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Presentation of Colors

Introduction of Master & Mistress of Ceremonies

Announcement of Beneficiaries

Silent Auction Information

Introduction of Judges & Contest Rules

Performance: Magnolia Black

Titleholder Introduction

Introduction of Contestants

Contestants: Fantasies, Speeches, Erotic Wear

Performance: Miss, Billie SF Dyke Diva 2002,

Mama's Dyke Diva and Mel Johnson

-- - 10 minute Intermission -- -

*Contestants: Fantasies, Speeches, & Erotic
Wear*

Presentation of Lee Bell Award

*Ms. Alameda County Leather 2015 Appreciation
Awards*

Performance: Stela D. Love, Current Ms. SF

-- -10 minute Intermission -- -

Silent Auction Closes

Announcement of Mr. And Ms. Alameda County

A Message from the Producer

One would think that year three of producing an event would go more easier, a bit more smoothly., well, it might for some, but apparently not for me. This year's challenges have at times felt insurmountable, mostly because one of my best friends and my right hand when it came to event planning abruptly passed in her sleep. Admittedly, I was already struggling with my motivation to do everything that ACLC's largest yearly event requires, but the loss of Mel Sparkles, who spent numerous mornings drinking coffee and planning so many events with me, made it nearly impossible. This year it truly was a labor of love to make this all come together. As always, there are so many people that who need to be thanked, and I am sure I will miss some, so I want to apologize in advance if you don't see your name. I want to thank Jay Williams for working hard to help me in every way he possibly could including, but not limited to, gathering and preparing all of the auction items, getting the liquor license, making the flyer, and keeping me off the ledge (mostly). Christy Ford, thank you for taking me under her wing and making sure the void wasn't so large, and for putting the program together. Master Scott, thank you for always supporting me in my endeavors despite their taking me away from better serving You. Larry Gray, thank you for continuing to support ACLC, this contest happens in no small part due to Larry's generosity in providing us with venues for this weekend that is now celebrating its 25th anniversary year. Uncle Drew, thank you for doing what you do year after year: whipping up phenomenal sets, making sure we have lights and sound, and working all day Saturday to make the magic happen. Thank you to Laurie Aguinaga, thank you for working on getting donations, sponsors, and advertisements for contest even while dealing with your own loss. Denise McLeod, thank you for setting up online tickets and the judges' dinner, getting decorations, and cashiering all weekend. Krystal Cade, thank you for stepping up to wear the title of Ms. ACL 2015. Congratulations on your year! Every one that who is working behind the scenes and giving so much of their your time and energy, thank you. Every person who, when I called, texted, e-mailed, or talked up at another event that said yes, thank you. This year more than others I feel grateful for each and every one of you and how much of a difference you make in my life and for this club., Thank you. I want to thank all of our supporters including the generous sponsors and advertisers, talented emcees and performers, judges, judges' boy, tally master, every volunteer that who gave their time, and all of you attending this evening, because without all of you none of this matters. Thank you for supporting ACLC and helping us support so many in our local community. Thank you for coming out to this, the 25th Annual ACLC Title contest!

In leather, Kim Croteau

Lee Bell Award

The recipient of the Lee Bell Award, also known affectionately as the Silver Bell Award, is selected by secret ballot of ACLC's Board of Directors following a round of open nominations by members. Not even our Board of Directors knows the winner's name until the award is unwrapped. The award was created in memory of Lee Bell, a much loved local man who worked tirelessly in all aspects of the community. Lee supported every club, organization, and even: lending a hand, shoulder or ear as needed. Lee and his partner, Shilo Herrling, seemed to be everywhere at once. Who could ever have believed that this magnificent man would leave us due to heart failure? He seemed to have so much heart to share with anyone who needed it. Tonight, we honor someone who has chosen to live his or her life in the spirit of generosity, and service.

