

The Branding Iron



From the President...

June Birthdays	
• Gary Miller	06/23
• John W. Lovejoy	06/25
• Randy Gardner	06/27
• David Troendle	06/28
• Ron Trusley	06/28



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Well I.G.R.A Convention is coming up soon in July and we are in full swing, planning the events. John King is the Committee Chair in charge of planning everything. I have not personally seen the Biltmore but according to John it is a spectacular hotel in which to hold the event.

I do know that volunteers will be needed to help out during the week of convention so if you have some free time to give either call me or e-mail me at president@agra-phx.com.

I will make sure John get these e-mails forwarded to him and he will get back in touch with you.

Also I would like to congratulate all the delegates and alternates that will be attending convention. As you know I am automatically a delegate being President and Brian Helander is automatically a delegate for being Trustee.

The Delegates are listed as follows:

- Bob Pimentel, Jr.
- Ric Leone
- Dan Iversen
- John King

The Alternates are listed as follows:

- Will Lann
- Chuck Browning
- Gaylia Young
- Gary Hatterman
- Jay Lovejoy

As I mentioned in previous articles being a delegate or alternate is an important role. You are required to be there in attendance for the complete event Friday through Sunday.

I have attended the past four conventions and I have learned more and more each time as well as had fun the whole weekend.

Well Pussy LeHoot has organized another bus trip to Laughlin, Nevada this Friday May 30 through Sunday, June 1. It is a lot of fun taking the bus trip to Laughlin and spending the weekend with AGRA members.

Well that's about it for now.....

Glen May
President 2003



AGRA MEETINGS

June—July 2003

JUNE MEETINGS**Monday 06/02/03—7:00 p.m**

AGRA Board of Directors Meeting

Sunshine Inn & Suites

3600 N 2nd Ave, Phoenix

Phone: 602-248-0222

Sunday 06/08/03—7:00 pmAGRA General Membership Mtg.
Charlie's

727 W. Camelback Rd., Phoenix

Phone # 602-265-0224

JULY MEETINGS**Monday 07/20/03—4:30 p.m**

AGRA Board of Directors Meeting

Sunshine Inn & Suites

3600 N 2nd Ave, Phoenix

Phone: 602-248-0222

Sunday 07/20/03—7:00 pmAGRA General Membership Mtg.
Charlie's

727 W. Camelback Rd., Phoenix

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All members are welcome to all AGRA Board of Directors meetings. We encourage members who wish to attend to do so.

Thank you.

Ric Leone, AGRA Secretary

AGRA POSTER CONTEST ANNOUNCEMENT**Arizona Gay Rodeo Association**PO Box 40465, Phoenix, Arizona 85067
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AGRA- ANNOUNCES POSTER CONTEST

AGRA is sponsoring their annual poster contest for the 2004 RoadRunner Regional Rodeo. The Rodeo will take place in Phoenix on January 16-18, 2004. Judging for the contest will be by vote of the members present at the monthly AGRA meeting on June 8, 2003. ALL ENTRIES MUST BE RECEIVED BY 5:00 PM THAT DAY. Entries may be delivered in person or by mail to "RRRR Poster Contest" c/o Charlie's Phoenix, 727 W. Camelback Road, Phoenix, Arizona, 85013 by the 5:00pm., June 8, 2003 deadline. Entries must be 17" x 22" finished size with the only lettering being **"2004 RoadRunner Regional Rodeo"**.

Exception to the size requirement will be made for computer generated artwork, with the original art being on a Macintosh-compatible CD or Zip disk.

Entries must be received with the artist's name and phone number in upper right-hand corner of the *back* of the design. Entries received with the artist's name on the *front* of the design will be disqualified. The winning design and artwork become the property of AGRA. All other entries will be destroyed, unless arrangements are made to have them returned at the artist's expense.

The artist of the winning entry will be awarded a \$200.00 prize.

Danny Kelly

AGRA PR Director.

