

REMINDERS:

- Bar Crawl
FRIDAY, July 1st
TBA at Charlie's
- GALA Show
SUNDAY, July 3rd
7 pm BJ's Carousal
- CGRA Show
WEDNESDAY, July 6th
Charlie's
- General Membership meeting
THURSDAY July 7th,
8pm at Charlie's
- RMRR #23
July 8th, 9th & 10th
JeffCo
- Royalty Show
SUNDAY, June 31st
7pm BJ's Carousal

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Ready Or Not, Here We Come

Remember when we were kids, standing behind the old cottonwood tree, counting ever so patiently to 10, peeking every chance we got, so we could scream "Ready or not, here I come!" then race to find our friends in their favorite hiding places? That count to 10 seemed to take an eternity to elapse.

Now that we are all a little older, some a bit wiser, and our hiding places have had to get bigger, one thing has remained constant, the passage of time. The 10 clicks of the clock took just as long then as they do now. Why in the world does time fly so fast now? It seems like only yesterday, we were wrapping up RMRR 22 and breathing a big sigh of relief.

Here we are again, just days away

from number 23, scrambling to find the hidden, last minute



Oh to be a kid again!

pieces in the hiding place that was obvious way back when, but now escape us completely.

If only life were as easy for us big kids as it seems to be for the little ones. If our only care in the world was remembering how to count to 10, and remembering our buddies favorite hiding place, putting on a successful rodeo would be a piece of cake year after year.

What is it that makes life more difficult as we get older? What makes time fly the way it does? Why does the rodeo weekend arrive faster and faster every year?

Only one thing remains the same in this world, the passage of time! If only we could stand behind that old cottonwood tree again, shouting "READY OR NOT, HERE WE COME!!!"

Letter from our President

It's rodeo time here in Colorado and we are getting ready to host our 23rd Annual Rocky Mountain Regional Rodeo. I would like to wish all Contestant, Royalty, Spectators and Volunteers a fun and exciting weekend.

Everyone has worked very hard to make this event one we will all remember. I want thank you for your dedication and support. We still have a lot of work ahead of us, and need your help so please if you are interested, contact any board member for more information.

Thank you to everyone who was involved in the PrideFest parade and helped CGRA make a huge presence. Thanks to Ken, Dennis and Roger C. for heading up the Float and Horses, Mary, Sheri and Ty for lending the truck and trailer, Horse riders, rodeo clowns and everyone who took part in the parade. I believe everyone did a great job promoting CGRA and Rodeo. On July 6th CGRA members will be hosting a show at Charlies, this is a kick off for RMRR23. Beer Bust/Liquor bust from 8-11 and show at 9.

Please come out and support CGRA as we raise money to help offset the cost of producing this event.

The July General Membership meeting has been moved to July 7th, 8 p.m. at Charlies.

Have a fun and Safe 4th of July weekend and look forward to seeing you at rodeo. Lets Rodeo!!!!

Vince Montez
CGRA President
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Royalty Row



Rebecca Tucker, Miss CGRA 2005, Kimberly Kay, Ms. CGRA 2005, and Rich Valdez, Mr. CGRA 2005.

North Star Regional Rodeo

Minneapolis-St. Paul,
Minnesota
July 1st, 2nd, & 3rd

Canadian Rockies International Rodeo

Calgary, Alberta
July 1st, 2nd, & 3rd

Rocky Mountain Regional Rodeo

Denver, Colorado
July 8th, 9th, & 10th

Southern Spurs Rodeo

Atlanta, Georgia
July 22nd, 23rd, & 24th



Howdy! Can you believe it is already July?! It is hard to believe our reign is half over. We are looking forward to RMRR 23, July 8th, 9th, 10th, and hosting the out of town royalty, cowboys and cowgirls. Make sure you stop by the entertainment tent on Friday after registration for a special show. We will be featuring our visiting royalty as well as many of the top entertainers in Denver. And of course there will be a lot of hot cowboys and cowgirls in wranglers! The Royalty team sends out a great big CONGRATULATION to the CGRA cowboys and cowgirls that participated and took home ribbons and buckles from the Albuquerque rodeo. Thanks for representing our organization and making us proud!!!

