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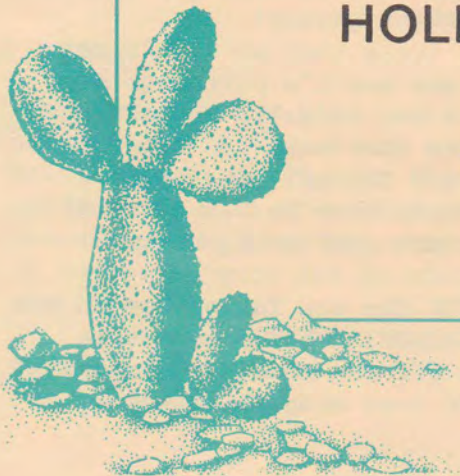
PIKE'S PEAK  
DETAILS



L.A. RODEO 92

PLUS:

HOLLIE'S BACK... AND GONE  
MEMBER CARDS IN  
"ERNEST" JOINS UP  
SAGUARO II NEARS



APRIL 1992

# HOLLIES BACK...

## AND GONE!

Now that we've seen the blond dye job on MR. DAVID ANAYA that we kept hearing about... we're dropping the "Mr" from his name. Told you it was just a phase.

Seems David dyed the "do" to use his real hair for a Madonna number with CHARLIE'S COUNTRY CLOGGERS. Course it also came in handy when he ran to Las Vegas for an interview with the people behind the Riviera's "LaCage" show. Of over 200 applicants, David was one of only four or five who were asked in to interview for possible Madonna/Marilyn roles in the show. They're still looking to fill that role as none of the candidates were chosen. David thinks that one reason may be that his tape of the Cloggers set wasn't lit to really show his "face", plus the minor detail of him losing one boob half-way through the number! At any rate, the LaCage people were sufficiently impressed enough to ask David to audition for the role(s) of backup dancers/characters, an audition which he successfully snagged.

As of this date, David is probably already at work in Vegas. CHARLIE'S loses a bartender, AGRA loses a Fundraising Director, and Arizona loses their favorite Hollie/Madonna/Marilyn drag. That's a lot of losses, but we congratulate Hollie anyway and wish her well.

A possible fundraising idea for the new Fundraising Director? How about a chartered bus trip to Vegas so we could all go see Hollie's show?

# SAGUARO REGIONAL APPROACHES

May 8 - 10th. Have you made your plans yet? Call our Tucson Hotline at #798-3528 to volunteer, get a stall, be an enter-tainer, rent a booth, or just to get more details.

Host Hotels are the Ramada-Downtown at #622-3000, and the Quality-University at #1-800-777-2999. You're NOT sharing a room with us, so hurry up!

# BITS & BITCHES

Three cheers to all those who showed up at the recent Phoenix Human Rights Commission hearings on expanding the City's anti-discrimination clause. Nice to see so many Rodeo people there, especially since we're a "non-political" group by Charter, and couldn't "officially" be involved as an organization. Extra cheers to those helping put together the evening, including Member BILL OROVAN from the ECHO. Hopefully we'll see even more of us at the July Riots after Phx Council turns us down anyway?

And speaking of politics, the year's countdown has begun on the next March on Washington. April 25, 1993. ASGRA's original plans for their first Rodeo were to hold it at the same time, will see a date change for their second Rodeo next year?

NSGRA's official theme for Convention is "Making it After All". Need to get RON ERICKSON busy on those MARY TYLER MOORE outfits for our delegates.

That "well-stacked Tucson Member" now has a new position, and alias. The new head of Tucson's Dance & Entertainment wants to now be known as "R.T. STACKED". He'll be the one with the bag over his head as he emcees at our May Rodeo.

It's BILL SPRINGS (not BOB) who likes to compare sizes with his family members. We knew that, the thought of the whole episode must have thrown us off last month.

Who was ROXIE HEART's latest attempted conquest at the LA Rodeo? We heard he wisely got drunk and passed out, thereby retaining his virginity, and avoiding major scandal.

Upcoming major scandal may occur at Convention when DAN IVERSEN has tentative plans to meet his long distance "mystery beau". Beau now wants to know what type underwear Dan uses. White, Fruit of the Loom, size 32. And who is this guy that has us talking underwear anyway?

PHIL LOOBY irate that we didn't mention that his last month's patronage of a Tucson bookstore was actually a bookstore/adult motel (like that makes it sound more innocent?) and RON TRUSLEY says he only goes to FANTASYLAND when he has official Rodeo business with JEFF COON. Whatever you say boys.