Lee Bell Award Winners

2015	Dan Lloyd
2014	Fawn Luck
2013	Billy Aviles
2012	Don Silva
2011	DJ Mora
2010	Sandy "Mama" Reinhardt
2009	Nyna Kaiser
2008	Larry Gray
2007	Don Woods
2006	Dan Herrera
2005	Joan Norry
2004	Andrew "Bootdog" Johnson
2003	Karl Schuck
2002	David Barker
2001	Elena Hall
2000	Tiffany Woods
1999	David "Tootsie" Facio
1998	Den Calkins
1997	Shilo Herrling

Contest Number Year Mr. ACL Ms. ACL

01 1992	Mark McKee	Lil Cooper
02 1993	Randy Wright	Beth Elliot
03 1994	Lance Brittain	Rhadika Gilmore
04 1995	Ken Meyer	Chris Cox
05 1996	Roger Luttrell	Victoria M.
06 1997	Steve Crouse	Erika Erickson
07 1998	Den Calkins	Marilyn Dickman
08 1999	Mark Ingham	Jean Aschebrenner
09 2000	Jeff Miranda	Bianca Vigil
10 2001	JJ Ferra	Kat Matthews
11 2002	John Grisamore	Nyna Kaiser
12 2003	Joel Kislingbury	Robbi Montoya
13 2004	Tie James	Fawn Luck
14 2005	Title Removed	Lee Bonde
15 2006	Bob Kleypes	Joan Norry
16 2007	Ronnie Grigsby	Laurie girl
17 2008	None	Victoria Gomez
18 2009	Richard Sprott	Deborah Wade
19 2010	Marc(Pony)Owens	Tomika(Trinity)Thomas
20 2011	Curren Dresser	Kate Lubeck
21 2012	Jasoson(Jay)Williams	Christy Busch-Ford
22 2013	Title Removed	Melissa Yeager
23 2014	Al Parso	Luna Chase
24 2015	None	Krystal Cade
25 2016		

Ms. Alameda County Leather 2016: Krystal Cade

Wow! What a year! It has been a deep privilege being your Ms. Alameda County Leather 2015. I want to thank all of you for your support and your love during this year. It has been an amazing one! I've had lots of adventures, and met many wonderful people, while spreading the ACLC love at events like Drummer North America, Sin in the City, International Ms. Leather, and EQUUS. I'm so happy I got to be a part of this! Together, we made a difference! Thank you for the privilege

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Contestant Ms. ACL 2016



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With love and joy ever in your wake,
Death tastes of bitter salt,
The color of stillness. Memories swimming,
Watery floods break the dam,
And the warm tears that hug our cheeks
Would have been kissed by you.
Taste of bitter salt, We were robbed,
But we are the lucky ones,
Graced with your beauty and love,
Blessed to have known you,
Your gentle hands...
Your golden heart...
Sparkling in our memory.
But still you dance in the wind, And y*

- Krystal Cade



Aisia Fletcher aka Girl Complex is a very shiny, new penny on the East Bay Leather scene. Girl Complex is a San Diego native, who wants to be one of Tom's Men (but still a girl), she was first patched into the Knight Hawks of Virginia (and at the time of this writing remains the only girl in that club). She currently has 5 tattoos and is working on designs for a kawaii sleeve and to other small tattoos. Her favorite piece of leather is her custom made harness by Bruce "Dandy" Tidwell of House of Blackthorn who is also one of her Knight Hawk brothers. She loves to read and can be caught doing that more oft than not. She is a huge stickler for personal hygiene and is notorious for hoarding soap. She loves her cis-dog named Aston, cooking, wine, books, aquatic life, and her hot piece of trade husband. Her favorite things to eat are tacos, ice cream and chocolate chip cookies. She eventually wants to be a puppy handler and is currently looking for Phil Collins concert tickets.

Contestant Mr. ACL 2016



Ray Anthony Middling is a 4 time title holder. He has been involved in many Fund Raisers over the years, which has raised thousands of dollars for many worthy causes. Ray is a member of Mama's family, he is #1075 Mama's Hairfairie and also a member of the 15 association. Ray has 19 tattoos and 12 piercings Ears x 6 Labret Septum Frenum x 2 And Giesh\Taint at last count, hope I didn't forget any. Ray's Favorite pieces of leather are his Title Vest, because he had to earn every single one. Ray's Favorite Torture Device is his Violent, oops Violet Wand. I love to hear my subs SCREAM with delight!!!!

