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BOARD IN BRIEF

The August meeting of the Board was both the best attended, and longest in several months.

Most important was the decision to alter the regular Board meeting date to the 3rd Sunday afternoon of each month, 5 PM. This will begin with the September meeting, the 18th and should allow greater participation of our membership.

Additionally the Board will hold 2 other special meetings. August 22nd they will meet to discuss anticipated By-Law proposals for the Fall members meeting. A special meeting to the members will communicate the results. A special open meeting will also be held September 24th 5 PM, at SPARKS for last open discussion of the Conference to answer final questions.

Jan & Wayne reported great progress with LIL III. Closing party is being planned for "OZ" (the former Skoochies near the Center). By the courtesy of Mack's LEathers of BC & Leather Journal of LA, the party will headline Lynn Lavner & also present the "Sluts From Hell." Grafix fx will also be a party sponser. Dean D. noted 2 dungeons will be held by SDG for the weekend.

The Board voted a unanimous "vote of confidence for the Secretary & his work, and in particular his financial accountability."

The Transitions committee is requesting persons interested in running for office in the Fall election call &/or notify the Secretary of intent to ease the election process. (See article in this issue)

Vic reported the establishment of a new SM Women's group "outer Limits." The Board indicated support & best wishes

Next month's meeting SUNDAY, Sept 18.
5:00 PM Keith's loft (call Sec 784-7367)
LIL III Meeting Sept 24th, 5 PM SPARKS.

NLA CALENDAR

****AUGUST, 1988**

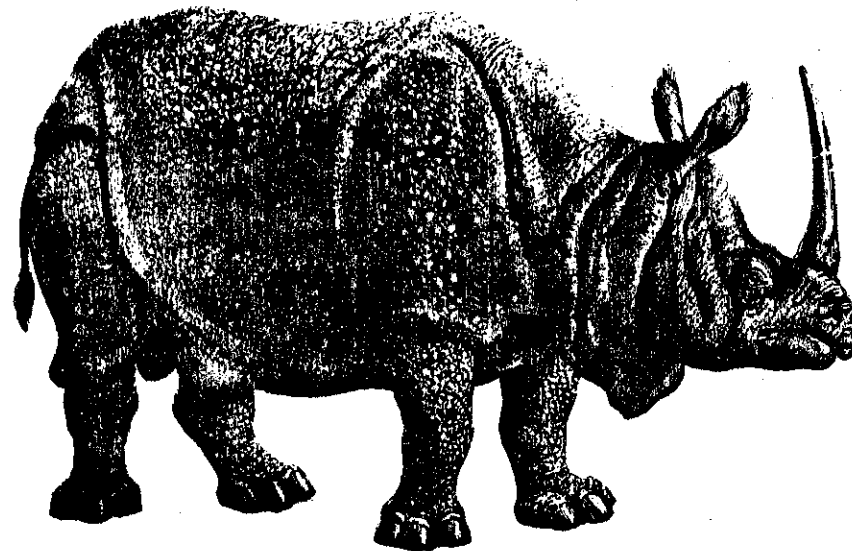
- 22 NLA:SEATTLE SEATTLE
Board Discussion--By-Laws
- 18,25 LEATHER NIGHT SEATTLE
Sparks
- 19,26 NLA NIGHT SEATTLE:Eagle

****SEPTEMBER, 1988****

- 2 NLA:BC VANCOUVER
Bar Night 9:30 PM
- 7 NLA:SEATTLE 7:30 PM SEATTLE
Program Timberline
Sterile Techniques:Maidhof/
Beitler
- 11 NLA:BC VANCOUVER
Board Meeting 7 PM GLC
- 18 NLA:SEATTLE SEATTLE
Board Meeting 5 PM
Deadline FIRST LINK II:10
- 1,8,15,22,29 LEATHER NIGHT SEATTLE
Sparks
- 2,9,16,23,30 NLA NIGHT SEATTLE:Eagle

****OCTOBER, 1988****

- *****
- *7 NLA SEATTLE*
 - * Living in Leather III Tropics*
 - * Registration/Keggers *
- *****
- * NLA SEATTLE*
 - * Living in Leather III Sea.Cntr*
 - *8 Registration *
 - * Opening Ceremonies/Exhibits/ *
 - * Workshops/Demonstrations *
 - *9 Exhibits/Workshops/Closing *
 - * Party & Honors *
 - *10 General Meeting *
- *****



VASM/VANCOUVER B.C.

