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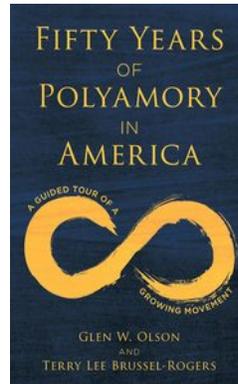
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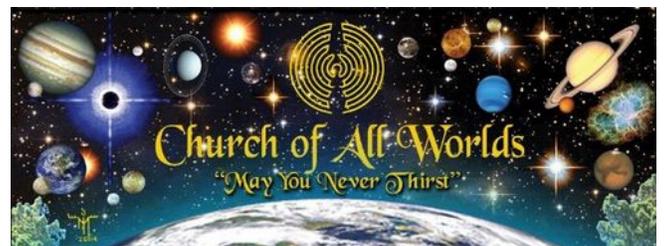
Founded in 1987 by Terry Brussel and Brian Gitt
Based on the philosophy of Family Synergy,
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UPCOMING EVENTS

Saturday January 17, 2026: Live 11 am - 11 pm PT, Zoom: 11 am – 1 pm and 6 – 11 pm PT. Memorial for Leslie Fish—Poly Anarchist and Prolific Filk Writer and Performer (Songs of Science Fiction and the Space Age). Filksing (socializing & Pot Luck dinner at 6 pm PT—music starts at 7 pm).

Note: While Leslie Fish's Life and Music will be emphasized all day and evening during her Memorial, the Live the Dream portion 11am- to 4 pm will also include Poly discussion (including Leslie's poly experiences and writings) and poly oriented questions by attendees.

Saturday February 14, 2026: Live 11 am - 4 pm PT, Zoom: 11 am – 1 pm PT
2nd Saturday this month only due to Conscious Life Expo falling on the 3rd Saturday with Terry presenting that day (+ Terry being a 4th generation matchmaker). **Happy Valentine's Day POLY STYLE!** Choose, Find and Attract Your Special Someone(s) Led by Terry Brussel-Rogers.

Private room&bath available at Penfield House near Northridge, CA, see details inside.

Join our Zoom meetings <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3175971626?pwd=Vl8d4Qk2FX1b80dmDS73AbvKSPPcr1.1&omn=85326078065>

Meeting ID: 317 597 1626 Passcode: Heinlein

Note: Our Meeting ID and Passcode remain unchanged, but Zoom has generated a new link. Please use the Meeting ID and Passcode if the link does not work.

Live the Dream

January-February 2026

Live the Dream is an education and support group for those who, originally inspired by the writings of Robert A. Heinlein, Robert Rimmer, Marion Zimmer Bradley, and Spider Robinson are now ready to LIVE such alternative lifestyles as cooperative living, open committed relationships, and group marriage. Many of our concepts on multiply committed relationships come from Heinlein's *Stranger in a Strange Land* and *The Moon is a Harsh Mistress*. Live the Dream is the oldest continuing Nest of Church of All Worlds, the real life, over fifty-year-old spiritual movement inspired by *Stranger in a Strange Land*.

Please visit the Live the Dream website at www.livethedream.org to view current events, past articles, etc. Terry Brussel-Rogers is a Certified Clinical Hypnotherapist, Life Coach, & a 4th-generation Matchmaker. We provide poly relationship counseling, hypnotic jealousy release, ways to attract and maintain loving relationship(s), success coaching, and other services. See www.acesuccess.com or call (800) LIFE MATES (543-3628).

EVENTS

All regular Live the Dream LIVE events 11am-4pm on 3rd Saturdays at 8515 Penfield Ave Winnetka, CA. 91306 (unless otherwise specified). Suggested donation for those attending events Live is \$10 for non-members, \$5 for members of Live the Dream. LTD paid members: Meeting \$5. If an evening party is listed, meeting and party both \$8 with pot luck dish for both events, without pot luck dishes \$12 donation suggested for both events. Non-members \$15 with pot luck dish for both events, without Pot Luck, \$20 suggested donation for both events.

