ACLCNews

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Words from our Club President

Hi all.

I'm not one for rah-rah retrospectives about the past year (although Rah-Rah Retrospectives is my favorite Ramones album). I think our work this year speaks for itself. However, I will say that looking back on this year, I could not be happier with how things have gone for ACLC. We have produced great events, raised money for worthy charities, and brought together friends new and old to be a part of a club of which I am proud to be a member.

Enough looking back; let's look forward. Well, the coming year is a bit nebulous right now, because that will be developed by the new Board. However, if you want to contribute ideas for events, please tell us about them. If you'd like to be more involved in the running of the events themselves, please consider joining the Events Committee, which will be forming with the new Board year. We really want to offer you events that you would like to attend, so our door (metaphorically) is always open.

I can, however, promote our next event, which is Play on the Plaza on Saturday October 12th from noon to 5 pm. Not only will we be offering a "tasting sampler" of kink experiences (for example: cigars, bootblacking, and flogging, not necessarily all at once), but at 4 pm, we will be celebrating ACLC's 31st Anniversary. We will have refreshments, introduce the new Board, present some of our annual awards, and announce our year-end charitable donations. We would love to see you there. If you'd like to help out or do your own educational presentation, reach out. I can always be reached at president@acleather.org.

One last time, I want to say thank you to everyone who was a part of ACLC this year. And I hope to see you again and again in the year to come.

Cheers! Andrew Johnson aka Bootdog President





Creativity comes in all shapes and sizes. Don't compare your outlet to someone else's.



Treasurers report

April -June financial report:
Beginning balance: \$9, 338.99
Ending balance: \$9,901. 09
Includes sub account balances for:
Mendo Pride and SF bear contest.
Expenses paid included monthly storage,
website, new checks, p.o. box. And
expenses/income from Mendo pride and
Sf bear contest. June sf beer bust.



Education

Negotiating successfully
N. Kaiser

Negotiation is a process in which at least 2 people work out an agreement about terms and conditions that must be present in order for them to be willing to engage in an activity together. Each participant needs to be prepared to discuss and present clearly values, priorities, similar desires, and interest to determine if you are a good fit. In addition each person should provide references to be contacted for a vetting process. During the discussion/ negotiation include about physical limitations and non negotiable physical activities, results of test and/or medical conditions Next discuss past experience positives/negatives and current interest in learning. How many years of experience with which skills. State any limits and what is not negotiable and put everything on the table honestly. Don't oversell yourself and abilities. Discuss availability, dates, travel, location, equipment needs, accessibility needs, follow up expectations and engagement between meetings and discussions.

Successful negotiations may end with a sense of excitement, interest, hopefulness and new desire for further discussions and connections. Set a date for a second discussion or meeting.

Then do your follow up on references!!! Enjoy!!! And let the good times roll.





Honorary members 2004: Dirk Burns, Dan Hughes, Rich Stadtmiller. 2014 L.E. Grl and Lincoln Edward.

