



The Whipping Post

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Notes, News & Updates

OPERATION: I LOVE IT IN THE CAN: Donate one nonperishable item—rice, beans, toothpaste, etc.—with an expiration date into or beyond 2012 to a can drive that is sweeping the Kink nation. Help our local community by helping those who need a little extra to supplement their table. Our Club donations go to Metropolitan Community Church at 156 S Kansas. We've had months of collections, with some awesome prizes donated by various members. Don't forget your donated good this August, then see your name drawn for September's prizes. Have questions? Contact [Master Woo](#) or go to [1740's Projects](#) online.

SUB-SPACED: Providing a place and time for submissives to share experiences and knowledge, and impart and gain support, Sub-Spaced—open to novices and veterans—focuses on the individual needs of the submissive, by the submissive. To Dominants interested in better getting to understand the submissive mind: Please attend in silence; the group experiments with a Dom Q&A section to the format, but until then, please keep your questions and comments to yourself. Sub-Spaced next meets on a Saturday in August. For more information, contact Lady Tie; or look up [Sub-Spaced](#) on 1740's website.

1740 Board of Directors

Sir Darren – President **Doc Nukem – Vice President**
Christina – Secretary **Lady Tie – Treasurer**
Sir Thumper – Board Member

Contact them via email through board@seventeenforty.com

1740 Calendar of Events

AUGUST

Fri 5: Wichita First Friday Munch: Restaurant TBA
Thurs 11: Board of Directors Meeting
Sat 13: Demo & Dungeon
Thurs 18-Sun 21: Leather Camp
Fri 19: Members' Night/Leather Camp Play Party
Thurs 25: Board of Directors Meeting
Sat 27: Members' Night Play Party

SEPTEMBER

Fri 2: Wichita First Friday Munch
Thurs 8: Board of Directors Meeting
Sat 10: Demo & Dungeon
Fri 16: Members' Night Demo & Dungeon
Thurs 22: Board of Directors Meeting
Sat 24: Members' Night Play Party

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CAMP GAEA ROAD TRIP: Air out the camping gear, pack the toys, load the cooler, and did I mention: BRING THE TOYS! Gaea is a clothing-optional alternative lifestyle-friendly retreat center, and 1740 and friends plan to make our screams and moans heard from Friday, September 30 through Sunday, October 2. Join your fellow Kinksters in Mother Nature's natural dungeon. Registration is \$10 per person per night, and air conditioned cabins are available at \$10 per evening with a minimum of 12 people. Check out campgaea.org and [1740's Fetlife group](#) for more information about this naturally awesome event!

Bondage Intensive(ly) Hot

By Anon.

Saturday July 9th 2011, Wichita, Kansas, I saw two amazing things happen. One, the outside temperature reached 106 degrees. Two, I saw a man make a beautiful Shibari style chest harness complete with arms bound behind the back, in two minutes. Once I observed the second event I stopped caring about the first.

I have always been interested in working with ropes (or line if you're from a sea going service) since I was a young teenager helping on my father's sailboat. I enjoy the art of taking a flexible piece of woven material and making simple knots that can do everything from keeping your shoes on to hoisting equipment, or in this case a trusting assistant. The issues that stopped me from using it in a scene were the amount of time it would take me to finish the rigging and the fact that I didn't know rope bondage could be performed with emotion and power exchange. Both of these issues were wiped from mind in the matter of one Saturday afternoon.

The first demo that OKIEnawa performed was absolutely stunning and inspiring. As he worked the red natural-fiber rope around the anticipating body, the scene appeared as very well organized chaos. It looked a little rough as the rope wielder struggled to make his self-imposed time limit of two minutes. But then it happened! As OKIEnawa pushed his sub away to give him room to engage the rope, he quickly pulled her back into him. Her back was firmly pressed against his front, as he reached around her, wrapping the rope. For a very brief second I observed an embrace, this caress had nothing (later I realized EVERYTHING) to do with the task at hand. It was a fleeting moment when he gently hugged and pressed his cheek to her shoulder and breathed deep her energy. At that point she melted and it was off to the moon for her.

