



HPEP Newsletter

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Houston's largest pan-sexual BDSM/Fetish organization. We are a social club support group open to anyone interested in BDSM and fetish-related and activities. <http://www.hpep.org/>

The HPEP Newsletter welcomes the contributions of all individuals and organizations within the Texas BDSM Community!

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A sincere Welcome to the New Board, whoever you may be! I will look forward to working with You to make the HPEP Newsletter the best that I can!

MWvixen

Editrix

Your HPEP Board is/was:

Brad (Chairman)
La Nell
Julie (Treasurer)
Rene (SIG Liaison)
Patrick
Bear
Master Jeff

I would like to take this moment to thank everybody in and outside of HPEP that I have worked with/for this year to make this an exceptional year for HPEP. I appreciate everybody's time, energy and hard work! I would start naming names but you all know who you are and I would undoubtedly miss some one. Let's keep it up the good work for the next board and HPEP for '06-'07!

Brad

HPEP Board Chairman '05-'06

*****Don't forget - HPEP Board Elections will be held at the JUNE monthly meeting!**

That is this Saturday!

Remember...You must be present to be nominated or run.

"Because of time constraints on the elections only two nominations for an individual will be allowed. Once an individual has declined two nominations for the board any further nominations on their behalf will be disregarded"

*****New Board to be announced in Next Newsletter! (July)**

EDITORIAL

On the night of June 3rd, 2006, HPEP's elections will take place, and we will have the opportunity once again to elect another board of directors. All seven positions on the board are open to election, and HPEP's general membership will shoulder the amazing responsibility of choosing its leadership for the next year. As many of you know, this past year has been a highly eventful one, and HPEP has actually seen nine board members this year instead of the originally elected seven. In two subsequent months, we had two resignations, and LaNell was elected one month, with Master Jeff elected the following month. In both

special elections, I personally think HPEP's membership made very good decisions, and from my standpoint as a board member, I think they've both been great assets to the board, and to HPEP as a whole.

I'd like to talk with you all for a little while about the board, and the elections, and the expectations placed on board members by the membership and the experiences I've had while serving HPEP on the board this past year. The election is coming quite soon, and I think it's important that you know what to expect if you're considering running for the board, and I think it's important to know what the board does for all of us.

First and foremost, the board is there to work its collective ass off to keep HPEP functioning and alive. There are no breaks for the board. If HPEP has a meeting or party scheduled, the board is expected to be there, doing all the "grunt work" while everyone else enjoys the event, all too often feeling no obligation to assist with any of this work. I'd like to resent this facet of the overall personality of the general membership, but truth to tell, I'll have to confess I wasn't far different before I was elected. Having walked the mile in those shoes, I view things differently now. Whether elected again to the board or not, I'm there to help from now on, and not merely to partake of the fun and then haul ass home while others do the grunting and sweating. Yeah, this year has been a hell of a learning experience for me.

As many of you know, HPEP had been for far too long in search of a good and stable venue. This board inherited an HPEP that was in a state of flux, and many on the sidelines were expecting that we'd just be at the helm while this rudderless ship ran into the rocks and sank. Seven of us - nine, as it turned out - felt differently, and busted our collective hump to keep HPEP afloat and viable, and I'm proud to say we succeeded. Prior to the elections, there was a big hue and cry that we move away from having a big annual S&M ball and "back to the future" of having quarterly play parties, something that had fallen by the wayside in recent years. This subject was discussed around the first meeting of this board, and while no vote was taken, we mostly agreed that perhaps the parties were the way to go. We inherited a difficult position, financially. The last S&M Ball had been unsuccessful financially (no matter how much fun and entertainment it had provided for those who attended), and we didn't have much money at all to use for events. No single member of the board can be credited with the successes HPEP has enjoyed this past year. In fact, the board's successes are really the general membership's successes, because none of our efforts would have mattered if you hadn't been there with us, so to the general membership, I say thank you for your support this past year.

I'm satisfied that this board has done very well with what limited resources we had. We still aren't really flush with cash, but we've had some successful fund-raisers. We found a good venue, and even that was "back to the future." What was once Club Chicago is now Club Middle Earth, and it is again our home, where we've been holding our meetings and parties the last several months. The monthly newcomer munch has found a new venue at the West Gray Café, which has been far more welcoming to us than its predecessor. Thanks to Kaycee, we now have a live and viable submissive SIG that's up and doing wonderful things. Gary has been a roaring success with the bondage SIG, and Rene has done well with the toymaker SIG. Additionally, this year found an all-new SIG in HPEP, the photography SIG, run by Neil, which has been on fire since its inception! Overall attendance and participation has been better than it was in the last couple years prior to this. While we didn't quite achieve our lofty goal of quarterly play parties, we did manage to put together three of them, and all three were great events. Saturday night's party was very good for those who attended, and the dungeon furniture that was set up for the event certainly got used quite a lot. Coincidentally, I'd like to thank Dr. Badwrench for his tireless assistance in helping us strike the furniture as the party came to a close. Your help was deeply appreciated.

So what expectations should you have, should you decide to run for the board of directors and find yourself elected? I'd have to say that many of the particulars are unpredictable, and that you'll often find yourself in something of a reactive mode to events that are out of your control. You'll find yourself being blamed and castigated for things that are entirely none of your doing, and you'll have to keep a cool head through it all, so that you can be part of the solution rather than more fuel to the fire of the "problem." If there's somewhere else you'd rather be, or you just "don't feel like going" to HPEP, you go anyway, because you're on the board and you made that obligation to the organization.

Eleven people were nominated last June, and stood for election. Seven of us were elected. Phil Carson showed us the results, and I admit I squeaked in with seventh place. The new board of directors met immediately following the meeting, and we elected Brad our chairman, and then got down to the business of keeping HPEP alive and making it thrive. I'd like to take this opportunity to thank Brad for his tireless efforts on behalf of HPEP this past year. He has always been there for us this year, and I can't overstate how important and beneficial that has been to the board, and to HPEP in general.

As an aside, I started a special folder in my email for HPEP board email, things that were sent to me pertaining to the board of directors, or from other board members. As of today, the 22nd of May, this folder now contains 1,638 items. That was just the official board stuff, mind you. We also have to read everything that comes across at least our main e-group, and that meant that during this past year I also read over 2,300 messages sent to the main e-group, for a total of just under 4,000 pieces of mail that were just HPEP's matters. I suspect by the time elections come on June 3rd, that total will probably have broken the 4,000 mark. In short, if you're on the board, it's a good idea to keep on top of things as they develop, or in an eye-blink, you can find yourself way behind. On average, that's about a dozen items daily, but it doesn't quite work that way. There have been times that a week went by without anything in my inbox, and then a day comes when there are literally over 100 items that have to be read and dealt with. In truth, much of it is just something to read and nothing really needs to be done. While some people have disliked the jokes and OT discussions that have taken place, I'm on the side that I mostly like those things, and if I don't like them, I still really don't mind. After all, while we're a kinky group, none of us here are all about kink. We all have lives and interests and issues outside the lifestyle, and we've long since been something of a "family," and families support one another in all ways, not just one. These things are how we come to know one another. It's already pretty much a given that we're all kinky in some fashion or another.

