

November 2011



Desert Dominion, Inc.

a pansexual, panfetish educational and social organization

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This Month

Rooks, our Vice-President, acting as our temporary Social Director, is organizing a non-kinky gathering. Sunday, November 6th is Tucson's annual All Souls Procession, a celebration of the lives of those who have passed.

Chances are, we've all lost someone close to us this year. Let's make this a chance to come together. Let's remember and love those we've lost. We'll meet at 5:00 at the SW Corner of the park at 5th Avenue and 2nd Street (Which is just NW of the official start point). The procession begins at 4th Avenue and University at 6:00 pm.

If you intend to walk the entire length of the procession, it is highly recommended that you wear very comfortable shoes. The route is approximately two miles long and will leave you quite some ways from where you may have parked.

On Tuesday, November 8th at 7:00 pm, The Finance Committee will be giving their official report regarding the internal financial audit and information concerning the finances of Desert Dominion.

We encourage discussion after the report in regards to the future and what the membership would like to see the Council Treasurer focus on.

This is an information session and we would like all members to join us. You must be a current member to attend.

The unofficial leader of our littles is inviting all of the littles, Bigs and anyone else who wants to have a good time to join her at the zoo! You can walk the zoo, look at all the animals and have lunch, either packing a lunch in your really cool, spiffy, neat-o lunchbox or eating at the café they have there. Comfortable shoes for walking, bottled water and snacks are recommended.

Participants will be meeting around 9am on November 19th in front of the zoo entrance so everyone can enter together. Cost: \$ 7 per person, \$ 5 for seniors over 62yrs. Reid Park Zoo: 1100 S. Randolph Way, Tucson.

The holidays are almost upon us. While making your shopping list of toys, kinky and otherwise, and the other things that make our lives happy, it's time to think about those who through no fault of their own are in need.

As we have done in the past, Desert Dominion will be collecting dry-goods and hygiene items for the Eon Youth Program. Through their Homeless Youth Services, they offer support to homeless and near-homeless LGBTQ and straight-allied youth, including expanded drop-in hours at The Lounge, street outreach, referrals to social service agencies, the Support OurSelves (SOS) support group, and allocation of emergency funds.

Our January elections and General Membership Meeting has been scheduled for January 22nd.

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.

General Membership Meeting and Elections

Sunday,
January 22nd

BBQ at 1pm
Meeting at 3pm

The Basics of Belly Dancing!

7pm, November 9th

Want to learn to move your hips?

Think that your hips are too big or too skinny for belly dancing? Think again! This is something that women of any shape or size can do and can do beautifully!

All you need for this class is to show up in a snug t-shirt and loose workout type pants and be prepared to learn the basics of hip and leg work. If you have a large scarf you can tie low on your hips please bring it.

Please note that this workshop is designed for participation, not observation. So don't be shy!

Handouts on costuming, music, props and local communities will be provided.

Erika learned about belly dancing from the local Society for Creative Anachronism (SCA) group in Tucson, AZ, where she participated in classes and hafalas for more than 5 years. During that time she taught various classes for beginners.



Body Mine

4pm, November 26th

In pop culture, and here in our kink community, many of us have chosen to modify our bodies in various ways; tattoos, piercings, cuttings and branding are just a few things we do to ourselves or others. It is



becoming more and more common to see these modifications both in and out of the dungeon. Why? Is this a fad, part of the modern primitive movement, a rite of passage, or all of the above? Come hear from some of us that have done some of these extraordinary things to our bodies and hear what we have to say. We want to hear from you too. What have you done and/or what are you planning to do to your beautiful body?

This is a roundtable discussion featuring various body artists, those who have body modifications, and of course you. We'll talk about the hows, whats and whys of the various things we do, have done, or are planning to do. Hosted by Master Trish.

Primal Experience

Noon - 6pm, December 3rd

Desert Dominion presents Primal Experience, an exploration of ecstatic energy, on Saturday December 3rd, from noon until 6pm. Cost is \$ 25 per person.