VASI has adjusted its traditionally anniversary celebration backwards by one week, in order to allow its members easier access to LIL III. They are planning a gala weekend, headquartered at Vancouver's Dufferin Hotel, including buffets, demonstrations, videos, and an anniversary dinner on Saturday, and a brunch and annual meeting on Sunday. The Vancouverites always put on a heck of a show; we recommend it. For more information, contact VASM at POB 2204, New Westminster B.C., V3L 5A5, Canada.

NLA:BC/VANCOUVER B.C.

The B.C. Chapter of the National Leather Association has just put on a truly remarkable contest, to select this year's titleholders, Mr. & Ms. Vancouver Leather. The event was well planned from start to finish, and was a wild success. Our congratulations to Joanne and Dean, the new titleholders. Our congratulations to NLA:BC for organizing a truly gala weekend. All who attended felt truly proud to belong to the leather community. We are looking forward to NLA:BC's Fetish & Fantasy Ball II on Halloween!

LIL III CLOSING PARTY

We are pleased to bring you more information on the Living in Leather III closing party, the Emerald City Blackout Ball, scheduled for October 9, 1988. Lynn Lavner will be our headlined entertainer; Lynn is being specially sponsored for this event by the Leather Journal of Los Angeles and by Mack's Leathers, of Vancouver, BC. We look forward to this special appearance. Also appearing will be the (in-)famous SLUTS FROM HELL, from Seattle. Awards, dancing, and a no-host bar will be included in this gala evening. The evening will be MC'd by Mr. & Ms. NLA, Steve Maidhof and Cherie Matisse. Tickets for this event will be available at the door, during LIL III registration, from our vending table in the LIL III exhibits area, and in advance from various outlets and businesses in the Pacific Northwest.

The LEATHER JOURNAL

Dave Rhodes
Publisher and Editor

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CONFERENCE DUNGEONS

The Seattle Dungeon Guild has announced its dungeon plans for October. The Dungeon Guild will be hosting its 2nd "Any Which Way" Dungeon on Friday night, October 7-8, from Midnight to 6 AM. The SDG will present Dual Dungeon 6 on Saturday night from midnight to 6 AM. Anyone who has been to one of the SDG festivities knows that their extensive facilities provide the setting for a fine time. They have 30 lockers, so if you will want to lock up gear or apparel you will wish to bring along a padlock.

DENNIS FOUST

The National Leather Association sadly announces the death of Dennis Foust, a loyal friend, a hard worker, and a long-time member of the leather community. Dennis died at home, July 27, 1988, of AIDS. He is survived by his loving partner Richard McFarland and by his caring and supportive family. Dennis will be missed in Seattle. His energies supported both the National Leather Association and the Knights of Malta, Seattle chapter. He will be remembered by attendees of the first 2 Living in Leather Conferences, where he offered excellent staff support. He was also a regular volunteer worker for the Seattle Men's Chorus. He leaves a gap, in our community and in our hearts, which will not soon be filled.

w.g.

NEEDED!

Needed, someone who can write Polish, to translate safe sex materials into Polish. There is a total lack of such materials in Poland. Contact JOE at (206)-447-9164.

LIL III WORKSHOPS

The NLA has planned a particularly exciting series of workshops for LIL III. Topics include Fetishism, an Authors' Roundtable, Dungeon First Aid, SM Physiology, National Networking, Community/AIDS Fundraising, Scene Communications, Relationship Options, Censorship & the New Right, History of Leather/SM Organizations, Nurturing the Novice, Community Activism, Special SM Techniques for Women, and Piercing. Among the many panelists who will appear are: Judy Tallwing McCarthy, Jim Ward, Cleo Du Bois, John Ferrari, Jan Hall, Jim Richards, Gayle Rubin, Ty Clements, Shan Carr, Tony de Blase, Geoff Mains, Sherree Rose, Dave Rhodes, Artemis Oakgrove, Race Bannon, Guy Baldwin, Andrew Irish, Stacy Dennen, Dorothy Allison, Al Selby, Sky Renfro, Mack Mackinnon, Audrey Joseph, Ice, and Leon McGowan.

