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Diamond State Rodeo Association

February, 1998

#### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

A Night at Juanita's - Feb 18
General Membership Meeting - Feb 20
Board meeting - Feb 20
Leather/Levi Bear night - Feb 21
Olde World Pizza - Feb 21
Rodeo meeting - Feb 22
Rodeo meeting - Feb 28
DSRA Potluck & Dancing - Feb 28
Spades Night - March 6
Lariat Deadline - March 13
Boots and Boxers - March 14
General Membership Meeting - March 20
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## PRESIDENTS REPORT

Its February and I hope that everyone had a Happy Valentines Day. This is one day of the year that those that we love and respect are given special ognition. In the past, it was a day ictly for lovers or for those that were in love. Now it has become to

mean even that kind of love based on friendship. So I hope that you also sent Valentines to your best friends and relatives.

It is under that feeling of love that I also hope that you look around and see the love that you give year round. By participating in the D.S.R.A. you express your love of others in a very selfless way. It is through your efforts, and the efforts of your fellow D.S.R.A. members, that we are able to give of our hearts to our family, friends and lovers who are surviving with HIV/AIDS.

Your efforts are still needed in the months to come. Volunteers are being asked to sign up for various areas of the rodeo. The sign up board for these positions are up on the wall just as you enter the clubhouse.

Please, put your name on at least one area and commit to the time that is asked. That is all that can be asked of you and it is greatly appreciated when you do volunteer.

Speaking of volunteers, a little bird spoke to me (GOD!, what a cliché) about one volunteer that has never been mentioned or thanked for his efforts on behalf of the D.S.R.A. It seems that, when there is no one else from the membership at an outof-state rodeo who can represent the D.S.R.A., Keith N., a competitor for the D.S.R.A. from Wisconsin, steps forward and represents us. I wanted to say Thank You to Keith for his time and efforts on our behalf. Keep in the saddle, Keith, and I hope to get to thank you in person at our next Rodco In The Rock!

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Maude (pictured far right) wins the Skag Drag Beards and Beads Crown. Mona Lisa heard saying back stage, "I looked to good to win, and I didn't sleep with all the judges."



Well I'd like to report we have more that enough money in the rodeo account. I'd also like to report that the fund-raisers have all been a huge successes, that we have more rodeo volunteers than we could possibly use, and that everything is just peachy keen. Well that is what I'd like to report, but that is not the case at this time. The money is rolling out faster than it's rolling in, the volunteer sheets aren't even a third full vet. and our fund-raisers are few and far between. The rodeo will be here in just a little over two months and we're just not as prepared as I'd like for us to be. I won't dwell on the negatives. I just want everyone to be aware of areas I feel we could improve.

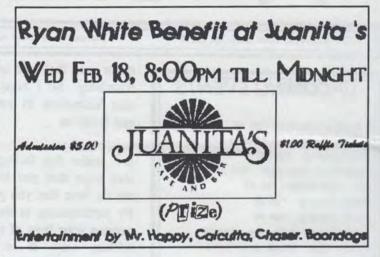
The good news is, John L. has managed single handedly to sell about 10 belt buckle sponsorships in just a few weeks. Thank you John!!! There are still 16 buckles to sponsor. Where will these sponsors come from? Have you done your part in rounding up businesses or individuals to sponsor our buckles? The fee is \$175 and that

includes an ad in the program for any business that wants one. Speaking of which....no one has brought in any program advertisers. The program costs us about \$1500 to print. I see no reason why we shouldn't sell enough advertising to pay the costs for the program printing. HELP!!!!

I would like to give a great big "hairy" thank you to John L., Jacky G., Ray N., Randel S. Dennis N., Mike B., Robert C. for putting on their "best" for a Skag Drag show that won't soon be forgotten, at least not without alot of therapy or alcohol. If you missed this one, you missed it! This was one of the best shows I've ever seen. Thank you guys for all your effort. And also thanks to Tommy W., and Dair S. for over seeing this...this...event. We may be taking this show on the road. Watch your mail for special announcements.

Up coming rodeo fundraisers include Olde World Pizza Night the 21st at the downtown location, an Easter basket auction at the Clubhouse (items are desperately needed for this), a Febe Kohel belt buckle show with all you favorite DSRA entertainers and some members will be hosting private dinner parties at their houses to raise money for the rodeo, this is dinner with friends. Please do you part in

making all these event as successful as possible! Also don't forget to sign up to volunteer for something, anything during the rodeo. Don't make me call you.......



