



The Official Newsletter of the National Leather Association International.

Elections are coming up!
Here are those volunteers



Message from the President

Members,

These are the Nominees for the NLA-International Board for 2015. You will vote and elect from this group of volunteers to lead our Association and help make decisions on our future.

Voting will take place from October 1 — November 30th. Winners will be announced in the month of December and will take office on January 1st 2016.

All nominees have been asked to submit bio's and t or pictures. All nominations are listed inside for all positions.

The Board you are about to elect will carry on and serve with your next President. All the Nominees are qualified to serve on the NLA-International Board and some of them have a history of being involved with the NLA-International Board on some level or another.

Please take the time to read these bio's and contact them via the members group for any concerns or questions you may have.

CandiAnne

President NLA-International

Vice President – TC – Current Vice-President

TC began his journey in 1987 and has never looked back. He is the head of House Cyclone that he started in 2011. His house symbol is a fire scorpion holding a purple rose. A group of scorpions is a cyclone, which is the origin of his house's name. Currently, TC is the Vice President for NLA-International; a Member at Large for NLA-Dallas, a board member of MAsT-DFW, Host of DFW_Alt munch, a staff member at the local dungeon, and a Mentor for the Dallas Mentors program. In 2013, he became Mr. Great Plains Olympus Leather. He enjoys teaching and has had the opportunity at WILL in 2014, various groups that meet at Sanctuary for Lifestyle Arts in Dallas, and for NLA-Dallas. He served as tally master for Heartland Person of Leather in 2014 and will be presenting this fall at Beyond Vanilla. He enjoys visiting groups to talk and teach as well as share his passion of our community by connecting with new people.

Chapter Outreach Chair – Kate Connolly-Green – Current Chapter Outreach Chair

My name is Kate Connolly-Green. I am a candidate for the office of Chapter Outreach Chair for NLA International. I have been a member of the Indianapolis BDSM community for more than 10 years. I moved to Chattanooga TN and have been active in groups in Chattanooga as well as Knoxville.

Over my years in this lifestyle, I have gained a great deal of experience with lifestyle groups, both as a member and a leader. I have been a member of NLA-International since 2005 and I was a member of the original Indianapolis Chapter, which became inactive in 2006. I helped with rechartering NLA Indianapolis in 2007 and served as both Secretary and Treasurer for that group. After moving from Indianapolis, I have remained a member of the Indy chapter. During 2010-2012, I served on the NLA Board as Chapter Outreach chair. I took up the Chapter Outreach chair again in Sept of 2014. During that time, I gained a lot of knowledge regarding how NLA Chapters are formed, especially about the legalities of incorporation of a chapter as an educational and social business entity. I believe that this experience will be very valuable in helping other groups to navigate that process. I am available to travel to new NLA chapters when necessary and I am always only a phone call or email away.

When I think about my experiences in regards to the Leather lifestyle, there are so many people that I would thank for their help and guidance as I progressed in my learning and growing about Leather. I believe we are a community of folks willing to share our hard earned wisdom and knowledge with those who come after us. It's a legacy that should be shared and protected. One important way to share our legacy is through the NLA-I. I believe that by forming new chapters and bringing our Leather brothers and sisters into NLA chapters, we will be doing all we can to help to them grow and to preserve our legacy for the future.

Commercial/Affiliate Chair – Treasure – Current Member At Large

My name is Treasure. I have been involved in the lifestyle since 2005. During that time I have taught on numerous topics, judged, held the title of Southwest Bootblack 2013 and have sat on the board of NLA-International for the past 3 years as Member-At-Large. In my professional life I presently do customer service but spent three years as a personal assistant for someone who was self-employed doing business to business services. I have experience in speaking with businesses which will lend well to the Commercial/Affiliate Chair. My goal is to help NLA and its Members have businesses they can turn to which are supportive of how we live. I also wish to be able to help the businesses by bringing them more customers.

Emmy – Policies and Procedures Chair

Emmy entered the Leather lifestyle in 2010. She quickly adapted to the atmosphere of learning and teaching and was eager to gain all the knowledge that she could. She served on the original Dallas Fresh Leather executive committee and was also a board member on the Beyond Vanilla committee. Taking a long break for school, she has returned and is excited to bring back all the lessons she learned and to continue to learn more. She is passionate about education, particularly in the sexuality and gender field where she hopes to bring her academic degree back into our Leather community and share her knowledge. She is also passionate about service to the community, she believes that when an individual has certain skills of leadership then they should be shared to make the communities stronger. She is looking forward to expanding her opportunities to serve and to grow as a Leather girl.



DOMESTIC VIOLENCE CHAIR

Our Domestic Violence Chair had to step down this week and we are in need of someone who's interested in taking on this project. If you are interested in taking it on and would like more information please respond to CandiAnne email president@nla-international.com

Thank you in advance,

Publication Deadlines 2015

First Quarter 2015

Feb 15th Chapter Reports
Feb 22nd Commercial and Member Ads
March 1st Publication Link

Second Quarter 2015

May 10th Chapter Reports
May 17th Commercial and Member Ads
May 24^h Publication Link

Third Quarter 2015

August 16th Chapter Reports
August 23rd Commercial and Member Ads
August 30th Publication Link

Fourth Quarter 2015

November 15th Chapter Reports
November 22nd Commercial and Members Ads
November 29th Publication Link

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