A Message from our President: Jay Williams

Welcome home, ladies and gentlemen, and thank you for attending our 25th Annual Mr. & Ms. Alameda County Leather Contest, which is appropriately themed "Silver & Bold." Four years ago I walked across a stage and gave my all, and represented myself the best I could, for this very title. It was one of the most nerve-racking experiences of my life, as though the 60 seconds of dead air during my speech hadn't already told you that. Nonetheless, ACLC found that the rest of my performance was good enough for them to bestow me with the title of Mr. Alameda County Leather 2012. It was one of my most rewarding years ever. Who would have known? The moment I slapped that patch on the back of my vest, something told me it was time to work. With a lot of help from my title wife, Christy Ford, Ms. Alameda County Leather 2012, I began to understand what ACLC was all about. Most would say it's all about the service. Some would say it's all about the work. Others say it's about those checks you get to give away at the end of the year, to the deserving charities for whom we raised monies. Well, you know what? They are all absolutely correct. ACLC is all about all three of those things, but we are also about family. When I was running for the International Mr. Leather title in 2013 in Chicago, this question was posed to me during my interview: "With all the leather clubs and gay-friendly bars disappearing from the leather community, what is it that makes ACLC so different? What makes it so that they can stay together?" My immediate answer was, "We care for each other and love to do the work ACLC does." Looking back on that answer now, I should have simply said, "Because we are a true Leather Family." We may not always get along or see eye-to-eye on things, but that doesn't mean we care any less for one another. How many of us can't say we never fought or argued with our own biological mother, father, sister or brother? Of course we did. It never meant we didn't love them. As with all Leather Families, some people come along and some people go. We have lost a few stellar people from our Leather Family this last year. It's important that we make sure to recognize those people in our Leather Families, and to remember that we do love one another. There may come a day when that person you need might not be there. Don't wait till it's too late to grab them and tell them you love them, and that you appreciate their being in your life. I am now in my fourth year with ACLC. I have joined the ranks of David Barker, Joan Norry and Nyna Kaiser in taking on the Presidency for a second term, and I will soon stand alone with a third term as President next year. I love my Leather Family. I have been that shoulder they have needed. I have been that set of open ears and mute lips. I have helped them move an ever-loving Victrola, round up cattle, throw events in other cities ... the list goes on. It's all because I love each and every one of you, and I appreciate your being in my life.

