



HPEP Newsletter

October 2005



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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Calendar October 2005

Date	Event	Time	Contact
Sept. 30th	HPEP DOMinion & Subhaven	1 st Friday of the month 7:30 p.m. Subhaven temporarily on hiatus	DOMinion subhaven@hpep.org
Oct. 1st	HPEP Regular Meeting & Fetish Night	1 st Saturday of the month : Munch at Hollywood to be followed by play party at Club Earth (see following announcement)	www.hpep.org
Oct. 8th	HPEP Switch SIG-	2 nd Saturday of each month at 7:00 p.m.	Switch SIG
Oct. 9th	Bondage SIG	2 nd Sunday of the month at 3:00 p.m.	ClintEman77380@Yahoo.com
Oct. 12th	HPEP's H.E.L.L. [Reading / Movie S.I.G.]	7:00 p.m. every 2 nd and 4 th Wednesday Movies, and book discussion - snacks and socializing Movie TBA	Reading Circle
Oct. 14th	The HPEP Polyamory SIG	2 nd Friday of the month at 7:30 p.m.	Poly SIG
Oct. 15th	Newcomer's Meeting	3 rd Saturday of each month at 7 p.m. at Los Tios on Westheimer near Gessner	Newcomers' Committee.
Oct. 15th	HPEP Ageplay SIG	3 rd Sat. of each month at 1:00 p.m.	Ageplay SIG
Oct. 16th	The ToyMakers SIG	3 rd Sunday of the month 4:30 p.m.	ToyMakers SIG
Oct. 22nd	The D/s SIG	4 th Saturday of every month at 7:30 p.m.	D/s SIG
Oct. 26th	HPEP's H.E.L.L. [Reading / Movie S.I.G.]	7:00 p.m. every 2 nd and 4 th Wednesday Movies, and book discussion - snacks and socializing Movie TBA	Reading Circle

Great New Venue for HPEP Meeting!

My fellow HPEP'ers,

I am delighted and excited to announce that HPEP is back in what was formerly known as Club Chicago. Club Chicago is now known as Club Earth, but is the same building, which is located at 6305 Skyline Dr., Houston, TX. So for all you long time life-stylers who remember this great venue come out and enjoy the venue you so fondly remember; and for newcomers or relatively new folks, such as my self, come out and enjoy a place of legend in the local Houston BDSM scene.

**We will still
have the lovely munch at Hollywood Restaurant
The munch is at Hollywood Resturant at 2409 Grant St
Houston, TX 77006 at 6pm Sept 3rd.
before heading over to Club Earth, which will open at
8PM.**

Our regular meetings such as the one to be held in October will have a \$5 cover but will be BYOB so that you can save money that way and set-ups will be available.

As to the location and parking, it isn't one of the nicest of neighborhoods in Houston but HPEP will have DM's in the parking lot as well as patrolling inside the club. These DM's are available to walk members to and from their cars and will be watching over everybody's vehicles.

We will also need help with the setting up and tearing down of equipment before and after the party. If anybody is interested in volunteering please speak to me or any other board member. Any and all help is greatly appreciated!

Club Earth is being billed as an "after-hours" club so we will have to vacate the premises by mid-night, but any member wishing to stay may re-enter at the club's regular cover. The demographic the club is shooting for is off work strippers, bar tenders and alternative industry professionals who won't be surprised or taken aback by our activities. In other words it won't be mostly rave kids.

I would also like to publicly thank Aaron (of Aaron and Desi) for making this happen. If it were not for this great guy and long time scene member this would not of happened. So if you see him shake his hand and thank him.... Thanks Aaron!