Terry is the primary organizer of the Southern California Poly Meetup (www.meetup.com/socal-polyamory/). Its ongoing events include those in this Newsletter on 3rd Saturdays of each month 11 am - 4 pm PT + special celebrations and parties listed during the year.

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11 am – 1 pm PT Live and on Zoom: Live the Dream Meeting focusing on Leslie Fish's life, with several guest speakers (see below).

1 pm – 6 pm: Additional discussion as well as socializing in the clothing-optional jacuzzi.

6 pm: Potluck dinner – bring your favorite dish, big enough to share with 8.

7 pm – 11 pm PT Live and on Zoom: Filk singing focusing on Leslie Fish. Zoom coverage may start as early as 6 pm PT for conversation.



Leslie Fish in 2001. Image from Wikimedia Commons.

Leslie Fish's songs are funny (*Banned from Argo*), educational (*Black Powder and Alcohol*), inspiring, and outrageous. She was an Anarchist (*The Day it Fell Apart & Firestorm: Songs of the Third World War*), a member and storyteller in song for the Society for Creative Anarchism (SCA), a Union supporter (*Robbing the Poor*), a Pagan who wrote about and actually demonstrated a way to make rain through Magick, a believer that **The Right to Bear Arms Is the Right to be Free** (*The Weapons Shops of Isher*), a Feminist (*Freedom of the Snow*), and many other sometimes contradictory things.

Joining us for this Memorial to speak about Leslie and share their personal experiences with her:

- **Oberon Zell**, founder of **Church of All Worlds**, the first officially recognized Neopagan religion in the US.
- **Paul Gibbons**, Political Activist/Libertarian/Anarchist and Water Brother to Leslie Fish.
- **Elaine Anderson**, Deputy Lady in Waiting to the Queen of Caid in the SCA for 2025.
- **Terry Brussel-Rogers**, Founder of Live the Dream and Leslie's Water Brother will share her knowledge of some of Leslie's Poly experiences.

Do you want to speak? Please call Terry at 818-388-5612 to arrange it. Additional speakers will be announced in the **January – February 2026 Live the Dream Newsletter**.

Note: While Leslie Fish's life and music will be emphasized all day and evening during her Memorial, the Live the Dream portion (11am- 4 pm PT) will also include Poly discussion (including Leslie's poly experiences and writings). As always, poly oriented questions by attendees are welcome and will be thoughtfully answered.

Lee and Barry Gold will speak of their own long friendship with Leslie at the Filk and will share some of their favorite songs of hers during the evening.

At the Live the Dream meeting or the filk, anyone wishing to share a *funny or heart warming* memory of Leslie may briefly do so in alignment with Marion Zimmer Bradley's Darkover ritual "Let this memory lighten grief..." This need not necessarily be matched with a song. (Leslie attended Marion Zimmer Bradley's Pagan gatherings over the years.)

For the evening Filk, please call Terry on the Live the Dream line 818-886-0069 to request a particular Leslie Fish song be part of this Memorial. This is to avoid having more than one person doing or requesting a given song. Leslie has written plenty of songs—no repeats are necessary. Only Leslie's songs will be sung (or read with feeling) at this particular Filk. Songs **about** Leslie are also welcome.

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Choose, Find and Attract Your Special Someone(s)
 Led by Terry Brussel-Rogers, 4th Generation Matchmaker.

Terry ran her family's matchmaking service, **Marriage Minded Introductions**, for 40 years—including Poly matches.

Whether you are a single looking for a primary partner or partners, or a couple looking for a single or another couple, etc, there are MANY ways to get into the relationship you desire. We will talk about some of those ways as well as how to maintain and bring more Joy to ongoing

romantic relationship... help them evolve into a live in situation if they haven't gotten there yet and that is what you want.