JULY**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:****Wednesday, JUNE 25, 2003**

Send submissions to:

BrandingIron02@cox.net

or mail to:

**P.O. Box 40465 · Phoenix · AZ
85067-0465*******MEMBERSHIP MEETING DATE CHANGES*****MOVING AGRA MEMBERSHIP MEETING FROM
07/13/03 TO 07/20/03MEMBERSHIP WILL REVOTE FOR MOVING MEET-
ING ON 08/10/03

Upcoming Rodeos & Events...

<p>Best Buck in the Bay San Jose, California June 20th, 21st, 22nd 415-561-9228 www.bayarearodeo.com</p>	<p>Heartland Rodeo Omaha, Nebraska June 27th, 28th, 29th 402-203-4680 www.hgra.net</p>	<p>Canadian Rockies Int'l Rodeo Calgary, Alberta, Canada June 27th, 28th, 29th 403-541-8140 www.argra.org</p>	<p>North Star Regional Rodeo Minneapolis-St. Paul, Minnesota July 4th, 5th, 6th 612-82-RODEO www.nsgra.org</p>
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<p>Rocky Mtn. Regional Rodeo Denver, Colorado July 11th, 12th, 13th 303-839-8810 www.cgra.net</p>	<p>19th IGRA Annual Convention Phoenix, Arizona July 31st—August 3rd 602-265-8166 www.agra-phx.com</p>	<p>Rocky Mtn. Regional Rodeo Denver, Colorado July 11th, 12th, 13th 303-839-8810 www.cgra.net</p>
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June 2003

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 <i>AGRA Board of Directors Mtg—7pm Sunshine Inn</i>	3	4	5	6	7 <i>Grand Ol' Opry Charlie's Patio—7pm</i>
8 <i>AGRA General Membership Mtg—7pm Charlie's</i>	9	10	11	12	13	14
15	16	17	18 <i>AGRA Hoe-down Fund-raiser @ Charlie's 9:30 p.m.</i>	19	20	21
22	23	24	25	26	27	28
29	30					

Charlie's PRESENTS!!

GRAND OL' OPRY

SATURDAY JUNE 07 AT 7PM

Come party under the stars on the Charlie's Patio

An A.G.R.A. Fundraiser

All Star Entertainment

Food - Games - Fun for Everyone!

Royalty News

Howdy gang,

Been awhile since I've been in contact with everyone via the Branding Iron so I figured now was as good a time as any. Let me begin by saying I'm sorry that I was unable to attend Chili Verde days this year. Scheduling conflicts and cutbacks at work and in the airline industry as a whole kept me from where I was needed and for that, I apologize. Also, let me say I'm sorry that I missed my first membership meeting for the month of May since attaining my title. For those who may have taken issue with my absence, I am sorry. Even with my lack of visibility at Charlie's lately, I have been very busy keeping AGRA visible elsewhere and across the United States (thank God for flight benefits).

Las Vegas rodeo was incredible. Everyone was great and not a day went by that I wasn't singing either at the rodeo grounds or at the hotel and not a day went by that I wasn't losing money in a slot machine! LOL After Las Vegas, my next destination was Little Rock, Arkansas to represent AGRA at Diamond States Rodeo in the Rock where I was asked to not only open the rodeo grand entry by singing the American National Anthem but also was asked to sing the Canadian Anthem and release the white dove during the riderless horse. It was very touching and I considered it an absolute honor to do so. After I returned, my next stop was at the Bunkhouse to support our Ms., Marty Wolfe at a cookout and help support Body Positive.

That brings me up to date, I believe, so hopefully I'll be seeing everyone soon at Charlie's for Grand Ol' Opry weekend and I'll be hosting a fundraiser for AGRA and IGRA at Apollo's on June 20th. Will catch up with everyone again next month in the Branding Iron and hope that everyone understands that just because they haven't seen me, doesn't mean I haven't been out there. :)

Rodeo On AGRA!!,
Kelly Bascue,
Mr. AGRA 2003

...more Royalty News

Howdy gang, This is Marty Wolfe, your current reigning Ms. AGRA 2003.

