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CAPITOL CROSSROADS

Everybody — Come out to the desert for an evening of fun!

# The 1997 GSGRA Royalty Contest

Cheer on your favorite contestants for Mr. GSGRA, Ms. GSGRA and Miss GSGRA as they compete in

**Entertainment Public Presentation Western Wear** 

Saturday evening, Nov. 2 at Sundance Saloon (formerly Spurs) Cathedral City

Your hosts for the evening...

David Medzerian Mr. GSGRA 1995-96 and first runner-up

to Mr. IGRA 1996

Sheba McEntired Miss GSGRA 1995-96 and candidate for Miss IGRA 1997

Join your friends for a night of fun!

Royalty contest consists of Interview, Horsemanship, Entertainment, Public Presentation and Western Wear segments. All segments except Interview are open to the public. Horsemanship judging generally follows Interview during the afternoon. For more information on competition, contact GSGRA Vice President Phil Baldwin at (619) 456-2295.

# Last call for royalty contestants

This is it: Last call for contestants interested in running for 1997 Mr./Ms./Miss contestants. The competition is scheduled for Saturday, Nov. 2, but ...

Entries must be postmarked no later than Oct. 1!

For advice or general questions, get in touch with any of the current 1995-96 GSGRA royalty. To get the official contestant packet and entry form, contact state Vice President Phil Baldwin at (619) 456-2295. Good luck to everyone!

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# **GREATER LOS ANGELES CHAPTER**

# ► Trail ride, barbecue on Oct. 12

oin your rodeo friends and their pals on a GLAC-sponsored trail ride. Bring your horse or rent one; they're tame enough for everyone. Or just join us for the barbecue afterward. The ride will take place Saturday, Oct. 12, at the Osborne Riding Stables in Lake View Terrace.

HORSE RIDE: Meet at noon. Ride will be from about 12:30-2:30 p.m. Horse rental is \$25 (\$20 if we have more than 10 people); if you're renting a horse, please RSVP to Sue Downing at (714) 828-3438 by Oct. 7.

BARBECUE: Immediately afterward. Bring your own beverages of any type (but please, no alcohol before or during the ride). The cost is \$1 for children, \$3 for GSGRA members and \$5 for nonmembers.

### DIRECTIONS

- Take the 210 Freeway; exit at Osborne (Foothill).
- Go north, stay to your left because the road splits into Osborne and Foothill. Stay on Osborne and go about 1-1 <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> miles. Osborne Riding Stables (connected to the California Polo Club) will be on your left. FOR MORE INFORMATION: Call Sue Downing at (714) 828-3438.

# Rodeo poster artist is selected

Congratulations to graphic artist Sean Martin of Calgary, selected at the September chapter meeting to produce the 1997 L.A.

Rodeo poster. Sean's portfolio includes terrific work for this year's Calgary rodeo. He's sure to do great for for us, too!

# Short takes...

Now that summer is over, come on out to the next chapter meetings. We need your input to make sure Rodeo '97 is a success. (And don't worry - the meetings are shorter than the used to be!) The next meetings are at noon Saturday, Oct. 5, at The Center, 2017 E. Fourth St., Long Beach; and then at noon Saturday, Nov. 9, at the CSW office, 6855 Santa Monica Blvd., Suite 200, L.A. (Hmm: Both of our meeting places have parking in the rear...)

The coffee klatsch has a new location this month. Join us for an informal meal at 7 p.m. Wednesday, Oct. 16, at The Abbey, 692 N. Robertson Blvd., West Hollywood. The next coffee klatsches: Nov. 20 and Dec. 18.

Many prime rodeo committee chairs remain open; now is the perfect time to get started. Call Rodeo VP Joe Olney to let him know which one you want!

Submissions to the GLAC newsletter are always welcome; submissions are subject to editing for space or content, and must be submitted by the 15th of the month. 