From my Leather-Harnessed Heart

Jason Williams President of Alameda County Leather 2015/16

Mr. Alameda County Leather 2012

Mama's Leather Giant

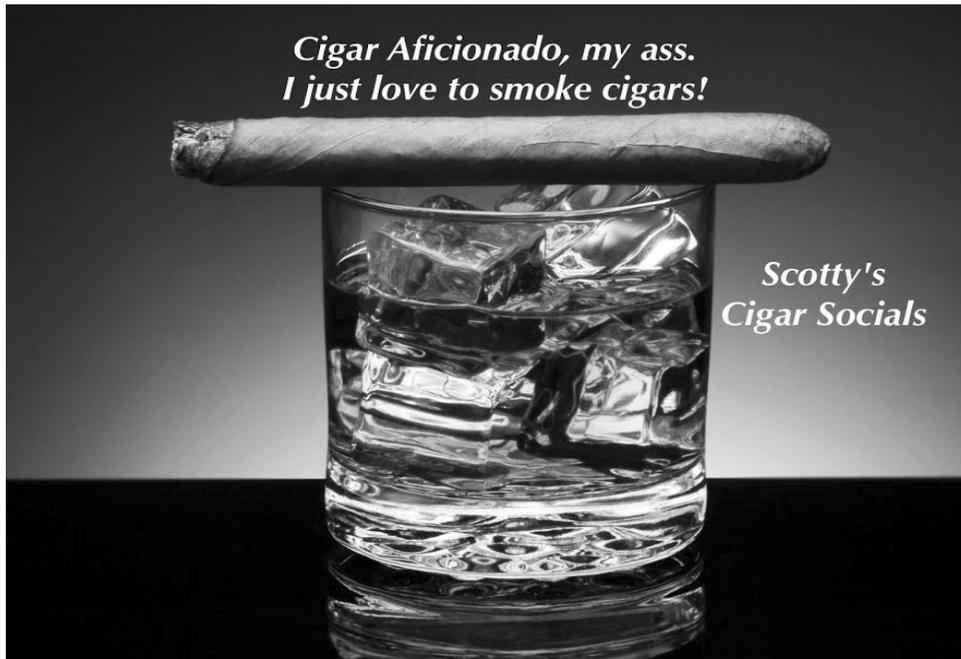


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Ms. ACL 2015	Krystal Cade

Silent Auction Rules

1. Each item offered in the silent auction will have a bid form near the item (each item will be clearly numbered and the item number will be printed on the right hand side of the form.) You may bid by simply writing your name on the form next to the amount you want to bid. Please start the bidding at or above the minimum bid amount shown on the bid form.
2. When bidding, please be sure to increase the bid in whole dollars.
3. You may bid on any item in the silent auction until the auction is closed. Bidding for items in the silent auction will close at the time posted. We will announce the winner of each item after the auction closes. Winners who are not present for their items will be contacted by phone.
4. When the auction has closed please come to the cashier's table at the back of the hall, collect the sheets for the item you won, and pay for the items. You will not be able to collect your items until the auction has closed and you have paid for the items. Payment may be made



Queersphere.net

Queer Sphere is a club for people of all genders who identify as queer and kinky. The club was founded and the adventure started in November 2013.

Judging Information

Categories

A. Interview (100 points possible) - The purpose of this category is for the judges to get to know the contestants. Any question may be posed by the judges; however, the questions should be pertinent to the selection contestants who are knowledgeable about the Leather community, the community in which they live and the lifestyle that they will be representing as titleholders. The interview will also provide the opportunity to see how the contestants manage themselves in what some might consider a stressful situation.

B. Fantasy (30 points possible) - The fantasy is that portion of the contest where the contestants are provided with an opportunity to display their particular interest in the realm of fetishes or leather. Hopefully, this portion of the contest will be fun for those on stage as well as those in the audience. The fantasy provides the judges with the opportunity to see some of the creativity and organizational ability needed in demonstrating a fantasy. This may suggest the type of leadership skills the contestants have or can promote as titleholders. C. Erotic Wear (20 points possible) - This category may be one of the more difficult categories to score. The intent is to allow enough leeway for the contestants to decide what they consider erotic garments and to display that image to the audience and judges. The judges are charged with deciding the number of points scored based on their own reaction to the erotic wear and somewhat to the audience reaction to it, as not all of the judges will find the same things erotic. This category should stimulate a second look at the contestants and suggest sensuality and sexuality. This may be accomplished with full clothing or a minimum of clothing.

D. Speech (50 points possible) - The titleholders will represent Alameda County Leather Corps frequently at other Leather functions and in other communities. The contestants, it should be noted, are making a 60- to 90-second speech on a topic of their choice. Their choice of a topic as well as their presentation may be considered when scoring.

E. Leather Image (100 points possible) - This is an overall category that takes a look at the presentation of the contestants to the judges, audience and to those individuals they relate to during the contest. This category is probably best scored last, as it will include the formal and informal observations made by the judges.

The Golden Gate Guards congratulates
Ms. ACL 2015 Krystal Cade & the ACLC
Family on a Great Year!



Best of luck to the contestants for Mr. & Ms.
Alameda County Leather 2016

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Judges



Head Judge: Deborah Hoffman-Wade is a fiery, flawed, and fabulous femme. She is Ms. Alameda County Leather 2009, the Bay Area Leather Alliance Woman of the Year 2013, elected by the Bay Area Community as the Leather Contingent PRIDE Women's Leather Marshal for 2014, past producer of the San Francisco Leather Alliance Weekend/Mr. San Francisco Leather Contest, past club officer, and Baroness of Leather to the

Royal Grand Ducal Council Of Alameda/Costra County. Deb is the Bootblack Concierge at Dore Alley and Folsom. She taught for the Leather Leadership Conference (San Francisco and Los Angeles), IMsL, The Citadel, Northwest Leather Celebration, The Exiles San Francisco, EvoRev3, The Big Pink House, and Queer Sphere. She wrote for Of A Like Mind (the largest women's spirituality magazine) for six years, Lavender Magazine (Minneapolis Minnesota GLBT) for eight years, and Co-author of Partners in Change: Building Collaborations.