This event has become a Desert Dominion tradition and is spoken of fondly by many of our members. Through the use of flesh hooks, drumming and free-form movement in a safe, supportive, communal environment, many have been able to reach heightened states of consciousness.

The cost of the event includes all piercing supplies. Share food is appreciated. Drums and other percussion instruments are welcome. Attendees need no experience; stations will be set up to facilitate all piercing. Primal Experience will be limited to 25 participants. You must be a member of Desert Dominion or a reciprocal organization such as APEX. Pre-registration is required. Contact Bruce at switchu81@aol.com.

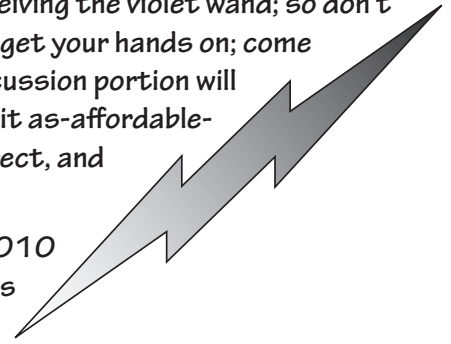


Violet Wand Workshop

Wednesday, December 14th

The emphasis of this seminar is to provide hands-on practice using and receiving the violet wand; so don't plan on sitting around. There will be several demo wands available for you to get your hands on; come ready to dish out some shocks and jolts (or be ready to receive them)! Discussion portion will entail; types of wands, wand safety, electrode selection, and getting your kit as-affordable-as-possible. Hands on exploration will include getting creative with both direct, and indirect methods of using the wand.

Rooks joined Desert Dominion in 2009. He served as Social Director for 2010 and was elected Vice President in 2011. Since first feeling the wand; he has become openly addicted to their study, and is passionate about sharing their fun with others.



Munch

We get together on the first Wednesday of each month from 6:30 PM until about 9:00 PM. Dutch treat. This is a chance to introduce yourself to like-minded others and enjoy an evening of conversation and food. You may also join or renew at this time. We meet at the Coco's across from Park Mall (6095 E. Broadway).

Note: We meet in a public place. This is not the right time to practice your topping or bottoming skills, or to show off fetish wear.

Seminars

These educational sessions are open to all members. They may involve a lecture, a demonstration, hands on training, or any combination of these. Of course, all participation is totally voluntary. Nudity may occur. The fee is \$5. Temporary memberships, full memberships and renewals are available.

Play Parties

We have play parties on each Saturday of the month. These parties run from 8:00 PM until at least 1:00 AM. Admission is \$10 per person. Bring a share food for the potluck. Sodas and water are available for \$.50 each; coffee and tea are provided. As always, a current Desert Dominion membership card and a picture ID are absolutely required -- no entrance without them. Please read and be familiar with the Desert Dominion party rules.

Forums

These are roundtable-style peer discussion groups. There is one for Dominants, Masters and Tops, another for bottoms, submissives and slaves, and another for switches. There is also the Power Exchange Forum for couples, clans or families and the Gender Awareness Group for the discussions of gender issues and topics. These groups are open to all DD members. Non members over 18 may purchase temporary memberships at the door for \$3.00.

New Members Group

The New Member's Group is a focus group for all those who wish some hands on training in many different areas. The group is open to all DD members. Non members over 18 may purchase temporary memberships at the door for \$3.00.

Club Social

Held once a month for the express purpose of socializing, meeting new people, and/or negotiating. We hold a "kinky swapmeet" on this night also so bring your wares to sell, barter or trade. There is no play. This is a share food event. This group is open to all DD members. Non members over 18 may purchase temporary memberships at the door for \$3.00.

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13 3pm Cleaning Party	14	15 7pm Orientation 7:30pm Switch Discussion Group	16 7pm Council Meeting	17 7pm DM Training and Door Training 7:30pm DM Roundtable	18	19 8pm Play Party
20	21	22 7pm s-type Forum	23 12:30pm Coffee Social at Crave	24	25 5pm Desert Dominion's Thanksgiving Dinner	26 4pm Seminar: Body Mine 8pm Play Party
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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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