

CGRA Newsletter

AUGUST 2005

REMINDERS:

- General Membership meeting
THURSDAY August 11th, 8pm at Charlie's
- Royalty Team Charity Golf Scramble
SUNDAY August 14th, Willis Case Golf Course
- Gymkhana
SUNDAY August 14th 10 am at JeffCo

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SUCCESS

S is for the Sweat we all lost in the planning process.

U is for the Underwear we bought for the goat.

C is for Charlie's where met and planned throughout the year.

C is for the Commotion at the fairgrounds.

E is for the Excitement we all felt as the rodeo neared.

S is for the Stands, packed both days.

S is for the Sigh of relief we all breathed when another great rodeo was over!!!

Yes, that is how you spell success. What a great rodeo!!!

Letter from our President

CGRA Members, What a great Rodeo! To make a rodeo a success takes a whole lot of volunteers and many hours of dedication. Congratulations to everyone who helped make this event a huge success. I would like to send a special thank you to the individuals in our community for offering their assistance. I would have to say that this was a memorable and fun rodeo. I believe everyone felt the rodeo was exciting, the midway was fun and the food was good. So, congratulation again to everyone who took some part in helping produce one of Den-

Words simply cannot express how happy we at CGRA are that we were able to host another near perfect rodeo this year.

Contestants from all over North America were in attendance and



The 2005 CGRA Board of Directors

not a single complaint was heard out of any of them.

Hats off to the volunteers who tirelessly worked behind the scenes to keep our rodeo running smoothly. The board of

directors at CGRA would like to extend our most heartfelt thanks to you for everything that you have done and continue to do for us. Without people like you, our rodeo would be a failure every year, rather than the huge success it is.

RMRR is not possible without so take a second to pat yourself on the back!

Okay, now that you are back and no serious arm sprains, lets buckle down and get cracking on next years rodeo. Its only 11 months away and the planning must begin now so we can make RMRR 24 a huge S-U-C-C-E-S-S!

ver largest and most fun events of the year. Rich, Kimberley, Cathy, Buddy, Quentin and I all met in Colorado Springs to represent CGRA at their Gay Pride Parade. We had a good time and the crowd accepted us with an overwhelming response. Thank you everyone for your participation. (Please ignore any photos you see, I have now realized I am not as petite as I thought. HAHA!!!)

Okay so I can't count! I have been talking about this year being our 25th anniversary and planning some kind of celebra-

tion in September. Well, I have been corrected (AGAIN!!!). I am one year off and next year is our 25th, so no celebration party until next year.

Please be sure to look at the Calendar for upcoming events. Our next General Membership Meeting will be on August 11th, 8 pm at Charlies, I hope to see you there and please if you have any questions or concerns, contact me.

Sincerely,
Vince Montez
CGRA President
President@CGRA.net

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

Royalty Row

Thank you to everyone who came out and supported us at RMRR 23! We had an incredible turnout and we couldn't have been as successful without the assistance from the community. For those of you who came out and just watched or those that came out and volunteered, thank you!!!!!! We started off the weekend with an "Out-of-state" Royalty show at the Fairgrounds on Friday night -- we had great entertainers from Denver and

Colorado Springs join us as well. What a great kick-off to a very successful Rodeo! Thank you to all of the entertainers who performed throughout the weekend --- you did an outstanding job. Please join us on Sunday, July 31, 2005, for a 7pm show at BJs. We will be holding a fundraiser for the CGRA Royalty Team charities. Also, keep in mind, August 14, 2005, when the Royalty Team will be hosting a Golf Tournament at

Willis Case golf course. If interested in participating or sponsoring please contact any team member. You can also send us email from the CGRA website -- www.cgra.net. We wish all of our family traveling to out-of-state Rodeos safe travel and we wish you all the best of luck. Rich Valdez, Mr. CGRA 2005 Kimberly Kay, Ms. CGRA 2005 Rebecca Tucker, Miss CGRA 2005

LA Rodeo 2005
Los Angeles, CA
August 5th, 6th & 7th

Windy City Rodeo
Chicago, IL
August 26th, 27th & 28th



The 2005 RMRR Grand Marshall, Kim Dawson and her ever so jolly driver, President Vince Montez. Do they put instructions on a golf cart in Spanish?

Words from the Vice President

Hello Everyone Well we made it through another amazing rodeo, I truly believe one of the biggest and best I have seen in a long time. As you are probably going to hear a lot of in this news letter, I to would like to thank everyone who helped CGRA to produce this great event, we can not put on an event like this without our community coming together and supporting each other as you did for CGRA. I myself as Vice President/Financial manager for the weekend could not have done it without Andrea Sinnott and Cindy Plampin who stepped up and worked so hard

in the financial trailer. Jo and Dolores (Good News Foundation) Thank you for always being there whenever we needed you. I would also like to thank Doug Edwards our membership chair who not only did his own job but also took care of the Volunteers coming through the front gate, it helped me out so much. To all of our volunteers that helped out in the other areas thank you so much for all the extra help and hard work that you did. Scarlet & Lamar it is great to work beside such a great organization, and you should be very

proud of all your hard workers, Ida, Katrina, Jazmine, Heada, Michael Grazick, Sydney, China, Brad, Ronnie Tafoya, I don't know if anyone knows it but Regina Sellers was in the arena all day Sunday helping set up for each event along with so many other people that it would take a miracle for me to mention you all. So here is a big THANK YOU TO ALL Congratulations to the Board of directors I think we all did a great job!! Also congratulations to our CGRA Royalty, and thank you for taking care of business when you needed to, you did a wonderful job representing your organization. Vice President Quentin Sims

