



THE OFFICIAL MEMBERSHIP NEWSLETTER OF



G.S.G.R.A.

Let a New Reign Begin.....



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California Gay Rodeo has many Queens but only one Mr and Miss. Pictured here are G.S.G.R.A. 's newly sashed Royalty, Sheba McEntire, our new "Miss" and David Medzarian our new "Mr."

Sheba (aka David Lyle Carter) who hails from the Bay Area and David, a Long Beach cowboy, will hold office for 15 months as we adjust our Royal Year to fit with that of I.G.R.A. Along with fellow contestants, Guy Johnson (Mr. 1st runner-up), Mrs. Olson (Nils Peterson, Miss, 1st Runner-up), and Miss Tina Sparkles Rhinestone (Tony Nicholson, Miss, 2nd runner-up) our Royalty raised (or helped to raise) more than \$12,000.00 on the way to earning their titles with Sheba taking the Special Award for a phenomenal total of \$9,303.00.

The contest was held in San Diego on Saturday July 8th with the Western Wear and Entertainment portions being held at "*Kicker's*" in the evening. (Thank you Kicker's). A packed house enjoyed the show and rumor has it that the party went on well into the wee hours of the morning. In fact, several noted people were conspicuous by there absence the next day and some showed up a tad late for other events. Not to worry though, another G.S.G.R.A. event was successfully presented without a single injury, protest or broken nail.

Producer, Director, Stage Manager, Video Operator and Chief Problem Sorter Outer, Amy Griffin out did herself but we have learned to expect that. The challenge now will be can she do even better and bigger next year. G.S.G.R.A. Inc. 8424A Santa Monica Blvd., Suite 250 West Hollywood, Ca 90069 (619)293-0666



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KEN CRAIG AKA SIERRA 1995 RODEO QUEEN

The Desert Empire Chapter Coyote Queen Contest held at the Streetbar on May 21 was a resounding success. To the cheers of the hundreds of spectators, the five contestants strutted their stuff, and what stuff it was!

Emcee, Marc Johnston, the 1994 Coyote Queen, kept the show moving at a quick pace, introducing the contestants with pizzazz and wit. Marc was joined by Jeffrey Magadanz, 1993 Coyote Queen, in a duet.

The contestants were: Alain Verville as Snow Cone, Richard Patino as Kyla Richardson, Doug Babin as Lola, Matthew Nugent as Beverly Hills and Ken Craig as Sierra.

"Sierra", the winner, wowed the audience with his renditions of Connie Francis and k.d. lang. Ken is a regular on Wednesdays and Fridays at the Streetbar when he performs his *Almost Patsy Cline* show. His audience is always amazed how much like Patsy Cline he really does sound.

In a high energy performance, Alain Verville as *Snow Cone* won first runner-up. His incredibly funny routine had the audience clamoring for more. The judges were Nancy Dolensek, Executive Director of the McCallum Theatre; Pam Gilligan, hostess of KESQ's Out With Pam show; Paul Bacon, coowner of the Vagabond Inn; and David Barter, owner of Bar Bia Graphics. Their job was certainly not an easy one.

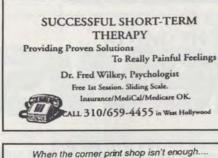
Over \$1400 was raised from contestant tips, 50/50 raffle, beer bust, BBQ and auction.

Bartender Sonny Kline undoubtedly offered the most unique item for auction. Ask President Larry McGee if it was worth the price! He bought it!

The monies raised far surpassed any amounts raised at any previous Coyote Queen Contest.

Events Chairman, Len Hickman is certainly to be congratulated on his arranging the occasion. Organizing the event was placed in the very capable hands of Skip Wilson who also did an outstanding job as chef and auctioneer.

The Desert Empire Chapter G.S.G.R.A. would like to thank Streetbar hosts, Dick Haskamp and Hank Morgan, for turning over their establishment for the day, sexy bartender Rand Riley and bar back Ricky and, last but not least, Skip Wilson for taking



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At The Palace Gate:

The following notice was posted at the gates of Buckinghsam Palace on Monday July 10, 1995

I can hardly believe that it happened, yet it feels so right. I look forward to the next fourteen months with excitement in my heart and strings on my pumps. Please use me, that's what I'm here for! Benefits, Fundraisers, Pancake Suppers, whatever, I'm yours.

