# LIVE THE DREAM

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# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Saturday March 18, 2023 LIVE 11am-4pm PST Zoom 11-1 PST Dragon Riders of (Poly) Pern by Anne McCaffery

Wednesday April 5, 2023 Live 7pm To 11pm (At Latest) & On Zoom7-9pm. Live The Dream Passover Seder, Led By Rob Milander

Saturday April 8 2023 10am - 2pm \*Hypnofantasy/ Hypnomassage with a Dash of Tantra at the Tuscany Manor Clothing Optional Lifestyles Friendly Resort in Palm Springs, CA BOOK YOUR ROOM NOW, THIS IS GOING TO FILL UP FAST. Go to Tuscanymanorpalmsprings.com or call 760-251-2885

Saturday April 18, 2023 Live 11 am to 4 pm On Zoom 11 am to 1 pm How to Be Ready for the Relationship You Most Desire Led by Paul Gibbons and Terry Brussel-Rogers

Join Zoom meeting

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3175971626?pwd=NWVjU3A2M0I2Q29IUkI4L11MRzd2QT09 Meeting ID: 317 597 1626 Passcode: Heinlein *Live the Dream* 

March - April 2023

Live the Dream is an education and support group for those who, originally inspired by the writings of Robert Heinlein, Robert Rimmer, and Marion Zimmer Bradley, are now ready to LIVE such alternative lifestyles as cooperative living, open relationships, and group marriage. Many of our concepts on multiply committed relationships come from Heinlein's *Stranger in a Strange Land* and *Moon is a Harsh Mistress*. Live the Dream also sponsors a 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 <u>www.livethedream.org</u> 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, success coaching and other services. See <u>http://www.acesuccess.com</u> or call (800) LIFE MATES (543-3628).

Terry is now the primary organizer of the Southern California Poly Meet Up (<u>www.meetup.com/socal-polyamory/</u>). It's ongoing events include those in this Newsletter on 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays 11 am - 4 pm PST + special listed events during the year and the ones given first Saturday 5:30 to 8:30 pm in Burbank at Finney's Craft House led by Brad and Jim (restarting March 42023). Call 626-818-8021 for more info.

# **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. RSVP/more info call the LTD Hotline (818) 886-0069 or Visit <u>LiveTheDream.org</u>

#### Saturday March 18, 2023 LIVE 11 am-4pm PST Zoom 11-1 PST Dragon Riders of (Poly) Pern by Anne McCaffery and Happy St. Patrick's Day!

Led by Mark Merlino and Rodney O'Reilley, founders of Furry Fandom and of The Prancing Skiltare, a group house spanning decades! They have been in an open committed relationship (which has often included long term lovers/ housemates) for 34 years.

While this meeting is inspired by Science Fiction, the intent of presenting it is to learn how to use it in our own poly lives. YES, you can attend and enjoy the meeting without having read the books! Anne's original stories were poly oriented simply by featuring characters bonded emotionally for life to sentient telepathic dragons. Many of these Dragon Riders were also bonded to human mates with whom they shared romantic and physically sexual connection. Anne's son and daughter have written their own books in that universe which could actually be considered Poly Primers describing different ways of creating and maintaining multiply committed relationships with human partners. In a world protected from life destroying spores by genetically engineered fire breathing dragons bonded at their hatching to empathic human dragon riders, the social structure is an unusual one. Queen dragons are ridden by women, Browns and Bronzes by males. However, males as well as females can bond with and ride female fire breathing green dragons. When a rider's dragon makes her mating flight, the passions of their dragons cause the riders to mate in their own way. In the Weyr caves which house dragons and their riders, sexual mores are different from those on the rest of the planet of Pern since dragons may not honor the current romantic commitments of their riders

when mating. Since the Weyrs are group living arrangements in any case, children resulting from such liaisons are raised by the "village" with a foster mother and/or father doing the primary parenting.

# Happy St. Patrick's Day!



I pm Pot luck lunch—corn beef and cabbage provided by your host and hostess. Bring healthy and delicious dishes to share, please

2-3 pm Spring Equinox ritual. Flowers, joy... gratitude for the beauty and abundant fertility of Mother nature .

3-4 pm Hot tubbing and/or listening to Pern inspired music—tends to be pretty Celtic. Schooling on Pern is done by Harpers from the Harper's Hall where musically inclined lads and lassies are apprenticed as early teens to become storytellers, singers, composers and musicians. More classic St. Patrick's Day music such as Irish Rovers also available.

