pebbles being glazed and mounted into a memorial in time for Yom HaShoah.

As part of the IBO Middle Years Program, Head of the Loti Smorgon School of Visual Arts, Sara Warner, extended the initial Year 8 bilingual class project across other year levels and media.



YEAR 7 STUDENTS KAREN WULFSOHN, RACHEL BUCHTA AND JULIA BLUMBERG WORK ON THEIR PEBBLE DESIGNS

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#### I've been to Matron



SR MICHELLE JACKSON ADMINISTERS FIRST AID TO TAYLA MEERKIN AND ALI PINCH

It's 8.15am and a member of staff has fallen in the corridor – the work day has begun for Gandel Campus Matron, Michelle Jackson.

From the first tummy ache of the day to the last sprained ankle on the sports field, the caring staff in the First Aid and Nursing Centre are constantly busy.

In between tending to students with headaches, toothaches, rashes and insect bites throughout the school day, lunchtimes bring a new stream of footy injuries and playground stoushes to attend to.

Registered nurses at the Gandel Campus and GBH, and a trained first aider at FKI, also ensure staff taking excursions have a stocked first aid kit, keep records of students' medical conditions and allergies and brief teachers taking camps and sports events on specific students and their medical needs.

In addition, they organise annual vision tests for all Year 8 students, physiotherapy checks for Year 7 girls and Year 8 boys, medical checks for Preps and immunisations for students.

Nursing staff attend College Occupational Health and Safety meetings, the Victorian School Nurse Campus Group, and also meet regularly with the College's honorary physicians.

Offering a retreat for 'time out', sick bay nurses also offer emotional support and a little TLC (tender loving care) when needed.

The First Aid Centre is also equipped to cope with more serious emergencies thanks to the generous donation of a defibrillator.

# **Lights, Camera, Action!**

Year 6 students have embarked on an innovative Media Studies project. In a first for Scopus, Year 6 students are being introduced to the exciting world of media studies in a dynamic and hands-on way.

In a society bombarded by ever increasing information through film and television, recognising truth, bias and persuasion are more necessary than ever. Students in Year 6 are studying the art of film making and how our ideas, feelings and attitudes are influenced through the craft, skills and technology of the filmmaker.



STACEY COHEN (YEAR 12), SHOWS ELIAT WEIZMAN, SAUL KAHLBERG, RYAN SPANGER (FROM DIGITAL FILM PRODUCTIONS) AND GABRIELLA ROSENFELD HOW TO FOCUS THE VIDEO CAMERA

External media producers are helping to teach our students and teachers about the technical side of film making, guiding them through the complex process of story boarding, filming and editing their own short films in a range of workshops. Students are working in small collaborative teams to develop a short film in which they explore a big theme. Themes such as 'identity', 'conflict' or 'loneliness' form the basis of the script development.

This 'multiple intelligences' project will engage students and enable them to explore their own intelligences in a novel and purposeful way. Our students will be able to use many talents and skills and have the opportunity to write music, scripts and story boards, as well as act, produce and direct their films.

# **Scopus enrichment**

Recently appointed Primary Extension and Enrichment Facilitators, Sue Shee and Lana Fleiszig, are breathing new life into our Primary curriculum and working towards ensuring every child works at their appropriate level of stimulation and challenge.

Operating across all three Primary campuses, they are working alongside classroom teachers to provide the knowledge and resources to allow teachers to differentiate the curriculum for all their students.



SUE SHEE WORKS WITH YEAR 6 STUDENTS ON MATHS EXTENSION

In this way they are catering to every student's individual interests, ability and learning style.

Continuing Scopus' long history of success in national and international external competitions, Sue and Lana are also working with students and teachers on events such as Future Problem Solving and Tournament of Minds.

In Middle School (Years 7-9), Jenni Krafchek has been presenting information to staff on how to differentiate assignments and classroom worksheets by adding open-ended tasks and more complex, higher level questions as options for gifted students.

Middle School students are also involved in external competitions including Future Problem Solving, the National History Challenge and Tournament of Minds. A new Year 7 Creative Writing Club has also been formed.

Keen science students are developing investigations for the CSIRO CREST Science awards and Scopus will enter a team in the National Year 7 Da Vinci Decathlon – an academic games day where students compete in challenges such as mathematics, code breaking, art and poetry, english, science, an engineering building task, and general knowledge.

#### The Game of life

Chess, a game of skill and strategy, has been introduced into the learning lives of our primary students.

