

Power Lines

Gazelle's Corner



Welcome to this month's issue of PowerLines, the newsletter of the Orlando BDSM Munch community.

Well, I hope all of you had a wonderful holiday season, and that you ushered in the new year in a grand fashion. Torville and I spent the holidays surrounded by our leather "family", and enjoyed ourselves immensely. Now we can look towards the new year, the new millenium, and can be excited at the prospects of growth for this community.

I was so very heartened by the number of people who came to the last Munch, in November. There it was, Thanksgiving weekend, and yet about 165 of you decided to make the trek to Gators. Awesome! I have seen, over the past year, the leather scene here in Florida grow and flourish beyond all our wildest expectations. I have also seen much more movement towards uniting the different factions of the leather community as a whole, with groups striving to be truly pansexual in nature. To welcome others with open arms, recognizing the differences, yes, but also celebrating our commonalities. I hope and pray we can continue that celebration.

Torville and I have been traveling around the state, as much as we could, to other BDSM groups, and have been delighted to see or meet so many friends. Thanks to the organizers and members of the other groups for making us feel so welcome. I know that we are visited here at the Orlando Munch by members of other groups from all over the state and around the country. I hope you all know how welcome you are!

Things are coming together nicely for our April Bash. A reminder, though... you need to get your money in soon if you want to insure getting a room on the party floors, and also to get the discounted early bird prices. See page 11 here for a listing of the workshops we have so far!

We have a great article this month from Mistress Laura, and a wonderful missive from Mistress Catz on what makes a good Master. We also have a column on play parties that originally ran in the Spokane WA munch's newsletter. The interview this month is CheekySub... a delightful submissive friend of ours. Finally, we have a couple of letters of thanks from the Holiday Toy Drive.

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We have had some "housekeeping" changes in the Munch organization... we no longer have a message line available... we are looking at getting a new one, though...so keep watching to see the latest. We are also VERY excited that we now have a new munch domain name.... Please make sure to update your computer's bookmark to our new address... www.orlandomunch.com

Have a great month!

Gazelle

Anniversary Party-2000

Imagine yourself at a 3 day, 3 night convention... at a hotel right on the world's most famous beach.. Your schedule filled with over 30 workshops, featuring great presenters teaching about interesting and informative topics... the opportunity to peruse through some of the finest wares from around the country at the wicked wares vendor fair.... A sparkling evening of dinner and dancing and fabulous fetishes on parade... an auction of the finest Masters/Mistresses/slaves (to benefit a local charity)... at least 4 full floors dedicated just to us... 3 full nights of the hottest dungeon play around.... And a farewell brunch to send us back home with fond memories.... Of being surrounded by a couple hundred of your very favorite people! Sound good? Well, you need to mark your calendars now, put in for vacation time from work, save your pennies, etc. The next big bash is scheduled for The Orlando Munch 4th Anniversary Party, and will be held on April 27-30, 2000!

Registration forms will be available beginning in October. Costs will, as always, be extremely reasonable. Keep watching here in PowerLines, and on the website, and at the munches, for more information!

Leather Fetish Night

Just a reminder to all here in the Central Florida area, that we have a **great** place to meet and hang out in all our favorite leather and fetish duds.... **Persuasions** is a wonderful little bar in Casselberry that has opened its' doors to all us pervs on Thursday nights! Thursday nights are Leather & Fetish Night, and anyone who is attired in anything scene wear will get great drink prices, besides having a place to hang out and strut their stuff! The staff there is REALLY friendly, and they want to make us feel welcome! We really do need to support them by showing up every week! **Persuasions** is located about 7/10th of a mile east of 17/92 on Semoran Blvd, just east of Wendy's. Phone number is 407-491-3130 or 407-830-7662.



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Mistress Laura's Lashes

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Hello all, and welcome to the first column from me in this millenium (gosh, are you as sick about all this hype as I am?)

As always, please remember that the contents of this column are merely my ideas and beliefs about the BDSM lifestyle and are not necessarily representative of those of the editors of PowerLines or the Orlando BDSM Munch/OPEX.

The topic for this month's column is something that I've wanted to explore for a long time. It deals with SEX (got your attention, didn't I?) and sexual identity and how that relates to the leather lifestyle. For starters, we need to come up with some basic definitions about sexual identity. And then we need to take a look at just how bound we are by these labels, and then, finally, we get to how that relates to leather and play and other interesting things. This has been a very difficult column for me to write, because the topic is so complex. I have had to sit down and try and figure out why I identify things the way that I do. One of the most interesting things, personally, that has come out of the writing of this is that I realize just how different some views can be.

