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REGISTRATION ROGERS SAYS.....



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June 1993



THE OFFICIAL NEWSLETTER OF THE GOLDEN STATE GAY RODEO ASSOCIATION

From the desk of the President:

I want to thank all who attended convention in Palm Springs. I believe a good time was had by all and the fellowship was most impressive. I would also like to take the opportunity to thank you all for your trust in me to run another year, thank you.

We have a lot on the agenda this year to handle so it is very important that anyone interested in heading up a committee or just be a part of a committee please be at our first official board meeting to be held June 13, 1993 at 10.00 at Floyds offices in Long Beach. If you have any ideas for the agenda give a call to (619)293-0666. Remember, I am here to serve the membership so if I can be of any assistance please contact me.

Sincerely,

Carl L. Peterson

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President.

Congratulations to Joe Olney for receiving the most prestigious presidential award this year. He was sited for dedication and years of service to the organization, Way to go Joe!!!!!!

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All members are entitled to a copy of the bylaws of the Association. For a copy of the bylaws of the Chapter with which you are affiliated, contact your Chapter. For a copy of the G.S.G.R.A. Inc. bylaws or the I.G.R.A. bylaws send your request to:

G.S.G.R.A. Inc
Attn. Bylaws Committee
8424, Santa Monica Blvd. Ste.250
West Hollywood, Ca. 90069

All contestants receive a copy of the I.G.R.A. rule book so please do not ask for bylaws just for rodeo rules.

The G.S.G.R.A. bylaws are many pages long and the I.G.R.A. bylaws are even longer. Printing and postage costs at more than \$10.00 per set prohibit general distribution. We ask that you only request the bylaws you actually need and that you enclose three dollars if you are requesting the bylaws of only one organization and five dollars if you are requesting the bylaws of both organizations.

Remember that the bylaws of I.G.R.A. are for the International Rodeo Season and are amended only once a year at the International Convention. This means that the current I.G.R.A. bylaws will serve until the end of October and the revised bylaws from this years convention will take effect on November 1, 1993.

Checks should be made payable to G.S.G.R.A. No cash please. All requests for copies of the bylaws will be honored with or without payment.

It was a hot May Day in Palm Springs with temperatures in the 100's for the third annual G.S.G.R.A. State Dance Championships at the C.C.Coral. Judges from all five Chapters had an extremely tough job of scoring a very close contest. The Judges were Al Demers Jr., representing G.L.A.C. - Bonnie Murray, Desert Empire - Chuck Lasky, L.A.C. - Barry Greenban - Bay Area and Jerry Schafer - San Diego. With Marilyn Beradini as Master of Ceremonies, the event moved smoothly and the good turnout, with Carl and friends watching on the Big Screen, was rewarded with an excellent show of fancy footwork, spins and a couple of surprises as C & W Dance soars ahead in the 90's.

Awards in all categories were presented by their sponsors to the contestants.

Novice 1st Ken Valdez and Paul Casey
2nd Wade Williams and Don Pauli

Amateur 1st Jeffry Williams and Sharon Nelius

Pro-Am 1st Dee Wallis and Quinn Frederickson
2nd Mark Wilson and Frank Deniz

Pro 1st Steve Cheatham and Jan Hanson
2nd Stacy Barr and Michele Wood

Even though only the 1st place winners will go on to Billings, Montana to represent California in August, all contestants are winners for participating and will be rewarded with a personal growth that they may not be aware of at this time. hopefully this year more of you will be encouraged to get involved at all levels of a very important part of our association, that which gives us Friendship, relaxation and a rhythm of life.

My Thanks to All Thom Mavison - 1993 Dance Chair

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STOP PRESS

BAY AREA CHAPTER PULLS IT OFF.

They did it! The members of the Bay Area Chapter made it work against what seemed like unbeatable odds. There were some that were suprised, even some who were amazed but the most suprised of all was the management of the Cow Palace. The general manager was heard to say that the BAC's rodeo operation was more "together" than that of the P.R.C.A. annual rodeo which by the way is the only other rodeo at "The Palace".

