



# desert dominion

## NEWS

a pansexual, panfetish educational and social organization

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### Memberships

Memberships are three months for \$10.00 or \$30.00 per year. Memberships are available at all events EXCEPT Board Meetings, Pre-Party Seminars and Play Parties

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 desert\_dominion-subscribe@yahoo.com

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### *this month*

Please note that the Munch has been rescheduled from 7:00pm to 7:30pm. This was done to better accommodate another group using the same space. Please do not arrive early.

Until further notice, September 13th will be the last Kink in a Nutshell pre-party seminar.

The restructuring of play parties was discussed and voted on.

What was formally known as Loud Hour has been extended to two full hours and moved to earlier in the evening.

The first hour of each play party is for mentoring and a general meet and greet with play, 9pm to 11pm is for loud scenes, and 11pm until closing is for those who prefer peace and quiet while doing their scenes.

### *about desert dominion*

We are a Southern Arizona pan-sexual, pan-fetish BDSM organization based in Tucson and welcome everyone regardless of orientation, age (18 and above), kink (legal activities involving consenting adults), race, creed, religion, etc.

We would like to invite those who are in the lifestyle, new to the scene, or just curious about BDSM to come to our events, meet us, socialize with us, and learn with us.

We are *not* a dating service or sex club. We do *not* find partners for people. We exist to support, educate, and socialize with one another in a safe, sane, and consensual domain.

Our members possess a variety of years of experience, of education in related lifestyle activities, and have widely diverse interests. *dd*

### Volunteering Has Its Rewards!

It will not only make you feel better about yourself, it can also benefit you financially when you work the door or as a DM. One hour gets you in at half-price and three hours gets you in for free.

## From the Special Events Committee...

The people who brought you Molly Devon and Guy Baldwin are working hard to bring you other guest speakers, including those listed below. In order to make future seminars better reflect the tastes and preferences of our membership, it is important that you, as a member, let us know the types of guests and seminars you would like. There are suggestion boxes at the club; drop us a note.

We are also seeking additional volunteers for the Special Events Committee. This is a great opportunity for you to show your support for the club and at the same time earn "volunteer hours" that will allow you to attend the quarterly Volunteer Party. As an added perk, there is the potential of spending time with our various guests in a not-so-formal setting, whether it is picking them up at the airport, taking them back to their hotel after a seminar, or possibly a committee only dinner.

### September 13 – Training the slave (Educating the Master)

Quality long lasting Master / slave relationships are co-created by both parties. This presentation presents some methods of establishing the M/s factor, including: transparency, protocol & ritual, training methods, punishment & atonement, and forgiveness.

Bert Cutler and slave nadine will be presenting their views on such relationships at 2pm on Saturday, September 13th before the regularly scheduled New Member Orientation. The event is open to the general public and the fee is \$8.00 for *desert dominion* members, and members of reciprocating clubs, and \$10.00 for others.

Master Bert considers himself an SM lifer, having built his first wooden stocks in 1954 while in the Cub Scouts. He built his first steel restraints and explored topping himself in 1958. His SM career with other adults began in 1963, and he came out of the SM closet in 1978. He is an electronic engineer, a sexologist, a college professor, and a motion picture editor. As well as non-lifestyle works, he edited both of Cleo Dubois' SM videos. Bert's Ph.D. dissertation is: "Partner Selection, Power Dynamics, and Sexual Bargaining in Self-Defined BDSM Couples." He is the director of the MAsT Phoenix Chapter and a core instructor at Butchmann's (now APEX Academy.) Bert is Mr. APEX 1991-1992.

slave nadine has always been mostly submissive, beginning her training by following her adventuresome older brother. nadine has produced three ball dances, the first two with Fakir Musafar and Cleo Dubois. nadine is a licensed massage therapist, secretary, research assistant, and is in full time service to Master Bert.

They met in a spirituality & sexuality workshop in 1983, where she saw his nipple rings and thought he must be mean. nadine moved in with Bert that same year, and they have been working out the kinks of the lifestyle ever since. He permanently collared her (neck, wrists, and ankles) at their wedding in 1984, declaring they were Master and slave in front of 45 witnesses. They, with Mistress Catrina, founded the Arizona Power Exchange in 1988 and are the two incorporators of The APEX Corporation [a 501(c)(7) corporation] in 2001. Bert & nadine are Southwest Master / slave 2003 and International Master / slave 2003.

## Just a Thought

We were all newbies once. I am certain that maternity records will support the following statements: No Dom was ever born with a flogger in his hand. No slave was ever born wearing a collar. Cross-dressers were born naked like the rest of us. Regardless of your kink, there was a time that you were the new person on the block, so to speak.

Do you remember how it felt? Were you lucky enough to be introduced into the lifestyle with a friendly welcome, or did you attend some munch, meeting or party where you felt like an outsider, watching those that knew each other interact while unintentionally, or intentionally, giving you the cold shoulder? Think of this the next time you see someone new at one of our events. Introduce yourself and let them know they are one of us.