The world, in general, seems to have three basic sexual orientations that a person can be. The accepted conventions are heterosexual, homosexual, and bisexual. A heterosexual is someone who is attracted to people of the opposite sex. A homosexual is attracted to people of the same sex. And a bisexual is attracted to both same- and opposite-sex partners. Based on these conventions, sexual orientation can be described as being a line. At one end of the line is a little dot and it's labeled "heterosexual." At the other end is another little dot labeled "homosexual," and precisely in the middle is the dot that is called "bisexual." It's a rather neat and tidy little diagram. In theory, everyone in the world fits somewhere along this line. All that a person has to do is figure out what they want then insert their own little dot somewhere along the line and they (and the rest of the world) knows just what they like. But how does the person know where to put that dot? If, just once, someone had an incidence where they looked at someone of the same sex and thought that they were attractive, but never acted on this and sticks with opposite-sex partners, does that mean that they need to be closer to the bisexual dot than the heterosexual dot? How about someone who prefers emotional, long-term

relationships with a same-sex partner, but occasionally likes to have sex with the opposite sex, where it is just purely a physical act without emotional ties? Or someone who identifies as being heterosexual but likes the idea of being "forced" to have a homosexual experience? How about someone who doesn't care for sex at all? And where does someone who is transgendered or who enjoys gender-bending dressing and/or play fit in? It's a complicated issue, and the line is too simple to explain all that. But it is a good starting point.

We all have what I think of as "tendencies" when it comes to sexual attraction. We may tend to prefer partners of the same or opposite sex. But those tendencies are always evolving and growing as we grow as people. Like all labels, each person has their own definition and has come to terms with what it means to them. I identify as being pansexual. It's a (relatively) new term, and the easiest explanation is that I am attracted to the person, not their gender. This is where I am happiest being labeled. Someone else might look at me and, based on what they observe and what I might be willing to reveal to them, that I am truly a lesbian who is merely adventurous. And another person might tell me I am heterosexual and that any sexual attraction I might have for anyone else would just be me "experimenting." I would argue with them, but they are as entitled to their opinion as I am to mine. Because labels can be so individually based, we have to be careful when we apply them to ourselves and even more careful when labeling others. At the same time, and perhaps even more importantly, we need to be aware of how limiting a label can be. That label identifies us, and helps others figure out how and where to categorize us, but it also causes a pigeonholing effect that is not a good thing. Some times a label can restrict us and our actions and even our thoughts, whether we do this to ourselves or others impose it on us.

What turns you on? More specifically, what gender do you think of when you are fantasizing? Or do you not just fantasize about a specific gender? What gender do you prefer to have sexual relationships with? Would you be willing to explore a relationship with someone of a gender different than what you are normally involved with? Do you have a sexual preference at all? Do you see there being a difference between sexual identity and sexuality? Or how about sexuality and intimacy?

Okay, now we have all of that settled (or muddled

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up, as the case may be.) Now we have to throw in a whole new bucket of worms/kettle of fish/bag of toys. What role does an individual's sexual identity play in who they choose to explore the BDSM lifestyle with? I think that first we have to look at the BDSM lifestyle and identify some of the segments of it before we can go any further. For many people, BDSM is innately sexual and any exploration they do tends to be sexual in nature. Some people separate between play and/or service and sexuality. You can see this at play parties, where some people play in what appears to be a sexual manner, whether they concentrate on genitalia or happen to throw nipple clamps on someone. There are varying degrees, of course. And some people never play in what is a sexual manner. And we all identify this differently. Is someone who is flogging a woman who is topless playing sexually? For a vanilla, maybe so. They would see that the breasts are exposed and equate that to being sexual. For others, so long as the breasts aren't actively touched, then it is not sexual. And what happens when the breasts are touched, but not in a sexual manner? Or is it possible to touch them in a non-sexual manner? And what if the woman is fully clothed and yet sexually aroused from the situation or the sensations? These answers, like many other questions in this lifestyle, are based on the individuals desires and beliefs and how they choose to see things. And then we can look at submission and whether or not that is sexual...and on and on and on.... But that will get too lengthy for this column (and put some of us to sleep) so it's best left to another venue.