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# CALENDAR

S	M	T	W	T	F	S
9/29	30	1	2	3	4	10/5 GLAC chapter meeting Long Beach
10/6	7	8	9	10	11	12
10/13	14	15 10/16 17 GLAC 7 pm coffee klatsch, The Abbey, W.Hwd.			18	10/19 IGRA Finals Rodeo, Albuquerq N.M.
10/20 IGRA Finals Rodeo, ouquerque N.M.	21	22	23	24	25	26
10/27	28	29	30	31	1	GSGRA board mto royalty co test, Paln Springs
11/3	4	5	6	7	8	11/9 Texas Gay Rodeo, Dallas

# **CHAPTER MEETINGS**

NOON SAT., OCT. 5, at The Center, 2017 E. Fourth St., Long Beach NOON SAT., NOV. 9, at the CSW office, 6855 Santa Monica Blvd., Suite 200, L.A.

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



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# September 1996 Volume 6

Newsletter of the Capital Crossroads Rodeo Association

LETS GET BUSY, THERE'S SO MUCH GOIN' ON A great big Howdy, and hello to our chapter's new members, they are: Mr. Tim Dean (transfer from the Bay Area), Ms. Alex Murray-Walker, Mr. Herb Smith, Mr. Michael Muir, and Mr. Sammy Van Gelder. We're all glad that we have these new members!!! The Chapter has a new voice mail phone number, it is (916) 491-1707. There is up to a two minute introduction with information and the ability to leave a message that will be returned as soon as possible.

<u>UPCOMING EVENTS</u> We have decided to move all of the chapter meetings to the 2nd Tuesday of each month. This will allow for greater flexibility, and possibly an EVEN BETTER TURNOUT OF CHAPTER MEMBERS. We'll see!!!

October 12th, the chapter is looking at hosting a Gymkhana, in the Sacramento or the Woodland area. One of our "prospective" members is willing to assist us in this endeavor. You know who you are, and we'd like to say THANK YOU, in advance.

Something NEW and exciting is going to be a rodeo chapter "CASINO NITE", scheduled for November 9th and 10th at the Townhouse Bar, UPSTAIRS. We'd also like to thank Steve/Stacey for the brilliant idea! Sounds like fun "Don't it"?????? Well, if you want to try your luck at poker, craps, blackjack, and all that fun "Reno" stuff, com'on down and join us!

CALENDAR HERE NOW ARE SOME GOOD OLE' COWBOY AND COWGIRL UP AND COMIN' EVENTS LISTED BELOW FOR THE RODEO CHAPTER.... YOU ASKED, WE GAVE THREE MONTH'S WORTH OF UP AND COMING EVENTS. WE'LL SUPPLY YOU EACH MONTH WITH PHONE NUMBERS AND DIRECTIONS, IF NECESSARY, OF UPCOMING EVENTS FOR THE NEXT THREE MONTHS!!!!!

September:

\*\*\*September 26-29 -- San Diego Rodeo Call (619)-298-4708 for information.

October:

\*\*\*October 8 (Second Tuesday of the month) - Chapter meeting at Faces Bar 7:00 p.m.

Call To find out what time well be starting, getting directions, and registration amounts, or for any other information (916) 451-9439. C.C. Rodeo hotline.

- \*\*\*October 17-20 -- IGRA FINALS Albuquerque New Mexico. Call (505) 255-5045 for info. November:
- \*\*\*November 2 and 3 GSGRA STATE BOARD MEETING (PALM SPRINGS). State competition for Mr., Miss and Miz. GSGRA.
- \*\*\*November 9 and 10 Capital Crossroads Casino Nite at the Townhouse. DETAILS TO FOLLOW SOON!!!!!!!!!!!
- \*\*\*November 12 (Second Tuesday of the month) Chapter meeting at Faces Bar 7:00 p.m. December:
- \*\*\*December 3rd Chapter meeting at Faces Bar 7:00 p.m.

\*\*\*\*December 6th -- CAPITAL CROSSROADS CHRISTMAS HOLIDAY PARTY!!!!!!!