As the training continued throughout the day OKIEnawa took the time to work with every individual to make sure no one left wanting more. You have to really love what you do to talk to a group of people in a sweltering dungeon for over 6 hours. The speed and grace at which OKIEnawa works is

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only surpassed by his approachability and willingness to share his art.

If you missed the training, you probably missed the chance for a near heat stroke! But, you also missed an extremely educational and enlightening afternoon that was worth seeing even if the mercury had soared higher than my partner while wearing her new chest harness that night.

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WICHITA FIRST FRIDAY MUNCH: The Board of Directors continues to search for alternative restaurants for the Club's Munches, as they plan to rotate every second or third munch off-site from the Club proper. Do you have a favorite restaurant that you would like to share with your fellow Kinksters? Mention it to a BoD; the more choices of restaurants, the more variety in flavors for our palettes, and the more robust our play.

LEATHER CAMP VII: WOOLF, the Wichita Organization of Leather Families, hosts its seventh annual Leather Camp from Thursday, August 18 to Sunday, August 21. You still have time to register for the classes, meals, and vendor market, but don't wait too long and miss out. This editor heard all about Leather Camp VI for *months* last year, and she expects this year will be just as hot and fun. Check out leathercamp.com for more information and registration.

1740 CALENDAR: Once more, the membership has spoken, and the Board has responded: The monthly calendar will adjust to include more teaching/learning opportunities. The First Friday Munch will remain the same so we can visit with friends and visitors. The open night Demo & Dungeon on the second Saturday, and, skip to the fourth Saturday, the newish Saturday's Members' Night event will remain the same as well.

But the third Friday, which has just recently become a Members' Night event, will now include a Members' Night Demo. Yes, that means topics that were 'taboo' for the open event on the second Saturday—fisting, fellatio, cunnilingus, etc.—are now given a night for explicit instruction and technique. Members' Night Demo & Dungeon starts in September, and this editor is sure it will be an event you definitely don't want to miss.

Peek Inside the Mind of Lady Tie: Sub Bags

While most people in the lifestyle have heard of sub bags, they might not know why one is necessary. Here are some of my thoughts on the importance of a submissive or bottom having his or her own bag of supplies and/or toys.

First, let's look at what goes into a sub's bag. A sub bag is some kind of carrying device used to bring items for your use before, during and after a scene. Items that could go into a sub bag: a blanket or large towel; cuffs, blindfold, gag; personal lubricant and vibrator; your own first aid kit; protein bar, candy, juice, or other food and drink; personal grooming items such as toothbrush and toothpaste, hair brush or bands, maybe even make-up remover and washcloth; leisure or lounge clothes.

Now, for the reasons why these items might be important: By having your own blanket or towel, you will know it is clean, and it will smell like your favorite fabric softener. Custom-made cuffs are fitted to your body; the blindfold and gag, not to mention the vibrator, are *very* personal items that really should only be used by one person and shouldn't be shared for hygienic and health reasons. Having your own personal lubricant and first aid kit will allow you to have, again, your favorite scents and products, which makes the experience that much more enjoyable. As to the food, candy or drink, a responsible player should not have to depend on the Top or dungeon to have the items the submissive prefers. Each

person is unique and our tastes and needs vary drastically.

And as to the clothes and other personal grooming items: You go to a dungeon or party attired in sexy corset, heels, face done-up and with fabulous hair.

Prior to a scene, you might want to make sure your breath is still minty-fresh, but even

- blanket or large towel
- cuffs, gag, and blindfold
- personal lubricant & vibrator
- your own first aid kit
- preferred candy, food and/or drink
- personal grooming items: toothbrush, hairbrush, bands, make-up remover
- medications
- written medical & emergency contact information

after a scene, you may have an aftertaste from a gag or even just from screaming that is best removed with a quick cleaning. After going through a scene, you may not be up to walking in those shoes or wearing tight clothes over tender parts, and your make-up and hair might be smeared and mussed. Bring something that you would feel comfortable lounging in, but still is appropriate for the safe room and leaving the facility. You will also probably feel better knowing your hair is at least neat and your face clean of running mascara and blotchiness.

Another very important thing to have with you is any medication you might need, an emergency contact number, medical information in written form and a full list of all medications and allergies. You never know when something might happen and others might need that information. Furthermore, latex allergies may not be taken into account so you may want to have gloves and condoms that are latex free if you might need them for a scene.