Mama's Family started in the late 80's when all the Men she knew @ the Bar's were dying from AIDS. Some needed Medicine's, pay their Electric Bill, Tel ,Food etc So she stated doing fundraising w/ the help of her Boy's & Girl's . Little did she know that when she started Mama's Family it would turn out so big. People from the USA & all over the world wanted to help her by sending her \$\$ But she said no you Do fundraising in your community & help those in need. She also started the Breast Cancer org by doing big dinner's etc. She heard about Kid's w/ AIDS & dying so she started a Toy drive. After all this work that she & her Family continue to do she now has 2244 of who she call's her Babies.

Her Babies live all over the USA, France, Italy, South Africa, etc. Her Family has raised over \$5million for their community so far. And as Mama always say's~~~~ Ask yourself" what can I do to make a difference" then do it from your heart. ~~~~ "Have a Vision now & then" " Have Passion in your life" ~~~ <http://mamas-family.org/>

Saturday Night Contest MC: Thib Guicherd-Callin



Thib Guicherd-Callin, a French native living in Menlo Park, is an entertainer in (or is it entertainment for?) the leather community. His comedy credits include: stumbling into the Folsom Street Fair by accident in 2001 after mistakenly expecting it to be an arts and crafts fair; being called "smug, cheap and unfunny" by homocon Andrew Sullivan after winning the 2011 Hunky Jesus contest; and learning to be an expert snowboarder by practicing on the coat tails of leather celebrities. A two-time IML roastmaster and zero-time IML, Thib has emceed IML, ILSb, "Seduction" at IMsL, Iowa Leather Weekend, Tri-State Leather, and (unfortunately) many other events. He is the treasurer of SCCLA and a proud member of ACLC.

Saturday Night Contest MC: Stela D. Love



Stela D. Love* MS San Francisco Leather is a full blooded Portuguese, gender-fluid artist, producer and performer. Born in the bay area and graduated from California College of Arts they found their local leather community in 1996 and thrived. They are Drag Daddy and Co-Founder of dance drag king troupe Fella-Fem. The dance troupe utilizes their talents to help raise funds for nonprofits in the San Francisco and Oakland areas working with leather clubs, Alameda County Leather Corps. and American Brotherhood Weekend to name a few. Over the years Stela has volunteered for events such as Mission Control Velvet, Transition, Ravage, Alchemy, Dark Odyssey, IMsL, Ms. SF Leather, Folsom Fair artisan

stage, Dore Alley, SF Pride and Oakland Pride. Their performances with Debauchery Burlesque in Oakland for the past 4 years has aided many local nonprofit organizations, including SF Girls Leather. As an event producer for Queer Sphere for that past two and a half years Stela believes strongly in the "each once, teach one" ideology. Annually, four years and counting now, they have produce a benefit titled "The Boob" for Sister Sara Fem of the Sisters of Perpetual Indulgence San Francisco as well as the Russian River Sisters. In 2014 the Sisters, honored them with saint-hood- dubbing Stela "Saint Motor Boat". Stela utilizes their connections within the leather community as Ms. San Francisco to carry on our leather tradition of Service. Stela is an activist for social change and breaking the gender-binary to make the world a safe space for all. They have blurred the lines of gender with sharp, intellectual, unforgettable, ultimately sexy performances for nearly two decades. This notorious gender-bender has plenty of sass and ass to entertain you while opening your minds and hearts to all aspects of gender.



Bianca joined the Alameda County Leather Corps in 1999 looking for a sense of community and a way to give back. She became Ms. ACL 2000 at the age of 21, the clubs youngest titleholder to date. During her year as titleholder she helped raise close to \$20,000 for local charities. She brought back Leather Elegance to the club, an event that

continues to happen each year with style.