Place and time to be announced later on. I'm working with a local hotel to make a nice weekend package out of it! Dancing. Drinking. Dating. Doing Line Dances. Checkin' out them tight Wranglers, hot lookin' hats, boots, and all that other fun stuff! Sounds like fun? Wanna help me organize? Call me at (916) 456-5917.

### PRESIDENT'S CORNER

To those of you on our 'interested' list, this will be your first taste of my writing abilities. (Reminder: we only keep you on the list for 3 months, so join up -- or I may write about you!) For you members, your stuck with me. On a serious note, I as well as the new officers for the 96-97 year, thank you for your support and vote of confidence. As many of you may know, one of the "surly" seven who decided to do more than talk about it when it came to starting a rodeo association in the Sacramento area, Tom Kennedy, is moving to Seattle to work for the King County Sheriff's Department. I wonder if there was more to it when he would say: "I wouldn't mind riding posse with him!" ?? Anyway, he will be sorely missed but guarantees he will still have his say-so even if it is long distance. I am extremely happy to say that Clemente' Enriquez has accepted the challenge of Tom's job as Vice-President, Public Relations.

The last month has been busy! Mike Muir, one of our newest members took us on a tour of his barn. And you should see (I know what your thinking) the loft, with dance floor, sound booth, and one large owl. I can't wait to have that barn dance, keep watching for details. In the meantime your officers will keep you on top of things with a three-month calendar and of course my friendly reminder. This month will see us put on our first Gymkhana, October 12th. We will have riding instruction in the morning and two classes of riding competition in the afternoon. So if you have always wanted to try, now is your chance! Come on out, we may have a few extra horses on hand. I know a couple of our new members plan to show their stuff, Sammy Van Gelder, Tim Dean, Herb Smith, and Tim Costello (no he's not new, he's OLD) and if you thought I forgot, hopefully, Robin Hayes, Annie, Alex, Maggie, Becca, Sandy, Helen, Tammy .... you get the picture. See you there! A special note to Alex, get better soon your gonna be our clown!?

P.S. I want to say a special welcome to all our new members, who have sent us over that 50 member mark, and growing stronger with there participation.

### REMEMBER CHAPTER MEETINGS THE SECOND TUESDAY OF THE MONTH

TIDBITS Sammy Van Gelder is running for Mr. GSGRA and needs to raise \$500 for local charities in order to be eligible for competition. Donations will be gladly accepted to the Chapter's PO Box or directly to Sammy. Donations need to be received by November 1. This is a tax deductible donation and a receipt will be provided to you. So, please be sure to clearly print your name and address so the receipt can be returned to you. All donations will be greatly appreciated.

Michael Muir is seeking volunteers, men and women, in assisting him in selling 8 horses with equipment. Mike needs assistance with handling and watching the horses during the sale. The event is November 8 and 9 at the Stanislaw County Fair Grounds in Turlock, California. Mike will take care of any volunteers that help. For further information call Mike Muir at (916) 666-4665.

Lastly, we would like to send our sincerest congratulations to Amy Griffin of the GSGRA Rodeo Board of Directors for her election to Vice President of IGRA!!!!!!!! YOU GO GIRL!!!!!!!!!!!!

Your Cowboy Quote of the Month is: "BULL RIDING IS AKIN TO RIDING A TORNADO, RIDE EM COWBOY!."

THAT'S IT FOR THE MONTH, SEE YOU ALL NEXT MONTH!!!!! REGARDS, BRIAN

# The Capital Crossroads Chapter of G.S.G.R.A.

# PRESENTS GYMKHANA PLAYDAY 1996

October 12, 1996 Sacramento Horseman's Association Arena

9:00 a.m. Registration Opens

9:30 a.m.--11:30 a.m. Horsemanship Classes "Learn to handle and ride a Horse

12 noon--1:00 p.m. LUNCH TIME

1:00 p.m. -- 5:00 p.m. SPECIAL EVENTS

\*\* Open Barrel Race

\*\* Open Key Hole Race

\*\* Open Pole Bending

\*\* Open Baton Race

\*\* Open Flag Race

\*\* Egg Race

\*\* Surprise Events

\*\* Jr. Barrel Race

\*\* Jr. Kev Hole Race

\*\* Jr. Pole Bending

\*\* Jr. Baton Race

\*\* Jr. Flag Race

\*\* Goat Dressing

Bring your KIDS, Family, Horses, and Ponies. This is open to all People of all ages, and all skill levels. Come on "out" and have a great time. We'll guarantee that ya'all will!!!!!!!!!!

