

Nous



Lettre



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FLEA MARKET



The Entre Nous' series of flea markets held on November 10th and December 8th at Bob White's 1270 proved to be quite successful socially and financially. Club members, friends and passersby turned out to rummage through tables of assorted odds and ends, old toys, paperback books, record albums and household bric-a-brac.

Meanwhile, downstairs in the busy Boiler Room, Chef Don J. provided an ample mid-morning and afternoon brunch for those who had gathered for traditional Sunday Bloody Marys and general socializing. Several members of the Vikings MC were also there.

EN Executive Board officers extended their thanks to all those who contributed to the success of both flea markets. Captain Joe K. was happy to see a good turnout. Jim C. smiled at the success; the profits will help bolster the club's coffers. Local people from the neighborhood stopped in to paw through the sale items; the flea markets had been well advertised in local community newspapers.

The crowd around the paperback book sales somehow never did seem to thin out (left-hand snap shows Al C. and Gerry V. peddling their wares).

AMCC AT EQUINOX

The A.M.C.C. announced its decision to hold its annual election meeting in Boston at the DAYS OF EQUINOX RUN, which will be hosted by Entre Nous on March 21-23, 1975.

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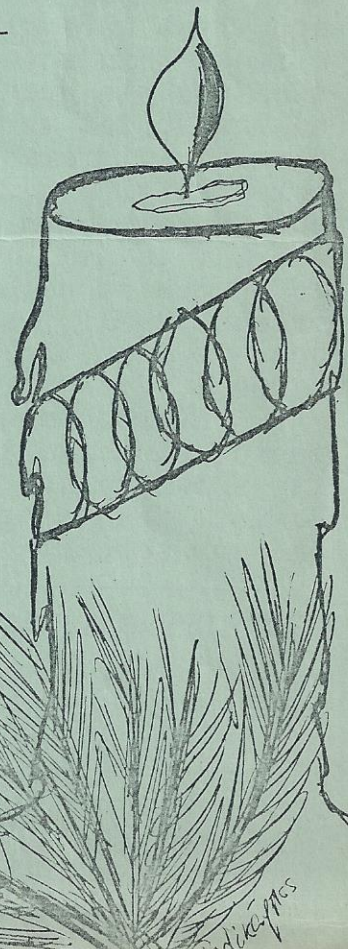
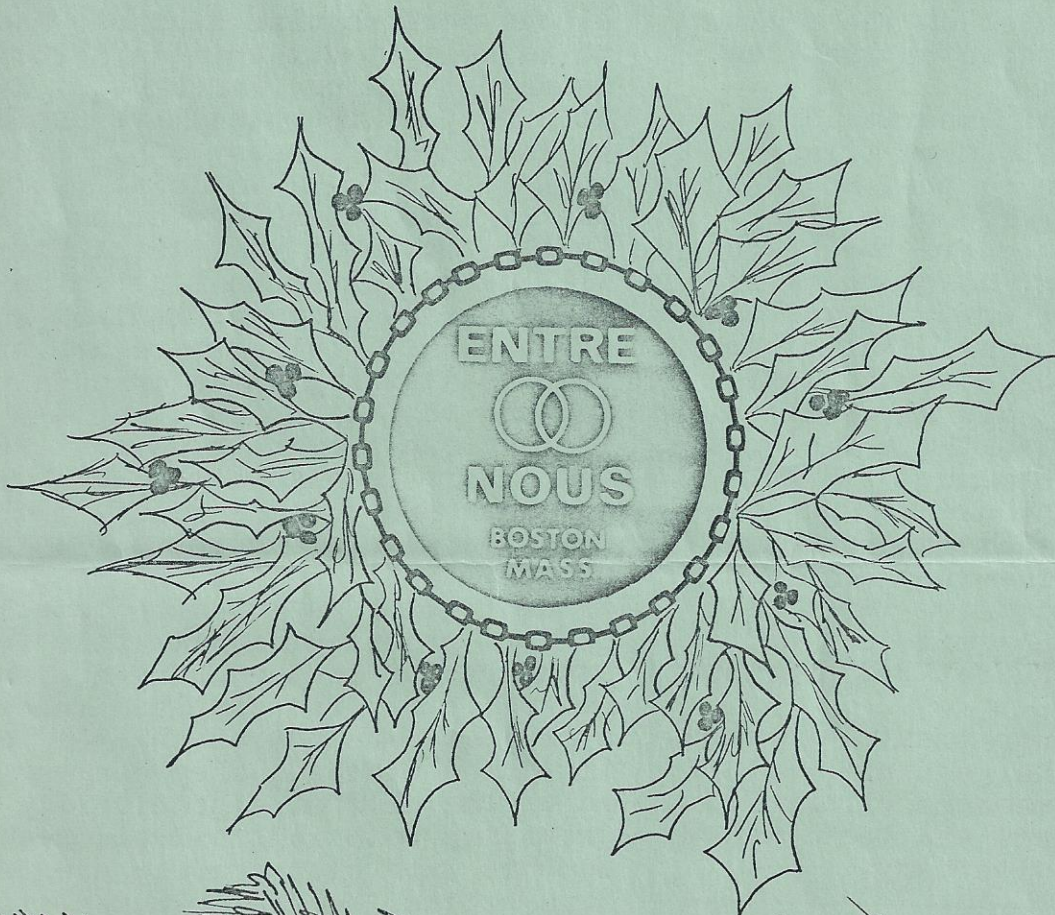
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LEVIS - BASH NO. 2