I need to thank the following people for their support: Mr. BayArea Regional Rodeo '95 and my savior, Mr. Bill Swindle; Mr. Ray Chalker and the Rawhide II gang; and my favorite "pesky" lesbian and the person who taught me what being "Royalty" is all about, Ms.IGRA '95 (in California), Ms. Amy Griffin; and last but certainly not least, Mr. Jeff Hines for his help in filming my riding video.

So call me, I'm an equal opportunity drag queen.

Sheba McEntired Miss G.S.G.R.A. 95/96



We're online!

Horses and steers are loose on the information superhighway thanks to **James Rose**. Our chapter secretary has put GLAC on the World Wide Web. (For the cyber impaired, the Web is a fast-growing part of the Internet full of info from all over.

Rotation? What rotation?

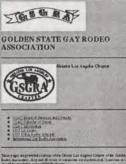
Come of you may be **D**wondering what ever happened to our habit of rotating meetings between Long Beach and Los Angeles. Well, we still rotate (though you wouldn't know if from our summer schedule). Because of conflicts involving L.A. pride and a GSGRA state board meeting, the June, July and August meetings had to be in Long Beach. But don't worry - we'll be back in Los Angeles for our September meeting!

Our "site" features lots of rodeo information, as well as schedules and much more — plus easy links to GSGRA-San Diego's site and the New Mexico Gay Rodeo Association's pages, too. Check it out at http://newton.physics.ucla. edu/~rose/rodeo.html

ROYAL CONGRATS

LAC was well-representated in 1995-96 GSGRA royalty contest — four of the five contestants were from our chapter! Our new Mr. GSGRA is your newsletter editor **David Medzerian**, with GLAC's **Guy Johnson** as runner-up. In the Miss competition, **Mrs. Olson** (aka Nils Peterson) is our first runner-up and **Tina Rhinestone** (aka Tony Nicholson) is second runner-up; our new Miss GSGRA is **Sheba McEntired** (David Lyle Carver) from the Bay Area Chapter. As we always say: Congratulations! Now get to work

Thanks to GLAC's **Amy Griffin** (Ms. GSGRA 1994-95) for a great contest; to Miss GSGRA 1994-95 **Wynonna Juggs** (GLAC's Ken Hart) for a super stepdown number; and to Amy, Ken and Mr. GSGRA 1994-95, **Steve Wollert**, for a terrific year!



R E M E M B E R! ATTEND THE CHAPTER MEETINGS!! VOLUNTEER!

on such a Herculean task and pulling it off with such aplomb.

The festivities concluded with a short speech from President Larry McGee thanking all who helped make the event a success. He was also presented with a surprise pledge of \$1000 from Dean Suzuki, who also supported last year's rodeo. Thank you, Dean!

DAP WINS GRANT

\$500 set aside from last year's rodeo has been awarded to the Desert AIDS Project. A letter from Kevin Honeycutt described DAP's need for funds and how these funds are used to provide many different services for its clients. After a short discussion, the membership overwhelmingly voted to grant the award to the DAP for client services. Marc Haupert, Executive Director of DAP, accepted the money presented by the DEGSGRA executive board.

AUGUST HAPPENINGS

 Ø 7 p.m, August 9: Membership Meeting at The Villa
 Ø 7 p.m. August 23: Board Meeting at the Villa

