

## NATIONAL COUNCIL NEWS

The National Council will be meeting on the Monday following Living in Leather VII (October 12, 1992), in Chicago, Illinois. All Officers, At-Large Representatives, Chapter Representatives, and Affiliate Representatives should plan on being there; the meetings will probably be lengthy, but they will be very important. Among the agenda items will be the election of certain officers (including a female Co-Chair) and at-large Executive Committee representatives. Certain proposed By-Law changes will also come up for approval (see page 3). The expected quorum requirement is 77 individuals.

## EXEC.COMMITTEE NEWS

During its August 2, 1992, meeting the Executive Committee, it was reported that the NLA had 900 individual members, 29 Chapters and Chapters in Formation, 39 Organizational Affiliates, and 33 Commercial Affiliates. Tax-exempt status request forms are virtually complete. Permits are being secured for the Informational Picketing of the British Consulate October 9 (to highlight the Operation Spanner convictions). It was reported that massive additional documentation will be required for the pursuit of the 1989/90 embezzlement case, and a task team has been named to gather some of the necessary documentation. Mark Frazier of Dallas, TX, will be an NLA Representative for the April 1992 March on Washington. It was decided to continue to hold Living in Leather Conferences each year. It was voted to define a member of any Chapter (and hence required to be a member of the National) as anyone who may vote or hold office in a Chapter. Due to the resignation of Treasurer-Elect Earl Resch, Jan Hall will continue to act in the capacity of Treasurer until Living in Leather VII.

## CHAPTER NEWS

**NLA: Arkansas** has decided to regroup its forces, and build a new and vital membership; as such, it has reverted to "in formation" status for the time being. Members in Arkansas are encouraged to contact them to work towards reestablishing this fine Chapter.

Information received from the officers of **NLA: Austin** indicates that Ms. Joanie Raines (listed in the National Council list in your most recent *QuarterLink* as a founder of NLA: Austin) was in fact but one of 24 founding members of that Chapter. NLA: Austin celebrated its First Anniversary July 31-August 2 with a laid-back weekend, featuring the hanging of new colors at the Chain Drive Bar, their sponsorship of the First Uniform Ball at the 404, a banquet, an Ice Cream Social from Hell, and cocktail parties hosted by seven different leather groups. They look back on a first year truly jammed with accomplishments!

The **Chapter Formation Forum, NLA: Carolinas** will be convening in Charlotte, NC, on December 5 (guests of *Tradesmen, Inc.*) and in Wilmington, NC March 6, 1993 (guests of *Memamore LLC*). At their July 4 meeting, they had a large representation from Carolina organizations, and received updates on a number of pressing local and national matters. They welcome the participation of area clubs, members and individuals.

**NLA: Chicago** has sent a correction in for our calendar, noting that their meeting dates are the third Tuesday of each month (rather than the first Tuesday). The calendars have been corrected.

From **NLA: Dallas** comes word of member participation in an October Seminar/Demo/Talk about piercing by Fakir Musafar. The group is creating an NLA Library. Their Holiday party is coming up December 5.

**NLA: Detroit** has completed initial work on its Bylaws and is building its Advisory Council. They are most interested in hearing from area members wishing to participate in the Chapter.

From **NLA: Houston** comes a very large packet of press clippings and posters on Chapter activities, ranging from the Daddy Auction at the Venture-N June 20th to Pride Week activities, parties, and competitions; NLA: Houston is cutting a very high profile in Texas!

**NLA: Kansas City** has been planning and featuring a series of social and demos. A highlight was the August 29 3rd Leather Fantasy Show at the DB, to benefit HARC-Mart, following a busy afternoon of seminars, on SM101, SM102, and Masters and Slaves.

**NLA: Metro New York** reports a flurry of recent activity, and new Officers including Jeff Gomez Chair.

**NLA: New Orleans** is getting great attendance at its monthly Leather Lagniappes; August's featured the annual Underwear Party. The Chapter is growing, and a regular newsletter is expected soon.

**NLA: Pittsburgh's** publication the Iron Link reports Officers as follows: Stephen Underwood Chair, Will Clouse Vice Chair, Michael Feely Secretary, and Drew Maxwell Treasurer. Much interest is being expressed in Chapter meetings and play parties.

**NLA: Portland** has been doing a great job of charitable fundraising at its monthly 50-50 raffles. Recently, they have most kindly submitted a donation to NLA: International. Portlandites are recovering from the frenetic Leather Pride Week (August 16-23), in which members participated vigorously.