Did we have fun on the float for Pridefest, or what! That was an exciting day! Thanks

to Ken Pool for coordinating the building of the float and to all who volunteered and sweated the details in actually putting it together. Next year we need to install a seat belt for Cheney's horse!

Thanks to all of you for your support of our charity partners. Without you, we would not be able to meet our goals in assisting these great organizations. Don't forget, on July 3rd, to join GALA and CGRA as they host the first Sunday night show at BJs. The show will start at 7pm and will benefit both CGRA and GALA. This is an open show, so all performers are welcome.

We will be holding our Out-of-Town Royalty Show on Friday, July 8th at Jefferson County Fairgrounds. The show will start at 6pm, and it will continue throughout Registration and last until 11pm. We will be having dance breaks through-

out the evening to allow everyone time to dance. If you are interested in performing that evening, please contact one of the Royalty Team members. Keep your eyes peeled for more information on our Golf Tournament being held on August 14, 2005. Proceeds from the tournament will benefit Chesney-Kleinjohn Housing, Medicine Horse Program, and Matthew Shepard Foundation. We will be hosting a charity golf tournament on August 14th at Willis Case Golf Course. If you would like more information about the tournament, you can contact Kimberley Kay at cgracowgirl@aol.com.

See ya at the rodeo!

Rich Valdez, Mr CGRA 2005
Kimberley Kay, Ms CGRA 2005
Rebecca Tucker, Miss CGRA 2005

Trustee Times

What a fun time we had at Pride this year. I must start by saying thank you to those that helped build the float on Saturday. Larry, Doug, Dennis, Gia and myself spent all day Saturday building the float which was a big success. Please say thanks to these folks as you see them. They didn't build the float for themselves, they built it for you so please let them know they are appreciated.

Regards,
Ken Pool

Northern Outreach

The BOD is gearing up for RMRR #23. Thanks to everyone who has volunteered for this year's rodeo. I would like to extend a personal invitation to everyone in the Northern Region to attend RMRR #23. It is sure to be a blast!

There is much more to do in preparation for RMRR #23. I hope to see everyone there. Roger Japp

Words from the Vice President

Hello everyone
Well it's that time of year again when CGRA has the privilege of putting on Rocky Mountain Regional Rodeo 23. I would like to thank everyone who has volunteered to help us out, We can't do it without you!! With that said, We are still looking for a few good men and women to help us out in some positions. We still have time slots open in the evening for Script sales, after noon with Silent auction, open for Kitchen counter help and a few positions for Arena crew and

Chute crew. If you are interested please let me know, or if you want you can be at Jefferson county Fairgrounds Friday night at registration from 6:00 pm to 9:00 pm and sign up there, and catch the Royalty show at the same time. It would be greatly appreciated. Remember if you do decide to volunteer for a couple of hours you get in to the rest of the rodeo for free. (something to think about). Above all else please come out and have a good time. I would like to take this time to thank our board of direc-

tors and everyone else who has worked so hard to put this rodeo on, from fundraisers to negotiations, planning and everything in between I think we all have done a great job and I for one am very proud of our organization. Once again please think about volunteering and bring a friend, I know you will have a great experience.

SEE YOU AT RODEO!!!!!!

Quentin Sims
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In order to remain an active member, your dues must be paid by the last day of the month your membership expires. If not paid, you will become inactive causing your membership information to be removed from the CGRA database. Please let me know of any address changes. If you need a nametag please make sure to get in touch with me so I can order it for you, lost names tags will cost you the replacement fees.