For the sake of brevity, I am just going to explore play and how that relates to sexual identity. For simplicity, I am going to identify play as being S/m and sensation interaction that does not involve contact with the genitals and does not result in orgasm for either person. (I know, I know...it's too simplified, and I don't necessarily agree with it, but it's a good base to start from.) Does someone who identifies as being heterosexual never play with someone of the same sex? Or if they do, does that really mean that they have bisexual desires that they just haven't come to terms with or identified? I know that, within our local community, it is relatively rare for heterosexual males to engage in any sort of play together. I am not saying that it doesn't happen, just that it is not as evident as female to female play. But let's look at those females. Are two women, who both identify as being heterosexual (meaning they have no desire to be

sexually involved with someone of the same sex,) acting on some latent desire? Or are they sharing some intimate moment that comes with a friendship? What if one of the women becomes sexually aroused at some point during the play? Is that evidence that she is responding to the fact that the other participant is a female, or is it in response to the physical stimulation, or a combination of both? Or perhaps the arousal is based on the power exchange and sexuality has nothing to do with it.

I often wonder why we don't see more male on male play in our local community. Is it because the male dominants/tops and the male submissives/bottoms have no desire to play with their own sex? Is it because there is a societal pressure for them not to? How much of this has to do with sexual identity and labels, and how much of it has to do with the males just not being interested? And why do we see more female to female play, in general?

I do not know the answers to the myriad of questions that I have put forth here, but I do know that if you ask twenty people who actively participate in some form of BDSM activity, what constitutes sexual play, you will receive twenty different answers. We all bring our unique insight into the concept. The one thing I can suggest is that you look within yourself and figure out where you stand on these ideas. Then you work from there. You may not want to act on what you discover, and that is entirely your decision, but being introspective can be a very healthy, healing event. Once you've become comfortable with your needs and desires, then you can better express them to others. Remember, in all things, that everyone is going to have a different base from which they are working, and you need to ask the questions that will allow them to explain where they are coming from.

Until next month, be well and play safe.

Mistress Laura

If you have a question for MsLaura, you may e-mail it to her at: mslaura@orlandomunch.com She is not currently looking for a new slave nor play partner, so please do not write to her asking about things along those lines.

What Should a Master Be?... By Mistress Catz

What should a Master be?

The Master is a strong man, a confident man. He is sure of himself and his place in society.

He cherishes females, revels by their presence. He is giving, caring, loving and understanding.

When the Master takes on a new fledgling he worships her, discovers her, slowly possesses her. He gently pushes her, always ready to show her that she is strong, that her limits are not what she believes them to be, that she can be taken farther. In this, the Master reveals to the fledgling her own levels of self esteem.

As the Master learns his new fledgling an understanding takes place. He senses her desires, her needs, her passions. With this new knowledge, the Master takes care of the fledgling, always giving what the fledgling needs but not necessarily what she presumes she needs.

It is that Masters' responsibility to care for, and love his fledgling. If she is sick he will feed her.

If she is exhausted he will allow her to rest, stroking her hair as she does so. If she is scared, he will comfort her. If she needs affection, he will hold her. These things he does willingly, because he knows her. He understands her as no one else does.

He has seen into her soul and held it in his hands. His mind is his to read, to know. Her body is his to feel, her heart is his to caress. She becomes his possession.

The Master does not take away the fledgling's identity, but allows her to grow

into her own being, her own likeness. Her submission to him is not a vehicle of punishment or hatred, but one of love and development. She is given the room to come into her own, under her Master's care, like a flower that flourished under the sun's warmth. She radiates from his love and devotion. She becomes a rose: a beautiful being that knows she is loved and cared for.

There is a profile of a Master... Strong, able, confident, loving, caring, encouraging and gentle.

"What is punishment and discipline?" Punishment is handed out lovingly yet firmly. The Master is not angry, there is no place for anger with punishment. The Master is teaching. Punishment and discipline need not be physical, but can be psychological. It is not done out of harshness or hostility, It is done out of love and forgiveness.

In conclusion, I believe a Master does not mold a sub into what he feels she should be, but allows her the freedom to live and grow under his loving care. She becomes the woman she has always been, deep within her spirit. He takes her gift of submission seriously, knowing that it is not given freely or lightly. He always remembers how precious the gift is, how rare it is, how beautiful it is. For she has given him something that cannot be taken for granted; She has given him the gift of her soul.

Written by: Mistress Catz 1997

Interview with CheekySub... by Lawana

Cheeky, how long have you been involved in the Florida BDSM community?

7 Months

How did you get introduced to the community?

By MasterS.

And how did you meet MasterS?