Event Admission Charges are:

\$3.00 for junior categories \$5.00 for open registration

If interested in volunteering and for further information, PLEASE CALL (916)-491-1707

Beer Bust sponsored by the Capital Crossroads Rodeo Chapter to follow at Joseph's Town and Country/The Bolt, at 3514 Marconi Ave., Sacramento, California (916)-483-1220

Congratualtions to all the DO YOU California men and women who KNOW have been invited to the WHAT THE I.G.R.A.Finals Rodeo HOTTEST TICKET IN Now go TOWN WILL BE OCTOBER IN THE COLD. INFORMATIO NCALL (505)255-5045

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10TH ANNUAL IGRA FINALS RODEO

October 17-20, 1996 Albuquerque, New Mexico ADMIT ONE

Rough Rider News

ROYALTY CANDIDATES FUNDRAISER

The candidates for the 1997 Central Sierra Royalty will be selling raffle tickets to help raise funds in order to qualify to run for the titles of Mr. Ms and Miss Central Sierra Chapter. The raffle will take place on December 7, 1996, this is also the night of the chapters Christmas Ball, and the competition for the royalty titles. The drawing will take place before the entertainment portion of the competition. 1st prize is a \$100.00 gift certificate at Macy's, 2nd prize is \$75.00 gift certificate to Gottschalk's, 3rd prise \$50.00 U.S. Savings Bond, 4th prize a home made saddle rack. Tickets are \$5.00 a piece, and can be purchased at the biweekly Dances.

# Pride Parade 97

CSC President, L.J. Carr-Flores, and V.P James Flores-Carr, attended the Fresno Lesbian and Gay Pride Committee (FLAGPC) meeting on September 11, 1996. FLAGPC is responsible for the Gay Pride Parade in the Central Valley. They attended the meeting, in efforts to educate the committee on the rodeo association and with the up coming events planned for the chapter. The 1997 Pride Parade was discussed, with strong encouragement by the CSC pair, on moving the Pride Parade to another month. The Committee was very opened to the ideal of moving the parade to either May or October. FLAGPC would like to see the Rodeo Association represented at the next parade. The CSC pair fill that the parade will be moved to October. Chalk one up for us. The Board Of Directors encourage the CSC membership to attend future meetings of valley organizations as representatives of the CSC, if any members would like to represent the chapter at other organizations please contact the Board of Directors to find out meeting schedules of other organizations.

RODEO REBA
BALL
SATURDAY
OCTOBER 26, 1996

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# COWROUS AND BEARS OH MY!

The CSC and Golden State Bears, began negotiating on a joint fund-raisers between the two organizations. The Presidents of both organizations announced that November will be the month and a date has not been set. One event considered is a canned food drive with a pot luck, or dance to follow. The Bears have agreed to make event announcements at their meetings, in return the CSC will also make announcements for the Bears. Also negotiated was to utilize the Bears expertise on setting up a Web page for the CSC. If your interested on the Bears and you have a computer check their Web page out www.cybergate.com/~gsbears.