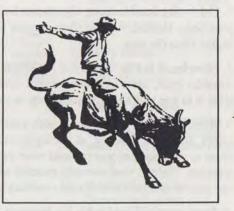
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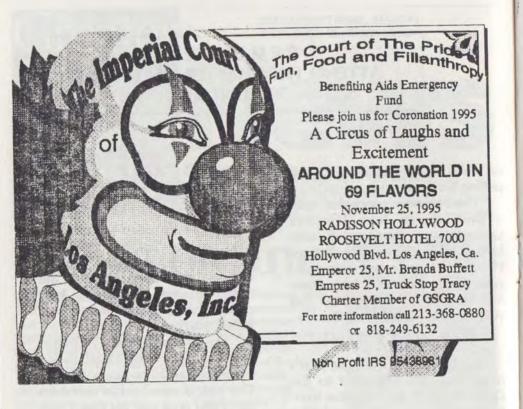
RODEO GROUNDS AND HOST HOTEL SELECTED

This year's rodeo will again be held at the Empire Polo and Equestrian Center in Indio. Many changes have been made to the rodeo grounds which will help make this coming event even better than the last.

The Radisson Resort in Indian Wells, formerly the Hotel Indian Wells, will again be our host hotel. The new ownership has opened a patio and pool side bar that is sure to be a favorite with our rodeo fans. Cowpokes, please take off your spurs while in the water!

More details will be available in our next newsletter.





Protect Your Back Brad Roberts, EMT, RxT

Lifting in awkward Situations...F.Y.I.

1. Odd- size loads. Long objects can be hard to carry. Don't hug them to your body. Instead, support them on your shoulder, keeping the front end higher than the rear.

2. Overhead loads. These can be difficult to lift. If the objectis above shoulder level, use a ladder to prevent over reaching. If it is under 25 lbs., slide it to you and hug it to your body as you descend.

3. **Reaching into a bin**. Stand with your feet shoulder width apart, bend your knees, and squat bending at the hips, not at your waist. Slide the object as close to your body as you can and raise yourself up using your leg and hip muscles. Tighten your stomach muscles as you lift and rest your knees against the side of thecontainer. Avoid reaching in and jerking the object out.

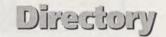
A final word: If the load is too heavy or hard to handle, use a handcart or get help.

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8/27 Chicago rodeo	28	29	30	31	1	9/2 Albu- querque and Kansa City rodeor
9/3 Albu- querque and Kansas City rodeos	4	5	6	7	8	9/9

CHAPTER MEETINGS
If quorum is not reached,
meeting will reconvene
30 minutes later

Noon Sat,	Noon Sat.,
Aug. 5,	Sept. 9,
at the GLAC	at the CSW
office at	office at 7925
Floyds, 2913	Santa Monica
E. Anaheim,	Blvd., West
Long Beach	Hollywood





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GLAC August 1995

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RODEO CONTESTANTS

For those contestants who wish to have accommodations close to the Del Mar Fairgrounds or to be closer to their horses, the San Diego Rodeo is offering through the Ramada Inn Solana Beach Hotel a great rate and only minutes away. The GSGRA-San Diego contracted rate is only \$65.00 (1-4 people), free parking and includes a continental breakfast. Kings and double/doubles are available. Make your reservations directly by phoning (619) 792-8200 and request the GSGRA-San Diego Rodeo rate.

RAWHIDE ROAD TRIP

GSGRA-San Diego Chapter is sponsoring a bus trip to the Rawhide Sunday, August 20, 1995 for a Sunday Beer and Beverage Bust and Dancing. The bus will board at 1:00 P.M. at the Marriot Hotel in Mission Valley with a return of approximately 10:30 P.M.. The cost of transportation is \$20.00 which includes a hotdog at the Rawhide. Beer and Beverage Bust is \$6.00 and runs from 4:00 P.M. to 8:00 P.M.. Tickets must be purchased by August 16, 1995. Call the Rodeo office at (619) 298-4708 for tickets or more information.

THANK YOU

Thank you to the following chapter members for their help and support during San Diego Pride weekend.

Parade Performing Flag Team - Jim Davis, Dave Stockman, Phil Baldwin, Jim Bergman, Lee Spurgin, Rick Hale, Don Sparks, Doug Kinney, Terry Kaminsky, Michele Chagnon, Mike Harlow, Herb Schultz, James Vanbebber, Bill Chapman, Michael Peters, JR Keys, Chris Gregory, George Moussally, Ron Drouin and Dan Bradford.

