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October 1986

FROM THE PRESIDENT & VICE PRESIDENT

Once again it is time to thank everyone for a job well done. The CGRA membership came through with flying colors during the recent IGRA Convention and Awards Ceremony. All of our out of town guests were made to feel extremely welcome, and once again had an enjoyable time in Denver. Our own Mr., Ms., and Miss representatives did extremely well. Gary Oliver was awarded with the title of "Mr. IGRA", and Jeanie Nelson the title of "Ms. IGRA". Mike "Aai" Fregia received runner up to the "Miss IGRA" title. Congratulations Gary, Jeanie, and Mike! Since the reign of Gary, Jeanie, and Mike as Mr., Ms., and Miss CGRA 1986 is now over, we are looking for representatives for the 1987 year. Competition will be held in conjunction with the Fall Gymkhana which is scheduled for Sunday, October 19, 1986 at Rich and Danny's. Saturday, October 18, 1986 will feature the preliminary stages of the judging (personality and western wear, and the Miss talent) at Charlie's starting at 7:00pm. Horsemanship will be held in conjunction with the Gymkhana, along with the announcement of the winners. There will also be another chili cook off at Sunday's Gymkhana with a cash prize for first place. We hope to see everyone at the Gymkhana. Remember, it will be our last one before the snow falls (hopefully).

Thanks to everyone who participated in the many rules and by-law meetings in preparation for the IGRA Convention. Colorado had many constructive changes to suggest. The 1987 Rodeo Year begins November 15-16 in Dallas. We hope to see everyone there. Even though our rodeo isn't until May, now is the time to start the preparation to ensure that we surpass our phenomenal results of last year. Become involved early, we need your help!

Richard & Michael

DATE FOR NOVEMBER GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING CHANGED

The November General Membership meeting has been changed to Thursday, November 6, 1986 to accomodate those attending the Texas Rodeo. The meeting will begin at 8:00pm at Charlie's. Hope to see everyone on the 6th!

MEMBERSHIP INFORMATION

CGRA is dedicated to the furtherment of rodeo and country western related events. Membership is open to anyone, barring all prejudices. There is an initiation fee of \$20, and monthly dues of only \$4. General Membership Meetings are held at 8:00 pm the second Thursday of each month at Charlie's, 7900 East Colfax Avenue.

FROM THE MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE

We have started the new year with seven new members: Hal Baker, Carey Blackburn, Tommy "Coco" Channel, Dan Daniel, Ron Dyer, Scott Rhoades, and Pat Wilson. Hal and Pat were previously members and are now able to rejoin us. Each year we have many people join us to help and enjoy our Rocky Mountain Regional Rodeo, let's see if we can get some of these people to join as regular members.

On the subject of dues... Please make all payments by check or money order. This is for your own records as well as ours. Anyone whose dues are three months in arrears will be listed as inactive. To again become an active member you must pay all back dues, up to six months. After six months, you will have the option of paying back dues or submitting a new membership application and fee (\$20). After six months you will be dropped from the membership records.

Starting next month we will put a reminder in the newsletter on dues that will expire at the end of the month. I would also like to extend a special thank you to Dick Bower for his support and offering assistance in setting up computer records, and Bill Blazek for being the first to join the membership committee. Hope to see everyone at the next General Membership Meeting.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

The Gymkhana is well under way with the Mr., Ms., and Miss Competition as a new highlight. Competition in the areas of Personality, Western Dress, and "Miss" talent along with some special entertainment will be held Saturday, October 18th at Charlie's starting at 8:00 pm. The Gymkhana will be held Sunday, October 19th and feature horse and people events along with the Mr. and Ms. Horsemanship Competition. Following the Gymkhana we will have a pot luck and chili cook off along with an announcement of the Gymkhana winners and the Mr., Ms., and Miss representatives for 1987. For additional information on the Mr., Ms., and Miss Contest please contact John Mason at 320-6728; for additional information on the Gymkhana please contact John Beck at 286-8938.

October 18 (Saturday) CGRA Mr., Ms., and Miss Competition at Charlie's, 8:00 pm.  
October 19 (Sunday) CGRA Fall Gymkhana & Potluck at Rich & Danny's, 10451 Weld County Road #14 1/2, Ft. Lupton, 12:00 pm.  
October 20 (Monday) Denver Country Cloggers host Bronco & Jets Game along with a \$3 Beer Bust at Charlie's, 7-10 pm.  
November 1 (Saturday) CGRA & Denver Country Cloggers Club Night At Mike's, 3-6 pm.  
November 1 (Saturday) Deadline for CGRA Poster Contest  
November 6 (Thursday) CGRA General Membership Meeting at Charlie's, 8:00 pm  
November 13-14-15-16 Third Annual Texas Gay Rodeo, Dallas, Texas.

John Beck & John Mason

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### CGRA POSTER CONTEST - CASH PRIZE \$100

Put your artistic talent to work for the 5th Annual Rocky Mountain Regional Rodeo Poster Contest. The theme should be western in nature and incorporate the RMR Logo (branding iron). The deadline will be November 1, 1986. A \$100 cash prize will be awarded to the winning entry. Submit all entries to Charlie's, 7900 East Colfax.

"Miski"

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### NEW IGRA OFFICERS ELECTED

New officers for The International Gay Rodeo Association were elected during the September Convention held in Denver. They are: Les Kraabel (Oklahoma), President, Gerald Ford (Texas), Vice President, Dave Watkins (California), Secretary, and Eddie Kline (California), Treasurer. We would like to extend our thanks and "congratulations on a job well done" to the founding and retiring IGRA President, Wayne Jakino (Colorado). Thanks Wayne, you got us off to an excellent start!

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### TEXAS RODEO INFORMATION

The Third Annual Texas Gay Rodeo will be held November 13-16, 1986 in Dallas, Texas. General Admission is \$12 per day. "Early Bird Special" - Buy tickets for the Friday Dance and Saturday/Sunday Rodeo prior to November 1 for a cut rate of \$22. To purchase tickets to TGRA, PO Box 66973, Suite 1194, Houston, TX 77006. Contestant entry fees are \$15 per person, per day, per event. Entry fees must be paid in full no later than November 1, 1986. Late entries will be accepted until midnight, November 14, 1986. A late entry fee of \$15 per application after November 1, 1986. The Host Hotel will be the Holiday Inn, 195 Market Ctr. Blvd., Dallas, (214) 747-9551. Rates are \$40 per room per day; 4 people per room (must mention TGRA). For more information call (214) 827-4438 or (214) 827-6433.

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