It was online In The FLDomSub Room on AOL. He was always very respectful to me.

Yes, he is a very nice Dom.

Yes He is, I could not have done better.

Cheeky, if you had to label yourself, which label do you pick? submissive or switch? heterosexual or bi-sexual?

Definitely heterosexual... and maybe I am Bi-curious

Have you ever considering being the dominant in a relationship?

No, not at all!

So you consider yourself strictly submissive and you have no interest in topping at all?

So far, strictly submissive

Cheeky, will you describe what you believe being a submissive is all about?

Hmm... that is hard to answer... there are so

many things... for me letting go is wonderful... I like being controlled.. I love that!

What do you think your responsibilities are as a submissive?

Hmmm...OK, the Most Important Thing for me is to show my Master how submissive I am.... To let him control me when needed... LOL! Trust and honesty are also important.

What do you expect from your Master?

Love , Honesty, and Respect

How is that different from vanilla?

Oh, and LOTS of Spankings!

Ohhhhh!

It's not at all different, it is the basics in every relationship, I think. It is also very important...without the love, honesty and respect, I think that there is no relationship

Cheeky, what advice would you give a woman who is just starting to explore her submissive side?

Hmmm...to read , to watch others at play, to talk to other submissives who have longer experience, or have more experience

Any particular things you would suggest as reading material?

"Screw the Roses", "Different Loving", "SM 101"....."SM 101" was my first SM book I

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Interview with Chæky... by Lawana

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read.

What do you think about the concept of new submissives being mentored? And who should do the mentoring if they do go that route?

Well, I have never been mentored! But if the new sub feels she needs to, she should get mentored. However, not from a Dom, but I think from a sister sub.

What do you think of the concept of male Doms being mentored?

That is a good idea! They need to learn somewhere! But they should also have their own ideas.

Do you think potential male Doms should look to other male Doms for mentoring or from experienced submissives?

Well, I think if he is looking to be mentored from a sub, that is like the sub topping from the bottom, so I think that would not be a good idea! But for him to be mentored by another Dom is good.

I agree. What are some of your favorite BDSM activities?

Bondage.... Waxings.... Oh, playing that little schoolgirl!

MasterS does some very nice waxings. I can see why that would be a favorite with you.

LOL.....Yeah !!!!

And yes, you make a very cute school girl.

Thank you <ggggg>

What is your advice to any couple starting a new d/s relationship?

What would you like to see more of in the bdsm community?

More ? Hmm...More of you all! LOL! I mean more things to do, like a real club like they have in Clearwater.

And what would you change or like to see less of?

Less of the "He said, She said". You know, the little fights...

I agree totally with that. Is there anything at all you would like to add? About anything?

Well, I am glad to know you all.... And most of you all have been friends... good friends to me.

Florida BDSM Community Toy Drive

To Everyone who helped out with the Florida BDSM Community Toy Drive:

Give yourself a big huge hug! We raised over \$600.00 and provided Christmas for two families that might have done without, if it weren't for all of you!

A special thank you goes to Leather Stu, for initiating the vendor donations for the November "adult toy" raffle, which was a huge success. Thanks go as well to Liberty Video, Pandora & Pendragon and Unity Tattoo, for their generous contributions.

Luckily, Domdeluise recognized that my good intentions needed some organizational savvy, and came to the rescue in actually facilitating the raffle and providing entertainment for everyone who happened to be at the November Orlando Munch. Thanks to him, everyone had even more fun giving their money. With the assistance of Woody and Sandy, the raffle went better than I ever imagined!

In addition to the raffle, the individual contributions of gifts and cash at both the Orlando and Melbourne munches were greatly appreciated!

Thank you all for making five children and two moms have a nicer holiday. I hope you all did as well!

Warm thoughts and wicked wishes,

Lawana

Letters from the families.....

Dear Santa,

Thanks for giving us so many cool toys! I really like my remote control car, and I like you, Santa, because you gave me a... ummmm... a...Darth Maul toy. I really like all the Star Wars toys the best! Thanks for the book you brought too..

*Love,
Aaron*

Thank you Santa for bringing me that new book. I really like it a lot. Also thank you for giving me the Barbie furniture, but it took a long time to get it done. I am having fun with my new kitchen stuff, all the plates and cups and dishes. I like my new doll, too. I love you Santa!