Best Regards in Leather

Brad - A.K.A. pierced_switch
Chairman of the HPEP Board of Directors
HPEP Switch SIG Leader

SIG News

Switch SIG	Brad (pierced_switch@yahoo.com)
D/s SIG	Eric (bigddy31@aol.com)
Bondage SIG	Gary (clinteman77380@yahoo.com)
Dominion	John (sirjohn@scottishdom.net)
SubHaven	
HELL	MWvixen (mwvixen@swbell.net)
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Toymakers SIG	Rene
PolySIG	Ryan (dragonman3@houston.rr.com)

HPEP Bondage SIG

The themes for the remaining HPEP Bondage SIG meetings through the end of the year are:

October 9 – Steve Indands (from Austin) will lead with Predicament Bondage;

November 13 – tentative - Gary will review the Mark Yu Dallas seminar;

December 11 – Taipan (from Dallas) will lead with Suspension demos and instructions.

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.

September Bondage SIG Report

Travis scheduled a party, and a party we had. We had a good turn out. It was fun to see some people I haven't seen for a while, and to meet new folks. This SIG meeting took the form of an adult "show and tell" for non-rope bondage devices. The principle presenters were Travis, Wally and Steve.

Wally demonstrated a custom made 3 piece bondage outfit – comprising a form fitting leather sheath that encapsulated him, binding him from neck to ankle, a hood that covered his head and shoulders, and an arm glove that draped on his shoulders and restrained his arms behind his back without undue strain on them.

(I've owned cars that cost me less than Wally's custom made outfit.) Very impressive.

Travis showed some of his vast collection of toys for our entertainment and education. They included full body harnesses made with multiple leather straps, chastity devices, several styles of bondage hoods, different configurations of arm bondage gloves and hand bondage gloves, different kinds of leather straps with strategically placed "D" rings, a vacuum bed, etc. He also pointed out some things we can do with the simple things we all have in our closets, -- belts, dress ties, panty hose, plastic wrap, duck tape, etc. He talked about layering in bondage – placing one bondage device on top of or in addition to another, to build the excitement of a bondage scene for both the top and bottom. He discussed how – surprisingly, some devices that are for bottoms -- like a bondage hood -- can also become very interesting for the top. For example, meet the "executioner from hell", now wearing the black leather bondage hood. There were leather devices and "D" rings all over the place. Wow!

Steve showed some of his extensive collection of "toys". They took the form of a real strait jacket, real police hand cuffs, and real police leg and hand shackles, etc. Steve also had some custom made metal arm and leg shackles. One of them locked and unlocked with an Allen wrench. You could place them on the bottom, and give the bottom the Allen wrench (key) to hold, but because of their configuration, the bottom could not move his/her hands enough to insert the Allen wrench (key). Frustrating, eh? He also has some custom made metal cages that he described. I didn't know

Steve was so kinky.

After the "show and tell" part of the meeting, Neel, Amber, Andrew and Pauline tried out Travis' full body leather strap harness. Both Amber and Pauline enjoyed full suspensions. Several other folks tried out some of the different devices on display.

Everyone had a good time.

My special thanks are sent to Travis and Melody for hosting us again

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We are expanding the October and (tentative) December meetings into weekend events. Clay and Jean will also host our guest presenters at their Saturday afternoon EROS group meetings at Rudz, and we will have a Sunday brunch at Travis' house before our regular Sunday afternoon SIG meeting. Stay tuned for more details.

Gary

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HPEP Bondage Leader

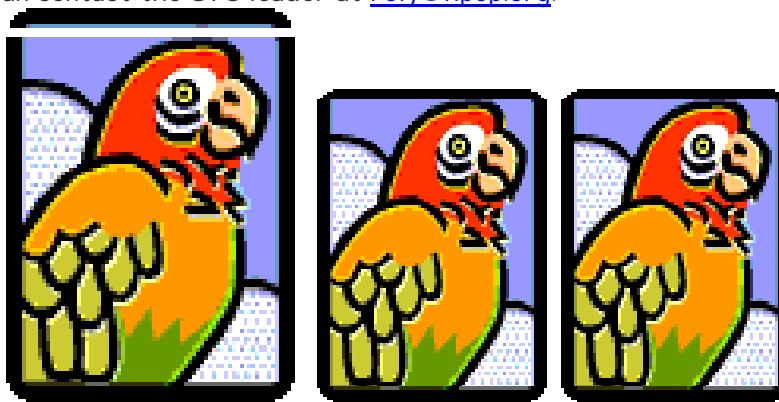
The HPEP Poly SIG

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.