The Leather Journal

and

MACK'S LEATHERS

are proud
co-sponsors of

LYNN LAVNER

at the National Leather Association's
Living In Leather III
Seattle Center, Sunday Night, October 9

LIL III ACCOMODATIONS

Accommodations are available (at fine prices) at the Tropics Hotel ((800)-255-7932--ask for Betsy Hanson) and at the Roosevelt Hotel ((800)-426-0670). To receive the best group rates, BE SURE TO MENTION THAT YOU ARE WITH THE NLA AND WITH LIVING IN LEATHER III.

CYNTHIA SLATER AUCTION

The FIRST LINK last month reported the NLA donation of a Conference registration to the Cynthia Slater birthday/benefit auction staged by The Society of Janus in San Francisco. We are pleased to report that the auction was a tremendous success, and that the registration went to a highly-motivated purchaser.

COME TO OUR BIRTHDAY PARTY!

The Official second birthday party of the formal incorporation of the NLA will be celebrated in the Hospitality Room at Living in Leather III, on October 8, 1988. Come on in, have a piece of cake, and celebrate with us.

ATTENTION, ALL ORGANIZATIONS!

As part of our opening ceremonies for Living in Leather III, we plan to recognize the many leather/levi/cycle/SM organizations around the country. As part of this recognition, we wish to have as many groups as possible bring their banners to display. If your organization will have members in Seattle at the October Conference, please have them bring your club banner for display and honor. If you belong to an organization and will be coming to Living in Leather III, please encourage your Officers to send your banner along. The NLA regularly mails to some 270 leather/SM groups in the U.S. and Canada; we would like to see ALL of you here!

N.L.A. CALENDAR CONTINUED

16 NLA:SEATTLE SEATTLE
Board Meeting 5 PM
Deadline FIRST LINK II:11

*31 NLA:BC VANCOUVER *
* Fetish & Fantasy Ball II *
* tent:Celebrities*

6,13,20,27 LEATHER NIGHT SEATTLE
Sparks
7,14,21,28 NLA NIGHT SEATTLE:Eagle

NOVEMBER, 1988

2 NLA:SEATTLE 7:30 PM SEATTLE
Program Timberline
4 NLA:BC VANCOUVER
Bar Night 9:30 PM
13 NLA:BC VANCOUVER
Board Meeting 7 PM GLC
20 NLA:SEATTLE SEATTLE
Board Meeting 5 PM
Deadline FIRST LINK II:12
3,10,17,24 LEATHER NIGHT SEATTLE
Sparks

J.R. (Mack) MacKINNON

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AUGUST, 1988

17 SM GAYS LONDON,ENG. Bondage 8:15 PM LLGC
17 VANGUARDS PHILADELPHIA Gen Mtg 8 PM Bike Stop
18 Leather Night Sparks SEATTLE
19 OUTCASTS S.F. Program
19 Mr.Great Lakes Drummer DETROIT Eagle
19 CASTAWAYS/ARGONAUTS Northwoods 88
19 NLA Night SEATTLE 10 PM Eagle
19-21 OKLAHOMA LINEMEN OKLAHOMA CITY Renaissance IV Run
19-21 BLACK ANGELS KOLN COLOGNE,W.GER. Grillparty
19-21 NLC FRANKEN NUMERBERG,W.GER. Summer Campus '88
20 SF BONDAGE CLUB S.F.,CA Party 9PM+
20 THE FIFTEEN S.F. Fetish Nite/Torture
20 III VLC SPRINGFIELD,MA Bar Night The Quarry
20 COPPERSTATE LTHRMN'S PHOENIX,AZ General Meeting Sleezeball V Bum Steer
20 S.F.WRESTLING CLUB S.F.,CA. Workout
20 MS.PANTHER/RMC FREUNDEN COLOGNE,GER 2nd Cologne Rubber Night
20-26 SPARTAN MC WASH,DC New England Tour
21 FIREDANCERS DALLAS Monthly Meeting
21 COPPERSTATE LTHRMN'S PHOENIX,AZ Kegger 5-8 PM Bum Steer
21 DISCIPLES OF DE SADE DALLAS General Mtg/Beer Bust Trestle
21 MC MEN OF NEW MEXICO ALBUQUERQUE Meeting & Pool Party
22 NLA:SEATTLE SEATTLE,WA Board Meeting: By-Laws
24-29 Manifest LONDON,ENG
25 Leather Night Sparks SEATTLE
25-28 WOMEN'S MOTORCYCLE FESTIVAL
26 NLA Night SEATTLE 10 PM Eagle
26 WINDY CITY HELLFIRE CHICAGO Bondage Party
26 GRIFFINS M.C. WILMINGTON,DEL Social Renaissance
26-27 Mr.Gt.Plains Drummer KANSAS CITY windjammer
26-28 BLACK ANGELS KOLN COLOGNE Grill Party Am Rhein
26-28 M.C.FAUCON MONTREAL Migration '88,11th Anniv. Contrecoeur,Quebec
26-28 ROCHESTER RAMS ROCHESTER,NY Tri-Ram 88
27 DIABLO DEVIATES CONCORD,CA Party
27 CLUB MUD RIO NIDO,CA International Mud
27 Mr. Europe Drummer AMSTERDAM Eagle Bar
27-28 V.A.S.M. VANCOUVER,BC Port Orchard Overnite PO,WA
28 OUTCASTS S.F. A's Game Oakland Colsum.
28 FIREDANCERS DALLAS Beer Bust 5-9 PM Trestle