At Gandel Besen House, Year 2 students have been taught the aims of the game and the various moves of each chess piece. The children explored the protocol of playing chess, ie: 'You touch it, you move it ', as well as 'en passant.' The exotic vocabulary of chess has certainly stimulated the children's interest in language, as they discover the skewer, stalemate, sacrifice, and that a forced sacrifice is called a 'zugzwang'.

Year 1 students will also experience chess this term, with Year 3 students having a go in Term 3. In addition, a master chess class runs at lunchtime for more skilled players.



YEAR 2 STUDENTS AT GANDEL BESEN HOUSE HAVE FUN LEARNING CHESS ON THE GIANT OUTDOOR CHESS BOARD

Fink Karp Ivany students achieved second place in the recent Victorian Interschool Chess Championships. The teams played a total of seven rounds and the children showed amazing concentration and focus.

The universal game of chess compliments our PYP curriculum as it allows students to enhance their thinking skills and to problem-solve using a wide range of strategies. The children are practising values such as patience and respect and are learning to take their time and plan their moves.

As evident by the studious faces and shouts of jubilation, our students have taken to chess like ducks to water.

## **Parents' Association**

The biennial GBH PA Market Night was a huge success, with over 50 stalls attracting more than 700 eager shoppers. The night raised over \$16,000 and would not have been possible without the generous support of our sponsors and supporters.

Thank you to the dedicated team of Toby Levy, Natalie Baron, Lana Sheezel, Lauren Spanger, Joanne Krawitz, Hayley Southwick, Kim Hayman, Sharon Rabinowicz, Lara Jankelowicz, Louise Casper, Andy Gild, Sharon Klein, Tammy Herring, Lysette Shaw, Susie Davis and Hilary Cohen who worked tirelessly to organise the event.



LANA SHEEZEL, LAUREN SPANGER, JOANNE KRAWITZ, HAYLEY SOUTHWICK, KIM HAYMAN, SHARON RABINOWICZ. FRONT: LARA JANKELOWICZ, LOUISE CASPER, TOBY LEVY, AND CILID.

(ABSENT: NATALIE BARON, SHARON KLEIN, TAMMY HERRING, LYSETTE SHAW, SUSIE DAVIS, HILARY COHEN)

The PA once again prepared and sold bagels, cakes and pastries as well as coffee, fruit juice and smoothies from a van at the Junior Primary Sports Day. Many thanks to Louise Casper, Karen Kalb, Sharona Ruttner, Leah Shatter and all the volunteers for keeping everyone well fed.



DEBBIE COHEN, LOUISE CASPER AND KAY LIBSON

# **Sharing their Simcha**

The College continues to receive with gratitude donations marking special simchas in the lives of our supporters.

Thank you to the family and friends of Hannah Sweetman who kindly donated to the College on the occasion of Hannah's 70th birthday.

We are also grateful to the family and friends of Gary Hershan for thoughtfully donating to the College on the occasion of Gary's 60th birthday.

Thank you also to the Shafir and Ze'evi families for generously sharing their Simcha with Scopus on the occasion of Nathan and Ruth's marriage.

Mazal Tov to all our supporters on their special days.

# Age is no boundary



YEAR 11 STUDENTS GET TO KNOW THE PREPS AT FINK KARP IVANY

Where good learning is concerned, age has no boundary. Year 11 Psychology students recently enjoyed a morning with our Preps at Fink Karp Ivany Campus.

The older students spent time talking to the Preps, reading to them and playing games, in order to gain some insight into how young minds think.

These sessions are mutually beneficial to both groups, as each practice communication skills involved in speaking and listening. They also inquired into each other's likes and dislikes and what is uniquely special are the friendships formed between children just entering school and those almost ready to leave.



# **Scopus Founders and Friends Celebrating our Pioneers**

More than 150 people - students, teachers, founders and those just involved in the days of St Kilda Road enjoyed a warm and nostalgic afternoon when they gathered for the unveiling of an Honour Board listing all the first day students and teachers, kindly donated by Israel Rosenfield. We thank all our guests, some from interstate and overseas, for sharing their memories. Guests received a specially created Scopus St Kilda Rd badge.

The occasion also allowed us to formally welcome Sylvia Gelman AM MBE, as Patron of our Founders and Friends group. Sylvia challenged the group, together with the College, to create an archive space and to write a Scopus history in time for the Diamond Jubilee celebration in 2009. A committee, to be convened by Helen Synman, OC'62, has been formed to pursue these goals.

Old Collegians can view photos taken on the day by going to the OC on-line Communication Directory via www.scopus.vic.edu.au, clicking on 'Old Collegians' and following the prompts.