Almost immediately after the elections last June, there was a series of demonstrations done by a well-known guest from out of town. These were not HPEP's events, but when someone brought a child to these events, it was HPEP's e-group that exploded with recriminations and anger and disgust. Before long, one gentleman took the blame and responsibility for it, earning my admiration for standing up rather than doing the duck-and-cover routine. He has long been a well-regarded member and stalwart of the Houston BDSM community, and with good reason. The situation was defused, and life went on, but the lesson learned was clear. HPEP has long been the "gateway" group in Houston, and whatever goes on in the Houston scene tends to somehow fall into HPEP's lap.

One of the seven of us elected in June was subjected to the resurrection of an old feud with another long-standing member of HPEP, and this member lost no time in firing potshots from the side-lines at the newly elected board member as well as the remainder of the board, and even privately emailed me trying to enlist my aid in this feud. I was told in a private email by this individual that the board should do everything by referendum, and I replied that the organization would collapse almost instantly if the leaders elected abdicated to referendum government. We'd spend all our time voting on this issue or that and nobody would ever get a hiney whacked. LOL. Who was right and who was wrong in this feud? It wasn't my fight, and while I'd already learned this lesson long before last June, this past year has reinforced the instinct to

remain out of the personal feuds of others. To the credit of the board member in question, that board member never responded in kind, but remained above it all. The hell of it all is that the feud had really nothing to do with HPEP, but it spilled over into HPEP regardless, and someone with a personal axe to grind was altogether willing to damage all of HPEP to satisfy a personal score with a board member. These are the sort of things that board members inherit upon election. As much as we preach about our "openness" to all, and our all-inclusive acceptance, I'm afraid we'll always find ourselves beset by a number of the "One True Faith" bigots who don't want to be so accepting, who believe that their way in BDSM is the only way, and all who vary are some sort of heretics to their version of the true faith. Yet, somehow, the board of directors is expected to make everyone happy in all we do. I've been heard to remark on more than one occasion that a day when we only pissed off 49% of the membership sometimes has to be accepted as a successful day, no matter how much we would have preferred finding some way of making everyone happy. Sad, but nonetheless true.

Nothing the board does is going to make everyone happy, and that fact will remain unchanging. Someone recently posted to this group that you can't even say it's a nice day outside without someone coming along and disagreeing, for whatever the reasons. Ironically, I've come to find that the loudest and most virulent of the detractors are those who prove to be the least participatory in HPEP's events. People who haven't troubled themselves to come to any HPEP event in years will call for all seven of the board to be tarred and feathered and run out of town on a rail for the least slight, all the more so, it seems, if the slight is perceived rather than real. So what do you do if you're on the board? Honestly, you just grin and bear it, because sooner or later, someone will have enough respect for the board and HPEP, and perhaps enough self-respect, to declare the detractors to be "ass-hats" or some other delightfully imaginative term, and the tide will turn. You come to realize that of the hundreds of members that HPEP claims, there are really only six or seven people who want to stir the pot, and they get quickly identified and pretty well ignored, along with the axes they brought to grind. The silent majority of people who love HPEP and support the board they, after all, elected, will speak up and defend the board, and the detractors will go away once called on the carpet. But that makes it no less difficult to endure the thoughtless abuse heaped upon you merely because you were elected by the general membership and became a visible target for the "ass-hats" (I have to confess I love that term - LOL) to air grievances that perhaps never really existed, or are from times long past, to a time before any of this particular board were even involved in HPEP, much less its leadership. I've found it to be a continual source of amazement that so many people still bear grudges that are as old as HPEP, and still want to carry those feuds into HPEP. There are those who think they know all the answers because they were neck-deep in HPEP ten years ago, and who refuse to see that the entire Houston scene, not just HPEP, is in a state of flux and evolution. This has been mentioned a few times on our e-group this year, that the Houston scene has changed, and that HPEP is still evolving to those changes. As challenging and difficult as that has been at times, I think it's for the best. Nothing exists for long or succeeds in a constant condition of stasis. But I think HPEP is going to do just fine. You can all be certain I wouldn't be writing this post if I felt like I was just beating a dead horse that was never going to get up and run the Kentucky Derby.

All of these things are challenging, and here's the kicker. If you're on the board, this all has to fit in around your "real life" outside HPEP. You still have a family and a life with your family. You still have your career, your mortgage, your car note, kids, cats, dogs, and your evil twin Skippy - LOL. You still have to operate your own life on a business-as-usual basis while you still make the time to shoulder the load of being on the HPEP board of directors. This entire year, the only regular events I missed were in October, when I left town for the hurricane that wasn't (for which I'm deeply grateful to the Almighty), and when I was just laid up feeling like crap and missed one newcomer munch. Otherwise, I believe I've given HPEP all it needed of me. I've been to all the board meetings, and all the regular meetings, and all the newcomer munches, and even made it over to Dominion a few times this year. Altogether, I've driven about 3,000

miles this year on HPEP business. Those expenses are not compensated, folks. This hasn't been a cheap proposition this past year, what with gasoline prices skyrocketing through the roof. None of this makes me special, and I'm not bitching about it. All seven of us on the board have made similar sacrifices of our time and gasoline for the overall good of the organization. It's what I agreed to take on last June, and I did it with open eyes. But I want your eyes to be open too, whether you run for the board or not. HPEP cannot afford board members who are unwilling to adopt the necessary responsibilities to the position, or find out after the election that this resembles work, and now they want out. You're asking seven men and women to do one hell of a lot of unpaid work on your behalf. Last year, when I was still considering whether to run for the board, I was told by members of previous boards that it was a long and difficult and thankless job, and that HPEP always needed a board of directors willing to do that job. They were right, and I've always been glad that they all respected me and HPEP enough that they didn't just show me the sunny side of it and let me walk blindly into this job.

Are you up to these challenges? Are you willing to work for us all, willing to make the necessary sacrifices for the betterment of HPEP? Are you able to adapt to change and evolution, ready to think outside the box and invest the needed sweat and effort into making HPEP better and stronger for us all? Is your significant other able to give you up and be by your side in the coming year as you go about these tasks, because you can be certain if you're on the board, your S/O will be neck-deep in all of it with you. If so, I earnestly pray that you will run for the board, because HPEP needs you very badly. But if you're in it for the "glory" or some sort of prestige, or on a lark because some buddy of yours nominated you on the spur of the moment, please don't run, and if nominated, please decline the nomination. HPEP's board needs seven people willing to give their all for the upcoming year. We need seven men and women willing to be equal to or greater than the challenges laid out before them. It's a daunting task, but I have to admit it has carried much personal satisfaction with all the attendant aggravation. In short, I don't regret having served on this board, and have come to like and respect all who have been on this board. Despite the negatives I've painted here, the satisfactions have greatly outweighed the annoyances, and I'm proud to have served on this board of directors, and proud of the support the vast majority of the membership has afforded us.

So who will you vote for once nominations have ceased? All I can say is this: vote for the ones you are confident will do a good job for us all. Vote your conscience, vote for the good of the organization. If someone running for office is your friend, but you don't think that person would do a good job for HPEP, then don't vote for him or her just because you're pals. Trust me, you're doing that friend a favor if that person only thinks it's for the glory or the fun. Remember also that when the ballots are handed out, you may vote for up to seven nominees, but you're not obligated to vote for that many. You may think that only one person standing up there should be on this board, and it's your right to vote for only that one person. It's a secret ballot, and only you will know how your ballot was cast. And however the vote turns out, remember that a majority of HPEP elected the seven who will emerge that night as your new board of directors. Support them. Help them. For the love of God, give them a fair chance and remember that these seven stepped up to the plate and took on this responsibility that most of the membership never would have done. You people will have elected these seven, and they deserve for you to stand beside them as they take on these duties on your behalf.