Entre Nous arrived en masse in the heart of New York City to join in on the celebration of the N.Y.C. LEVI CLUB second anniversary. And what a merry bash that was! It was a very electric affair. Club members and guests arrived at the door, each to receive a handsome belt buckle in the form of the Levi Club's crest engraved in bronze; truly a great memento to remember a good time. We went further into the anniversary site at Ronnie's Roost, Hotel Beacon where a quick decision was made whether or not to reach for the go-go boy clad in a leather jock strap or for a drink at the open bar. Owing to our natural mouth-watering thirst and wide-eyed appreciation for all that surrounded us, we beat-feet to the bar for a tall scotch on the rocks, then it was back to watch that lad in action again.

Runs and anniversaries are always good times to meet friends we haven't seen in months, and the feeling was good. The chow line backed up to about where the go-go boys were gyrating, so standing in this line was well worth it and our appetites were growing. Nature does strange things you know. Anyway, the food was great and as we approached the buffet table, the movie screen showed a different menu. It was served big, hot and creamy and somehow the crowd in that other room started to stir like they were ready to pounce on each other. Said to myself, "self, can't miss out on dessert once the buffet was over, no siree!"

Everything was great; the chow, music, show and the genuine hospitality shown by the members of the N.Y.C. Levis. Thanks again and best wishes on your second anniversary.

NOUS LETTRE EXTRA EDITION....

As you know, Nous Lettre is published every month and distributed during the second week of the month. The March issue will be distributed at the EQUINOX RUN (March 21-23). It will comprise several more pages. The deadline will be March 15th for all articles and advertising copy.

FOR BOBBY.....

Club members and friends of Bobby Soderholm showed up in great numbers at a benefit for Bobby which was held at the Charles Street Meeting House on November 24th. It was truly a great affair sponsored by Entre Nous and Vikings MC. Hats off to the respective club members, Rusty B. and Don G. for a job well done in coordinating the event and the many donations for Bobby. Approximately \$1600. in proceeds and donated items were raised. The buffet, drinks and the variety talent made for a great Sunday afternoon

COMING UP.....