I wanted to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has come out to support me at the BBQ's at Charlie's and the Bunkhouse and I want to thank Kelly Bascue and Lady Cassondra for all the support and hard work they are doing. Also I want to thank the Bunkhouse for allowing me the time to host BBQ's there and thank them for their support. For those who helped me at Chile Verde Days, I'd also like to express my thanks and I want to thank you all for being worried that it looked like I was alone in my work that evening. Just so everyone knows, Kelly wasn't able to attend however kept in constant contact with me as to his whereabouts and progress in trying to be there. He was however, able to send Chris Cates to help out as much as he could...Thanks Chris. :)

Also I'd like to thank Lady Cassondra for coming that day and helping to decorate even though she knew she wouldn't be able to attend due to a work conflict as well. One thing we must all keep in mind is that AGRA is a volunteer organization and sometimes, our jobs must come first. So with that in mind, Make sure to keep coming out to the Road Kill Grill, aka my Sunday BBQ, and make sure to try to come to Apollo's on July 18th for my fundraiser and raffle.

So that's enough for now I guess,
Til next time,
Marty
Ms. AGRA 2003

Thank you to all the members who have been in touch, came to visit me and wished me well while I was ill last month. It truly meant more to me than I can say (even with my BIG mouth) that so many of you were concerned and reached out to me in what was a very difficult period. I am feeling a great deal better and expect to be 100% soon.

On a sad note, Kelly Basque has had a death in the family in this last week and had to rush home to Arkansas. I hope all of us can take just a moment and send Kelly a positive thought or e-mail to let him know we are thinking of him.

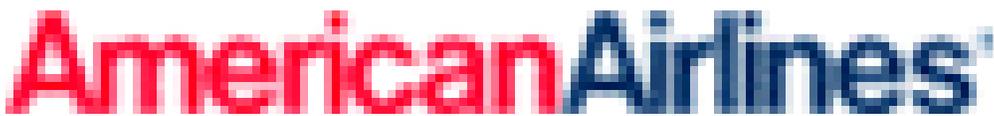
The AGRA Hoe-Down at Charlie's was a great success with not only past and present AGRA Royalty, but guests like Aurora Gayheart (Former Miss Gay Phoenix) and Big Booty Judy. I wasn't able to mingle with the crowd as much as I normally try to, but it was easy to see that everyone was having a super time. I encourage you all to come down and help us out on the third Wednesday of every month with our AGRA Fund Raising Director Miss Pussy LeHoot. If you don't sing or dance, bring a rope trick or some Cowboy Poetry or maybe some country and western craft that can be raffled off. The money goes to AGRA and before you know it you'll be having a blast.

Again I want to sincerely thank AGRA for it's thoughtfulness, and so many of you for your personal support. It may not always appear outward in my demeanor but I am humbled and grateful to this association and it's membership for the opportunity to be a part of such a worthwhile organization.

Until next time kids remember, your borne naked and after that it's all just drag.

Big Wet Kisses,
Woody Howard (aka) Suzanne Targe't
Miss AGRA 2001 & 2003

INTERNATIONAL SPONSORS



ADVERTISING SPACE IS AVAILABLE

Hey everyone in cowboy land. I just wanted to drop you a line and remind y'all there is still space for your business card size advertisement in the "Branding Iron". A single month is just \$10.00 but if you advance purchase a six month ad it's 10% off but wait there is more if you purchase a whole year in advance it's 25% off making your advertising as low as \$90.00 for the entire year. THAT'S INCREDIBLE!!

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Keith Carson



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AGRA's IGRA ROYALTY

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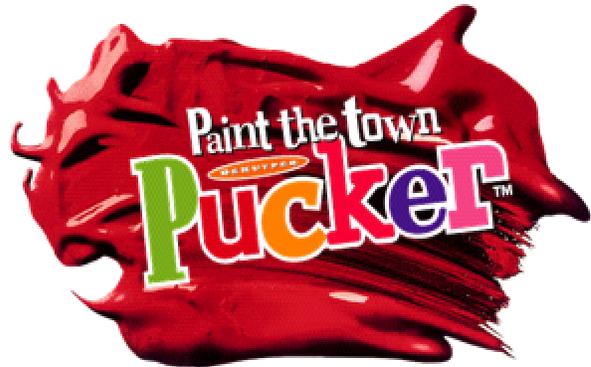
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