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](#)

Subhaven

(Subhaven is on temporary hiatus until further notice)

D/s SIG

Eric (bigddy31@aol.com)

To all who have an interest in the D/s SIG, I would like to take this opportunity to profusely thank Sir John for his help with the D/s SIG over the last few months and for graciously volunteering his home for the meetings.

There has been so much that I have wanted to do to my own home (where the D/s SIG used to be held) that I have been much more able to accomplish since it now doesn't have to be ready and safe for guests once a month. My banister was rickety enough without my sending you all up the stairs to the restroom without one at all during renovations. LOL Using John's home lets us not have to bounce you all around to varying locations depending on what else is happening. John has also been kind enough to lead excellent discussions on the nights that I am unable to be there and has done a fantastic job. He is quite a guy and I just wanted to take this chance to recognize him for his many contributions to this situation. His many contributions to HPEP in general would take much longer and I'll try to do that in a separate post.

I look forward to future D/s SIGs where, even if my house is covered in sheetrock dust, I can shower it off, grab the ladies, and head over to John's for an evening of the great D/s discussions that we've always had.

Also, for the new or newer folks who haven't had the chance to attend a SIG and have an interest in D/s, please come out and enjoy. I'm certain that you'll have fun and be glad you came since John is an absolute sweetheart and I only bite when it's been previously negotiated (unless you look like Angelina Jolie, then all bets are off). Email me for any info you need and be sure to join the D/s SIG list as John suggested so that you can get all the info first hand.

Best regards,

Eric AKA 'Big Daddy Eric' AKA 'Eric of Eric and Sharon' AKA.. (How many aliases does this guy have for heaven's sake? ;)

HPEP H.E.L.L. (Houston Erotic Literature Lovers) Book & Movie SIG

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

HELL meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday each month at 7:00 p.m. Movies usually start no later than 8:00 p.m.! Contributions of snacks and beverages are appreciated, but not required. And there'll always be popcorn available (great to throw at the TV during cheesy scenes using fake whips!)

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 NEW 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 emailing me at mwvixen@swbell.net or joining 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! :)

October Movies will be announced on the various lists and the HPEP Official discussion list.

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.

Rene
HPEP Board Member
SIG Liaison
Toy SIG Leader

Other Events in October 2005

Courtesy of Mistress More

- Oct. 1** **Dareware Fetish Ball, Hous., TX**
- Oct 6-9 International Leather Sir and Leatherboy Weekend, Atlanta
- Oct 7-9 Blackout X ONYX, Chicago
- Oct 7-10 Portland Uniform Weekend XI I I
- Oct 8 Skin Two Rubber Ball, London
- Oct 8-9 AdultCon, Los Angeles
- Oct 9 Queer Biker Invasion of Death Valley, CA
- Oct 14-15 Desert Heat Run, Palm Springs, CA
- Oct 14-16 Rio Grande Leather Albuquerque NM
- Oct 18-23 Cine Kink Film Festival, NY
- Oct 21-23** **Oni Con, Houston**
- Oct 21-23 Together in Leather, Charlotte, NC
- Oct 20-23 Biketoberfest, Daytona Beach, FL
- Oct 21-23** **Smoketoberfest IV, Dallas**
- Oct 21-22 31st Anniversary Society of Janus San Francisco CA
- Oct 21-23 Central California Leatherfest Fresno CA
- Oct 21-23 Sampler XV OCLA, Black Palm/Ambiente Inn Palm Springs CA
- Oct 22 Exotic Erotic Ball, SF
- Oct 22 Vendors Fair, Portland
- Oct 22 Annual Fetish Ball North Bound Leather Toronto CN
- Oct 22 NYC Halloween SMack
- Oct 27-30 Tattoo Voodoo Festival, Metairie, LA
- Oct 29** **Pimp N Prostitute Ball, Pub Fiction, Houston**
- Oct 29** **Halloween, Hush, Houston**
- Oct 29 Fetish and Fantasy Ball, Vegas
- Oct 29 Guavaween, Tampa
- Oct 29 Fantasy Fest, Key West
- Oct 31** **Halloween Party/Costume Contest, Numbers, Houston**

How about Vegas for Halloween ? <http://www.halloweenball.com/event05.shtml>

November 18-20, 2005

Spanksgiving 2005!!!