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## NLA CALENDAR

**OCTOBER, 1992**				
1	QUARTERLINK DEADLINE			
1	SEATTLE Board Meeting	Seattle, WA		
1	SOUTH FLORIDA General Meeting	Miami, FL		
4	AUSTIN Executive Committee Mtg	Austin, TX		
5	PORTLAND Meeting	Portland, OR		
6	DALLAS General Meeting	Dallas, TX		
7	METRO NEW YORK Member Meeting	NYC, NY		
8	HOUSTON General Business Meeting	Houston, TX Multi-Purp. Cntr.		
9	NEW ORLEANS Leather Lagniappe Social	New Orleans, LA		
9-11	NLA:INTERNATIONAL Living in Leather VII	Chicago, IL		
11	BRITISH COLUMBIA Board Meeting 11 AM	Vancouver, BC Heritage House		
14	KANSAS CITY Meeting	Kansas City, MO		
15	HOUSTON Guest Bartending Night	Houston, TX	15	Houston, TX
	HOUSTON Garage Sale		17	Houston, TX
	Wigs on Fire Benefit		19	Austin, TX
	AUSTIN General Member Meeting		20	Chicago, IL
	CHICAGO Meeting		23	Miami, FL
	SOUTH FLORIDA Bar Night	Ft. Laud. Eagle	25	New Orleans, LA
	NEW ORLEANS Meeting: Seminar			

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Chapter News

Things are booming for NLA: San Diego, with an increasing membership and increased participation in Chapter activities. Recent activities were highlighted by Summer Sizzle on the Waterfront August 8 and Temperature Tips (use of heat and cold in play) August 16.

NLA: San Francisco Bay Area reports forthcoming socials, including an October 27 program, a November 24 Social/Movie Night, and a December 22 Social. The Chapter is still examining its role in the Community and possible future agendas.

We must report that at the time of writing we have not heard how NLA: South Florida members have fared during the recent devastating hurricane; we only hope that all were spared its worst effects, and we ask Florida members to write and let us know how things are going there. Their most recent issue of Whipping Post reports special doings last June 2 in honor of the Marquis De Sade's birthday. Unusual party favors brought more than one pleased grin to the assemblage. Next big banquet will celebrate Leopold von Sacher-Masoch's birthday on January 27, 1993.

New address for NLA: Seattle is 1202 E.Pike St., #722, Seattle, WA 98122, with its Voice-Mail number as 206-233-1015. The Chapter has been working on bylaws revisions, and also has founded several new committees. August 13-14 saw its first ever 2-day Kinky Couples Party, a great success!

*The National Leather Association and the Executive Committee as its agents supports the formation and continued existence of active chapters which, in turn, support the National Statement of Purpose. The NLA encourages Chapter participation in the operation and long-range planning of the organizations.*

DONATION SOUGHT

International Headquarters seeks the donation of a fax machine, or moneys for its purchase or support, for use by NLA Publications and Administration. If you can help, let us know at POB 17463, Seattle, WA 98107.

CHANGES AT C-SPACE

C-Space in Seattle returns to Friday nights, with meetings at the Chicken Soup Brigade Building (1002 E. Seneca in Seattle). Attendees will need an attendee card; call 206-722-6215 if you need one.

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NLA Calendar

- 27 SAN FRAN. BAY AREA SF,CA  
Open Meeting Eagle
- 28 KANSAS CITY Kansas City,MO  
Exec. Committee Mtg.
- 29 METRO NEW YORK NYC,NY  
Exec. Committee Meeting
- 30 HOUSTON Houston,TX  
Marquis de Sade Ball Venture-N
- 31 KANSAS CITY Kansas City,MO  
Meeting