BILL DARNELL the new Tucson Rep on our Board. MIKE BUTRYMOWICZ has a hard time getting up here for the meetings. Probably that Casa Grande rest stop in between.

# BOARD POSITION TO FILL

Now that that bitch DAVID ANAYA has deserted us for the Vegas stagelights... oh... he'd still be on our mailing list wouldn't he?...oops... sorry Hollie... just kidding!...we have a need for a new Fundraising Director.

Nominations for that position will be taken at our General Membership meeting in Tucson on April 12, and again at the Membership meeting on May 3rd in Phoenix. The election will also take place at the May 3rd meeting. Note: You do NOT have to dye your hair fluorescent yellow to run for this position.

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# MEMBERSHIP

Okay, MAX SUTHERLAND has gotten everything straightened out with the Tucson applications. We now need to Re-welcome re-newing Tucson area Members...

Randy Bilbro from Bisbee  
David Carter  
Chip Crimble  
Gino Fellin  
Frank Gallego - Now as a Champion Member  
Mar Garcia  
"Bill"  
Gil Leon  
Mike Mahynske - Also from the same address in Bisbee...hhhhmmmm..  
Joseph Mendez  
Rob Thompson  
Jim Toevs  
Michael Vining

And New Tucson Members...

Club 2520 - A Champion Member w/ Peter Sittig and Michael Bennett  
Richard "Babes" DiRusso  
E.A. Gonzales  
It's 'Bout Time - Champion Member  
George Lopez  
Glenn Matchett  
Fred Molina  
Kelly Morris  
Joel Reiter  
"T.J." - Champion Member

Meanwhile, elsewhere in the Country, we're joined by Shelly LaPointe in Phoenix, and two of our favorite Kansas City boys, Sean Young, and his simple other half, Doug "Ernest" Wagner. Welcome to all!

Keep those new applications and address changes flowing QUICKLY to Max at #265-0224.

# APRIL MEMBERSHIP MEETING IN TUCSON

Remember now kids, this month's General Membership meeting is being held in Tucson. Same second Sunday of the month, April 12 in this case, and same time, 5:00PM. This month's location changes though. CLUB 2520 in Tucson. Sounds like our Tucson people, in conjunction with Club 2520 are gonna be doing the day up right. Ongoing BBQ, casino games, dancing, and entertainers will help us fundraise for next month's Saguaro Regional Rodeo. Be sure and be there for the party, use the excuse of having to go for the meetings.

Also remember, the Ramada Inn-Downtown is giving special \$36 per night rates for AGRA people. Call #622-3000 and set that up with DON JOHNSON. We'll see ya all there!

# LOS ANGELES

## DENNIS TERRELL TA

Rain, rain, rain. That's the best way to describe the blustery weekend of Rodeo in L.A. While the weather kept the crowds down, there were still thousands in attendance. And even though the water and wind shut-down the booths and entertainment one day, the Rodeo Events proceeded as usual under the covered Equestrian Center.

We heard that it was so cold during Sunday's Award Ceremonies that many of our Contestants were forced to pour down large quantities of booze to stay warm. Funny that it would have been so cold in the Hotel.

Apparently not cold at all, was TREVA LONDON who was once again tipped upside down in public. Skirt over her head, sans underwear as usual. Treva, if you're going to insist on embarrassing us in public, the least you could do is promote us at the same time. How about shaving the letters AGRA into your... oh never mind, we don't even want to think about it!

DENNIS TERRELL won his first All-Around Cowboy Buckle in L.A., with ANDREW ANAYA coming in as the 2nd Runner-Up.

ANGIE DARNELL was 3rd Runner-Up for All-Around Cowgirl, with CANDY BELL ending as the 5th Runner-Up.

GREG OLSON was there, cast and all, competing in several events. Do we need to talk to Greg's Doctor about this? We're sure he wouldn't be amused.

Winning Buckles for the weekend were: Dennis Terrell for Calf Roping on Foot, Chute Dogging, and Team Roping. Andrew Anaya for Breakaway Roping and Team Roping. Candy Bell for Calf Roping on Foot and Steer Riding, and Angie Darnell for Chute Dogging and the Flag Race.