Memberships Expired and are now considered INACTIVE:

- ◆ Vela, Jim
- ◆ Richmond, Matt
- ◆ Carrillo, John
- ◆ Scott, Tom
- ◆ Barker, Chris
- ◆ Cobb, Tim
- ◆ Aragon, Anthony
- ◆ John, James
- ◆ Korzen, Michael
- ◆ Goldman, Randy
- ◆ Shaw, Jeffrey

Memberships up for renewal in July :

- ◆ Bara, Richard
- ◆ Bond-Profirio, Graham
- ◆ Brandon, Mark
- ◆ Carnes, Jim
- ◆ Crook, Kathy
- ◆ Daniels, Chris
- ◆ Delgado, Cesar
- ◆ Dennis, Justin
- ◆ Dice, Brent
- ◆ Eastment, Tony
- ◆ Elfren, Roger
- ◆ Eryn
- ◆ Ghent, Linda

- ◆ Gonzales, Robert
- ◆ Gracik, Jeff
- ◆ Horn, Jeffrey
- ◆ Howerton, Michael
- ◆ Hurd, Bob
- ◆ Kaplan, Fred
- ◆ Kissack, Earl
- ◆ Locke, John
- ◆ Martin, William
- ◆ Polley, Jonelle
- ◆ Profirio-Bond, James
- ◆ Read, Tommy
- ◆ Ross, Ryan
- ◆ Saxon, Bob
- ◆ Schmidt, Mark

- ◆ Sinnett, Andrea
- ◆ Swanson, Keith
- ◆ Tear, Doug
- ◆ Teigen, Ty
- ◆ Villarini, Michael
- ◆ Vrooman, Michael
- ◆ Witman, Brooke
- ◆ Wolf, Baker Alexander
- ◆ Wright, Augusta

Memberships up for renewal in August :

- ◆ Thorstad, Jim
- ◆ Clouch, Cheney

If you have questions concerning membership please feel free to contact Doug Edwards. If your membership is up or coming up for renewal and you would like for him to meet with you to pick it up he would be more than willing to do that.
 dledwards49@comcast.net
 You may also mail your membership to

CGRA
PO Box 18728,
Denver, Co 80218.

Rodeo Director

Hello Members
 All of CGRA, myself included, is very very busy planning a success for RMRR #23. I will keep this month's letter brief as I have hundreds of phone calls that need to be made.
 Be sure to thank any Bud Light representative that you see on the rodeo grounds over the weekend. The rodeo could not happen without them.
 Also, should you find yourself wanting to stay active over the rodeo weekend, we can always use your help. Volunteers are always needed!

Thanks
 Roger Courtemanche

Entertainment

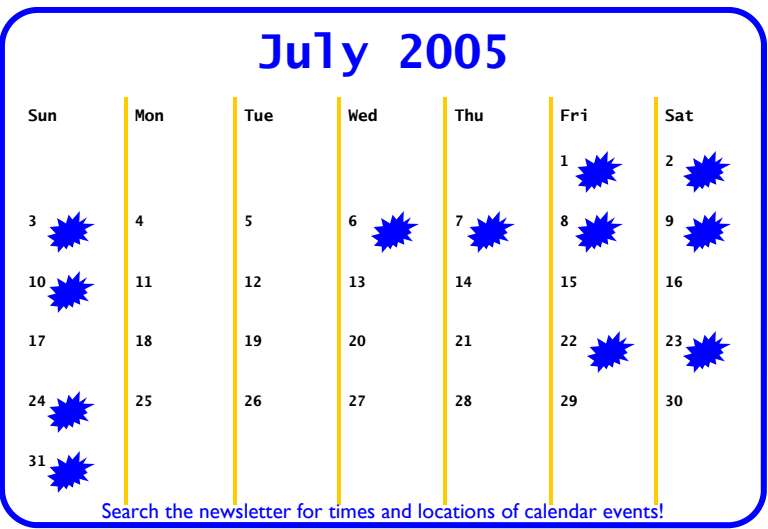
Hello Everyone!
 Entertainment!
 We are looking for entertainers for Rocky Mountain Regional Rodeo #23. We have 25 slots for Saturday July 9th and 30 slots for Sunday July 10th. If you, or anyone you know, would like to entertain please sign up on Friday July 8th from 6:00pm to 9:00pm at Jefferson County Fairgrounds. Entertainment under the Big Top Tent will start both days at 1:00pm. Time slots will be on a first come first serve basis. Keep in mind that entertaining does not mean free admission to the Rodeo. CGRA is a 501C3 non-profit


and our Rodeo is for charity. Please come on out and show off your talent.