\*\*NOVEMBER, 1992\*\*

- 1 FIRST LINK DEADLINE Seattle,WA
- 1 SEATTLE General Membership Meeting
- 1 AUSTIN Austin,TX  
Executive Committee Mtg
- 2 PORTLAND Portland,OR  
Meeting
- 3 DALLAS Dallas,TX  
General Meeting
- 4 METRO NEW YORK NYC,NY  
Member Meeting
- 5 CAROLINAS (CIF) Wilmington,NC  
Quarterly Meeting Charlotte,NC
- 5 SOUTH FLORIDA Miami,FL  
General Meeting
- 8 BRITISH COLUMBIA Vancouver,BC  
Board Meeting 11 AM Heritage House
- 8 HOUSTON Houston,TX  
Feather/Leather/Rhinestone Ball
- 11 KANSAS CITY Kansas City,MO  
Meeting
- 12 HOUSTON Houston,TX  
General Business Meeting
- 13 NEW ORLEANS New Orleans,LA  
Leather Lagnaipe Social
- 13 SEATTLE Seattle,WA  
Kinky Couples Party
- 16 AUSTIN Austin,TX  
General Member Meeting
- 17 CHICAGO Chicago,IL  
Meeting
- 19 HOUSTON Houston,TX  
Guest Bartending Night Venture-N
- 22 NEW ORLEANS New Orleans,LA  
Meeting:Leather/Safer Sex
- 24 SAN FRAN. BAY AREA SF,CA  
Open Meeting Eagle
- 25 KANSAS CITY Kansas City,MO  
Exec. Committee Mtg
- 26 METRO NEW YORK NYC,NY  
Exec. Committee Meeting
- 27 SOUTH FLORIDA Miami,FL  
Bar Night Ft.Laud.Eagle
- 28 KANSAS CITY Kansas City,MO  
Meeting

\*\*DECEMBER, 1992\*\*

- 1 FIRST LINK DEADLINE
- 2 METRO NEW YORK NYC,NY  
Member Meeting
- 3 SOUTH FLORIDA Miami,FL  
General Meeting
- 5 DALLAS Dallas,TX  
Winter Holiday Party
- 6 AUSTIN Austin,TX  
Executive Committee Mtg
- 7 PORTLAND Portland,OR  
Meeting
- 10 HOUSTON Houston,TX  
General Business Meeting
- 11 NEW ORLEANS New Orleans,LA  
Leather Lagnaipe Social

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WE ARE US  
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"Network"—dedicated to Michael Felts of NLAD. If I am truly eloquent in any language, then I will be able to share with you a vision I had, & you would feel with me, now, the wonderful, amazing feeling that we ourselves are the almighty angels of the earth.

The power to right wrongs, establish Justice & Harmony, & to make the world a better place is our power. The power to create joy is our power. The power to break down barriers like "stubborn pride" or "fearfulness" is our power.

This power is our greatest strength, but like hurricane winds, or a lover's breath in your ear, it's made of something very soft. Soft as silk, like spider web silk, which is actually stronger than steel, but like the wind, invisible.

This power is Love power, & like a tender mother's love it can be punishing, using discipline, but as a force for good. Love power is

gentle, patient, subtle, pleasing, but it is also strong, commanding. It imposes limits, & also demands that you surpass old limits in spite of your fear & doubts.

We of the Leather Community have perfected our understanding of power. We know its uses & misuses. Our knowledge of the many levels & kinds of love power is like the construction workers' knowledge of the building they have built. Even the tenants who inhabit the building will never know it as well. We know what's in the walls! We know what's under the floor! Some of us have inscribed our names there.

Our tears & blood have moistened the mortar that holds the bricks together. Our honored dead haunt the halls, the conference rooms, the toilets, & put their feet up on the desks. These spirits join our living spirits in a long walk through time toward infinity. We march & march, & whenever one of us is lost, we must pick up their flag & carry it for them. We don't have to carry their burdens though, only our own, & our own bur-

dens don't have to be as heavy as they are.

Use the love power. Spread yourself thinner than ever before, & feel the love power fill you like a sail, like a balloon! You will go to amazing places & will do miraculous things. Spread yourself out, do more, reach out in all directions especially to me, because I am your friend. If you can't touch all your friends & feel them touching you, you're not trying hard enough.

We will all be touching one day, & suddenly we will become a big network, a strong, light fabric which will cover the earth.

We can teach the world about true love & true power & make them love the lesson.

We are not only construction workers, but architects, like the busy spider, spinning daily. We design now, with our creative power, a splendid pleasure fortress big enough, & beautiful enough, for our souls.

LIVING IN LEATHER VII

This is your last chance to register in advance for Living in Leather VII, Chicago, Illinois, October 9 to 11, 1992. Headquarters is the Blackstone Hotel at 636 So. Michigan Ave.; reservation number is 1-800-622-6330; rates start at \$80/night. Backup hotel is the Grant Park Best Western at 1100 So. Michigan Ave.; reservation number is 1-800-528-1234; rates start at \$75/night. Coordinating the conference is Paradise

Entertainment, which offers "package" deals on registration, hotels, & events; call Paradise Entertainment at 312-528-0041 for information. Registration fee for members is \$115.00; for nonmembers, fee is \$145.00. These same rates will apply for on site registrations.