To offer your help in any way or to receive your St Kilda Rd badge or a DVD of highlights of the afternoon's proceedings (produced by Michael Lanzer OC'05), please call Jan Whytcross on (03) 9888 9022 or email jwhytcro@scopus.vic.edu.au



ANN WOLLNER THANKS ISRAEL ROSENFIELD FOR HIS GIFT OF AN HONOR BOARD PAYING TRIBUTE TO OUR FIRST STUDENTS AND TEACHERS



Mount Scopus Memorial College acknowledges and pays tribute to the foundation teachers and students who commenced with the school at 414 St Kilda Road, Melbourne on 8th February, 1949.

#### Teachers

Mr Abe Feiglin - Headmaster Miss Valma Baggaridge Miss Claire Feiglin Miss Sara Fink Mrs Hartwick Mrs R Ladski Mrs Ruth Sterling Mr Thau Miss Sylvia Walters

#### Kindergarten

Miriam Blumenthal Kerry Borawick Susan Broons Leonie Cohen Jeffrey Degen Gail Efron Lorraine Fabb Daniel Feiglin David Feiglin Robert Freedman Georgina Friedman Rochama Garfield Gertrude Gottlieb Vivienne Greenfield Emma Hendel Judith Kornan Zipporah Maller Carmel Morley Esther Rich Naomi Rischin Norman Rosenbaum Jeffrey Rosenberg Louis Shnider Arnold Singer Michael Suss Sydney Travitz

#### Grade 1

Charles Akkerman Benjamin Belfer Robert Bontschek Deanna Broons Myer Brott Philip Burman

Miriam Charlupske Allen Suss This board was presented by Israel Rosenfield, foundation student, in memory of Daryl Leslie Zvi Rosenfield, student 1971 to 1978.

Barbara Cohen Bernard Cukierman Gideon Dorevitch Gerta Eckstein Phillip Flbaum Greta Fink Bernard Finkelstein Colin Fremder Arthur Fremder **Bruce Gabriel** John Gold Miriam Goldman Mattias Kantor Neville Lasky Mark Leibler Yvonne Loewy Raymond Miller Pauline Rich

Max Rischin Norman Rosenbaum **Dorothy Rosengarten** Ruth Rosenwax Elfreda Rosner

Estelle Runds Shoshanna Silver Noam White **David Wolff** 

#### Grade 2

Frances Cukierman Myer Cwikel Samuel Dlug Shirley Dorevitch Pauline Efron Jeffrey Gabriel Jack Goldberg Leon Goldberg Victor Harmelin Mark Haskin Carmella Kantor Shirley Kayser Cecilia Lipshut Ruth Michel Margot Rosenbaum Lloyd Samuel John Shuster

Hanna Symons Phillip Wynn

#### Grade 3

Penina Belfer Samuel Beris John Bloch Michael Brott Saul Fust Judith Goldman Miriam Goodman Ian Lew Ann Rechts Fay Rechts Israel Rosenfield Farida Rosner Noel Rubinstein Ralph Stanton Max Wald Adele Waxman

#### Grade 4

Annette Cukierman Marion Donner Neville Friedman Doreen Garfield David Goldman Anita Morawetz Ron Shuster Avigdor Silver

#### Grade 5

**David Brott** Miriam Diamond Faye Fust Amiel Gurt Michael Haskin Cecile Holzmann Daniel Lew Bath-Ami Marks Michael Morris Toby Rosengarten

#### Grade 6 Bertie Cohn Nehama Patkin

2 April 2006

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#### Yom Ha'atzmaut



SZALMUK FAMILY EARLY LEARNING CENTRE UPPER KINDERGARTEN STUDENTS JOSHUA DUIEB, MADELINE ALDOUBY AND GEMMA SMITHSON

Yom Ha'atzmaut was celebrated in traditional style at Scopus.

Face painting and Israeli dancing created a wonderful ruach (spirit) at all campuses, and flag parades, birthday cakes and Israeli music ensured a fun day all around.

'Pin the Magen David on Jerusalem', 'Blue and White balloon races' and t-shirt decorating kept everyone in the mood, while the falafel lunch was a huge hit with students and staff.



NATALIE RATHNER, SARAH RUBENSTEIN, MICHAL ROSENBAUM. DANYA COHEN

# Ever wonder how we manage to do all this?

We are proud of our student achievements, and of the programs and facilities that make those achievements possible. How do we fund these programs and facilities? School fees and government funding alone are not enough. We rely on the generosity of people like you, who understand how important it is to educate the next generation.

