



DIAMOND STATE LARIAT

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Diamond State Rodeo Association

September, 1998

UPCOMING EVENTS

Board Meeting - September 18
 General Membership Meeting - Sept 18
 Royalty Fund-raiser - September 19
 Spades Night - September 25
 Olde World Pizza Night - Sept 26
 Royalty Review - October 2
 Royalty Contest - October 3
 Clubhouse Committee - October 9
 Lariat Deadline - October 9
 Potluck and Dancing - October 10
 AIDS Walk - October 11
 Board meeting - October 16
 General Membership Meeting - Oct 16
 Bear Night - October 17



President's Report

Summer is about over and Fall is quickly approaching! Soon it will be time to get ready for Halloween and Thanksgiving. So I guess this is a good time to remind everyone that we can soon start having more events at the clubhouse so that we can take advantage of the cooler

weather. We can open up more space at the clubhouse and the dance floor can become inhabitable again!! So, take a good look at the calendar and get ready to dance again! I personally am looking forward to learning some new dance steps at the next Pot Luck. Steve M. has threatened to teach everyone some barn dancing that was very popular at the Baltimore convention. There had to be at least 50 couple, if not more, who were all dancing out on floor and having a wonderful time!

Speaking of activities, at our next meeting we will need some more ideas about getting the word out to more people about what is going on with the D.S.R.A. Word of mouth has been one of the best ways that we have been able to inform people of who we are and what we are trying to do for our community and for the ones that we love who are surviving with HIV/AIDS. Another way that we have done this in the past has been through our Royalty. But as you know, we haven't had a Royalty for the past year. Like the weather, this is about to change. On October 2nd and 3rd we will be having a Royalty weekend at the clubhouse. The

Royalty selected that weekend will represent the D.S.R.A. when they perform for us here and at other rodeos throughout the coming year. But in order for this to happen, they will need your support. So come on out to the clubhouse and show your support for the new 1999 D.S.R.A. Royalty!!



AIDS Walk

Sunday, October 11th at 8am will be Little Rocks second annual AIDS walk beginning at MacArthur park. DSRA will be walking as a group. Please contact me for forms and more information. Let's get back to what makes DSRA so great. Giving to our community!

Julie



We had our first meeting last month with a decent turnout. But I must say I wasn't surprised at who showed up. It was basically the same group who have shouldered the rodeo responsibility in the past. To them I say thank you for being there.

We made some head way in dividing up the responsibilities. There are still several very important positions still left to be filled. The next meeting will be September 27th, 5pm, at the clubhouse. Please try to come by and see what's going on with your rodeo and see where you can volunteer your time.

Every fund-raiser thrown this year is doubly important because it will be paying not only for the April rodeo but also funding the finals in October. Call all your friends and send them out to Olde World Pizza on Hwy. 10 Saturday night September 26th, 6-10pm for our pizza night. DSRA members

will be waiting tables for tips that will be donated to the rodeo. Be sure and thank the folks at Olde World. Lord only knows they don't have to put up with us.

The Fall Fiesta will again start out at Juanita's this year. For twenty dollars you will feast on a Tex-Mex dinner in our own private dining room at Juanita's. Then we will move the party down to the clubhouse for a variety entertainment show. All tips from this show will go to our friends at HPWA. Also don't forget to bring non-perishable food items that we will take down to HPWA. The date for the fiesta is Saturday, November 14th. Dinner will begin promptly at 7pm. Tickets for this fun, fabulous and filling evening will go on sale at the October 16th membership meeting. You must purchase your ticket or call me by November 10th. A limited number of tickets are available.

And the news you've all

been waiting for, the piggys are coming! Our very own piggy banks. How this works is you adopt a piggy for a small fee of \$5, then feed him all your pocket change 'til he's full and then donate that to the rodeo. We'll have a big bar-b-que party in the spring and at that time we'll collect all the coins. We will also have several contests with prizes for the winners. Most cash raised, best dressed/decorated piggy, and most original name for your piggy. Banks should be available at the upcoming membership meeting. Oh and if your piggy gets too full, we'll gladly empty him so you can feed him more!

Friday night's membership meeting will be the night we pick our rodeo poster art work. Please have you artwork ready to show at 9pm.

Julie W.



ANGEL TREE

I will once again be providing DSRA members and their friends with an anonymous list of RAIN carepartners and their Christmas wishes. I have been coordinating this Christmas event for the last three years and it has always been my favorite event. Just to see all your generosity and how excited the folks at RAIN are when I come in with all those goodies for PWA's. We are given a hefty task every year to get all the people sponsored and last year was the top with 48 carepartners, but as usual, DSRA came through with flying colors. Please consider sponsoring an angel, it will move you closer to the real meaning of Christmas. Angels should be ready for presentation at the November Fall Fiesta.