Bianca worked with ACLC as a board member for many years and designed artwork for several ACLC title contest themes. She worked with other organizations such as the ICF and Leather Fourm. She judged contests such as the S.F. Dyke Boy contest.

Bianca became an emeritus member of ACLC in 2007, moving out of the bay area to raise a family, she believes the way you change the world is by teaching the



Frank, Mr. Santa Clara County Leather 2014, A proud member of ACLC is active primarily in the South & East Bay. Frank identifies as a Daddy Dom who enjoys serving the kink and leather communities at large. He is passionate about education and welcoming curious new comers into the scene. Frank brings new people into the kink community and has titillated even more through his open and bold discussions with the kink curious through his classes and the education program he runs for smOdyssey in San Jose. Although he enjoys a myriad of kinky activities, two of his favorites

are D/s and Over-The-Knee spanking (this is subject to change with the wind). When not working or playing, Frank is busy with hobbies that include sewing, kinky leather working, volunteering in our community, and home improvement (not usually by choice). Frank was pinned into Mama's Family as "Mama's Daddy Sunshine". Once you get to know Frank, you will understand how appropriate that name is. You can find out more about what Frank is up to at: www.MrSCCL2014.com

Since stepping down from Mr. Alameda County Leather 1994, I have continued to volunteer in our community and always with the values, knowledge and integrity I gained from the Alameda County Leather Corps. At the Mr. & Miss Alameda County Leather 1995 contest weekend, we ended it with the first Hayward AIDS Walk led by IML 1995, Larry Everett. I became very ill during the last two weeks of my title, lived in a lot of pain and was given three years to live so in April 1996 I packed everything up and moved to Collinsville, OK for Larry to take care of me when my health began to fade. Only, my health became better and for nine months I immersed myself in the Tulsa leather community holding a weekend of SM workshops (I was told I was the first person to be able to hold this type of workshop and not be arrested!), a Santa slave Auction, helped open up the first LGBT Community Center in Tulsa. December 30, 1996 I moved to Toronto, Ontario, Canada where again I became involved with the Mr. Leatherman Toronto Committee and served as Secretary. Also in 1996, An idea to write a book titled, The Mind Of a boy - What Really Goes On In There? brought about a nationwide survey, but instead of a book, I created a panel discussion workshop presenting it in Toronto, Tulsa, at IMSL in 1996, and later in 1998 I brought it to San Francisco. But to the wide support and interest, I formed the Bay Area submissive (BAs) which was a social/support group I facilitated for 2.5 years. I was San Francisco Leather Daddy's boy XXVI (1999) followed by the Positive Resource Center Volunteer Coordinator in 2002. I was Mr. Gay San Francisco 2003 and a member of the Positive Resource Center Board of Directors that same year. During this time, I partnered with San Francisco Pride creating and producing in 2003 benefiting AEF and PRC and in 2004 benefiting AEF and Pets Are Wonderful Support. I got my start with AIDS Emergency Fund in 1994 as Mr. ACL and for the last 20 years I have been affiliated with them as a client, a supporter, fundraiser, and member. In 2009 I became the Every Penny Counts Coordinator 2008-2010 and 2012-2015 with the merchant and school campaigns raising over \$40,000 per year. I was honored to receive the Fred Skau Outstanding Volunteer Award that same year. In 2010, I created a speaking program in the schools talking about AEF, EPC, making a difference, AEF clients, my being HIV positive and being an AEF client too. During this time I also was the Facilities Manager for the Breast Cancer Emergency Fund's annual fundraiser, This Old Bag and AEF's County Fair. To this day, I continue to spend my days on disability giving back to the community that has helped me to stay alive and vibrant I also found time in 2008 to be a San Francisco School volunteer in a Kindergarten to second grade Special Education classroom and a Surrogate Parent for the San Francisco Unified School District Special Education where I only acted on educational issues on behalf of a seven year old, who was in a home for troubled youth, in the absence of a parent or guardian. Twenty years later, I may not be as active in the leather community as I once was, but I am still advocating education, volunteering and making a difference - all things I promoted as Mr. ACL. ACLC gave me my start in the leather community and I continue to strive to make them proud with everything I do. I try to live by this motto, We each should strive to help those who cannot help themselves, are in need, or are less fortunate. We should treat them with dignity and respect while helping them with a smile. Judges