Registration will soon be open-watch for the announcement. The event will start on Friday Afternoon and run through Sunday late morning. There will be [Vendors](#) down vendor row for your shopping pleasure and [play parties](#) on Friday and Saturday night for all your other pleasures (well, almost all of them)!!!

It is held in the Saint Louis, Missouri metropolitan area. All activities, workshops, and play parties will take place in the host hotel

W.E.T. sessions will be held on Saturday morning and on Saturday afternoon.

What are W.E.T. sessions, you ask? I'm really glad that you did.

W(workshops). E(experiences). T(techniques) sessions are "HANDS ON" sessions that you actively participate in. The facilitators are there to help you learn new skills, refine skills that you are working on, experiment with types of play that may be new to you, and just plain help you have a good time.

So, bring your toybags and "toys" with you on Saturday and have some fun! Suggested tools, toys, or other supplies will be sent out closer to the event to those who register.

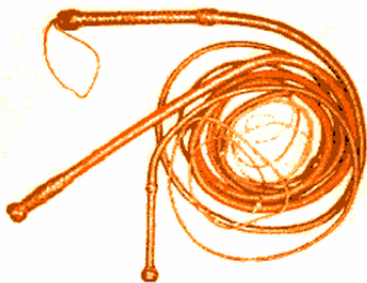
Watch for the web page and registration to open on or very close to August 1st! Register early and make sure that you take advantage of the opening prices.

Question? Many of the answers will be found at www.stl3.com/events .

Sincerely,

Kate, Spanksgiving 2005 Chairperson

Bullwhips in the Backyard!



Every other Saturday is time for Bullwhips in the Backyard.

10 a.m. 'til 11:30 a.m.

Every other Saturday* Temporarily on Hiatus
(Email masterwh@swbell.net for exact dates)

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.

And if you are interested and want to know more, e-mail me Ken, a.k.a. *Masterwhip at....*

masterwh@swbell.net

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 ☺!

Announcements:

Feel free to forward.

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Sunday, September 4, 2005

Contact: Ricci J. Levy, 610.212.5555

Rehnquist Vacancy Raises Concern to Crisis Level for Human Rights Issues

Statement of Woodhull Executive Director, Ricci Levy:

"The threat to all freedoms in the United States, including sexual freedom, is elevated to "Code Red"

The Woodhull Freedom Foundation extends our deep and sincere condolences to Justice Rehnquist's family, friends and colleagues. He served this country with great dedication as Attorney General, as Supreme Court Justice and as Chief Justice of the highest court in the land. His family and friends should be proud, remembering his life and accomplishments, even in this time of sorrow.

For the sexual freedom movement, however, Justice Rehnquist's passing creates a crisis of epic proportions and we must be prepared to act promptly and effectively. The threat to all freedoms in the United States, including sexual freedom, is elevated to Code Red!

George W. Bush will now not only be sending a second High Court nominee to the Congress, he will also be nominating a new Chief Justice. The President has said that Antonin Scalia and Clarence Thomas, two radicals whose opinions have been anathema to the advancement of sexual freedoms, are the Justices he most admires.

The Supreme Court has, in recent years, upheld the legality of affirmative action in colleges and universities, expanded the reach of a law banning gender discrimination in education, upheld the constitutionality of a federal law requiring states to make courtrooms accessible to the disabled and declared that government cannot criminalize private conduct (such as sodomy) simply on the basis of moral disapproval. Support for these decisions came from the Court's liberals and moderates, and in most of the cases there was only a one-vote margin over the conservatives like Thomas and Scalia.