The hard working accountants declared Sunday evening, "It's close, real close!" Just how close we will not know for a day or two so we will all keep our fingers crossed. No matter what, it was a fabulous rodeo and if "real close" gets to be "break even" we can all look forward to Rodeo '94 in the Bay Area.

CSW GAY PRIDE for GSGRA INFORMATION

AN INVITATION TO ALL CHAPTER MEMBERS

This years theme is "A FAMILY OF PRIDE". Therefore, we would like to invite all GSGRA members to participate in this year's event.

For the parade this year we are creating a wagon train down Santa Monica Boulevard. We will be opening with the Riderless Horse followed by the American flag, State flag, Association flag, Chapter flags and sponsor flags, all carried on horseback. Then following we will have two horse-drawn wagons — one 4-horse drawn and the other 2-horse drawn. AND THEN.... 50+ contestants and general members on horseback!!!!

There are LOTS of ways to participate. Volunteers are needed to help coordinate this event. Contact one of the people listed below.

We invite all horse owners to ride your own horses. There is a \$10.00 entry fee for each horse.

In addition, we will have 30 extra horses available at \$90.00 each. Riders of these

30 horses will be chosen by lottery. A \$25.00 deposit is required. Those not chosen will be refunded after June 27th. EXPERIENCED RIDERS ONLY, PLEASE!

Also needed are passengers for the horse-drawn wagons that will seat 40 people.

If you would like to ride a horse or be in one of the wagons, please complete the form below and return it to the address on the form (be sure to enclosed your deposit for those interested in riding a horse). Be sure to check the appropriate box for horse or wagon.

Let us all pull together and show that GSGRA is truly

"A FAMILY OF PRIDE"!!!

- Sunnie Rose/Chair(213) 960-7696
- CJ Colella/Co-Chair(310) 439-3015
- Paul Thompson/Committee
- Chair(818) 760-6633
- Allen Chivens/Committee
- Chair(310) 855-1303



RETURN THE FORM BELOW TO:

Allen Chivens - 435 N. WestMount Dr., Los Angeles, CA 90048



Name _____

Address _____ City, Zip _____

Phone (Day) (_____) (Evening) (_____)

Chapter Affiliation: _____

- OWN HORSE (\$10.00) RENTAL HORSE (\$25.00 Deposit) WAGON



Los Angeles Central Chapter of GSGRA NEWSLETTER

LAC • 7985 Santa Monica Blvd., Suite 109 Box 64 • West Hollywood, CA 90046 • (213) 656-0258 ext. 53

LA Rodeo Winning Contestant Corrections:

In an attempt to get the winners list in the last newsletter there were a few mistakes. We wish to apologize for this error. The following are the correct winners for these events:

Calf Roping: Soretta Beard: 4th/Sun;
Shoot Doggin': Leonard Ray: 4th Sun;
All Around Cowgirl: Candy Bell
All Around Cowgirl 1st Runner Up: Sunnie Rose

LAC's Meetings:

Our next General Meeting will be held June 5th (Sat.) at 10:00am at the Hyperion. We will have all the information about CSW, present our working/draft budget for 1993, and will be announcing committee Chairs and Board Advisors. We hope you can attend this meeting.

July's General Membership meeting is going to be quite different. Please note that it is being held on Thursday, July 15th, 7pm at Moonlight Rollerway, 5110 San Fernando Rd., Glendale. We will be following our meeting with an evening of capers and skill (falling is considered a skill). Admission will be free and skate fee is only \$5.00. Mark your calendars for an evening of LAC fun & frolic!

NEW MERCHANDISE

RED wool caps are here! Thanks to all our members who pre-ordered their caps and wore them to the rodeo. They looked marvelous!! A limited number of RED wool anniversary caps are left. They are \$15.00 and available from any officer or board member. Also available are cotton-twill caps in six fashion colors for \$6.00 each.

T-shirts in white, black, and now RED are available in all sizes for \$12.00 each.

SPECIAL THANKS

A Special thanks to members Gene, Big Jim, Mike and Paul who took time out from their fun at the LA Rodeo to help the merchandise committee, your President and VP man the booth. Thank you all for your help.

