



# DIAMOND STATE LARIAT



P.O. Box 56503 Little Rock, AR 72215

Diamond State Rodeo Association

July, 2003

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Jul - 26 Toga Party
- Jul 31 - Aug 3 IGRA Convention
- Aug - 8 Spades Night
- Aug - 9 Boots, Boxers, & Bras
- Aug - 15 Board Meeting
- Aug - 15 General Membership meeting
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- Aug - 16 Miss Frigidaire Contest
- Aug - 23 Turn About Show



## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Howdy Cowgirls and Cowboys,  
I hope everyone is having a great summer, and you are staying as cool as possible! Check your calendar for upcoming events to help you beat the heat or maybe

even make things hotter!

As some of you know, the web site has been down this past month. The problems have been resolved, and the site will be back up by the time you receive this newsletter. We have a new volunteer webmaster, who is making changes on the site. I encourage you to visit [www.dsra.org](http://www.dsra.org) and check it all out! Contact the webmaster with any suggestion, comment or especially a compliment!

Last month we participated in Arkansas Aids Walk by the River and had quite a few members in attendance. I want to thank all of you who sponsored me; because of your support, I came in second in donations raised by an individual!

There were lots of other activities in addition to the walk, such as a cookout, Karaoke, Dunk-a-Queen/Dunk-a-Dyke booth and many other games. A good time was had by all.

July also included Gay Pride Week, where activities were planned for the entire week. I hope all of you were able to attend at least one event. In addition,

DSRA hosted the Bear/Leather Pride, which had a great turnout.

In only a couple of weeks some of us will be attending the IGRA convention. A different association each year hosts this annual event. This event is the venue whereby international bylaws, rodeo rules and standing rules are decided upon. Each association is allowed five delegates and an alternate delegate. If an association hosts a rodeo, it receives an additional delegate position as well as an alternate delegate.

At this time, DSRA has three delegates.

If you would like to attend this event, call me at 261-1130, or contact Jacky G. at 455-4805. The registration fee is \$90.00, which includes lunch on Saturday and Sunday. DSRA cannot reimburse anyone for expenses or registration fees.

On another note, the Royalty Competition is fast approaching. If you are interested in running for the next royalty team, contact one of us for information on competition requirements. While holding a title requires a good

amount of commitment and hard work, it is also very rewarding.

Finally, don't forget elections on August 16th, to be held during the general membership meeting. Nominations are still open, so if you want to have a hand in running the DSRA, contact Roy D.

Rodeo up!

Julie

## One Really Hot Event for a Really Hot Summer!

Have you heard the rumor?! Well, it's true! DSRA is hosting a *Boots, Boxers and Bras* night. That's right - what could be better on a hot August night than socializing in ultimate comfort? And we have a few surprises planned as well! So slip into something more comfortable, and head down to the clubhouse in your favorite lounging attire on August 9th at 9 p.m.! See you there in your underwear!



It's time to start gearing up for next year's rodeo! DSRA is proud to announce the reinstatement of our **Poster Contest!** The contest is open to members and non-members alike, so find your creativity muse, and submit your designs! Keep in mind that the 2004 rodeo will be the 10th Annual "Rodeo in the Rock".

November 1st is the deadline for entry. DSRA members will be voting on the poster entries. We look forward to having a number of design submissions from which to choose! Good luck everybody!

### Rodeo in the Rock Poster Artwork Contest Rules:

- (1) Artwork must be submitted in camera-ready form.
  - (2) Submission must be original artwork of the contestant.
  - (3) Poster designs must be "rodeo" or "country-western" in nature.
  - (4) If artwork is signed by the author, his/her signature will be included in all media formats used by DSRA, unless requested is made by author to omit his/her signature.
  - (5) Entry must have a contact name and phone number attached.
  - (6) Entry must be at least 8 ½ by 11 inches in dimension.
  - (7) Submission must be suitable for general public viewing.
  - (8) Colored artwork must retain its detail if converted to black and white format.
  - (9) Artwork must be suitable for enlargement or reduction, as needed to fit a variety of formats such as poster, flyer or tri-fold brochure.
- (A \$250.00 prize will be awarded to the winner of the contest. The winning artwork will become the property of DSRA, and no other remunerations will be awarded.) Submissions may be either mailed to P.O. Box 56503, Little Rock, AR 72215 or emailed to Pitapup@iwon.com

*Just Fun.* Why does your OB-GYN leave the room when you get undressed if they are going to look up there anyway?



## ELECTIONS ARE UPON US!

Dear DSRA Members,

It seems like yesterday we were voting for a new DSRA Board of Directors. Well, that time has arrived again. This is a very important event for this organization, where you may exercise your right as a member to vote on the future of the DSRA. We hope to have a good turnout for this election. Remember, your voice and your vote can make a difference!

If you are unable to attend the election, please contact me for an absentee ballot as soon as possible. The election will be held on August 15th, at the next Board/membership meeting.

If you would like to run for a position or nominate someone, feel free to contact me in order to post his/her name(s) on the ballot.

The following are the positions and the individuals who have been nominated thus far:

PRESIDENT: Julie B.  
 VICE PRES: Lin L.  
 SECRETARY: Lou R.  
 TREASURER: Cody A.

RODEO DIRECTOR: Sherry P.  
 EVENTS CHAIR: John C.  
 PUBLICITY: Mike B.  
 MEMBERSHIP: David F.  
 TRUSTEE: Jacky G.

In addition, there are two positions that will be appointed by the Board. Those positions include Clubhouse Manager and Web Master. Again, if you would like to run for a position or nominate someone, contact me at 501-888-6237.

I hope to see you all at the elections!  
 Roy Diaz  
 Membership Chair

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## TURN-ABOUT IS FAIR PLAY

The annual DSRA Board of Directors Turn-about Show is just around the corner. Come out and support your Board of Directors, as they "change things up a bit" and perform like you've never seen!

This annual show puts a twist on the ordinary and is loads of fun for participants and spectators alike. The DSRA Board performs in male or female drag and runs the gamut from hilarious to serious. Most performers are members of the DSRA Board, however a guest performer or two will be on hand to show us how it's really done!

This annual show raises money, which will be donated to a local charity or returned to the DSRA for production of the rodeo in 2004. At the time of this writing, no charity has been designated.

The show date is set for August 23rd, with the doors opening at 9 and the show beginning at about 10.

Remember to bring lots of dough, and be prepared for a spectacular night of fun!!! We'll see you there!

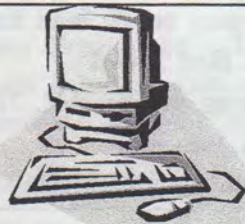
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The next Lariat deadline is August 15th. If you are interested in submitting an article for publication, please contact Mike at 666-3706  [MIKE4DSRA@aol.com](mailto:MIKE4DSRA@aol.com) FAX 661-1427 (Call first)



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