The vendor's room this year will be jammed, and Tony DeBlase advises us to look for great demos and workshops. Special events will include Opening Ceremonies Friday, the MR/MS NLA

Contest Saturday, and Sunday's Afterglow Party. Attendees are particularly encouraged to participate in an informational picket at the British Consulate in Chicago Friday afternoon, to protest the injustice of the Operation Spanner arrests and convictions of Consensual adult SM practitioners in England! Amnesty International will be with us! This year's LIL will be a grand occasion!

REGISTRATION FORM - LIVING IN LEATHER VII

Conference Registration includes All Workshops, Seminars, Vendors area, Exhibits, NLA Contest admission, Opening Ceremonies, Hospitality Suite, and Afterglow Party. Registration forms must be POSTMARKED by cut-off date to receive discount rates. Lodging and Transportation are not included. Dungeon Party and Shuttle Bus fees are not included. For complete Package Registration information, contact: PARADISE ENTERTAINMENT, 3134 No. Lincoln Ave., Chicago, IL 60657 (312)-528-0041).

Check appropriate boxes for membership and registration amounts. Copy this form as needed. Payment must be by CHECK or MONEY ORDER (US FUNDS ONLY). CREDIT CARD (MC or VISA) registrations are available only through Paradise Entertainment (above).

Postmarked after September 1, 1992

{ } MEMBER { } \$115.00  
 { } NON-MEMBER { } \$145.00

IF YOU JOIN NLA (use form in this issue), discounted NLA Member registration rates are then applicable.

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 Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

(I am over the age of 21)

VI-8/9 MAIL TO: LIL VII, NATIONAL LEATHER ASSOCIATION, P.O.BOX 17463, SEATTLE, WA 98107

# PROPOSED BYLAW REVISIONS:

According to the procedures outlined for Bylaw Amendments in the NLA National Bylaws, the following revisions to those Bylaws, recommended by the Executive Committee, will be forwarded to the National Council at its October meeting with the recommendation that they be passed. We reprint them for the information of members and our governing bodies. At its last 2 meetings, the Executive committee moved the following:

That the existing ARTICLE V: THE NATIONAL COUNCIL be replaced in its entirety with the following:

## ARTICLE V: THE NATIONAL COUNCIL

### Section A: COMPOSITION

The National Council shall consist of one authorized voting representative from each Chapter and Affiliate and a number of voting AT-LARGE representatives elected by the membership. Any member of the Executive Committee who is not already a member of the National Council shall become an additional voting member.

### Section B: POWERS AND RESPONSIBILITIES

- The National Council shall be empowered to:
1. Elect the Executive Committee.
  2. Appoint the Elections and Credentials Committee.
  3. Approve the annual budget of the Association.
  4. Receive periodic reports from the Executive Committee.
  5. Approve amendments to these Bylaws. The National Council may, by a simple majority vote, refer the approval of any specific BYLAW amendment to the general membership.
  6. Set the policies and authorize the programs of the Association as best meets and carries out the Statement of Purpose.

### Section C: MEETINGS

1. The National Council shall meet at least twice yearly.
2. A quorum shall be determined by either:
  - a. Provided that the date and time and city of the meeting has been published and distributed to members of the National Council

at least ninety (90) days in advance, a quorum shall be the number of representatives present.

or;

b. If the date and time and city of the meeting has not been published ninety (90) days in advance, a quorum shall be fifty [per cent] (50%) of the number of members of the National Council.

3. No member of the National Council may cast more than two Proxy votes.
4. All items of new business shall be submitted to the Co-Chairs no less than forty-five (45) days prior to the meeting it is to be considered.

### Section D: SELECTION OF REPRESENTATIVES

1. Chapter representatives.
  - a. Each Chapter may select one of its members as the voting representative of that Chapter.
  - b. Chapter representatives must be members in good standing of both the National Association and the Chapter represented.
  - c. Each Chapter may determine the selection and term of its own representative.
  - d. Each Chapter representative shall provide to the Chair of the Elections and Credentials Committee prior to the call to order of each meeting of the National Council written authorization to represent that Chapter at that meeting.
2. Affiliate representatives.
  - a. Each Affiliate may select one of its members as the voting representative of that Affiliate.
  - b. Affiliate representatives must be members in good standing of both the National Association and the Affiliate represented.
  - c. Each Affiliate may determine the selection and term of its own representative.
  - d. Each Affiliate representative shall provide to the Chair of the Elections and Credentials Committee prior to the call to order of each meeting of the National Council written authorization to represent that Affiliate at that