CSW GAY PRIDE

This year's theme is "A FAMILY OF PRIDE". Therefore, we would like to invite all of our family of Chapters in GSGRA to participate in this years event.

An entire page in this State Newsletter will give details concerning how you can participate in this event.



HORSEBACK RIDING!

May's ride had a great turnout. If you haven't experienced this yet, you are missing out on a great chapter activity. The 3rd Sunday of each month at 9:00 AM (Summer months) is set for regular LAC Chapter rides at Circle "K" on Mariposa (1 blk west of the Equestrian Center) for horseback riding. There was a group of us that went the Sunday morning of the LA Rodeo and we had a great ride. At the next meeting, let's see how many more people we can get interested in this activity. You don't have to be a good rider. There's always someone to help you along. The average cost is around \$24.00 for a 2-hour ride (+ an \$11 refundable deposit).

**SAN DIEGO
CHAPTER**



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June 1993

1993 Nicky Awards

The 18th annual Nicky Awards was held at the Pan Pacific Hotel on Sunday evening April 18. The San Diego Chapter and Rodeo '93 were nominated in 3 categories, and winners in 1.

We received the "Outstanding Sports Organization" award for the second year in a row.

As with last year, we used the occasion of the ceremony to present our annual donation to AIDS services. Our \$10,000.00 donation was met with thunderous applause. We received another great ovation when we presented the additional donation of \$2,000.00 to Grocery Hearts that was raised from the proceeds of the heart and boot ribbon sales.

Christopher Street West '93

Volunteers are needed for the San Diego Chapter booth at the CSW Pride festival, June 26 & 27.

Our booths at the LA pride festival have always been very successful and a lot of fun to work, but it does take many people to staff it for an entire weekend.

Many different shifts and time slots are available, so if you are able to help the chapter out please contact Michael Green through the Rodeo Office 298-4708.

L.A. Rodeo '93

The San Diego Chapter was very pleased to have several members competing at the LA Rodeo. Most of these people were competing for the first time and all did a great job. We were especially pleased when John Kruse took sec-

ond place in Steer Riding on Sunday. We also had several others make their rides as well. It is great to see this new interest in competition within the chapter and we are responding by increasing our education efforts in the hopes of keeping this enthusiasm going. (See Below)

Rough Stock Training Seminar

The chapter education committee will be holding a seminar at the chapter office on June 9 at 7 P.M..

Presentations at this seminar will include; judging and scoring of rough stock events, given by Dave Pickle, and techniques of competing in Bronc Riding, Steer Riding and Bull Riding, given by Larry Rose.

This will be a very informative and educational session for competitors and people interested in competing. Members and non-members will also find this seminar very informative as to the mechanics of rodeo.

Trailride a Huge Success!

On May 9th, 12 GSGRA members and 9 non-members met at Sandy's Stables in Imperial Beach for a three hour trailride. The group was made up of a mixture of experienced and novice riders.

The ride to the beach was a trifle dusty, but once at the beach these cowpokes opened up their mounts and showed some terrific riding ability. Riding on a beach is something everyone should experience, even the horses loved it. All involved had a fabulous time (even though rumor has it that a few were not walking quite so nimble for a few days!) Big thanks to Vince for coordinating a terrific day of sunshine, riding and fellowship.

Because of the great response to the trailride, we have already scheduled the next one for Sunday June 5th, once again at Sandy's Stables in Imperial Beach. In addition to the three-hour ride we will also be having a one hour ride for those people who have had concerns about staying out for three hours. The three-hour ride will begin at 10:30 A.M. and the one-hour ride will begin at 11:00 A.M.. Prices are; \$30.00 for the long ride

\$15.00 for the short one. People wanting to bring their own horses are welcome to do so. For further information and/or reservations please contact the chapter office at 298-4708.

Annual Campout & Hoedown

The second annual San Diego Chapter campout and hoedown is scheduled for the 4th of July weekend at the Second Chance Ranch located between Santa Ysabel and Warner Springs.

This is a 136 acre ranch being built as a horse camp. The ranch overlooks Lake Henshaw and Palomar Mountain. Tent and car camping is available along a creek under the oak and sycamore trees. Lake view sites are available for self-contained RVs. The RV sites are limited so reservations must be made quickly so that all can be accommodated.