SEPTEMBER, 1988
1 COPPERSTATE LTHRMN'S PHOENIX,AZ Ft.Waldorf IV Party Bum Steer 9 PM
1 Leather Night Sparks SEATTLE
1-5 COPPERSTATE LTHRMN'S PHOENIX,AZ Fort Waldorf IV Run
1-5 MAFIA CHICAGO Summerfist
2 NLA Night SEATTLE 10 PM Eagle
2 NLA:BC VANCOUVER Bar Night 9:30 PM
2-3 WINGS MEMPHIS MEMPHIS TN Flight IV Mr.Southern Leather
2-4 SATYRS MC LOS ANGELES Labor Day Run/Badger Flat Wonderland
2-4 WINGS MEMPHIS MEMPHIS,TN Flight 4 Adm.Benbow Inn
2-5 TEXAS RIDERS HOUSTON 20th Anniv.Run Cameron,TX
2-5 WINGS MC BOSTON Leif Erikson Run
2-5 FIREDANCERS DALLAS Firedance II
3 T-BOLTS WESTPORT,CT Bar Night The Brook
3 BRIAR ROSE WESTERVILLE,OH Meeting
3 S.F.WRESTLING CLUB S.F.,CA Workout
4 Mr.Northwest Drummer VANCOUVER,BC Mack's Leathers-- Celebrities
5 COPPERSTATE LTHRMN'S PHOENIX,AZ Welcome Home Party 5PM Bum Steer
7 P.E.P. ALBUQUERQUE Gay Men S/M Rap 7:30
7 NLA:SEATTLE 7:30 PM SEATTLE Program Timberline
8-11 W.C.HELLFIRE CLUB CHICAGO Inferno XVII Douglas,Michigan
M.A.F.I.A. CHICAGO Social
8 Leather Night Sparks SEATTLE
9 NLA Night SEATTLE 10 PM Eagle
10 KNIGHTS TEMPLAR S.F. Party
11 DIABLO DEVIATES CONCORD,CA Potluck
11 OUTCASTS S.F. Steering Comm.
11 NLA:BC VANCOUVER Board Meeting 7 PM GLC
14 GMSMA N.Y.C. Meeting/Welcome Back Social
14 DREIZEHN CAMBRIDGE,MA Meeting--Buckley Paradise
15 Leather Night Sparks SEATTLE
16 NLA Night SEATTLE 10 PM Eagle
16 VANGUARDS MC PHILADELPHIA 9-12 Bike Stop
16 OUTCASTS S.F. Program
16 NIMBUS M.C. MICHIGAN Dunes VIII
16-18 CONQUISTADORS MC ORLANDO,FL Conquest 88 run
16-18 MOTOR SPORTCLUB AMSTERDAM,NETH Mega Vision In Leather 18th Anniv.

