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Founded in 1987 by Terry Brassel and Brian Gitt
Based on the philosophy of Family Synergy,
Founded 1971 by Hy Levy and Pat La Follette





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UPCOMING EVENTS

*Sunday May 14, 2023 10 am to closing Renaissance Pleasure Faire. Join Us At 10 Am For Opening Parade

Saturday May 20 2023 LIVE 11 am-4pm PST Zoom 11-1 PST Spider Robinson's Poly Primers

Saturday June 17, 2023 11 am-4pm PST Zoom 11-1 PST
Old Friends (Simon And Garfunkle) "How Terribly Strange To Be Seventy" Learn
How To Stay Young And Be Connected At Any Age!

Join Zoom meeting

 $\underline{https://us02web.zoom.us/j/3175971626?pwd=NWVjU3A2M0I2Q29IUkI4L11MRzd2QT09}$

Meeting ID: 317 597 1626 Passcode: Heinlein

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 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, success coaching and other services. See www.acesuccess.com or call (800) LIFE MATES (543-3628).

Terry is now the primary organizer of the Southern California Poly Meet Up (www.meetup.com/socal-polyamory/). It's ongoing events include those in this Newsletter on 3rd Saturdays 11 am - 4 pm PST + special listed events during the year & the ones given first Saturdays of each month 5:30 to 8:30 pm at PitfirePizza 5211Lankershim Blvd. NoHo, Ca led by Brad & Jim 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 LiveTheDream.org



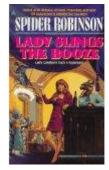
Sunday May 14, 2023 10 am

RENAISSANCE PLEASURE FAIRE. JOIN US AT 10 AM for the OPENING PARADE

Location: Santa Fe Dam Recreation Area, which is at the Irwindale exit off the 210 Freeway, just east of where the 210 and 605 Freeways cross.BARDIC PLAYS, BAWDY SONGS, PAGEANTRY, UNUSUAL FOOD, SAUCY WENCHES & OTHER DELIGHTS. Opening Parade is at 10 am —Best to meet us there and it is *fun*.

Other Planned activities: May Pole for the May Day ceremony11am Queen's Show 3 pm More on scheduling at Faire or by phone if you RSVP (*PLEASE*) at LTD HOT LINE 818-886-0069. At *faire only* you can reach Terry's cell phone at 818-388-5612 to connect with us on site.

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Spider Robinson's Poly Primers

Callahan's Crosstime Saloon introduces a group of people who support each other in handling their problems and celebrating their joys. In this and later books they go beyond this to actual group telepathic communication. In Callahan's Keys they show their commitment to each other by all moving out-of-state together when local laws and the abuse of them prevented them from meeting together where they were. According to Spider's biographical

material, many of the metaphysical as well as the group related experiences come from his real-life ones with his expanded family and close friends during the '60s in Haight Ashbury. The Lady Callahan books are definitely Poly as committed couples share their partners with customers of this high-class brothel/ international diplomacy center. The "artists" who work there have relationships with the Lady herself, other artists (some of which include legal marriage), etc. Lady Callahan's place could itself be considered a group house since the artists and some of their partners actually do live there. Spider's Star Dance series features very unusually configured group marriages— combining extra-terrestrials with humans, gays with straights who share mental "intercourse" etc. Eventually his proposed intentional Family includes the whole human race, past, present and future. Spider has written many other stories with incidental poly themes in fictional worlds where it is assumed any choice of whom and how many you love is OK. He has been called the new Heinlein by many. How can we use this information in our own group living and multiple committed relationship efforts?

