



Desert Dominion, Inc.

a pansexual, panfetish educational and social organization

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This Month

May 5th is a very special day for Desert Dominion. On that date in 2001 Desert Dominion held its first play party in its own space. Although the club had formed months earlier, it was this play party that we celebrate to this day.

The club had gone through various ups, downs, trials, tribulations and incarnations with changes in name and officers. When the club finally held a party in its own space as opposed to a rented room or someone's home, the members felt that this time things were going to last. They were right.

The newsletter the following month had this to say: "Cinco de Spanko A Rousing Success — We had a great time at the May play party. Around 50 people of all interests and skill levels attended. Of those attending, between a third and a half played.

Some of those who played were doing so for the first time, and some were playing for the first time at one of our events, and some were experienced players who'd enjoyed one another's company a number of times before. There was room for all kinds of experience there. We had plenty of room, extra play stations, excellent food, great eye candy — everything you could want for an excellent party."

This year, we'll be celebrating Cinco de Spanko on May 7th. Festivities will begin at 6pm. As Fred, a past member, once pointed out, DD also stands for Delicious Dining. We'll be firing up the grill, and there will be plenty of other food too. Besides great eats, there will be great conversation and camaraderie as well.

At 9pm, the play party begins. Don't miss it! **DD**

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. 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.

We have a number of monthly events including educational seminars, socials, munches, discussion groups, and play parties.

We have our own meeting and play space, and hope that you will come and join us for one of our many events.

GMM

Desert Dominion's
General Membership Meeting
will be held on July 17th.
Agenda items must be
submitted to the
Secretary no later
than June 2nd.

Getting Tied Up in Knots with Steve

7pm, May 11th



For some, rope bondage can lead to a very heightened sensual and erotic experience where the journey is as important as the destination—the rope seductively moving across your naked body, slowly immobilizing you in ever-encircling patterns of sensuality and control, wrapping you, cradling you, controlling you, as you become more and more intoxicated in its power over you.

Now that I have your attention... Come learn some basic rope fundamentals in this hands-on class, including rope safety, basic knots, and some useful ways of securing someone in a vulnerable position for all sorts of naughty and delightful play. And all this while your presenter is naked! (well, ok, maybe not...)

Your presenter, Steve, also known as Puailewa on FetLife, considers himself a general all-around kinkster with a sadistic streak, and a love for the passion and power of rope. He can usually be found lurking in the hallows of Desert Dominion as well as regional leather conferences.

Audacious Brutality

4pm, May 28th

Join two heavy switches as they teach and train you on what you need to know to take your sadomasochism to the next level. Punching, slapping, pressure, kicking, elbowing, and more can be a part of your scene! Learn how to be bold enough to shell it out and audacious enough to receive it. We'll go over the anatomy and vital safety points you need to know as we aspire to inspire you and your playmates to go beyond the basic whips and chains. Tools, and tricks will be covered, and we'll also touch on the psychology behind this type of play. Bottoms, Switches, Tops and every relationship designation are welcome.

If this sort of play doesn't appeal to you personally, if you have worked (or want to work) as a play space monitor (frequently known as Dungeon Monitors or DMs), we'd like to invite you in particular so you can recognize this sort of scene while you work your shifts. Come, learn how a little brutality can add intimacy (and endorphins) to your play. Are you audacious enough to attend?

Arcane and Julian are playmates and performance artists and are honored to bring their first joint class "Audacious Brutality" to Desert Dominion. Arcane is a pro-dom, show-sub, Boylesk performer, musician, model, and sex educator. Educator and wordsmith Julian Wolf is an active participant in the alternative scene in the Southwest and beyond. www.JulianWolf.net. Happy 10th anniversary DD!



Where Has All the Leather Gone?

7pm, June 8th

In this seminar discussion, we will look at some of the various cultural and historical strands which have been woven into current concepts of "leather," in an attempt to situate leather in the present world of pansexual kink and an emerging community of gay bears. We will discuss some of the ways in which the internet has changed, well, everything.



"Leather" can be a very general term: The Southwest "Leather" Conference. Or it can refer to a specific historical expression: "the Old Guard." Or it can simply refer to a mode of dress: leather as drag. Is there an essential core of ideas which distinguish leather from other alternative erotic styles? Was there once? What happened? We'll also speculate about what the future may look like for the leather culture and the ideas which have animated it. The seminar is emphatically not just for those who identify as leatherfolk.

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I'll bring a list of authors, books and articles which have helped to shape my ideas about the topic.

When Rich moved to Tucson a few years back, he went looking for the local leathermen, expecting to find a home bar and a club. What he found may not look much like what he was looking for, but perhaps it's what he needed.

Breath Play

4pm, June 25th



It is one of the most controversial forms of play in our community. Some people will tell you there is no safe way to do Breath Play and others will tell you there is no real risk involved. Come and learn some of the medicine and science behind this hot and intense topic. The class will be in two parts. The first will be a discussion of the medical aspects involved in this sort of play so that you can make your own informed conclusions and play decisions regarding what kind of Breath Play -if any- you want to do. The second half will be a series of demonstrations of different Breath Play techniques.

Matthew STF has been a kinky fucker his whole life. He hasn't had a girlfriend he didn't, at the very least, tie up. He has been active in the AZ kink community since 2004. He has been an active member of several organizations, serving 3 years on the TNG-AZ board including one as President and has also been on the piercing team at SWLC for 4 years. He is currently a member at large on the APEX board since 2010. Matthew is also a licensed RN and has been a paramedic since 1998.

Flogging

7pm, July 13th

There is no one right way to swing a flogger, but there are wrong ways. A collection of tails flying through the air and landing on naked flesh can deliver extreme pleasure if done correctly and serious harm if done improperly. Wielding one of these wonderful instruments can be a lot harder than it looks. It can also be a lot more rewarding than one might think at first glance.

At this seminar you will learn about the various types of floggers. There are many different styles and materials that can make a huge difference in the way the falls fly and how they feel on the receiving end. Assorted throwing and swinging styles will be discussed along with why some are preferred over others



This seminar will be presented by Master Jefferson James, Education Director of Desert Dominion, a frequent presenter at Desert Dominion who has also done seminars at APEX, The Southwest Leather Conference, and Rio Grande Leather.

Upcoming Seminars

- Creating Your Own Protocols - Master Archer, 4pm, July, 23rd
- Extreme CBT - The Ladies from Hades, 4pm, October, 22nd

Upcoming Events

- Shibaricon, Chicago, IL May 27-30
- Women's International Leather Fest, Dallas, TX. June 3-5
- DESIRE, Palm Springs, CA June 10-13

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Unless otherwise noted, all **DD** sponsored events except the Munch and Coffees will be held in the **DD** space at 3843 E. 37th St. You *must* be a member to attend. Yearly and Quarterly memberships are available for \$40 and \$15 respectively. Temporary memberships are available for \$3, but may *not* be used for attending Play Parties. See website for Guest Policy information. ID's will be required.

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