Judges' boy: boy tyler boy tyler Fong, American Leather-boy 2011 has always lived in the East Bay. He temporarily relocated to Davis to pursue his B.S. in Animal Science and minor in Music with summers back at home for work as a veterinary technician. Multiple species were cared for including dogs, cats, rabbits, guinea pigs, turtles, tortoises, snakes, iguanas and domestic birds. His musical pursuits landed him in the South Pacific including Tahiti and Australia in 1989 and again in Paris, France in 2003 as a member of the UC Davis Symphony Orchestra. This November he will be one of 318 musicians in one of two concert bands who are set to perform during Palm Springs Gay Pride Weekend as part of the annual Lesbian and Gay Band Association Conference weekend. Domestic

travel to connect to Community and service to Family are never ending...

Beneficiaries

Operation Dignity has been providing emergency and transitional housing to homeless veterans since 1993. We have housed more than 875 people since opening. Our goal has always been to quickly take people right off the streets, without a complicated referral process or waiting period.

As a Vietnam Veteran, Alex McElree has sworn to never forget. "We don't leave our people on the battlefield and we consider the streets the battlefield."

After returning from 3 tours of duty in Vietnam, Alex was homeless himself several times and battled alcoholism. When he looked around and saw the number of homeless veterans, he vowed to do what he could to help them. Starting with his own Social Security check, he rented a house in Oakland, bought some beds, and brought home some vets. In 2009, the California Legislature Assembly selected Alex McElree as the 16th District Veteran of the Year for his work.

From that beginning, Operation Dignity, Inc. has grown to a full-fledged non-profit 501(c)(3) veteran run, service-enriched provider serving primarily the homeless veterans and displaced populations of Alameda County. Our goal is to provide safe housing, nutritious meals, and a full array of services to help homeless veterans so they can begin their rehabilitation process. Our Board of Directors work to offer clean and sober residences with on-site support for sobriety and other self-help groups to those who need a hand.

Our residents collaborate with us and help operate the facilities, including both day-to-day operations and long range planning. Many of our residents work at paid staff positions and are compensated for the lower pay rates through reductions in rent and food. We also utilize professional staff from the VA, Health Care for Homeless Veterans Program, the VA Compensated Work Therapy Program, Health Care for the Homeless, Travelers Aid Society, the Jobs Consortium, and BOSS.



Beneficiaries



BAYC serves transition age youth ages 15-24 years through its housing, mental health and drop-in programs. All BAYC programs are guided by a youth development philosophy which focuses on the strengths of youth and places them at the forefront of their treatment experience. Program participants take an active role in not only what happens to them, but the way that it happens.

Friday Night Meet and Greet MC's:



Founding Member of ACLC Founder of annual Santa's Slave Auction Second Mr. ACLC 1993-94 Prince Of Leather San Francisco 1995-96 Mr. March/Bare Chest Calendar 1997



girl kim has been active in the BDSM community for over 15 years, she identifies as a Queer Femme Switch. kim started learning and exploring her Dominant side on the internet back when we had dial up and chat rooms, she quickly transitioned to real time and began learning more from a Dominant mentor. Then she discovered she has a submissive side and spent two years training with a Major Doma learning the traditions and lessons of being a submissive from a more old guard perspective. It is from these lessons that she has grown as a submissive and leather woman. Currently, she is in service to Master Scott aka Scotty, and extremely honored to be a part of Her leather family the

Dragon Tear Tribe. kim is on fetlife as kimba70, and although there are a number of types and styles of play that she enjoys some of her favorites are: canes, submission, cigar service, needles, fire, being pushed to the edge, and breath control. Some of her accomplishments and past experiences include, but are not limited to the following: SF leather dyke grrl 2002, member of Mama's family since 2002, over 10 years as an active member of ACLC during which she has been on the board of directors, emceed, and been a demo bottom extraordinaire; she has also been honored with the David Barker Memorial Award and a Golden Dildeaux award or two