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Little Rock, Ar 72203

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# We were jammin' at the Jamboree!

Valentine's Day was the best day of the Second Annual Western Jamboree. Once again it provided the DSRA with a great time. A potluck started the festivities early Thursday at Rumors. Reddressed cowboys drank shots of Cupid's Arrow and danced. Friday, we descended on Christopher's Saloon and Miss Febe's for beer bust, entertaining rodeo

queens, and more dancing.

We held our breath Saturday night, waiting to see if attendance would be good at the Western Jamboree Dance and Royalty Contest. Never before had DSRA risked losing money on an event. However, it was quickly apparent that our worries were unfounded as 150 people showed up early and stayed late.

The large crowd included many people from Kansas, Missouri and Texas who came to help crown the first DSRA Royalty: Febe Khoale, Miss DSRA and Wes Townsend, Mr. DSRA. Congratulations to the winners. Thanks to the many DSRA members who helped.

The weekend wound down with Sunday night dance lessons at Discovery III. Several interesting new dances were taught to about 25 dozen students while others watched. The highlight of the evening (at least for the winner from Hot Springs) was the drawing for two tickets to see Clint Black! Thanks to Steve N. for donating the tickets!

mors, Don Cyr at Christopher's Saloon, Timm Lee at Miss Febe's, and Norman Jones at Discovery III for their generosity in providing the DSRA with opportunities to raise money in their establishments! Additional thanks to their staffs

who worked hard to make the events successful. After all bills are paid, net income for the weekend is expected to be \$1,300! Thanks to everyone who helped make the weekend both fun and successful!!!!

#### GREAT PLAINS RODEO FAST APPROACHING



Memorial Day weekend, May 24-26, 1991 is the date for the Great Plains Regional Rodeo which is held in Oklahoma City.

Make plans now to attend. The DSRA had approximately 75 members and friends attend the TGRA Rodeo last Fall in Houston. Probably the same number of people will make their way to OKC in May. Those of us who went last year can vouch for how much fun it was.

The host hotel will be the Hilton Northwest.

## R.A.I.N. to receive donation.

In recognition of the fine work which the Regional AIDS Interfaith Network (RAIN) 35

is doing under the leadership of Ms. Trudy James, RAIN will receive a donation from the profit of our New Year's Eve party. The \$205 amount is a small but heartfelt donation to a fine organization. Ms. James is now trying to match a Levi-Strauss Foundation grant to continue the organization's good work. Please be generous!

#### Letter from the President.

#### Were you there?

Were you there when we danced and partied at Rumors on Thursday night to kick off the Western Jamboree? Were you there to welcome visitors and enjoy the great show and great fellowship at Febe's on Friday? Were you there when we pulled off our first Royalty Contest and Dance on Saturday? Were you there when we danced and closed the weekend on Sunday at Discovery!!!? If you were not, then you missed a tremendous time.

Now that we are well into our second year, the DSRA is maturing quickly. It appears that this maturing process will affect a few changes in the next 4 to 6 months. I hope as members you will stay involved. I am as excited now about the D.S.R.A. as I was the first time we met. There is however an unspoken recognition that we are talking of 16 months ago and converting them into workable actions. You need to attend the RAHG events, committee meetings and the General membership meeting in April to understand what's happening. As always I wish you health and happiness.



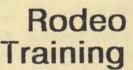
## MGRA SPRING ROUND-UP

You are cordially invited to attend MGRA's 1991 Spring Round-Up to be held Saturday March 9, and Sunday March 10 in Joplin, MO.

The party begins at Billy Jack's Bar Saturday afternoon with the 1991 MGRA Royalty hosting a Royalty Hospitality Party from 2:00p.m. to 4:00p.m. Join in the fun and comradery at the Welcome to Joplin Party Saturday night at 8:00 p.m. at Billy Jack's Bar. MGRA will host the party and serve hors d'oeuvres from 8:00p.m. to 10:00 p.m. At 9:30 p.m. MGRA will present a star studded Royalty Showcase Show.