*Love,
Laura*

To all of you that gave Christmas to my children,

I wish to thank you from the bottom of my heart. You pulled me from my belly to my knees in a time of great difficulty. If you could have seen their faces on Christmas Day, and that was all thanks to you that gave to the toy drive. My daughter had asked me only a few days before if Santa would be coming this year to her house. I said, "Of course, sweet, you have been such a good girl this year, he won't forget you or your brothers, I promise."

You need to know you made a great difference for me and my children, and your generosity was greatly appreciated.

I would also like to thank Lawana who went shopping and even found those great Buzz Lightyear slippers, which my 5 year old son won't take of his cute little feet!

*Star**

FLORIDA BDSM CALENDAR

WEEK ONE

	WHERE	WHO
FIRST SATURDAY	Clearwater Munch, Clearwater Mall Food Court	petspleasu@aol.com
FIRST SUNDAY	Off The Cuff (S.P.I.C.E. discussion group)	Spice561@aol.com

WEEK TWO

SECOND SATURDAY	Tampa (Brandon) Munch, Brandon Mall Food court 2-5PM	intreegue@aol.com
SECOND SATURDAY	Ocala Munch	swetestpet@aol.com
SECOND SATURDAY	Jacksonville Area Power Exchange (JAPE)	gypsywilde@aol.com
SECOND SATURDAY	South Florida Munch	iamwoman40@aol.com
SECOND SUNDAY	Melbourne Munch	plzzuu@aol.com
SECOND SUNDAY	Trident International, Central FL	

WEEK THREE

THIRD WEDNESDAY	Lakeland Munch	VLdyDevonV@aol.com
THIRD SATURDAY	Orlando Power Exchange/OPEX, discussion group	gazelle123@aol.com
THIRD SATURDAY	Florida Treasure Coast Alternatives, discussion group	MDiamondSM@aol.com
THIRD SUNDAY	South Florida People Involved in Consensual Endeavors/SPICE membership social/discussion group	spice561@aol.com

WEEK FOUR

FOURTH THURSDAY	Ft Myers/ SW FL Munch	whypdancer@aol.com
FOURTH SATURDAY	Orlando BDSM Munch, Gators Dockside, 2-5PM	gazelle123@aol.com 407-330-2184
FOURTH SATURDAY	W.E.L.L. (Women Embracing the Leather Lifestyle) women-only discussion group.	gazelle123@aol.com
FOURTH SATURDAY	JAPE Mixer, play party, educational/social group. The Jax Eagle.	gypsywilde@aol.com
FOURTH (OR LAST) SUNDAY	DSSG/ Dominant Submissive Support Group, Tampa Bay area	genebat@gte.net

ADDITIONAL GROUPS	SLLAP (Southern Leather Lesbians at Play)	SLLAP@aol.com
	Tallahassee Munch	tyterope@aol.com

Playing Well with Others... by Philip the Foole

(This post originally was written for the Spokane Munch group's newsletter, and appeared on the usenet newsgroup soc.subculture.bondage. Article written by "Philip the Foole")

Everyone is apprehensive about attending their first play party. Here are a few unofficial thoughts and hints for how to "play well with others."

We often use terms like "play" and "toys," but remember that we are "playing" with high explosives here. Let's try to minimize hurt feelings, vendettas, and trips to the emergency room. Anyone causing the S.W.A.T. team to be called in is responsible for supplying them with chips and dip.

The fact that someone identifies as a submissive does not mean that they are **your** submissive. "No" means "No," and must be respected by all present. If you feel that you are being harassed by someone who persists in bugging you after you have indicated that you are not interested in playing, (note that being asked to play **once** does not constitute harassment) talk to one of the designated party DM's (Dungeon Masters/Monitors, a group which may include females and submissives.)

We don't want to make Doms afraid to ask submissives to play for fear of being accused of harassment, nor to make submissives afraid that if they decline an invitation they will be forever missing out on the chance to play with that particular Dom. It is a complex dance we do here. It is inevitable that we will occasionally step on each other's toes while learning it.

A call of "Safeword!" by a submissive/slave/bottom/catcher at our events is an absolute, no-questions-asked "Stop!" signal. There is a BDSM practice called "consensual non-consent" or "no safeword" play, but, as Mz Randi points out in another post, this is a controversial and easily misinterpreted activity, fraught with peril for even the most experienced players.

The distinction between "BDSM" vs. "Abuse" is always a controversial one. Let's face it. The vast majority of our fellow citizens consider **everything** we do in BDSM to be abusive. In most jurisdictions, hitting someone with a whip constitutes assault with a deadly weapon, and the consent of the whippee

is **not** a defense.