A sub's bag is as important as a Dom's toy bag; in fact, they are essentially the same thing. A sub needs items for play, just as a Dom needs items for play. Having a permanent sub bag packed with the necessities, and then simply adding a few last minute items (vibrator and lube; because, face it, those should be next to the bed) makes the preparation for the play experience that much easier to enjoy.

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QUARTERLY MEMBERS MEETING: Want a better idea about where our Club is headed? Want to provide input and promote action? Attend the next quarterly Members' meeting, scheduled for October.

WEBSITE: Sleek and sophisticated, 1740's website, accessible at seventeenforty.com, is designed and maintained by Kaged Kitten and Xanadara. Continue to check the calendar, and sections "under construction," for updates.

HALLOWEEN PLAY PARTY: Start planning your Halloween costume early this year—or just wear your normal fetish wear out your front door and head to the club for the second annual 1740 Halloween Party in conjunction with WOOLF and TTK. Either way, plan on attending the Kinkiest Halloween Party this year!

STDs: Gonorrhea

By Sir Darren

In last month's edition of Whipping Post, you read about the propensity for those in the BDSM and Leather communities to have first-hand knowledge of sexually transmitted diseases. Herpes Simplex was the topic of the month. Now it is time to examine gonorrhea.

If you are sexually active, you are at risk. It is that simple. The bacterium that manifests itself as gonorrhea flourishes in the warm, moist areas of the human body. Specifically, the vaginal area (and as far upstream as the fallopian tubes),

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urinary tract, anus, mouth, throat, and eyes are ideal for this STD. Common symptoms for men include a burning sensation during urination, a green or yellowish discharge

from the penis, or perhaps no symptoms at all. Swollen testicles are another potential sign of infection. While women are less likely to notice symptoms, they are just as likely to have additional discharge and/or burning during urination. Long term effects can be more serious for women than men if left untreated. Primarily, untreated gonorrhea can lead to Pelvic Inflammatory Disease (PID).

Direct (physical) contact by an uninfected person to an infected person is all it takes. No ejaculate, or any other natural body fluid, is necessary for transmission to occur. Oral/oral, oral/anal, oral/vaginal are all combinations that may result in transmission. The CSC recommends abstinence as the first line of defense. Condoms, dental dams, and monogamy are also suggested as a secondary means of defense.

One final note: This bacterial infection is curable. The medications prescribed, though, are curative only; the cure cannot reverse the damage suffered by those who wait too long to discuss their condition with their doctor. So, Dear Reader, if you have that burning sensation when you pee, go to the damn doctor! Don't hang out for a play mate. And if you think you may have exposed someone to your creepy crawly bacteria, tell them!

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Painful Desires

by Beautiful Shifter

What do I want from the pain? What do I want to gain on the other side of the pain?

I want to feel sexy. Pretty. Desired. Loved.

I want oblivion.

I want release from thought, from over-thinking, over-analyzing.

I want to feel proud in what I can endure at the hands of another.

I want to have the stripes to match my personal mental flogging.

I want a different kind of pain—not emotional or social, but physical.

I want to feel someone else's pride in me.

I want someone happy with me with what I can give them, be for them.

I want clarity.

I want to focus on only one thing—the physical sensations connected to another's will. I don't want to try to control the people around me. I don't want to care about what they think about how I act or look or talk or behave. I don't want to worry about what I did today, if I spoke out of turn, if I offended someone, if I didn't do enough, if I did too much, if I should have spoken up in defense of someone and I didn't, if I should have let them fight their own battles.... I want to only experience the moment that is happening at this exact time, with all the associated physical, emotional, mental and spiritual sensations.

I don't want to be in control; I want someone else to take on that burden for a time. I want to allow them to control me, the situation. I want to subject myself to their whim.

I feel as if I am over-stimulated on a daily basis because my mind is running a thousand miles a minute. I feel like I am constantly at a carnival with the loud mechanical noise, the blaring music, the glaring lights, the crowds of pushy people, crying children, laughing teens, drunken adults.

I want my focus brought back to one thing, the only thing I can deal with at that exact moment—the dominant's happiness in my pain.