Thank you for your patience as I've made my little rant today. I hope you take it to heart, and I hope you vote wisely on the 3rd, and that you support the next seven board members you elect. I've been asked several times recently if I intend to run for the board again this year, and the answer is yes, if nominated, I will run for the board of directors to serve for another year, and if elected, I will work just as hard for you in the coming year as I've worked for this past year.

Sincerely,
Patrick H.
Member, HPEP Board of Directors
2005-2006

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Charles & Julie's Wedding

Julie and I would like to announce that Friday June 16th, 2006 at 7:15pm we will be holding our **wedding ceremonies** at the Sylvan Rodriguez Park. The occasion will be small but all that desire will be welcome. This will be a modest affair so formal attire is not necessary. We are hoping to head to dinner afterwards. Master Jeff Officiating.

Directions:

From Houston drive I-45 south, take Exit 29, Clear Lake City Blvd. Head east. Go .2 miles past Galveston Road (Highway 3) and you will see the entrance on the left. 1201 Clear Lake City Blvd. Follow the road to the parking area.

<http://www.dixiefriendgay.com/Items.asp?SubCategoryID=8>

We hope to see you there.

Charles Paschal and his lovely **Julie**

Press Release: "The Path of Service" by slavette: A newly published workbook for service-oriented people

International slave 2002 **Christina Parker (aka slavette)** has just published her first book, "**The Path of Service - Guideposts for Excellence,**" a workbook for service-oriented people that is designed to be completed over the course of a year. The writing assignments and "thoughts for the week" are designed to assist in the exploration of the heart and soul and the monthly projects focus on the more practical aspects of service. The book is designed to be applicable to all service oriented people - regardless of gender, orientation, novice, experienced, in service, or seeking a relationship.

"**The Path of Service - Guideposts for Excellence**" is available through slavette's website <http://www.serviceheart.com> (autographed copy) and also through <http://www.Amazon.com> for those who are not able to use paypal. slavette will be adding a number of other items on her website throughout the year that are specifically targeted to service-oriented people.

About the Author

slavette, International slave 2002, has been a 24/7 slave to Master Scott since 1996. She has also been in service to Master Todd since 1998 and in late 2004 he became her co-Owner. As part of her commitment to our community, slavette has served as Fundraising Director for the National Coalition for Sexual Freedom (NCSF), served on the Board of Directors for CUFF, SSCN and Gnosis, and has been a founding member of four BDSM educational/support/social groups.

slavette has given over 100 workshops across the U.S. and in Canada. While she speaks on a variety of topics, her primary educational focus is on service, M/s, D/s, and polyamorous relationships and she is proud to be a core instructor for the APEX Academy in Phoenix, AZ. Master Scott and slavette are the co-producers of the Together in Leather conference and the Southeast Master/slave contest. They were honored to receive Pantheon of Leather Awards for Couple of the Year (2001) and Small Event of the Year for Together in Leather 2004.

Apologies for listing an incorrect url to obtain the book **"The Path of Service - Guideposts for Excellence"** by slavette.

Following is the correct link: <http://www.serviceheart.com>then click on "ServiceHeart Products" at the top of the page

June 2006

Date	Event	Time	Contact
June 2nd	HPEP DOMinion Dom SIG	1 st Friday of the month 7:30 p.m. or Friday before HPEP Meeting	DOMinion
June 2nd	HPEP Sub_iversity Sub SIG	1 st Friday of the month 7:30 p.m. NEW!!! See SIGs for more information!	alyenakay@yahoo.com
June 3rd	HPEP Regular Meeting & Fetish Night	1 st Saturday of the month : 6305 Skyline Dr.	www.hpep.org
June 4th	Photo SIG	3:00 p.m. 1st Sunday of the month	
June 9th	HPEP's H.E.L.L. [Reading / Movie SIG]	7:00 p.m. every 2nd and 4 th Friday Movies, and book discussion NEW TIME!!!!!!	Reading Circle
June 9th	The HPEP Polyamory SIG	2nd Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m.	Poly SIG
June 10th	HPEP Switch SIG-	2nd Saturday of each month at 7:00 p.m.	Switch SIG
June 11th	Bondage SIG	2 nd Sunday of the month at 3:00 p.m.	ClintEman77380@Yahoo.com
June 17th	Newcomer's Meeting	3 rd Saturday of each month at 7 p.m. at NEW LOCATION: The West Grey Cafe 415 West Gray St., Houston, TX 77019	Newcomers' Committee.
June 17th	HPEP Ageplay SIG	3 rd Sat. of each month at 1:00 p.m.	Ageplay SIG
June 18th	The ToyMakers SIG	3 rd Sunday of the month 4:30 p.m.	ToyMakers SIG
June 23rd	HPEP's H.E.L.L. [Reading / Movie SIG]	7:00 p.m. every 2nd and 4 th Friday Movies, and book discussion NEW TIME!!!!!!	Reading Circle
June 24th	The D/s SIG	4 th Saturday of every month at 7:30 p.m.	D/s SIG

~ ANNOUNCEMENT ~

The HPEP Board Meeting date and location have been changed. Meetings will be the Wednesday following the first Saturday HPEP fetish night.

~ 7:30 pm ~

at our new, more central location

West Gray Cafe
415 West Gray
Houston, TX 77019
713-528-2887

Members of the Houston BDSM community are welcome to attend with comments and ideas and if you want to find out what has happened, is happening and will be happening.

Any matter you would like the Board to address, please contact one or more of us.

SIG News

Switch SIG

D/s SIG

***Bondage SIG**

Dominion

***Subversity**

***HELL**

Bondage SIG

Age Play SIG

***Toymakers SIG**

PolySIG

***Photo SIG**

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*** NEW STUFF!!**

HPEP Bondage SIG

Our meetings are on the second Sunday afternoon at 3:00 at Travis' house.

Our meetings have different themes and are hands on. We tie people up. We learn something. We socialize. Tops and bottoms always have a good time.

Mark your calendars and plan to join us for future meetings.

Report on May Bondage SIG

At the May SIG, we shared with each other some of the ideas and techniques we learned from our visitors during the Ropes on the Road weekend last month. We discussed strategies and techniques for establishing, enhancing and controlling subspace and trances. We also experimented with identifying and constructing bondage ties that make use of acupressure points.

We moved on to different breast/chest harnesses which we demonstrated on several lovely volunteers. And, we experimented with a couple of suspension harnesses and suspension support techniques.

I know those who attended enjoyed themselves and learned something. It was a good SIG.

I send special thanks to Travis and Mel for opening their house again, and hosting this SIG.

Make your plans to join us for our June SIG.

"Different Bondage Scenes" -- We'll share with each other some themes or techniques we use during our bondage scenes. Some of us prefer suspensions (full or partial), some prefer bondage ties along with other activities, spanking, forced orgasms, etc. Some prefer elaborate bondage ties that allow the bottom to fly just enjoying the bondage. Some incorporate interesting toys. This should be fun learning how others play with bondage, which will probably help each of us in our own bondage play.