Julie W.

JUSTIN: YOU KNOW IT'S GOING TO BE A BAD DAY WHEN.....

You start to put on the clothes that you wore to the party last night, and there aren't any.

Events Chair Report

Now that the hot, hot weather seems to be past us (hopefully!), it's time to get busy at the Clubhouse!! We are trying to organize events for each Friday and Saturday night through October. Please remember that it is only through your support and patronage that the Clubhouse can continue to pay the bills!! One way to improve attendance is through increasing our membership. Too many of our patrons are guests... let's get them to take the plunge and become members!! Plan to attend the potluck/membership drive on October 10th and bring non-members with you so that they can see what a great time they can have at our Clubhouse.

Also, there has been mention of the fact that the clubhouse is not open every Friday and Saturday night. The Clubhouse Committee is working on this problem and it is our goal to ensure that the Clubhouse is open each weekend. If anyone has any ideas about the types of events they would like to see at the Clubhouse,

please attend a committee Meeting (one is held the second Friday of each month at 10 pm) or tell a board member. We need fresh ideas!!!!

This is an important year for DSRA what with Rodeo in the Rock '99 and the IGRA Finals in October 1999. Please show your support by attending functions at the Clubhouse and taking an active role in planning new events.

Thanks,
Karen E.



POTLUCK

MEMBERSHIP

DRIVE

On Saturday night, October 10, we will have a potluck at the DSRA Clubhouse. This is an opportunity to get together for food and fellowship. We will be tying this in with a membership drive. Please try to invite as many of your friends as

you can to come down and see what DSRA is all about. The doors will open at 6:30 pm, with eating beginning at 7:00 pm. Following the meal, there will be dance lessons. Contact Steve Mitchell at 374-8897 or smitch@aristotle.net about what to bring. Remember, you can bring a dish or pay \$5 cover and eat without cooking.

FALL BEAR GATHERING

Calling all BEARS and their admirers to come on down the DSRA Clubhouse on October the 17th for a gathering of the Hirsute. Yes, I know the weather is warm now, but Fall is approaching and the nights will cool and the clubhouse will be comfortable!!! We had a small but friendly gathering in August. I hope that we will have a bigger one this time! There will be doorprizes and KEG BEER, and of course a good time for all! If we have enough people I would like to have a BEAR and Cub contest, maybe a best beard competition. So come on out of your cave and join us, SAT the 17th of Oct. The doors open at 9pm.

Bring a friend!!!
Tex S.



OLDE WORLD PIZZA

September 26th will be our first Olde World Pizza night. This is always a great time and a great fund-raiser for the rodeo. We need waiters and waitresses to sling pizza and beer for a few hours. No experience necessary, just comfortable shoes.

Please tell all your friends. This is for everyone, not just DSRA members. And make a note... we will be at the west Little Rock location, Highway 10, for the first time. We'll be there from 6pm til....

EAT WELL AND TIP GOOD!

Julie



Late breaking political news

TODAY'S TOP STORY from the White House

Democrats are considering changing their emblem from a donkey to a condom because a condom stands up to inflation, halts production, discourages cooperation, protects a bunch of dicks, and gives one a sense of security while screwing others.

THREE WISHES

An old lady is rocking away the last of her days on her front porch, reflecting on her long life, when --all of a sudden-- a fairy godmother appears in front of her and informs her that she will be granted three wishes.

"Well, now," says the old lady, "I guess I would like to be really rich." ~~POOF~~

Her rocking chair turns to solid gold.

"And...gee, I guess I wouldn't mind being a young, beautiful princess." ~~POOF~~

She turns into a beautiful young woman.


"Your third wish?" asks the fairy godmother.

Just then the old woman's cat wanders across the porch in front of them. "Ooh, can you change him into a handsome prince?" she asks. ~~POOF~~

There before her stands a young man more handsome than anyone could possibly imagine. She stares at him, smitten. With a smile that makes her knees weak, he saunters across the porch and whispers in her ear...

"I bet you wish you never had me neutered."