16-18 COMM.PRES.SEX LIBERT S.F. 2nd Annu Conference
16-18 COWTOWN LEATHERMEN FT.WORTH 5th Anniv.Celeb.
16-18 LFRR ESSEN ESSEN,GERM. Kumpeltreffen
16-18 MS AMSTERDAM AMSTERDAM,NETH. 18th Birthday Party
17 COPPERSTATE LTHRMN'S PHOENIX,AZ General Meeting
17 THE FIFTEEN S.F. Fetish Nite/Spunk-Paddle
17 III VLC SPRINGFIELD,MA Bar Night The Quarry
17-18 THUNDERBOLTS MC WATERBURY,CT Run--Bike Stop Bar Nite Philadel.
18 NLA:SEATTLE SEATTLE,WA Board Meeting 5 PM
18 COPPERSTATE LTHRMN'S PHOENIX,AZ Kegger 5-8 PM Bum Steer
18 DISCIPLES OF DE SADE DALLAS Gen.Mtg./Beer Bust Trestle
18 NORTHWEST AIDS FOUND. SEATTLE 10k Walk-a-Thon
18 FIREDANCERS DALLAS Monthly Meeting
21 SM GAYS LONDON,ENG. Exploring Arses 8:15 LLGC
21-25 Leather Pride Weekend S.F.
21-25 MS.PANTHER KOLN COLOGNE,W.GER IPMA Intl Fahrrad/Motorrad
21 Fetish/Fantasy Party S.F. Powerhouse
22 GMSMA N.Y.C. Board Meeting
22 Leather Night Sparks SEATTLE
23 NLA Night SEATTLE 10 PM Eagle
23 GRIFFINS M.C. WILMINGTON,DE Social Renaissance
23 Leather Pride Party S.F.
23-24 COMM.PRESERVE SEX. S.F.,CA LIBERTY/WOC.REPRESSION 2nd Conference
23-25 CENTURIONS COLUMBUS,OH Anniversary X Envoy Inn
23-26 MLC MUNCHEN MUNICH,GERM. Oktoberfesttreffen
24 HARTFORD COLTS MC HARTFORD,CT Bar Night
24 Bearrstrs
24 Mr.Drummer Contest S.F. Galleria
24 VANGUARDS MC PHILADELPHIA COLTS Social Barristers,Hartford
24 DIABLO DEVIATES CONCORD,CA Party
25 Folsom St.Pair S.F.
25 JANUS S.F. S.F. Sex Magick & SM 7:30
25 FIREDANCERS DALLAS Beer Bust Trestle
25 ROCKY MOUNTAINEERS DENVER 19th Annu.Aspen Run
25 READING RAILMEN MC PHILADELPHIA 10th Anniversary
28 GMSMA N.Y.C. G.O.A.L. Meeting Center
29 Leather Night Sparks SEATTLE
30 NLA Night SEATTLE 10 PM Eagle
30-Oct.1 VASM VANCOUVER Anniv.Weekend
30-Oct.2 KNIGHTS D'ORLEANS NEW ORLEANS 14th Anniv.

NATIONAL CALENDAR

OCTOBER, 1988
1 BRIAR ROSE WESTERVILLE,OH Meeting
1 T-BOLTS WESTPORT,CT Bar Night The Brook
1-2 V.A.S.M. VANCOUVER,BC Anniversary 6 Dufferin Hotel
1-2 BATALLION MC DALLAS Commanders' Mystery Ride
6 Leather Night Sparks SEATTLE
7 NLA Night SEATTLE 10 PM Eagle
7 NLA:BC VANCOUVER Bar Night 9:30 PM
7-9 ADVENTURERS/SUNCOAST ST.PTRSBRG Fountain of Youth '88 FL Outdoor Run
7-9 CINCINNATI CHAPS CINCINNATI Bunkhouse 1 Run

*7-10 NATL.LTHR.ASSOC. SEATTLE *
* Living in Leather III *
* Seattle Center/Boxing Club *