- meeting.
3. At-Large Representatives.
    - a. Each year, the number of At-Large Representatives elected shall be equal to the numbers of Chapters as of January 1 of that year.
    - b. At-Large Representatives shall be elected by a mail ballot of the entire membership.
    - c. At-Large Representatives must be members in good standing of the National Association.
    - d. The term of office for At-Large Representatives shall be two (2) years.
    - e. To be elected to the National Council, a nominee must receive at least fifteen percent (15%) of the votes cast.
    - f. Vacancies in the At-Large Representatives shall not be filled until the next general election.

### Section E: RECALL OF REPRESENTATIVES

The recall process for any member of the National Council may be initiated by a member of The Association by a petition which shall include the signatures of at least ten (10) members in good standing at least five (5) of whom must be members of the National Council. This petition shall be presented to the Elections and Credentials Committee which will investigate and report to the Executive Committee. The Executive Committee may, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote, suspend the representative pending action, by a two-thirds (2/3) vote, of the National Council.

The Exec. moved that all references to NATIONAL COUNCIL will be replaced with the name INTERNATIONAL COUNCIL, throughout the Bylaws.

The Exec. moved a Bylaws Amendment to delete these words from Article IV, Section B, Paragraph 2, Part D: "adoption and a statement of support of the Statement of Purpose," and replace them with "a statement of support of the Statement of Purpose."

# THE THUNDER HEAD RAID

(Long-time readers of NLA publications will be familiar with the Thunder Head raid, staged by police against an Affiliate organization of the NLA. Police forcibly intruded on a private play party, insulted attendees while demonstrating massive homophobia and SM-ophobia, and leveled charges against the hosts of the event. This resulted in a most long drawn out & difficult period for the victims of the police, and long and costly legal preparations. Organizations and individuals from throughout the country contributed funds to help our Massachusetts brothers. We

have recently received what we hope is the conclusion of this story.)

Dear NLA Members:

As you may have heard, all charges relating to the raid on the "Thunder Head Club" have been dismissed. While the state of Massachusetts has the right to appeal the judge's decision, eight months have passed, and we hope that the "Thunder Head Club" issue is over. It has been a difficult time for the three of us, as well as the

members of the club

We would like to express a sincere and heartfelt "Thank you!" to you and the other individuals and organizations who supported us financially and emotionally. Knowing that there were people who cared and support us in our fight gave us the courage to see it through. And, ultimately, win!

Again, thank you very much.

Stephen Curtis

Dennis Chase

Joseph Hoffman

## AFFILIATE NEWS

Our address for Harbor Masters in Portland, Maine, has gone bad. If any of our readers can supply a new good address, we would be most appreciative. Harbor Masters was one of our first Affiliates, & we value their participation.

Welcome to new Commercial Affiliate, **Body Circle Designs** (POB 1081, Poulsbo, WA 98370). They'll be a vendor at LIL VII.

Welcome back to renewing Affiliate **Tradesmen Levi-Leather, Inc.** (POB 36712, Charlotte, NC 28204). Their primary purpose is the promotion of the Leather/Levi Lifestyle & brotherhood. They host club nights the first Friday of each month, & are 6 years old.

Welcome back to **Bluegrass C.O.L.T.S.** (POB 12403-L, Lexington, KY 40583), promoting & enlightening the levi/leather lifestyle in central Kentucky. They hold monthly meetings, bar nights, & social events. They participate in a local Adopt-A-Highway program, & have recently staged their first Run.

**Noir Leather** (415 S. Main St., Royal Oak, MI 48067) offers 10% off on purchases made by NLA members. Their phone is 313-541-3979.

The **Eulenspiegel Society** (T.E.S.--POB 2783, New York City, NY 10163-2783) has reported a successful fund raiser for the Anti-OCA campaign; close to 175 people attended the "I'd Rather Have an Orgasm, Stop the OCA" event July 31. A massive variety of items, including fetish gear, art, clothing, & gift certificates, were offered at raffle & auction, & numerous titleholders & organizations including **Black Rose, Excelsior MC, G.M.S.M.A., LSM, NLA: Metro New York, & United Leather Folk** of CT participated. Over \$4500 was raised & sent to help stop the OCA campaign! Our community extends its hearty thanks!