# CALENDAR

21Barn Dance @ 8:00 p.m. 22GSBears beer bust call 323-4206 28Indoor Rodeo & Dance @ 8:00 p.m. 29Folsom Street Fair

# october

2FLAGPC meeting @ 7:00 Dennys 528-3586
5CSC General Meeting @7:00 p.m. Dance following
7IDC meeting
25 ISE Halloween Party Vsl 528-3586
26Rodeo Reba Ball @ 8:00 p.m. cost \$10.00
27FLAGPC Halloween Party Fresno (\$10.00)

### THE DESERT HOWLER

### OCTOBER 1996

PRESIDENT: Ken Beaton
SECRETARY: Christopher Musser TREASURER: Judy Galloway
EDUCATION: Allen Rankin / Ron Jesser

### FROM THE EDITOR:

I would like to take this time to apologize for not getting a column in the state newsletter for the past few months.

We have been very busy here in the Desert. With the up coming Rodeo in San Diego and our own Rodeo in November, things have been a little hectic.

The Chapter would like to thank all those members that participated in the Grand Entry at the San Diego Rodeo.

### SPECIAL EVENTS:

Halloween is coming up at the end of this month and is sure to be a party time. Get into your costume and join the Desert for a Howling Good Time.

The Desert Empire is **VERY PROUD** to be hosting the State Meeting in November and also the State Royalty Contest.

These events will be held in conjunction with our HOEDOWN 96 on November 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

We have a kickoff party planned for Friday, 1st November. To begin the weekend we will be having a Beer / Soda Bust and the official crowning of Miss Tippi the 1997 Coyote Queen at Sundance Saloon. The events begin at 9:00 p.m. and continue until 2:00 a.m.

On Saturday the Chapter will be hosting a luncheon for the State Board, followed by the States Crowning of the Mr. Ms. & Miss G.S.G.R.A. 1997. After the crowning the party will begin with a beer/soda bust, BBQ, dancing, drawings throughout the evening, including the drawing for the 1995 WILD STEER BUCKLE that was not awarded at Rodeo 95. This Buckle is Gold, Silver and Tourquise with a Coyote in the Center. If your interested in getting in on the drawing for the buckle, tickets are \$1.00 each and you do not have to be present. You can call (619) 770-9915 or send your cheque along with the number of tickets to THE NEWSLETTER 37982 DaVall Drive, Rancho Mirage, California 92270. Make cheques payable to THE DESERT EMPIRE CHAPTER G.S.G.R.A.. Your tickets will be automatically entered into the drawing and sent to you for your records.

On Sunday, join everyone at Sundance for their weekly Beer/Soda bust from 4:00 til 9:00 and enjoy the crowd. There is also a BBQ on the patio beginning at 4:00.

GAY PRIDE PALM SPRINGS is coming up the second weekend in November. Last year was a lot of fun. Remember, the weather is GREAT this time of year. We hope to see ya'all there.

Look for the SUNDANCE SALOON & DESERT EMPIRE CHAPTER FLOAT featuring members of the Chapter and local dancers from Sundance Saloon. The float will be lead by Luigi of the Sundance Saloon and Miss Tippi Coyote Queen 1997

We hope to see EVERYONE in November. If you need any information regarding Hoedown 96, hotels or Gay Pride feel free to contact the Newsletter or call (619) 770-9915.

Until next month!!!

### A SIMPLE GUIDE TO THE PERSONALS

Independent Thinker... Crazy. Outrageous... likely to indulge in dangerous behavior. High-Spirited... Crazy, hyperactive, and throws things. Free-Spirited ... Crazy and irresponsible. Ample...Large. Huggable... Large. Zaftig...REALLY Large. Fat and Sassy...Large and loudmouthed. Slender... Skinny. Svelte... Anorexic. Petite (I am)... Short. Petite (you are)... Size 2. Dynamic... Pushy. Assertive... Pushy with a mean streak. Excited About Life's Journey... No concept of reality. Moody ... Manic-depressive. Unpredictable... Manic-depressive and off medication. Soulful.... Manic-depressive and quiet. Poetic....Manic-depressive and boring. Looking for Mr/Ms Right... Looking for Mr/Ms Rich. Uninhibited... Lacking basic social skills. Irreverent... Mean and lacking basic social skills. Aging Child... Selfcentered adult. Freedom-loving.. Undependable. Young at Heart... Over-40. Youthful . Over-50 and in major denial. Chatty... Never shuts up. Humorous.. Watches too much TV and never shuts up. Financially secure (I am)... Has a job. Financially secure (you are)... Rich. Affectionate ... Horny. Romantic... Horny. Passionate... REALLY horny.