7-10 MOTORCYCLEMEN OF NM ALBUQUERQUE Hot Air IV
7-10 AMER.UNIFORM ASSOC ATLANTA GA Annual Review
8 KNIGHTS TEMPLAR S.F. Party
8-9 THUNDERBOLTS MC WATERBURY,CT Fall Foliage Ride Whitcmb's Smt
9 DIABLO DEVIATES CONCORD,CA Potluck
9 CITY BIKERS DENVER Mile High Beer Bust
10 S.S.C.A./I.S.C. SEATTLE Meeting/Announcements Timberline
10 NLA:SEATTLE SEATTLE General Meeting Timberline
12 DREIZEHN CAMBRIDGE,MA Paradise
12 GMSMA N.Y.C. Meeting/Genitorture Paddles
13 Leather Night Sparks SEATTLE
14 GMSMA N.Y.C. Workshop/Genitorture
14 NLA Night SEATTLE 10 PM Eagle
14-16 MSC LONDON LONDON,ENG. Birthday Event
15 III VLC SPRINGFIELD,MA Bar Night The Quarry
15 THE FIFTEEN S.F. Fetish Nite/Mad Mds.
15 VANGUARDS PHILADELPHIA Octoberfest 88/Anniv.19
15 COPPERSTATE LTHRMN'S PHOENIX,AZ General Meeting
16 NLA:SEATTLE SEATTLE,WA Board Meeting 5 PM
16 OUTCASTS S.F. Steering Comm.
16 COPPERSTATE LTHRMN'S PHOENIX,AZ Kegger 5-8 PM Bum Steer
16 FIREDANCERS DALLAS Monthly Meeting
16 DISCIPLES OF DE SADE DALLAS Gen.Mtg/Beer Bust Trestle
17-23 ROCKY MOUNTAINEERS DENVER 20th Anniv.Celeb.

19 GMSMA N.Y.C. Board Meeting
19 SM GAYS LONDON,ENG. Playing Safely 8:15 LLGC
20 Leather Night Sparks SEATTLE
20-23 INT.GAY RODEO ASSOC RENO 2nd Annu.Finals Rodeo
21 OUTCASTS S.F. Program
21 NLA Night SEATTLE 10 PM Eagle
21 GRIFFINS MC WILMINGTON,DEL Social Renaissance
22 DIABLO DEVIATES CONCORD,CA Party
23 FIREDANCERS DALLAS Beer Bust 5-9 PM Trestle
22 GMSMA N.Y.C. Dungeon Night Paddles
26 GMSMA N.Y.C. Meeting/Home-Dungeon Center
27 Leather Night Sparks SEATTLE
28 NLA Night SEATTLE 10 PM Eagle
29 BRIAR ROSE WESTERVILLE,OH Meeting
31 NLA:BC VANCOUVER Fetish & Fantasy Ball II tent:Celebrities
NOVEMBER, 1988
2 NLA:SEATTLE 7:30 PM SEATTLE Program Timberline
2 SM GAYS LONDON,ENG Party 8:30 PM The Block
3 Leather Night Sparks SEATTLE
4 NLA Night SEATTLE 10 PM Eagle
4 NLA:BC VANCOUVER Bar Night 9:30 PM
4-6 RURALS MC ROERMOND,NETH Fox Hunt
4-6 DISCIPLES OF DE SADE DALLAS Discipline IV
5 T-BOLTS WESTPORT,CT Bar Night The Brook
9 DREIZEHN CAMBRIDGE,MA Paradise
9 GMSMA N.Y.C. Meeting:SM/Community Center
10 Leather Night Sparks SEATTLE
11 NLA Night SEATTLE 10 PM Eagle
11 GMSMA N.Y.C. Workshop:Basic Bondage
11-13 LM DUSSELDORF DUSSELDORF,GR ECMC AGM-CM
12 KNIGHTS TEMPLAR S.F. Party
13 NLA:BC VANCOUVER Board Meeting 7 PM GLC
13 OUTCASTS S.F. Steering Comm.
16 SM GAYS LONDON,ENG. Rubber 8:15 PM LLGC
16 GMSMA N.Y.C. BOARD MEETING
17 Leather Night Sparks SEATTLE
18 NLA Night SEATTLE 10 PM Eagle
18 OUTCASTS S.F. Program

