

THE BRANDING IRON

SECRETARY REPORT



ARIZONA GAY RODEO ASSOCIATION

AGRA Secretary's Report
Branding Iron- May 2014

I'm happy to report a marked increase in our membership. We currently stand at 68 members, including six champion members. I'd like to wish a happy birthday to the following members who are celebrating this month:

May 4th Luke Ateraz
May 7th Jezi Mighway
May 7th Tim Dougherty
May 9th Michael Weidmann
May 16th Carlos Garcia
May 18th Todd Wyckoff

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Next Newsletter Deadline:
May 25th 2014

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Respectfully submitted,

Patrick Roe



TRUSTEE

Trustees' Report

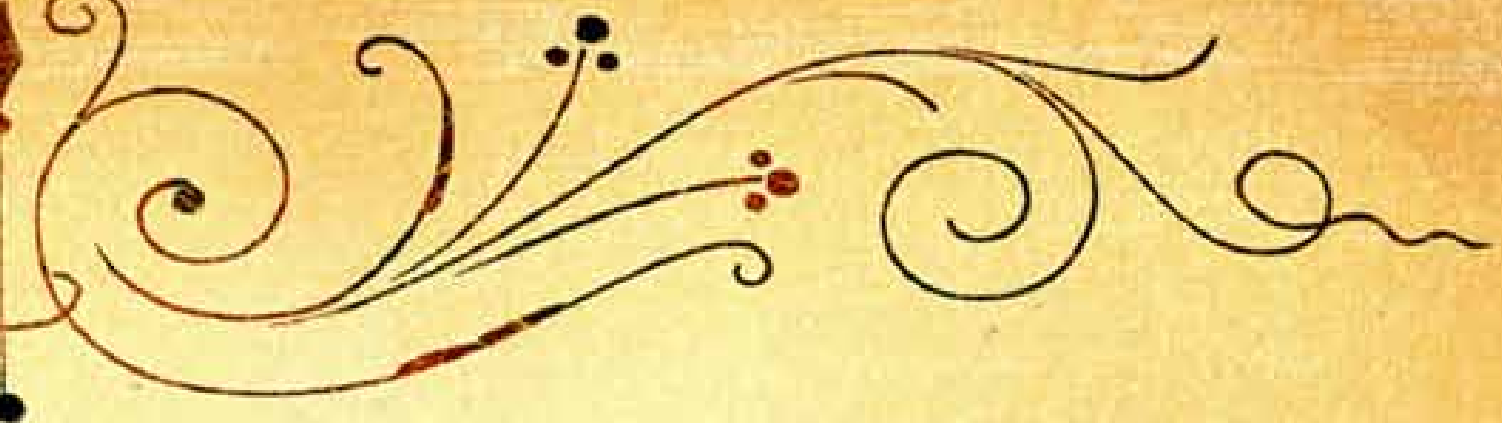
The Gay Games 9 Rodeo will be Sunday and Monday – August 10 and 11, 2014 in Akron, Ohio. The rodeo is not an actual part of the gay games, but it is a sanctioned IGRA rodeo. Entry fees are \$25.00 per event per day, and a \$50.00 deposit is required when registering. Late entries will be accepted, but a late fee will apply. The registration deadline is May 31, 2014.

Anyone can complete the “Official Gay Games General Registration” to participate in opening and closing ceremonies and receive a few other benefits, but there is a separate charge for this.

Go to www.igra.com or www.gaygamesrodeo.org for more information.

The World Gay Rodeo Finals Committee is looking for one person from each IGRA division to make sure interested people and businesses are aware of the sponsorship opportunities at the rodeo in October 2014. If you would be interested in taking on this task, contact Brian Helander at amazcowboy@cox.net.

Nominations are open for the “Wayne Jakino Western Lifestyle Award”. Per IGRA Standing Rule XVI – Section 4: “This award is to recognize one individual who is active within the IGRA community, promotes the Western lifestyle, adheres to the IGRA Code of Ethics and Sportsmanship, and shows enthusiasm for the IGRA mission statement. The Executive Board will select the recipient of this award.” Also, the award will be presented at the finals rodeo in October.



Also, nominations are open for Finals Rodeo Grand Marshals. There are three (3) categories:

Honorary Grand Marshal: An internationally known person or group that has made significant contributions to the global GBLT community within the past 10 years.

IGRA Grand Marshal: A member of IGRA that has made significant contributions to IGRA within the last 10 years.

Community Hero: A non-member of IGRA that has made significant community contributions within any IGRA association's territory within the last 10 years.

AGRA may make nominations, or any individual may make nominations. There is a nomination form that must be completed for each nominee and signed by the association trustee. Nominations close May 16, 2014; the finals committee will make a recommendation to the IGRA Board; selection of grand marshals will be announced in the July 11, 2014 IGRA Board Meeting; and grand marshals will be recognized at the finals rodeo in October 2014 in Fort Worth, Texas.

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PUBLIC RELATIONS

Hello AGRA-

AGRA was represented at the beginning of April at Phoenix Pride! The entire Royalty Team came together and where part of the Pride Parade! AGRA was greeted by the spectators with a lot of cheers and applause!

AGRA was also named Best Sporting Event at the Echo Readers Choice Awards Gala! Thank you to everyone that voted.

Be sure to join us on May 3rd for Pussy LeHoots Annual Chile Verde Show on the patio at 9pm! This is one of our annual fundraisers for AGRA. Jello Shots, \$1 Drafts, and more!

AGRA 2014 Royalty Team...

We are continuing our quest to reach the IGRA Royalty competition in October! Here are a few of our up coming events:

May 1-5 th Palm Springs Rodeo
May 8 -11th Las Vegas Rodeo
May 23rd Cash Inn AGRA Fundraiser 8pm
May 25th Apollos AGRA Fundraiser 8pm

Look for more upcoming events!

We are humbled and excited to make all of our AGRA Family Proud.

Have a great May!

Todd M Wyckoff
Public Relations

TREASURER REPORT

March : Balance Sheet	
Total Assets	\$27,105.32
Checking	\$27,105.32
CD	\$0
Non Rodeo	\$2,365.91
Rodeo	\$2,984.29
Year to Date 2014 Rodeo Net Income	\$19,042.40
Rodeo	
Income:	Expenses:
Sponsorships \$7000	Equipment \$122.65
Bar Income \$1493.71	Contestant Prize Money \$100
	Bar Expense \$4936.34
	Arena \$220.43
	Sound & Lighting \$130
Non-Rodeo	
Income:	Expenses:
Membership Due \$885	Bank & Credit Card Exp \$462.76
Fundrasers \$2056	General Expenses \$113.33
April : Balance Sheet	
Total Assets	\$26,698.06
Checking	\$26,698.06
CD	\$0
Non Rodeo	(\$253.00)
Rodeo	\$0.00
Year to Date 2014 Rodeo Net Income	\$19,042.40
Non-Rodeo	
Income:	Expenses:
Membership Due \$125	Bank & Credit Card Exp \$78.19
Fundraisers \$150	General Expenses \$300
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