Sunday the Welcome in the Old Southwest Round-Up will be held at the Jack Lawton Webb Convention Center. Come on out and join us for a day for fun and games (booths, food, drinks, games, shows, and dancing) all starting at 12:00 p.m.

Y'all come on down to Joplin town and join in the fun with MGRA in '91.



The Rodeo
Events Committee has cancelled
the March 9 training date. The
BOD will be
asked to approve
an increased
expenditure for
the May 11th
training date to

prepare for the Great Plains Regional Rodeo. Efforts are now underway to secure a permanent training site for DSRA members. The Rodeo Events committee is working with RAHG to increase members participation in both the training and actual participation in rodeo events. Watch closely in future issues of the Lariat for more details and information. We are very close now to securing our own site, our own equipment and most importantly our own well trained and well prepared members.

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#### ALENDAR OF EVENTS

- March 5, 12, 19, 26 Dance Lessons at Miss Febe's 8-10 p.m. each Tuesday
- March 8 Board of Directors Meeting 7 pm at Steve M.
- March 17 RAHG Rodeo Dance at Miss Febe's 6-10pm-RAHG meeting 5pm
- March 22-25 GSGRA Los Angeles Rodeo info? 213-498-1675
- March 24 DSRA Dance Night Discovery III 5-9pm
- April 6 D.S.R.A. Board Retreat info? call John at 227-0803
- April 13 RAHG Meeting-location to be announced.
- April 14 Board of Directors Meeting at 40m General Membership meeting at 6pm the Colony West Clubhouse. Info? Call 4-6119
- April 20 DSRA Derby Day
- April 26-28 Great Plains Regional Rodeo Albuquerque, New Mexico
- April 28 DSRA Dance night Discovery III 5-9pm
- May 11 Rodeo Training details to be announced
- May 24-27 Great Plains Regional Rodeo
  Oklahoma City, Oklahoma
- info Call: 405-942-9305

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### STEER WRESTLING

Steer wrestling, or bulldogging, as it is often called, is another rodeo event which developed purely in the competitive arena environment. No cowboy would ever dive off his horse onto a five to six hundred pound steer at 35 miles an hour out on the open range. Steer wrestling is the only rodeo event in which a contestant permitted to use a helper, know as the "hazer." A (500)lb horned steer leaves the chute tripping a barrier line which signals the steer wrestling contestant and hazer to race to each side of the steer. As in other times events, a broken barrier will add 10 second to the competitor's time for staring too early. With the haze paralleling the steer to keep it running straight, the steer wrestler must catch up to the steer, lean off his horse at top speed and end up with a firm grip on the steer's horns. Once on the ground, the steer wrestler must plant his feet, bring the steer to a stop and wrestle it to the ground. A rodeo judge will stop time when the steer is on its side with all four feet pointing in the same direction. Once known as the big man's event, due to the brute strength required, recent emphasis on quickness and technique have produced phenomenal times by large and average sized cowboys alike. With constant practice and top grade horses, it often requires a time of less than 5 seconds to win a champion caliber steer wrestling competition.

Make Plans

Now

to

Join DSRA

on

Derbey Day (April 20)

For a Trip to Oaklawn

Be at the General Membership

Meeting

on April 14 for details



## Miss Febe's



## The Little Bar with a Big Heart

Tuesday night Country Western
Dance Lessons starting at 9:00 pm
Thursday, Friday, Saturday
Show Nights 11:00 p.m.

Miss Febe's Girls and Out of Town Entertainers....



## Our name says it all.....



### RAHG'S FIRST FUND RAISER

The Rodeo Ad Hoc Group (RAHG) is off and

running towards a 1992 Rodeo. On February 10th the RAHG had its first meeting to organize. Although many items were discussed, the main points were to raise money for a rodeo in Little Rock and to train members to compete and work in rodeos.



Our first Rodeo Fund Raiser will be on Sunday, March 17th at Miss FEBE'S from 6-10p.m. (see flyer this Lariat). The RAHG will meet again at 5pm on March 17, at FEBE's just prior to the dance. If you wish to get involved, attend the meeting. Need more information? Call C.J. at 227-0803

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