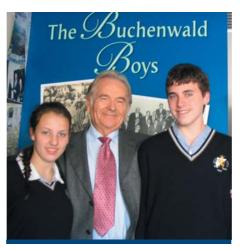
Our Annual Giving campaign for 2006 is about to commence and we ask for your support. We need volunteers for our Super Sunday telethon and subsequent calling nights, and of course we need your donation! For information on how you can be involved in Annual Giving, please call Bev Blode on 9888 9011.

### **Buchenwald exhibit**

Scopus students have heard from the Buchenwald Boys first hand.

While an exhibition on the Buchenwald Boys was on display at the College, it was the survivor guides who really had an impact on students.

Talking to Years 9 and 10 students about their experiences and answering questions, Mr Joe Szwarcberg, Mr Szaja Chaskiel and Mr Salek Roth guided students through the exhibit, explaining the incredible story of their survival.



BUCHENWALD BOYS SURVIVOR MR JOE SZWARCBERG WITH HIS GRANDCHILDREN, CARA SZWARCBERG AND SIMON ROSENBERG

On 11 April 1945, 900 youths, mostly orphans, were liberated from Buchenwald Concentration Camp in Germany. Fifty-four of them were sent to Melbourne to begin a new life. In the absence of family, they formed strong friendships and still meet regularly. Their story is one of human resilience and courage.

The exhibit coincided with Yom HaShoah (Holocaust rememberance) commemorations, and was linked to the secondary school Yom HaShoah assembly to provide a more rounded educational experience. All Year 10 students study the Shoah for a term as part of their Jewish Studies curriculum, so this exhibition certainly brought their classroom learning to life.

The College was proud to host this exhibition, which had previously been on display at the Immigration Museum in 2005.

# MYP – An individual approach

The IBO Middle Years Program (MYP) allows us to differentiate the curriculum to meet individual learning needs.

Students can choose how they approach a task. This takes advantage of their preferred learning style and encourages them to take ownership and become more engaged in the learning process.

Year 9 Humanities students experienced the benefits of differentiated learning in a research project about the Middle Ages. Guiding questions were provided to facilitate research and draw them into higher-level thinking. Students initially brainstormed together so they could be exposed to others' ideas, and a list of choices about how to present their findings was outlined.

Support was provided to enable students to map out and articulate the process taken step-by-step, until they arrived at the final outcome for presentation. When students take this approach they learn about learning.

Student Merav Chait elaborated, "Some of the choices were poems, plays, models, manuscripts of the time and story books. I chose to write a diary from the point of view of Joan of Arc, and also do a booklet of information on the Middle Ages. After the final presentation I became a Middle Ages know-it-all. It was a great way to learn and a lot of fun to do."

The MYP clearly demonstrates the value of catering for students with different learning styles, and allows extension into our gifted and talented programs.



NOAH WEXLER, ANDY ROSTOVSKY AND SARAH HERSHAN DISPLAY THIER MIDDLE AGES PROJECTS



#### **Dor le Dor - Generation to Generation**

Please continue to keep us informed by sending your news to kaleidoscope@scopus.vic.edu.au or call Dorothy Stones on 9888 9033.

#### BIRTHS

Bindy (Edelman) '90 and Pip Mushin '80, Rani Keren (Mizrachi) and Daniel Smolarski '90, Zachary

Tammy (Goldschlager) '97 and Joel Gerschman '96, Ezra

Romi (Haas) and Boris Zaslavsky '92, Chloe Galit (Hakmon) and Darrell Levy '83, Amir Tully (Cole) and Simon Glasman '86, India Lisa (White) '88 and Briad Sidlo, Joel Hilary (Orlove) and Rami Kranz '89, Emily Sally-Ann Watt '78 and Gary Au, Dashiell Pam Hellema and Ben Zipper '88, Noah Mandy (Katz) '85 and Justin Jaffe '91, Ethan Carolyn (Roth) and David Brykman '84, Aviva Karolin (Edgley) and Derek Freedman '82, Zara Esther (Grosberg) and Ari Bergman '92, Leora Naomi (Wytwornik) and Matthew Aufgang '86, Monique

Natalie (Lasky) '93 and Rohan Woolf '92, Oliver Kate (Silberscher) and Lior Rauchberger '91, Poppy

Rochelle (Werba) '93 and Vlad Younger, Kai Rachel (Thomas) '89 and Amos Fischmann, Michael

Lisa (Silver) '88 and Allon Baron '86, Taya
Samantha (Beer) '90 and Anthony Eisen, Brooke
Simone (Simpson) '92 and Vlad Grinberg, Ella
Belinda (Brown) '94 and David Gelbart '94, Aiden
Carol (Berkovitch) and Ben Plotnik '92, Lily
Debra (Weisz) '88 and Albert Peker '88, Zach
Simone (Rubenstein) '85 and Peter Blecher '78,
Ruby