In order to move the Rodeo along we are trying something new this year. All in town bars, businesses, organizations, royalty and visiting dignitaries will be announced from the stands throughout the day. Grand Entry will be limited to CGRA and IGRA board and Royalty as well as out-of-state Rodeo Associations. Protocol for announcing bars, businesses, organizations, royalty and dignitaries will also be taken on Friday night from 6:00pm to 9:00pm

at Jefferson County Fairgrounds. So any bar, business and/or organization that wishes to be announced please sign up on Friday night. We ask that you make your announcement as fun and memorable as possible as you scream, yell, cheer and let all people in stands know you are there. Feel free to hand out any information or fun items that will make you stand out above the rest.

For questions regarding these items please contact RJ Lobato at 303-322-4424. Let's Rodeo!



 **Colorado Gay Rodeo Association**


Presents

Out of The Chutes To
Rocky Mountain
Regional Rodeo 23

Wed July 6th at Charlie's
Show - 8pm
Beer/Liquor Bust 8-11 pm

ALL Entertainers Welcome

Benefiting - CGRA
(Rocky Mtn Reg Rodeo)



Public Relations

Hello Everyone

Exciting things are happening all around us everyday. The most exciting being RMRR #23. This year is sure to be a huge success. We have had a very large advertising campaign this year which is sure to draw a crowd. If you haven't seen the ads in Out-Front Colorado or h-ink so far, make sure to pick up a copy and check them out. They are sure to be an eye stopper as you thumb through the magazines.

This year I have been approached by several photo journalists wishing to partake of all that our rodeo has to offer a camera lens. As you see these folks working about the

rodeo grounds, stop, smile pretty, and enjoy being in the spotlight. Who knows, you might just be a cover girl before you know it.

I have also contacted all major television stations, newspapers and country radio stations in and around the Denver area extending an invitation to them to cover our event. As you see these folks, please thank them for being at RMRR 23 and put your best foot (or camera pose) forward as this is what the rest of the world sees in our community. As you may well know, we passed out 4,500 coupons at the Pride parade last Sunday. This is sure to draw newcomers to the ro-

deo, and even give the "old hats" a break on admission.

Should you have any PR suggestions, don't hesitate to contact me at the e-mail below. I would love to hear from you!

Until then.....LET'S RODEO!

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Alert

The state of Colorado is one of only two states in the union that does not have an identity theft law protecting its citizens. Here are the facts:

- ◆ 1 in 4 Coloradoans will have their identities stolen this year.
- ◆ The majority of identities are stolen without the victim's knowledge.
- ◆ There is no way to prevent an identity from being stolen.
- ◆ It is a misconception that credit card loss and internet transactions are the only ways an identity is stolen.
- ◆ Everyone's identity is at risk of being stolen at any time.

For more information about the fastest growing crime in Colorado, visit www.IDTheftRisk.com.

JC McDonald, a fellow CGRA member, works closely with the leading risk consulting firm in the world in an effort to protect individuals from this epidemic. If you are interested in protecting yourself or would like more information contact Mr. McDonald at the number below.

Additionally, JC has agreed to donate to CGRA a portion of the proceeds from every Identity Theft Shield enrollment.

JC McDonald
303-360-5505

Voluntary company benefit packages are also available, at no cost to the company.

ID Theft
What Everyone Needs To Know:

- ☑ 1 in 4 Coloradans will lose their identity this year.
- ☑ Most people don't know when or if it has happened.
- ☑ It is an epidemic that will affect everyone.

www.IDTheftRisk.com

Protect yourself and your significant other with one call.

303-360-5505
JC McDonald - Identity Theft Risk Specialist

"Justice For All"