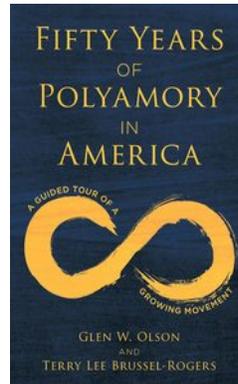


# LIVE THE DREAM

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



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## UPCOMING EVENTS

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Building a Faire Family/Intentional Community: Koroneburg  
All Hallows Eve activities follow, 6 pm-11 pm PT

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Breaking Up Is Hard to Do – How to Keep Your Poly Relationship(s) Joyous!

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

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***

***October-November 2025***

**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](http://www.livethedream.org) to view current events, past articles, etc. Terry Brussel-Rogers is a Certified Clinical Hypnotherapist, Life Coach, & a 4<sup>th</sup>-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](http://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.***

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

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**Building a Faire Family/Intentional Community: Koroneburg**

Twenty-Nine Years of the Koroneburg Renaissance Festival  
with Baron Heinrich von Laufer  
Presented by the Baron Himself, Chuck Spitler

For 29 years, Chuck Spitler has been the Baron. Played him as an actor? Maybe at first, but after a generation or two of children have grown up spending 6 weekends of summer with this Uncle by choice and are now bringing their children to see the Faire, be in jousts for the Baron's entertainment, and just EXPERIENCE it, the Baron in many ways is the Reality. This is not like the Renaissance Pleasure Faire of Southern California, where the Queen is just an actress playing a role. I have seen the owners of this Faire wisely taking council with the Baron on many things, from promotion to the activities being offered to who should be in them.

The buildings were real and stood all year round, creating a feeling of traveling through Time to be there.

In August of 2025, dark news came that Koroneburg was to be closed down after Riverside County Parks decided not to offer the Festival a renewed lease. All those beloved buildings, are now knocked down and gone!

Is there a way that Koroneburg could be brought back to Life? Perhaps. Chuck is in the process of writing a book about the Koroneburg Renaissance Festival - its history and how to build something like this wherever you are. That will keep it alive for those who come after.

The feeling of belonging and Community will strengthen the lives of all who lived it, whether as children growing up there or as adults showing those kids what Family by Choice can mean. Oomphaa for the Baron!






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Message from the Baron, August 28, 2025

We WILL regroup and rebuild! It took us nearly 30 years, but with hard work and much personal expense, we took a derelict, abandoned park and created magic, a place of joy, laughter and lifetime friendships. God Bless the Koroneburg Family. I love each and every one of you. I am blessed beyond comprehension to have had the honor and privilege to be your Baron all these years!

LONG LIVE KORONEBURG!

-- Chuck Spitler

11 am to 1 pm PT	Poly discussion Live and on Zoom. Live only after that.
1 pm	Pot Luck lunch – bring something healthy and delicious to share.
2 pm to 3:45 pm	Afternoon activity: Exercises for developing intimacy -- empathic communication to enhance your love life and friendships. Clothing optional jacuzzi available.
4 pm to 5:45 pm	Watch a Poly movie in the living room or socialize in the jacuzzi.
6 pm	Pot Luck dinner – Please bring your favorite Halloween-themed dish to share or by last name: A-F Salads G-M Fresh fruit or vegetable dishes, N-S Meat, cheese, fish, nuts or other proteins, T-Z Desserts and treats.
7:15 pm	All Hallows Eve Samhain Ritual led by our High Priestess Lilith.
8 pm to 11 pm	Halloween Party. If you want to present anything, perhaps relating to the costume (or body paint) you choose to wear, do let us know. We may play Rocky Horror Picture Show. It's traditional, after all!

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## **Breaking Up Is Hard to Do – How to Keep Your Poly Relationship(s) Joyous!**

Here are some ways to avoid a break up or (perhaps) mend it.

Some break ups are permanent situations in which you will likely never see that person, couple or ? again. Unlikely in the poly community unless they live in another state. Perhaps not even then if you attend same science fiction conferences, poly conventions, Live the Dream meetings etc.

Some break ups involve seeing the other person or people frequently if you share children, grand kids, close friends/water kin and other personal or business connections.

***Poly relationships are less breakable if they bend.***

***A transition may be better than an end.***

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Exercises For Continuing Intimacy or Friendship –Best done before a break up instead of TV or Gaming, etc., when everything seems “OK”. This can also be helpful in repairing or transitioning a relationship after such a break-up.

What I want from you is \_\_\_\_\_  
and what I want to give you is \_\_\_\_\_.

This can be answered by each person being addressed with all the honesty they can give it before going on to their own turn.

Hot seat: each person is asked as many questions as they are willing to answer (or limit of one-three by each participant, etc.) by others in the this group again to be as answered honestly as possible or not answering rather than telling a polite lie.

I have been holding something back from you. It is \_\_\_\_\_.

Have you been holding something back from me? (if yes) What is it and what do you want me to do about it if anything?

There are MANY sensitivity and Mark Group type exercises available. Explore what would be most useful for your particular situation.