## DUNGEON REGISTRATION

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**\$50 - Postmark AFTER 9/1/92**

(NO EXCEPTIONS)

Individual night reservations ONLY after LIL-VII registration opens, Oct 8th at \$20/night.

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Complete registration/information will be sent after receipt of payment. Mail To:

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 Telephone M/C-VISA-AMEX accepted

**Lion Regiment** of Boise, Idaho, announces the 1992 Mr, Ms, & Miss Idaho Contest to be held October 17, 1992.. This will be their fifth annual Mr. Idaho Leather Contest. Write or call Don Carroll at 1912 N. Phillippi St., Boise, ID, 83706 (208-322-8174) for more information.

Andy Mangels, a founder of **ORGASM** in Portland, OR, informs us that the police did not, formally speaking, "raid" the **ORGASM** premises (with a search warrant, etc.) as we had formerly reported, but rather demanded entry after receiving complaints from the Oregon Citizen's Alliance and toured the site. Andy suggests we print the following: "The police made an illegal entry into the house & searched it during a Men-Only Jack-Off party." No illegal activities were occurring, no search warrant could have been issued, & hence no "raid" as such occurred.

The **Knights d'Orleans** celebrates their 18th Anniversary October 2 to 4. They have recently sent us their event dates covering well into 1993.

**Association Sportiv et MC de France** (B.P. 2, 75965 Paris Cedex 20, France) sponsors E.C.M.C.s' 19th Annual General Meeting Oct. 2-4, 1992. The schedule includes parties, dinners, & camaraderie.

**Cornhaulers L & L Club** (POB 632, Des Moines, IA 50303-0632) has celebrated its 16th Anniversary September 18-20 with Cornball '92. Best wishes & continued prosperity!

**Contact Advertising** (POB 3431, Ft. Pierce, FL 34948) has advertised a social weekend for October 23-25, with Toga Party Horny Halloween Hop. Contact them at 407-464-6047 to confirm plans after the recent hurricane.

**People Exchanging Power** (POB 332, Edgewood, NM 87015) is offering a fine compilation of articles, newsletters, & information for \$14.00, prepaid to Nancy Ava Miller.

## NLA MEMBERSHIP

The NLA is open to all adults who support our statement of purpose. **National Dues \$30.** (\$35. outside North America--U.S. funds). Fill out the form below and mail with check or money order to NLA at P.O.Box 17463, Seattle, WA 98107.

FULL NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ STATE: \_\_\_\_\_

ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

(above info. is confidential)

I agree with the Goals and efforts of the NLA, & wish to become a member. I am at least 21 years old.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

Release my name to the Chapter (if any) in my region. \_\_\_\_\_

I may be contacted for NLA business by other NLA members? \_\_\_\_\_

VI-8/9

# SCRIBLETT

Now, what important thing have I been meaning to do this fall? Air the mattresses? Get the dog shampooed? Do that holiday shopping? Scout up a new lover? No....that's not it. Hey, I know. I plan to

## VOTE!

We should all, in fact, plan to vote!

This is a really critical election in the United States, with a dramatic choice to make between presidential candidates, & a huge number of congressmen to vote in (or OUT!). Certain states have really important initiatives on their ballots; most dramatic, certainly, is Oregon, where the Oregon Citizens' Initiative could, if successful, drive Gays & Lesbians & S-Mers back into their closets, forcibly!

We've got a number of clear choices to make this year, between progress & regress, liberty & centrally-enforced Old Testament-style moral rectitude, as clear a choice as that between a Potato & a Potatoe!

Masses of information are available, on the media, in the papers, in any number of glossy magazines! We've got to study & find out where our sentiments lie. But most important, we've got to get informed, & then we've got to

## VOTE!

We've been hearing acquaintances talking, that they don't like any of the candidates, that they just aren't going to cast a ballot this year. But brothers! But sisters! If we don't all vote, even for the persons we perhaps loath less than the others, then we're letting someone else make the decisions. Surrender of control is a beautiful thing to do in the playroom, but in life we must take control! If we do not, if we just walk away, then we'll be just as irresponsible as those who vote against liberty & self-determination. A vote not cast is, simply enough, a vote for bigotry. You can be doggone sure that the members of every little right-wing church & Aryan-Nation encampment will be voting! The folks who want to be able to name their own values, who want to form their own family, who wish to make their own choices, have got to exercise their collective muscles, have got to get out their in November, take charge of their own lives, and

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