Orly (Serebro) '94 and Gavin Appel '94, Chloe Caren (Saunders) and Jonathan Lubofsky '78, Ethan

Karin (Leder) '84 and Torsten Weller, Jesse Michelle (Lerner) '89 and Darren Bass, Kayla Nikki (Gold) '88 and Amir Perzuck, Jade Sharyn (Lewis) '90 and Doov Cohen, Benjamin Melanie (Berkovitch) '89 and Daniel Micmacher, Aimee

Samantha (Goldman) and Doron Karliner '84, Sarah

Leora (Synman) '85 and Harry Hart, Jack Alissa (Lipshatz) '94 and Craig Woolf '88, Jacob Dalia (Silver) '88 and Michael Gross '79, Justin Caitilin (Hawkins) and Gadi Bloch '90, Raphael Tania (Darvell) and Daniel Newstadt '99, Me'ira Angie (Rennie) and Dean Holzer '93, Ella Limor (Gabizon) '97 and Ira Horowitz, Ricky Karen (Bokser) '88 and Paul Micmacher '86, Ashley Nicole (Lewis) '89 and Leon Jacobs '84, Dean Mandy (Cohen) '89 and Stephen Keddie, Dante Rebecca (Silberman) and Shane Goldberg '92, Simeon

Tania (Wolff) '88 and Mahesh Narayan, Avi Michelle and Lidor Arbel-Itzhari '90, Ethan Marina (Gorbachevskaya) '95 and Timothy Cohen, Benjamin

Naomi (Bergman) '94 and Ben Landau, '93, Nechama

Anna (Englin) '89 and Justin Lipton, David Claudia (Temin) and David Benau '93, Noah Idit (Jacobson) and Rodney Teperman '90, Ellie Romi (Arber) '95 and Brett Pack '94, Luella Naomi (Kiper) '95 and Nuriel Zarifi, Maayan

#### **MARRIAGES**

Jordanna Zufi and David Swiatlo '93
Robyn Cohen and Jamie Davis '92
Heather Galea and Leigh Blashki '70
Davina Gluzman '01 and Alex Vaschenko '01
Nadine Beiles and Ashley Hauser '91
Michelle Goldberg '93 and Jeff Lynn
Robyn Karro '00 and Darren Krawitz
Dana Linden '93 and Avi Anger
Tamar Albeck-Ripka '99 and Robbie Simons
Natalie Engelman '96 and Dror Cohen
Mandi Sacks '98 and Joseph Azoulay
Natalie Berk '98 and Anthony Herman
Gaby Slade and Ronald Serry '76

Naomi Alba (staff) to Dovid-Moshe Borenstein

#### **IN MEMORY**

Margaret (Hornsby) Sutherland – staff Rachel Nechama Best '64 Wendy Ramsay – staff Leon Fust '64 Susane Tusak '63 Lya Shaked '70 Meryl Slutzkin – staff

Deepest condolences to the Hayman and Fajnkind families on the passing of Zack.

#### Reunions

Planning is well underway for the 10 year, 20 year, 30 year and 40 year reunions. We welcome involvement from all Old Collegians. Please visit the Old Collegians on-line directory at www.scopus.vic.edu.au and click on 'Old Collegians', then 'view reunion page', or contact:

#### Class of 1996

Sunday 17 September Dean Weinman: 0408 238 250 deanweinman@hotmail.com

#### Class of 1986

Sunday 19 November Rachelle Givoni (nee Gold): 0400 031 008 rpgivoni@bigpond.net.au

#### Class of 1976

Thursday 2 November Karen Joske (nee Pearl): 0409 827 826 kjoske@bigpond.net.au

#### Class of 1966

Sunday 6 August Meera Freeman: 9348 2221 meera@bigpond.net.au

Class of 1985 – once the committee have finalise the reunion book it will be mailed out to those who ordered a copy. For further information please contact Rohan Levy at rohan@levy.com.au

#### **Photos on line**

Group photos from the reunions of the Classes of 1965, 1975, 1985, 1995 and 2000, as well as the recent Founders and Friends function can now be viewed on the new Photo Boards page on the Old Collegians on-line directory.

Go to www.scopus.vic.edu.au and click on 'Old Collegians', then log in to 'View the Photo Board'. You can also add your own reunion photos to the site by clicking 'Upload'. If you don't already have a log-in, it's easy to do – just follow the prompts for new users.



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