More in depth info in next Newsletter’s Article

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**Samhain** is a Pagan holiday on which the veil between the worlds of spirit and matter is lifted and it is possible to be spiritually in touch with our ancestors and those we loved who have passed on. Ancient knowledge may be shared with the living. Rituals are performed to keep any negativity from the past out of the future. It is a time of both endings and beginnings.

From an All Hallows Eve Ritual frequently used at Live the Dream Meetings Over the Years

(You Can Try This at Home)

"On this night of Samhain, Summer's end, we greet the Winter, knowing full well that at bright Beltane we will be saying farewell. Let us be Merry despite the growing icy chill. In Death is Life and in Life Death. The Sabbat Wheel is ever turning...Samhain fires are burning. Come tread the sacred ground, let loose of all that bound and set your spirits free! Blessed be."

When all four quarters have been called, leader says "WHAT IS NOW IN THE CIRCLE IS BETWEEN THE WORLDS. WHAT IS BETWEEN THE WORLDS DOES NOT CONCERN THE WORLD!"

PRIEST turns to face PRIESTESS. She crosses her wrists on her chest and stands with feet about 12 inches apart as PRIEST administers the Fivefold Kiss. As PRIEST's head rises above her waist, she moves her arms until they are outstretched to the sides.

PRIEST kisses in turn PRIESTESS's feet, knees, vagina, breasts and lips saying, as appropriate

"BLESSED BE THY FEET, WHICH HAVE BROUGHT THEE IN THESE WAYS."

"BLESSED BE THY KNEES, WHICH KNEEL AT THE HOLY ALTAR."

"BLESSED BE THY WOMB, WITHOUT WHICH WE WOULD NOT BE."

"BLESSED BE THY BREASTS, FORMED IN BEAUTY."

"BLESSED BE THY LIPS, WHICH SPEAK THE HOLY NAMES."

PRIEST says "WELCOME, LADY!" and kisses PRIESTESS on the lips again.

PRIESTESS now returns Fivefold Kiss, with PRIEST duplicating PRIESTESS's movements when she was the recipient, as she says

"BLESSED BE THY FEET, WHICH HAVE BROUGHT THEE IN THESE WAYS."

"BLESSED BE THY KNEES, WHICH KNEEL AT THE HOLY ALTAR."

"BLESSED BE THY PHALLUS, SOURCE OF THE SEED OF LIFE."

"BLESSED BE THY BREASTS, FORMED IN STRENGTH AND BEAUTY."

"BLESSED BE THY LIPS, WHICH SPEAK THE HOLY NAMES."

PRIESTESS says "WELCOME, LORD!" and kisses him on the lips again.

PRIESTESS: "We are gathered here tonight to celebrate another turn of the wheel of the year. Samhain marks the New Year's Eve of Wiccans, our greatest holiday of the year. Once again we begin the cycle of fertilizing, planting, nurturing and harvesting. At SAMHAIN the veil between the worlds is the thinnest; at Samhain those who have already crossed over can return the easiest. It is they whom we honor and let them know we still think of them and love them.

We shall go around the circle thrice. The first time, let each person call upon someone who has gone before and invite them to join our circle tonight as honored guests. Starting with the person at the east quarter, let us go around the circle in turn as each person calls by name the one they wish to invite, their relationship to that person and what they wish to give that person as a gift to take back with them to the other side."

(Example: " I call upon Rose Propper, my Aunt, and give to her the joy of knowing her art hangs throughout my home inspiring an artist within our home. I give her his art to enjoy on the other side.")

PRIEST and PRIESTESS call upon their departed after participants have gone around the circle to the east quarter again.

PRIESTESS: "WE WELCOME THEE ALL, WHO HAVE COME FROM BEYOND TO JOIN US IN THIS CIRCLE. BE REASSURED THAT THOU ALL ARE LOVED, NOT FORGOTTEN."

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**May your Samhain be  
meaningful and joyous!**





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

Please email to: [Terry\\_bg@msn.com](mailto: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.

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## **Meetups & Other Group Events**

Check out [www.meetup.com/Loveopen](http://www.meetup.com/Loveopen); [www.meetup.com/loving-more](http://www.meetup.com/loving-more);  
[www.meetup.com/socal-polyamory/](http://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](http://www.hai.org)

Emma and Fin are “Normalizing Non-monogamy”

Link: Podcast Interviews in Swinging and Polyamory

([normalizingnonmonogamy.com](http://normalizingnonmonogamy.com))

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

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

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<b>Membership Type</b>	<b>Single</b>	<b>Couple/Family</b>
Full LTD Membership Includes Newsletter & Membership Card	\$25	\$40 (\$10 FOR EACH EXTRA PERSON AT SAME ADDRESS)
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**Membership Information** *Help Support the Lifestyle you live!*

**Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Age:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Address:** \_\_\_\_\_

**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:**

\_\_\_\_\_

**Mail to: Live the Dream, 8515 Penfield Ave, Winnetka, CA 91306**

**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**



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