- 1 PM Pot Luck lunch—bring something healthy and delicious to share
- 2-4 Socializing in clothing optional Hot tub

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Terry turns 70 June 15th. What is it like to be 70? I once thought it meant sitting by the fire in a rocking chair, wrinkled. tired and remembering better days. Reporting from the front lines, it ain't so. I have an active love life, both with my romantic husband and our lovers who bring us delight in our bed which is big enough for four to sleep and cuddle in. Five can fit for...other activities. My husband and I celebrated our 5th wedding anniversary in Israel April 28. Among my Old Friends is Glen Olson who turns 70 July 29 about six weeks after I do. We have been best friends since 1968. We will be enjoying that song together when *he* turns 70. I have fantasized and worried about that song for many years. Would our friendship last til then? It has. It is quite an achievement for both of us, especially with all the friendly argument which happens when writing a book together. Many of my friends and lovers have been in my life for decades. What does it take to develop that kind of intimate network? This meeting is about exactly how you can make it happen in your life. Whether you are 17 or 70 you *can* make it happen for you starting NOW!

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November 11, 2022 was the official launch date for *Fifty Years of Polyamory in America: A Guided Tour to a Growing Movement* by Glen 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 entire history of the polyamory movement from Woodstock right on into the 21st century. The book is available on Amazon, Barnes and Noble, and many other places—even international—just by Googling its title. The publishers have already begun putting it in universities and libraries!



Poly at Ren Faire

Participants in Rennaisance Pleasure Faire often are members of Clans or Guilds which may have been together for many decades. In their Faire

persona, some participants have wives, husbands, children, Family by choice of all kinds whom they may see one season a year at Southern Faire, a couple of times a year if they also do Northern Faire or more if they do other Faires. Faire usually lasts for six week ends, with three to six more for learning such things as how to speak the Queen's English and how to Joust. If participants live locally they may see each other between Faires. Or may not. Such relationships can lead to legal marriage which may or may not be poly. Relationships like this can span decades and last through one or more marriages in the "real" world. They may be secondary to such marriages or more co primary than even those involved realize. If such people are openly poly, those who become romantically involved with them may be expected to meet and be approved of by the Faire spouse before anything becomes serious. Acceptance of the existing relationship may be a condition of marriage if the relationship is important enough to the "secondary" partners. There have been groups of Faire connected people who have become an intimate network of friends and lovers who share parties at holidays and birthdays as Family by Choice and may even be likely to pick romantic partners from such a group.

Their children may grow up together and become romantically involved or marry each other. Some of those children will follow the example of their poly parents while others rebel against it and may go to extremes of monogamy.

Have you participated in Faire as a Clan or Guild member? A vendor? Perhaps a paid actor? What stories do you have to tell? Share them with us for the newsletter or join us live or by Zoom to share them personally .We would love to hear from you!

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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 E-Mail to: newsletter@mail.livethedream.org

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 http://www.meetup.com/nature-519
This is the largest non-landed clothing optional club in California
Upcoming Podcasts and Appearances by Terry Lee Brussel-Rogers and Glen W. Olson spreading the word on Polyamory through interviews, workshops & Festival appearances

Hypnofantasy/Hypnomassage at Tuscany Manor in Palm Springs

<u>Tuscanymanorpalmsprings.com</u> or call 760-251-2885

3-31-23Emma and Fin, are "Normalizing Non-monogamy" Link: Podcast Interviews in Swinging and Polyamory (<u>normalizingnonmonogamy.com</u>)

Book signing at Success Center Inc Booth at Festival of Books 2023 • https://events.latimes.com/festivalofbooks/ for info

Webcast with The Center for Positive Sexuality 5-15-23
Monthly Educational Series - Center for Positive Sexuality
https://positivesexuality.org/education/

Panel at Westercon 75 Sunday July 2 https://westercon75.org (Details will be posted soon)

Other Poly info:

The Human Awareness Institute www.hai.org

Other groups friendly to Polyamory
KARL HESS CLUB www.karlhessclub.org
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 For details www.burningman.org

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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 |
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| | Full LTD Membership, <i>Includes</i> Newsletter & Membership Card | \$25 | \$40 (\$10 for each extra person at the same address) |
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| 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 | | | |