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Colorado Gay Rodeo Association

August 2009

CALENDAR

SEPTEMBER

10 - CGRA BOD Meeting @ 6 & General Membership Meeting @ 8 pm - Charlies

13 - Gymkhana @ Jeffco - 10 reg / 11 am start

FROM THE RODEO DIRECTOR

Howdy Folks!

Many many thank yous go out to all of folks that have helped me over the last year to make RMRR 27 such an amazing event. Let me start with the Board of Directors, without all of you we would not have been able to put on RMRR. Great job all thank you. Tommy Channel, Vince Montez, Quinton Simms, Justin Smith, Jay Hadley, CD Slusser, Ken Smith and Mary Munger,. Thank you all so much for the extra time you spent with me problem solving, brain storming and being there for me when I needed help.

Thank you to all of the members that also helped in some way shape or form so that we where able to pull off Rocky Mountain Regional Rodeo. With out you guys there would be no rodeo. From our arena crew to bar tenders to folks selling script thank you for all of your help we couldn't do it without you.

We should all be very proud of putting together the second largest GLBT event in Colorado. This year took great effort and determination with our economy not doing as well as in the past. It speaks alot about each and every person that was involved in RMRR 27 to help to make it a great event during a difficult time.

Thank you again for all of your efforts this year.

Jeremy

FUNDRAISING

Howdy Cowboys & Cowgirls!

Wow! What a rodeo! Thank you to everyone who stepped up and help sponsor CGRA and Rocky Mountain Regional Rodeo 27! Thank you to the volunteers who assisted in making RMRR 27 a great rodeo! I would also like to personally thank Bruce Gros, Doug Williams, Carl Wyckoff and Carl Schmidt for helping work the CGRA booth during the rodeo, and also helping with the sponsors! They sold a lot of cook books and pins, while helping answer questions from visitors to the rodeo! THANK YOU!!!

As the elections for the 2010 CGRA Board of Directors looms before us, I would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has supported me in the Fundraising Chairperson position this past year. As many of you know, this position is very demanding and takes a lot of you. I hope I have served CGRA well this last year. Thank you for the opportunity to represent you on the CGRA Board of Directors.

I would also like to suggest to each of you, to please consider the candidates for the 2010 CGRA Board of Directors. Remember that each of these people will represent you and CGRA, and that we want the best people in those positions.

Again, thank you for allowing me to serve you and CGRA as the 2009 CGRA Fundraising Chairperson!

Bryan Williams



MEMBERSHIP

A little reminder about what's new in the by-laws for MEMBERSHIP and how it affects you:

- 1.) All memberships will now be based on calendar year quarters instead of months. This translates to just four (4) renewal dates per year. Those of you who joined or renewed in the last half of 2008 - your membership expiration dates have been adjusted to reflect either a 9/30/09 or a 12/31/09 date. Those of you who have joined or renewed since Jan. 1, 2009 - your expiration date will be either 3/31/10 or 6/30/10 (if join/renewal is after 4/1/09). As an example, if you renewed your membership in February '09 – your expiration date will be 3/31/10 not 2/28/10. Your membership card (once you get it) will show this date.
- 2.) Since it should be much easier for everyone to KNOW when their membership is up for renewal, members will be DEACTIVATED in the database within 30 days of expiration if they have not renewed. ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS!
- 3.) We now have a limited JR. membership category at a reduced annual fee of \$12.

Membership cards? Same story, different month.

From the Department of Redundancy Department, please do take a moment and make sure your membership is up-to-date. Prompt renewals are always greatly appreciated and be sure to let me know if you have any name, address, phone or email changes in need of correction and/or update. There is a large list of folks whose memberships will expire at the end of September – essentially everyone who's renewal date is July, August or September. I will send out a "renewal reminder" email in early September to EVERYONE on that list; and, I'll repeat the email in late September. Staying on "Active" status is imperative for event registration. Feel free to email me: membership@cgra.us if you have any questions or updates...

and, as always, Membership Applications/Renewal forms are available through the website. Those can be snail mailed to me at:

CGRA-Membership
P.O.Box 18728
Denver, CO. 80218

or, better yet...renew on line @ www.cgra.us

Thanks,
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