In addition, Jake has just returned from the annual Shabaricon seminar in Chicago, with tricks and techniques he learned during the formal sessions as well as from others during the informal play parties. Jake has agreed to share some of the techniques he learned with us.

As usual, we will practice and demonstrate techniques on willing volunteers.

Our Bondage SIG is HANDS ON with members demonstrating their techniques, offering advice to each other and answering questions that may arise. If you are a novice, learn how to do basic ties with us. If you are more advanced, learn how to combine basic ties into more complex positions. All levels of expertise are welcome.

Make your plans and mark your calendars. The next meeting of the Bondage SIG will be on the second Sunday of the month, June 11, at 3:00 PM in Travis' house. Directions to Travis' house are in the File Section in the HPEP Bondage SIG egroup.

If you wish, bring something to munch on and share with others. We're going to learn something and have fun with each other. See you there.

Gary
ClintEman77380@Yahoo.com
HPEP Bondage SIG Leader

HPEP Bondage SIG – Tentative Schedule for 2006

June 11, 2006

Second Sunday – HPEP Bondage SIG

Theme – "Different Bondage Scenes". We'll share with each other some themes or techniques we use during our bondage scenes. Some of us prefer suspensions (full or partial), some prefer bondage ties along with other activities, spanking, forced orgasms, etc., some prefer elaborate bondage ties that allow the bottom to fly just enjoying the bondage. Some incorporate interesting toys. This should be fun learning how others play with bondage, which will probably help each of us in our own bondage play.

Sometime from July to December –

1. -- We'll participate in Prairie's "Ropes on the Road" road trip to Dallas. We Houston folks will travel to Dallas for a weekend of fun and games with our kinky neighbors from Austin and Dallas.
2. -- Krist, a professional photographer and occasional actor in Felix Dartmouth's bondage videos, will lead one of our SIGs. He will bring a professional bondage model, and discuss what happens from the model's perspective during a professional bondage shoot.
3. -- Senor Jaime who runs Austin Rope, is a licensed hypnotherapist. He will lead one of our SIGs with a presentation on BDSM Hypnotism. (Probably in August)

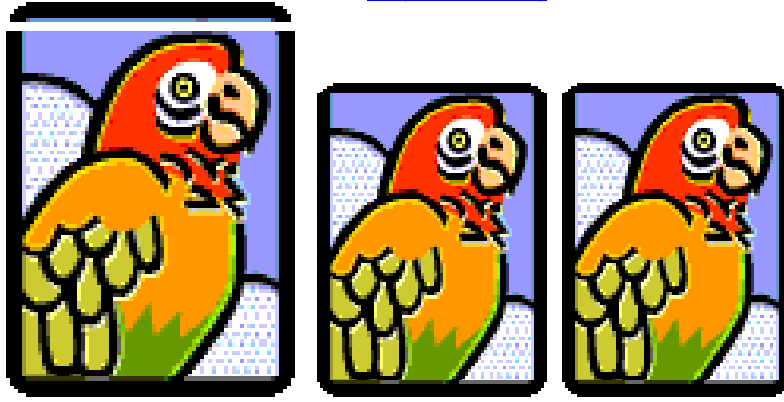
The HPEP Poly SIG

Sir Ryan, the Dragon, HPEP Board of Directors, HPEP SIG Liaison / Poly SIG Leader:

The HPEP Poly SIG is a wonderful discussion group for those who in poly relationships, or are interested in the subject of being poly. It's usually an open topic forum where things have been discussed from coming out to family/children/parents, to what is your ideal poly family structure. You do not have to be poly yourself, or be in a poly relationship to attend a meeting; just an interest in the topic of being poly. As a side note we are not a swingers group, nor an orgy. You can visit us on our Yahoo Group at:

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/HPEP_PolySIG.

For any question you can contact the SIG leader at Poly@hpep.org.



(Poly Sig, get it? Hee hee)

The HPEP Age-Play SIG

The Age-play Sig is now being held on the THIRD SATURDAY of the month. The group has been very active with its meetings and discussions. In the up coming months there will be a pool party night, theme nights, movie nights, discussions and weekend outings. The meetings are being kept non-age specific so that everyone of age-play can come, enjoy themselves, and learn.

Age-play does not and will not involve real children/minors of any kind. But what it does do is involve us adults that act like and pretend to be children! Even if you're not into age-play but would like to find out what it is about, you are welcome to attend. So if you're a 'lil boy or girl, toddlers, teenagers, Mommies or Daddies, Aunties or Uncles, or just a bratty young one, you're all welcome to attend.

Hope to see you there and join in the fun and activities! ~ Scottie

DOMinion

Houston and surrounding area Doms and Dommes have a meeting on the Friday before the regular HPEP meeting, at (7:30 pm) .

The purpose of the Dom/Domme meeting is several fold. The meetings serve as a time of social interaction and a good time of exchanging ideas. There are also scheduled educational presentations by members of the group. Frequently, Doms from around the state come and lead our discussions, so we get views a bit different than those of our local friends that we meet with all the time. So, find a comfortable chair, prop up your feet, and talk the talk of beautiful submissive females, doting slavish men, and the pleasures they bring us. need directions or information:

e-mail the [DOMinion](#)

Subversity NEW SIG!!!!!!

This is so exciting... the HPEP Board has approved subversity as an HPEP SIG.... a wonderful private home has been made available for the group, just a few blocks from Dominion. subversity is for all subs, slaves, switches in bottom mode, bois/boys, girls/girlie sissy girls, puppies, kittens, ponies. The group is for ALL Genders... so please don't shy away... There will be planned topics of discussion at the meetings, as well as having a mentoring group to assist anyone who has issues they wish to discuss privately. This group belongs to you... it is here to meet your needs, and interest. Directions will be sent to you privately if you will email me at lyenakay@yahoo.com in order to protect the privacy of the homeowner. Like all HPEP SIGs the meeting place is smoke free, an area will be provided for the smokers.

Meetings will be held the Friday before the HPEP meeting, either the last Friday of the month, or the first Friday, according to how the calendar falls. In order to attend a subversity meeting you must first attend the HPEP Newcomers Meeting, held the 3rd Saturday night of each month, at the West Gray Cafe. (which, by the way is this evening, so what a good time to come get acquainted) the exception being the long standing HPEP members who already qualify to attend.

The e-group is also available for discussions, and suggestions. The rules are simple, you must have an age on your profile, and no flaming . . . The group is open for any and all discussions, just keep the debating friendly... Feel free to join the group .

Please let me know any ways subveristy can better meet your needs.. did i mention.. this is your group!!

HPEP Board members, thank you for approving subversity as an HPEP SIG.

kaycee

P.S. We will also be working in alliance with the new Sub Social Group **SOS** (Strength of Submission) Which while not an HPEP SIG will be another resource for our fellow submissives to get together.

alyenakay@yahoo.com

HPEP_sub_versity@yahoogroups.com

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/HPEP_sub_versity

HPEP

H.E.L.L.

(Houston Erotic Literature Lovers) Book & Movie SIG

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/HELLbooksandmovies/>

HELL -Now on Friday Nights !!!!!

HELL has met on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday each month at 7:00 p.m. since Fall of 1998. We have noticed that attendance has waned, many folks cite the middle-of-the-week time and long drive as inconvenient for them on work nights. Movies usually start no later than 8:00 p.m., but with a typical movie being two hours or longer it develops into a long evening for the many early risers among us. So after some thought we have moved our HELL meetings to the

2nd and 4th FRIDAYS of the month! We have started out this new time with an excursion to the Greenway 3 to see **The Notorious Bettie Page** and followed up with another field trip to the River Oaks Theater to see **Kinky Boots!**

Yes we still read books! Tell us what you would like to discuss!