Club members will be asked to cast their votes for four pledges at the next regular business meeting to be held at Bob White's 1270 on Sunday afternoon, January 12, 1975 at 2:00 pm. The Executive Board will be meeting on January 6th. Jim C. will be making a financial report for the regular business meeting. It is also expected that the E-Board will be making known its preliminary plans on the upcoming Equinox Run for discussion. Club members are urged to present their ideas concerning the run and to let the Road Captain know if they can provide housing. The membership is also asked to notify the corresponding secretary and scribe of any change of address or telephone number. Ed R. is now in the process of drafting a master associate list. It is a process which takes a few manhours due to the changes of addresses, etc. The club has received a few letters from associates regarding their status. They can be assured of the club's responsibility in providing both full and associate members with club correspondence, the Nous Lettre, meeting minutes and other related club information.

In other club business, the Constitution and By-Laws committee will present the new club document at the February meeting for adoption at the March meeting. This will provide the opportunity for all club members to thoroughly read the new by-laws.

BOB WHITE HONORED...

Like any proper Bostonian, one might expect the guest of honor to arrive at his appreciation affair rather formally.....but not Bob White. He fooled all of his two hundred or so friends last Nov. 12th at the Cabaret when he arrived with Entre Nous colors and basic denim.

The event was held in his honor as a way of saying thanks to a guy who has done a great deal for the gay community and the leather crowd as well. Both clubs, Entre Nous and Vikings MC, were well-represented along with Paul B. of Sporters and Ann Maguire, a close campaign aid to Elaine Noble. Ms. Noble recently won her bid for the State Rep. seat when she carried all the precincts in her district. Bob White was instrumental in getting out the vote in support of the Noble campaign.

Bob is the manager of Boston's most popular night spot, Bob White's 1270 Lounge. Both leather clubs gather there from time to time for club nights, special events and club brunches. Entre Nous conducts its business meetings there also.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

This year's Christmas Party will be held at the home of Captain Joe K. on Saturday, December 14th at 8 pm. Aside from bringing your own toys, kindly bring another Xmas toy for the club's "toys for tots" collection for distribution to kids who can also enjoy this holiday too.

Buffet and drinks will be served. Donation is \$3.00 per person. A club member may bring a guest.

CONGRATS.....

NOUS LETTRE

Congratulations on your recent issue of the Nous Lettre (4th Anniversary). It was good to see its re-appearance.

Gary B., THUNDERBOLTS

NEW ASSOCIATES...

Seven men of the BUCKS MC were recently awarded Associate Membership status in Entre Nous. Bill Y., Dick M., Bob C., Ted H., Hal C., Howard G., and Dick H. received their EN patches at the P-town '74 Run on November 3rd. The BUCKS MC presented its colors to Captain Joe K. at the Anniversary Banquet. It was Entre Nous' twelfth banner.

FRIENDS DROP BY...

Visiting Entre Nous at a recent club meeting were Tony H. of MSC London and Mike J. of the Long Island SPUDS MC.

Tony is on holiday in the US and lecturing at various educational institutions. He hopes to return to the Boston area for an extended visit.

Mike J. gave a run down on the upcoming CARNIVAL Run to be held in Long Island on January 24-26, 1975. It's an important AMCC sanctioned run where the Council will seek nominations for officers. There is a limit on the number of run participants. Planning to go? See the EN Road Captain for applications as early as possible.

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| December 14 | Entre Nous | Christmas Party | Boston |
| December 14 | 2nd City MC | Snowball | Chicago |
| December 31 | 2nd City MC | New Year's Party | Chicago |
| * January 24-26 | Long Island Spuds MC | Carnival on L.I. | Long Island, N.Y. |
| January 24-26 | Argonauts | Winter Quest | Milwaukee |
| February 7-12 | Cycle MC | Mardi Gras | New Orleans |
| February 21-23 | Thunderbolts MC & Vikings MC | Spirit of Wintertrio | Hartford |
| March 21 | Cin City | Anniversary Party | Cincinnati |
| ** March 21-23 | Entre Nous | Days of Equinox | Boston |
| April 11-13 | Druids MC | Spring Sabbath | Washington D.C. |
| May 16-18 | Silver Star MC | 2nd Anniversary | Milwaukee |
| May 23-26 | Wheels MC | W-7 | |

- * AMCC meeting and nominations for council officers
** AMCC meeting and election of council officers

NEXT REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING - ENTRE NOUS: Sunday, Jan. 12, 1975
2:00 pm Bob White's 1270

Executive Board meets Jan. 6, 1975

DAYS OF EQUINOX Run needs the support of all Club Members.