Parade Horse Team - Vince Coco, Rick Washburn, Larry Rose, Randy Funderburg, Jason Hott, Tom Hammond, Bill Parson, Glen Thompson, Mike Gavin, Mike Rocklin (and their new colt), Tom Curtin, Dave Pepper and Maryann.

Royalty - David Medzerian, Guy, Nils Peterson.

Rodeo Booth at the Festival - Doug Kinney, Robert Veres, James Vanbebber, Tom Galvin, Ron Drouin, Rick Hale, Don Sparks, Jay Wilpolt, George Moussally, Phil Baldwin, Terry Kaminsky, Dick Dotson, Mike Gavin, Jim Jennings, Nancy Novack, Michael Peters and Dan Bradford.

The Last Edition From the Present Editor Ken Willers Says Goodbye the Chute

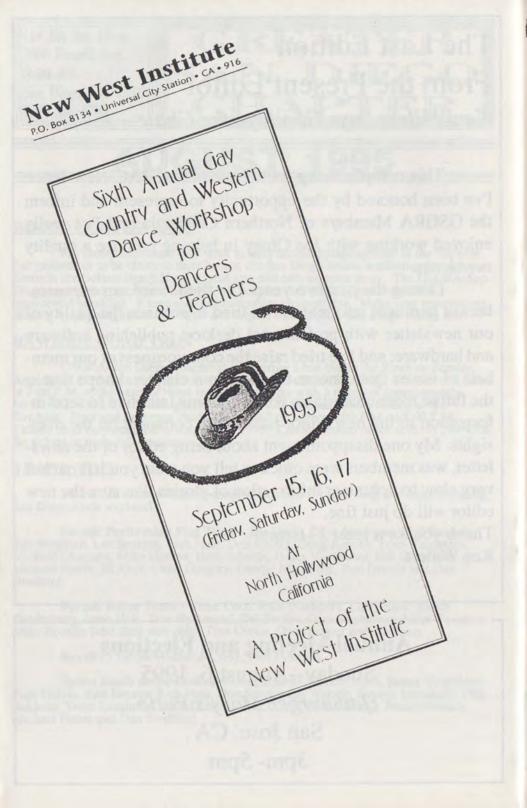
This completes my 24th issue of the BAC Newsletter. I've been honored by the opportunity to represent and inform the GSGRA Members of Northern California and I've really enjoyed working with Joe Olney in helping produce a quality newsletter.

During the past two years I've tried to inform our members of pertinent informatin; I've tried to enhance the quality of our newsletter with professional desktop publishing software and hardware; and I've tried raise the consciousness of our members of issues that concern them and our chapter. I hope that in the future more contestants will take some initiative to send information to the new editor rather than comment on the oversights. My one disappointment about being editor of the newsletter, was members were quick to tell you what you left out but very slow to volunteer information of stories. I'm sure the new editor will do just fine. Thank you for a great 24 issues!

Ken Willers

Annual Meeting and Elections

Sunday--August 6, 1995 Hamburger Mary's Patio San Jose, CA 3pm- 5pm



Without all of you great people, the things we do would not happen.

(Editor note: My apologies for any missed or misspelled names. I tried to make the list as accurate as memory allows)

SAN DIEGO RODEO TICKET PACKETS

San Diego Rodeo ticket packets are now available through mail order and at outlets in San Diego, Los Angles and Palm Springs. Packets include both Saturday and Sunday rodeos and the three hotel events. The price is now \$35.00. The weekend packages will be available at the listed outlet through Sunday, September 17, 1995. Mail orders must be postmarked by Saturday, September 9, 1995.

Send a self-addressed stamped envelope and credit card number to our San Diego address. For faster service, FAX us at (619) 298-4708.