Please contact me at mwvixen@swbell.net for directions. Please remember, these meetings are held in a private home so I will need to know who you are and you will *have* to have attended an HPEP Newcomer's Meeting prior to coming to the HELL meeting. Newcomer's meetings are held the third Saturday of the month and you can find the details at www.hpep.org.

Now, without further ado:

Welcome to HELL !

We enthusiastically welcome suggestions for books and movies related to any aspect of BDSM, alternative sexuality, erotica, erotic thrillers, D/s relationships, fetish, or alternative lifestyles, etc. Feel free to e-mail me with **YOUR** recommendations! Better yet, post them to the Yahoo List:

HELLbooksandmovies@yahoogroups.com

HELL is a group where those interested in reading about and watching books and movies dealing with all aspects of BDSM, Erotica and alternative Lifestyles can meet in a casual, non-academic environment. A typical HELL evening involves a bit of book discussion (anything anyone is reading or the selected HELL book) and general conversation and socializing. We usually have snacks and beverages on hand, provided by the host and the attendees, to enhance the "movie experience" which starts about 8:00, so the meetings usually go from about 7:00 - 10:00 or 11:00, depending on how much discussion ensues after the movie. You

are encouraged to come to HELL if you have an interest in reading more about BDSM, both fiction and non-fiction, and/or viewing a variety of sexually-oriented movies: you do not have to read a book to enjoy HELL , (although the Mistress of HELL would strongly encourage you to do so. i and other members can be usually persuaded to lend out books for those who purchasing them is a problem...) Join the HELL mailing list by going to the HELL Yahoo group (address above) and keep up with the books and movies currently happening. We have a lot of fun and it is a good forum for getting to know other folks in the Community and engage in spirited conversation with your fellow perverts. So now, when someone tells you to "Go to HELL", it does not have to be a bad thing! :)

WE HAVE SEVERAL NEW MOVIES NEVER SEEN BEFORE IN HELL!!!!

These include Body Heat, Wild Orchid, Betty Blue, and more to come. **The first movie in June, June 9th, will be in the regular location. It will be "Crash" starring James Spader.**

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MWvixen/Mistress of HELL

Switch SIG

Brad (pierced_switch@yahoo.com)

Every Second Saturday of the month a meeting for switches is held. This is a new group and a good chance for switches to meet, socialize, bond, discuss and exchange thoughts, ideas and issues. This will be a fun, social group, who enjoy getting together and talking amongst friends. A wide variety of topics will be covered. There will also be scheduled educational presentations by members of the group. Switches in either top or bottom mode are welcome, Doms, Tops, Daddies, Mistresses, Masters, subs, slaves, bottoms, little girls or boys are strictly prohibited. This is not an attempt to be exclusive, and certainly is not intended to offend anyone, but rather to provide an opportunity for those of us that are switches to be open about their needs and concerns without fear, criticism or retribution. (Remember, everything you say here, stays here. This means that although the general topic of the meeting may be public knowledge, no-one will ever leave this meeting and run tell he said/she said.)

Toymakers' SIG

Despite an uncertain future and juggling of a venue, the **Toy SIG is alive and well!!!!**

We meet the third Sunday of the month at 4:30. Our latest project was a St. Andrew's crosses

For all those that would love to save some money on Leather Purchases. I have set up with **Tandy Leather** a wholesale club card for HPEP members!!!

Thats right, folks! Leather products, supplies, anything Tandy Leather sell, we can get at Whole sale!!!

Here's how it works, each one of you send me \$1000 in small unmarked, nonsequential bills, I will give you the info as I am boarding a plane to a Carribean I sland that does not have extraditionary laws!! (ps-dont tell the wife!!!) LOL

Just Kidding!! (Lacy, I Love You!!!!!!)

Here is how it really works:

Go into Tandy Leather and tell them that you are a wholesale club card member and you give them the name :

Joseph Teufelhund

The name is not a joke but some Marines in the community will get the name!

I believe that this even works on there website: www.tandyleather.com

Take care and good shopping!

Rene

HPEP Board Member

Toy SIG Leader

SIG Liason

Friend

"...Pleasure and Pain are sisters, maybe even twins..." -Nietzsche

Other Events in June 2006

Courtesy of Mistress More

JUNE 2006

June 1-4 Orlando Bash

June 1-4 Spank Festival, Black River Falls, WI

June 2-4 LA RAWW, Los Angeles

June 2-4 German Fetish Ball, Berlin

June 9-11 Akon, Dallas

June 8-10 Cybernet Expo, San Diego

June 8-11 Boot Camp, Saratoga Springs, CA

June 9-10 Pride Parade and Festival/Erotic City, Hollywood, CA

June 9-11 South East Leather Fest, Atlanta

June 9-11 EXXXotica Miami Beach

June 10-11 Glamourcon, Los Angeles

June 16-17 Exotic Erotic Ball NY

June 18 Sanitarium III, Dallas

June 18 Folsom Street East, NY

June 21-26 Leather Retreat, No MD

June 23-25 ApolloCon, Houston

June 23-25 Wet N Wild, Lake Tawakoni

June 23-25 Erotica LA

June 23-25 Long Beach Tattoo Festival, Queen Mary

June 24 Houston Pride Parade and Festival

June 24-25 San Francisco Pride Parade and Festival

June 25 NY Pride Parade and Festival

June 30-Jul2 Bearquake 6, Los Angeles

June 30-Jul3 TES Fest 06, NY



"Blood may be thicker than water, but leather is thicker than blood." ~ Master Skip Chasey ~

Mistress Morê's Scene News Reports

THEME PARK LONDON!!!

"London Trocadero"

The world's first sex-related 'theme park' is set to open its doors in London's West End this summer.

Amora - The Academy Of Sex & Relationships West End Theme Park is due to open at the London Trocadero near Piccadilly Circus and will occupy over 10,000 square feet of prime visitor attraction space. Over 600,000 visitors

are expected within the first year, with the Academy designed to fill 'a global need for better understanding of sex and relationship issues'.

Combining high tech and interactive exhibits together with new media displays, the Academy will aim to convey health and educational messages in a fun and entertaining way while informing the public about sexual health and relationship developments.

The Academy project is the work of a large group of artists, sex therapists and historians from home and abroad.

It is the result of 3 years of preparation, contributions from collections from around the world and £7 million in financing - backed by both institutional and private investors.

According to the people behind the Academy, 'titillation is not the goal'.

The Academy's Director of Exhibits, Dr Sarah Brewer, said: "This is not a sex museum like those in Amsterdam, Barcelona and Paris, which tend to veer towards pornography for commercial benefit alone."

"Our vision is to build a Kinsey-type institute in Europe for "generation X and Y" to bring modern thinking around sexuality.

"The management is committed to avoiding the sleazy image that the sex industry usually conjures. To this end, it has declined all funding from anyone involved in this sector.

"When doors open, Amora will be an inviting, upscale and exciting venue for the 500,000 sophisticated guests it aims to attract in its first year.

"In keeping with new plans for the Trocadero, the Academy will also become a stylish venue for corporate events, with a number of large pharmaceutical brands already showing interest in sponsorship and theming of certain areas.