# Wednsday April 5, 2023 7:00 To 11 Pm (At Latest) Live The Dream Passover Seder, Led By Rob Milander



Call Terry to RSVP before 3-30-23 at (818) 886-0069 to arrange what to bring for the Seder or to attend without a food contribution. We need time to plan things and shop for supplies.

## This is a Celebration of Freedom!

This holiday commemorates the first time one People (the Jews) freed itself from bondage to another People (the Egyptians). We'll do this with plenty of group participation! You don't have to read Hebrew for this or even be Jewish. Whether you want to learn more about your own heritage, just share this special holiday with those you care about, or discover a cultural experience new to you, you are welcome! This is coordinated pot luck since it requires special foods. **This event is FREE to one clean up coordinator, one serving coordinator, and the single or couple who volunteers to bring 5 pounds of lamb or 10 pounds of chicken**. Cost: \$8.00 with *arranged food contribution* and one bottle of kosher wine for each adult in your party, one bottle of grape juice for each child. \$18 each without food contribution + bring beverage. Children under thirteen free with food, \$5 without. You can arrive 6-7 pm to socialize and help with preparations. Seder itself starts at 7:00 pm



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Led by Terry Brussel-Rogers Co-Author of *Fifty Years of Polyamory in America: A Guided Tour of a Growing Movement* and Certified Clinical Hypnotherapist since 1969. Assisted by Craig Brussel Rogers and Paul Gibbons. Your senses heightened, inhibitions shed and green-eyed monsters vanquished! Learn to experience the pleasures of intense full body multiple orgasms!

Signed copies of *Fifty Years of Polyamory in America : A Guided Tour to a Growing Movement* by Glen W. Olson and Terry Lee Brussel-Rogers will be available at this workshop.

## Saturday April 18 2023 LIVE II am-4pm PST Zoom II-I PST How to Be Ready for the Relationship You Most Desire Led by Paul Gibbons and Terry Brussel-Rogers

Alone right now? Perhaps you are not alone, but would like the relationship you are in to be more joyous for all involved. There are ways to take care of your own sexual needs while you are looking for a partner or partners. Some of them prepare you for the delights of loving connections...even draw those lovers to you. Others do not. We will discuss our own experiences with this and what we have learned from others over the years about what you can do be ready for SEXUALOVE in a poly lifestyle. Both Paul and Terry have been poly since their late teens (before the word was coined). They presented Bisexual Polyamorous Couple Forming a Group Marriage at many conventions over the years. Terry as hypnotherapist and Paul as audio engineer/inspiration have made together such exciting guided meditations as Male Multiple Orgasm, Sexual Enhancement for Couples, Intimacy Without Jealousy (Monogamous and Poly versions) and Release Sexual Inhibitions. More are being created even as this is written. They are available on <a href="http://www.acesuccess.com">http://www.acesuccess.com</a> and <u>ReachForTheStars.Today</u>. Terry won the Lifestyles Award for Contributing to the Knowledge of Human Sexuality in 1988 and has learned a lot more since then! Come GROW with us...

I pm Pot luck lunch -Bring something healthy and delicious to share.

2-4 Socializing in the Clothing Optional Jacuzzi . Bring towel and sandals.

#### Article by Terry Brussel-Gibbons Written 1999 BisexuaLove In a Long Term Relationship

Rick is in town! He meets me for lunch with his wife of two years, Brigitta, who is flying back to their home in Europe today. They sit on one side of a table with me on the other--I resolve not to let it upset me. We talk about the shamanic studies they've been pursuing in Phoenix, Brigita's enjoyment of our warm weather, exciting developments in my business, and how our grown kids are doing. While Brigita and I have spent time together before, she seems more open and accepting this time. Before leaving, she gives me a soapstone dolphin she has made--a special gift.

Rick drives her to LAX, sees her off, and picks me up to spend the weekend together. We stop by my house to pick up my overnight bag and to give hugs and affection my husband, Paul. We arrange to spend tomorrow evening with him. Paul walks his talk about open relationships--no jealousy there, never a trace of coldness when I return from time with a lover. Paul is the treasure of my life and I make sure he knows it.

Rick takes me for a romantic dinner on the coast. We look at the ocean, hold hands, and catch up on each other's inner worlds. The magic is still THERE--in a touch, a smile. Pretty good after 20 years of ups, downs and too much physical apartness for the past few years.