See the Planning Committee for details. Ask how you can help.

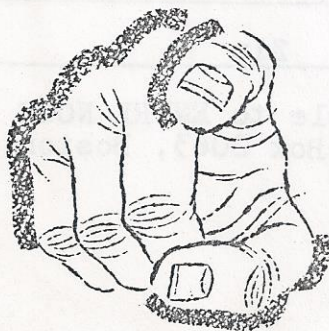
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...by Rod H.

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WHO CAN GIVE BLOOD? Anyone in good health weighing at least 110 lbs. and age 18 or over. Anyone 66 years or older must present a written consent from their personal physician dated two weeks within donation.

HOW OFTEN MAY I GIVE BLOOD? Every 8 weeks up to 5 times within a 12-month period.

WHAT DOES THE RED CROSS DO BEFORE I DONATE? Each donor is asked about his medical history, such as past illnesses, Blood pressure, temperature, pulse, weight and hemoglobin determinations are taken by registered nurses.

MAY I EAT BEFORE DONATIONS? Yes, you should eat regular meals, but refrain from fried and fatty foods such as butter, eggs, cream, mayonnaise, etc. during the four hours prior to your donation.

DO I OBTAIN A CARD STATING MY BLOOD TYPE? Yes, after your first donation you will receive a card showing your blood group (A, B, O or AB) and type (Rh negative or positive). This wallet-sized card also records the date and place of donation.

HOW CAN MY BLOOD DONATION SAVE FOUR LIVES? Your pint of blood is not always transferred in its "whole" blood state. Blood is also separated into several components such as plasma, used in the treatment of burns and shock. White cells and platelets are clotting agents used in the treatment of leukemia and other marrow diseases. Red cells are used for the treatment of anemia.

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WHAT ABOUT A NON-RESIDENT WHO DONATES TO THE MASS. RED CROSS BLOOD PROGRAM?

A non-resident who donates to this program at least once a year is eligible for replacement of all blood and blood components used by him/her members of his/her immediate family when hospitalized outside of Mass.

When you join the Red Cross Bloodline, you join a proud people who share a cause; preserving life. You help to fill a daily patient's need in Mass. for over 1300 pints of blood. One pint of your blood gives life to as many as four people. That's what the Bloodline is all about.

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BLOODLINE (cont.)

Volunteers like you make it their duty to keep the Red Cross Bloodline alive.

The success of this program in providing the blood needs for the Commonwealth of Massachusetts depends on your combined and continued donations to "replenish" the supply. Let's build the bloodline together. Donate to the Entre Nous Blood Bank!!

CARD OF THANKS

Dear Paul,

Just a short note to say that I very much appreciated your hospitality during P'town '74. The run was beautiful. In my opinion, the best. Thanks again,

Ted H.
BUCKS MC

CARD OF THANKS

Dear Paul,

I congratulated George and I also want to tell you and all others that helped you two the same thing - it certainly was a job well done. Everything was so well planned and well carried out. (just like Julia Child's recipes)

I told George that I was a little dubious about it at first, but all the guys were friendly and I began to feel very much at home. I'll make sure to have my pin locked on my shirt!! Thanks for a good time.

Irv S.
independent

Editor's note: Irv somehow lost his pin at the after hours party on Sat. night. He was awarded another one at the awards and farewells the next day at brunch.

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DEADLINE

The deadline for submitting articles or advertising copy will fall on the fifth of each month. All material submitted for publication will become the property of the NOUS LETTRE unless requested for its return. We reserve the right to accept or reject material submitted and to edit all material prior to publication.

The deadline for the next issue is JANUARY 5TH.