"London is the most culturally rich city in the world. It is an ideal place to develop an innovative concept that addresses human sexuality in a way that respects the heritage and image of our city".

The Academy says it is committed to open discussion and the exchange of ideas, bringing the best in current medical research and education techniques to improve people's relations and sex lives - thereby promoting new standards in sexual understanding.

The project has been supported by several health and education organisations and will form a unique venue for these organisations and other healthcare providers to run their awareness campaigns and promote their own innovations.

The Academy will have an ever developing programme of content to cover themes such as: Sex, Health and Relationships, Sexual Performance Improvement, Erectile Dysfunction, Sex & Alcohol, Aphrodisiacs, Beauty, Romance and Sensuality.

Doctor Brewer added: "The proposed development of the Academy is set against a backdrop of rising levels of Sexually Transmitted Infections (STIs), I think such a venue is long overdue.

"There is an overwhelming need for an outlet that not only celebrates human sexuality and reproduction

in an entertaining and accessible way, but one which provides health education within a format that makes it easy - and fun - to assimilate."

HEDO-FEST '06!!!

"May 4-7, 2006"

Texas' largest clothing-optional resort hosted a 4 day/3 night hedonistic festival from May 4th through the 7th. The South's largest clothing-optional festival, "**Hedo-Fest '06**" attracted couples from all parts of the US, Europe, Latin and

South America. They descended upon Washington, Texas to celebrate their independent spirit while letting their sexual inhibitions run free.

With sponsorship from **SuperClub's Hedonism III** Resort located in Jamaica, "Hedo-Fest '06 is a gathering of open-minded couples interested in exploring their sexuality in a secure, private resort" says Larry Hilderbrand, Live Oak's owner and general manager.

When the Hedo-Fest gates opened on Thursday, the 25-acre clothing-optional resort welcomed over 500 lifestyle-friendly individuals as they participated in activities ranging from nude volleyball to all-night toga parties. New Orleans' own Rue Bourbon performed concerts on Friday and Saturday night, and Club Larry (Live Oak's disco) sponsored a hedonistic theme party each evening, from 11pm until 5am.

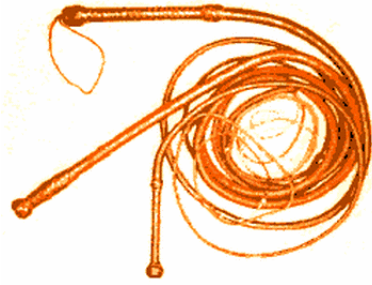
The festival was packed with activities and events chosen to please everyone from the timid to the exhibitionist. "Couples from all walks of life, race, religion and professions

had registered. From the 'just curious' to the most experienced lifestyle couple, they made sure Hedo-Fest offered something for everyone" says Jennifer Nunez, Live Oak's - owner and operations director.

For more information about Hedo-Fest '06 visit Live Oak Resort's website at www.liveoakresort.com.

Enjoy a sampling of the action: www.angelfire.com/vamp/msmore/HDF06/.

LISTS!!!GROUPS!!!CLUBS!!! OH,MY!!!



Bullwhips in the Backyard!

Stay tuned for Upcoming Announcements
(Email Ken at masterwh@swbell.net for more info.)

If you are just learning or are a seasoned pro just come on out. We'll have folks who can give hands on demo's and others who want to learn and yet others who get a sexual thrill from hearing the crack of the whip. (Whip groupies welcome!)

Remember, if we get rained out we have several bullwhip videos we can watch. We discuss topics such as care of the whips, whips websites that are available on the Internet etc. So, there will always be something to do.

Beverages, in the form of coffee, water, sodas etc will be available. If you feel like bringing something, go ahead, we won't turn it down.

Come on out and we will crack some whips, have fun and discuss what we want to get out of these practices. Also, vixen and others convinced me that the right thing to do is form a Yahoo Group for all the folks interested in bullwhips, so here is the link to the new Bullwhips in the Backyard Yahoo Group:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Bullwhipsinthebackyard>

This event is open to all Single tail Enthusiasts regardless of Club orientation, yada yada, and all the usual disclaimers. Eye protection and hats are strongly encouraged ☺!

BDSM Community Resources and Happenings

(to name just a few)



Come Visit EROS (Erotic Rose Society) and find out about one of the most fun and welcoming BDSM groups in town!! (They meet every Saturday At Rudyard's Pub on Waugh at 12 :30- 2:00 and then usually "do Lunch" (Rudyard's is now open at 11 and serving food) and have two Play Parties a month...) many Saturdays we have spent with EROS in the morning and lunch and attended an EROS party(when there was one - usually 2nd and 4th Saturdays) or another group or private function later,

<http://houston-eros.com>

The Violet Society

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/violet_society

....An alternative lifestyle group for people of all colors exploring the many flavors of BD/SM, D/s and M/s.

Formed in November 2004, The Violet Society was established to allow individuals in Houston and the surrounding area, a forum for discussion, fellowship, friendship and risk aware consensual experiences. The name Violet Society was chosen because Violet is the final color in the spectrum of the rainbow. It represents our belief that people of all colors and cultures deserve a place where their alternative expressions of lifestyle can be respected and celebrated. The Violet Society invites members of all ethnicities, nationalities and cultures to join us in exploring the many varied flavors of lifestyle, including BD/SM, D/s, M/s, leather, fetishism and kink.

The Violet Society Mission :

- o To provide a safe, discreet inclusive environment for people of all colors and cultures to participate in mature and healthy educational, social, and sensory experiences within the context of alternative sexual lifestyles.
- o To reach out to members of minority cultures providing a gateway into the BD/SM, D/s and M./s communities for education and support.
- o To help raise the level of consciousness of the greater alternative communities regarding special concerns of minorities involved in alternative lifestyle expressions.
- o To support other lifestyle groups, organizations and individuals with missions that encourage the expression of alternative sexual orientation, lifestyle choice, belief and practice.

Fetish/Swingers Club: Club Cave

Club Cave, the new club that is in the same building that Club Chicago (the old meeting space of years ago for HPEP), over just south of Richmond and between Hillcroft and Fountainview, is becoming a bit more Fetish.

FETISH FRIDAY - Okay, it's Fetish Friday, but what does that mean? It's still couples and single females only. All the same Club Rules still apply. The difference is that we've dropped Friday's Cover for members to \$25.00 and we even take \$5.00 off of that if you bring in your Fetish Gear or Fetish Wear! The cover can be as low as \$20 for member couples! Also, we will have demonstrations earlier in the evening, sometimes in one of our 2 dungeons, or sometimes on the dance floor if more room is needed. Please see the Website for more details! <http://www.ClubCave.com> To visit your group on the web, go to:

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/ClubCave/>

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Remember, Club Cave is a BYOB, Private Social Club. This offer of events is only valid for our members.
For membership information apply in person.

The Safari Club holds it's play parties on the first Saturday and third Friday of each month, after THIRD FRIDAY dinner. All interested in BDSM are welcome. The parties officially start at 9 PM and end when the last person leaves.

For information I, (Safari42s), will be the contact. Safari42S@aol.com

This Email is to announce the formation of a **new Egroup** to replace the TNC group that has recently died. This group is independent of any other group and is intended to be a gathering place for everyone in the BDSM Lifestyle. I encourage everyone to join and to post your group functions. All I ask is that everyone respect one another and that we refrain from SPAMMING and FLAMING. Below are the links to the Gulf Coast Power Exchange Group. I'm looking forward to hearing from you!