The next Lariat deadline is October 9th. If you are interested in submitting an article for publication, please contact Mike at 666-3706 
MIKE4DSRA@aol.com



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DSRA CALENDAR

September 13 - October 24, 1998
















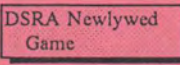
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Sept 13	Sept 14	Sept 15	Sept 16	Sept 17	Sept 18 7:30pm Board Meeting 9:00pm General Membership meeting	Sept 19 Royalty Fund-Raiser
Sept 20	Sept 21	Sept 22 <i>Autumn begins</i>	Sept 23	Sept 24	Sept 25 7:30pm Spades Night	Sept 26 Olde World Pizza Night
Sept 27 <i>Handwritten signature</i>	Sept 28	Sept 29	Sept 30	Oct 1	Oct 2 10:00pm Royalty Review/Preview 1999 Greater San Diego Rodeo Atlantic Stampede '98 - Washington DC	Oct 3 9:00pm DSRA Royalty Contest
Oct 4 Greater San Diego... Atlantic Stamped...	Oct 5	Oct 6	Oct 7	Oct 8	Oct 9 Lariat Deadline 666-3706 10:00pm Clubhouse Committee Meeting	Oct 10 7:00pm DSRA Potluck/Membership Drive
Oct 11 AIDS Walk at MacArthur Park	Oct 12 Columbus Day (Observed)	Oct 13	Oct 14	Oct 15	Oct 16 7:30pm Board Meeting 9:00pm General Membership meeting	Oct 17 9:00pm Bear Night
Oct 18	Oct 19	Oct 20	Oct 21	Oct 22	Oct 23 9:00pm Music & Fellowship	Oct 24 9:00pm Women's Night 12th Annual IGRA Finals Rodeo - Phoenix



DSRA CALENDAR

October 25 - December 5, 1998



SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
Oct 25  Daylight Savings 12th Annual IGRA Finals Rodeo - Phoenix	Oct 26	Oct 27	Oct 28	Oct 29	Oct 30  7:30pm Spades Night	Oct 31 Halloween  Halloween Party Costume Contest
Nov 1	Nov 2	Nov 3	Nov 4	Nov 5	Nov 6	Nov 7
					Texas Gay Rodeo - San Antonio	
Nov 8	Nov 9	Nov 10	Nov 11 Veterans Day 	Nov 12	Nov 13  Lariat Deadline 666-3706  10:00pm Clubhouse Committee Meeting	Nov 14  Fall Fiesta 10:00pm Clubhouse is open
Texas Gay Rodeo...						
Nov 15	Nov 16	Nov 17	Nov 18	Nov 19	Nov 20  7:30pm Board Meeting  9:00pm General Membership meeting	Nov 21  Ladies Nite "Drag King" Contest
Nov 22	Nov 23	Nov 24	Nov 25	Nov 26  Thanksgiving	Nov 27  7:30pm Spades Night	Nov 28  Levi-Leather Night
Nov 29	Nov 30	Dec 1	Dec 2	Dec 3	Dec 4	Dec 5  DSRA Newlywed Game

*Fundraiser for the
D.S.R.A.
Royalty!*

A special fundraiser for the 1999 D.S.R.A. Royalty Contest!

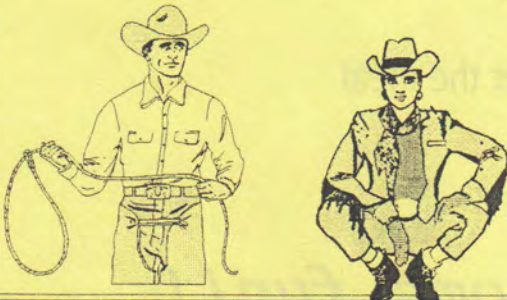
When: September 19, 1998

Where: D.S.R.A. Clubhouse

This special fundraiser is being sponsored by our former Miss D.S.R.A.'s, Christina Crackers and Nikki Cox. Proceeds from this show will go to benefit the 1999 Royalty!

Royalty Review/Preview!

On Friday, October 2, 1998, a Review/Preview show featuring past Mr./Ms./Miss D.S.R.A. and all of the contestants for the 1999 Royalty will be presented at the D.S.R.A. clubhouse! The doors open at 9 PM and the show starts at 10 PM!



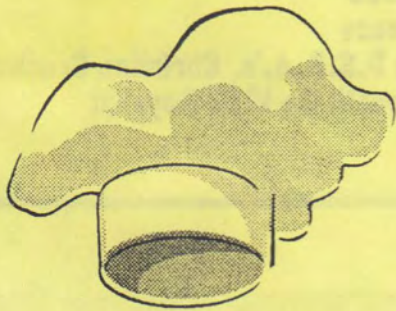
1988/1999 D.S.R.A. Royalty Contest!

The Royalty Contest will be held at the D.S.R.A. Clubhouse on Saturday, October 3, 1998. The doors will open at 8 PM and the Contest will begin at 9 PM. Please come and give your support for the new Royalty for 1999 and to the Diamond State Rodeo Association!!

DSRA Potluck/Membership Drive Saturday October 10th



A night of food, fellowship, and
dancing!!



Please bring a dish of your home cooking!!

(Or pay a \$5 cover and eat without cooking)

Doors open at 6:30 Eating begins at 7:00

Dance lessons will be held after the meal

Come on out for some fun!!