AGRA Contestants placing over the weekend were:

### SATURDAY

#### Barrel Race -

- 2nd - Andrew Anaya
- 4th - Angie Darnell
- 5th - Kris Eisenhut
- 9th - Donna Auer
- 15th - Candy Bell
- 17th - Dennis Terrell
- 18th - Scott Darnell

#### Breakaway Roping -

- 1st - Andrew Anaya
- 2nd - Dennis Terrell

#### Calf Roping on Foot -

- 1st - Angie Darnell
- 1st - Dennis Terrell
- 2nd - Candy Bell
- 2nd - Greg Olson

#### Chute Dogging -

- 1st - Dennis Terrell
- 2nd - Angie Darnell
- 4th - Candy Bell

#### Flag Race -

- 2nd - Angie Darnell
- 4th - Dennis Terrell
- 7th - Scott Darnell

#### Goat Dressing -

- 5th - John Wyatt
- 6th - Ken Davis & Eric Smith
- 15th - Glenda Chamberlain & Jamie Saragosa
- 21st - Michael Royer & Bill Springs
- 32nd - Andrew Anaya & Dennis Terrell
- 40th - Tana Copeland
- 41st - Angie Darnell & Scott Darnell
- 45th - Helen Marvin & Becky Watts

#### Pole Bending -

- 1st - Dennis Terrell
- 3rd - Kris Eisenhut
- 6th - Andrew Anaya

#### Steer Decorating -

- 3rd - Tana Copeland & Jamie Saragosa
- 8th - Andrew Anaya & Dennis Terrell
- 19th - John Murphy
- 21st - Angie Darnell & Scott Darnell
- 37th - Candy Bell & Glenda Chamberlain

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- 14th - A
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- 19th - C

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- 9th - K
- 12th - C
- 14th - S

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#### Calf Rop

- 2nd - D
- 3rd - C
- 8th - A

#### Chute Do

- 2nd - A
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- 6th - D
- 18th - B

#### Flag Rac

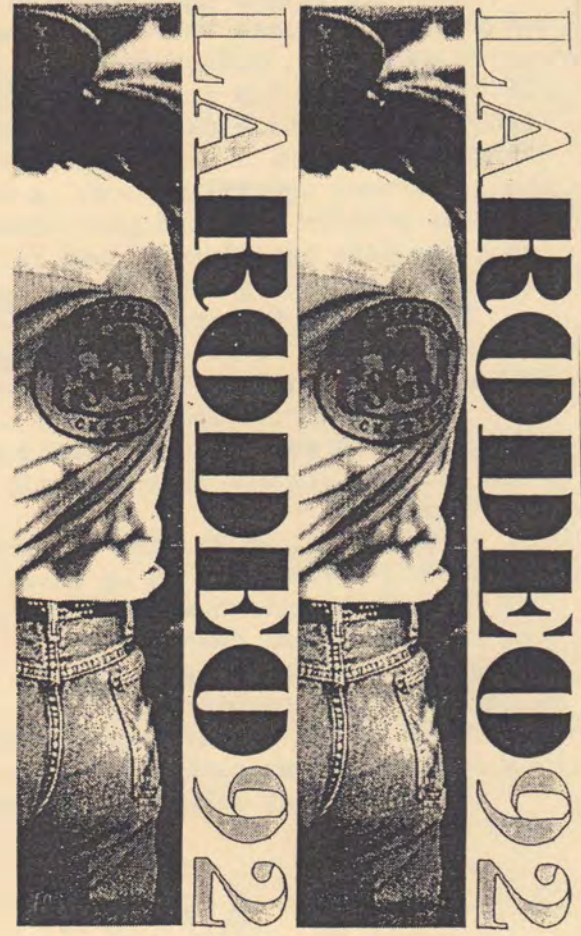
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  - 18th - Angie Darnell & Scott Darnell
  - 21st - Andrew Anaya & Dennis Terrell
  - 31st - John Wyatt
  - 33rd - Helen Marvin & Becky Watts
  - 41st - Tana Copeland
- Pole Bending -
- 1st - Andrew Anaya
  - 5th - Kris Eisenhut
  - 6th - Angie Darnell
  - 14th - Dennis Terrell
- Steer Decorating -
- 1st - Andrew Anaya & Dennis Terrell
  - 7th - Tana Copeland & Jamie Saragosa
  - 23rd - Candy Bell & Glenda Chamberlain
- Steer Riding -
- 2nd - Candy Bell
  - 3rd - Dennis Terrell
- Team Roping -
- 1st - Andrew Anaya & Dennis Terrell
  - 2nd - Andrew Anaya & Dennis Terrell
- Wild Drag Race -
- 3rd - Donna Auer, Tana Copeland, & Jamie Saragosa
  - 4th - Ken Davis
  - 6th - Angie Darnell, Scott Darnell, & Michael Royer
  - 12th - Andrew Anaya, Dennis Terrell, & Becky Watts
  - 17th - Candy Bell



**RRRR**  
**CORRECTION**

Screwed up in the listings last month for the Goat Dressing Buckle. It was DAN IVERSEN and GREG OLSON taking those buckles home, not Greg and LARRY JONES. We always get Dan and Larry confused. Sorry!