ENTRE NOUS IS PLEASED TO HAVE RECEIVED ITS TWELFTH BANNER. THE BUCKS MC AWARDED ITS COLORS TO ENTRE NOUS ON NOVEMBER 3, 1974

STRAINS OF LEATHER

Editors Note: "Strains of Leather" is an opinion commentary gathered from the thoughts and points of view of club members and individuals in the L/L scene.

This month, we will take a look at the makeup of various clubs, and to try to pinpoint the attraction which is drawing several L/L guys to the membership ranks. I suppose we all should take the moment to figure out what makes us want to join clubs and for what purpose are we individually seeking satisfaction from them, and if the attraction is still there and meaningful.

Some guys have joined the ranks of leather clubs for purely social reasons. The many clubs from East to West coast do provide a neat fabric which, when woven together, makes it possible for us to travel from city to city. It can sometimes become monotonous, week after week, run to run, but overall and with good feeling, it's nice to know that you can land in any strange town and be wel-

comed by a native club, especially when they see the familiar overlay over your leather jacket.....or do they? I mean the leather part.

Oddly enough, a greater percentage of "leather club" members are not really into leather. This is not to be confused with the S/M approach (we'll talk about that later). It is strange to see how many men come walking into club meetings or various functions without any stitch of leather on. It is rather appalling at times to see fellow club members without their club overlays on.

But what is most interesting and within a club itself, is to see 90% of so-called "leather" guys decked out in denim in one corner and the remaining dressed in leather sitting in the other corner. The denim faction are sort of nervous in approaching the other dudes, and yet they are all fraternal brothers. Perhaps, it's the leather image coupled with the mystique that anyone completely outfitted in black leather is really "heavy." Two friends I know who decided not to be active in a club, explained that
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BEST OF BOTH WORLDS

DANCING—BOB WHITE'S 1270

PRANCING—SPORTER'S BAR

STRAINS OF LEATHER (cont)

they were often shunned and ignored because of their attire. Another club member, a leather craftsman, finds it difficult to believe that most guys will spend dollar after dollar at the bar, yet not invest their bucks into a jacket. He often wonders just what is the attraction that draws guys into clubs, yet they do not wish to conform to the "leather class" of behavior.....and what is the behavior pattern?

Some of the men into the L/L scene joined leather and motorcycle groups for a continuation and an outlet in the S/M scene. Prior experiences and personal practises with rough sex in either the "S" or "M" roles, coupled with all the fantasies and limitless forms of mental and physical expression, served to motivate individuals to becoming part of the leather scene. But not all clubs and bike groups are into that scene. It is a prerequisite within a few clubs that one must own and ride a bike and that one must be, to some degree, into the S/M scene. But these clubs are too few. Some clubs are strictly social and are not into the bike or heavy sex scene at all. It is perhaps alarming to some, that a few clubs refuse to get into it at all and prefer to remain social groups. This is often confusing and restrictive to the individual who wants to join a club for the purpose of experiencing the leather syndrome.

It is rather difficult for a club to set itself up to follow a definite course: objective and purpose. Perhaps, the reason that some clubs find themselves caught up in the mire of politics and personality factions within the ranks is because there really is no single objective. It's a club that simply wants to be all things to all people. And for that reason, membership committees are screening applicants with really no set of guidelines nor set philoso-

phy or policy. So, conflicts remain and members cannot relate with one another because their reasons for joining a club differ a great deal.

Lately, we find several independents finding their way to the doorsteps of many clubs, seeking membership. Their reasons for joining are many. Some want the feeling of fraternal security, while others have experienced the leather trip and want to further cultivate it with others of the same thinking. My advice to the applicant is to seek a club that will provide you some satisfaction whatever state of mind yourself to be into. My advice to club membership committees is to screen applicants accordingly so that they are not confused with the club's objectives, goals, and philosophy on the leather scene. It will provide for a better tightly-woven membership and less dissent where all can enjoy what the club has to offer.

If our club objectives are to constantly seek and make new friends as well as broadening the leather base, then we ought to make sure that what we are seeking in our own minds just what we are all about and how we identify with the leather scene.....or else it's back to fluffsville.