If it is marriage you seek, that may look like an open committed legal marriage between two people or a plural marriage by contract with similar rights and responsibilities to a legal marriage. Whatever it is you want, it can be accomplished by knowing how to make it happen.

Terry wrote *Choosing, Finding and Attracting Your Lifemate* in 1992. Its most recent edition was introduced at Conscious Life Expo in February of 2020. That edition (with a newly updated Poly Supplement included) will be e-mailed as a gift to whoever attends this event on Zoom with a hard copy autographed edition given to whoever attends in person. A guided meditation for *Attracting Your Special Someone(s)* will climax the Zoom portion of this event.

Want some help with finding your Right One(s)? Call Terry Brussel-Rogers at 800-Life Mates. That's 800-543-5628.

Room Available at Live the Dream's Group House near Northridge, CA 8515 Penfield Ave., Winnetka, CA 91306

ROOM with private FULL BATH, its own large closet and book case for an *avid* reader
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Optional: \$85 a week per person includes food + use of washer/dryer including laundry detergent, etc.

\$100 per person a month for use of washer/dryer including laundry detergent, etc., without food.

Home of Terry Lee Brussel-Rogers, (founder and organizer of Live the Dream) and her husband Craig Brussel Rogers + 1 other lady (a retired nurse with us since 2015) and 3 gentlemen one of whom is a poly writer who was with us when we bought the house in 2003.

Many of our concepts on relationships come from Robert Heinlein's stories *Stranger in a Strange Land* and *The Moon is a Harsh Mistress*. Our home is a beautiful one in a nice neighborhood of the west San Fernando Valley. It has two fireplaces, a high ceilinged grand living room, dining area, and big country kitchen. Washer and dryer are available. We have a clothing optional hot tub. We share good conversation, holidays, outings, special occasions, hugs... and household chores.

Imagine coming home to a beautiful house, a well kept yard filled with flowers and trees. Space for a garden if you have a green thumb. The fire place may be lit if it is winter. You come home to the smell of something delicious being cooked by one of your housemates. Or perhaps you are the housemate doing that cooking—that nurturing. You share a good dinner with whoever is at home tonight. Afterward, you might enjoy the massage chair, go to the privacy of your room, soak in the hot tub with good friends, join a lively discussion in the living room or cuddle by the fire.

Sound good? MAKE YOUR FANTASY A REALITY... If you have an interest in living in a lovely home with warm, caring, like minded people. Call (818) 886-0069 for more information.



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Between them, Terry and Glen have experience with open marriage, group marriage, and group living, and both are part of an intimate network which has evolved from 1969 to present time.

WHAT EXPERIENCES/BOOK REVIEWS, ETC. CAN YOU SHARE RELATING TO THE POLY LIFE STYLE?

We'd like to run it here or have you bring those questions to one of our 3rd Saturday events.

Please email to: Terry_bg@msn.com

Or mail it to: 8515 Penfield Ave. Winnetka, CA 91306.

We will take any question with *your* solution or brain storm and give it one or more of our own.

Let's have fun with this and learn from each other.

Meetups & Other Group Events

Check out www.meetup.com/Loveopen; www.meetup.com/loving-more;
www.meetup.com/socal-polyamory/

The Southern California Naturist Association Meetup <http://www.meetup.com/nature-519>

This is the largest non-landed clothing optional club in California

Other Poly info:

The Human Awareness Institute www.hai.org

Emma and Fin are “Normalizing Non-monogamy”

Link: Podcast Interviews in Swinging and Polyamory

(normalizingnonmonogamy.com)

Webcast with The Center for Positive Sexuality Monthly Educational Series -
Center for Positive Sexuality

<https://positivesexuality.org/education/>

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I am willing to volunteer: Time Meeting Space

I could lead a meeting or activity, proposal enclosed

I am interested in Science Fiction Pagan Libertarian _____ Oriented Programs

I am interested in Co-operative Living: Yes No

**I have space for others: No Yes (Location & Phone
_____)**

I am willing to relocate Yes No