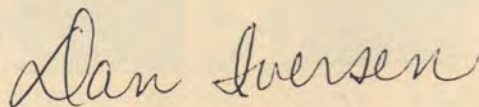
# PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Congratulations this month go to all our AGRA Contestants who competed at the recent GSGRA L.A. Rodeo. Our DENNIS TERR-ELL brought back his first All-Around Cowboy Buckle, while CANDY BELL and ANGIE DARNELL placed 5th & 3rd respectively in the All-Around Cowgirl honors. A number of other AGRAers also had good weekends at the Rodeo (see the inside story for details) my congrats go to all who competed!

I'm looking forward this month to what will be our first of several general membership meetings in Tucson this year. Don't forget, April 12th, 5:00PM, at Club 2520. Hope to see lots of Phoenix area folks joining all our Tucson people at that meeting.

A "good-bye, we'll miss ya" goes to JAY ANDERSON this month as he moves to Palm Springs in search of a better job. Jay, a former Rodeo Contestant, Mr. AGRA titleholder, and a roommate of mine, always has a nice smile on his face, and something good to say to ya, regardless of how he's feeling at any particular time.

I'll miss that JAYLENE, come back and visit often!



## LETTERS

From the Lesbian and Gay Community Switchboard:

Dear Dan and AGRA Members,

Thank you for your recent donation of \$4,400 to the Switchboard. It's important to note that prior to the rodeo we receive about 100 calls for rodeo information. I know our referrals help put money in lot's of pockets. Our relationship with AGRA is important to us - thanks again for your unmatched generosity

Ron Barnes, Director

Ed. Note: Ron Barnes passed away just a few days after writing this letter to us, from complications due to AIDS. He will be missed by AGRA.

# PIKE'S PEAK UNITED RODEO

It's a good thing we've got some IGRA people on our Board, that's how we finally got some last minute Pike's Peak information for you. Thanks to JEFF COON for the following specifics.

We already knew the dates were April 24, 25, and 26th. If you've been waiting until now to make your plans you're running late, so the best way may be to have the whole package done for you by their TRAVEL BOUND travel agency. Call #1-800-851-8590, and ask for ANDRE JACINTO.

If you want to book yourself, call Colorado Springs' host hotel The Holiday Inn Central at #(719)473-5530. They've got rates of \$42 for one or two people, and beds, up to \$45 for four people in two beds, push the beds together if you want. Mention CGRA when you call, don't mention the bed re-arranging.

They say the Rodeo site Penrose Stadium is walking distance if you're into exercise. We suggest finding a limo phone number once you're up there.

Tickets will be \$10 per day, but the way we read the brochure, you may be able to get BOTH days as well as the nightly dances for just ten bucks with an advance purchase. Try this scam by calling #(719) 576-2472.

All other information can be had by calling CGRA at #(303)839-8810.

L.J. at CHARLIE'S can be had by calling... oh never mind, that's a different story.

## DANCE CONTEST FROM HELL

It's RON ERICKSON's favorite time of year again (well, second favorite, right after the Annual AGRA Buckle Throw Contest) the IGRA Dance Contest Preliminaries!

IGRA has expanded the Annual Contest to include three categories this year. But since the Contest is at Convention in Minneapolis (quite expensive) the Board has decided to send only one couple. Preliminaries will be held in Tucson on June 7, and in Phoenix on June 14. Finals will be held in Phoenix, at CHARLIE'S on June 21. Get in touch with Ron at #246-8458, or Tucson's R.T.STACKED for details.

# DON'T LEAVE HOME WITHOUT IT!

Enclosed in this issue of the newsletter is your updated 1992 AGRA Membership card. Take a moment now to tuck it into your wallet or purse (in the case of ERIC "SUSAN" SMITH) so you don't lose it. They come in handy at AGRA functions, making meeting check-ins and voting go much smoother.

And beginning this month, your cards also increase your benefits as an AGRA Member.

When we first introduced Membership cards a year ago, it was thought that one use for them could be as proof of membership for special "deals" around the State.

