

The Branding Iron



NOVEMBER Birthdays

Bryan Schults	11-01
Denise Crawford	11-06
Jon O'Doud	11-07
Cassie Walling	11-08
Chris Wallace	11-10
Chuck Browning	11-11
Amy Griffin	11-14
Rafael Rivera	11-14
Jay Abbit	11-18
Scott Blades	11-20
Larry Saunders	11-25
Gareth MacKenzie	11-26

From the office of the President

Membership,

It is getting closer to our 20th Anniversary Rodeo. Time is rolling along rather quick I must say however for starters.... I want to Congratulate Gaylia Young, new MS IGRA 2005 and Pussy LaHoot (Kevin McSweeny), new MISS IGRA 2005. You have proven your commitment and dedication to AGRA and gay rodeo has paid off. I'm so very proud of you. Unfortunately Patrick Lose, MR AGRA was unable to attend Finals rodeo and I want to thank him for his support to our organization as well. Job well done by all 3 and I'm happy to be a part of your team.

I hope this November Branding Iron will reach many past members as well as new members. The 2004 membership expires on Oct 31, 2004 and you must renew by November 1, 2004 to continue to have a vote in the AGRA organization. It is normal for us to forget but remember we have the profits from 2004 RRRR to donate to charities and the more input we have the better distribution of the monies! Please renew your membership now!

In addition we are taking nominations for AGRA Board of Directors for the following positions: President (must be an individual member or champion individual member for a period of at least twelve (12) months prior to taking office.), Vice-President, Secretary and Treasurer a candidate must be an individual member or champion individual member for a period of at least six (6) months prior to taking office. These terms would begin on February 1 of the year following election.

These positions require you to make a commitment to the organization and fulfill the expectations of the membership and follow the guidelines set forth in the AGRA Constitution and Bylaws. This is an opportunity for you to get more involved and new, fresh ideas are always welcomed.

Just one last thing. Rodeo in January 2005 is our 20th Anniversary of AGRA (not 20th rodeo). We have made an offer to the membership to purchase 20th Anniversary buckles in commemoration of the success of AGRA. This is an opportunity for you to share in your support to AGRA. We have a limited number of buckles available and will be offered to those "members" on a first come, first serve basis. Must be paid in full at the time of purchase.

"THE PARTY CONTINUES" January 14-16, 2005

Gary Hatterman
President AGRA

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AGRA MEETINGS**November/December 2004****NOVEMBER MEETINGS**

AGRA Board of Directors Meeting

Charlie's Bar

727 W. Camelback Rd., Phoenix

Phone # 602-265-0224

Tuesday 11/02/04—7:00pm

AGRA General Membership Mtg.

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Sunday 11/07/04—7:00pm**DECEMBER MEETINGS**

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Sunday 11/12/04—7:00pm

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

Thank you.

Keith A. Carson

AGRA Secretary 2004

DECEMBER 2004**NEWSLETTER DEADLINE:****Friday Nov 26th, 2004****Send submissions to:****secretary@agra-phx.com****or mail to:****P.O. Box 40465 · Phoenix · AZ
85067-0465****FROM THE OFFICE OF THE SECRETARY**

Howdy Folks,



It is time to start thinking about your membership renewal. The dues for a General member are \$35.00 and for Champion member \$150.00.

All current members and prospective members are required to complete an application.

All current Board Members are required to submit an application with dues prior to November 1st in order to retain their positions on the Board of Directors.

Applications can be printed from our website www.agra-phx.com or picked up at the AGRA office just outside the office door. Remember, to be able to vote for the next Board of Directors you must renew your membership.

Nominations for the Board of Directors will be taken in the November 7th, 2004 General Membership Meeting.

The current Board of Directors positions, with the exception of the Trustee, are due to expire on January 31st, 2005. Your voice as a member is very important and your nominations will effect the next year. So be thinking of those people who have a forward looking eye for the future. Maybe you are the next President or Vice-President. If you wish to be part of the next Board of Directors and have the drive to see this great organization move forward, then don't forget to be at the November 7th, 2004 General Membership Meeting. "GET OUT THE VOTE".

Each month I encourage the membership to read the Branding Iron to see what is going on in the AGRA world. I also ask that each member be mindful that the BI is not just for the Board of Directors. This is a publication for the entire Rodeo community. If you have something to share with the members of AGRA then please send in your articles to secretary@agra-phx.com or to P.O. Box 40465, Phoenix, AZ 85067-0465.

This months hidden word is **SADDLE**. Don't forget, the first person to locate the hidden word and call me @ 602-509-7017 will win the two movie passes to Harkins Theatres a value of \$20.00.

Keith A. Carson

AGRA Secretary 2005



CONVENTION
DENVER, CO.
November 11-14, 2004



RoadRunner Regional Rodeo 2005 is rapidly approaching.

I am extremely happy to report that plans for an exciting fun filled weekend are developing like I have never experienced.

In my five month absence this past summer, the 2005 Rodeo Committee continued with rodeo business preparing for RRRR 05. My SINCERE THANKS goes out to the Committee for the outstanding job they have been doing. Plans are going extremely well and most areas are well ahead of the usual timeframe of years past. Panda Bear, Gary Hatterman, Ron Linblad and Ron Trusley have been WONDERFUL in keeping me informed of how well everyone is working and getting the necessary jobs done! It is unbelievable how everything essential is coming together. It is the work of this Committee that will show with another very successful Rodeo! Thanks again Committee! YOU ARE WONDERFUL!

*Sincerely,
Dan Iversen
2005 RRRR Rodeo Director*

From the office of the Rodeo Director

Hey folks it is getting closer to that time.....when all good things come together. We still have 3 buckles that need sponsorship. Please e-mail Gaylia, gaylia13@msn.com if you would like to be a sponsor. After reading the Branding Iron we received an e-mail from Mike Halle, he has offered to sponsor 2 of our Electric carts. Thanks Mike!

Hamburger Mary's has jumped on board as well, not only sponsoring one of our Wild Drag Buckles but also offered to give 10% coupons to the rodeo contestants, volunteers and staff. Thanks Braun and Curtis. We are still looking for someone to print our program, we are in touch with a couple of venues but would like more options. If you have anyone in mind, please pass it on...remember we are a non-profit organization and are looking forward to giving back to the community and the charities who have supported gay rodeo for the past 20 years.

There are so many folks to thank for supporting AGRA and we have only mentioned a few.....We also have Vendor booths available. Please contact Ken, kenm0204@yahoo.com for more info. If you would like to help in any other areas, we would like sponsorships for the Bull Fighter, Rodeo school program, Stock contractor, stalls, etc. Please check out the Web site for information.

Thanks again in advance for all your support.
"The Party Continues" and let's ROCK & ROLL.....

Dan Iversen/Rodeo Director
Ron Linblad/Assistant Rodeo Director
Panda Bear/Assistant Rodeo Director

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AGRA's IGRA ROYALTY

Miss IGRA 1st Runner-up 2003
 Pussy LeHoot

Miss IGRA 1st Runner-up 2004
 Lady Casondra

Mr. IGRA 1st Runner-up 2003
 Patrick Lose

Ms. IGRA 2nd Runner-up 2003

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Board of Directors Meeting @ Charlie's on the patio @ 7:00pm.



General Membership Meeting @ Charlie's on the dance floor @ 7:00pm.

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November 2004

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