19 III VLC SPRINGFIELD,MA Bar Night The Quarry
19 COPPERSTATE LTHRMN'S PHOENIX,AZ General Meeting
19 THE FIFTEEN S.F. Fetish Nite/Jail House
20 NLA:SEATTLE SEATTLE,WA Board Meeting 5 PM
20 FIREDANCERS DALLAS Monthly Meeting
20 COPPERSTATE LTHRMN'S PHOENIX,AZ Kegger 5-8 PM Bum Steer
24 Leather Night Sparks SEATTLE
24-27 ARIZONA BROTHERHOOD RUN (AZ.BROTHERHOOD COMMITTEE)
25 NLA Night SEATTLE 10 PM Eagle
26 BRIAR ROSE WESTERVILLE,OH Meeting
26 BUCKS M.C. BUCKINGHAM,PA Santa Saturday
27 FIREDANCERS DALLAS Beer Bust 7-9 PM Trestle
DECEMBER, 1988
1 Leather Night Sparks SEATTLE
2 NLA:BC VANCOUVER Bar Night 9:30 PM
2 NLA Night SEATTLE 10 PM Eagle
3 T-BOLTS WESTPORT,CT Bar Night/Xmas Party The Brook
3 GMSMA N.Y.C. Dungeon Night: Paddles
7 NLA:SEATTLE 7:30 PM SEATTLE Program Timberline
8 Leather Night Sparks SEATTLE
9 NLA Night SEATTLE 10 PM Eagle
9-11 NLC FRANKEN NUREMBERG,GER Christkindelsmarkt
10 KNIGHTS TEMPLAR S.F. Party
10 BRIAR ROSE WESTERVILLE,OH Meeting
10 BATALLION MC DALLAS Christmas Party
11 ROCKY MOUNTAINEERS DENVER Christmas Party
11 NLA:BC VANCOUVER Board Meeting 7 PM GLC
11 OUTCASTS S.F. Steering Comm.
11 MC MEN OF NEW MEXICO ALBUQUERQUE Christmas Dinner
14 DREIZEHN CAMBRIDGE,MA Paradise
14 GMSMA N.Y.C. Holiday Social Paddles
15 Leather Night Sparks SEATTLE
16 OUTCASTS S.F. Program
16 NLA Night SEATTLE 10 PM Eagle
16 GMSMA N.Y.C. Workshop:Advanced Bondage
17 III VLC SPRINGFIELD,MA Bar Night The Quarry
17 CITY BIKERS DENVER Christmas party
17 COPPERSTATE LTHRMN'S PHOENIX,AZ General Meeting/Christmas Party
18 NLA:SEATTLE SEATTLE,WA Board Meeting 5 PM
18 FIREDANCERS MC DALLAS General Meeting
18 COPPERSTATE LTHRMN'S PHOENIX AZ Christmas Kegger 5PM Bum Steer

LIVING IN LEATHER III --- REGISTRATION FORM
Mail form to NLA: LILIII, POB 17463, Seattle
WA 98107.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE: _____

ZIP: _____ PHONE: (____) _____

ORGANIZATIONAL AFFILIATIONS: _____

<u>MEMBER</u>	<u>NON-MEMBER</u>
___ \$55.00 Single*	___ \$70.00 Single*
___ \$80.00 Couple*	___ \$100.00 Couple*

(NOTE: these prices are for registrations
postmarked after August 15, 1988.)
* Payment in U.S. Funds. Meals not Included.

___ I Wish to become a member (Include \$25.)

Payment Method: Check _____ Money Order _____

Special Needs _____

Hearing Impaired? _____

I certify I'm at least 21 yrs old: _____

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PEP/ARIZONA

By the time you see this, Nancy of PEP will have held the first meetings of PEP's new Arizona chapter in Phoenix and Tucson. Though the schedule arrived too late to be inserted in the Affiliate Calendar, we are sure that the events were successful, and that the third PEP Chapter is off to a flying start. Congratulations, PEP! By the way, PEP included a page devoted to the NLA LIL III conference in its own July mailing. Many thanks! For information on PEP, and on the Arizona Chapter, contact Nancy at 602-744-3422.

OUTCASTS/SAN FRANCISCO

The Outcasts are planning on attending the A's Game at the Oakland Coliseum, en masse, on August 28. The organizers of the game guarantees to flash the group's name on the scoreboard if over 25 members appear. Some flashy publicity, eh?

SONS OF APOLLO MOTORCYCLE CLUB/ARIZONA

After 14 years, the Sons of Apollo has agreed to dissolve. They have been instrumental in the development of the Arizona leather scene, and they will be missed. June 25 marked their final bar night, and the end of their organization. (courtesy Copperstate Leathermen)

CLUB ADDRESS CHANGES

The Corpus Christi Motorcycle Club announces a new address, POB 3532, Corpus Christi, TX 78463-3532. New address for SigMa is P.O.Box 11050, Washington, DC 20008.