# Grand Marshall

This is announcing our search for a Rodeo Grand Marshall for Rodeo in the Rock '98. This should be a person that we feel has done alot for our community and for people living with AIDs in any capacity. At the last rodeo meeting a nomination was

taken from the floor the our very own John Lowe be our Grand Marshall. During the general membership meeting Feb. 20th we will take any other nominations from the floor and than be voting. Thank you in advance for your input.



Just Fun: Redneck Computer Terms: INTERNET-Where cafeteria workers put their hair.

DISKETTE-Female Disco dancer. MODEM-What you do to tall grasses. FAX-What you lie about to the IRS. :-)

### Cure for Cabin Feved Discovered

onthly Potluck and Dancing Returns February 28!!!

Join us at the Clubhouse on Saturday, February 28 for our monthly potluck followed by dancing. We have a larger and larger group using the Dance Hall at the Clubhouse and having a great time. Last month was the biggest potluck ever! It would be great to see a bunch of you

cowboys and cowgirls

show up for the first time! It's about time you started using that dance floor!

There is always
ore good food
n can be eaten
at the potluck and
great fellowship
too. The rest of
you don't know
what you're
missing! It's a
great way to
make new friends
in a very laid
back atmosphere.

The door will open at 6:30 PM

and we'll start eating about 7 PM. Call Steve Mitchell at 374-8897 to coordinate the food (PLEASE!). Bring an item and you'll not be asked for a door donation. If a couple brings a single dish we ask that one make a door ation. You can always ang a \$5 door donation and eat without bringing

food. Y'all come and bring friends!!!



# Where does the money go?????

Just in case you're wondering where does all the money go, I'd like to give you a few examples of some of the rodeo costs.

· chutes..... \$2250 (increase of \$250 from last year) ·live stock...... \$5300 (increase of \$100 from last

#### year)

- · belt buckles...about \$2000
- program printing....\$1500
- travel for certified officials....\$2000 (estimate)
- · radio rental.....\$400
- · food for live stick....\$200
- · fairground rental.... \$4500 (estimate)
- · mems.....\$400
- · large animal vet.....\$500

These are just a few of the required items and services we have to have to hold the rodeo.

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## 25/25/50 POT

#### SPLIT FUND-RAISER

- \*At each Major DSRA Function chances will be given for each one dollar donation.
- \* At the end of that evening one name will be drawn for 25% of the money raised that night.
- \*On April 25th '98, (The Saturday Night Rodeo Dance) the other 25% that has grown all year will be given away. Predicted amount about \$2,400!
- \*Everyone who has participated all year will still be eligible to win.
- \*The remaining 50% will go to finance the Rodeo. Predicted amount about \$4,800!



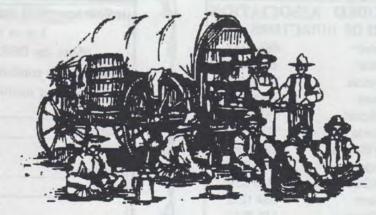
DSRA not responsible for any taxes incurred by the winner

Frank Perdue's chicken slogan, "it takes a strong man to make a tender chicken" was translated into Spanish as "it takes an aroused man to make a chicken affectionate."

Scandinavian
v a c u u m
manufacturer
Electrolux used
the following in
an American
c a m p a i g n:
Nothing sucks
like an

Electrolux.

Coors put its slogan, "Turn it loose," into Spanish, where it was read as "Suffer from diarrhea."





#### DSRA

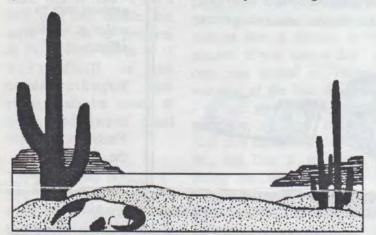
Rodeo in the Rock '98

April 24-26, 1998

Rodeo Hotline 501-562-4466

A woman goes into the doctors office and says, "Dr. I have a problem, I fart all the time, but my farts are noiseless and they don't smell...In fact, I have farted no less than twelve times since I arrived here!"

The doctor wrote down a prescription and said, "Take these for a week and then come back to see me." A week later the woman goes back and storming into the office complains, "Doctor, I think the pills made it worse, I keep farting all the time and even though the farts are still noiseless they now smell terrible!, what have you got to say for yourself?" Doctor: "Good, we have taken care of your sinuses, now we can move on to your hearing..."



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The next Lariat deadline is March 13th. If you are interested in submitting an article for publication, please contact Mike at 666-3706 MIKE4DSRA@aol.com



Only 65 days until Rodeo in the Rock '98 Are you ready??



Is your ho	usehold receiving two Lariats
	Let us know!!!
"Say	e the DSRA a few bucks."
DSRA ple	ase combine the following
	your mailing list:
Name #1	
Name #2	
Address	
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