That time has come. Beginning immediately, flashing your card at Tucson's VENTURE-N will get you happy hour prices, all the time! Don't just sit there, pack up your newsletter and run down to 6th Ave. Finish reading this issue with a cocktail in your other hand.

At the same time, AGRA Member MARK McCRORY from Camelback Road's TANGLES SALON in Phoenix, is also offering a discount to fellow AGRAers. 20% off for anyone flashing him a card for his "hairworks"! And that's another relaxing opportunity to read your Branding Iron, with Mark running his fingers through your hair. 20% off... that would pretty much get DAN IVERSEN down to "free" wouldn't it? Wonder what "tuft work" would cost?

Thanks to Champion Member, Venture-N, and Mark for their support. An additional thanks to Mark for his advertising support as well.

For any of the rest of you interested in joining the party by offering discounts (and maybe advertising those discounts in these pages?) please call Tim at #892-1183.

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## MEMBERSHIP MGTING.

### 4/12 IN TUCSON

# YOU'RE CERTIFIABLE !

Yes, you too can become a Certified Rodeo Official, what did you think we meant?

Seminars leading to certification, are offered through-out the Rodeo year in various locations. Your first step is to contact the Chairperson in charge of the area you're interested in, and get signed-up AT LEAST 45 days in advance...

Want to be an ARENA DIRECTOR? Contact CHARLES MERRITT at #(303)329-6152. Seminars are scheduled for May 22nd in Oklahoma City, July 3rd in Denver, July 24th San Francisco, August 6th in Minneapolis, September 4th in Albuquerque, and October 2nd in Washington D.C.

CHUTE COORDINATORS will be under the tutelage of cute little RAY HARTSHORN at #(310)433-3708, with seminars scheduled for August 6th in Minneapolis, and October 2nd in Washington D.C.

JUDGES are being led by ROGER BERGMANN and his big...big... smile, at #(714)596-4594. Those seminars are planned for May 22nd in Oklahoma City, and August 6th in Minneapolis.

SECRETARIES/SCOREKEEPERS are being helped out by DAVID HILL at #(303)364-6836 with seminars scheduled for May 22nd in Oklahoma City, July 3rd in San Francisco, August 6th in Minneapolis, and September 25th in San Diego.

So, quit your bitching about how things are run. Get out there, take the training, and become one of the bitched at!

## PAY ME!

Actually, the money will go to AGRA. Trust me! Help us, and yourself out by advertising in the Branding Iron. \$2.50 per issue for a business card size ad. Call Tim at #892-1183 for details. Use me!



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# SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- April 12th - Sunday - AGRA Board Meeting - 3:00PM  
April 12th - Sunday - AGRA General Membership Meeting - 5:00PM  
Both of the above in Tucson this month at  
CLUB 2520.
- April 24-26 - Weekend- Pike's Peak United Rodeo  
Colorado Springs, CO
- April 26th - Sunday - Boots & Boxers Cotillion- Fundraiser  
CLUB 2520 in Tucson
- April 26th - Sunday - AGRA Board Meeting  
3:00PM - CHARLIE'S - Phoenix

## SAGUARO REGIONAL RODEO WEEK BEGINS

- May 1st - Friday - AGRA Rodeo Volunteer Party  
5:00PM - HOURS - Tucson
- May 2nd - Saturday- Beer Bust Plus - Fundraiser  
5:00PM - The GRADUATE - Tucson
- May 3rd - Sunday - Special Date AGRA Board Meeting  
3:00PM - CHARLIE'S - Phoenix
- May 3rd - Sunday - Special Date AGRA General Membership Meeting  
5:00PM - CHARLIE'S - Phoenix
- May 3rd - Sunday - Beer Bust Plus - Fundraiser  
5:00PM - HOURS - Tucson
- May 4th - Monday - Beer Bust Plus - Fundraiser  
5:00PM - VENTURE-N - Tucson
- May 5th - Tuesday - Beer Bust Plus - Fundraiser  
5:00PM - I.B.T.'s - Tucson
- May 6th - Wednesday-Beer Bust Plus - Fundraiser  
5:00PM - CLUB 2222
- May 7th - Thursday -Beer Bust Plus - Fundraiser  
5:00PM - CLUB 2520
- May 8th - Friday -Saguaro Rodeo Registration  
6:00 - 10:00PM - Ramada Hotel
- May 8-10th- Weekend - SAGUARO REGIONAL RODEO II - Tucson