THE N.L.A. IN PRINT

Thanks to outstanding contributions from various members of the NLA, we are appearing in print around the world! Recently, for example, a publicity release about our "Relationships Options" workshop for LIL III appeared in "Partners: the Newsletter for Gay & Lesbian Couples," not a traditional publicist of the Leather/SM Community. We have recently received a communique from the European Confederation of Motorcycle Clubs, promising mention of the NLA and LIL III in Der Stiefel, which circulates throughout Germany. Skin Two, out of England, also lists the NLA. We particularly appreciate the many notices being given to LIL III and to the NLA in the publications of NLA affiliates throughout the country, and in the publications of many organizations who have not yet affiliated with us.

** SECRETARY SCRIBBLES **

I'm afraid that this issue of my regular epistle includes bad news with the good. So, as long as I'd rather take the stuff I don't like first, bad news.

I regret noting the death of Robert Moore of Atlanta. Bob was well known for his years of work & participation in the Atlanta Leather Community and was an active member of the "Atlanta Leathermen."

Secondly, I must also relay news of the death of Jim Ed Thompson. Jim Ed was internationally known for his tireless work for our SM/Leather community. He was a participant in several Leather Competitions (incl. IML) and most recently had served as Associate Editor for DRUMMER. Although the official title was never his, Jim Ed truly earned the position of International MR. Leather.

I understand the fundraising auction held by Janus last month was a great success and very much enjoyed by all attendees. Well done to all the organizers and workers.

My Boy John & I had a wonderful time in Vancouver at the 2nd MR & MS Vancouver Leather Competition. An impressive panel of judges (all title holders & from as far away as Ohio & Southern Cal.) made the difficult selection from an outstanding group of contestants. Congratulations to them & all the contestants, especially to winners Jo LeRoux and Dean Ryane. The NLA:BC Committee again did a most impressive job of organization & the facilities at "Celebrity's" were outstanding. I know their 2nd "Fetish & Fantasy Ball" is in planning stages and should be another great evening.

Speaking of BC, I hope many of our northwest members (or visitors) are planning to attend the Pacific NW DRUMMER Contest to be held Sept 4th. Sponsered by MACK'S LEATHERS, the Sunday evening event will be at Celebrity's. My reservations are already made.

Lastly on BC, while there we enjoyed a fine meal at Thurlow's Restaurant. The restaurant grew from the "Little Sisters" Bookstore (upstairs over the dining room & another of my regular Vancouver stops) and both operations are very community supportive in spite of being the target of homophobic activities. The menu is varied, service attentive, & food well prepared. For a quiet dinner, it easily beats out the Davie Street competition.

Congrat's to Al Selby of San Francisco. He recently was recognized by the city of S.F. for his fundraising activities and AIDS assistance activities. In recognition of his work, June 21st, 1988 was officially declared "Alan Selby Day" in San Francisco.

I've noticed articles & mention of LIL III in several community publications. Leather Journal, Honcho, Drummer, & Sandmutopia Guardian, as well as several club newsletters, have all made note of the rapidly approaching event.

Forgive me if I put in an extra plug for LIL III, but I really am getting excited about the tremendous people who will be attending. As Co-Chairs for workshops, Cookie & I have contacted & received agreements to attend and present from over 40 of our national community's most recognized and respected individuals. Even I'm impressed. Registrations have been received from around the country (Col. Boston, Atlanta, Phoenix, Washington, & all the west coast states). And I'm incredibly impressed by Chair Jan Lyon's work, with Co-Chair Wayne Gloege, at maintaining a solid control & consistant progress with now only 8 weeks remaining. To our presentors & registrants, I'm glad your coming. To Jan & Wayne, "Wow, keep it up." And to all the rest of you, I hope you get your registration in soon. We really may have to shut off at 500 this year!

NLA:SEATTLE CHAPTER ELECTIONS

The National Leather Association will be holding elections for Officers and for 3 Board Members this fall. Since these are important positions, and in order that all members may become aware of who is running for office, and their qualifications, we are inviting members to submit names of candidates for these offices ahead of time. If you wish to suggest someone (and you MAY in fact suggest yourself), please send the name, a brief biography with qualifications, and possibly a small black and white photo of the suggested candidate, to the Secretary of the NLA, POB 17463, Seattle, Wa, 98107. We will plan to print this material in the program for Living in Leather III to give as much information to our membership as possible, in advance of the elections..