This year the ranch also offers a 15'x30' above ground swimming pool with an 800 sq. ft. redwood sun deck, hot and cold showers and porta-potties. The ranch is a 1 hour - 15 minute drive from San Diego or Palm Springs, 2 hours from Long Beach and 2-1/2 to 3 hours from Los Angeles.

The dates for the campout are Thursday July 1 through Monday July 5. You are welcome to come up for one, two, three or all four days. Rates are \$10.00 per person, per day. BRING YOUR OWN EVERYTHING!

For your dancing fun there will be a hoedown with a live DJ on both Saturday and Sunday nights. We will also have dance lessons for us novices!(shut-up Phil and Bryan).

Corralls are available at \$15.00 a day for those who want to bring their horses. The ranch will also have horseback riding at a cost of \$15.00 per hour.

Reservations for camping must be made by June 27th by calling either the SD Chapter office at (619)298-4708 or the Second Chance Ranch at (619)782-3275. Horse corral reservations must be made by June 20 directly through the ranch.

Rodeo '93 Grand Marshall

Nominations for Grand Marshall are now being accepted with voting scheduled for rodeo roundtable June 7. If you have a nomination please contact Mikel Edwards at 298-4708.

THE DESERT HOWLER

June 1993



EVENTS CALENDAR

- 6/3 Roundtable
7:00 PM *
- 6/6 Trail Ride *
- 6/9 Chapter Meeting
Desert Palms
Inn 7:00 PM
- 6/17 Roundtable
7:00 PM *
- 6/27 Los Angeles
Pride Parade

* Location to be
announced

AND THE WINNERS IS...

Congratulations to Judy Cloyd for submitting the winning entry in our competition for the Palm Springs Regional Rodeo official poster. Special thanks also to the other entrants who made the job of selecting one winner very difficult indeed.

Following the poster judging, the membership enjoyed a Beer Bust and Bar-b-que provided by our gracious hosts, Hal, Frank and the rest of the staff at The Villa Hotel ... many thanks.

During the Beer Bust, Training Chairman Lindsay Karg and John Murphy tried (with varying degrees of success) to teach us the finer points of calf roping. Unfortunately, many of us wound up roping ourselves!

ARE YOU...

Talented, artistic or creative? If so, and if you'd like to see our Rodeo be a great success — WE NEED YOU! Please call Ronn St. Pierre at 322-2945.

Many members are getting caught up in the excitement as the Rodeo draws closer (five months!), and volunteerism is picking up, but we still need much more involvement as we progress.

If you are interested in volunteering in any area, please contact the chairperson or the Hotline. We need

volunteers with just about every imaginable skill or interest, so don't be shy, give us a call.

Rodeo Roundtables will be held the first and third Thursdays of each month, with Festival and Arena functions being dealt with at alternating meetings. Interested people are welcome and encouraged to attend.

MAY MEETING NOTES

VP Administration Phil Iacovetti and David Hoffman presented the Chapter Tri-fold for membership approval. The membership voted to print a limited quantity at this time so that we can consider possible changes. Thanks to Phil and David for all their efforts.

We have a new Chapter Banner which will be unveiled at the Bay Area Rodeo. Ronn St. Pierre and Kirk Toon are to be congratulated for coming up with a mighty fine looking product.

Speaking of Bay Area — quite a few members have indicated that they will be attending. I'm sure we'll be getting back lots of very interesting reports. HEE-YAW!!!

The Chapter will be participating in both the Palm Springs and Los Angeles Pride Parades. We anticipate a strong Chapter showing at both events. If you are interested in participating

in either, please call the Chapter Hotline ASAP. In Los Angeles, all State Chapters will be marching or riding horseback together for greater impact.

Training Chair Lindsay Karg announced that he has made arrangements to begin having Trail Rides on the first Sunday of each month. The cost will be \$25.00 for a two hour ride, and the location will be dependent on the number of people interested. Please call the Hotline for further information.

The June meeting will be held at the Desert Palms Inn in Cathedral City on June 9th at 7:00 PM. Hope to see you there!