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"If you surrender to the wind, you can ride it." – Toni Morrison

## *From the Education Chair*

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In an effort to keep up with the demands and experience level of our ever expanding membership, we are shifting to a roundtable format for many of our educational programs. This format allows experienced members to present their knowledge and experience in a way that new players can use. The presentation, sharing and learning from one another depends on your participation, because this is a Bring Your Own Toy (byot) setting. In the second half of each roundtable event, we apply what we learned from one another with actual practice episodes where all present may join in, to any level of participation that they are comfortable with. Watch to see which events use this format, so you can have chances to join in whenever you want.

We are also starting Advanced Training, exploring topics that exceed the beginner level. These topics, ranging from play piercing to suspension, humiliation to intricate bondage methods, will be explored fully in the roundtable format. Please note that the advanced training is aimed toward those who have been playing actively for some time, and who want to move into more challenging areas. Please note: Beginners are always welcome, but the topics covered are beyond the scope of what beginners usually do, and deliberately stretch the boundaries of “safe, sane and consensual” practices. Wanna really blow your mind? Come join us as we escalate our educational program into intense and exciting areas of BDSM play.

In the September Advanced Training, we'll cover Cathartic Flogging, which is a flogging scene deliberately designed to bring the floggee to that delicious breakdown place of catharsis. We'll discuss the experiences we've all had with such heavy play, and show you how to set the scene up for success. Again, bring your floggers and subbies, or show up willing to go for a wild ride with someone who's learning to create a unique and powerful space by flogging. Again, this topic will be led by Jordan and Lesa, but your expertise and curiosity are welcome and important. Beginners are welcome, but be aware that this is the outside edge of percussion play. Delicious, but intense!

Watch the website for further activities coming in September and beyond. Anyone who wishes to suggest a topic for beginner or advanced play, please email [info@desertdominion.org](mailto:info@desertdominion.org) to let the educational director, Jordan, know. And anyone with any specialized expertise who wants to volunteer to teach or help with any educational event should also contact Jordan. It's your educational program – help us make it good!

## *From a Member*

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All the subbies in our group, that have had the delicious opportunity of being in bondage at one point or another, has surely experienced the “invisible hair”. You know, its that little itch or tickle that starts just when your play partner puts that last free hand in some form of restraint just out of your reach. You were fine before you started to play – no itching. But all of a sudden, when you no longer have control of your body, now of all times, you have an itch! Do you dare to ask your play partner to scratch it for you? You know its your subconscious resisting your submission, but it itches! And you want your hand free to scratch it!

The other day I was submitting to a friend. I hadn't submitted in months and was happy to be tied and toyed with by my lusty friend. Then it happened, when both hands were secured above my head, right in the middle of my shoulder blades! Yep. At first it was a faint itch or more like a tickle. Ugh! No matter how much I wiggled or squirmed, there was no way I was going to get this spot scratched. But I did a good deal of squirming, telling myself that if I squirm enough the itch will go away. My play partner stepped up to me and asked, “What's wrong with you?”

In my mind's eye, I could see myself looking like I had some kind of medical dysfunction.

“I itch,” I said, in my best brat voice. “I can't reach it.”

I'm given what can only be described as an evil grin. Then, one of my lovely long hairs is snatched from my head and gently streamed across my face.

Please share the first time you experienced the infamous “invisible hair”.

Lady Minerva II

# September — October

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
31	1	2	3 7 pm: <u>Munch</u> Coco's (All - no fee)	4	5	6
7 3 pm: <u>Dom &amp; Sub</u> <u>Discussion Groups</u> (All - Donation)	8	9 7 pm: <u>H.O.T.</u> Tying the Ropes: Ropes, Ropes, and more Ropes. (All - \$5 members; \$8 non-members)	10	11	12	13 2pm: <u>Seminar</u> (See inside) 4 pm: <u>Orientation</u> (All - No fee) 7:30 pm: <u>Kink in a</u> <u>Nutshell</u> 8 pm: <u>Play Party</u> (Members/\$10)
14	15	16	17 7 pm: <u>Board Meeting</u> (Members - Free)	18 7 pm: <u>H.O.T.</u> Advanced Flogging (All - \$5 members; \$8 non-members)	19	20
21	22	23 7 pm: <u>H.O.T.</u> Wax Play (All - \$5 members; \$8 non-members)	24 7 pm: <u>Kink</u> <u>Discussion Group</u> (All - Donation)	25	26	27 4 pm: <u>New Member</u> <u>Orientation</u> 8 pm: <u>Play Party</u> (Members - \$10)
28	29	30	1 7 pm: <u>Munch</u> Coco's (All - no fee)	2	3	4
5 3 pm: <u>Dom &amp; Sub</u> <u>Discussion Groups</u> (All - Donation)	6	7	8	9	10	11 4 pm: <u>New Member</u> <u>Orientation</u> 8 pm: <u>Play Party</u> (Members - \$10)
12	13	14	15 7 pm: <u>Board Meeting</u> (Members - Free)	16	17	18 <b>OCTOBER</b> <b>SURPRISE</b>  This is a special "r.s.v.p. required" event. Information is only available at the club.

Unless otherwise noted, all *ML* sponsored events except the Munch will be held in the *ML* space at 3843 E. 37th St. Seminars, H.O.T.s (Hands On Training), and Workshops are \$5 members/\$8 non-members, 7:30 pm. Seminars are usually in lecture form. H.O.T.s and workshops may involve nudity. If in doubt, ask. ID's will be required.