We van camp at a local beach, too tired to make it to Santa Barbara tonight. Not too tired for lovin'--deep, passionate explosion of God and Goddess joining in ecstacy.

Next day we eat our breakfast of fruit on a cliff overlooking the sea, have lunch in Solvang and find time for more lovemaking. He's really been immersing himself in teachings of Sacred Sexuality and seems to have more vitality in bed and out than he did ten years ago. Lucky Brigita!

On our way home, we plot to reward Paul for handling the Live the Dream meeting today and giving us some special time together. After a light dinner of tuna salad and juice, the three of us head for the bedroom.

Paul thinks he and Rick are going to drive me wild, but (surprise) it's Paul's turn to be in the middle. We touch, pet, and stroke him from head to foot. I love watching the two of them cuddling and loving each other. That probably drives me wilder than when they work on me! It used to be in my "secret garden" of fantasy only, but how delicious the reality. Paul delights in watching me with another woman, too. His joy heightens my own.

A woman looking over my shoulder as I write this while waiting for my chiropractic appointment, said "You have a great imagination, but it might be just too far fetched even for fiction."

For a bisexual polyamourous couple, reality can be a lot better than fantasy!



November 11, 2022 was the official launch date for *Fifty Years of Polyamory in America: A Guided Tour of a Growing Movement*byGlen Olson and Terry Brussel-Rogers published by Rowman and Littlefield. Between them, Terry and Glen have experience with open marriage, group marriage, group living and both are part of an intimate network which has evolved from 1969 to present time. *Fifty Years of Polyamory in America: A Guided Tour to a Growing Movement* is unique among the many books about polyamory because the scope of this book is the elnntire history of the polyamory movementfromWoodstock right on into the 21<sup>st</sup> century. The book is available on Amazon, Barnes and Noble, and many other places—even international-- just by Googling its title.

The publishers are putting it in universities and libraries!

#### 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 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday events.

Please E-Mail to: <u>newsletter@mail.livethedream.org</u>

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.

# Meet Ups & Other Group Events

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

<u>www.meetup.com/polycocktailslosangeles/</u> or <u>www.polycocktailslosangeles.com</u> Find many other SoCal poly groups (40+ groups in the Greater LA Area!) on Meetup!

The Southern California Naturist Association Meetup <u>http://www.meetup.com/nature-519</u> This is the largest non-landed clothing optional club in California

#### **Other Poly info:**

The Human Awareness Institutewww.hai.org

Other groups friendly to Polyamory KARL HESS CLUB <u>www.karlhessclub.org</u> meets on the 3rd Monday at Dinah's Family Restaurant, 6521 Sepulveda Blvd. (at Centinela), Culver City. Phone: (310) 645-0456 West L.A.

> Burning Man 2023 at BLACK ROCK CITY 2023 Aug. 27-Sept. 4 Main ticket sale April 12th! Registration April 5th For details <u>www.burningman.org</u>

**LTD dues** are \$25.00 per year for one person, \$40 for a couple, \$10 each for additional person(s) in the same house. Double that for free attendance at all regular daytime 3rd Saturday meetings.

To become a member or to renew your membership, please complete the following form and either email or snail mail it to the address listed below.

An e-mail newsletter subscription only is available for free. Just be sure to provide us with your e-mail address. Regular meetings are \$5.00 with your current paid membership card (family synergy or live the dream] without membership meetings are \$10.00.

	Membership Type	Single	Couple/Family
	Full LTD Membership, <i>Includes</i> Newsletter & Membership Card	\$25	\$40 (\$10 for each extra person <b>at the same address</b> )
	Email Newsletter Only	NO CHARGE	NO CHARGE
Make checks payable to Succe		ss Center	Total: \$
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City: State: Zip:			
Phone: E-Mail:			
Single Married Attached Unattached Amount Enclosed: \$			
Name(s) of Mate/Family to be included in this membership if APPLICABLE:			
Fax to 1-818-882-8512			
Mail to 8515 Penfield, Winnetka, CA 91306			
□ I am willing to volunteer: □ Time □ Meeting Space			
□ I am interested in: □ Science Fiction □ Pagan □ Libertarian □oriented programs.			
□ I could lead a meeting or activity (proposal enclosed)			
□ I am interested in Co-operative Living □ No □ Yes I have space for others □ No □ Yes (Location & Phone)			
I am willing to relocate □ No □ Yes			