Congratulations to Steve Paxton on his election as State Vice President. Good luck Steve, and thanks for all of your hard work.

RODEO VENDORS

Vendor information packets for the 1st Annual Palm Springs Regional Rodeo are currently available by calling the Chapter Hotline. Cost for a 10'x10' space will be \$200 for both Saturday and Sunday.

Chapter Hotline
619 320-8686



THE GOLDEN STATE GAY RODEO ASSOCIATION
GREATER LOS ANGELES CHAPTER

A New Board, A New Year...

1994 will be the 10th anniversary of Gay Rodeo in Los Angeles, and we are planning a huge party to celebrate. At the May meeting, with the approval of the general membership, Tom Hodgins, Chapter Vice President of Rodeo Operations, was appointed as our Rodeo Director for the 1994 L.A. RODEO.

Anyone wishing to get involved should call the Rodeo Hotline at (310) 498-1675, mail box number 801, or join us at the June meeting. Remember, this is **YOUR** chapter and your new Board of Directors needs your input, so come to a meeting and find out what's new!

We would all like to thank you for electing us as your new board. We look forward to a very good year together.

Steve Davis,
President, G.L.A.C.

State Board Meeting...

On Saturday, May 1st and Sunday May 2nd, 1993, the Annual Convention of the Golden State Gay Rodeo Association was held at the Hotel Indian Wells, and hosted by the Desert Empire Chapter.

Our chapter was well represented by 14 of our members. Our thanks to the gang from Palm Springs in producing so nice an event.

Congratulations are also in order for our own Chris "P.C." Hodgson who was elected to the position of State Secretary, and to Eric Pederson who was selected to represent our association as Mr. G.S.G.R.A. for the 1993/1994 term.

Host Hotel Survey...

As host hotel for the 1993 L.A. RODEO, The Burbank Airport Hilton Hotel is asking for your assistance. Anyone who stayed at the Hilton or visited the facilities during our recent G.L.A.C. Rodeo is encouraged to participate in a Guest Services Survey sponsored by the Hilton. If you would like to respond with any comments, compliments, complaints or any general observations, please call the Rodeo Hotline at 310-498-1675, mail box number 820 and the survey will be forwarded to you.

Rodeo Volunteer Party...

On Saturday, May 15th, G.L.A.C. hosted it's annual Rodeo Volunteer Party for the 1993 Rodeo Troopers. This years party was held at The Rawhide in burbank and was an overwhelming success. Many thanks to Michael DeYonker (1993 Rodeo Volunteer Committee Chair) and those who assisted in making this years party all that it was.

1994 Rodeo Poster Contest...

With the approach of the 10th annual Rodeo of the Greater Los Angeles Chapter of the Golden State Gay Rodeo Association, G.L.A.C. is hosting a RODEO 1994 Poster Contest. Entries must be received no later than 12 Noon, September 4, 1993. The winner will be awarded \$500 upon submission of fully separated, photo ready artwork. For more information on this contest call the Rodeo hotline at (310) 498-1675, mail box number 805.

Education Committee...

The education committee is currently seeking volunteers who may be interested assisting in the selection, organization and staffing of activities and classes. If you would like to join this committee, or have any suggestions for educational events please contact Sue Downing via the G.L.A.C. Rodeo Hotline at 310-498-1675, mail box number 810.

Membership Meeting...

The next general membership meeting of the Greater Los Angeles Chapter of G.S.G.R.A. will be held on June 5, 1993 at the offices of The Country Seven, located at 2925 East Anaheim Street, Long Beach Calif. The meeting will be called to order at 12 noon. If the meeting fails to make quorum, the meeting will be re-convened at 12:30 p.m.

Newsletter...

If you have an item that you would like to submit for publication in one of our upcoming newsletters, please call Ron Meisner at the Rodeo Hot line (310) 498-1675, Mail Box Number 815 and leave your name, phone number and a brief message as to content and Ron will return your call.