If you look at the United States today, you have a small idea of what we face in the future if Bush is allowed to continue down the destructive path on which he appears to be headed. Look at:

- o the threats to Roe v. Wade;
- o the challenges to privacy and reproductive choice;
- o censorship of personal choices in what we read and view.

And the risks extend to other important areas of law as well:

- o the move to radically restrict the Voting Rights Act;
- o the drive to limit environmental conservation;

- o the gradual blurring of the lines between church and state and the dismantling of protections against religious coercion;
- o the systematic reduction of access to the courts by those who seek remedies against discriminating employers, against businesses that make injurious products, and against harmful governmental rules and actions, and;
- o the right wing campaign to withhold legal equality and equity for gay and lesbian Americans.

And know that this is just the beginning! We **MUST** act now, and we must be aggressive in response to the threat of one man's drive to radically dismantle the freedoms that define and guide our nation. The two lifetime appointments that will now be made by President Bush could upset the delicate balance on the Supreme Court and create a majority that supports the right wing objective of continued erosion of fundamental human liberties.

As a member of The Coalition for a Fair & Independent Judiciary, a far-reaching network of nearly 100 national and state organizations committed to making sure our next Supreme Court Justices care more about how the law affects ordinary Americans than about partisan ideology, WFF is on the front lines. We will be keeping you informed via a series of updates on the looming fight to keep judges who would undermine American rights and freedoms off the high court.

Join WFF today (<http://www.woodhullfoundation.org/action/support.aspx>) and support our on-going fight for those very basic human rights guaranteed to all of us by the Constitution and very much in jeopardy at this moment in history!

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The purpose of The Woodhull Freedom Foundation is to advance and protect freedom of sexual expression and speech as well as to promote sexuality as a positive personal, social and moral value through research, advocacy, activism, education and outreach.

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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" 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 Open Door

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/TheOpenDoor-Houston/>

The Open Door meets at 7:30 p.m. at Travis' house (email for directions). It is a D/s discussion and mentoring group. A pot-luck or themed dinner precedes the evening's topic. This month Sept. 23rd, 7:30 p.m. The Open Door and MAsT will be hosting a presentation by Vi Johnson (more information to follow in this issue.)

In Leather Spirit,
Ces Williams

You don't stop laughing because you grow old, you grow old because you stopped laughing.

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.

New Fetish/Swingers Club: Club Cave

Dear Group

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. They had been doing Fetish Night on Wednesday, but they have moved that to Friday. And this coming Friday is Friday the 13th, and mean, how much more Fetish do you want. These people are trying hard to make something special, so why not go try them out.

Travis

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 TNC munch and 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

TNC, The New Club

The New Club has now "merged" with HPEP for a munch the first Saturday of the month, at the Hollywood Restaurant in Montrose starting around 6 with a meet and greet, then dinner, that ends around 7:30 in time for folks to get to the HPEP Meeting & Fetish Night and the Safari party. Check the list for details:

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

NEW Yahoo GROUPS!!!!

BDSM Health

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

S&M Health & Fitness is designed to support lifestyle friendly people who are interested in learning and sharing healthier ways to live. This includes improving ones appearance, weight management, fitness training, and managing health issues. Postings here can focus on sharing health tips, progress reports, daily food logs, recipes and strategies. Please share your thoughts as relates to healthy food intake ,fitness and exercise, healthy intimacy practices, and health as relates to Lifestyle.

New Submissives' Group: Subversity!

This Group will not be part of any other group. We will have a topic every month. We will **have** a co-hostess/host every month. We will also be having a pot luck dinner and door prizes. Join us in "Subversity" This group is for anyone, regardless of gender or orientation, who identifies as a bottom, a submissive or a slave. This list is a place for us to participate in and discuss our lifestyle choices in a safe environment.

groups.yahoo.com/group/sub_versity sub_versity

We have a new Hostess/Host every month.

Females,Males and anyone else are welcome as long as you are in sub mode.