Below is a bit of what this Group is about and some rules:

Gulf Coast Power Exchange Group (PEG)

In the light of the demise of the TNC Group, I decided to start another group, independent of everyone else. This is strictly an online E-group that is designed to be an outlet for all things related to BDSM in the Houston area and all over this Southeastern section of the state of Texas.

I am fondly (or sadistically) referred to as Ironass because I've been in the Lifestyle for many years and like to be played very heavy, as many can attest. I belong to Pink Dragon Lady (Trellen Russey), who is also a veteran of the Lifestyle. Herself and the late Art Russey (the Toy Maker) used to have the Gulf Coast Power Exchange Group, the original PEG, in Pasadena, Texas for several years until his death.

If you have a BDSM group you are invited to post your activities here. However, this is not a place for SPAM. We are not here to sell anything - there are other groups for that - but to share our experiences with one another as it relates to the BDSM lifestyle.

This group will be moderated by me and will not answer to the demands of any other group. We will honor everyone and are here to pass judgment upon no one. However, there are a few rules:

1 First and foremost, NO SPAMMING! Anyone who tries to spam on this list will be blocked as soon as I discover it, no questions asked and no appeals. By SPAMMING, I mean commercials of any kind for any product or service and asking for money.

If someone is in need or in the hospital, please feel free to post a request. If you wish to announce a play party or an event of your BDSM group, please feel free to do so. If you have a website you wish to share with us relating to the Lifestyle, please feel free to post.

2. I will not tolerate any flaming on this list. Arguing about things is one thing and can be done civilly, but we are not here to pass judgment on anyone or to run anyone down. If I see that on this list I will deal with it in whatever manner seems fair. It is OK, however, to talk about Travis (LOL).

I have found the BDSM community to be one of the most caring and giving communities in the city, but we can be quite vicious at times. I simply ask that we all show some respect for one another and remember that we do not know what anyone is going through at any given moment. It is better to err on the side of humanness than to rip one another's throat out!

3. As to the posting of pictures, please be discreet. We have to be careful of showing private body parts on a public forum such as this. As a member, the pictures you put in a post for this group are at your discretion, but lets try not to make Yahoo nervous - well, more nervous - than it already is.

At the moment, that's the rules, other than to honor the Yahoo guidelines for groups. Post, talk, announce, have fun.

Your Moderator,
Ironass

When you join this group please remember that Yahoo requires you to have your age posted in your profile or they can bump the whole group. They want to know that everyone is over the age of 18. PLEASE REMEMBER THIS!

Links

PEG
Yahoo Group

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To Subscribe:

GulfCoastPowerExchange-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

BDSM Women's Group: Just Us/WIK

Max Rulz has started a new group for ALL females in the community regardless of orientation, that will meet once a month on Sunday afternoons for a demo, or presentation, discussion and potluck meal.

JustUsWIK (women in kink) Women's group is going to be an informal meet, greet and eat so to speak. It will be a relaxed gathering of the women in the Houston BDSM community. There will be No play just discussion and support. There will be no Top or bottom hats worn though we will discuss issues relating to

both. **JustUs WIK** will be an environment where we can share our experiences and educate in hopes to keep our minds stimulated and our asses safe! There will be workshops. In addition to tapping into the wealth of experience many of the Women have here, I plan on bringing in women I have had the opportunity to meet and learn from over the years, on the 2nd Tuesday of the month. For information please contact; memistress@themistressrulz.com P.S. it is ok to talk about anything here. what we do not want to do is to get into top bashing whether it be male or female. you may not have read this so I will repeat it for you and other new members.

This is not a gay group not a het group not a top group not a bottom group not a switch group.

This is a kinky women's group whose members just may happen to be one or many of the above. What I DO insist of all participants is that this is treated like Las Vegas

What is said here stays here !!!!!!!!!!!!!

We are sisters ----not any ones conscience or the ***king truth police.

Just as a matter of day to day life with WI I TWD one may end up discussing parts or issues stated here --I however see no reason to use *someone's name*--then that goes into the whole conscience thing-----most un-necessary!

Third Friday

(New Location)

<http://www.thirdfriday.org/>

Check Website for new Location!

More Yahoo Groups, Websites, Etc.

As of today **ATR (A True Rose)** has a **calendar** where you can list your own events throughout the year....

To do that go to the index.php page for some of you will need to go to <http://www.atruerose.com> then enter and you will be at: <http://www.atruerose.com/n/html/index.php>

On the top left hand side of that page the very second link says Calendar, click on that and you will be at: <http://www.atruerose.com/n/html/modules.php?name=Calendar>

From there pick Create an Event (the first listing on the top left of the calendar that will bring you to: <http://www.atruerose.com/n/html/modules.php?name=Calendar&file=submit>

From there for now if the Select Topic does not cover your event pick Misc. Lifestyle things (we will broaden this to be more inclusive for your events; today is the first day we have this to offer all of you so we are still tweaking it a bit, if you have suggestions on what to include just email me....

Just fill in the blanks.... if you want to add an url for more info or an email addy to contact you then you need to know a little html coding....

To add an url in the event description box you would do Name of Site

I. E. for ATR that would have been A True Rose

If you want someone to email you for info. that would be your name here

So for me that would be cajunrose If you know html you know you can add a subject line in your email for me that would be cajunrose

Your event will be automatically added without waiting... so if you need help doing this just email us and we will be happy to help....

We hope this calendar open to all, for all events becomes a tool that you can all enjoy... you do not have to join ATR to post an event, it is open to everyone...

Questions, remember we will help anyway we can just email them to me....

To see an event posted for the 8th anny. of ATR go to jump and put the date of June 29, 2006, this is an all day event, so just run your mouse over "view" on the date and in the top right hand corner of the web page you will see a box appear...

I know this is about as clear as mud but if i can do it i assure you, anyone can do it....

Happy posting,

cajunrose
co-owner of A True Rose
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<http://www.atruerose.com>

Greetings All, just a note to let everyone know that there is a **new kitty group**.....did some looking around and could find no groups for human kitty play for my sister subbie so i started one LOL so please come and check it out if you are into this type of play :-) hope to see you there. (susan)

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/KittyPlayKorner/>

Houston Pony Players -
HoustonPonyplayers- subscribe@yahoogroups.com

This discussion group is for all Trainers, Owners, Grooms, ponies and those interested in the pony scene in and around the Houston, Texas area; that we will be able to discuss, debate and exchange information about pony play and interactions with the human horse.

*BD_SM_how2 -

Subscribe: BD_SM_how2-subscribe@yahoogroups.com Ever wondered how to make that certain toy? How hot a certain colored candle is? How to tie that special knot? How to remove blood from a cane? Or any one of a million other little things that come with a lifetime of experience? Then this is the group for you.

*bd_sm_meetsmagick · BD/SM Meets Magick bd_sm_meetsmagick-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

Is there a connection between BD/SM and Magick? This is a group for pansexual adults to discuss this unique lifestyle, including the emotional, spiritual and metaphysical aspects encountered through altered states of consciousness.