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RAWHIDE	10937 Burbank Blvd., N.Hollywood, CA 91601 (818) 760-9798	
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TREASURE CHEST 4048 30th St., San Diego, CA

CALENDAR FOR AUGUST

2 th	7:00 P.M.	General Membership Meeting
9 th	7:00 P.M.	By Laws Committee Meeting
13 th		San Diego City Fest
14 th	7:00 P.M.	Officer & Chairs Meeting / Rodeo Roundtable Meetin
20 th	1:00 A.M.	Bus Trip to Rawhide
21 st	7:00 P.M.	Board Meeting
28 th	7:00 P.M.	Rodeo Roundtable Meeting



Rodeo Winners First Go-Around

Chute Dogging

Judy Galvan Marci Garcia Karen Beavers Kirk Carter

Calf Roping on Foot

Kirk Carter

Barrel Racing

Kirk Carter

Pole Bending

Wendy Bears-Child Ken Davis

Flag Race

Cindy McCormick 2nd place

Team Roping

Kirk Carter

Steer Decorating3rd placeKirk Carter2n4th placeMarci Garcia5n5th placeJudy Galvan5n3rd place5n5n

Judy Galvan 5th place Wild Drag Race

Frank Colvin1st placeScott Terry1st placeJudy Galvan1st placeKirk Carter2nd placeKen Davis4th placeWendy Bears-Child4th place

Goat Dressing

Ken Davis

2nd place

2nd place

5th place

My apologies to all contestants who didn't appear in last months BAC Newsletter.

What

- 1. Written Dance syllabus for the Weekend
- 2. Teaching skills
- 3. Teacher communications: Etiquette, Dance Creation, Copyrights, etc.
- 4. New Dances
- 5. Fancy Turns Two Step, shuffle
- 6. Teaching suggestions

Who

Recommended for experienced dancers and dance teachers interested in expanding their dance skills, materials, and teaching. Chance to discuss and compare Country and Western dancing in different parts of the world.

Schedule

Friday: 7:30-9:00 Teaching Skills

Saturday:

10-1	2 noon.	Workshop
12 -	1	Complimentary lunch
1:00		Workshop
2:00		Workshop
3:00		Workshop
8 - 1	2	Party
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10-1	1:30	Special Sessions
12 -	1:00	Complimentary lunch

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12 - 1:00	Complimentary lunch
1:00	Workshop
2:00	Workshop
3:00	Workshop
4:00	Hasta La Vista (Work-
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Send check or money order and order form to:

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3rd place

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4th place

4th place

2nd place

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CSC POSTPONES '96 RODEO

The Central Sierra Chapter Board of Directors has announced that the 1996 Rodeo Committee has decided to postpone the Fresno rodeo originally scheduled for March 22-24, 1996. Cindi Cortez, Vice-President of Rodeo Operations, reported to the general membership that the rodeo committee elected to postpone a full-scale rodeo until 1997. Cortez reported that the committee did not reach the funds required by the designated deadline as set forth in the State bylaws, in spite of a lot of hard work by Cindi and her committee. Cortez stated that the committee elected to hold the 1997 rodeo on May 16-18, 1997. Cindi and the rodeo committee will now gear their efforts toward the 1997 rodeo and a 1996 substitute event.

'96 SUBSTITUTE EVENT WILL BE PLANNED

Cindi Cortez reported to the general membership that the rodeo committee has elected to hold a scaled-down event in place of a full-scale rodeo. The event will be held on the same dates as originally scheduled for the '96 rodeo, March 22-24, 1996. Although no specific agenda has been set, the most likely event will be a gymkana, with invitations to all GSGRA contestants. Cortez advised that this event would give the local community the opportunity to see and learn more about the Rodeo Association.

VIDEO TAPE LIBRARY

All members are urged to take advantage of the Chapter's extensive video education library. Topics include:

\$ Team Penning
\$ Western Pleasure Riding
\$ Women's Breakaway Roping
\$ Roping Basics I
\$ Resistance-free Riding
\$ Leading and Loading Safely
\$ Techniques for All Riding Disciplines I thru IV
\$ Bull Riding Techniques

August 5

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August 19

CALENDAR

Rodeo Committee Meeting 4 PM at the Barn

General Membership Meeting 5 PM at the Barn

Fundraiser Dance and Roping Clinic 9 PM at the Barn

Fundraiser Dance - Watermelon Crawl 8 PM at the Barn





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