



# DIAMOND STATE LARIAT



P.O. Box 56503 Little Rock, AR 72215

Diamond State Rodeo Association

October, 2003

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- Oct 23 - 26 IGRA Finals Tulsa
- Oct - 24-25 Clubhouse closed
- Oct - 31 Night of the Spirits
- Nov - Lip Sync
- Nov - 7 Spades night & Potluck
- Nov - 8 DSRA Royalty Stepdown & Competition
- Nov - 15 Bingo
- Nov - 21 Lariat Deadline
- Nov - 21 Board Meeting
- Nov - 21 General Membership Meeting
- Nov - 22 Our Family Potluck



## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

**Howdy cowboy's and cowgirl's,**  
If you have a computer and access to the web, this will be your last newsletter, because the monthly Lariat is now on line at, [www.dsra.org](http://www.dsra.org) if you do not have

a computer you will continue to receive the Lariat.

The calendar of events at the clubhouse is really starting to fill up, and rodeo in the rock is just 6 months away. This year's rodeo will be special, because we will be celebrating our 10th year of gay rodeo in Little Rock. If you would like to get involved with the planning of the rodeo, the next rodeo committee meeting will be Sunday, November 2nd at 4pm at the clubhouse.

The International Gay Rodeo Finals will be next weekend, October 24th through October 27th in Tulsa, OK. Cody your Mr. DSRA and Julie your Ms. DSRA will be running for the titles of Mr. IGRA and Ms. IGRA the DSRA arena crew headed up by Monica B. will be the official arena crew at finals this year, and Jody C., one of our members has been invited to compete in flag racing. I hope that a lot of you will make plans to come up to Tulsa and join the DSRA delegation.

We have two new appointed clubhouse managers they are: Rodney B. and Harold Mc. You will be seeing more of them at the

clubhouse in the next few months.

As a reminder on Friday, October 31st, Halloween night DSRA in conjunction with the Equality Network is hosting a Halloween party. Come out for the "Night of the Spirits." There will be cash prizes for the best three costumes, dancing, food, and a lot of fun. The first place prize for the best costume will be \$75.00, the second place will receive, \$50.00, and the third place will receive \$25.00 there will also be a trophy given out to the tackiest costume. Make plans to attend, the party starts at 8pm and the cover charge is \$3.00. No one under 21 will be admitted.

Rodeo up,  
Julie President



## Mission Statement

The **DSRA (Diamond State Rodeo Association)** is a non-profit organization whose purpose is to promote the country and western lifestyle within the gay community.

DSRA has a proud history of fundraising for charitable organizations within our community. All members are volunteers who share our time and abilities to further this cause. All money raised by the DSRA goes to local charities and towards maintaining the organization's clubhouse. DSRA is an all-inclusive organization that recognizes all lifestyles and genders. We welcome anyone to become a member and to participate in our community efforts!

The DSRA is one of twenty-four members of the **IGRA (International Gay Rodeo Association)**. The IGRA serves to foster the sport of rodeo amongst other country and western activities. IGRA along with its fellow member organizations such as DSRA donate thousands of dollars each year to charities.



## Royalty Competition And Royalty Step-Down

Make plans to attend this year's Royalty Competition and Step-Down, which will be held on Saturday, November 8th at the clubhouse starting at 8pm. We have three contestant's running and they are:

David S. for Mr. DSRA.

Mike B, for Miss DSRA.

Samantha M. for Ms. DSRA.

We hope you will come out and show your support. Also your current Royalty team will be stepping down the same night. This year's Royalty team raised over \$6000 for the rodeo not including the money that was raised for the local charities. This is your chance to come out and thank them for a job well done.



## Royalty Report

Your DSRA Royalty team has been busy this past month. We hosted the turn about show, which was a big success. Also this past Saturday night Elizabeth your current Miss DSRA hosted a fundraiser for Cody and Julie to help off set some of their expenses for finals. The show was a big success and Cody and Julie would like to extend a big thank you to Elizabeth, Mike B., David S., Roy D., for volunteering their time to come out and entertain for the show. They would also like to thank Sam for being the DJ, Kim for bartending, Dan and Jacky for working the door and Harrell for working the spotlight and most importantly our members and friends who came out to give their support, thank you.

*Just Fun.* 'Politics' A word to describe a process so well: 'Poli' in Latin meaning 'many' and 'tics' meaning 'bloodsucking creatures'.



## POSTER CONTEST

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

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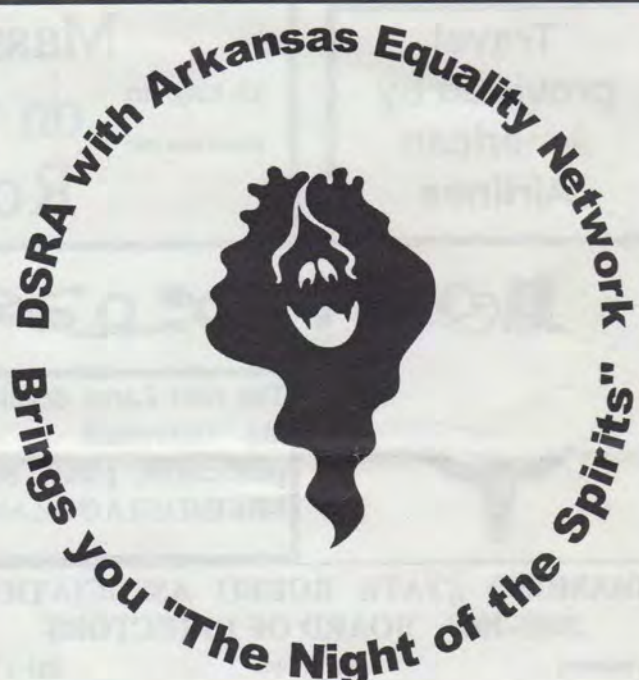
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**October 31st.**  
**Doors open at 7:30pm**

\$75 Prize for best costume  
 \$50 for second best  
 \$25 for third place  
 A prize for the tackiest will be awarded!

**\$3 cover charge**  
 Must be 21 to attend!