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:**
- ◆ Bara, Richard
 - ◆ Bond-Profirio, Graham
 - ◆ Brandon, Mark
 - ◆ Carnes, Jim
 - ◆ Crook, Kathy
 - ◆ Daniels, Chris
 - ◆ Delgado, Cesar
 - ◆ Dennis, Justin
 - ◆ Eastment, Tony
 - ◆ Elfren, Roger
 - ◆ Eryn
 - ◆ Eyestone, Darrel
 - ◆ Ghent, Linda
 - ◆ Gonzales, Robert
 - ◆ Gracik, Jeff
 - ◆ Horn, Jeffrey
 - ◆ Howerton, Michael
 - ◆ Hurd, Bob
 - ◆ Kaplan, Fred
 - ◆ Kissack, Earl
 - ◆ Locke, John
 - ◆ Martin, William
 - ◆ Profirio-Bond, James
 - ◆ Read, Tommy
 - ◆ Ross, Ryan
 - ◆ Saxon, Bob
 - ◆ Schmidt, Mark
 - ◆ Sinnett, Andrea
 - ◆ Swanson, Keith
 - ◆ Tear, Doug
 - ◆ Teigen, Ty
 - ◆ Villarini, Michael
 - ◆ Vrooman, Michael
 - ◆ Wolf, Baker Alexander
 - ◆ Wright, Augusta

- Memberships up for renewal in August :**
- ◆ Clouch, Cheney
 - ◆ Thorstad, Jim

- Memberships up for renewal in September:**
- ◆ Carl Bloom
 - ◆ Eugene Sanders
 - ◆ Frank Colvin
 - ◆ Jeff Ranstetter
 - ◆ Jeffery Hoppe
 - ◆ Kim Dawson
 - ◆ Michael Powers

- Memberships up for renewal in October:**
- ◆ Douglas Edwards
 - ◆ Jan Clewell
 - ◆ Ken Smith
 - ◆ Mary Tabay
 - ◆ Paul Hodapp
 - ◆ Rich Valdez
 - ◆ Robert Leach
 - ◆ Shane Price

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 Everyone,
 July is over, and I am back from New England, It was good to go back home.
 First of all I want to Thank everyone for their help in making RMRR-23 one of the best Rodeos of the 2005 IGRA Rodeo Year. And to all the Sponsors and Volunteers and Rodeo Staff, and Officials, I also send out a BIG THANKS, to each and Everyone of You, for a job well done!!!! The planning of RMRR for the next year, starts right after this year's Rodeo is over, as I have told most of you, I will not be running for Rodeo Director for 2006, but will be looking to run for some other office on the CGRA Board, but will still help the new Director in any way I can. And I think that working for Jeffco. Fairgrounds, will be a big help to CGRA.
 Thanks,
 Roger Courtemanche
 Rodeo Director

Entertainment

How do you spell relief? I spell it GOOD RODEO! All I can say is thank you to everyone who helped make Rodeo 23 such a tremendous success. My hats off to the following groups and individuals:

Ida Maybe
 Katrina St. Andrews
 ALL OF ICRME especially those who sold the beer in the stands with temperatures well over 100 degrees on the hot cement. Lamar Cooper and all his volunteers kept everyone cool serving those cold Bud Lights!
 Our DJ's from Charlie's thank you so much guys you were awesome!
 All those who entertained and MC'd under the Big Top Tent members of ICRME, GALA, Gay Pride, Christ Chapel of the Rockies, and all others. I am so sorry I can't mention everyone by name, but I am truly thankful.
 The Mile High Freedom Band who kept us entertained up in the stands all afternoon.
 The Rocky Mountain Rainbows, Dale Timms and his buddy who's name I cannot remember right now for

helping out with Grand Entry. Jim and Cheney, Mary and Sherri, and Ty for the use of their trucks for Grand Entry. All the vendors who make our midway seem like a state fair. Wayne Jakino who spent so much time with me prior to the rodeo preparing for Grand Entry as well as working with me to MC from the stands. All of our sponsors especially Bud Light and Stacy and Marty.
 All of CGRA, our board of directors, members, volunteers, and those who just came to party. And anyone else who contributed to RMRR #23, our charities thank you, the people who receive aid and assistance from our charities thank you, your work and countless hours of volunteering will return 100 fold.
 And finally, I want to personally thank my husband Justin Lobato-Smith who allows me to do this. I love you honey and appreciate you taking care of the home and the boys while I am gone...Forever my love baby.
 Sincerely, RJ Lobato Entertainment Chair, Assistant Rodeo Director RMRR #23

August 2005

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3	4	5	6
7	8	9	10	11	12	13
14	15	16	17	18	19	20
21	22	23	24	25	26	27
28	29	30	31			

Search the newsletter for times and locations of calendar events!

Public Relations

Hello Everyone

I just have to extend a giant THANK YOU to everyone who assisted both CGRA and myself with the rodeo. Coming into this as a rookie, I could not have successfully done my part without the help of so many.

We should all take the time to thank our other board members for a super, fabulous, over-the-top job. I attend several rodeos a year as a contestant and I must say that Denver does the best job! The facilities are top notch, the rodeo runs quickly and smoothly, the fans come in droves, the mid-way is always a blast, the food is phenomenal, and so on and so on. I cannot express

enough how thankful I am to every person that pitched in for a successful RMRR.

Oh yeah, and our buckles were better than any others I have won this year!!!

In August, we all begin the process of winding down from the rodeo, and gearing up for the elections in the fall. I sincerely hope that each and every one of you run for a position. The only way CGRA can get better, is to have better people running it, although I don't see how we could have a better board than we do right now! Thank you all!!!

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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.

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JC McDonald - Identity Theft Risk Specialist

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