Stay happy! Keep it together!

ITEMS AVAILABLE TO MEMBERS.....

EN members are reminded about the availability of extra club patches, AMCC patches, banners, etc. See your Captain.

Also, if that overlay is becoming beyond recognition, see the Lieutenant about a new one.

Christmas gifts in the form of lighters, tape measures and pocket knives with the EN crest are also available.

A MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM YOUR E-BOARD

Joe K. Ed R. Woody M. Chuck B. David B. Art H. Jim C.

SPOTLIGHT...

LORIN JOY



Lorin Joy is under this month's Spotlight. This energetic and personable young lad was born during the month of February in Portland Maine and finally found his way to Boston a few years ago.

He is the head shipper at a leading Boston firm and spends his spare time in the performing arts. Dancing and drawing are Lorin's favorite hobbies. He was responsible for the choreography at last year's Days of Equinox Show. In his more quiet moments, Lorin is busy studying people and wishes that others would be more candid.

Lorin has been an active member of Entre Nous for a little over a year now; makes it a point to help out at various club functions.

CHRISTMAS POSTSCRIPTS...



Thanks to several club members and affiliated clubs for their cards and letters expressing well wishes to Entre Nous on its Fourth Anniversary, the P-town '74 Run and the NOUS LETTRE.It's good old Christmas time; a time when we all seem to get it together over a hot toddy and become mellow (sloshed is probably the word to use).....Let's remember those in need this year.....Rod H. wants us to get together and donate blood next month (that is, after you get the holiday booz drained out of it....Let's see, Santa Claus is writing down his list....He asked Woody M. what he wanted. Strange...Woody smiled, and held his two hands about fifteen inches apart. Hm!.....Mike M. wants a new wife.....Al C. wants my lover under the tree, wrapped....or was that unwrapped.....Joe K. needs more fire insurance....George G. needs another supply of Crisco for more FFA parties.Jack G. needs a new outfit to hold his keys and other goodies on the other side. It was time to switch I guess.....David S. would like a contract so that Greyhound could never go on strike...those idle nights you know.....Tony M. isn't fussy about a Christmas present.....so long as it is gold and glittery.

Speaking of gifts, the Club does have a few items: A pocket lighter, a tape measure and a pocket knife gadget, all bearing the club's crest. They may be purchased through Ed R.

And as for New Year's.....let's resolve to keep at least one-half of the resolutions we make for 1975. It's a bi-centennial year; a great time to discover new things, meet new people, and experience the greatness of the land.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL OF YOU FROM ENTRE NOUS

....Paul C.

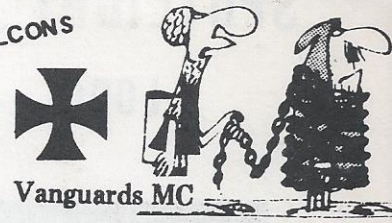
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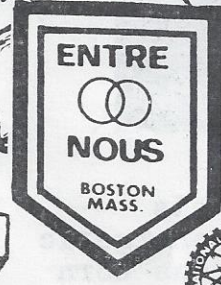
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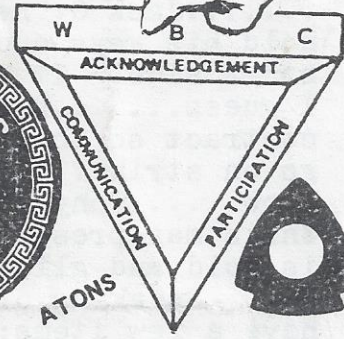
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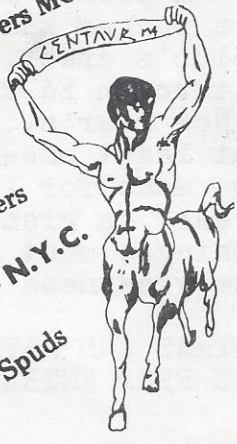
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