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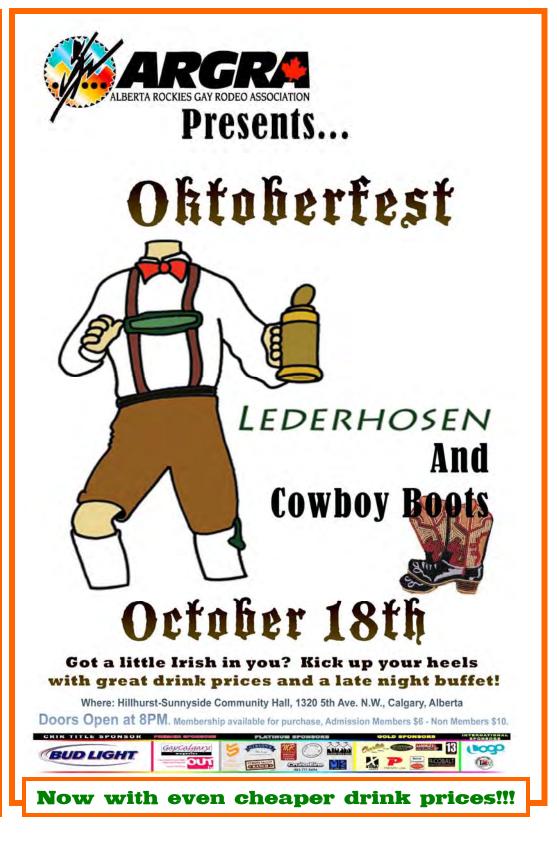
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### A Letter from the Rodeo Director

Howdy Cowgirls and Cowboys,

I'm honoured to have been

voted in as your 2008/2009 Rodeo Director. I'd like to start out with a big thank you to all the members who attended the AGM in September, without your ongoing support and commitment we wouldn't be as strong as we are. ARGRA is a great organization that is respected and envied throughout the IGRA circuit and that speaks volumes to the dedication of our membership and volunteers.

I've been an ARGRA member since 1998, a competitor since 1999 and I joined the CRIR Rodeo Committee in 2003. The western lifestyle that ARGRA actively supports is what initially drew me to them but it's the "people" of ARGRA that have kept me here. If you want to meet people and make new friends ARGRA is the place to be! I have worked on several volunteer committees over the years and am truly amazed by the dedication of this group. It takes a lot of hard work to pull off monthly dances as well as an annual rodeo and again I would like to say thank you to everyone for the ongoing support.

I am following in the footsteps of some wonderful and talented past Rodeo Directors and with that in mind I hope to hit the ground running. I have attended my first Executive meeting and held my first Rodeo Committee meeting and we are all well on the way to putting on another FABULOUS year.

If you are interested in getting more involved with ARGRA or the Rodeo Committee please feel free to drop me a line at <u>rodeodirector@argra.org</u>. The more involved you become the more fun you will have, and that is definitely the focus of this group.

Happy Trails, Janie







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VOLUNTEER APPRECIATION DANCE Saturday September 27, 2008







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### Laugh, it suits you!

"You don't need a wireless microphone to say "and the winner is!" says one board member to another. It's comic relief and laughter in the middle of an intense meeting, "you're not J Lo and you are not getting a headset!"

Sometimes the comedy writes itself, and fortunately it seems that ARGRA is made up of a funny bunch of people. Cowboys in drag mounting wild cows...I mean COME ON!!! It's hilarious! Picture Gracie-Lou Freebush...a girl of substance and class...up one side and down the other of a big horned steer and the

announcer saying, in the ways of Mr. Miagi from Karate Kid "Freebush on, Freebush off!"



Where else would your common yard variety flamingos be turned into a beautiful classic fountain,



going on to win "Best Campsite in its class" launching the creators into fame, glory and riches? No where else but with ARGRA. Here's а challenge...think of an event where pancake batter is used as an effective weapon for rowdy crowd control. Did anybody come up with anything besides an ARGRA function?

I'd love to hear from you if you did, that's my kind of party!!!

As Membership Director, I'm charged with being your voice at the ARGRA executive level. I'd love to hear how we can be your 1980's teen classic movie or fountain of flamingos. What makes it fun and what makes you laugh?

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Billy Loiselle - ARGRA Membership Director



2008/2009 Executive (Back L-R) Alec Massee / Janie Van Santen / Al Comadina / Heather Murray (Middle L-R) Ross Scarrett / Darrel Reid / Billy Loiselle (Front L-R) Judy Munson / Pierre Cadieux / Rob Somers

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