In my personal opinion, "no safeword" edgeplay is best practiced in private between partners who know one another **extremely** well.) Some feel that any type of "no safeword" activity is inherently abusive. Others (myself, for instance) have occasionally made a pledge to a partner that includes "No limits. No safewords. Anything you want, as hard as you want, for as long as you want." Just as many bondage enthusiasts want the bondage to be real and inescapable, some submissives feel that having a "way out" detracts from the state of consciousness they seek when bottoming, and prefer to rely entirely on the judgement of their Dom.

Several of our members (waving) enjoy "rough takedown" play, which may appear to be violent and non-consensual to newcomers. If you are going to do this, please be sure in advance that everyone present understands that this is completely consensual, and that the safeword rule is still in effect. One way to emphasize this if you sense some newcomers are uneasy is to casually ask another experienced player: "Is 'Stop that, you fucking sadistic bitch!' a safeword?"

Our goal is to provide a safe, sane and consensual environment in which to explore our BDSM interests with like-minded fellow enthusiasts.

It is absolutely inevitable that in such an emotionally charged area as BDSM, with such widely varying sexual orientations ("Love Bondage Lite," Femdom, Gorean, het, gay, bi, and transgendered) as our group includes, there are going to be some misunderstandings and hurt feelings. In real life, unlike in the porno novels, things do go wrong. Legs cramp, wrists go numb, whip strokes wrap. Let's all make an effort to cut each other some slack.

Your Humble Jester,

Philip the Foole

Leave your personal soap operas at the door.
- Ancient Kung Foole Proverb

Planned Workshops for the Anniversary Party

Here is what we have so far....

SM 101
 Erotic Hypnosis
 First Amendment Rights
 Temporary Piercings and Needle Play
 Rope Bondage Techniques
 Japanese Rope Bondage Techniques
 Caning and Switching
 Genitorture on both Males and Females
 Knife Play
 Pervertibles
 Bullwhips and Single Tails
 Master/Slave Relationships
 A Dominant's Roundtable
 A Submissive's Roundtable

Interrogation Play
 Gor
 Sensory Deprivation Play
 Mind Fuck, or Psychological Play
 Fisting
 Edge Play
 Toy Making
 Leather Care
 Safety in the Scene
 Electricity Play
 Waxing
 Old Guard/New Guard (or New Leather)



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Schedule for Upcoming OPEX Meetings

Topic	Date
Spirituality In the Scene	February 19th
Rope Bondage	March 18th
To Be Announced	April 15th



Personals

Roommate needed! In search of female or male roommate for BDSM household- private room/bath. Non-smoker preferred. \$375/mo includes all. Available November 1st, 1999. For further information, please contact Lapetimort at lapetimort@aol.com.

Lost at Persuasions! One women's leather jacket, multi-colored. Last seen on a Fetish Night in December. Sentimental value on this... Please contact Denise at xDagian2@aol.com

Announcements

The **ORLANDO MUNCH** meets on the 4th Saturday of the month. Location is the Gator's Dockside Restaurant on Semoran (436) and Hoffner, north of the airport. Time is 2-5 PM. Please, no fetish or scene wear at the restaurant.

OPEX, the Orlando Power Exchange, a Pansexual Discussion Group, will meet on Saturday, February 19th, 2-4 PM. The location is back at the Gay, Lesbian and Bi Community Center, but now we will be at their **NEW** location a few doors down. **The address is 946 N Mills Ave.** There is a lot more room now for us. The topic this month will be Spirituality in the Scene, moderated by Jack Greeney. This discussion was originally scheduled for the January OPEX.

T & A group (Tips and Advice)– A new forum for sharing of advice on various topics, or to get that question answered. Will be held monthly from 1-2PM at Gators, on the 4th Saturday, right before the Munch!

W.E.L.L. (Women Embracing the Leather Lifestyle).... This is a new group formed in the Central Florida area, for the purpose of gathering women together to discuss and to speak of our common goals, interests, objectives & concerns as leatherwomen and women within the BDSM community. The meetings will be held on the day of the Munch, from 11AM till 1PM, at Gators Dockside Restaurant (same location as the munch)

*******IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT!!!!!!** The Orlando Munch Message Phone – Has now been taken down... we are looking at possibly getting a message line set up somewhere else.. Watch here for announcements.

Orlando Munch Message Board & Chat Room – If you haven't been by the Orlando Munch web site (address over on the left), you might not know that we have our own Forum and Chat room. Poke your head in and leave a message!