UPCOMING G.S.G.R.A. CHAPTER ACTIVITIES

JUNE

<u>DATE</u>	<u>CHPT/AREA</u>	<u>TIME/DAY</u>	<u>ACTIVITY/LOCATION</u>
2	SanDiego	7pm	General Membership Meeting @Offices
3	BayArea		General Membership & Roundtable Meetings @726 Vermont, SF
3	DesEmpire		Rodeo Roundtable Meeting (location t.b.a.)
5	SanDiego		Trail Ride
5	LAC	10am	General Membership Meeting @Hyperion, Silverlake
5	GLAC	Noon	General Membership Meeting @Country 7, Long Beach
6	SanDiego		Rodeo Playday @Kickers
7	SanDiego	7pm	Rodeo Roundtable Meeting @Offices
9	DesEmpire	7pm	General Membership Meeting (Desert Palms Inn)
10	BayArea		Rodeo Roundup Meeting @726 Vermont, SF
12	SanDiego	6pm	Bus trip to Spurs
13	STATE		State Board Mtg. @ Country 7, Long Beach
17	BayArea		Rodeo Roundup Meeting @726 Vermont, SF
17	DesEmpire		Rodeo Roundtable Meeting (location t.b.a.)
20	LAC	9am	Chapter 3rd-Sunday Horseback ride @Griffith Park Circle K Ranch
24	BayArea		Rodeo Roundup Meeting @726 Vermont, SF
26-27	LA/SF		Pride Festival/Parades, West Hollywood & San Francisco
28	LAC	7:30pm	Board Meeting @Tom & Angelo's house

JULY

<u>DATE</u>	<u>CHPT/AREA</u>	<u>TIME/DAY</u>	<u>ACTIVITY/LOCATION</u>
1-4	SanDiego		Campout - 2nd Chance Ranch
1	DesEmpire	7pm	Rodeo Roundtable Meeting-Festival (location t.b.a)
3	GLAC	Noon	General Membership Meeting (location t.b.a.)
7	SanDiego	7pm	Rodeo Roundtable Meeting @Offices
12	SanDiego	7pm	Rodeo Roundtable Meeting @Offices
14	DesEmpire	7pm	General Membership Meeting (location t.b.a)
15	LAC	7pm (Thursday)	General Membership Meeting @Moonlight Rollerway
15	DesEmpire	7pm	Rodeo Roundtable Meeting-Arena (location t.b.a)
17-18	SanDiego		San Diego Gay Pride
18	LAC	9am	Chapter 3rd-Sunday Horseback ride @Griffith Park Circle K Ranch
21	DesEmpire	7pm	Rodeo Committee Meeting (location t.b.a.)

I.G.R.A. 1993 RODEO DATES

<u>DATE</u>	<u>ASSOC./TIME/DAY</u>	<u>ACTIVITY/LOCATION</u>	<u>DATE</u>	<u>ASSOC./TIME/DAY</u>	<u>ACTIVITY/LOCATION</u>
JUNE			OCTOBER		
18-20	NSGRA	North Star Rodeo - Minneapolis Radlsson Hotel, St. Paul 800) 333-3333 (\$62)	1-3	ASGRA	Atlantic Stampede Sheraton Washington 202) 328-2900
JULY			21-24	IGRA	RODEO FINALS - Fort Worth, TX (Hotline: 817-496-1333)
2-4	CGRA	Rocky Mountain Rodeo - Denver Stouffers Concourse 303) 399-7500 (\$65)	NOVEMBER		
AUGUST			5-7	GSGRA	Desert Empire, Palm Springs Rodeo Riveria Resort Hotel 800) 444-8311
13-15	KGRA	Great Plains Regional Rodeo	19-21	TGRA	Texas Rodeo - San Antonio, TX
27-30	IGRA	IGRA Convention, Billings, MT			
SEPTEMBER					
3-5	MGRA	M.G.R.A. Rodeo - Kansas City			
3-5	NMGRA	Zia Rodeo - Albuquerque NM			
10-12	NWGRA	N.W.G.R.A. Rodeo - Seattle			
24-26	GSGRA	Greater San Diego Rodeo Marriott 800) 842-5329 Radlsson 619) 260-0111			
24-26	CGRA	Pikes Peak United Rodeo			