# FOR SALE

## A WORKING GIRL WHO LOVES TO WORK

This young lady is looking for a new home. She is a 3 year old Red Dun who started out as a weanlin for a 4H, 12 and under project, in halter and Western Pleasure. She won Blue at the Kansas State Fair Western Pleasure Futurity as a two year old and has just started working on the barrel and pole paterns. Great on trail rides and currently being used as a begginers lesson horse, this girl needs a job and loves to work.

If you think this is the horse for you, call Sunny Rose at (805)245-9653.

# President and Mrs. Clinton To Chair October Quilt Display Host Committee

By Scott Williams

resident Bill Clinton and First Lady
Hillary Rodham Clinton have agreed to
serve as Co-Chairs of the Honorary
Host Committee for the display of the entire
AIDS Memorial Quilt in Washington, D.C.,
which will occur October 11-13, 1996. This is
the first time a U.S. president has served in a
such a capacity for a display of the entire Quilt.

The Honorary Host Committee for the display includes notable American figures from the worlds of entertainment and the arts, politics, sports, religion, and AIDS research. Among those participating are: U.S. Senators Barbara Boxer, Dianne Feinstein, Orrin Hatch, and Edward Kennedy; U.S. Representatives Nancy Pelosi, Gerry Studds, Steve Gunderson, and Barney Frank; actors Ted Danson and Mary Steenburgen; ice skater Rudy Galindo; philanthropist James Hormel; TV producer Norman Lear; actress Judith Light; Olympic diving champion Greg Louganis; Harvard AIDS Institute leader Jonathan Mann, M.D., M.P.H.; country-western singer Kathy Mattea; former New Republic editor Andrew Sullivan; entertainer Lily Tomlin; AIDS researcher Paul Volberding, M.D.; The Most Rev. Edmond L. Browning, Presiding Bishop of the Episcopal Church; and the Rev. Cecil Williams of Glide Memorial Church in San Francisco.

"We are deeply honored that President and Mrs. Clinton are participating in this historic event," said Michael Berg, President of the NAMES Project Foundation Board of Directors. "The leadership they demonstrate through their affiliation with this display of the entire AIDS Memorial Quilt sends a message to our nation that the U.S. government has a strong, central role in helping us reach that time when the last panel will be made for this Quilt."

On the weekand of October 11-13, 1996, hundreds of thousands of peopple will converge on our nation's capital to participate in the largest AIDS awareness event in history. Just weeks before the presidential and congressional elections, the NAMES Project has planned a full weekend of activities designed to ensure that AIDS is made a top priority on our nation's agenda.

As 45,000 AIDS Memorial Quilt panels
- 15 city blocks of fablic - are unfolded,
the names of the dead will ring out over
the open expanses of the National Mall.
Over the course of the weekend,
Volteers will read more the 70,000
names from teh Quilt, more names than
appear on the nearby Vietnam War
Memorial.

This monumental event will be the combined efforts of over 10,000 volunteers. Whether your re an experienced NAMES Project volunteer, or someone who has only see the Quilt on television, The NAMES Project needs you. Together we can make a difference.



AIDS Memorial Quilt

### The NAMES Project Foundation

310 Townsend Street, Suite 310 San Francisco, CA 94107 Phone: (415) 882-5500 Fax: (415) 882-6200



Reproduced from "On Display" a publication of the NAMES Project. For more information about the AIDS Memorial Quilt display in Washington, D.C. please contact the NAMES Project..