New BDSM Women's Group: Just Us

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. JustUs 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 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 for instance Vi Johnson in September--It should be a blast--please come and join us. We will be meeting on the fourth Tuesday of the month. For information please contact; memistress@themistressrulz.com

Due to the Unexpected Emergency of Hurricane Rita, The "Vi Johnson Weekend" Had to be cancelled

Editor's Note:

Below are some letters from Travis regarding the leather community's response to the victims of Hurricane Katrina.

Dear Group

just a note to thank all those that responded to the email that Leo and I had sent out to the New Orleans Leather/BDSM community about offers of someplace to stay if they needed something after the hurricane. As you all know, this hurricane Katrina has simply devastated New Orleans. My son Scott has lived there for 5 years, and luckily left 2 days ago, is now home with me, and he is fine. But the city is almost destroyed. Homes lost, jobs lost, fires, floods, just incredible damages.

When I sent out my notice to the Houston community I expected some response, but nothing like what I got. There was a virtual outpouring of offers to help. I was amazed and overwhelmed. People with apartments offering their living room couches. People offering their guest bedrooms, their futons, and any other part of their home. I have offers of a three bedroom condo that is vacant.

I have a folder with all those offers in it. As requests come in, I will be contacting folks who sent these offers to see if we can find "fits" for people that might need a few days or more to rest and heal in Houston and away from the storm damage.

Many times I have been touched by the generosity of the Houston BDSM/Leather community. This is one of those times. I wanted to thank each of you that sent me a note (I had planned to do it individually, but there was just too big a response for me to type them all), and I wanted the whole community to, once more be able to appreciate what a fabulous community we have here in Houston.

Travis

Dear Group

Vi Johnson has joined in the Katrina Relief fund raising drive. Here is an announcement from Vi, Catherine Gross and Victoria Gayton. This is a challenge to all BDSM/Leather clubs to help in the fund raising to help those in the New Orleans/Gulf Coast area hurt by Katrina.

Let's help out on this and do something special in Houston. Lots of folks already have.

Travis

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FUNDRAISING CONTEST ORGANIZED TO HELP 2 LEATHER CLUBS IN NEW ORLEANS

Catherine Gross (FetishAuctioneer.com), Ms. Victoria, and Viola Johnson are sponsoring a fundraiser to help members of the New Orleans leather community. So many have lost everything in the wake of Katrina's devastating impact, and we want to help them rebuild their lives and communities. While many individuals and organizations are contributing their time, money and support to the relief effort, it is our hope that a concerted group effort will enable us to offer even more to extended members of our leather family who are in desperate need.

This fundraiser will be in the form of a contest, which will be open to clubs, events and e-mail lists. The group contributing the largest collective donation will win a basket stocked full of erotic goodies from Fetish Auctioneer, valued at \$250.00. All funds collected will be split 50/50 between two major leather clubs in New Orleans: Lords of Leather and N.O.B.L.E. Both clubs are still attempting to locate all of their members, and they assume, due to the location of their event and/or play spaces, that they have lost everything; in addition, some members of both clubs have lost everything they own. Funds will be distributed by the respective officers of both clubs to those members with the greatest need. The contest will run from September 7, 2005 through October 20, 2005.

Donations will be accepted through a special Pay Pal account. Everyone donating is asked to list their e-mail list name, event name or local club in the "message" section. Totals will be monitored and tallied by Catherine's assistant, Jen, via an Excel spreadsheet which will be updated daily. For information about how to make a donation, to see current donations, or to get details on the prize basket being donated by Fetish Auctioneer, visit:

<http://www.fetishauctioneer.com/nolacharity/nola.htm>

The winner of the basket will be announced on October 21, 2005, via press release.

Our club brothers and sisters in New Orleans are in need of our help and support, so please help us get the word out by distributing this release to any e-mail lists or other contacts you might have!