FemaleSubmissiveSupport

FemaleSubmissiveSupport-subscribe@yahoogroups.com Female only group. Open to switches (only while in bottom mode), bottoms and of course submissives. All interested in being submissive on any level. No experts here, just other caring women. Focus on positive aspects and ways to enhance the experience of submission in a D/s relationship, and let us help you through the more difficult aspects.

SE_Texas_Ds_Lifestyle

SE_Texas_Ds_Lifestyle-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

The_Safari_Club

The_Safari_Club-subscribe@yahoogroups.com The Safari Club is a pansexual group dedicated to playing and having fun with as little politics as possible. We're committed to enjoying ourselves to the fullest extent while maintaining respect for everyone's personal protocols and preferences. The Safari Club welcomes people who are new to the lifestyle as well as the experienced. We put principles before personalities. Regular play parties are held the 1st Saturday of the month and the 3rd Friday of the month, at a member's home. Member must be 21 or older

TheSwitchSIG

TheSwitchSIG-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

This is the Yahoo Group for the HPEP Switch SIG. We are a discussion group for all things switch in the our lifestyle. We meet every second Saturday of the month and are open to Switches in Top or bottom mode. For directions e-mail switch@hpep.com.

TNGHouston · The Next Generation - Houston

TNGHouston-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

This group is for the support and growth of TNG Houston. TNG Houston is an educational/social/support group for people ages 18-35. We are open to all sexual orientations, persuasions, preferences, identifications, and kinks.

MAST

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/MAST-H/?yguid=141312483>

HPEP's HELL: **BDSM/Erotica books and movies SIG** - this is the address for the Yahoo Group: <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/HELLbooksandmovies/>

The H*E*L*L Reading/Movie group, a special interest group with Houston PEP, now offers an E-group option for those interested in keeping up-to-date and discussing alternative-lifestyle, Erotic, Fetish & D/s-related books and movies. I am also occasionally including some information/links on Erotic artwork. Even if you cannot attend our meetings, we want your input and opinions, and would like to share our explorations of literary and cinematic Erotica with you. The range of discussion, and the nature of our club, however, leaves plenty of room for off-topic & humor posts. Movie and book recommendations are always welcome

EROS Yahoo Group <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Houston-EROS>

Discussion of whatever from the EROS group folks – lighthearted fun! At **EROS**, we meet locally every Saturday for group discussions on some aspect of D/s or perhaps a demonstration on Japanese bondage, fire play, electric toys...but whatever we're doing, you can bet we're having a good time. EROS holds play parties twice each month for its members and sponsored guests. We welcome people who are new to the lifestyle as well as experienced players. If you're looking for a great group of friendly people, you've come to the right place!!

Official HPEP Discussions http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Official_HPEP_Discussions

A place for the members to come and discuss the issues of HPEP. What would they like to see done? What issues need to be addressed.

This is the place to help ensure that the board and others hear those issues. So come join us and let us know what you think and how you feel.

Travis's Houston BDSM site

<http://www.houstonbdsm.com>

So I threw together a website that I will be trying to keep updated as regular as time allows. If you have any details on any events, parties, and groups around Texas please feel free to add them to the site.

<http://www.houstonbdsm.com/Welcome.html>

Travis' Houston BDSM & Fetish Page

It is the purpose of this Web Site to document this growth, and to be a simple page for Houston fans of fetish to find out what's happening in and around the Houston area in the world of BDSM/FETISH. Check here often to find out about your favorite organization, and to check on upcoming events.

New Group

Hi Guys, due to the fact that I get many people asking me questions about the **Abilene area** and if there are any BDSM groups up there (which there are none) I decided to start one for them.

I hope at some point in the future they will be able to start having munches and hopefully even play parties. So if you travel to the area or know anyone in the area and would like to join yourself go to

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/AbileneKinksters/>

Texas Fetish and Swing

I just started a group for fetish and swing people in San Antonio, Austin and surrounding areas. This is a MODERATED group, with spammers getting banned immediately. If you're as tired of spam as I am, I invite you to join!!!

TexasFetishAndSwing-subscribe@yahoogroups.com

www.castlerealm.com
<http://www.steel-door.com/Chamber.html>
<http://www.thebrc.net/>
http://t_h_o_j.tripod.com/joshua/id18.html
<http://www.leathernroses.com/>
<http://www.wizdomme.com/>
<http://www.subnation.org/>

Other Groups in Texas

dfw_powerexchange.

The link is http://groups.yahoo.com/group/dfw_powerexchange/

Our mission statement:

DFW_powerexchange is for A/anyone in the Dallas-Fort Worth area who is into the D/s lifestyle, or interested in learning more about it.

Our purpose is to be:

- 1) A place to grow and learn in our Dominance and submission.
- 2) A connecting point for Masters, Mistresses, Dominants, switches, slaves and submissives to meet and make friends with others who share our interests through social events, both vanilla and lifestyle oriented.
- 3) A forum for the exchange of information, thoughts, ideas and experiences on the dynamics involved in D/s or M/s relationships and play--not only through dialog on the message board, but also through real-life personal interaction among members via discussion groups, parties, group outings to other organizations' events and more.
- 4) A link to other organizations, events, craftsmen, merchants, artists and others who cater to those in the D/s lifestyle.

Thank you for your consideration,
cravin

http://groups.yahoo.com/group/Huntsville_Area_D-S

here is there blurb: Huntsville TX and surrounding areas newest group for the continued growth of the D/S community. All lifestyles welcome respect all and all shall respect you. Parties coming soon as things start to build. servicing mostly Trinity, Livingston, Huntsville, OnAlaska, Nacogdoches, Lufkin, Crockett, Bryan, etc.

Also there is a group for 18-35 year olds here in Houston and there was talk of starting one up in Beaumont by a supporter...<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/TNGHouston> their blurb reads: This group is for the support and growth of TNG Houston. TNG Houston is an educational/social/support group for people ages 18-35. We are open to all sexual orientations, persuasions, preferences, identifications, and kinks...

Plus Michael and Rachael have an egroup for new people in the community that they formed back in November... <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/THPBDSM/> Here is the blurb:

This group has been set up to help new people, or people curious about B.D.S.M. It is geared mainly for Houston area people, however anyone can join. The bridge from Vanilla can be a difficult one to travel alone, we offer support, advice, and a hand to hold on the way. Feel free to ask any questions, no question will be stupid, this is to help get you ready for the more advanced boards, as well as real life play and or parties.

These links and many others are available on my site:

<http://groups.msn.com/MichellesMindsMeanderings>

Closing Remarks

The HPEP Newsletter can only be as good as what you put in it - so send in your stuff!!!! It is now on line so whether you write Erotic/BDSM poetry or prose, would like to report on an event, want to sell that old whip, need a job or are looking for help, or would like to announce your club's special events, you will reach a larger audience. Please send in your "submissions" ASAP for inclusion July 2006 Newsletter.

Send to mwvixen@swbell.net on or before the 1st of the month.

Suggestions on how to improve the Newsletter or what you would like to see in it are welcome. I will do my best to fulfill any reasonable requests. I am new to this format, the Newsletter previously being available in hard-copy only, so please bear with me (or bare with me?) as I learn and improve and enhance this publication my education is an ongoing process!

Thanks to all the contributors (esp. Mistress More, and many more) and other folks (i.e. Masterwhip) who assisted in getting out yet another issue of the HPEP Newsletter!!! (And thanks to Mr. Rich for posting the Newsletter to the HPEP website)

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