Golden State Gay Rodeo Association 4226 East 15th St. Long Beach, CA 90804

Dear Panel Maker,

On October 11-13, the NAMES Project Foundation will display the entire AIDS Memorial Quilt in Washington, D.C., in what will be the single largest AIDS-awareness event in history. By blanketing the National Mall from the base of the Washington Monument to the steps of the Capitol Building, we will show our nation and our leaders the terrible toll of AIDS on our society. The Quilt will be nearly a mile in length.

As a panel maker, you are an important part of the NAMES Project family. We hope you are planning to attend the display to see the panel you have made and to be part of this historic event. We have included a volunteer form for you or for family or friends who may be coming to Washington, D.C.

The Mall is a mile long, covers 12 city blocks and is served by seven different subway stops. Please use the information below to plan the easiest route for you to follow to the Mall. Because you are listed as the primary panel maker for the panel listed below, this information is being sent only to you. Please share it with family or friends who may be coming to the display.

Name on Panel: Thomas Laverne "Navy Tom" Hodgins

Quilt Block Number: 4133
Display Locator Number: 1216

Closest Landmark: National Gallery, East Wing

Closest Metro Stop: Federal Center SW

There will be a display map printed in the free event program, at information tents, as well as available on kiosks located throughout the display site. Volunteers will also be available to help you locate this panel and any others you wish to see.

Thank you for your support of the AIDS Memorial Quilt and the NAMES Project. We value the love and care you invested in the panel you created, and are proud to give you the opportunity to see this panel in the fifth display of the entire Quilt.

Sincerely,

The NAMES Project Foundation

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# GREATER SAN DIEGO CHAPTER

# OCTOBER1996

# IMPORTANT DATE - NOVEMBER 6 ELECTION OF OFFICERS

At the general membership meeting on November 6, there will be elections for all officers for the San Diego chapter. All offices are open. They are as follows:

President
Vice-President - Admin
Vice-President - Rodeo
Secretary
Treasurer
Member of the Year

Your name can be presented to the nominating committee headed up by Vince Coco, or nominations will be accepted from the floor that night. You can nominate yourself. Anyone wishing to be on the board must have been a member in good standing for the past 6 months.

### **CHAPTER DINNER - NOVEMBER 16**

This year the chapter dinner will take place at the Bayou Bar & Grill, 329 Market St., Downtown SD., 696-8747. The cost to members is \$15.00 and non-members is \$25.00.

There will be a 3 course dinner, fun, awards, fun, prizes, and more fun!!!

J.J. Jennings is headed up this effort and we'd like to thank him for all his leg work. If you have any questions, he is happy to answer them. Please stay tuned to the newsletter for further updates next month.

# **SEE YOU THERE!!!!**

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### **EVENTS CALANDER**

### **OCTOBER**

- 2 General Membership Meeting
- 4-6 Washington DC Rodeo
- 16 Rodeo Roundtable 1996 Rodeo Follow-up
- 18-20 IGRA Finals Rodeo Albuquerque NM
- 23 Rodeo Committee & Chairs

### **NOVEMBER**

- 7 General Membership Meeting Election of Officers
- 16 Chapter Dinner Bayou Bar & Grill

Since this will publish during the San Diego Rodeo, this is an early

# THANK YOU

to everyone involved, for your time, energy, and talents. We hope it is a safe, exciting, fun, and rip-roaring rodeo for everyone.

Hope to see you there!!!!!!



Paintings of the popular California artist (and member of G.S.G.R.A.)

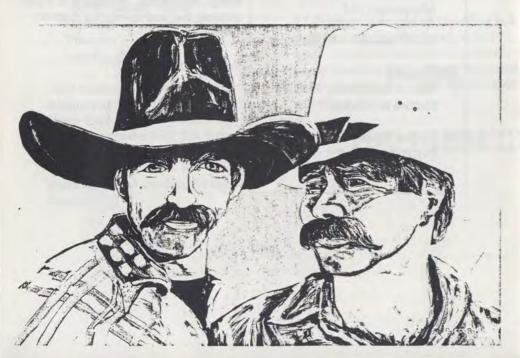
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