



BRANDING IRON

October 2015

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President's Report

Hello AGRA Members! Fall is here and hopefully the sun will continue to shine but cooler temperatures will be in our near future. In case you have not heard October 9-11 is IGRA's World Gay Rodeo Finals hosted at South Point Arena in Las Vegas, Nevada. Good luck to all the contestants competing! A big shout out to our own Mipsey Michaels Miss AGRA 2015, Jeffrey Smitt Mr. AGRA 2015 and Rusty Bolts MiSter AGRA 2015 as they compete for the respective IGRA titles this weekend as well. Safe travels to all of the spectators, volunteers, and contestants! Feel free to share your photos on the AGRA Facebook page to help keep those of us who cant make it up to date!

Just a reminder that in our October membership meeting we will be taking nominations for our Trustee position which is a 3 year term beginning in January 2016. During our November meeting is when we will vote on the nominees.

I hope you all have a SPOOKTACULAR HALLOWEEN!

Thank you,

Todd M Wyckoff
AGRA President

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AGRA Shirts are now available for order! They are a rust color long sleeve cotton button down shirt that the membership voted on in our monthly membership meeting. If you are interested in purchasing one please contact:

Gabriel Medellin at gmedellin78@gmail.com

The cost of each shirt is:

\$33.50	Sizes Small to XL
\$35.50	2XL
\$37.50	3XL
\$5.00 Extra charge for	Name on shirt

Todd M wyckoff
AGRA President

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Vice President's Report

Greetings from parts unknown,

Since I haven't been in town much since the first week in August.

We're prepping for our Royalty Team to compete at Finals, everyone has made their prerequisites and are going to attend World Gay Rodeo Finals in Las Vegas.

We are accepting royalty contestant applications and will be getting things going for the 2016 Royalty Team.

That's all for now!

Michael Brent
A.G.R.A. Vice President.

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Trustee's Report

I have very little to report for this month. I want to wish Jeffrey Smit (Mr AGRA), Mipsy Mikels (Miss AGRA) and Rusty Bolts (MsTer AGRA) good luck as they compete in the 2016 IGRA Royalty Competition at the World Gay Rodeo Finals in Las Vegas. I am sure they will represent AGRA very well.

I do not know all of the AGRA contestants who received an invitation to compete in the 2015 World Gay Rodeo Finals and who accepted the invitation. But, for those competing, I wish each of them much success.

Greg Begay was the only AGRA contestant who placed in the top 8 in any events at the Bay Area Rodeo held in early September. Greg's placings include:

Breakaway Roping	1 st place Saturday
Barrel Racing	2 nd place Sunday
Pole Bending	8 th place Saturday
Flag Race	2 nd place Sunday
Team Roping	1 st place Saturday & Sunday Buckle
Steer Decorating	5 th place Saturday
Wild Drag Race	5 th place Sunday
Goat Dressing	1 st place Sunday

Greg was also the 2nd Runner-Up to All-Around Cowboy.

Ron Trusley, AGRA Trustee

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Treasurer's Report

August: Balance Sheet

Total Assets	\$15,419.96
Checking	\$15,419.96
CD	\$0
Non Rodeo	(\$775.78)
Rodeo	(\$8,833.27)
Year to Date 2015 Rodeo Net Income	\$0.00
<u>Rodeo</u>	-
Income:	Expenses:
	Charity Donations \$8833.27
<u>Non-Rodeo</u>	-
Income:	Expenses:
Membership Dues \$125	Bank & Credit Card Exp \$128.30
Fundraisers \$1276.27	Rainbows Festival \$370
	Royalty Contestant Fee \$300
	Membership Dues \$600
	Website \$180
	Telephone \$73.75
	Tax Preperation \$150

September: Balance Sheet

Total Assets	\$15,241.80
Checking	\$15,241.80
CD	\$0
Non Rodeo	(\$178.16)
Rodeo	\$0.00
Year to Date 2016 Rodeo Net Income	\$0.00
<u>Rodeo</u>	-
Income:	Expenses:
<u>Non-Rodeo</u>	-
Income:	Expenses:
Membership Dues \$50	Bank & Credit Card Exp \$128.30
Fundraisers \$480	Telephone \$74.86
	Royalty \$305
	Sponsorship \$200

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Secretary's Report

Happy October to all our wonderful members:

Our organization is currently 169 strong, and growing. I'm happy to report I will be in Las Vegas for the Final's Rodeo, as I understand, a number of other AGRA members will be. It should be a great time, and I'm excited to attend my first Final's Rodeo.

I'd like to wish happy birthday to the following AGRA members with a special day in the month of October

Oct 2 nd	Armando	Oct 21st	Daniel
Oct 3rd	Mike S.	Oct 22nd	Richard
Oct 4th	Michael Butts	Oct 23rd	Jeff Davis
Oct 6th	Lenin Herrera	Oct 26th	Doug Holmes
Oct 9th	Alex		
Oct 9th	Robert B.	Oct 27th	Jennifer Trent
Oct 10th	Jeff	Oct 28th	Richard Merritt
Oct 10th	Tita	Oct 29th	Angel
Oct 12th	Bob	Oct 30th	Michael
Oct 16th	Sharon Starks	Oct 30th	Alex Gomez
Oct 17th	Michael	Oct 31st	Jeff
Oct 18th	Chris Kerr	Oct 31st	Ruben Contreras
Oct 18th	Mark Kaelber		

Respectfully submitted,

Patrick Roe

A.G.R.A. Secretary

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Fundraiser Director's Report

Howdy all,

Raised \$239 on September 12th at Rainbow Cactus.

Thank you for the AGRA members who came out and supported AGRA.

Thank you Rainbow Cactus for allowing us to host this event at your establishment.

Michael Butts
Mipsy Mikels Miss AGRA 2015
Fundraiser Director

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Public Relations Director Report

Hello all,

I hope you all have had a fabulous October. I look forward in the weeks to come to reach out to the community and create a business relationship with several more businesses in obtaining sponsors for our 31st annual Arizona Gay Rodeo.

We have a booth for Rainbows Festival for the weekend of October 17-18 if you would like to volunteer your time in helping me man the booth please contact me. I will be there both days. My contact information is listed below.

If any of you members know of any business, organization, or individual that would like to become a sponsor please let me know.

Thank You,

Carlos L. Rodriguez

A.G.R.A. Public Relations Director

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Jeffrey Smit

Miss AGRA 2015
Mipsey Michaels
AKA Michael Butts

Mistr AGRA 2015
Rusty Bolts
AKA Sharon Starks

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