



# DIAMOND STATE LARIAT



## PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Howdy Cowboy's and Cowgirl's

I want to wish each and every one of you a very Happy and Safe Thanksgiving. The last couple of months at the clubhouse have proved to be real successful. We did a joint party/fundraiser with the Equality Network and everyone had a good time, even with some member's that we haven't seen in a few years, hope that you will keep coming back. The Conway Ladies annual Lip-Synch show was a huge success and all the proceeds this year went to the American Cancer Society. Then we had the 2003 Royalty Team's step-down which was a real tear jerker, Cody, Elizabeth, and I just want you to know that we are very Thankful for all the support that DSRA and friend's have given us this past year, we could not have done it without you, but we will still be around. Your new Royalty Team for 2004 is:

Cody A. MR.DSRA

David S. MR. DSRA 1st Runner Up

Mike B. MISS DSRA

They will be working just as hard for you this next year so I hope

that every one will come out and support them. I too have a new Title; I am the new MS IGRA 2004 and will be doing a lot of fundraising for IGRA, DSRA and a lot of traveling. Sherry P., My partner and your Rodeo Director brought home a piece of the Title two years ago by winning MS IGRA 1st Runner UP, but this is the first time that we have ever had a title holder on the team and DSRA should be proud, because where ever I go they will know what association I am from and each and everyone of you will be with me and in my heart. Thank You to each of you who supported and believed in me, I won't let you down. The new DSRA Royalty Team has some great Fundraisers lined up so be sure and watch the Calendar and web site for updates.

On January 10, 2004 DSRA is doing a Road trip to Hot Springs, at Our House Bar. There will be a show that night and the proceeds go to The Aides Walk 2004/ and to Twyman the owners' charity, it will be a 50/50 split, this will be a good time for us to wear our DSRA shirts and go down and talk to people about our Rodeo which is only five months away. We will be meeting at the clubhouse and plan to leave by 8pm, if you need

more information you can call me my number is on the back.

I want to take a few minutes to Thank some of my Board and other people who gave up their time and spent some long hard hours this past two months helping with the Fundraiser's: Thank You's go out to Lin L, Lou R, Cody A, Jim S., Jody C., Monica B., Dan A., Roy D., Gary W., Sherry P., David F., David S., Rodney B., Mike B., Jacky G., Mike A., Samantha M., Thanks for all your help. If you haven't been to the clubhouse in a while there are more changes, the back room and Dance floor have been done thanks to Rodney B., and David S. You did a really great job guys.

Check your calendar for upcoming events and hope to see more of you out at the next Rodeo Planning meeting, which will be on Sunday, December 7th at 4pm at the clubhouse. Also I would like to see more of you at the General Membership meeting which is the third Friday night of each month at 9pm. Take Care,

Rodeo Up,  
Julie B. President





Hey there Cowboys and Cowgirls!

Well first of all I would like to express my appreciation for all the help and encouragement to run for Miss DSRA 2004. It was and is still quite a learning experience. I now know lots more, not only about rodeos, but also the art of female impersonation. Not to mention a severe case of stage fright with the question I chose during competition. Thank God it's over. It was quite stressful. I have some very large shoes to fill to come up to the standards with all those who have served as Royalty before me.

I hope that I will do a good job this year. Sometimes I have to pinch myself because I can't believe it. Other times I wonder "What have I done!" Still, I look forward to representing the DSRA with pride and dignity this year and to serve a role model to other members of DSRA, and

future DSRA Royalty. I know it will be a lot of hard work, but I have stepped up to the plate and now I'm ready to roll up my sleeves and get to work! I have lots of money to make this year for our local charities and for the IGRA.

We have an excellent royalty team for DSRA this year, with Cody, David, and myself, if I do say so myself. Cody, David and other past DSRA royalty such as Roy, Julie, Sherry, and Elizabeth have been an inspiration. DSRA is also blessed with having Ms IGRA from Arkansas this year, our one and only Julie B., a former Ms DSRA, and she has also served as president of DSRA several times. Way to go Julie. I look forward to working with you this year as well. So ya'll come on out and support the Royalty and DSRA!

Mona Lisa  
Miss DSRA  
2004



## 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.

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## CALENDAR

**December 7th**, rodeo planning committee meeting 1pm at the clubhouse. We are only five month's away from our tenth rodeo anniversary come on out if you would like to get involved.

**December 13th**, Saturday, 8pm, game and movie night. Come on out we will have dart games, cards board games and a movie going.

**December 19th**, Friday, DSRA board meeting at 7:30pm followed by the general membership meeting at 9:00pm.

**December 20th**, Saturday, the royalty Christmas show and party. Come on out for fun, food, and entertainment. We are also having a coat/sweater drive for the positive living group. Bring a coat, or sweater and 1 dollar, otherwise there will be a \$4.00 cover charge.

**December 31st**, New Years Eve party, doors open at 8pm. Tickets may be purchased from any board member and they are \$10 in advance and \$15 at the door. We will have friendly folks, food, party favors, champagne, door prizes, dancing and a few surprises, so make plans to attend and invite your friends, lets ring in the new year right.

**January 10th**, Saturday, DSRA road trip to our house in hot spring's, meet at the clubhouse we will leave at 8pm be sure and wear your DSRA shirts.

**January 16th**, DSRA board meeting at 7:30pm followed by the general membership meeting at 9pm.

**January 17th**, Saturday bear/ leather night, doors open at 8:30pm.

**January 24th**, Saturday, Monte Carlo party (casino night) tickets are: \$15.00 that entitles you to \$5000 in play money, food, free champagne and puckers, and you will bid on the items donated with your

playmoney. Doors will open at 8pm tickets in advance are \$15.00, at the door they will be \$20. Tickets may be purchased from any board member.

Rodeo kick off show

**January 31st** at the clubhouse, doors open at 8:30pm show starts around 9:30pm.

**February 1st**, Sunday, chili cook off and Superbowl watch, the big screen TV will be moved to the back so that everyone will be able to see. Times to be announced later.

**February 6th**, Friday spades night and potluck starting at 7:30pm.

**February 7th**, Saturday, from the heart a royalty show with the proceeds going to the positive living group. Doors will open at 8pm.

**February 14th**, Saturday the prom of your dreams, come out as you would like to have gone to your own prom, more details to be announced later.

**February 20th**, Friday, DSRA board meeting



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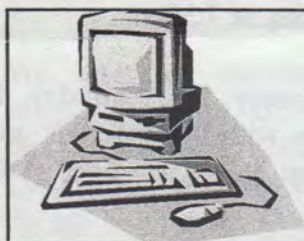
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