Catherine Gross

[Http://www.BDSMClasses.com](http://www.BDSMClasses.com)

[Http://www.Fetishauctioneer.com](http://www.Fetishauctioneer.com)

[Http://www.SELeatherFest.com](http://www.SELeatherFest.com)

Dear Group

A couple of weeks ago, when Katrina had just struck, my dear friend Leo from Austin contacted me about what we could do to help those of the "Leather tribe" that would need help. We started a project to arrange housing and other emergency help that some of these folks would need "now". Both the Houston and Austin communities responded overwhelmingly to that call for help. One of the great members of the New Orleans community, Master Sade (Ted) found out about it, jumped in the program, and pushed us to make it bigger.

His idea was to expand this concept to become a national program that would help those from Katrina, but also would continue in existence and be a force to help the Leather community any time there was emergency need. That 'ball' has started rolling and is picking up steam every day. There is already a group of people working with us, some of whom have agreed to be on the continuing Board of Directors. Below is a proud note about the first donations coming in. Note that these are from New England and Washington D.C. Word is getting out.

Austin is having a huge fund raiser for this project the first weekend in Oct, and Mel and I will be there. I would so love it if we could do something big in Houston. Ideas would be really great. Ruby and many others have already come to me and told how much they want to help. We need help from a lot of you on this.

Travis

PLEASE Crosspost this to the lists you are on

It is my pleasure to announce the following first donations to "The Leather Fund".

New England Leather Alliance has donated \$1000 and has earmarked further activities at the next Fetish Fleamarket for the Leather Fund.

International Ms Leather 2005 and FIST have raised and donated \$500 dollars for the Leather Fund. FIST is a women's leather club from the Baltimore/Washington, DC area.

I want to offer my thanks and the thanks of the Leather Community for their generosity.

If your community has funds to donate, or would like to plan a fundraiser for the Leather Fund, please contact:

Master Sade at mstersade@aol.com

Travis Wilson at travisw@pdq.net

Leo il Maestro at domleo@austin.rr.com

The Leather Fund is being established as a Louisiana nonprofit corporation with the purpose of meeting the long term rebuilding and reestablishment needs of the Leather Community affected by Hurricane Katrina. As a goal the Leather Fund has set a minimum level of \$ 200 000 in resources. It is believed that out of tragedy often comes benefit and it is hoped by those that are establishing this fund that the fund will be there not only for this disaster, but for whatever future disasters may strike our community.

If a need in our community is not being met, if assistance is needed immediately for any reason, please do not hesitate to contact one of the above.

Thank you.

In Leather Unity, for Leather Recovery,

Master Sade
Travis
Leo il Maestro

Third Friday

(New Location)

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

THIRD FRIDAY MUNCH, From 7:00 p.m. -
10:00 p.m. at the StarFire Grill, 3801 Bellaire Blvd., Houston, TX.
77025 (713) 432-7644,

More Yahoo Groups, Etc.

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 -**

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

The_Safari_Club

The_Safari_Club-subscribe@yahoogleroups.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

TheOpenDoor-Houston · A D/s Discussion Group

TheOpenDoor-Houston-subscribe@yahoogleroups.com The Open Door is a D/s Discussion group located in Houston Tx. Our Purpose: To have an open and intelligent discussion of all aspects of a D/s mindset in a relaxed comfortable setting. To mentor those that want to learn and to learn from those who want to mentor. Our meetings take place the second and fourth Friday of every month. For those that can not participate in the meetings, this e-group is a way to discuss your thoughts and opinions and to share your

TheSwitchSIG

TheSwitchSIG-subscribe@yahoogleroups.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@yahoogleroups.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@yahogroups.com

Other Groups in Texas

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>

One Document, All Clubs

Daddy J spent the better part of a week compiling and updating the 2005 list of clubs in Houston and surrounding areas. A copy of it was posted to the SCANDAL GROUP file pages

<http://groups.yahoo.com/group/SCANDAL/files>

Since Newcomers MAsT Third Friday and HPEP monthly meeting have all moved in the past few months it's a good idea to download this MS Word file and keep it handy. It even links to the specific club pages for newer updates.

The page is also available on Safari Club Group and I have offered it to The New Club to post as well.

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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, Travis, coffeebean, 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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